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Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

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Minutes

Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Thursday, 7 September 2023**

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

Time start - end **1.00pm – 2.18pm**

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Kua Tae ā-tinana: **Chair - Tiamana:** Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst
Present: **Councillors - Ngā KaiKaunihera:**
Councillors Ana Apatu, Marcus Buddo, Alwyn Corban, Malcolm Dixon, Michael Fowler, Henry Heke, Tania Kerr (Deputy Mayor), Eileen Lawson, Renata Nepe, Simon Nixon, Ann Redstone, Wendy Schollum, and Kevin Watkins

Kua Tatū:
In attendance: Chief Executive - Nigel Bickle
Group Manager: Planning & Regulatory Services - John O'Shaughnessy
Interim Recovery Manager – Craig Cameron
Group Manager: Community Wellbeing & Services – Rebekah Dinwoodie
Group Manager: Marketing and Communications – Naomi Fergusson
General Counsel – Scott Smith
Regulatory Solutions Manager – John Payne
Manager: Democracy and Governance Services – Louise Stettner
Democracy and Governance Advisor – Lynne Cox
Democracy and Governance Advisor – Caitlyn Dine

Kei Konei:
Also present: Nathan Spier (Rice Spier) – Item 6
Jim Palmer (Consultant) – Item 6
Lawrence Yule (Consultant) – Item 6
Hamish Saxton (Chief Executive, Hawke's Bay Tourism) – Item 7

1. OPENING PRAYER - KARAKIA

The opening prayer was given by the Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage, Charlie Ropitini.

2. APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE - NGĀ WHAKAPĀHATANGA ME TE WEHENGĀ Ā-HUI

Leave of Absence had previously been granted to Councillor Jessup.

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Schollum

That the apology for absence from Councillor Harvey be accepted.

That leave of absence be granted to:

Councillor Apatu for 19 to 27 October 2023

Councillor Corban for 15 November 2023

CARRIED

Councillor Kerr left the meeting at 1.12pm and rejoined the meeting at 1.13pm.

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 Watkins/Councillor Schollum

That the minutes of the Council Meetings held Thursday 15 and Friday 16 June; Thursday 20 July; Thursday 3 August and Thursday 10 August 2023 be confirmed as an accurate record.

CARRIED

5. MAYOR'S VERBAL UPDATE

(Document ref 23/139)

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Redstone

That Council receive the report titled Mayor's Verbal Update dated 7 September 2023.

CARRIED

6. HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL - BUILDING CONSENT APPROACH POST CYCLONE GABRIELLE

(Document ref 23/299)

Chief Executive, Nigel Bickle, introduced the report. Mr Bickle, Group Manager: Planning and Regulatory Services, John O'Shaughnessy and Nathan Speir from Rice Speir responded to questions from the meeting.

Mr O'Shaughnessy acknowledged Building Recovery Manager, Sam Hayes, Building Consents Manager, Tony Manunui and the rest of the building team for their work.

Councillor Heke/Councillor Nepe

- A) That Council receive the report titled Hastings District Council - Building Consent Approach Post Cyclone Gabrielle dated 7 September 2023.
- B) That the Council endorses **Guidance for Building Consent Applications in Te Matau a Māui / Hawke's Bay following Cyclone Gabrielle** (Guidance Document), as contained in **Attachment 1** (CG-17-1-00426), for properties that have been subject to inundation following Cyclone Gabrielle.
- C) That the Council notes the legal opinion of Hon. Paul Heath (King's Counsel), as per **Attachment 5** (CG-17-1-00428), confirms the Guidance Document gives effect to the Building Act 2004 and assists the Council to lawfully discharge its responsibilities under the Act, that is reasonable for the Council to rely on the knowledge, expertise, and advice of the Hawke's Bay Regional Council in determining the level of protection afforded by its flood protection systems and finished floor levels, and Mr Heath's opinion that the Council is not exposed to additional legal risk if the Guidance Document were issued.
- D) That the Council prepares a communication plan to explain the Guidance Document.
- E) That the Council waives fees for Cyclone recovery building works for residential dwellings that were subject to a red or yellow placard, including:
 - building consent processing fees (time, associated admin costs)
 - applications for building consent exemptions
 - applications for certificates of acceptance
 - building inspections
 - resource consent processing fees for land stabilisation associated with properties with a yellow or red placard
- F) That the Council extends the fee waiver until 30 June 2024 and approves an associated budget provision of up to \$500,000 funded from the General Rate, noting that it will be reviewed as part of the Council's Long Term Plan deliberations.

CARRIED

7. UPDATE FROM HAWKE'S BAY TOURISM

(Document ref 23/258)

Group Manager: Marketing and Communications, Naomi Fergusson, spoke to the report then introduced Hamish Saxton, Chief Executive Hawke's Bay Tourism. Mr Saxton presented a PowerPoint presentation (CG-17-1-00445) and responded to questions from the meeting.

Paragraph 1.10 of the report, states Hawke's Bay is the 14th Wine Capital of the World, which is incorrect. The report should read Hawke's Bay is the 12th Wine Capital of the World.

Councillor Redstone/Councillor Heke

That Council receive the report titled Update from Hawke's Bay Tourism dated 7 September 2023.

CARRIED

8. ANIMAL CONTROL ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

(Document ref 23/234)

Regulatory Solutions Manager, John Payne, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Schollum/Councillor Buddo

That Council receive the report titled Animal Control Annual Report 2022/23 dated 7 September 2023.

CARRIED

9. APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY ALCOHOL BAN

(Document ref 23/270)

Regulatory Solutions Manager, John Payne, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Dixon/Councillor Redstone

- A) That Council receive the report titled Application for a Temporary Alcohol Ban dated 7 September 2023.
- B) In accordance with clause 4.3.2 of the Hastings District Council Consolidated Bylaw, Chapter 4 Alcohol Bans, the Council declares that alcohol may not be consumed, brought into or possessed in the following areas including streets, roads and footpaths (as shown in the map titled "Spring Carnival Alcohol Ban Area 2023" in Attachment 1 of this report) on 14 October 2021, between 9.00am and 11.59pm:
- The entire lengths of Knight Street and Prospect Road.
 - Market Street South from Southampton Street to the Racecourse entrance.
 - King Street South from Southampton Street to Prospect Road.
 - Nelson Street South from Southampton Street to Knight Street.
 - Southland Road between Southampton Street and Gordon Road
 - Henry Street between Charles Street and Southland Road

CARRIED

10. APPOINTMENT TO THE HERETAUNGA TAKOTO NOA MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE

(Document ref 23/293)

Councillor Heke/Councillor Nepe

- A) That Council receive the report titled Appointment to the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee dated 7 September 2023.
- B) That Council appoint Ms Charmaine Butler as a Mana Whenua member of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee.

CARRIED

11. MINOR ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE ITI

There were no additional business items.

12. URGENT ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE WHAKAHIHIRI

There were no extraordinary business items.

Councillor Nepe closed the meeting with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 2.18pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: