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MINUTES

HDC - MĀORI JOINT COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: **Wednesday, 15 August 2018**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the HDC - Māori Joint Committee
held on 15 August 2018 at 1.00pm**

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HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HDC - MĀORI JOINT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, GROUND FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LYNDON ROAD EAST, HASTINGS ON WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2018 AT 1.00PM

PRESENT: Chair: Mr Robin Hape
Mayor Hazlehurst
Councillors Travers, Barber, (Deputy Chair) Lawson and Poulain
Messrs Ms Tracee Te Huia, Mrs Evelyn Ratima, Mr Ngaio Tiuka and Mr Shayne Walker

Kaumātua: Jerry Hapuku

ALSO PRESENT: Acting Chief Executive (Mr N Taylor)
Pou Ahurea Matua Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage – (Dr James Graham)
Pou Ahurea Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage (Ms R Smith)
Group Manager: Asset Management (Mr C Thew)
Group Manager: Community Facilities & Programmes (Mrs A Banks)
Stormwater Manager (Mr M Kneebone)
Projects & Public Space Manager (Mr R Engelke)
Parks Landscape & Projects Officer (Mr B Leslie)
Team Leader Strategy & Projects (Ms L Stettner)
Democratic Support Manager (Mrs J Evans)
Committee Secretary (Mrs C Hunt)

AS REQUIRED: Te Muri (Bronwyn) Whaanga (Item 5)
Marei Apatu, Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga

1. APOLOGIES

Ms Te Huia/Mayor Hazlehurst

That apologies for absence from Councillor O’Keefe and Te Rangihau Gilbert be accepted.

CARRIED

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Councillor Travers/Councillor Barber

That the minutes of the HDC - Māori Joint Committee Meeting held

Wednesday 23 May 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be adopted.

CARRIED

4. TE AWA O TE ATUA RESERVE
(Document 18/703)

Ms Whaanga spoke to the meeting about the Te Awa o Te Atua which is a reserve that can be found near Hastings southern expressway/Maraekakaho Rd and holds the Renee Orchiston flax collection.

Renee Orchiston of Gisborne had started a collection of harakeke in the 1950s. The 50 harakeke were selected long ago from natural strands and cultivated by Māori weavers for their special leaf and fibre properties. There are varieties specially suited to making kete, whāriki, piupiu and cloaks.

Local hapū and mana whenua are responsible for the care and protection of the harakeke.

A weavers' database has been set up with up to 57 Kahungunu weavers registered. The database also includes a map of the reserve and its harakeke species, which enables people to be directed to harakeke that suited their purpose.

An invitation would be issued by Council for Monday, 10 September 2018 to coincide with the beginning of Māori Language week to attend a blessing and visit the Te Awa O Te Atua Reserve to begin the maintenance project process. The overcrowded harakeke would be bagged, tagged and moved to new areas and a management programme will be implemented.

Mrs Ratima/Mr Walker

- A) That the report of the Pou Ahurea Advisor: Responsiveness, Relationships & Heritage titled "Te Awa o Te Atua Reserve" dated 15/08/2018 be received.**
- B) That the Committee continues to support the development of Te Awa o Te Atua Reserve.**

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to meeting the current and future needs of communities in a way to ensure that the Reserve is preserved as a taonga of indigenous mātauranga of great value to communities.

CARRIED

5. PRESENTATION OF PROGRESS OF HASTINGS URBAN STORMWATER MONITORING AND ACTIVITIES
(Document 18/721)

The Stormwater Manager, Mr Kneebone displayed a powerpoint presentation

(CG-14-14-00056) providing an overview of work Council has completed in regard to urban stormwater management.

Action is required to address the source of pollution in the Ruahāpia industrial catchment and to this end a programme has been developed to identify possible sources of pollution entering the stormwater network from individual industrial sites.

It was noted that every piece of work should be considered by tangata whenua and the Cultural Health Index as early as possible in the process.

Kaumātua: Jerry Hapuku left the meeting at 2.06pm.

The Committee requested that a regular update report on Stormwater be included on the Agendas to the HDC : Māori Joint Committee.

Mr Tiuka/Councillor Barber

- A) That the report of the Stormwater Manager titled “Presentation of progress of Hastings Urban Stormwater monitoring and activities” dated 15/08/2018 be received.**
- B) That the Council and the HDC : Māori Joint Committee support the approach to stormwater management as one method to improve the quality of stormwater discharge from the urban district.**

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to meeting the current and future needs of communities for good quality local infrastructure in a way that is most cost-effective for households and business by:

- i) Providing monitoring information to inform future investment and policy setting processes.***

CARRIED

6. WAIPATU AND BRIDGE PĀ COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE (Document 18/697)

The Team Leader Strategy and Projects, Ms Stettner advised that in May 2018, Council approved through the LTP submission process a request from Ngahiwi Tomoana (on behalf of Waipatu Marae) for the development of a Community Plan for Waipatu. The submission focussed on addressing the infrastructure needs of the area including roading and water.

A working group made up of members from Waipatu Marae and Ruahāpia Marae has been formed. Officers will be working alongside this group to assist in the development of a draft Waipatu plan. Wider community consultation was also planned to ensure that community concerns were captured.

Councillor Travers/Councillor Poulain

- A) That the report of the Pou Ahurea Advisor: Responsiveness,**

Relationships & Heritage titled “Waipatu and Bridge Pā Community Plan Update” dated 15/08/2018 be received.

CARRIED

7. REVIEW OF MĀORI PARTICIPATION IN COUNCIL DECISION MAKING

(Document 18/691)

The Democratic Support Manager, Mrs Evans advised that the purpose of the report was as a result of a request from the Committee to investigate Māori appointments as part of the new Committee Structure.

There was discussion in regard to the appointment of the HDC: Māori Joint Committee Chair attending full Council meetings, including Public Excluded session, with speaking and voting rights.

Mrs Evans advised that under Section 41, of the Local Government Act 2002 only representatives elected under the Local Electoral Act 2002 were entitled to vote at full Council meetings. However, the legislation allowed for the appointment of non-elected representatives with the appropriate skills, attributes and knowledge to Committees and Subcommittees either with or without voting rights.

It was agreed that a Workshop would be held on 13 September 2018 to enable the Committee to be provided with information in regard to the delegations of the Standing Committees, the skills and attributes required and further discussion on an appropriate level of remuneration. This would enable members to determine their availability and whether they wished to expand the selection to include Post Settlement Representatives.

Ms Te Huia/Mr Walker

- A) That the report of the Democratic Support Manager titled “Review of Māori Participation in Council Decision Making” dated 15/08/2018 be received.**
- B) That the HDC: Māori Joint Committee recommend to Council that one appointment (or alternate) be made from the HDC: Māori Joint Committee to each standing committee with full participation of speaking and voting rights and remuneration.**

It is also recommended by the HDC: Māori Joint Committee that the Chairperson of the HDC: Māori Joint Committee (or alternate) should be appointed to the full Council meetings, including Public Excluded with speaking and voting rights.

- C) That a wananga/workshop be held on 13 September 2018 for the HDC : Māori Joint Committee tangata whenua members to discuss statutory requirements and the possible implementation of the recommendation into Council’s committee Terms of Reference.**

(Note: Matters relating to remuneration, time commitment and the selection process would be included in the workshop).

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision

will contribute to meeting the current and future needs of communities for local public services in a way that is most cost-effective for households and business by improving Māori engagement in the Council's governance and decision-making processes.

CARRIED

8. MĀORI RESPONSIVENESS FRAMEWORK

(Document 18/704)

The Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage, Dr Graham updated the Committee on the ongoing development of the Māori Responsiveness Framework developed in 2015 and achievements to date.

Dr Graham advised that Council's Information Technology Group (IT) had started the development of digitising the Framework which was now available electronically utilising hyperlinks, but with further development to occur in the ensuing weeks.

Mayor Hazlehurst/Mr Walker

A) That the report of the Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage titled "Māori Responsiveness Framework" dated 15/08/2018 be received.

CARRIED

9. CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS PROFESSIONAL LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT AND TE REO MĀORI AT COUNCIL

(Document 18/706)

The Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage, Dr Graham updated the Committee about the cultural development programme at Council to support Council to nurture its workforce to become more culturally responsive to mana whenua, tāngata whenua and kaupapa Māori.

Approximately 60 staff have indicated a desire to attend Te Reo and a 15 week course will be run commencing at the end of August 2018.

Councillors will attend a Treaty of Waitangi Workshop on 30 October 2018.

Councillor Barber/Councillor Lawson

A) That the report of the Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage titled "Cultural Responsiveness Professional Learning & Development and Te Reo Māori at Council" dated 15/08/2018 be received.

CARRIED

10. MARAE DEVELOPMENT FUND POLICY

(Document 18/730)

The Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage, Dr Graham advised that with a change of personnel at Council the Marae Development Fund changed in focus from the process used in the Marae

Whakaute Project.

The work for the Marae Whakaute Project was now complete and the question was whether to continue at this higher level or go back to the bidding process for funding.

During the Whakaute Project it was identified that there was an increase in fire safety in Marae and a need for sprinklers to be upgraded. This issue was identified Nationally and there was potential to pursue this funding through Te Puna Kōkiri, Eastern and Central and Council. The Fire and Safety Pilot project was created to assist Marae and Te Puni Kōkiri, Council, New Zealand Heritage Trust, New Zealand Fire and Emergency Services, Department of Internal Affairs had all agreed to participate in the project.

Shayne Walker left the meeting at 3.50pm.

Councillor Lawson left the meeting at 3.53pm.

It was agreed that Dr Graham would have a discussion with the Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga in regard to working together and that a more strategic conversation take place, set a target (kaupapa/initiative) that can be aimed for. A fire report update report will also be presented to the next meeting.

Mayor Hazlehurst left the meeting at 4.00pm.

The annual allocation for the Marae Development of \$75,000 resumed on 1 July 2017 following the completion of the Whakaute Project.

Councillor Barber/Mr Tiuka

- A) That the report of the Pou Ahurea Matua - Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage titled "Marae Development Fund Policy" dated 15/08/2018 be received.**

CARRIED

11. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no additional business items.

12. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no extraordinary business items.

The meeting closed at 4.00pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: