

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ORDINARY TE KUAKA - TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2024 AT 10:14 AM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Harry Burkhardt, Deputy Chairperson Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Babe Kapa, Cr Penetaui Kleskovic, Cr Mate Radich (virtual), Cr Tāmami Rākena, Cr John Vujcich, Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives Pita Tipene, Tipene Kapa-Kingi, Robyn Tauroa, Geraldine Baker.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo - Translator), Belinda Ward (Bay of Island Whangaroa Community Board Chairperson)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Jacine Warmington (Group Manager – Strategic Relationships), Roger Ackers (General Manager – Planning and Policy), Charlie Billington (General Manager – Corporate Services), Casey Gannon (Manager - Civic Engagement and Education) (online), Llani Harding (Manager- Te Hono), Marlema Baker (Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Coordinator), Michelle Rockell (Team Leader Property Management), Victoria Neki (Team Leader – Technical Operations), Aisha Huriwai (Manager- Democracy Services), Imrie Dunn (Democracy Advisor).

## 1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

At 10:14am, Cr Tāmami Rākena commenced the meeting with a karakia. Followed with a mihi from Kahika Moko Tepania.

Note that the signing of Te Aro Manatu Memorandum of Understanding Ngāti Rēhia was signed during the meeting.

At 10:52 am, meeting was adjourned and resumed at 11:27 am.

At 10:52 am, Kahika Moko Tepania left the meeting.

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

### APOLOGY

#### RESOLUTION 2024/23

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

**That the apology received from Cr Ann Court and Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives Thomas Hohaia and Snow Tane, Wallace Rivers be accepted and leave of absence granted.**

**CARRIED**

## 3 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE HEAMANA / CHAIRPERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy Chairperson Hilda Halkyard Harawira:

- Ngā ingoa o ngā pānui mate

- Ted Moses
- Mere Tau
- Acknowledgements were given to marae o te kainga for hosting the arrival of Tainui Waka - Kuini Ngā Wai Hono i Te Pō, and acknowledgements were given to CEO of Te Aupōuri Runanga Tipene Kapa-Kingi for hosting.
- Acknowledged all the hapū and iwi that supported and attended the event
- Mihi ki Ngati Rehia for the signing of Te Aro Manatu Memorandum of Understanding

Cr Tāmami Rākena

- Suggest that all members at the table today introduce themselves.

Each member of Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee went around the table and introduced themselves.

At 11:31 am, Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford joined the meeting.

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

##### **4.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Agenda item 4.1 document number A4536238, pages 8 - 15 refers.

##### **RESOLUTION 2024/24**

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee confirm the minutes of the meeting held 31 October 2024 as true and correct.**

**CARRIED**

#### **5 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS**

##### **5.1 DISTRICT WIDE TANGATA WHENUA PARTNERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE AND CONFIRMING STRUCTURE TO SUPPORT THE DISTRICT WIDE SPATIAL AND OPEN SPACE STRATEGIES**

Agenda item 5.1 document number A4993824, pages 16 - 21 refers

##### **MOTION**

Moved: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee approve:

- a) the District Wide Kaupapa Framework for Tangata Whenua partnership and governance for District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces strategies.
- b) the terms of reference as specified in Attachment C for the Kaupapa Steering Rōpū overseeing the District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces Strategies.

##### **AMENDMENT**

Moved: Pita Tipene – Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

Seconded: Cr Tāmami Rākena

That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee approve:

- a) the District Wide Kaupapa Framework for Tangata Whenua partnership and governance for District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces strategies.
- b) the terms of reference as specified in Attachment C for the Kaupapa Steering Rōpū overseeing the District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces Strategies.
- c) Throughout the District Wide Kaupapa framework to amend references to giving effect to Te Pae o Uta to give effect to He Whakaputanga, Te Tiriti and Te Pae o Uta

CARRIED

The amendment became the substantive motion

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/25**

Moved: Pita Tipene

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee approve:

- a) the District Wide Kaupapa Framework for Tangata Whenua partnership and governance for District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces strategies.
- b) the terms of reference as specified in Attachment C for the Kaupapa Steering Rōpū overseeing the District Wide Spatial and Open Spaces Strategies.
- c) Throughout the District Wide Kaupapa framework to amend references to giving effect to Te Pae o Uta to give effect to He Whakaputanga, Te Tiriti and Te Pae o Uta

CARRIED

At 10:52 am the meeting was adjourned and resumed at 11:17 am.

## **5.2 REGIONAL DEAL TE TAI TOKERAU NORTHLAND**

Agenda item 5.2 document number A5011748, pages 4 - 9 refers

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/26**

Moved: Cr Tāmati Rākena

Seconded: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee

- a) agree to establish a Regional Deals Steering Committee to ensure the principles of Te Kuaka, in alignment with Te Tiriti and working with iwi and hapu partners are upheld.

CARRIED

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/27**

Moved: Cr Tāmati Rākena

Seconded: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

- b) agree that the Chair of the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee be the spokesperson of the Regional Deal programme on behalf of the region.

CARRIED

**RESOLUTION 2024/28**

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**c) note the Regional Deal proposal.**Abstained: Cr John Vujcich

CARRIED

**RESOLUTION 2024/29**

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**d) do not support central government regional deals framework.**In Favour: Chairperson Harry Burkhardt, Deputy Chairperson Hilda Halkyard-Harawira Crs Mate Radich, Tāmami Rākena and Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives Pita Tipene, Tipene Kapa-Kingi, Geraldine Baker and Roby TauroaAgainst: Cr John VujcichAbstained: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford and Cr Babe Kapa

CARRIED

**6 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS****6.1 WHENUA MĀORI – FREEHOLD LAND RATING RELIEF**

Agenda item 6.1 document number A4998031, pages 39 - 41 refers.

**RESOLUTION 2024/30**

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr Tāmami Rākena

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Whenua Māori – Freehold Land Rating Relief.**

CARRIED

At 1:40 pm, Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania returned to the meeting.

**6.2 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION WORK PROGRAMME**

Agenda item 6.2 document number A4995210, pages 42 - 52 refers.

**RESOLUTION 2024/31**

Moved: Te Kahu o Taonui Representatives

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

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

- a) receive the report Civic Engagement and Education Work Programme.**
- b) receive an updated report on the process for the 2025 elections by April 2025**

CARRIED

### 6.3 1 WHARO WAY, AHIPARA & POHUTUKAWA TREE AND TE PUNA O KUPENUKU UPDATES

Agenda item 6.3 document number A4613564, pages 53 - 54 refers.

#### MOTION

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report 1 Wharo Way, Ahipara & Pohutukawa Tree and Te Puna o Kupenuku Updates.

#### AMENDMENT

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee

- a) receive the report 1 Wharo Way, Ahipara & Pohutukawa Tree and Te Puna o Kupenuku Updates.
- b) That the CEO formalises a written agreement and resourcing for Ngā Hapū o Ahipara to maintain Moringaehe reserve

CARRIED

The amendment became the substantive motion

#### RESOLUTION 2024/32

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

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

- a) **receive the report 1 Wharo Way, Ahipara & Pohutukawa Tree and Te Puna o Kupenuku Updates, and**
- b) **that the CEO formalises a written agreement and resourcing for Ngā Hapū o Ahipara to maintain Moringaehe reserve**

CARRIED

At 2:07 pm, Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford left the meeting and returned at 2:09 pm.

### 6.4 TE PAE O UTA - TE AO MĀORI FRAMEWORK QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATE

Agenda item 6.4 document number A4952966, pages 55 - 57 refers.

#### RESOLUTION 2024/33

Moved: Pita Tipene - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

Seconded: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

**That Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the Te Pae O Uta - Te Ao Māori Framework Quarterly Progress Update.**

**CARRIED**

At 2:26 pm Pita Tipene left the meeting.  
At 2:28 pm Tipene Kapa-Kingi left the meeting.

## 6.5 TE REO AND TIKANGA POLICY

Agenda item 6.5 document number A4952973, pages 58 - 130 refers.

### RESOLUTION 2024/34

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

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

- a) receive the report Te Reo and Tikanga Policy update
- b) receive a progress report on Toi Mana Strategy and Far North 2100 (FN2100) by Feb 2025

**CARRIED**

## 6.6 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING UPDATE

Agenda item 6.6 document number A4709062, pages 131 - 133 refers.

### RESOLUTION 2024/35

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

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

**CARRIED**

At 2:47 pm, Deputy Chair Hilda Halkyard-Harawira left the meeting, and returned at 2:52 pm.

## 6.7 NGĀ KAUPAPA MĀORI / MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE TO MĀORI

Agenda item 6.7 document number A4756979, pages 134 - 137 refers.

### RESOLUTION 2024/36

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

**That the Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee receive the report Ngā Kaupapa Māori / Matters of Importance to Māori.**

**CARRIED**

## 6.8 TE KUAKA- TE AO MĀORI COMMITTEE OPEN RESOLUTIONS UPDATE DECEMBER 2024

Agenda item 6.8 document number A4709044, pages 138 - 139 refers.

### RESOLUTION 2024/37

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Geraldine Baker - Te Kahu o Taonui Representative

**That Te Kuaka – Te Māori Committee receive the report Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori December**

**2024 Open Resolution Report.**

**CARRIED**

**7 MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 2:56 pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Te Kuaka - Te Ao Māori Committee Meeting held on 27 February 2025.

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**CHAIRPERSON**