

*Minutes of a meeting of the Iwi Consultative Committee held in the Council Chambers, Waipa District Council Offices, 101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu on Wednesday 6 December 2006 commencing at 10.00am.*

## **1 PRESENT**

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His Worship the Mayor AD Livingston

### **Members**

Councillor AJH Empson,  
R Brown (Pirongia), C Maikuku (Kaumatua), H Maniapoto (Puniu), F Porima (Kaumatua), G Roberts (Parawera), G Searancke (Ngati Ngawaero), D Walters (Kakepuku)

### **Attendance**

J Charman (Ngati Apakura), L Doyle (proxy for Kakepuku & Ngati Ngawaero), D Firth, V Ingleby (Puniu)

Group Manager - Policy & Strategy (R McNeil), Te Takawaenga (C Davis), Secretary (C Plowright)

## **2 KARAKIA**

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Fred Porima opened the meeting with a Karakia.

Mayor Livingston congratulated Fred on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday and it was mentioned that this will be the last time Fred attends an Iwi Consultative Committee meeting.

## **3 APOLOGIES**

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### **RESOLVED**

7/06/41

*That apologies for absence be received from Councillors Lee, Sharpe, Committee Member Thompson and the Chief Executive, John Inglis.*

D Walter/H Maniapoto

## **4 LATE ITEMS**

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Committee Member Roberts said some changes in representation had been discussed at the Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa (NITOW) meeting on the previous day and needed to be discussed by the Committee. Mayor Livingston said those issues could be covered under the report from Te Takawaenga when he reports on the NITOW meeting.

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF ORDER OF MEETING**

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File: 01-89-08

**RESOLVED**

7/06/42

*That the order of the meeting be confirmed.*

Cr Empson/G Roberts

## **6 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

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File: 01-89-08

**Minutes of meeting held on 6 September 2006 were included in the agenda.**

**RESOLVED**

7/06/43

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Iwi Consultative Committee held on 6 September 2006, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record subject to Louise Doyle being added to the list of those in attendance.*

G Roberts/D Walter

Mayor Livingston thanked Kahotea Marae members for hosting the meeting which was much appreciated by Council.

## **7 QUARTERLY REPORT FROM TE TAKAWAENGA**

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File: 01-84-34

**Report of Te Takawaenga dated 21 November 2006 was included in the agenda.**

**RESOLVED**

7/06/44

*That the report of Te Takawaenga dated 21 November 2006 be received.*

G Roberts/H Maniapoto

Te Takawaenga said the Chief Executive had asked him to compile a brief history on the formation of Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa (NITOW) to provide clarification on how this entity has evolved. He tabled the document and said it had also been presented to NITOW on the previous day.

Jenny Charman tabled a report on the recent Te Waka Awhina o Aotearoa (annual hui of the Local Government Maori representative organisation).

Committee Member Roberts said NITOW is currently examining the roles and responsibilities of its delegates and is looking at the relationship between Council's Iwi Liaison and Iwi itself. Mayor Livingston said Te Takawaenga could provide NITOW with some information on that subject. Committee Member Roberts said NITOW had approved two delegate changes at its meeting on the previous day and she asked if they could be referred to Council for approval.

**RESOLVED**

7/06/45

*That the Iwi Consultative Committee recommends that Council consider the following proposed changes to representation on the Committee -*

- a) *Sonny Karena to replace Wiremu Karaka as the Ngati Haua representative.*
- b) *Rose Tuineau to replace Cindy Daniels as the Maungatautari representative.*

G Roberts/D Walter

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, asked that NITOW write to Council confirming the above appointments to ensure Council's processes are complied with.

Mayor Livingston said he had written to Sonny Karena, on behalf of Council, thanking him for his work on both NITOW and the Iwi Consultative Committee. He said he was pleased to learn that Sonny will be back serving on both committees.

Committee Member Maniapoto asked why the Committee was no longer given the opportunity to put forward items for inclusion in the agenda. Mr McNeil explained the agenda preparation process for meetings of Council and its standing committees as set out in the Standing Orders adopted by Council. It is important that, as the Committee conducts its affairs in public, matters to be discussed are signalled in the agenda. It was explained that Committee Members can include items on an agenda through a Notice of Motion.

Committee Member Roberts said there needs to be a process whereby items raised at the NITOW meeting, held on the day before the Iwi Consultative Committee meeting, can be considered as an agenda item.

Following discussion it was agreed that NITOW should formally advise Council of any issues raised at NITOW meetings that it feels require consideration by the Iwi Consultative Committee and they can then be included in the agenda as Notices of Motion.

As NITOW meets monthly and the Iwi Consultative Committee meets quarterly it is possible for items arising from the two preceding NITOW meetings to be included in the agenda but anything arising from the meeting held on the previous day would have to be raised as a late item.

## **8 REPRESENTATION ON COUNCIL'S REGULATORY AND POLICY COMMITTEES**

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File: 01-89-04 & 01-85-12

The Committee was reminded that, earlier this year, Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa (NITOW) advised it no longer wishes Peter Tuteao to be its representative on Council's Regulatory Committee. Council has now received a request from NITOW for Gaylene Roberts to be its representative on the Regulatory Committee.

It was explained that Mrs Roberts is currently the NITOW representative on Council's Policy Committee and her move to the Regulatory Committee would create a vacancy. NITOW has requested that Val Ingley fill that vacancy on Council's Policy Committee.

### **RESOLVED**

706/46

*That the Iwi Consultative Committee recommends to Council that Gaylene Roberts be appointed as the NITOW representative on Council's Regulatory Committee, to fill the vacancy created by Peter Tuteao, and that Val Ingley be appointed to Council's Policy Committee to fill the vacancy created.*

H Maniapoto/G Searancke

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, said Council would consider the recommendation at its meeting on 19 December and, if approved, the appointments would become effective immediately. He said the first meetings of the Policy and Regulatory Committees for 2007 would be in February.

Committee Member Maniapoto said that, in the past, Iwi representatives on the Policy and Regulatory Committees have also been members of the Iwi Consultative Committee. However, on this occasion only one of the representatives is a member of the Iwi Consultative Committee and he asked if it was possible for Iwi representatives appointed to the Policy and Regulatory Committees to become a member of the Iwi Consultative Committee as of right. He said it is important for Iwi representatives to be involved in discussions at that level if they are to represent Iwi on the other standing committees of Council.

Mr McNeil said that, in terms of communication between Council and Iwi, the suggestion had merit but it is inconsistent with the current policy and process for appointments to the Iwi Consultative Committee, which has traditionally been via nominations from NITOW. He said Council would need to consider any request that resulted in changing the Committee's membership and liaise with NITOW regarding the suggested change to current policy.

**RESOLVED**

7/06/47

*That the Iwi Consultative Committee recommends to Council that, in conjunction with consideration of resolution 7/06/46, it considers whether Iwi representatives appointed to the Policy and Regulatory Committees should also be Iwi Consultative Committee members as of right.*

H Maniapoto/G Roberts

Committee Member Maniapoto said it should be understood that these appointments relate to positions rather than individuals.

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**9 ROAD NAMING POLICY**

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File: 55-28-12

The Committee was advised that Council has written to the Community Boards and Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa (NITOW) seeking comment on the proposed Road Naming Policy. A list of potential road names for Cambridge, Leamington and Te Awamutu was included in the agenda.

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, said because feedback on the proposed Policy is still awaited from the Te Awamutu Community Board and NITOW it will not be considered by Council until 2007.

Te Takawaenga said it would be preferable if NITOW was consulted on the suggested road names for new subdivisions earlier in the process so it can have an input. Councillor Empson said the Te Awamutu Community Board shares that view. Committee Member Roberts said NITOW is asked whether it has an objection to a suggested road name but is not given the opportunity to suggest an alternative name.

Mr McNeil said it is anticipated that the proposed Road Naming Policy and associated procedures would overcome concerns about the current process.

## **10 WASTE MANAGEMENT: RECYCLING SERVICE**

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File: 92-03-01

The Committee was advised that Council has called for tenders for both urban and rural recycling services and, subject to cost, is expected to appoint a contractor in December 2006. Subject to the outcome of the tender process, recycling services are planned to start in February/March 2007.

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, said five tenders have been received and are currently being evaluated by staff.

## **11 WASTE MANAGEMENT: RURAL RUBBISH COLLECTION**

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File: 92-03-01

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, advised that EnviroWaste will be discontinuing the use of rural collection points, because of ongoing problems with indiscriminate dumping, and will now collect rubbish bags from in front of most rural properties. He said EnviroWaste will continue to collect official bags from closed sites for several weeks post-closure and signs will be erected at the closed sites notifying the change in service. He said Council staff will continue to monitor behaviour at the most problematic sites, such as Tokanui/Te Mawhai, and now have the ability to issue a \$400 infringement notice if necessary.

## **12 MAUNGATAUTARI PROJECT**

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File: 60-12-18

The Committee was advised that the main perimeter fence was completed at the end of August 2006 and the Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust (MEIT) is now working on development/installation of an electronic surveillance system to detect breaches of the fence, such as fallen trees. The first aerial poison drop on the Maunga was successfully completed in early November but a second poison drop, scheduled for 20 November, was delayed due to unsettled weather. Subject to the effectiveness of a second poison drop, a third treatment may be necessary in the new year.

Council intends to introduce a bylaw that, among other things, will control the entry of animals into the reserve and set out the public access points. However, outstanding public access issues are still to be resolved before a bylaw can be prepared. The Maungatautari Reserve Committee is assisting this process and advising Council accordingly.

## **13 URBAN RESERVES MANAGEMENT PLAN – VOLUME 2: PIRONGIA KIHIKIHI AND OHAUPO**

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File: 04-03-51

The Committee was advised that the Urban Reserves Management Plan - Volume 2, which covers the majority of Council controlled reserve areas in Pirongia, Kihikihi and Ohaupo, was adopted by Council in October 2006.

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, said the Rewi Maniapoto Reserve has been removed from the schedule of reserves administered by Council because it is administered by a Trust. However, he said a long-standing agreement between Council and the Trustees provides for the mowing and maintenance of the reserve by Council. Mr McNeil said it would be helpful if that arrangement was documented in Council's records so both parties know what the expectations are. Committee Member Maniapoto said he would arrange for that to happen.

Councillor Empson said it has been suggested that all the raised planters along the State Highway frontage of the reserve should be removed because of "safer communities" concerns. Committee Member Maniapoto said the Trust has not heard about this suggestion and Council's parks staff should contact Valerie Ingley (who's father is a Trustee of the reserve).

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## **14 PIRONGIA RESERVES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

File: 60-12-02

An update on some of the issues discussed at the first meeting of the Pirongia Reserves Management Committee was included in the agenda. The Committee was established by Council to oversee the ongoing development and management of Sections 1, 167 and 550 in Pirongia and has representation from Iwi, community and Council.

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## **15 TRANSPower NEW ZEALAND – 400kV GRID UPGRADE PROJECT**

File: 40-02-10

The Committee was advised that Council is still opposed to Transpower erecting large pylons across the face of Mount Maungatautari and the Waikato River and is continuing to make submissions to the Electricity Commission. Council expects the Resource Management Act process to commence in March 2007. Photomontages of what the pylons would look like were available for viewing at the meeting. Committee Member Maniapoto said he applauded Council's stance on the issue.

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## **16 ELECTIONS 2007**

File: 01-22-05

The Committee was advised that the date for the next Triennial Local Government elections is 13 October 2007. Nominations open on 27 July 2007 and close on 24 August 2007. Voting commences on 21 September 2007. Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, asked that the Committee bring those dates to the attention of any prospective candidates for representation on Council and the Community Boards.

Mr McNeil explained that, at the time of the Triennial General Elections, all Committees are disestablished and elected and non-elected members are appointed/reappointed at, or after, the first meeting of the new Council.

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## **17 IWI CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES 2007**

File: 01-89-08

The Committee was reminded that each year Council and its Committees are required to determine the meeting dates for the following year.

The date for the next triennial election is 13 October 2007 and it would be inappropriate for the existing Iwi Consultative Committee to set any meeting dates beyond that time. The Chief Executive will set the date for

the first meeting of the new Council, following the election, when meeting dates for the remainder of the year will be confirmed.

Committee Member Roberts said the venues for the two Marae-based meetings have already been confirmed and can be included in the resolution.

**RESOLVED**

7/06/48

*That the following meeting dates and venues for the Iwi Consultative Committee for 2007 as set out below be confirmed –*

<i>4 April 2007</i>	<i>Te Kaharoa Marae</i>
<i>6 June 2007</i>	<i>Waipa District Council</i>
<i>5 September 2007</i>	<i>Pohara Marae</i>

G Roberts/Cr Empson

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**18 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**18.1 Cultural Landscaping**

File: 62-01-01

It was asked if Council could provide some cultural landscaping in Te Awamutu next year. Mayor Livingston said staff have discussed the inclusion of cultural themes in the Te Awamutu Walk of Fame with Te Wananga o Aotearoa. He said Council values initiatives coming forward from the community so they can be given consideration.

**18.2 Hingakaka Iwi Management Plan**

File: 62-01-01

It was mentioned that Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa (NITOW) is still receiving resource consent applications for this area that make no mention of the Hingakaka Battle site or the Management Plan.

Group Manager Policy and Strategy, Ross McNeil, said he understood there was minor editorial refinement still required before the Plan can be submitted to Council as the full and final version for adoption. Te Takawaenga said NITOW has been advised that Council has received the Plan and will have regard to it. Mayor Livingston asked that staff check on whether the Plan has been officially signed off by Council so the requirements of the Plan can be included in Council's Resource Consent applications.

Mayor Livingston thanked the Committee for its input and support over the past year and for making the time to attend the meetings. He asked for the Committee's thanks to the secretary for recording the meeting minutes to be placed on record.

Charlie Maikuku closed the meeting with a Karakia at 11.55am.

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD**

**CHAIRPERSON:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_