

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ORDINARY TE KUAKA - TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE  
ON THURSDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 2:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Harry Burkhardt (Te Kahu o Taonui representative), Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Cr Penetaui Kleskovic, Cr Steve McNally, Co-chair Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Babe Kapa, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Mate Radich, Cr Tāmāti Rākēna, Cr John Vujcich, Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives Mariameno Kapa-Kingi, Pita Tipene, and Wane Wharerau.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Language Interpreter, Rachel Ropiha

**STAFF PRESENT:** Llani Harding (Pouhautu Te Hono – Manager Te Hono) Tanya Proctor (Assets & Planning Manager) , Ruben Garcia (Group Manager – Community & Engagement), Casey Gannon (Manager – Democracy Services) Jacine Warmington (Group Manager – Strategic Relationships).

**1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER**

Chair Harry Burkhardt commenced the meeting.

**2 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA ME NGĀ PĀNGA MEMA / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**2.1 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**RESOLUTION 2023/5**

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania  
Seconded: Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

**That the apologies from Cr Ann Court and Maria-Meno Kapa-Kingi be accepted and a leave of absence granted.**

**CARRIED**

**3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION**

There were no deputation requests for this meeting.

**4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- acknowledges the passing of Tui Nathan in Te Kao
- acknowledges the passing of Robin Corrigan in Ngāti Kahu
- excited that Far North District Libraries have initiated an new Māori Language chat time kaupapa at the Kaikohe Library very Monday morning 10:30 am – 12 pm.
- Matihetihe Marae Wananga Waiata 30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October in Mitimiti
- acknowledges the appointment of the Te Kuaka Te Ao Māori Coordinator
- acknowledges the appointment of Chief Executive Guy Holroyd
- acknowledges the passing of Whaea Hera Paewhenua in Matawaia.
- Next week is Te Wiki o te reo Māori 11 – 17 September 2023. We encourage exponents of te reo Māori to share many opportunities to engage in te reo.

- notes that the committee requests a progress report on 1 Wharo Way & Pohutukawa Tree
- notes that the committee requests a progress report on Kaitaia Airport
- notes that the committee requests a progress report on Rangitoto Reserve
- Student from various kura kaupapa Māori from Te Tai Tokerau will travel to Auckland to watch the NZ Opera's production of Orpheus. It is an all Māori and Pacific cast collaboration with Black Grace Dance Company.
- Nga Huiarau o Kawakawa kapa haka group will travel to Nelson on 30 October 2023 for the primary schools nationals and are currently fundraising.
- Kawakawa Primary School celebrating 150 year on 9 September 2023

## **5 TE WHAKAAETANGA O NGĀ MENETI O MUA / CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Agenda item 4.1 document number A4334397, pages 8 - 9 refers

#### **RESOLUTION 2023/6**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Wane Wharerau - Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee confirm the minutes of the meeting held 8 August 2023 are true and correct.**

**CARRIED**

## **6 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS**

### **6.1 TE REO MĀORI AND TIKANGA POLICY**

Agenda item 5.1 document number A4341080, pages 14 - 18 refers

#### **RESOLUTION 2023/7**

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Tāmāti Rākena

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee**

- recommend that Council approve the Te Reo Māori and Tikanga Policy. And**
- authorises the Chief Executive to make minor changes to the Te Reo Maori and Tikanga Policy to correct grammatical or spelling errors, or formatting.**

**CARRIED**

### **6.2 TE PAE O UTA - TE AO MAORI FRAMEWORK**

Agenda item 5.2 document number A4341076, pages 29 - 32 refers

#### **RESOLUTION 2023/8**

Moved: Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee**

- recommend that Council approve the Te Pae o Uta – Te Ao Māori Framework, and**

**b) authorises the Chief Executive to make minor changes to the Te Pae o Uta – Te Ao Māori Framework to correct grammatical or spelling errors, or formatting.**

**CARRIED**

**7 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATAITI / PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

**RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2023/9**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.**

**The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:**

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
<p><b>7.1 - Confirmation of Previous Minutes</b></p>	<p>s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p> <p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>

**and allow Kawiti Waetford, Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Language Interpreter to remain in the public excluded part of the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

At the conclusion of the public excluded session Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee confirmed the information and decisions contained in the part of the meeting held with public excluded **be restated** in public meeting.

**Item 6.1 Briefing on Resource Consent Conditions – Kohukohu/Opononi**

That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee recommend to Council any changes required for the final submitted conditions as follows:

That Council

- a) commence repairs and maintenance immediately.
- b) commit to a 3 year timeframe with milestones to phase out disposal of waste into the Hokianga Harbour.
- c) reinstate and strengthen our commitment to community & hapu.
- d) commit to working together to identify alternative options.
- e) increase the expectation around the quality of discharge & monitoring from the existing plants in the interim.

- f) accept that discharge to water is unacceptable & remove it from optioneering.
- g) confirm funding for this workstream.
- h) include it in the long term plan deliberations going forward.
- i) commit to the restoration of the Hokianga Harbour and seek funding to support that.

## **8 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER**

MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA BY KAWITI WAETFORD.

## **9 MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 3:04 pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Committee Meeting held on 3 October 2023.

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**CHAIRPERSON**