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OPEN MINUTES

INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP

Meeting Date: **Monday, 22 July 2019**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the International Advisory Group held on
Monday, 22 July 2019 at 3.00pm**

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HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP HELD IN THE LANDMARKS ROOM, GROUND FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LYNDON ROAD EAST, HASTINGS ON MONDAY, 22 JULY 2019 AT 3.00PM

PRESENT: **Chair:** Councillor Travers
Mayor Hazlehurst
Councillors Dixon and Watkins
Mr R Roben (NZ China Friendship Society, HB Branch);
Mrs J Too (Hawke's Bay Chinese Association); Mrs
Rizwaana Latiff (Hawke's Bay Multicultural Association)

IN ATTENDANCE: Economic Development Manager (Mr L Neville)
Committee Secretary (Mrs C Hilton)

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Dixon/Mrs Latiff

That apologies for absence from Mrs Padfield (Education Link Group) and Charliot Miller (Youth Council Representative) be accepted.

CARRIED

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Watkins took no part in the discussion or voting for the Public Excluded Item 8.

3. CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

This item was addressed later in the meeting.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Councillor Dixon/Mrs Too

That the minutes of the International Advisory Group held Tuesday 14 May 2019, including the minutes of the meeting while the Public were Excluded, be confirmed as a true and correct record and be adopted.

CARRIED

5. ASIANS IN THE BAY AWARDS 2019

(Document 19/719)

Rizwaana Latiff spoke to her report, advising that the costs of organising these awards had increased.

Councillor Travers/Councillor Watkins

- A) That the report of the Economic Development Manager titled “Asians in the Bay Awards 2019” dated 22/07/2019 be received.**
- B) That the Hastings District Council fund the 2019 Asians in the Bay Awards to the value of \$3,000.**

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 building International relationships.

CARRIED

6. COUNCILLOR KEVIN WATKINS - REPORT ON CHINA VISIT JUNE 2019

(Document 19/727)

Councillor Watkins spoke to his detailed report regarding the China visit undertaken in June 2019, highlighting the key points and acknowledging the supporting work that had been undertaken by Lee Neville and Lesley Chu.

Mayor Hazlehurst joined the meeting at 3.12pm.

The meeting congratulated Councillor Watkins and the team for the amount of work they had undertaken and the results that had been achieved.

Councillor Dixon/Councillor Travers

That the report of Councillor Kevin Watkins titled “Report on China Visit June 2019” be received.

CARRIED

3. CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

This item was addressed in two parts during the meeting, but all discussion has been included here for ease of reference.

Rion Roben, NZ China Friendship Society (HB Branch) advised that Rong (Alicia) Huang would be the alternate representative if he was unable to attend a meeting.

Rion Roben also added to comments made at a previous meeting, reporting that in 2016 the NZCFS and the HB Youth Orchestra had organised for the Youth Orchestra to visit China. The trip had been successful and the following year a Chinese orchestra had visited here. A return trip to China had been undertaken this year as a result of fundraising by NZCFS and further exchanges involving young musicians were planned in 2020 and 2021.

The Society is hoping to be able to manage such exchanges through its own fundraising efforts but signalled that it may need to ask for support from IAG. The Society would like to be formally included right from the early stages of planning for any delegation exchanges and would like to see long term regular exchanges of youth orchestras.

Rion Roben also advised that there had previously been a successful exchange programme in place with the School of Botany and Horticulture in China. Only Nelson has continued with this exchange programme and it was being suggested that this programme be revived. Once the National President of NZCFS returns from a current visit, the necessary information would be put into a report to the IAG in the form of a proposal to be considered.

Rizwaana Latiff reported on the Multicultural Federation AGM – adjusted Treaty Pathway to multiculturalism in NZ. A visit to local marae in Hastings and Napier is being organised and an application will be made to the Federation for funding.

The Women’s Wellbeing Framework was launched last year and there were four key points that migrant women wanted addressed. Funding is being applied for – Hawke’s Bay was the pilot area for the North Island.

Rizwaana invited all members to the Asians in the Bay Awards. She also reported on an international conference she had attended in Singapore last month, with delegates from 40 countries. Key note speaker had been King Abdullah of Jordan.

Mrs Too/Mayor Hazlehurst

That the verbal General Business reports from Rion Roben and Rizwaana Latiff be received.

CARRIED

7. RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM ITEM 8

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

Mrs Too/Mayor Hazlehurst

THAT the public now be excluded from the following parts of the meeting, namely;

8 The Amazing China Hastings Year Of Tourism

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this Resolution in relation to the matter and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this Resolution is as follows:

GENERAL SUBJECT OF EACH MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED	REASON FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO EACH MATTER, AND PARTICULAR INTERESTS PROTECTED	GROUND(S) UNDER SECTION 48(1) FOR THE PASSING OF EACH RESOLUTION

**8 The Amazing China
Hastings Year Of Tourism**

Section 7 (2) (i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

Due to ongoing negotiations.

Section 48(1)(a)(i)

Where the Local Authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act under Section 6 or 7 (except Section 7(2)(f)(i)) of this Act.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 4.10pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: