

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
EXTRAORDINARY TE KUAKA - TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE VIRTUALLY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS  
ON TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 9:00AM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Harry Burkhardt, Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Cr Babe Kapa, Cr Penetaui Kleskovic, Cr Tāmāti Rākena, Cr John Vujcich, Margaret Mutu (Chairperson Te Iwi o Ngāti Kahu)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Language Interpreter), Kiri Sloan-Hobson, Keringawai Evans, Rueben Taipari, Phillip Grimshaw

**STAFF PRESENT:** Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Roger Ackers (Group Manager – Policy and Planning), Ruben Garcia (Group Manager – Communication and Engagement), Ellie Greenwood (Democracy Advisor – Democracy Services), Imrie Dunn (Democracy Advisor – Democracy Services), Casey Gannon (Manager – Democracy Services), Llani Harding (Pouhautu Te Hono – Manager Te Hono), Maria Giacon (Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer), Melissa Wood (Community Board Coordinator – Stakeholder Relationships), Tanya Proctor (Head of Infrastructure Strategy), Dena-Maree Hemara (Kaiarahi Kaupapa Māori – Te Hono), Emma Healy (Executive Officer – Strategic Relationships), Jacine Warrington (Group Manager - Strategic Relationships), Jude Campbell (Principal Advisor – Te Hono), Kevin Johnson (Group Manager – Delivery and Operations), Lawrence Whareraru (Kaiarahi Kaupapa Māori – Te Hono), Marlema Baker (Te Kuaka Committee Coordinator - Democracy Services), Tammy Wooster (Manager – Integrated Planning), Tanya Proctor (Head of Infrastructure Strategy – Chief Executive Office)

**1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER**

At 9:08 am Cr Rākena commenced the meeting with a karakia.

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

**APOLOGY**

**RESOLUTION 2023/9**

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

**That the apology received from Cr Ann Court, Cr Steve McNally, Cr Foy be accepted and leave of absence granted.**

**CARRIED**

**3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION**

- Keringawai Evans - Haititaimarangai Marae and Hapu Te Whanau Moana me Te Rorohuri are concerned about the lack of consultation and engagement over the consents and easements process that have occurred with the landowner and the desecration to Waahi Tapu at Pātia o Matariki

- Rueben Taipari – Long and painful experiences when it comes to occupations of any form that has been through generations but have never had the opportunity for Māori wards and Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Committee to be a part of the resolution. Wanting to make the process better for both Iwi, Hapu and Council to move forward. Voiced concerns about the disconnection between Council staff and community Iwi and Hapu due to processes that are needing to be followed.

## PROTECTING PĀTIA O MATARIKI WAAHI TAPU

Chair Harry Burkhardt accepted a tabled document from Keringawai Evans.

## MAJOR ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA

### RESOLUTION 2023/10

Moved: Margaret Mutu - Chairperson Te Iwi o Ngāti Kahu

Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee recommend Council:**

- a) **consider the Pātia o Matariki Waahi Tapu tabled document at the 7 November Committee meeting be considered urgently, including but not exclusive to:**
  - i. **An acknowledgement that the area known as Pātia o Matariki, held partly in parcels legally described as Whatuwhiwhi / Whatuwiwi 1A, 1B1C, 1B1B2 and 1B1A 2, is a waahi tapu.**
  - ii. **A commitment to funding (upon provision of invoices) the actual and reasonable costs incurred by the Marae Trust in procuring a cultural impact assessment or CIA for Pātia o Matariki.**
  - iii. **A confirmation that delegated authority in respect of decisions under the Resource Management Act 1991, or the Natural and Built Environment Act 2023 affecting Pātia o Matariki will be rescinded and decision-making authority will instead be held by Te Kuaka, with Te Hono staff to engage with the Marae Trust and representatives of Te Whānau Moana me Te Rorohuri prior to any decisions being made.**
  - iv. **A ‘best endeavours’ commitment to assisting the Marae Trust, Te Whanau Moana me Te Rorohuri to secure ongoing protection for Pātia o Matariki, including working with NRC and other stakeholders to obtain funding.**
- b) **update Te Kuaka – Te Ao Maori Committee by 25 December 2023; and,**
- c) **note the report cannot be delayed because decisions are scheduled to be discussed with key partners and stakeholders of Te Whanau Moana and Te Rorohuri on 9 November 2023.**

**CARRIED**

## 4 NGĀ KŌRERO / CHAIRPERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to Mariameno Kapa-Kingi for becoming part of the new Te Pati Māori lineup.

- Would like Te Kuaka- Te Ao Māori Committee to work closely with Mariameno Kapa- Kingi as a Māori representative in parliament for Te Tai Tokerau.
- Te Hono has organised a training programme for potential hearing commissioners in Kaikohe.

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

### 4.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 4.1 document number A4426648, pages 8 - 11 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2023/11

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee confirm the minutes of the meeting held virtually on 3 October 2023 are true and correct.**

**CARRIED**

## 6 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

### 5.1 MANA WHAKAHONO A ROHE / IWI PARTICIPATION ARRANGEMENTS

Agenda item 5.1 document number A4426621, pages 12 - 14 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2023/12

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Tāmāti Rākena

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Mana Whakahono-ā-Rohe / Iwi Participation Arrangement and seek to maintain Council's position on the implementation of Mana Whakahono-ā-Rohe / Iwi Participation Arrangements.**

**CARRIED**

## 7 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

CR RĀKENA CLOSED THE MEETING WITH A KARAKIA

## 7 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 10:38 am.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Committee Meeting held on 28 November 2023.

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**CHAIRPERSON**