

 <p>Far North District Council Te Kaunihera o Tai Tokerau ki te Raki</p>	Authorising Body	Mayor/Council
	Status	Standing Committee
COUNCIL COMMITTEE	Title	Te Koukou – Transport and Infrastructure Committee Terms of Reference
	Approval Date	11 April 2024
	Responsible Officer	Head of Infrastructure Strategy

Purpose

The purpose of the Infrastructure Committee (the Committee) is to ensure cost effective, quality and sustainable infrastructure decisions are made to meet the current and future needs of Far North communities and that Councils infrastructure assets are effectively maintained and operated.

The Committee will review the effectiveness of the following aspects:

- Affordable core infrastructure to support healthy and sustainable living;
- Operational performance including monitoring and reporting on significant infrastructure projects
- Delivery of quality infrastructure and district facilities
- Financial spend and reprogramming of capital works
- Property and other assets

To perform his or her role effectively, each Committee member must develop and maintain his or her skills and knowledge, including an understanding of the Committee’s responsibilities, Councils’ infrastructure assets such as roading, three waters and district facilities.

Membership

The Council will determine the membership of the Committee.

Te Koukou – Transport and Infrastructure Committee will comprise of at least six elected members (one of which will be the chairperson).

Kahika Mayor Tepania
 Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford
 Steve McNally
 Ann Court
 John Vujcich
 Babe Kapa
 Felicity Foy
 Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
 Mate Radich
 Penetaui Kleskovic
 Tāmami Rākema

Quorum

The quorum at a meeting of Te Koukou – Transport and Infrastructure Committee is 6 members.

Frequency of Meetings

The Committee shall meet 4 weekly.

Power to Delegate

Te Koukou – Transport and Infrastructure Committee may not delegate any of its responsibilities, duties or powers.

Committees Responsibilities

The Committees responsibilities are described below:

Quality infrastructure and Facilities

- Assess and provide advice to Council on strategic issues relating to the provision of Council's infrastructural activities and district facilities
- Review, and recommend to Council, policy and strategies for the delivery of infrastructural asset services
- Monitor achievement of outcomes included in the Infrastructure Strategy and other transport and infrastructure strategies eg District Transport Strategy
- Ensure that Council protects its investment in its infrastructural assets in accordance with accepted professional standards
- Monitor the risks, financial and operational performance of the Council's infrastructural activities and facilities
- Monitor major contract performance measures/key result areas (KRAs)

Significant Projects – spend, monitoring and reporting

- Monitor significant projects
- Approve budget overspend (above tolerance levels in the CE delegations) and any reprogramming of capex for a project or programme provided that:
 - The overall budget is met from savings
 - The overall budget for capex is not exceeded. Where this is not the case, the Committee must either:
 - Recommend to Council that additional funding is approved (outside the Annual Plan or Long Term Plan process), or
 - Recommend as part of the next round of Long Term Plan or Annual Plan process that the funding is considered for inclusion.
- Approve tenders and contracts provided they are:
 - Up to \$3 million,
 - in accordance with the current year's plan, whether that be Annual Plan or Long Term Plan, and
 - deemed low by the Significance and Engagement Policy

Compliance

- Ensure that operational functions comply with legislative requirements and Council policy
- Ensure that consents associated with Council's infrastructure are being met and renewals are planned for

Service levels (non regulatory)

- Recommend service level changes and new initiatives to the Long Term and Annual Plan processes.

Relationships

- Monitoring Council's relationship with the Northland Transportation Alliance
- Monitoring Council's relationship with the Far North Waters Alliance Partner

Property

- Recommend to Council the acquisition or disposal of assets.
- Approve new leases and lease renewals (of non-reserve land), in accordance with the current years' plan, whether that be Annual Plan or Long Term Plan.

Transport

- Approval of roading contracts beyond CE delegation up to \$3 million
- Receive and consider any consultation document and/or any proposed amended or new legislative instrument that may have a transport related outcomes and where appropriate make submissions and enable political advocacy at a Mayoral Forum Level if required
- Receive and adopt the Asset Management Plan for Transport
- Receive and adopt Far North District Council's walking and cycling strategies
- Receive and consider any placemaking projects that have a transport related component so the committee can ensure the projects are captured (where appropriate) in our funding and planning instruments
- Receive invitations to apply for external funding opportunities in a timely manner so that the committee may advocate for community-initiated infrastructure projects. (Examples PGF, TIF)

Receive updates on changes to national and regional policies and Transport Plans that impact on Council provision of infrastructure and where appropriate make submissions or recommendation to Council.

Rules and Procedures

Council's Standing Orders and Code of Conduct apply to all the committee's meetings.

Annual reporting

The Chair of the Committee will submit a written report to the Chief Executive on an annual basis. The review will summarise the activities of the Committee and how it has contributed to the Council's governance and strategic objectives. The Chief Executive will place the report on the next available agenda of the governing body.