

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ORDINARY TE KUAKA - TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE  
ON MONDAY, 22 APRIL 2024 AT 10:17 AM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Harry Burkhardt, Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Cr Ann Court, Cr Babe Kapa, Cr Penetaui Kleskovic, Cr Steve McNally, Cr Mate Radich, Cr Tāmami Rākena and Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives Pita Tipene, Toa Faneva, Sam Napia, Craig Hobson, Wallace Rivers and Kiri Sloane-Hobson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Phil Grimshaw (Kaitohutohu Taiao Senior Advisor- Te Kahu o Taonui)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Tania Steen (Manager – Property & Facilities Management), Margriet Veenstra (Manager – Property Data and Business Compliance), Simone Elsmore (Infrastructure Consenting Team Leader), Scott May (Acting Group Manager – Strategic Relationships), Ruben Garcia (Group Manager- Community and Engagement), Llani Harding (Manager- Te Hono), Marlema Baker (Te Kuaka Te Ao Māori Coordinator- Democracy Services), Casey Gannon (Manager - Democracy Services), Ellie Greenwood (Democracy Advisor)

The meeting commenced at 10.17am.

## **1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER**

Chairperson Harry Burkhardt commenced the meeting and Councillor Tāmami Rākena opened with a karakia.

## **2 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE HEAMANA / CHAIRPERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairperson Harry Burkhardt

- Te Kahu o Taonui met last week and reaffirmed their commitment to this table through iwi. having a relationship with the Crown and Supporting far North District Council
- Welcome to Charlie Billington – General Manager of Corporate Services.
- Congratulations to Kahika Mayor Moko for attaining his Masters of Education.

Deputy Chairperson Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

- Acknowledgement to Cr Rākena for opening proceedings.
- Acknowledge Pita Tipene and Kahika Moko for his Masters of Education.
- Further acknowledgements to Council's kapa haka standing at the Tai Tokerau kapa haka competition.
- Mention of the secondary schools kapa haka competition recently hosted by Ōkaihou College, noting curriculum is extending to include Māori performing arts.
- Mihi to the Chair Burkhardt for leading the hui.

Councillor Tāmami Rākena

- Acknowledge those who have recently passed beyond the veil and acknowledge those present in the hui.
- Congratulations also to Kahika Mayor Moko for attaining his Masters of Education and also first-class honours.

- Kura Reo ki Whirinaki had their whakatūwheratanga I ngā pō at Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Hokianga with over 200 attendees including experts in Te Ao Māori, Te Reo Māori, Mātauranga Māori
- Ngā mihi to the groups who qualified for Te Matatini 2025 in Australia.

### 3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA ME NGĀ PĀNGA MEMA / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

#### APOLOGY

##### RESOLUTION 2024/8

Moved: Cr Mate Radich  
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

**That the apology received from Te Kahu o Tainui representatives Maahia Nathan, Katie Murray, Teresa Ashton-Tepania, Thomas Hohaia, Mane Tahere, Aperahama Edwards be accepted and leave of absence granted.**

**CARRIED**

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

#### 4.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 4.1 document number A4536221, pages 8 - 13 refers.

##### RESOLUTION 2024/9

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira  
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee confirm the minutes of the meeting held 22 February 2024 as a true and correct record with the addition of tohutō on hapū and Māori on items 6.3 and 6.4.**

**CARRIED**

At 11:05 am, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania left the meeting.

At 11:06 am, Cr Tāmati Rākena left the meeting.

At 11:06 am, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania returned to the meeting.

At 11:07 am, Cr Tāmati Rākena returned to the meeting.

### 5 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

#### 5.1 AROTAKE WHAKAAHUATANGA TANGATA - REPRESENTATION REVIEW 2024 UPDATE

Agenda item 5.1 document number A4635954, pages 14 - 27 refers.

##### RESOLUTION 2024/10

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford  
Seconded: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

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

- a) do not disestablish the Ngā Tai o Tokerau Māori Ward; and**
- b) support the enhancement of Ngā Tai o Tokerau Māori Ward as one district-wide ward; and**
- c) endorse a submission to the select committee on the Local Electoral Māori Wards and Constituencies Amendment Bill articulating the abhorrence for unnecessary legislative changes; and**
- d) appoint Te Kahu o Taonui representatives to be included in the Representation Review submissions hearing.**

In Favour: Chairperson Harry Burkhardt, Crs Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Moko Tepania, Kelly Stratford, Babe Kapa, Penetaui Kleskovic, Mate Radich, Tāmati Rākena and Kahu o Taonui Representatives

Against: Cr Ann Court

Abstained: Cr Steve McNally

**CARRIED 9/1**

At 12:03 pm, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania left the meeting.

At 12:06 pm, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania returned to the meeting.

At 12:14 pm, Sam Napia – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative left the meeting.

At 12:15 pm, Cr Steve McNally left the meeting.

## **6 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS**

### **6.1 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING UPDATE REPORT**

Agenda item 6.1 document number A4650704, pages 28 - 30 refers.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/11**

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Memorandum of Understanding Update Report.**

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

**CARRIED**

*Note: Te Kuaka Te Ao Māori Committee recommends Te Kuaka Committee Coordinator, Te Hono and CE in conjunction with Iwi to find connection to execute the MOU's in a meaningful way.*

At 12:20 pm, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford left the meeting.

At 12:21 pm, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford returned to the meeting.

At 12:31 pm, Sam Napia – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative returned to the meeting.

At 12:32 pm, Cr Steve McNally returned to the meeting.

### **6.2 TE PAE O UTA TE AO MAORI FRAMEWORK PROGRESS UPDATE**

Agenda item 6.2 document number A4653189, pages 31 - 53 refers.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/12**

Moved: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

Seconded: Toa Faneva - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the Te Pae o Uta Te Ao Māori Framework Progress Update and supporting documentation.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned from 12:35pm to 1:05pm.

At 12:36 pm, Cr Ann Court left the meeting.

At 12:36 pm, Toa Faneva - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative left the meeting.

### 6.3 PROGRESS UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

Agenda item 6.3 document number A4653702, pages 54 - 55 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2024/13

Moved: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Progress Update on Outstanding Reports to the Committee.**

**CARRIED**

*Noted that Wallace Rivers – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative will provide an update on the Kaitiāia Airport in the Public Excluded portion of the meeting.*

At 1:21 pm, Toa Faneva - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative returned to the meeting.

### 6.4 TINO RANGATIRATANGA ME TE KĀWANATANGA: THE REPORT ON STAGE 2 OF THE TE PAPARAHĪ O TE RAKI INQUIRY

Agenda item 6.4 document number A4593306, pages 56 - 60 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2024/14

Moved: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Tino Rangatiratanga me te Kāwanatanga: The Report on Stage 2 of the Te Paparahi o Te Raki Inquiry.**

**CARRIED**

### 6.5 TE KUAKA- TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE OPEN RESOLUTIONS UPDATE APRIL 2024

Agenda item 6.5 document number A4647627, pages 61 - 66 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2024/15

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Toa Faneva - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

**That Te Kuaka – Te Māori Committee receive the report Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori April 2024 Open Resolution Report.**

**CARRIED**

At 2:01 pm, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford left the meeting.

At 2:03 pm, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford returned to the meeting.

At 2:09 pm Toa Faneva - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative left the meeting.

### 6.6 TE PUNA O KUPENUKU UPDATE

Agenda item 6.6 document number A4541172, pages 67 - 70 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2024/16

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford  
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receives the report: Te Puna o Kupenuku Update.**

**CARRIED**

## RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

### RESOLUTION 2024/17

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford  
Seconded: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

**That Te Kuaka Te Ao Māori Committee**

- a) moves into the Public Excluded portion of the meeting; and**
- b) moves that Paddy McNamara (Partner) from Simpson Grierson be permitted to join the Public Excluded part of the meeting to provide subject matter expertise and advice.**

**CARRIED**

At 2:19 pm, Cr Tāmati Rākena left the meeting.

At 2:24 pm, Craig Hobson – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative left the meeting.

At 2:26 pm, Craig Hobson – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative returned to the meeting.

At 2.26 pm, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania left the meeting.

At 2:46 pm, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania returned to the meeting.

At 2:49 pm, Cr Steve McNally left the meeting.

## CONFIRMATION OF INFORMATION AND DECISIONS TO BE RELEASED IN PUBLIC

### RESOLUTION 2024/18

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford  
Seconded: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

**That Te Kuaka Te Ao Māori Committee confirms the information and decisions contained in the part of the meeting held with public excluded not be restated in public meeting**

- 8.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**
- 8.2 Pātia o Matariki Waahi Tapu Memorandum of Understanding - Update**

**CARRIED**

## 8 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 3:29 pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Committee Meeting held on 27 June 2024.

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**CHAIRPERSON**