



MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Date: Wednesday 18 March 2020

Time: 3.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Hawke's Bay Regional Council
159 Dalton Street
NAPIER

Present: R Graham - Chairman
R Barker
W Foley
C Foss
N Kirton
H Ormsby
J van Beek
M Williams

In Attendance: J Palmer – Chief Executive
P Munro – Te Pou Whakarae Māori Partnerships
T Skerman – Group Manager Strategic Planning
J Lawrence – Group Manager Office of the CE & Chair
L Hooper – Governance Lead

1. Welcome/ Apologies/ Notices

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and Pieri Munro led those present in offering a karakia.

Resolution

RC23/20 That the apology for absence from Cr Charles Lambert be accepted.

**Barker/Ormsby
CARRIED**

2. Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Regional Council Meeting held on 26 February 2020

RC24/20 Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held 26 February 2020 is deferred to the 25 March 2020 Regional Council meeting.

**Graham/Ormsby
CARRIED**

4. Recommendations from the Regional Planning Committee

The item was taken as read.

RC25/20 Resolutions

That Hawke's Bay Regional Council:

1. Receives and accepts the recommendations from the Regional Planning Committee being:
 - 1.1. Agrees that the decisions to be made are not significant under the criteria contained in Council's adopted Significance and Engagement Policy, and that Council can exercise its discretion and make the decisions on this issue without conferring directly with the community.
 - 1.2. Agrees to amend Policy 37 of the Proposed TANK Plan Change to insert reference to 90 million cubic meters as the interim allocation limit for the Heretaunga Plains groundwater and amends the section 32 report accordingly.
 - 1.3. Notifies the Proposed TANK Plan Change as amended for public submissions on 28 March 2020 for a period ending 29 May 2020
 - 1.4. Requests that staff identify a shortlist of suitable qualified and experienced Resource Management Act accredited Hearing Commissioners for consideration by the Regional Planning Committee for appointment to the Hearing Panel to hear and make recommendations on the proposed Plan Change 9 in response to submissions and further submissions received.

**van Beek/Barker
CARRIED**

5. Standing Orders Provisions for Meeting Quorum in the Event of an Emergency

James Palmer introduced the item, explaining the rationale for raising this issue being the current Covid-19 crisis.

Resolutions

That Hawke's Bay Regional Council:

1. Agrees that the decisions to be made are not significant under the criteria

contained in Council's adopted Significance and Engagement Policy, and that Council can exercise its discretion and make decisions on this issue without conferring directly with the community or persons likely to have an interest in the decision.

2. Temporarily, for the period 18 March through to 24 June 2020, specifies the quorum for the Environment & Integrated Catchments Committee, the Corporate & Strategic Committee, the Hearings Committee, the Regional Transport Committee, the Finance, Audit & Risk Sub-committee and the CDEM Group Joint Committee to be two members physically present.
3. Reviews the quorum requirements for all Council committees, including joint committees, on or before 24 June 2020.

**Barker/Ormsby
CARRIED**

Pieri Munro offered a karakia to close the meeting.

Closure:

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 3.13pm on Wednesday, 18 March 2020.

Signed as a true and correct record.

DATE:

CHAIRMAN: