



AGENDA Ordinary Meeting

Tuesday 5 April 2022, 10.30am

Ordinary Meeting

Venue: 47 Cloten Street, Stratford

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Purpose of Local Government

The reports contained in this agenda address the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to decision making. Unless otherwise stated, the recommended option outlined in each report meets the purpose of local government and:

- Promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.
- Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

Membership of the Ordinary Committee

Councillor D N MacLeod (<i>Chairperson</i>)	Councillor M P Joyce (<i>Deputy Chairperson</i>)
Councillor M J Cloke	Councillor M G Davey
Councillor D L Lean	Councillor C L Littlewood
Councillor M J McDonald	Councillor D H McIntyre
Councillor E D Van Der Leden	Councillor N W Walker
Councillor C S Williamson	

Health and Safety Message

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Date 5 April 2022

Subject: **Confirmation of Minutes - 21 February 2022**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3026781

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Monday 21 February 2022 at 10.30am.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 2999381: Minutes Ordinary - 21 February 2022.



Date: 21 February 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 2999381

Present	Councillors	D N MacLeod	Chairman
		M P Joyce	Deputy Chairman <i>zoom</i>
		M J Cloke	<i>zoom</i>
		D L Lean	<i>zoom</i>
		M J McDonald	<i>zoom</i>
		D H McIntyre	<i>zoom</i>
		E D Van Der Leden	<i>zoom</i>
		N W Walker	<i>zoom</i>
		C S Williamson	<i>zoom</i>
		C L Littlewood	<i>zoom</i>
M G Davey	<i>zoom</i>		
Attending	Mr	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	Mr	M J Nield	Director – Corporate Services
	Mr	D R Harrison	Director - Operations
	Mr	A D McLay	Director – Resource Management
	Ms	A J Matthews	Director – Environment Quality
	Miss	L Davidson	Executive Assistant
	Miss	R S Sweeney	Governance Administrator
	Ms	K Holland	Communications Advisor <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	P Zimmer	Land Search & Rescue

One member of the media, Mr C Ashworth, Te Korimako Radio.

Apologies

Notification of Late Items

1. Deputation – Land Search & Rescue

- 1.1 Members of Land Search & Rescue gave a deputation to the Council regarding additional funding.
- 1.2 Mr P Zimmer, Land Search & Rescue read a previous submission provided in regards to the Emergency Services Grant Fund.

2. Emergency Services Grant

- 2.1 Chairman, D N MacLeod, brought the item forward due to the Deputation - Land Search & Rescue to allow for a continuous conversation.
- 2.2 Mr S J Ruru, Chief Executive, spoke to the memorandum to seek a decision from the Council as to whether it wishes to investigate the establishment of an Emergency Services Fund as proposed by Land Search and Rescue NZ as part of their submission to the 2021 Long Term Plan.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the Memorandum entitled *Emergency Services Grant Fund*
- b) determines that it does not wish to further investigate the proposal to establish an Emergency Services Grant Fund
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2022*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Williamson/Littlewood

3. Confirmation of Ordinary Minutes – 14 December 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 14 December 2022 at 10.30am.

Walker/Littlewood

Matters arising

3.1 Representation Review Hearing

- Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, provided an update on the Representation Review Hearings being held by the Local Government Commission, and advised that a hearing had been held for New Plymouth District Council with no formal decision currently made. It is expected the

Council's decision timeframes would be aligned with the New Plymouth District Council decision.

4. Consents and Regulatory Committee Minutes - 1 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 1 February 2022 at 9.30am.
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.
Lean/Davey

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Policy and Planning Committee Minutes - 1 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 1 February 2021 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.
Littlewood/McDonald

Matters arising

5.1 Future of Local Government

- Mr S J Ruru, Chief Executive, provided an update on the amendments made to the Future of Local Government Panel paper, noting the general consensus of those recommendations will be reflected the revised paper, which will be circulated to Councillors on 25 February 2022.

6. Executive, Audit and Risk Committee - 14 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Monday 14 February 2022 at 10am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.
Walker/Van Der Leden

Matters arising

6.1 Riparian Planting Review after Cyclone Dovi

- Councillor M J Cloke expanded on the request made for a review of the riparian planting after the extreme weather event that was Cyclone Dovi. The scope of the review to include planting regime, suitable areas and the species of plants used.
- Mr D R Harrison, Director – Operations, advised that industry best practice is used for these works, a number of historical sites have been identified as needing rectification. All learnings from historic events were being utilised with future planning of riparian planting and culverts along with comprehensive training is provided to Land Management Officers including field days and onsite training on appropriate planting.
- Councillor M J Cloke moved a motion requesting that councillors receive a terms of reference document that outlines the scope, timing and costs of the intended review, along with information on third-parties that would be able to conduct the work.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- c) confirms that a terms of reference which details the scope, timing and costs of a review of the riparian planting regime be developed for consideration by Council.
Cloke/Davey

7. February, March & April 2022 Meeting Dates

- 7.1 The meeting dates for the next round of meetings were attached for Members information.

8. Waitara River Committee

- 8.1 Mr S J Ruru, Chief Executive, spoke to the memorandum to seek a decision on the approach to be used to appoint Waitara River Committee members.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and notes the memorandum *Waitara River Committee Establishment* dated 14 February 2022
- b) notes the *New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018* requires the Council to constitute a Waitara River Committee for the purposes of allocating funds that are payable under the Act
- c) notes that the functions of the Waitara River Committee may be performed only in relation to matters that are within the role and responsibilities of the Council under the *Local Government Act 2002* or any other enactment

- d) notes that the *New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018* requires the Council to take all reasonable steps to enter an agreement with the Waitara River Authorities to constitute the Waitara River Committee
- e) notes that the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board has resolved that it does not seek to participate in settlement redress mechanisms in place for the Waitara River
- f) notes that it is the responsibility of the Waitara River Committee to establish the Waitara River subcommittee
- g) determines that its first preference for forming the Waitara River Committee is:
- for the identification of potential nominees to be determined by a Waitara River Committee Selection Panel based upon a skills matrix to be developed jointly between all of the Waitara River Authorities, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and the Council
 - that the Waitara River Committee Selection Panel consist of appointees identified by the Waitara River Authorities, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and the Council
 - that the final appointments would be made by way of resolutions passed unanimously by each of the Waitara River Authorities, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and the Council
- ~~h) determines that its second preference for forming the Waitara River Committee is:~~
- ~~• for the identification of potential nominees to be determined by a Waitara River Committee Selection Panel based upon a skills matrix to be developed jointly by the Council and those of the Waitara River Authorities and Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust that are prepared to commit to a collective skills based appointment process~~
 - ~~• that the Waitara River Committee Selection Panel consist of appointees identified by those of the Waitara River Authorities, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and the Council that have committed to the use of a collective skills based approach~~
 - ~~• that the final appointments would be made by way of resolutions passed by each of the participating Waitara River Authorities, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and the Council~~
 - ~~• that the role of nominating authorities who do not decide to participate in the collective skills based approach be resolved as part of the agreement to be negotiated between the parties prior to commencement of the recruitment process.~~
- i) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to negotiate an agreement relating to establishment of the Waitara River Committee in accordance with the provisions of *New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018* and its preferences in regard to how the committee might be formed as indicated in this resolution
- j) determines that upon completion of the negotiations with the Waitara River Authorities and Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust that the Chief Executive be required to report back to Council with a copy of the proposed agreement for approval
- k) notes that the Ngāti Maru (Taranaki) Claims Settlement Bill contains a number of provisions relating to the operation of the Waitara River Committee, the utilisation of the funds for which the committee is to be responsible, and the relationship that Council has with the Waitara River Authorities

- l) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- m) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Macleod/Williamson

9. 2022/2023 Annual Plan and Estimates

- 9.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to consider the option and then to adopt an approach for the preparation and adoption of the *2022/2023 Annual Plan*.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and notes this memorandum on the preparation and adoption of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan
- b) notes the requirements of section 95 of the *Local Government Act 2022* in the preparation of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan Ordinary Meeting – 2022/2023 Annual Plan and Estimates
- c) confirms that there are no significant or material differences proposed for the 2022/2023 Annual Plan from the content of the 2021/2031 Long-Term Plan
- d) approves the preparation and adoption of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan without any further public engagement or consultation in accordance with section 95 (2A) of the *Local Government Act 2002*.

or

- ~~e) approves the preparation of a 2022/2023 Annual Plan Statement of Proposal and an associated consultation document, with a consultation process to be undertaken in accordance with section 95 (2) of the Local Government Act 2002~~
- f) notes the preparation and adoption of administrative charges under section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991* will require the use of the *Local Government Act 2002* special consultative process
- g) notes the approach and timetable to be undertaken dependent upon whether the decision is to undertake further public engagement and consultation
- h) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- i) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood /Joyce

10. General Business

10.1 Obituaries

Councillors D H McIntyre and M J Cloke noted the sad passing of Michael Watson, reporter for The Taranaki Daily News.

11. Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, resolves that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting on Monday 21 February 2022 for the following reason/s:

Item 11 – Public Excluded Ordinary Minutes – 14 December 2021

THAT the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 12 - Public Excluded Executive, Audit and Risk Minutes – 14 February 2022

THAT the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Cloke/Lean

There being no further business, Chairman D N MacLeod, declared the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council closed at 11.45am.

Confirmed

Chairperson: _____

D N MacLeod

5 April 2022



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **Consents and Regulatory Committee Minutes - 15 March 2022**

Approved by: A J Matthews, Director - Environment Quality
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3026789

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 15 March 2022 at 9.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3007536: Minutes Consents and Regulatory Committee - 15 March 2022.



Date 15 March 2022, 9.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3007536

Members	Councillor	D L Lean	Chair
	Councillor	C S Williamson	Deputy Chair <i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	M J Cloke	<i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	C L Littlewood	
	Councillor	D H McIntyre	<i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	D N MacLeod	<i>ex officio zoom</i>
	Councillor	E D Van Der Leden	<i>zoom</i>

Representative Members	Mr	K Holswich	Iwi Representative <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	M Ritai	Iwi Representative <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	E Bailey	Iwi Representative <i>zoom</i>

Attending	Mr	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	Ms	A J Matthews	Director - Environment Quality
	Mr	A D McLay	Director - Resource Management
	Mr	B Pope	Compliance Manager
	Mrs	J Allen	Consents Manager
	Ms	V McKay	Manager - Environmental Assurance
	Mr	R Phipps	Manager - Science & Technology <i>zoom</i>
	Miss	R S Sweeney	Governance Administrator

One member of the public.

Opening Karakia The meeting opened with a group karakia.

Apologies Apologies were received and sustained from Councillors M P Joyce & M G Davey.

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 1 February 2022

Resolved

That the Consents and Regulatory Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Consents and Regulatory Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on 1 February 2022 at 9.30am.
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 21 February 2022.

Williamson/Cloke

Matters arising

1.1 Councillors C L Littlewood and D N MacLeod declared an interest in Port Taranaki.

2. Resource consents issued under delegated authority and applications in progress

- 2.1 Mrs J Allen, Consents Manager, spoke to the memorandum to advise the Council of consents granted, consents under application and of consent processing actions since the last meeting.
- 2.2 In response to queries, the main environment effect when considering the installation and operation of culverts and instream structures is fish passage. For bridges flood carrying capacity is important. Our rivers engineers work under certain return period events for different instream structures.
- 2.3 Iwi representatives noted the additional information shown about iwi input to the processing of each consent allowed greater transparency and was greatly appreciated.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the report the schedule of resource consents granted and other consent processing actions, made under delegated authority.

Cloke/Lean

3. Consent Monitoring Annual Reports

- 3.1 Ms V McKay, Manager – Environmental Assurance, spoke to advise the Council of 46 tailored compliance monitoring reports that have been prepared since the last meeting.
- 3.2 Ms A J Matthews, Director – Environmental Quality, gave an update on Remediation NZ being one of the most monitored and enforced sites in the region with significant improvement works undertaken, and continuing to be undertaken. Council compliance staff were appropriately implementing the Council’s Enforcement Policy (2017) and would continue to do so. While there was some public and iwi interest in the site the non-compliances were not significant and had minimal environmental effects.
- 3.3 Councillor C L Littlewood and D N MacLeod declared an interest in relation to Port Taranaki.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the 46 tailored compliance monitoring reports listed in Table 1 and notes the specific recommendations therein.

McIntyre/Lean

4. Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary - 12 January 2022 to 22 February 2022

- 4.1 Mr B Pope, Compliance Manager, spoke to the memorandum to consider and receive the summary of the incidents, compliance monitoring non-compliances and enforcement for the period 12 January 2022 to 22 February 2022.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary - 12 January 2022 to 22 February 2022
- b) receives the summary of the incidents, compliance monitoring non-compliances and enforcement for the period from 12 January 2022 to 22 February 2022, notes the action taken by staff acting under delegated authority and adopts the recommendations therein.

Lean/MacLeod

5. Report on application for second notified applications - Opunake Power Limited

- 5.1 Mrs J Allen, Consents Manager, spoke to the joint memorandum recommending that the Taranaki Regional Council approve an application for seven activities by Opunake Power Limited relating to their small hydroelectric scheme on the Waiaua River. The scheme had lay idle for several years while the applications were made and successfully processed.
- 5.2 A successful prehearing process had been held with submitters, including the Department of Conservation, Taranaki Iwi and many local residents, withdrawing their right to be heard.
- 5.3 Councillors queried why the matter had been reported back to the Committee and it was noted the Council's delegations required the Committee to determine the applications.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum "Report on seven applications for notified applications Opunake Power Limited
- b) notes the extensive pre hearing process that has been undertaken to successfully resolve submissions on the applications
- c) approves the consent application by Opunake Power Limited (consent numbers 1795-5, 1796-4, 1797-4, 4563-3, 4744-3, 5581-2, 5692-2, 10826-1), in accordance with the recommendation in the officers' report
- d) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- e) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further

information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Lean/MacLeod

6. General Business

- 6.1 Mr A D McLay, Director – Resource Management, provided an update on the feedlot monitoring charge included in the recent farm dairy effluent monitoring invoices. The monitoring had been integrated into an existing monitoring programme to reduce costs and was required to determine whether feedlots required a consent, given their proximity to streams. At the end of the monitoring programme costs will be assessed and a partial refund may be made for those who did not have a feedlot on their property.

There being no further business the Committee Chairman, Councillor D L Lean, declared the public meeting of the Consents and Regulatory Committee closed at 10.16am.

Confirmed

**Consents and Regulatory
Committee Chairperson:** _____

**D L Lean
26 April 2022**



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **Policy and Planning Committee Minutes - 15 March 2022**

Approved by: A D McLay, Director - Resource Management
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3026797

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 15 March 2022 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3015213: Minutes Policy and Planning - 15 March 2022.



Date 15 March 2022, 10.30am

Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford

Document: 3015213

Members	Councillor	C L Littlewood	Committee Chairperson
	Councillor	N W Walker	Committee Deputy Chairperson <i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	M J McDonald	<i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	D H McIntyre	<i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	C S Williamson	<i>zoom</i>
	Councillor	D N MacLeod	ex officio <i>zoom</i>

Representative

Members	Councillor	G Boyde	Stratford District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	B Bigham	Iwi Representative <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	P Moeahu	Iwi Representative <i>zoom</i>

Attending

Mr	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
Mr	A D McLay	Director - Resource Management
Ms	A J Matthews	Director - Environment Quality
Mr	D R Harrison	Director - Operations
Mr	C Spurdle	Planning Manager
Mr	C Wadsworth	Strategy Lead <i>Zoom</i>
Mr	S Tamarapa	Iwi Communications Advisor
Miss	R Sweeney	Governance Administrator
Ms	L Miller	Consents Officer
Mrs	J Allen	Consents Manager
Ms	A Campbell	Policy Analyst
Ms	G Marcroft	Policy Analyst

Two members of the public and two members of the media.

Apologies Apologies were received and sustained from Mr H Hitchcock - New Plymouth District Council, Louise Tester - Iwi Representative, Phil Muir - Federated Farmers and Councillors M P Joyce and M Davey. Walker/MacLeod

Notification Of Late Items There were no late items

1. Confirmation of Minutes - 1 February 2022

Resolved

That the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 1 February 2022 at 10.30am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Monday 21 February 2022.
Boyde/McIntyre

Matters arising

- 1.1 Councillor C L Littlewood requested clarification on the recommendation for the Iwi Management Plans.

2. Freshwater Programme Update

- 2.1 Mr C Wadsworth, Strategy Lead - Resource Management, spoke to the memorandum to provide the Committee with a Freshwater implementation programme update.
- 2.2 The independent review group report on the programme and its implementation will be provided to the next meeting. A member of the group will zoom into the meeting.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives an update on the Freshwater implementation programme
MacLeod/Boyde

3. Freshwater Engagement on the Long-term Vision for Freshwater

- 3.1 Ms G Marcroft, Policy Analyst, and Mr C Spurdle, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum to present Members with the findings of the first phase of public engagement on the development of a long-term vision for freshwater, which is to be included as an objective under the regional policy statement section of the *Proposed Natural Resources Plan for Taranaki*.
- 3.2 Ms B Bingham, Iwi Representative, requested for the Policy & Planning Iwi Representatives to be notified of future iwi consultation.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the Memorandum titled *Preliminary engagement on the long-term vision for the freshwater*
- b) notes that Council officers will be undertaking further engagement with iwi authorities and stakeholders to confirm and explore the findings of the first phase of engagement.
Bingham/MacLeod

4. Use of Iwi Management Plans within Council

- 4.1 Ms A Campbell, Policy Analyst and Mrs J Allen, Consents Manager presented for Members information on how Iwi Management Plans are used in policy development and in resource consent processing. There are currently 6 plans in place, with Ngati Maru Iwi intending to prepare a plan. Ngati Tama Iwi have not signalled an interest in preparing a plan.
- 4.2 Ms Bingham, Iwi Representative, requested an update be given to the Committee, potentially on a six month basis, that provides an update on the status of iwi management plans, how they are progressing and additionally, the creation of the plans for the two iwi in Taranaki currently without them.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum
- b) notes the use made of Iwi Management Plans at the Council in resource management and other activities
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

MacLeod/Young

5. General Business

- 5.1 Councillor D N MacLeod requested officers to investigate the options available to sustainably manage kai moana in the regions coastal waters, given iwi concerns about over fishing and dwindling resource availability.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) confirms that an agenda item be prepared detailing the options available to sustainably manage kaimoana in the regions coastal waters, given iwi concerns about over fishing and dwindling resource availability.

MacLeod/Bingham

There being no further business the Committee Chairman, Councillor C L Littlewood, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee closed at 12.40pm. The meeting closed with a karakia.

Confirmed

**Policy and Planning
Chairperson:** _____

**C L Littlewood
26 April 2022**



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Minutes - 28 March 2022**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3027690

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Monday 28 March 2022 at 10am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3022786: Minutes Executive, Audit and Risk Committee - 28 March 2022.



Date 28 March 2022, 10am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3022786

Members	Councillors	N W Walker	Committee Chairperson
		M J Cloke	<i>zoom</i>
		D L Lean	<i>zoom</i>
		C L Littlewood	<i>zoom</i>
		M J McDonald	<i>zoom</i>
		D N MacLeod	<i>ex officio zoom</i>
		M P Joyce	<i>ex officio</i>
Attending	Mr	S Ruru	Chief Executive
	Mr	M J Nield	Director – Corporate Services
	Ms	S Hiestand	Transport Manager <i>zoom</i>
	Miss	R Sweeney	Governance Administrator

Apologies There were no apologies.

Notification of Late items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 14 February 2022

Resolved

That the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten road, Stratford on 14 February 2022 at 10am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 21 February 2022.
Cloke/McDonald

Matters arising

- 1.1 Riparian Planting Update is being provided at the next Ordinary meeting 5 April 2022.

2. Financial and Operational Report

- 2.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum receiving information on the operational and financial performance of the Council.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Financial and Operational Report* and the *January 2022 Monthly Financial Report*
- b) notes the digital media update
- c) notes the update and process being undertaken to consider the replacement of the financial system.

Littlewood/McDonald

3. Health and Safety Report

- 3.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider health and safety performance.
- 3.2 A copy of the incident report for the Notifiable Health & Safety incident that took place at Tūpare February 2022 was requested to be provided to the committee.
- 3.3 Further information was requested on the second hospitalisation that took place in February 2022.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the January 2022 health and safety report
- b) receives the February 2022 health and safety report.

Cloke/Joyce

4. Taranaki Stadium Trust Half Year Report to 31 December 2021

- 4.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider the Taranaki Stadium Trust’s half-year report for the six months ended 31 December 2021.
- 4.2 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, declared an interest as a trustee of the Taranaki Stadium Trust.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and adopts the Taranaki Stadium Trust’s half-year report for the six months ended 31 December 2021.

McLeod/Lean

5. Taranaki Stadium Trust Statement of Intent for the year ending 30 June 2023

- 5.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider the Taranaki Stadium Trust’s statement of intent (SOI) for the year ending 30 June 2023 and then to provide feedback to the Trustees.
- 5.2 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, declared an interest as a trustee of the Taranaki Stadium Trust.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and considers the Taranaki Stadium Trust’s draft Statement of Intent for the year ending 30 June 2023
- b) provides feedback to the Trustees of the Taranaki Stadium Trust.
Clove/Lean

6. Regional Software Holdings Ltd: Six Month Report to Shareholders to 31 December 2021

- 6.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider Regional Software Holdings Ltd’s interim report on the operations and activities of the company for the six months ending 31 December 2021.
- 6.2 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, declared an interest as a Director on the Regional Software Holdings Ltd Board.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives Regional Software Holdings Ltd’s interim report for the six months ended 31 December 2021 including the unaudited financial report
Lean/Joyce

7. Regional Software Holdings Ltd: Draft Statement of Intent for 2023-2025

- 7.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider Regional Software Holdings Ltd’s Statement of Intent (SOI) for the year ending 30 June 2023 and then to provide feedback to the Board of Directors.
- 7.2 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, declared an interest as a Director on the Regional Software Holdings Ltd Board.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and considers Regional Software Holdings Ltd’s draft Statement of Intent for the year ending 30 June 2023
- b) provides feedback to the Board of Directors of Regional Software Holdings Ltd.
Joyce/Clove

8. Port Taranaki Ltd: Half Year Report to 31 December 2021

- 8.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider Port Taranaki’s report on the operations and activities of the company for the six months ending 31 December 2021.
- 8.2 A breakdown of non-liquid trade figures was requested by the committee. An invitation was extended to the Chair and Chief Executive of Port Taranaki Ltd.
- 8.3 Councillors C L Littlewood and D N MacLeod declared an interest in Port Taranaki.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives Port Taranaki Limited’s report for the six months ended 31 December 2021 included the unaudited financial report
- b) notes the 2021/2022 Port Taranaki Ltd dividends of \$4,000,000 in October 2021, and \$4,000,000 in March 2022.
- Cloke/McDonald.

9. Procurement of Laboratory Services

- 9.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to update Members on the procurement of a new laboratory services contract.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Procurement of Laboratory Services*.
- Joyce/Littlewood

10. New Fare Zones and Patronage

- 10.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum updating Members on the new bus fare zones, fares and patronage.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Procurement of Laboratory Services*.
- Littlewood/Cloke

11. Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*, resolves that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting on Monday 28 March 2022 for the following reason/s:

Item 12 - Public Excluded Minutes - 14 February 2022

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 13- Yarrow Stadium Plus: Project Steering Group Report

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 14 - Port Taranaki Directorships

This Item is to be considered in Public Excluded as the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 15 - The Living Wage

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom section 2(5) of the Act applies, in the course of their duty.
Joyce/Cloke

There being no further business, the Committee Chairperson, Councillor N W Walker, declared the open meeting of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee closed at 10.47am.

Confirmed

**Executive, Audit &
Risk Chairperson:** _____

N W Walker

9 May 2022



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **Joint Committee Minutes**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3028736

Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive for information the minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting held on Thursday 24 February 2022, the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Wednesday 2 March 2022 and the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 3 March 2022.

Executive summary

2. The Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee, Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee and the Regional Transport Committee are Joint Committees between the Taranaki Regional Council and the three district councils of Taranaki.
3. *The Local Government Act* (Schedule 7, clause 30(8)) states that a joint committee is deemed to be both a committee of the local authority and a committee of the other local authority or public body.
4. Each council will therefore be given the minutes of the joint committee meetings for their receipt and information.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting held on Thursday 24 February 2022
- b) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Wednesday 2 March 2022
- c) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 3 March 2022.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3001096: Minutes Taranaki Civil Defence Group Joint Committee - 24 February 2022

Document 3000585: Minutes Taranaki Regional Transport Committee - 2 March 2022

Document 3003710: Minutes Taranaki Solid Waste Joint Committee - 3 March 2022



Committee: Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee
Date: 24 February 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3001096

Present	Councillor	M Cloke	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Chairman</i>)
	Mayor	N Volzke	Stratford District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Councillors	R Northcott	South Taranaki District Council
		R Jordan	New Plymouth District Council
Attending	Mr	S Ruru	Taranaki Regional Council
	Mr	S Hanne	Stratford District Council
	Mr	T Velvin	Taranaki Emergency Management
	Mr	W Crockett	South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	L Poutu	Tokomaru Representative <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	S Gauden-Ing	Taranaki Emergency Management Office <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	G Campbell	Taranaki District Health Board <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	R Clements	Taranaki District Health Board <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	I Wilson	National Emergency Management Agency <i>zoom</i>
	Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council

Opening Karakia The meeting opened with a Karakia.

Apologies Apologies were received and sustained from Mayor Phil Nixon – South Taranaki District Council and Mayor Neil Holdom – New Plymouth District Council.

Notification of Late Items **There were no late items.**

1. Confirmation of Minutes - 11 November 2021

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Street, Stratford on Thursday 11 November 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee held via zoom on Thursday 11 November 2021 at 10am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.
Cloke/Volzke

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Minutes - Thursday 10 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers on Thursday 10 February 2022 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.
Jordan/Volzke

Matters arising

- 2.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, advised that the announcement of Kelvin Wrights departure has been identified as a risk, there have been a few people in Council identified that would be appropriate to replace him, Kelvin Wright and Ben Ingram are working to ensure a suitable option is obtained prior to Kelvins departure date of April 2022.

3. Advisory Group Minutes

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Taranaki Seismic and Volcanic Advisory Group (TSVAG) on 25 November 2021.
Cloke/Volzke

Matters arising

- 3.1 Councillor M J Cloke requested a timeline of engagement of the volcanic response and preparedness, particularly with the rural sector.

4. COVID-19 Update from Taranaki District Health Board

- 4.1 Ms G Campbell, Taranaki District Health Board, spoke to a presentation to update the committee on the COVID-19 Omicron variant, both nationally and in Taranaki.
- 4.2 Mayor N Volzke requested a copy of the presentation be circulated to the committee members.

5. Quarter Two Performance Report 2021-2022

- 5.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the memorandum to present the Quarter Two Report for 2021 – 2022 to the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee.
- 5.2 It was noted that the National Operational Leads at CDEM have now been appointed and will go-live on 7 March 2022.
- 5.3 It was noted that TEMO are providing COVID support to MSD with welfare works and TDHB on RAT distribution across Taranaki
- 5.4 An update on RANA (Needs Assessment Case Software) is near complete, there are a few bugs being worked through with NPDC and it is anticipated to be presented to NEMA early March 2022.
- 5.5 An update was provided on ongoing recovery works after Cyclone Dovi.
- 5.6 An update on the finances and building works was provided, noting the additional licencing funds that are now anticipated. The generator replacement is due to end of life and that a plan will be put in place for the website upgrade once a new communications staff member has been appointed including a cost analysis.
- 5.7 It was decided that Mr I Wilson, National Emergency Management Agency, would report through his channels, the concerns expressed by the committee in regards to the Emergency Management Plans depicted in the Civil Defence bill reform.
- 5.8 Ms L Poutu, Tokomaru Representative, advised that she is a member of the Ministerial Advisors Group for the Trifecta and advised that she would also take back the committees concerns. Noting that the concerns have been raised prior.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Quarter Two Performance Report 2021-2022*.
Cloke/Volzke

6. Resignation of David Langford, NPDC Local Controller

- 6.1 Councillor M J Cloke spoke to the memorandum to advise the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee of the resignation of Mr David Langford as the Local Controller for New Plymouth District Council and to outline a process for the replacement of this statutory position.

- 6.2 An update was provided in regards to whether Kelvin Wright's move to Venture Taranaki means he can still be a local controller, however it is preferred to have someone internally in that position, it has been proposed that Kelvin becomes a Group Controller.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Resignation of David Langford, NPDC Local Controller*
- b) notes that resignation of Mr David Langford from the role of Local Controller
- c) acknowledges the services that Mr David Langford has provided for the Taranaki CDEM Group in his time as controller.

Cloke/Volzke

7. Submission to proposed Critical Infrastructure amendments to Civil Defence Emergency Management Act, Round 2

- 7.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management, spoke to the memorandum to present members of the Joint Committee with the Taranaki CDEM Group Submission to the second round of proposed Critical Infrastructure (Lifeline Utilities) amendments to the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act.
- 7.2 It was clarified that the submissions provided were in relation to the entire Trifecta Framework not just the critical infrastructure. The 16 Civil Defence groups submitted feedback noting that the Joint Committee did not submit joint feedback.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum *Submission to proposed Critical Infrastructure amendments to Civil Defence Emergency Management Act*
- b) notes and endorses the content of this memorandum and consultation feedback 'Critical Infrastructure proposals for new Emergency Management Bill' contained in Appendix.

Jordan/Northcott

8. National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) Correspondence and Update

- 8.1 Mr I Wilson, National Emergency Management Agency, spoke to the memorandum to provide the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee of recent correspondence received from NEMA and to receive an update from NEMA's Senior Regional Emergency Management Advisor.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives and notes the correspondence received from NEMA
- b) receives and notes the verbal update provided by Ian Wilson.

Cloke/Jordan

9. General Business

- 9.1 It was agreed by the Committee that NEMA updates will continue to be provided via a verbal update.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson M J Cloke thanked attendees and declared the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee Meeting closed at 11.40pm.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

M J Cloke

19 May 2022



Date 2 March 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3000585

Present	Councillors	M McDonald	Taranaki Regional Council (Chairperson)
		H Duynhoven	New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mayors	P Nixon	South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i>
		N Volzke	Stratford District Council
	Ms	L Stewart	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency <i>zoom</i>
Attending	Mr	M Nield	Taranaki Regional Council
	Ms	S Hiestand	Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	S Downs	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	D Cross	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	S Bowden	Stratford District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	R Leitao	New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	S Knartson	New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	V Lim	South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	R Broad	AA Taranaki
	Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council
	Ms	K Humphrey	Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	F Ritson	Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	G Sykes	Egmont Village Community Representative
	Ms	J Coulson	Egmont Village Community Representative
	Mr	J Bullivant	Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	M Willberg	Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport <i>zoom</i>

Apologies There were no apologies received.

Notification of Late Items **There were no late items.**

1. Deputation – Egmont Village Safety Improvements

- 1.1 Mr G Sykes & J Coulson gave a deputation to the Council regarding the Inglewood Safety Improvements in regards to traffic speed through Egmont Village and road noise impacting the Egmont Village School.
- 1.2 The committee asked for information on what plans the school or the Education Board had put in place for noise reduction such as acoustic barriers.
- 1.3 Ms L Stewart, Director Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi, acknowledged the deputation and advised that it would be logical for the improvements needed at Egmont Village to be done as part of the planned safety improvement works. A safety assessment is planned which will feed into a feasibility study. It was advised that changing the speeds is a more complex as it has to go through a regulatory process to look at potential speed reduction.
- 1.4 Ms L Stewart, Director Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi, acknowledged Ms J Coulson, Egmont Village Safety's request for engine break signs to be erected in the interim and advised that it was currently being investigated.

2. Confirmation of Minutes – 1 December 2021

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held at 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Wednesday 1 December 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee held at 47 Cloten Street, Stratford on Wednesday 1 December 2021 at 10.30am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.

Duynhoven/Volzke

Matters arising

- 2.1 Councillor M J Cloke has been closely working alongside Ms S Downs, Portfolio Manager, Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency, on the State Highway 3 prioritisation process, as such an update on the slow vehicle passing lane requested in Mokau and followed up on by Councillor H Duynhoven would be available in due course.

3. Regional Transport Advisory Group Minutes – 9 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the confirmed minutes of the Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on Wednesday 9 February 2022.

