

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

**Minutes of Meeting No. PF5 of the Tauranga Moana / Te Arawa
Ki Takutai Partnership Forum held on 2 October 2018
in the Council Chamber, Barks Corner
commencing 10.00am**

Present

Iwi Representatives

Reon Tuanau (Ngai Te Rangī) (Co-Chairperson), Anthony Wihapi (Ngati Moko) (Co-Chairperson), Raiha Biel (Tapuika Iwi Authority), Tania Turner (Ngati Whakahemo), Elva Conroy (Ngati Tuheke), Matire Duncan (Ngā Potiki), Roland Kingi (Ngati Pīkiao), Nessie Kuka (Ngai Tuwhiwhia), Buddy Mikaere (Ngati Pukenga), Riki Nelson (Ngati Te Wai), Maria Horne (Ngati Whakaue), Manu Wihapi (Tuhourangi), Carlton Bidois (Ngati Ranginui) and Hemi Paki (Tauaiti)

Councillors

His Worship the Mayor G J Webber (Deputy Chairperson), G Dally, M Dean, M Lally, P Mackay, D Marshall, J Palmer, and J Scrimgeour.

In Attendance

M Taris (Chief Executive Officer), R Davie (Group Manager Policy, Planning and Regulatory Services), P Tapsell (Workforce Development and Cultural Advisor), C Nepia (Māori Relationships and Engagement Advisor), C Ertel (Project and Design Engineer Team Leader), R Woodward (Communications Advisor), M Parnell (Governance Advisor), and F Sweeney (Democracy Management Advisor)

The Forum was opened with a mihi and waiata from Reon Tuanau Chair for the meeting and a karakia from Manu Wihapi.

Apologies

Apologies for lateness from Councillor Scrimgeour and for absence from Councillors Marsh and Thwaites, and Members Bob Leef (Ngati Taka), Tiki Bluegum (Ngai Tamawhariua), Wiremu Matthews (Ngai Tamarawaho), Kevin Tohiariki (Te Whanau o Tauwhao), and Julie Shepherd (Te Runanga o Pirirakau) were received. It was noted that Councillors Murray-Benge and Williams were on leaves of absence.

Resolved: Nessie Kuka / Matire Duncan

THAT the apologies for lateness from Councillor Scrimgeour and absence from Councillors Marsh and Thwaites, and Members Bob Leef (Ngati Taka) Tiki Bluegum (Ngai Tamawhariua), Wiremu Matthews (Ngai Tamarawaho), Kevin Tohiariki (Te Whanau o Tauwhao), and Julie Shepherd (Te Runanga o Pirirakau) be accepted.

PF5.1 **Minutes of Meeting No. PF4 of the Tauranga Moana / Te Arawa Ki Takutai Partnership Forum Held on 5 June 2018**

The Tauranga Moana / Te Arawa Ki Takutai Partnership Forum considered the minutes of meeting no. PF4 of the Tauranga Moana / Te Arawa Ki Takutai Partnership Forum held on 5 June 2018 as circulated with the agenda. It was noted that Maria Horne was the mandated representative for Ngati Whakaue and that Liam Tapsell was the alternate.

The Forum was advised that an outcome had been reached around the bylaw in regard to Tuapiro Point, and Ngati Te Wai were happy with the result reached to protect some areas of kai moana, and feedback from the hapū was that they were reasonably happy. Riki Nelson also thanked Council for a pragmatic and reasonable decision and staff for their work on this project.

Resolved: Councillors Mackay / Marshall

THAT the minutes of the Tauranga Moana / Te Arawa Ki Takutai Partnership Forum meeting PF4 held on 5 June 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

PF5.2 **Presentation from Aecom - Eastern Stormwater Catchment Plan Review**

The Partnership Forum considered a presentation from Ariell King and Bob Shaw from Aecom on the Eastern Stormwater Catchment Plan. Coral-Lee Ertel introduced the speakers. Bob Shaw and Ariell King spoke to a PowerPoint presentation on the Eastern Stormwater Catchment Plan review.

In response to questions they advised as follows:

- There had not yet been any direct engagement with the Regional Council at this stage, however the Regional Council were aware that the consultation process was underway from the District Council.
- Today was part of the beginning of the Iwi consultation.
- There had been an invitation to have consultation with relevant iwi by way of letters and email but there had not been a strong response so this forum was a way to raise awareness.
- The consents were for the urban areas but the monitoring was being done either side of the urban areas to establish the base line for the streams.

- The consent does not address any issues but to consolidate the 30+ consents, and would address current levels of service.
- The first step was to understand the situation and then to target issues of concern.
- So far there had been meetings with the Maketu and Te Puke Community Boards and the Pukehina Ratepayers Association to get guidance on who to consult with in those communities, in addition to open days and specific stakeholder contact. Notices were also sent out to iwi as identified by Council.
- The project had not yet reached the stage of identifying the standards and compliance requirements but these would be part of the document lodging the application for the consent.
- The objective of the plan was to lift the standard and quality of the fresh water.
- Location of stormwater ponds and wetlands would be the next stage.
- The key thing for this project was to ensure there was a fair capture of cultural values of iwi in the consent.

It was noted that this forum was not the appropriate place for iwi consultation and the Council should be approaching iwi directly for those involved in this consent.

It was also noted that when Tauranga City used a similar process the consent was challenged as iwi concerns were not addressed. It was also noted that effects of stormwater went across several catchments. The majority of iwi concerns were environmental and information was needed as to the baseline impacts of runoff from industrial and urban areas.

The Chair summarised the presentation noting that there was a desire to see strong reference to cultural values, and a request for direct discussion with the Te Arawa representatives on this process which will be facilitated with the help of the Takawaenga team. He thanked the presenters for their attendance and information.

10.50am The forum adjourned for morning tea.
11.10am The forum reconvened.

PF5.3 **Partnership Engagement Agreements**

The Partnership Forum considered a report from the Māori Relationships and Engagement Advisor dated 2 October 2018 as circulated with the agenda. The Māori Relationships and Engagement Advisor and Workforce Development and Cultural Advisor gave a powerpoint presentation on the partnership engagement agreements, noting that the decision to adopt the agreements would be deferred to give the Iwi more time to consider the proposals.

In responding to questions the following matters were clarified:

- This form of agreement was intended to support work at the operational level, and future meetings would address the Mana Whakohono ā Rohe agreements agreements.
- Te Ara Mua was at a higher level and this was more about how Council would work with Iwi on a project level.
- There was a desire for consistency with Council's work with iwi and hapū
- This was not intended to be an all encompassing document but was aimed at a specific project level.
- Once this Council got to work through a Mana Whakohono ā Rohe agreement some of the issues raised would be addressed at a higher level.
- The document did not solely relate to cultural monitoring, but contained a cultural monitoring element.
- Either party (Council or Tangata Whenua) could instigate use of the agreement.

In discussion of the document, the following points were made:

- Ngati Ranginui iwi had not been involved in the Tauriko discussions and raised that concern that this had not occurred with consultations focussed on hapū.
- Tauranga City Council also had an engagement protocol which this did not address.
- At a governance level the overarching structure for appropriate consultation was yet to be addressed.
- The RMA stipulates engagement with iwi and the cultural issues between iwi and hapū should be left to Tangata Whenua.
- The agreement was simple and easy to read and use.
- Council did not have the right to stipulate who should sort out issues between iwi and hapu, and this should not be put on a single kaumatua.
- The intent was to establish mutual respect.
- Areas of interest needed to be addressed in the document.
- Perhaps Iwi could provide nominations for cultural monitoring (an approved list).

11.30am Councillor Scrimgeour entered the forum.

More time would be allowed for Tangata Whenua to go through the document and feedback would come back to Council in due course to ensure confidence in signing off the document.

It was noted that this morning's example of the request for engagement on the stormwater catchment was an example of where such an agreement could be used.

It was suggested that there be a workshop to move the agreement forward and that members of the Tauriko project should participate to

show how such agreements could work, including the opportunity for all to review documentation prior to the workshop.

It was agreed that Council staff establish a date for a workshop convenient for all to progress this mahi.

Resolved: Matire Duncan / Maria Horne

THAT the Māori Relationships and Engagement Advisor's report dated 2 October and titled Partnership Engagement Agreements be received.