MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY TE KŪKUPA COMMITTEE FOR STRATEGY, POLICY AND REGULATION MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVE, KAIKOHE
ON WEDNESDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 10:04 AM

PRESENT: Chairperson Kelly Stratford, Deputy Chairperson Arohanui Allen, Kohepū - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Cr Rachel Baucke, Cr Felicity Foy (VC), Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Davina Smolders (VC).

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr John Vujcich, Ruth Allen (Principle Advisor Urban Regeneration, The Property Group).

STAFF PRESENT: Kate Ivicheva (Group Manager – Planning and Policy), Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer) (VC), Aaron Taikato (Group Manager – Te Hono) (VC), Jacine Warmington (Group Manager – Strategic Relationships), Ruben Garcia (Group Manager – Communication and Engagement) (VC), Emma Healy (Chief of Staff), Peggy Veen (Policy Advisor – Strategic Relationship), Briar Macken (Manager – Strategy & Policy), Donald Sheppard (Policy Advisor), Steve Ryland (Policy Advisor), Shayne Storey (Team Leader – Policy and Bylaw), Ken Lewis (Manager – Comms and Engagement), Karen Shepherd (Communications and Engagement Advisor), Imrie Dunn (Democracy Advisor).

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

At 10:04 am, Chairperson Kelly Stratford commenced the meeting with a karakia.

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

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2026/38

Moved: Chairperson Kelly Stratford
Seconded: Kohepū - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin

That the apology received from Kahika Mayor Moko Tepania be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

There were no deputations.

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE HEAMANA / CHAIRPERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Kelly Stratford welcomed attendees to the meeting and noted the following:

- Te Rautaki Tūnga Waka – Right Space, Right Place has been adopted by Council.

- The Appeals Version of the Proposed District Plan is available on the Far North District Council Website.
- Utu Whakawhanake – Development Contributions Policy 2025 is in effect.

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

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 4.1 document number A5926392, pages 14 - 19 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/39

Moved: Chairperson Kelly Stratford
Seconded: Kohepū - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin

That Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation confirm that the minutes of the meeting held 12 August 2026 are true and correct, subject to minor amendments to remove Cr Davina Smolders from the attendance list.

Abstained: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

6 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

6.1 LOCAL ALCOHOL POLICY - APPROVAL OF DRAFT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Agenda item 5.1 document number A5869021, pages 20 - 46 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/40

Moved: Chairperson Kelly Stratford
Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

That Te Kūkupa, under section 79 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012:

a) **Approve the proposed Draft Local Alcohol Policy in Attachment One for public consultation;**

b) **Approve the Statement of Proposal for a new Local Alcohol Policy in Attachment Two to be released for public consultation to meet the requirements of section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002;**

c) **Approve a minimum one-month period for making written submissions on the Statement of Proposal;**

d) **Delegate authority to the Chair of Te Kūkupa to decide on the date and arrangements for any oral presentation/s of submissions;**

e) **Direct Council staff to make all necessary logistical arrangements for submitters to be heard in person or online via Microsoft Teams;**

f) **Authorise the Chief Executive to make any necessary minor drafting or presentation amendments to the Draft Local Alcohol Policy and attached supporting documents to correct errors or omissions prior to public release; and**

g) Amend the policy to include marae as sensitive sites and ensure the questions are asked around places of worship and marae in consultation.

Against: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

At 10:29 am, meeting was adjourned and resumed at 10:34 am.

Secretarial Note: During consideration of this item, members raised matters that led to further discussion and refinement of the proposed recommendation. As a result, the motion was amended during the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 22.4 (Substituted Motion).

6.2 FNDC HOUSING STRATEGY - DRAFT FOR APPROVAL

Agenda item 5.2 document number A5790006, pages 47 - 93 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/41

Moved: Chairperson Kelly Stratford
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Arohanui Allen

That Te Kūkupa recommend that Council:

a) adopt the *He Kāinga Mana Housing Strategy* at Attachment 1

b) authorise the Chief Executive to make any necessary minor drafting amendments to the strategy document to correct errors or omissions.

Against: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

7.1 SPORT NORTHLAND REPORT 2025-2026

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5928105, pages 94 - 197 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/42

Moved: Chairperson Kelly Stratford
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Arohanui Allen

That Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation receive the Sport Northland Report 2025-2026.

CARRIED

7.2 TE KŪKUPA COMMITTEE FOR STRATEGY, POLICY AND REGULATION OPEN RESOLUTION AND ACTIONS UPDATE REPORT

Agenda item 6.2 document number A5924184, pages 198 - 207 refers.

This item was deferred to the October meeting.

Secretarial Note: At 11:30 am, Chairperson Kelly Stratford closed the meeting. Agenda Item 6.2, Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation Open Resolution and Actions Update Report, was deferred to the October meeting.

8 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11:30 am.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation Meeting held on 7 October 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON