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Hastings District Council: Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting

Ngā Minitī

Minutes

Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Wednesday, 21 April 2021**

Venue **Council Chamber
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

Time start - end **1.30pm – 3.15pm**

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Chair: Robin Hape (Chair)

Councillors: Councillor Bayden Barber (Deputy Chair)

Kua Tae ā-tinana:

Present:

Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst

Councillors Henare O’Keefe, Peleti Oli, Ann Redstone and Travers

Marei Apatu, Tania Eden, Mike Paku and Ngaio Tiuka

1 Vacancy

Councillor Alwyn Corban (Councillor Alternate)

Kaumātua: Jerry Hapuku

Kua Tatū:

In attendance:

Chief Executive: Nigel Bickle

Pou Ahurea Matua Principal Advisor: Relationships Responsiveness and Heritage -
Dr James Graham

Principal Advisor: Relationships Responsiveness and Heritage – Charles Ropitini

Manager: Democracy & Governance – Jackie Evans

Democracy and Governance Advisor – Lynne Cox

Kei Konei:

Also present:

Hastings District Councillors Malcolm Dixon, Tania Kerr and Wendy Schollum

1. KARAKIA

Kaumātua Jerry Hapuku asked the Principal Advisor: Relationships Responsiveness and Heritage – Charles Ropitini to perform the opening karakia.

2. **APOLOGIES - NGĀ WHAKAPĀHATANGA ME TE WEHENGĀ Ā-HUI**

Councillor O'Keefe/Mayor Hazlehurst

That apologies for lateness be accepted from Councillor Oli be accepted.

CARRIED

3. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - HE NGĀKAU KŌNATUNATU**

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - TE WHAKAMANA I NGĀ MINITI**

Councillor O'Keefe/Marei Apatu

That the minutes of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting held Wednesday 4 November 2020 be confirmed as an accurate record.

CARRIED

5. **CREATION OF MĀORI WARDS IN HASTINGS DISTRICT FOR 2022 LOCAL AUTHORITY TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS**

(Document 21/268)

The Democracy & Governance Manager, Jackie Evans spoke to her report and responded to questions from the committee.

Each of the mana whenua committee members spoke in turn in support of the establishment of Māori wards. The conversation had started in 2014 and been revisited on numerous occasions since that time. Mana whenua has consistently advocated in favour of Māori wards, and now that the poll requirements had been removed it was time to vote for their establishment in Hastings. The Mayor and Chief Executive were acknowledged for their leadership in forming partnerships with Māori and they were urged to be bold and establish Maori wards in time for the 2022 local elections. After 181 years of the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi it was time for Māori voices to come to the table, to be free to express the views of Māoridom and have the recognition not only at this table but throughout the country.

Other members of the committee acknowledged the kōrero and said that they were moved by the passionate views expressed at the meeting.

Following the debate a unanimous vote was taken in favour of supporting the recommendation to Council for the introduction of Māori wards in the district for the 2022 triennial elections.

Marei Apatu/Councillor Travers

- A) That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee receive the report titled Creation of Māori Wards in Hastings District for 2022 Local Authority Triennial Elections dated 21 April 2021.
- B) That the Committee recommends the introduction of Māori wards in the District for the 2022 triennial election; and
- C) That the Committee:
 - i. ask the Council to commence consultation with the community on the establishment of Māori wards in Hastings District as soon as possible; and,
 - ii. give direction to the Council on the method and timing of targeted consultation with tangata whenua as suggested in the report.

CARRIED

Councillor Oli joined the meeting at 1.55pm

6. MINOR ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE ITI

There were no additional business items.

7. URGENT ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE WHAKAHIHIRI

Ngaio Tiuku raised concerns about the Hastings District Council (HDC) TANK further submission with a deadline of 7 May 2021. His concerns were the HDC submission opposed much of what Ngāti Kahungunu and other tangata whenua representatives sought in terms of cultural relationships and interest in waterways. He felt the submission tended to favour economic ahead of cultural and environmental prospective of iwi.

The Chief Executive undertook to investigate the matter and advise the Committee members accordingly.

The meeting closed with a karakia by Charles Ropitini.

The meeting closed at 3.15pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: