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RURAL COMMITTEE

Komiti Taiwhenua



RUR8
Tuesday, 10 April 2018
Council Chambers
Barkes Corner, Tauranga
9.30am

Notice of Meeting No RUR8 Te Karere

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His Worship the Mayor

G J Webber

Councillors:

K Marsh (Chairperson)

M Dean (Deputy Chairperson)

G Dally M Lally P Mackay

D Marshall

M Murray-Benge

J Palmer

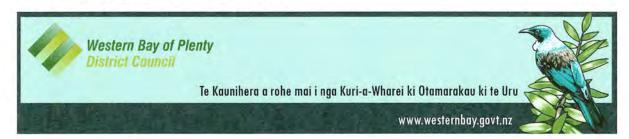
J Scrimgeour

D Thwaites

M Williams

Media Staff

Miriam Taris
Chief Executive Officer
Western Bay of Plenty District Council



Rural Committee Delegations Mangai o Te Kaunihera

Quorum:

The quorum for this meeting is six members.

Role

Subject to compliance with Council strategies, policies, plans and legislation:

- To represent the interests of the rural community.
- To consider and report on any matter of interest or concern to the rural community.
- To undertake responsibilities as delegated by Council or its Committees.

Delegated Functions

- To report and make recommendations to Council and its Committees in accordance with their delegated functions on issues facing respective rural communities to promote public participation and communication within respective communities.
- To undertake tasks, powers and functions as may be delegated by Council or its Committees in accordance with their delegated functions from time to time.
- To provide an effective mechanism for the rural community's feedback to Council on strategic issues (e.g. transport, fresh water, employment.)
- To develop relationships on behalf of Council with rural sector organisations including but not limited to:
 - Federated Farmers
 - Hort New Zealand
 - NZKGI
 - Avo Industry Council and NZ Avocado Growers Association
 - Te Puke Fruit Growers Association
 - NZ Deer Association
 - Rural Contractors (eg Maize, silage, kiwifruit, transport etc)
 - Passionfruit Growers Association
 - NZ Foresters
 - Forest and Bird
 - Fish and Game Council
 - NZ Deer Stalkers Assn
 - Rural Tourism Operators (Including accommodation)
 - Road Transport Association

Other:

The Committee may without confirmation by Council exercise or perform any function, power or duty relating to those matters delegated by Council in like manner, and with the same effect, as the Council could itself have exercised or performed them.

The Committee may delegate any of its functions, duties or powers to a subcommittee subject to the restrictions on its delegations and provided that any sub-delegation to subcommittees includes a statement of purpose and specification of task.

The Committee may make recommendations to Council or its Committees on any matters to achieve the outcomes required in the role of the Committee but outside its delegated authorities.

Agenda for Meeting No. RUR8

Pages

Present In Attendance Apologies

Public Excluded Items

The Council may by resolution require any item of business contained in the public excluded section of the agenda to be dealt with while the public are present.

Public Forum

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Committee for up to three minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Committee provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer contact centre request system, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

Presentations

RUR8.1 Road Transport Forum New Zealand

Ken Shirley, Chief Executive Officer of the Road Transport Forum New Zealand, will be in attendance to speak to the Committee.

Information

RUR8.2 Staff Update Report

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Attached is a report from the Deputy Chief Executive dated 10 April 2018.

STAFF UPDATE

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to update Elected Members on recent and future activities taking place in and around the District that are a result of discussions and information given to the Rural Committee.

Updated

2.1 Mayor / CEO's Meeting with EastPack

The Mayor and CEO met with EastPack CEO, Hamish Simson, and General Manager Operations, Phil Karl, on 14 March 2018 to discuss the outcomes of the presentation made to the Rural Committee on 1 August 2017. The Mayor will provide a verbal update on discussions at the meeting.

2.2 Footpaths to Pack Houses

Staff are working through issues including a review of the speed limits around the Washer Road and Quarry Road sites, the installation of a footpath on Washer Road and pedestrian marking on the Washer Road Bridge. Both Council and EastPack staff want to reduce the risk to pedestrians in the area around EastPack.

2.3 Recommendation to Policy Committee to Review the District Plan Regarding Post Harvest Zones

A recommendatory report will be before the Policy Committee on 12 April 2018 recommending the inclusion of the review of post harvest zones in the District Plan to help support local growers to provide suitable accommodation on site for their seasonal employees.

Gary Allis

Deputy Chief Executive

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