

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

The Waipa District Council has seven standing committees. These committees and their membership are:

Executive Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to consider and make decisions on urgent matters that arise between Council meetings or matters referred by Council. The Committee comprises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and chairpersons of the Policy and Regulatory Committees.

Chairperson – Mayor Alan Livingston JP
Deputy Mayor Peter Lee
Cr Alan Empson – Chairperson Policy Committee
Cr Diane Sharpe – Chairperson Regulatory Committee

Policy Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to consider policy and strategy with respect to all Council's functions, duties and responsibilities prior to a recommendation to Council for approval or adoption. The Committee comprises the entire Council, plus one Iwi representative.

Chairperson – Alan Empson	Cr Errol Newlands
Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Cr Joe Scaramuzza
Cr Hazel Barnes JP	Cr Diane Sharpe JP
Cr Ron Cooper JP	Cr Barbara Taranaki JP
Cr Gaidyn Flay	Cr Bruce Thomas
Cr Graham Jull	Cr Grahame Webber
Cr Peter Lee	Gaylene Roberts (Iwi Representative)

Regulatory Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to exercise Council's statutory responsibilities for resource management, building and health control and liquor licensing. The committee comprises five councillors, being at least one councillor from each Community Board and the Pirongia Ward, plus the Mayor and an Iwi representative.

Chairperson Cr Diane Sharpe JP	Cr Barbara Taranaki JP
Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Cr Grahame Webber
Cr Gaidyn Flay	Peter Tuteao (Iwi Representative)
Cr Errol Newlands	

Pirongia Ward Consultative Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to allocate funds from the Pirongia Ward minor community works budget; to consider and approve applications for community grant funding; to approve projects for reserve development funding; and to consider draft Annual Plans and draft 10-year Plans.

Chairperson – Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Cr Bruce Thomas
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	

One representative from each of the following Ratepayer/Resident Associations:

Ohaupo – John Turnwald

Pirongia – Alison Guy

Te Pahu – Alan Stretton

Waikato Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

The purpose of this joint committee is to act as the regional civil defence emergency management group in accordance with the provisions of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002. The committee comprises representatives of each of the councils in the Waikato Region.

The Waipa District Council member is the Deputy Mayor Cr Peter Lee.

Maungatautari Reserve Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to facilitate communication between Reserve stakeholders; advise Council on reserve management issues; oversee the activities of the Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust, and oversee the preparation of an updated Reserve Management Plan.

The Committee comprises two Councillors, six Tangata Whenua representatives, two landowner representatives, a representative from each of the Department of Conservation, Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust, and the Scientific Community.

Cr Ron Cooper (Chairperson) JP

Cr Gaidyn Flay

Ted Tauroa (Pohara)

Rose Smith (Parawera)

Peter Tairi (Maungatautari)

Willie Clarke (Ngati Haua)

Selwyn MacKinder (landowner)

Jim Mylchreest (MEI Trust)

To be confirmed (Department of Conservation)

Chris Smuts-Kennedy (Scientific Community)

Barry Townend (landowner)

A representative each from the Raukawa Trust Board and Ngati Haurua have yet to be confirmed.

Iwi Consultative Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to assist in communications between Council and Tangata Whenua, consider any matter impacting on the interests of Tangata whenua and advise Council and the various Trust Boards on Treaty of Waitangi implications for policies and activities of Council.

The Committee comprises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chairpersons of the Regulatory and Policy Committees, Council's Chief Executive, the Chairperson of Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa and nine members appointed through Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa to represent the hapū of the Waipa District plus one Kaumatua representative.

Chairperson (Mayor)

Deputy Mayor

Regulatory Committee Chairperson

Policy Committee Chairperson

Chief Executive (notwithstanding clause 31 (4)(b) Schedule 7 LGA 2002)

Alan Livingston

Peter Lee

Diane Sharpe

Alan Empson

John Inglis

Kaumatumā representative (dependent upon whom attends)

Chairman, Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa
Parawera
Ngāti Haua
Purekireki (Pirongia)
Mangatoatoa (Puniu) (proxy Val Ingley)
Te Kopua (Kakepuku) (proxy Louise Doyle)
Kaniwhaniwha (proxy Mani Gray)
Maungatautari (proxy Bella Kara)
Taurangamirumiru
Ngāti Ngawaero (proxy Louise Doyle)

{ Fred Porima
Charlie Maikuku
Haki Thompson
Sonny Karena
Gaylene Roberts
Wiremu Clarke
Reg Brown
Harold Maniapoto
Doris Walters
Ledge Thompson
Cindy Daniels
Vacancy – to be replaced
George Searancke

COMMUNITY BOARDS

There are two Community Boards – Cambridge, (which serves the Cambridge and Maungatautari Wards) and Te Awamutu (which serves the Te Awamutu and Kakepuku Wards). These Community Boards are not Council committees, but separate statutory authorities established under Part 4 of the Local Government Act 2002. Their purpose is:

- a) to represent and act as an advocate for the interests of its community;
- b) the consideration of and reporting on all matters referred to it by the Council or any matter of interest or concern to the community board;
- c) the overview of Council services;
- d) the preparation of an annual submission to Council for expenditure within the community; and
- e) to perform such functions as are delegated to it by Council.

The Community Boards comprise members elected by the communities they serve and appointments made by Council.

TE AWAMUTU COMMUNITY BOARD

Dean Taylor	Chairperson
Gary Derbyshire	Deputy Chairperson
Cr Hazel Barnes	Council appointed
Cr Alan Empson	Council appointed
Norris Hall	
Carol Martin-Page	
Gaylene Roberts	
Ronald Twidle	

CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY BOARD

Rob Feisst	Chairperson
John Bishop	Deputy Chairperson
Caryl Haley	
Brent Nielsen	
Julian Stone	
Lesley Wyatt	
Cr Barbara Taranaki	Council appointed
Cr Grahame Webber	Council appointed

The Cambridge Community Board has the following committees:

- Sister Cities
- Light Up Cambridge
- Reserve Landscape
- ANZAC

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

John Inglis

DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Group Manager – Environmental Services

Garry Dyet

Environmental Safety Manager

Jennie McFarlane

Animal Control
Environmental Health
Noise Control
Liquor Licensing
Navigation Safety

Building Control Manager

Gary Boys

Building Control
Planning and Inspection

Planning Services Manager

Wayne Allan

Resource Consents
District Plan
Land Information Memoranda

Libraries Manager

Alison Gordon

Library Services

GROUP MANAGER – ASSETS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

John Mills

Engineering Manager

John Kerr

Roads
Footpaths
Water Treatment and Supply Operations
Sewage Treatment and Disposal Operations

Manager Special Projects

Punu Gunasinghe

Water and Sewerage

Asset Manager Recreation

Max Ward

Parks and Reserves
Rural Fire
Public Toilets
Cemeteries
Litter Management
Swimming Pools
Community Halls
Civil Defence
Iwi Liaison
Pensioner Housing
Community Buildings

Property Manager

Amanda Hampton

Commercial Property

GROUP MANAGER – FINANCE

Shelagh Kew

Financial Accounting Manager

Yvonne Simpson

Reporting
Accounting
Accounts Management

Financial Planning Manager

Deborah Frederick

Financial Planning and Policies
Risk Management

Business Services Manager

Bobbie Blenkarne

Frontline Customer Services
Information Technology
Information Management
Official Information

Human Resources/Payroll Supervisor

Alan Rex

Human Resources/Payroll

Revenue Supervisor

Margaret Galvin

Rates

GROUP MANAGER – POLICY AND STRATEGY

Ross McNeil

Strategic Planning and Development Manager

Andrew McFarlane

Strategic Planning
Heritage Development
Reserve Management Planning

Corporate Planning Manager

Vacant

Corporate Planning
Corporate Policies

Community Planning and Governance Manager

Sandra Des Forges

Community Planning
Community Liaison
Community Board Support

Communications Advisor

Vacant

Communications

Economic Development and Promotion Facilitator

Phyllis Huitema

Economic Development
District Promotion

MĀORI INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION-MAKING

The Crown's responsibility to take appropriate account of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi has been reflected in the Local Government Act 2002, which provides principles and requirements for local authorities to facilitate participation, by Māori, in local decision-making.

The principles are outlined as follows:

- Part 2 (14) (1) (d) requires a local authority to provide opportunities for Māori to contribute to its decision-making processes.
- Part 6 (77) (1) (c) requires that any significant decisions in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water, sites, wahi tapu, valued flora and fauna, and other taonga.
- Part 6 (81) (1) refers to specific requirements to facilitate Māori contributions to the decision-making process. This includes a process to provide opportunities for contribution, to consider ways to foster Māori capacity to contribute to the decision-making processes, and to provide relevant information to Māori to allow for decision-making contributions.

The Local Government Act 2002 consolidates the principles for Māori contribution to the decision-making processes by requiring a policy to be developed. Schedule 10 (5) (1) states as follows:

“ A Long-Term Council Community Plan must set out any steps that the local authority intends to take, having considered ways in which it might foster the development of Māori capacity to contribute to the decision-making processes of the local authority, over the period covered by the plan”.

Objectives

- The Council is committed to on-going development of the capacity of Māori to contribute to the Council's decision-making processes.
- The Council is committed to decision-making processes that are robust, effective and transparent.

Māori Contribution to the Decision-Making Process

The Council has a governance structure, which includes the Iwi Consultative Committee. The Committee consists of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and Chairpersons of the Regulatory and Policy Committees, and representatives of hapū within the District, the Chairperson of Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa and one of three Kaumatua representatives.

The Consultative Committee considers all significant matters, particularly in relation to the development of policy. The Committee makes appropriate recommendations for Council's consideration.

Council has a formal agreement with Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa for the purpose of reviewing all resource consent applications and considering other matters of significance. This arrangement recognises the mandate Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa has in acting on behalf of Iwi within the District.

Council further promotes the decision-making capacity of Māori through the appointment of Iwi representatives to the Policy and Regulatory Committees of Council.