Cloke/Nixon

4. Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency Update

- 4.1 Ms L Stewart, Director - Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency, gave a presentation updating Members on activities of the Agency.
- 4.2 Ms L Stewart advised that KiwiRail's participation in ongoing works with Waka Kotahi is particularly engaged and connected, working closely on the Rail Network improvement programme and advised that across the region they are resource constrained.
- 4.3 Ms L Stewart advised that consultation works alongside Councils was still needed to identify the most appropriate freight routes for the One Network Strategy.
- 4.4 The Committee gave overall feedback on the 'Road to 0' and that they were concerned the speed feels like the major tool to fix things as opposed to infrastructure.
- 4.5 The Committee raised concerned over the tar sealing around Inglewood generating a huge number of complaints and advised that the restricted speed signs linger for a duration of time after works have been completed and the roads swept.
- 4.6 Ms L Stewart advised that the primary reason for contractors leaving segments of the highway at restricted speeds is to try overcome some of the issues that are being experienced with resealing, as traffic is being used to do a lot of the rolling, in differing weather conditions speeds need to be reduced to allow the works to be 'bed in'.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives with thanks the presentation and the detailed updates provided by Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency.
McDonald/Duynhoven

5. Territorial Authorities Update

- 5.1 Mr V Lim, South Taranaki District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the South Taranaki District. It was noted:
 - Mr V Lim, South Taranaki District Council provided an update on the Stent Road washout permanent repair, advised that is scheduled to take place in the following weeks however further advised that they would work with the contractor to reprioritise the timelines.
- 5.2 Mr S Bowden, Stratford District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the Stratford District. It was noted:
 - Mayor N Volzke stated that the Stratford District Council would endeavour to present to the committee members at the next meeting with detail around the proposed differential targeted rate for Forestry Owners, the current damage being done, how they would determine whether or not a property is a forestry property alongside further issues that arise.
 - Mayor P Nixon advised that South Taranaki would also like to submit figures in relation to damage caused by Forestry Owners, they are watching the targeted rate with interest to see the result for Stratford.
- 5.3 Mr R Leitao, New Plymouth Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the New Plymouth District. It was noted:

- The Webinar organised by Lawrence Yule that took place on 2 March 2022, can be provided to anyone who wishes by requesting through Mayor N Volzke or Mayor P Nixon.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the update provided by the Stratford District Council on its transport activities
- b) receives the update provided by the South Taranaki District Council on its transport activities
- c) receives the update provided by the New Plymouth District Council on its transport activities.
Nixon/Duynhoven

6. Public Transport Operational Update for the Quarter Ending 31 December 2022

- 6.1 Ms S Hiestand, Transport Manager, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum providing members with an operational report on public transport services for the quarter ending 31 December 2021.
- 6.2 Ms S Hiestand updated the councillors on the increased use of the Total Mobility Service, the users of this service that have health conditions have opted to use the services as opposed to buses in the height of the COVID-19 pandemic for increased safety.
- 6.2 The Committee noted that positive feedback has been received from users of the Hāwera to New Plymouth Service.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum *Public Transport Operational Report for the Quarter Ending 31 December 2021*.
Volzke/Duynhoven

7. Consultation on the review of the Road User Chargers System

- 7.1 Josh Bullivant, Graduate Adviser, Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport, spoke to the presentation to update Members on the review of the Road User Chargers (RUC) system.
- 7.2 The Committee advised that it wished to make a submission. The submission will be prepared and circulated for comment.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Consultation on review of the Road User Charges System*
- b) receives with thanks the presentation provided by the Ministry of Transport on the 2022 Road User Charges system consultation.

McDonald/Volzke

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor M J McDonald, thanked the Committee for their work and declared the Regional Transport Committee meeting closed at 12.41pm.

Confirmed

**Taranaki Regional Transport
Committee Chairperson:** _____

M J McDonald

Wednesday 1 June 2022



Date: 3 March 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3003710

Present

Councillors	A Jamieson B Roach M Chong D H McIntyre	Stratford District Council (<i>Deputy Chair</i>)* South Taranaki District Council – Late zoom New Plymouth District Council zoom Taranaki Regional Council zoom
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Attending

Mrs	V McKay	Taranaki Regional Council
Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council
Ms	L Campbell	Stratford District Council zoom
Mr	J Cooper	Stratford District Council zoom
Mr	P McNamara	Stratford District Council zoom
Ms	J Dearden	New Plymouth District Council zoom
Ms	A Brash	New Plymouth District Council zoom
Ms	R Martin	South Taranaki District Council zoom
Mr	H Denton	South Taranaki District Council zoom

Apologies An apology from Councillors N W Walker and R Handley and A J Matthews, Taranaki Regional Council was received and sustained.
Jamieson/Chong

**Due to the apology sustained from Councillor N W Walker, Councillor A Jamieson chaired the Taranaki Solid Waste Committee Meeting held 3 March 2022.*

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 4 November 2021

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 4 November 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 4 November 2021 have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for receipt and information.

Chong/McIntyre

2. Regional Waste Minimisation Officer's Activity Report

- 2.1 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum to inform the Committee of significant activities undertaken by the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer, in collaboration with the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council.
- 2.2 Ms A Brash, New Plymouth District Council, updated the Committee on the contamination audits currently taking place, including the annual recycling kerbside audit.
- 2.3 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, noted that education and higher fines for contaminated recyclables are unlikely to lead to necessary behaviour change, rather common plastics will need to be phased out or banned completely.
- 2.5 Ms A Brash, New Plymouth District Council, advised the Committee that they will be investigating measures to encourage better waste habits during the next retendering of the contract. Preparation for the retendering is beginning now, and it will be tendered later this year. Any changes and additions to rubbish removal charges would need to be handled appropriately through Council Bylaws.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Regional Waste Minimisation officer's Activity Report*
- b) notes the activities of the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer.

Chong/McIntyre

3. Ministry for the Environment Consultation – Proposed Waste Strategy Regional Submission

- 3.1 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum for the Committee to receive and endorse the submission on the proposed waste strategy changes.
- 3.2 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, spoke further to the current regional feasibility statement underway for the incineration of organic material, which focuses on food waste, wood waste and by-products from large food industries. It was noted that any plans for plastic incineration (i.e. a pyrolysis plant) would depend on Central Government requirements.
- 3.3 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, spoke further to pyrolysis plants, advising that the Ministry of Environment had expressed concerns about those plants receiving consents in New Zealand, due to emission implications. Additionally, due to the plants requiring a vast volume of waste over long periods of time in order to make them feasible, it is unlikely that there would be a large number of pyrolysis plants erected across the country.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Ministry for the Environment Consultant – Proposed Waste Strategy Regional Submission*
- b) endorses the submission on the proposed waste strategy changes.
Jamieson/Chong

Councillor B Roach joined at 10.56am

4. Update on Current Significant Projects for Taranaki

- 4.1 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, and Ms A Brash, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum, providing the Committee with an update on a number of large projects that are currently underway in the region in relation to waste management and minimisation.
- 4.2 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, spoke further to the feasibility study for a regional organic waste facility, noting that initial stakeholder and iwi/hapū engagement has been completed, with a report due to be made available mid-late April 2022, with submissions taking place in May 2022. Once the submission process is complete, a workshop with elected members will take place.
- 4.3 Ms A Brash, New Plymouth District Council, spoke further to the Commercial Waste Sorting Facility, a tender is now open for the construction of the site and once closed, a subsequent tender will open for the operations of the site. EnviroWaste will be departing from site in April 2022, at which point New Plymouth District Council can take over. It is anticipated that the facility will be open circa July 2022.
- 4.4 Construction is underway for relocation of the New Plymouth transfer station, this will continue to be open to the public and used for any household waste.

- 4.5 The cost of using the commercial waste facility has not yet been determined, but there likely would be a charge, noting that this needs to be a cost effective operation while also ensuring that costs are in line with the market.
- 4.6 New Plymouth District Council is working closely with local markets to ensure that they are not doubling up on facilities that already exist in close proximity. The facility is being designed to be a 'one stop shop' to reduce pressure for waste services providers. The facility will separate good quality material and hand those over to local providers. Ideally, construction waste would be diverted from Cleanfills, creating a close circular economy for the materials in hope they will be put back into production.
- 4.7 Ms A Brash, New Plymouth District Council, provided an update on the Waste Collection Tender as the current contract is due to expire at the end of September 2024. The works are in the early stages but noted that a project team has been established which includes representatives from Councils across the country. A consultant is yet to be engaged to assist in the development and scope for the new contract.
- 4.8 Mr H Denton, South Taranaki District Council, noted that the RFD tags when the contract was last renewed were relatively new technology and, that was very costly. Now the tags are generally standard when you purchase new bins. These tags will help to record data from bins as they are collected and can be used to correctly identify the household that may be not recycling right, or charge for landfill waste by weight (pay as you throw model). These are matters that will be considered when tendering for the new contract.
- 4.9 It was noted that extending the collection service to more rural areas was probably too costly at present, but the intent is to look at options for improving rural waste services as an action in the Council's Waste Management and Minimisation Plans.
- 4.10 Ms R Martin spoke further on the potential for electric vehicles to be used for waste collection.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Update on the Current Significant Projects for Taranaki*
Chong/McIntyre

There being no further business, Committee Chairperson, Councillor A Jamieson, declared the meeting of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee closed at 11.27am.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

N W Walker
26 May 2022



Date 5 April 2022

Subject: **Meeting Dates for April and May 2022**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3026794

Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide notification to members of the meeting dates for the first round of meetings for April and May 2022.

Meeting Dates

Consents and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 26 April 2022, 9.30am
Policy and Planning Committee	Tuesday 26 April 2022, 10.30am
Executive, Audit and Risk Committee	Monday 9 May 2022, 10am
Ordinary	Tuesday 17 May 2022, 10.30am



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **2022/2023 Administrative Charges Pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3000380

Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to enable Council to fix its 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991* (RMA).

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and notes this memorandum to fix the 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*
- b) adopts the statement of proposal to fix administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991* for 2022/2023
- c) notes and approves that a summary of the statement of proposal will not be prepared
- d) notes and approves the timetable for the completion of the special consultative procedure and the fixing of the schedule of administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*
- e) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- f) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Background

2. The Council is required to use the special consultative procedure, as set out in section 83 of the *Local Government Act 2002* (LGA), to fix its annual administrative charges under section 36 of the RMA. This process normally occurs in conjunction with the special

consultative procedure used to adopt the Long-Term Plan or Annual Plan. Section 36 charges apply to, and therefore involve, a relatively small number of consent applicants and holders. They are mainly associated with compliance monitoring programmes that have been previously circulated and discussed through the monitoring implementation process that occurs each year.

3. The 2014 amendment to the LGA that allowed the Council to undertake no additional consultation on an annual plan, if there are no significant or material changes proposed for that year compared to the proposals adopted for that year in the long-term plan, did not amend the RMA. That is, the requirement to use section 83 of the LGA to fix administrative charges under section 36 of the RMA remains in place.
4. The Council has decided not to undertake any additional public consultation and engagement on its *2022/2023 Annual Plan*. However, there needs to be a section 83 of the LGA special consultative procedure to fix the 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the RMA.

Issues

5. The issue addressed in this memorandum is the commencement of the public process to fix the Section 36 RMA charges for 2022/2023.

Discussion

6. At the 21 February 2022 meeting, the Council agreed to adopt the *2022/2023 Annual Plan* without any further public engagement or consultation. Further, the Council resolved to undertake the special consultative procedure on the section 36 administrative charges in April 2022 with the intention of adopting both the Plan and the administrative charges in May 2022.

Section 36 Administrative Charges

7. The requirements of section 83 of the LGA are as follows:

Special consultative procedure

(1) *Where this Act or any other enactment requires a local authority to use or adopt the special consultative procedure, that local authority must –*

(a) *prepare and adopt –*

(i) *a statement of proposal; and*

(ii) *if the local authority considers on reasonable grounds that it is necessary to enable public understanding of the proposal, a summary of the information contained in the statement of proposal (which summary must comply with section 83AA); and*

(b) *ensure that the following is publicly available:*

(i) *the statement of proposal; and*

(ii) *a description of how the local authority will provide persons interested in the proposal with an opportunity to present their views to the local authority in accordance with section 82(1)(d); and*

(iii) *a statement of the period within which views on the proposal may be provided to the local authority (the period being not less than 1 month from the date the statement is issued); and*

- (c) *make the summary of the information contained in the statement of proposal prepared in accordance with paragraph (a)(ii) (or the statement of proposal, if a summary is not prepared) as widely available as is reasonably practicable as a basis for consultation; and*
 - (d) *provide an opportunity for persons to present their views to the local authority in a manner that enables spoken (or New Zealand sign language) interaction between the person and the local authority, or any representatives to whom an appropriate delegation has been made in accordance with Schedule 7; and*
 - (e) *ensure that any person who wishes to present his or her views to the local authority or its representatives as described in paragraph (d) –*
 - (i) *is given a reasonable opportunity to do so; and*
 - (ii) *is informed about how and when he or she may take up that opportunity.*
 - (2) *For the purpose of, but without limiting, subsection (1)(d), a local authority may allow any person to present his or her views to the local authority by way of audio link or audiovisual link.*
 - (3) *This section does not prevent a local authority from requesting or considering, before making a decision, comment or advice from an officer of the local authority or any other person in respect of the proposal or any views on the proposal, or both.*
8. The Council has prepared a draft schedule of its 2022/2023 administrative charges – refer attached. This will become the statement of proposal. The proposal is not materially or significantly different from the schedule of administrative charges fixed in the *2021/2031 Long-Term Plan*. The construction, structure and nature of administrative charges is unchanged. That is, there is nothing structurally new or different in the schedule of administrative charges from that adopted in the *2021/2031 Long-Term Plan*. Consent holders, and others that are impacted by these charges, will have a long-term familiarity with the approach to RMA administrative charges.
9. The charge-out rates have been updated, the fixed minimum charges have been updated, the schedules of charges have been updated, and the individual monitoring programme charges have been reviewed and updated.
10. As there is little in the way of change to the administrative charges, there is an overall familiarity with the approach and there is a logistical difficulty around summarising the charges, it is not proposed to prepare a summary of the statement of proposal – section 83 (1)(a)(ii).
11. Similarly, it is not proposed to undertake a complex or comprehensive consultation process. All of the individual compliance monitoring programmes have the appropriate opportunity for the consent holder to provide their feedback. This is the biggest section of the administrative charges. Therefore, it is proposed to distribute the statement of proposal via the Council’s website. A hard copy of the statement of proposal will be available upon request. There will be a public notice on the statement of proposal and the consultation process. Submissions will be able to be made via the Council’s website or in writing.
12. The statement of proposal will be open for consultation for one month. There will then be a hearing for those submitters that wish to present their submission. The Council will then consider, amend, if necessary, and adopt the schedule of administrative charges for inclusion in the *2022/2023 Annual Plan*. The Council will then consider and adopt the *2022/2023 Annual Plan*.

13. The proposed timetable for the special consultative procedure is:

- 5 April 2022 - The Council adopts the statement of proposal for the schedule of 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the RMA
- 6 April 2022 to 6 May 2022 - The statement of proposal for the schedule of 2022/2023 administrative charges is open for consultation
- 17 May 2022 - The Council hears submissions on the statement of proposal for the schedule of 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the RMA. The Council considers submissions and, if necessary, amends the schedule of charges. The schedule of charges is then adopted
- Following adoption of the amended schedule of charges, the Council adopts the *2022/2023 Annual Plan*: 17 May 2022 Ordinary Meeting.

Options

14. There are no viable options. Section 36 RMA administrative charges must be set by a consultative procedure. This procedure must be completed in time to adopt the *2022/2023 Annual Plan*. The adoption of section 36 administrative charges enables the delivery of the programmes of work adopted in the *2021/2031 Long-Term Plan* in compliance with the adopted *Revenue and Financing Policy*.

Significance

15. This decision is not considered significant in terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy. Public and community views will be received through the special consultative process and consent holders which individual compliance monitoring programmes have been separately consulted with.

Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan

16. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's adopted Long-Term Plan and estimates. Any financial information included in this memorandum has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Policy considerations

17. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the policy documents and positions adopted by this Council under various legislative frameworks including, but not restricted to, the *Local Government Act 2002*, the *Resource Management Act 1991* and the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*.

Iwi considerations

18. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's policy for the development of Māori capacity to contribute to decision-making processes (schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 2002*) as outlined in the adopted long-term plan and/or annual plan.

Community considerations

19. This memorandum and the associated recommendations have considered the views of the community, interested and affected parties and those views have been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Legal considerations

20. This memorandum and the associated recommendations comply with the appropriate statutory requirements imposed upon the Council.

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3012941: Section 36 Resource Management Act 1991 Administrative Charges:
Statement of Proposal

STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL
SCHEDULE OF CHARGES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 36 OF THE
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

The Taranaki Regional Council is fixing its 2022/2023 administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. As part of this process, the Council is undertaking a special consultative procedure (refer section 83 of the *Local Government Act 2002*).

These administrative charges are fixed annually to recover the Council's actual and reasonable costs when undertaking work for external users under the *Resource Management Act 1991*. The Schedule of Charges fixes charges in the following areas:

- Schedule 1: Scale of Charges for Staff Time
- Schedule 2: Fixed minimum charges for the preparation or change of policy statement or plans and the processing of resource consents
- Schedule 3: Scale of charges for the use of plant
- Schedule 4: Fixed minimum charges for laboratory analyses
- Schedule 5: Fixed initial annual monitoring deposit charges for activities with tailored compliance monitoring programmes 2022/2023
- Schedule 6: Charges for monitoring under the national environmental standard for plantation forestry
- Schedule 7: Fixed minimum charges for monitoring farm dairy discharges and Feedlots and Stockholding Areas (permitted activities)
- Schedule 8: Fixed minimum charges for monitoring instream structures where no tailored compliance monitoring programme exists
- Schedule 9: Fixed minimum charges for monitoring where no tailored compliance monitoring programme exists
- Schedule 10: Charges for those requesting hearing commissioners
- Schedule 11: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Changes in land use
- Schedule 12: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Wetlands
- Schedule 13: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Intensive winter grazing
- Schedule 14: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Natural hazards
- Schedule 15: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Culverts and weirs
- Schedule 16: Charges for Permitted Activity Monitoring Under the National Environmental Standard for Freshwater: Synthetic fertiliser

The fixing of charges process provides an opportunity to provide views on the proposed 2022/2023 administrative charges. The Council looks forward to receiving your comments, feedback and submissions on this statement of proposal by 4.00pm on Friday 6 May 2022. Councillors and management are available to answer any questions or to discuss any of the proposals contained within this proposal.

Q. How do I make a submission to the Council?

A. Write a submission and send it to:

2022/2023 Schedule of Administrative Charges Submission
The Chief Executive
Taranaki Regional Council
Private Bag 713
STRATFORD

Submissions can also be made on-line at www.trc.govt.nz. Your submission must arrive by 4.00pm on Friday 6 May 2022. Please include your telephone number. The Council will be hearing submissions on Tuesday 17 May 2022, and if you wish to appear in person in support of your submission, please indicate this in your submission.

- Q. Do I have to come and speak to my submission?
A. No. It is entirely up to you. You will be most welcome, but if you decide not to attend the meeting, your written submission will be given full consideration.
- Q. Will the hearing be very formal?
A. No. Council members will have read your submission beforehand and have it with them; the Chairperson will invite you to expand on it.
- Q. Who can I contact at the Council offices to discuss the Schedule of Administrative Charges?
A. You are welcome to call at the Council's offices at Cloten Road, Stratford, or phone (06-765-7127) and discuss the schedule of charges with any of the following Executive Staff:
Steve Ruru (Chief Executive)
Daniel Harrison (Director—Operations)
Abbey Matthews (Director—Environment Quality)
Fred McLay (Director—Resource Management)
Mike Nield (Director—Corporate Services)

Resource Management Act charging policy

Schedule of charges pursuant to section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991

SCHEDULE 1: SCALE OF CHARGES FOR STAFF TIME

	Rate for processing resource consents and responding to pollution incidents.	Rate for all other Council work.
Professional staff	\$101/hr	\$96/hr
Professional/supervisory staff	\$128/hr	\$120/hr
Managers	\$185/hr	\$173/hr
Support staff	\$101/hr	\$96/hr
Directors	\$307/hr	\$286/hr

EXPLANATION

This scale of charges is used to calculate the Council's actual and reasonable costs when carrying out functions under the *Resource Management Act 1991*, including any functions transferred to it under section 33. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed any specified charges, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. Staff time is recovered at the charge appropriate to the task which they are undertaking. The charges are calculated as per the IPENZ method with a multiplier of 2.1. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 2: FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR THE PREPARATION OR CHANGE OF POLICY STATEMENT OR PLANS AND THE PROCESSING OF RESOURCE CONSENTS

Request for preparation or change to a plan/policy statement	\$55,000
For non-notified farm dairy discharge consent	\$1,040
For non-notified consent other	\$1,300
For notified consents (limited and public)	\$7,425
Renewal or change consent:	
• Non-notified	\$1,300
• Notified (limited and public)	\$7,425
Non-notified review of consent	\$646
Notified review of consent	\$7,425
Extension of a consent lapse date	\$520
Certificate of compliance	\$1,300
Serve notice of a permitted activity	\$320
Approvals under <i>Resource Management Act</i> :	
Water Measuring Regulations	\$381
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (1 to 5 consents)	\$100 per consent
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (6 to 20 consents)	\$83 per consent
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (more than 21)	\$67 per consent

EXPLANATION

Applicants, in accordance with Council policy, are required, where necessary, to pay all actual and reasonable charges for staff time, consultants, cultural and other experts, legal, hearing costs (including legal, administration, hearing commissioners (and disbursements and councillors acting as hearing commissioners costs), plant and laboratory analyses where these costs exceed the fixed minimum charges set out in Schedule 2. The above charges include those arising from any functions transferred to the Council under section 33 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. Where independent commissioners are requested by submitters, these additional costs will be recovered from the applicant and reimbursed after collection from the submitter under Schedule 8. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 3: SCALE OF CHARGES FOR THE USE OF PLANT

BTEX Absorption Disk	\$541.00 per sample
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Deposition gauge	\$51.00 per month
Drager air sampler	\$40.80 per sample
DusTrak desktop monitor (PM10)	\$102.00 per day
DusTrak handheld	\$30.60 per deployment
Gastec air sampler	\$51.00 per sample
Multigas monitor	\$102.00 per deployment
Passive absorption disks	\$173.00 per sample
Black Disc	\$10.20 per deployment
Contolotron	\$153.00 per day
Electric fishing equipment	\$255.00 per day
Fyke net	\$30.60 per deployment
G-minnow trap	\$10.20 per deployment
Macroinvertebrate sample processing	\$265.00 per sample
Miscellaneous fish survey equipment	\$102.00 per survey
Periphyton aspirator	\$102.00 per day
Portable dissolved oxygen sensor	\$357.00 per month
Spotlight Surveys	\$30.60 per night survey
Vandorn sampler	\$51.00 per day
Waitaha Sonde	\$5,100.00 per year
Bladder pump	\$112.00 per day
Bladder pump-bladder	\$17.90 per item
Disposable Bailer	\$20.40 per sample
Electrical submersible pump	\$51.00 per day
Groundwater level logger	\$184.00 per year
Groundwater Sample tubing – bladder	\$3.20 per metre
Groundwater Sample tubing – drop tube	\$2.00 per metre
Groundwater Sample tubing – peristaltic	\$1.10 per metre
Peristaltic Pump	\$61.20 per day
Portable (12v) groundwater pump	\$122.00 per day
Motorboat Delia S	\$2,040.00 per day
Quad bike	\$357.00 per day
RTK GPS survey equipment	\$306.00 per day
Single axle trailer	\$71.40 per day
Spill Response Trailer	\$255.00 per day
Spray Unit	\$204.00 per day
Survey equipment – digital dumpy level	\$102.00 per day
Tandem trailer	\$96.90 per day
Teryx ATV	\$510.00 per day
Traffic management (TMS)	\$88.70 per hour
Bertrand Rd hydrometric equipment	\$843.00 per year
Cell telemetry	\$30.60 per month
Data Logger	\$163.00 per year
Hydrological gauging equipment (M9)	\$184.00 per gauging
Hydrological gauging equipment (wading)	\$76.50 per gauging
In stream temperature monitor	\$25.50 per month
Mangaehu hydrometric equipment	\$712.00 per year
Mangati Environmental Sensors	\$5,100.00 per year
Mangati hydrometric equipment	\$8,436.00 per year
Mangawhero-iti hydrometric equipment	\$1,187.00 per year
Oaonui hydrometric equipment	\$385.00 per year
Patea McColl's bridge hydrometric equipment	\$1,191.00 per year
Patea Skinner Rd hydrometric equipment	\$534.00 per year
Radio Telemetry	\$10.20 per month
RNZ Uriti Telemetry	\$5,000 per year
Repair Parts (battery/fuse/cable)	\$51.00 per deployment
Surrey Road Telemetry	\$5,000 per year
Standard hydrometric equipment	\$1,772.00 per year
Tangahoe hydrometric equipment	\$619.00 per year

Tawhiti hydrometric equipment (lower)	\$1,573.00 per year
Tawhiti hydrometric equipment (upper)	\$973.00 per year
Waingongoro hydrometric equipment	\$755.00 per year
Waitaha hydrometric equipment	\$7,356.00 per year
Rain Gauge Calibration	\$306.00 per deployment
Chlorine Meter	\$18.90 per use
Multi-parameter Field Meter	\$102.00 per day

EXPLANATION

This scale of charges is used to calculate the Council's actual and reasonable costs when carrying out functions under the *Resource Management Act 1991*. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed any specified amounts, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. The use of materials stored in the spill response trailer and/or used in spill response will be recovered from the spiller on an actual and reasonable basis. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 4: FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR LABORATORY ANALYSES

The Council has engaged a contract laboratory, RJ Hill Laboratories Ltd, to undertake the Council's regular sample analysis. Pricing of analysis is set out in the Council's contract with the supplier, these negotiated prices are subject to commercial sensitivity and therefore are not published in detail in this schedule. The Council's approach to calculating laboratory analysis charges is to use the original contract pricing with the application of a handling cost (of \$4.65) per analysis method which provides for the time required to coordinate and maintain this service. Total costs of analysis including the adjustment will be made available on request. An explanation of the methods used for laboratory analyses is available on request.

EXPLANATION

This schedule sets out the Council's approach to recovering actual and reasonable costs of laboratory analysis when carrying out functions under the *Resource Management Act 1991*. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed charges in this schedule, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. An explanation of the methods used for laboratory analyses is available on request. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. Charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 5: FIXED INITIAL ANNUAL MONITORING DEPOSIT CHARGES FOR ACTIVITIES WITH TAILORED COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAMMES 2022/2023

CATCHMENTS – HEREKAWÉ STREAM

Beach Energy Resources NZ (Kupe) Limited	\$3,207
Methanex NZ Limited	\$6,497
New Plymouth District Council	\$3,072
New Zealand Oil Services Ltd	\$3,072
OMV Taranaki Limited (Inactive)	\$6,666

CATCHMENTS – HONGIHONGI STREAM

Bulk Storage Terminals Limited	\$2,509
Molten Metals Limited	\$3,920
New Plymouth District Council	\$2,379
New Zealand Oil Services Ltd	\$2,124
OMV Taranaki Limited (Inactive)	\$2,509
Port Taranaki Limited	\$2,292
Seaport Land Company Limited	\$2,124
Z Energy Limited	\$2,509

CATCHMENTS – LOWER WAIWHAKAIHO AIRSHED

DIALOG Fitzroy Limited	\$11,908
Downer NZ Limited	\$10,732
Katere Surface Coatings Limited	\$4,100
Taranaki Regional Council	\$10,280

CATCHMENTS – LOWER WAIWHAKAIHO RIVER

AML Limited (Trading as Allied Concrete)	\$3,740
Devon 662 Limited Partnership	\$8,180
DIALOG Fitzroy Limited	\$7,312
Downer EDI Works Limited	\$3,871
Envirowaste Services Limited	\$3,818
Firth Industries Limited	\$3,838
Freight & Bulk Transport Limited	\$3,709
KiwiRail Holdings Limited	\$3,875
New Plymouth District Council	\$13,662
New Zealand Railways Corporation	\$3,892
Ravensdown Limited	\$3,807
Taranaki Regional Council	\$2,052
Taranaki Sawmills Limited	\$6,694
Technix Group Limited	\$10,833
Waste Management NZ Limited	\$4,049

CATCHMENTS – MANGATI STREAM

Barton Holdings Limited	\$7,554
First Gas Limited	\$6,243
Greymouth Petroleum Acquisition Company Ltd	\$7,576
J Swap Contractors Limited	\$8,363
McKechnie Aluminium Solutions Limited	\$9,679
New Plymouth District Council	\$9,095
Nexans New Zealand Limited	\$9,259
OMV New Zealand Limited	\$7,580
Schlumberger New Zealand Limited	\$7,409
Taranaki Regional Council	\$4,670
Tasman Oil Tools Limited	\$7,576
Tegel Foods Limited	\$10,669
Tegel Foods Limited - Poultry Processing Plant	\$24,545

TIL Freightng Limited	\$10,442
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CATCHMENTS – TAWHITI STREAM

Graeme Lowe Protein Limited	\$10,298
Silver Fern Farms Limited	\$19,825
Taranaki Fish & Game Council	\$2,110

CATCHMENTS – WAITAHA STREAM

AICA (NZ) Limited	\$13,501
C&O Concrete Products Limited - New Plymouth	\$4,051
Energyworks Limited	\$6,203
GJ Meredith Limited	\$7,354
Greymouth Facilities Limited	\$4,826
Intergroup Limited	\$6,538
New Plymouth District Council	\$5,758
Pounamu Oilfield Services Limited	\$5,434
SRG Global Asset Services (Taranaki) Ltd	\$5,299
Symons Property Developments Limited	\$4,605
Taranaki Sawmills Limited	\$9,127
Woodwards 2008 Limited	\$1,086
Zelam Limited	\$1,187

DAIRY PROCESSING

Fonterra Limited	\$176,202
Taranaki Regional Council	\$226

HYDRO-ELECTRIC ENERGY

Greenfern Industries Limited	\$21,788
Trustpower Limited	\$87,961

INDUSTRIAL

Anzco Foods Waitara Limited	\$1,177
Ballance Agri-Nutrients Limited	\$997
Ballance Agri-Nutrients Limited	\$600
Corteva Agriscience New Zealand Limited	\$12,425
Downer NZ Limited	\$2,334
Energy Services International Limited	\$600
Fonterra Limited	\$739
Liquigas Limited - Head Office	\$1,297
McKechnie Aluminium Solutions Limited	\$18,890
Methanex Motunui Limited	\$1,994
Port Taranaki Limited	\$14,312
Powerco Limited - Electricity Operations	\$723
Sandford Bros Limited	\$702
Solexin Industries Limited	\$600
Taranaki Bulk Storage Limited	\$1,597
Taranaki Stock Car Club Inc	\$702
Technix Bitumen Technologies Limited	\$2,334
Transpower New Zealand Limited	\$723

IRRIGATION

Alexander Farms Limited	\$1,366
Anthony Ingman & Kerstin Johanna Williams	\$511

AR Geary Trust	\$1,774	Candyman Trust	\$2,505
BLL Farm Trust	\$5,174	Central Greenwaste & Firewood	\$806
BR & RG Harvey Family Trust	\$947	Denis Wheeler Earthmoving Limited	\$1,935
Coastal Country Farms Limited	\$3,104	Downer EDI Works Limited	\$2,192
David John Alexander	\$1,076	Downer NZ Limited	\$4,116
David Pease Family Trust	\$3,141	Gas & Plumbing Ltd	\$1,869
Duncan Robert Emerson Wilson	\$3,553	Groundworkx Taranaki Limited	\$806
FJ Goodin & Sons Limited	\$3,104	Malandra Downs Limited	\$2,022
Fonic Farms Limited	\$1,774	New Plymouth District Council	\$116,229
Friesianroots Limited	\$3,391	Smudgy Developments Limited	\$1,869
Gibbs G Trust	\$1,859	South Taranaki District Council	\$27,688
Graham Allen & Ruby Joyce Dorn	\$1,774	Stratford District Council	\$5,924
Greg McCallum	\$1,149	Taranaki Trucking Company Limited	\$1,833
Hawera Golf Club Inc	\$546	TPJ Partnership	\$5,336
Inglewood Golf Club Inc	\$691	Value Timber Supplies Limited	\$3,764
James Robert & Donna Maree Baker	\$1,149	Westown Agriculture Limited	\$6,613
John & Elaine Glenda Sanderson	\$3,716	Westown Haulage Limited	\$2,102
JW & MT Hamblyn Family Trusts	\$1,774		
Kaihihi Trust	\$1,785	MARINE DISCHARGES	
Kaitake Golf Club Inc	\$1,002	Fonterra Limited	\$1,732
Kereone Farms Limited	\$5,633	New Plymouth District Council	\$38,928
Kohi Investments Limited	\$1,785	South Taranaki District Council	\$41,712
Larsen Trusts Partnership	\$511		
Leatherleaf Limited	\$1,310	MEAT PROCESSING	
Leonie Ann Campbell	\$4,877	Ample Group Limited	\$27,603
Luttrell Trust Partnership	\$5,174	Anzco Foods Limited	\$6,396
Manaia Golf Club	\$691	Riverlands Eltham Limited	\$42,132
Manukorihi Golf Club Inc	\$1,002	Silver Fern Farms Limited	\$25,543
Mara Trust	\$2,659		
New Plymouth Golf Club Inc	\$1,002	MINOR INDUSTRIES	
Nigel Wayne & Denise Mary King	\$1,402	Agri Tech Engineering Limited T/A Hotter	
Nilock & Camole Trusts	\$2,230	Engineering	\$717
Oceanview Trust	\$511	Blastways Limited	\$717
Ohawe Farm Limited	\$947	Colin David Boyd	\$3,733
Pihama Farms Limited	\$2,230	Egmont Canine Retreat and Cattery	\$684
Pukeone Partnership	\$7,314	Eltham Sandblasting Limited	\$717
Riverside Farms Taranaki Ltd	\$1,402	Firth Industries - Division of Fletcher Concrete &	
RM & MC Julian Family Trust	\$5,174	Infrastructure Limited	\$1,846
Roger Dickie Family Trust	\$1,858	Fletcher Concrete & Infrastructure Limited	\$1,846
Spenceview Farms	\$5,174	Fulton Hogan Limited - New Plymouth	\$214
Summerset Villages (Bell Block) Limited	\$1,366	Inglewood Timber Processors	\$684
Te Ngutu Golf Club Incorporated	\$909	JD Hickman 1997 Family Trust	\$2,590
Turangarere Trust	\$874	Lorry Land Limited	\$684
Waikaikai Farms Limited	\$1,385	Mervyn Jack Hooper	\$717
Waireka Trust	\$511	Ministry of Education - WELLINGTON	\$0
Waitara Golf Club Inc	\$909	New Plymouth District Council	\$8,093
Waitotara Kiwifruit Limited Partnership	\$1,366	New Zealand Pet Food Primary Processors	\$684
Waiwira Holdings Ltd	\$3,536	Normanby Engineering Sandblasting &	
Walker & McLean Partnership	\$1,859	Spraypainting	\$717
Wayne Douglas & Sandra Christine Morrison	\$6,397	Oscar4U	\$717
Westown Golf Club Incorporated	\$909	Osflo Fertiliser Limited	\$6,848
Woollaston Family Trust Partnership	\$1,858	Peter Jones	\$684
		Taranaki District Health Board	\$684
LANDFILLS/CLEANFILLS		Taranaki Galvanizers Limited	\$5,561
A & A George Family Trust	\$2,181	Transpower New Zealand Limited	\$717
AA Contracting Limited	\$2,305	W Abraham Limited	\$4,731
Allan Edward Riddick	\$2,113		
Barry John & Lynette Betty Bishop	\$2,305		

MISCELLANEOUS

New Plymouth District Council	\$5,936
New Plymouth District Council & Methanex Motunui Limited	\$0
New Plymouth Girls' High School	\$360
New Zealand Railways Corporation	\$0
Pungarehu Community Committee	\$360
South Taranaki District Council	\$7,478
Stratford District Council	\$360
Stratford High School	\$360
Taranaki Regional Council	\$0

NON-RENEWABLE ENERGY

Contact Energy Limited	\$37,196
Nova Energy Limited	\$7,855
Todd Generation Taranaki Limited	\$29,526

PETROCHEMICAL

Ballance Agri-Nutrients (Kapuni) Limited	\$40,349
Cheal Petroleum Limited	\$14,323
Flexgas Limited	\$7,523
Greymouth Petroleum Acquisition Company Limited	\$3,143
Greymouth Petroleum Central Limited	\$5,251
Greymouth Petroleum Limited	\$7,506
Greymouth Petroleum Turangi Limited	\$2,722
Methanex Motunui Limited	\$24,388
NZ Surveys 2020 Limited	\$2,911
NZEC Tariki Limited	\$2,236
NZEC Waihapa Limited	\$10,466
Petrochem Limited	\$2,471
Taranaki Ventures Limited	\$5,197
Todd Energy Limited	\$27,771
Todd Petroleum Mining Company Limited	\$25,286
Westside New Zealand Limited	\$11,630

PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTION STATIONS

Beach Energy Resources NZ (Kupe) Limited	\$20,384
Bridge Petroleum Limited	\$1,187
Cheal Petroleum Limited	\$15,403
Greymouth Petroleum Acquisition Company Limited	\$10,564
Greymouth Petroleum Central Limited	\$12,886
Greymouth Petroleum Limited	\$7,857
Greymouth Petroleum Turangi Limited	\$13,072
NZEC Tariki Limited	\$684
NZEC Waihapa Limited	\$3,635
NZEC Waihapa Limited and NZEC Tariki Limited	\$303
OMV New Zealand Limited	\$0
OMV NZ Production Limited	\$14,862
OMV Taranaki Limited (Inactive)	\$15,512
Petrochem Limited	\$1,330
Tamarind New Zealand Onshore Limited	\$12,501
Taranaki Ventures Limited	\$3,302
Todd Energy Limited	\$23,914
Todd Petroleum Mining Company Limited	\$18,077
TWN Limited Partnership	\$15,089

Westside New Zealand Limited	\$14,882
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PIGGERIES

Aorere Farms Partnership	\$1,334
DH Lepper Trust	\$7,606
RKM Farms Limited	\$5,277
Stanley Bros Trust	\$12,644

QUARRIES

AA Contracting Limited	\$1,978
Bunn Earthmoving Ltd	\$2,239
Burgess Crowley Partnership	\$2,632
Civil Quarries Limited	\$14,105
Dennis Mark & Diane Lillian Bourke	\$2,632
Ferndene Group Limited	\$2,632
Gibson Family Trust	\$1,978
Goodin AG Limited	\$1,978
Hey Trust	\$2,239
Horizon Trust Management Limited	\$5,067
Hurlstone Trust	\$196
Jones Quarry Limited	\$9,154
Jones Quarry Uruti Stone Limited	\$196
R A Wallis Limited	\$2,436
Richard John Dreaver	\$2,174
Taranaki Trucking Company Limited	\$2,632
Taunt Contracting Limited	\$2,239
Vickers Quarries Limited	\$3,024
Whitaker Civil Engineering Limited	\$2,370
Windy Point Quarry Limited	\$2,436
Winstone Aggregates Limited	\$2,632

SEWERAGE DISCHARGES & TREATMENT

Bergrust Family Trust	\$219
Carl Michael Morris	\$219
Coastal Taranaki School Board of Trustees	\$219
Department of Conservation	\$1,532
Falcon Group (2000) Limited	\$219
Frederick Emmanuel Laude	\$219
Irene Catherina van Osenbruggen	\$219
James & Alwena Edwards	\$219
JM Honeyfield Trust	\$219
K Hooper & C Bevers Trust	\$219
Ministry of Education - Wellington	\$219
New Plymouth District Council	\$16,808
Ngaere Primary School	\$219
Paul Roydon Gyde	\$219
Philip Murray Walker	\$219
Prudence Anne Debreceny	\$219
Roger & Tui Maxwell	\$219
Sarah Louise Wilks	\$219
South Taranaki District Council	\$81,466
Stratford District Council	\$30,548
Te Rere o Kapuni Limited - T/A Dawson Falls Mountain Lodge	\$319
Wai-iti Motor Camp Limited	\$3,595

WASTE RECOVERY

Colin David Boyd	\$26,270
Remediation (NZ) Limited	\$136,892
Surrey Road Land Farm Limited	\$15,980
Taranaki By-Products Limited	\$102,040
Waikaikai Farms Limited	\$0
Waste Remediation Services Limited	\$48,446

WATER TAKE

Alexander Bruce Middleton	\$795
Awatea Hawkes Bay Trust	\$521
Belmont Dairies Limited	\$590
Bucman Trust	\$590
Caiseal Trust Partnership	\$590
Carter AJ Limited	\$726
Cold Creek Community Water Supply Limited	\$12,126
Construction Mechanics (1993) Limited	\$590
Daniela Krumm	\$453
DP & JH Roper Family Trusts Partnership	\$726
Eric & Cedric Lander	\$1,019
Go 2 Milk Limited	\$1,043
Gwerder Brothers	\$521
Hernly Farm Limited	\$1,453
Ian Douglas & Judith Ann Armstrong	\$1,156
IHC New Zealand Inc	\$1,019
Joblin Partners Limited	\$521
Kaipu Holdings Limited	\$590
Longview Limited	\$521
Lupton Trust	\$590
Medley Partners	\$1,311
MJ Fahy & MO Fahy	\$726
Moorelands Trust Partnership	\$453
MP & VMJ Joyce Trusts Partnership	\$521
Naplin Trust	\$521
New Plymouth District Council	\$23,601
Ngatoro Poultry Limited	\$590
Norwood Farm Partnership	\$590
Nukumar Water Scheme Society Inc	\$726
Oakura Farms Limited	\$179
Oaonui Water Supply Limited	\$12,040
Pariroa Marae - The Trustees	\$726
PKW Farms LP	\$1,179
Pungarehu Farmers Group Water Scheme	\$1,019
Rowan Paul Oldfield	\$726
SC & MJ O'Neill Family Trust	\$453
South Taranaki District Council	\$47,496
Stoney River Dairy Limited	\$179
Stratford District Council	\$11,366
Taranaki Racing Inc	\$2,177
Taranaki Regional Council	\$1,471
Te Rua O Te Moko 2B Ahuwhenua Trust	\$521
The Tom Lance Trust	\$1,479
Zenith Farms Family Trust	\$882

EXPLANATION

The Council's fixed initial deposit charges for activities with tailored compliance monitoring programmes,

excluding that for the NES for plantation forestry, are presented in various groups based on the nature of the activity and/or type of industry. Any additional actual and reasonable costs over and above the initial fixed deposit charge will be charged in arrears.

For new tailored compliance monitoring programmes or inclusion of new consents into existing programmes (that arise between the setting of these charges and the end of the financial year that they relate to), an estimate will be provided to the consent holder and compliance monitoring work charged according to this. Where no estimate is provided, compliance monitoring costs will be recovered per Schedule 6, 7 and 8 of this Plan.

Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges for staff time, consultants, plant and laboratory analyses set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. The above charges include those arising from any functions transferred to the Council under section 33 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 6: CHARGES FOR MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR PLANTATION FORESTRY

With reference to regulation 106 of the *National Environmental Standards For Plantation Forestry 2017* (NES), the Council sets the following charges under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES that address earthworks, river crossings, forestry quarrying and harvesting.

The NES applies to commercial forest blocks of more than one hectare. The charges set out below will be applied to the Council's monitoring of these activities. Explanation about the monitoring charges is included within the description of the charges and at the end.

NOTIFICATION OF HARVESTING AND PRE ACTIVITY MONITORING

Earthworks and quarrying notification under regulations 25 and 52 have a minimum notification period of 20 working days. Notification will involve some work for the Council and allows the Council to plan for any compliance monitoring, including any pre earthworks/ harvest instream macroinvertebrate survey (\$2,163 per survey) if stream conditions provide for it.

HARVESTING

The first inspection, with the earthworks plan available, will be used for discussion with the operator about how the regulations in the NES would be met. Inspection (includes travel time, inspection and notification work) and sampling will be undertaken under:

- a) regulation 33 which requires roads, tracks and landings to be managed and aligned to divert water runoff to stable ground and away from areas of constructed fill, and to minimise disturbance to earthflows and gullies
- b) regulations 26 and 65 associated with sediment management
- c) regulations 28 and 55 addressing accelerated erosion, stream obstruction, or diversion of water flow
- d) regulations 31, 56, and 67 addressing sediment and stormwater controls
- e) regulations 36-46 for river crossings (fish passage, effects on other structures, erosion and sediment control and discharges)
- f) regulations 32 and 55 regarding site stabilisation
- g) regulation 58 regarding quarrying
- h) regulation 68 regarding restrictions on how harvesting can occur, on any riparian margin or adjacent to water bodies.
 - \$934 per inspection
 - \$114 per each upstream or downstream sample for colour, turbidity, and suspended solids, if stream conditions are appropriate.

POST HARVESTING

Inspection(s) to ensure all the relevant NES requirements have been met, especially removal of stream structures, stabilisation, silt and sediment control, and slash and debris placement will occur. Includes travel time, inspection and notice:

- \$2,163 per survey for a post-harvest instream macroinvertebrate survey, if stream conditions provide for it
- \$934 per inspection.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out the charges for inspections and sampling to address activities under the NES. The number of inspections and sampling required per forest will vary depending on size and once monitoring is undertaken, the degree of compliance with the regulations. Non-compliance with regulations will result in additional inspections and/or sampling to ensure compliance has been achieved.

It is envisaged that a moderate-sized and above forest would get one harvest inspection, a monthly inspection during harvesting and a post-harvest inspection, depending on compliance. Each moderate to large forest would

also receive at least one harvest and post-harvest instream macroinvertebrate survey by a freshwater biologist if stream conditions provide for it.

Harvest inspections would be monthly as a minimum and may also include water quality sampling. If inspections take less than a day inclusive of equipment preparation, travel, on-site time, post-visit recording, issue of inspection notices, and any follow-up discussions to confirm details and accuracy of records, then some remission of the charge will occur.

Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges for staff time, macroinvertebrate sample processing, and laboratory analyses are set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 7: FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR MONITORING FARM DAIRY DISCHARGES AND FEEDLOTS AND STOCKHOLDING AREAS (PERMITTED ACTIVITIES)

The fixed charges for farm dairy discharge compliance monitoring inspection and sampling are set out below:

Discharge to land consent:		\$430
Discharge to water, no sampling:		\$430
Discharge to water consent, including sampling discharge and receiving environment:		\$967
Discharge to land and water consent, including sampling discharge and receiving environment:		\$1,038
Discharge to land and water consent, no sampling:		\$488
Discharge to land by contactors under regional consents:		\$929
Where non-compliance is detected the following additional monitoring re-inspection and sampling fixed charge may apply:		
	Minor Non-compliance	Significant Non-compliance
Discharge to land or water consent, no sampling	\$877	\$1,575
Discharge to water consent, including sampling and reinspection	\$1,151	\$1,853

EXPLANATION

The above fixed minimum charges for the annual farm dairy discharge compliance monitoring inspection and re-inspection, both including sampling, are based on actual and reasonable charges for staff time (Professional Staff, Schedule 1) and laboratory analyses (Schedule 4). The above fixed minimum charges for monitoring, re-inspection and sampling after non-compliance with resource consent conditions or the *Resource Management Act 1991*, whether this arises from the annual inspection or not, are based on actual and reasonable charges for staff time (Professional Staff, Schedule 1) and laboratory analyses (Schedule 4).

The monitoring also includes the compliance monitoring of feedlots and stockholding areas of the *Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020 (NES-FW)*. These charges are made under regulation 75 of the NES-FW with reference to section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following sections of the regulations:

- 9 Feedlots and other stockholding areas
- 12 Stockholding areas for small and large cattle
- 13 Stockholding areas for larger and older cattle.

Inspection will occur at the same time as the farm dairy inspection. Non-compliance with the regulations may result in a separate additional inspection and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. Significant non-compliance activities are non-compliances that will have actual or potential effects on the environment. Examples of a minor non-compliance are deficient baffles between ponds, minor failure to contain shed/race effluent and washings where these discharge to land, and stormwater diversion system deficient. Examples of significant non-compliance are ponding of effluent on the soil surface (unauthorised by resource consent), breach of discharge standards required in the resource consent, inadequate effluent storage and land area, significant increase in stock numbers beyond those allowed in the consent, and an inadequate effluent system. The above are examples and it should be noted they do not represent a complete list of non-compliances.

Additional charges may be levied under section 36(3) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring and non-compliance charges. An example is a

significant non-compliance for a discharge to land farm dairy discharge consent where sampling costs of the discharge and receiving water may be required. See the scales of charges for staff time, consultants, plant and laboratory analyses set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 8: FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR MONITORING INSTREAM STRUCTURES WHERE NO TAILORED COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAMME EXISTS

Excluding structures that are addressed under Schedule 5, the fixed charge for the following types of compliance monitoring inspections of instream structures is \$425 per inspection per structure:

- The initial compliance monitoring inspection, following the installation of an authorised structure.
- A re-inspection arising from a 'minor' non-compliance detected in a previous inspection.
- Ongoing routine compliance monitoring inspections of authorised structures.

An example of a 'minor' non-compliance may be the requirement for additional small scale rip-rap rock work needed to remove a small perch at an outlet. Non-compliances considered to be greater than 'minor' will be addressed through the abatement or enforcement process which is charged at an actual and reasonable cost rate incurred by the Council; these costs are expected to be higher than the fixed charge. See scales of charges for staff time as set out in Schedule 1.

Routine inspections will be undertaken, on a schedule that factors in the likelihood of future non-compliance and any respective potential level of adverse effects resulting from non-compliance. The inspection reoccurrence period will be between 1 – 8 years. The monitoring schedule, per structure, will be determined by Council officers, with that schedule subject to change should any issues arise.

For the monitoring of instream structures the key issues monitored are the maintenance of fish passage and erosion control.

More than one consent on the same property could be monitored during a daily inspection round. In such cases, the Council may scale the monitoring charge downward according to the instream structures monitored.

EXPLANATION

The above fixed charges for compliance monitoring inspections and re-inspections are based on staff time for Professional Staff (Schedule 1). Additional charges may be levied under section 36(3) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See scales of charges for staff time as set out in Schedule 1. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 9: FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR MONITORING WHERE NO TAILORED COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAMME EXISTS

The fixed charge for a regular compliance monitoring inspection that is not addressed in Schedule 5 or 6 is \$384 per inspection plus any additional plant or laboratory analyses costs as set out in Schedules 3 and 4.

The fixed charge for a regular compliance monitoring re-inspection arising from non-compliance detected in an inspection that is not addressed in Schedule 5 or 6 is \$421 per inspection plus any additional plant or laboratory analyses costs as set out in Schedules 3 and 4.

For the monitoring of some resource consents, it is not possible to predesign a monitoring programme, or to apply a fixed charge. This may be because the consent is exercised irregularly or the scale of the consented activity varies unpredictably. In such cases, the Council will scale the monitoring programme according to the activity and charge for reasonable inspection time, sample analysis and equipment hire as set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. This approach will be applied to monitoring of consents such as those associated with well-sites, hydraulic fracturing, forestry, construction of pipelines/highways/other roading projects and other temporary earthworks.

EXPLANATION

The above fixed charges for compliance monitoring inspections and re-inspections are based on staff time for a Professional Staff (Schedule 1). Additional charges may be levied under section 36(3) of the *Resource*

Management Act 1991 where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See scales of charges for staff time, consultants, plant and laboratory analyses set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. The above charges include those arising from any functions transferred to the Council under section 33 of the *Resource Management Act 1991*. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 10: CHARGES FOR THOSE REQUESTING HEARING COMMISSIONERS

Any submitter making a request, under section 100A of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, shall be required to pay the additional cost of having the application heard and decided by independent commissioners as reasonably determined by the Council using costs set out in Schedules 1 and 2.

EXPLANATION

For a notified resource consent application a submitter may request that the Council delegate its functions, powers and duties required to hear and decide the application to one or more independent hearing commissioners. Section 36 (1)(ab) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* allows the Council to estimate the additional costs, as if the request had not been made, and immediately invoice the requestor(s) for this additional cost. Where more than one submitter makes a request the costs may be shared equally. If the additional cost of independent hearing commissioners is less than the payment then a refund will be made. Schedule 1 sets out the Council's scale of charges for staff time and Schedule 2 sets out the fixed minimum cost of processing resource consent applications and includes hearing costs. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 11: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: CHANGES IN LAND USE

With reference to regulation 75 of the *Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020* (NES), the Council sets the following charge, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following sections of the regulations:

- 16 Conversion of plantation to pastoral land use
- 18 Conversion of land on farm to dairy farm land
- 22 Use of land as dairy support land
- 29 Intensification: temporary standards.

Inspection includes travel time, inspection, monitoring and reporting. Non-compliance with the regulations will result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. The inspection and monitoring charge will be \$405.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for inspections and monitoring to address permitted activities under the NES as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges set out in Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 12: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: WETLANDS

With reference to regulation 75 of the NES-FW, the Council sets the following charges, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES-FW. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following sections of the regulations:

- 38 Restoration of natural wetlands
- 40 Scientific research
- 43 Maintenance of wetland utility structure

46 Maintenance of specified infrastructure and other infrastructure
48 Sphagnum moss harvesting
50 Arable and horticultural land use.

Inspection (includes travel time, inspection, monitoring and reporting) will be undertaken by Council officers.
Non-compliance with the regulations will result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. Non-compliance with the regulations may result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. The inspection and monitoring charge will be \$405 per inspection, when required to determine compliance and are not annual.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for inspections and monitoring to address permitted activities under the NES-FW as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges set out in, Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 13: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: INTENSIVE WINTER GRAZING

With reference to regulation 75 of the NES-FW, the Council sets the following charges, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES-FW. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following section of the regulations:

26 Intensive winter grazing.

Inspection (includes travel time, inspection, monitoring and reporting) will be undertaken by Council officers.
Non-compliance with the regulation may result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. The inspection and monitoring charge will be \$394 per inspection when required to determine compliance. Inspections will generally be annual.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for inspections and monitoring to address permitted activities under the NES-FW as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges set out in Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 14: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: NATURAL HAZARDS

With reference to regulation 75 of the NES-FW, the Council sets the following charges, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES-FW. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following section of the regulation:

51 Natural hazard works.

Inspection (includes travel time, inspection, monitoring and reporting) will be undertaken by Council officers.
Non-compliance with the regulation may result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. The inspection and monitoring charge will be \$405 per inspection.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for inspections and monitoring to address permitted activities under the NES-FW as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges in Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount

due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 15: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: CULVERTS AND WEIRS

With reference to regulation 75 of the NES-FW, the Council sets the following charges, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES-FW installed after 3 September 2020. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following sections of the regulations:

70 Culverts

72 Weirs.

Inspection (includes travel time, inspection, monitoring and reporting) will be undertaken by Council officers. Non-compliance with the regulations will result in additional inspections and/or monitoring to ensure compliance has been achieved. The inspection and monitoring charge will be \$405 per inspection, when required to determine compliance and are not annual.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for inspections and monitoring to address permitted activities under the NES as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges in Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.

SCHEDULE 16: CHARGES FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITY MONITORING UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR FRESHWATER: SYNTHETIC FERTILISER

With reference to regulation 75 of the NES-FW, the Council sets the following charges, under section 36(1)(cc) of the *Resource Management Act 1991*, for monitoring permitted activities authorised under regulations in the NES-FW. The Council may charge for monitoring permitted activities for compliance inspections and monitoring under the following section of the regulation:

33 Application of synthetic nitrogen fertiliser.

The determination regarding whether the nitrogen cap has been exceeded will involve an assessment of data received by the Council. Non-compliance with the regulations may result in additional assessments and costs to ensure compliance has been achieved.

If the data is supplied via the Council web portal in an appropriate form the assessment charge will be \$52. If data is not supplied in the appropriate electronic form, but is supplied via the Council web portal, the assessment charge will be \$104. If data is not supplied via the Council web portal or on an approved form, the charge will be \$204. This data must be supplied to the Council annually. These are annual charges.

EXPLANATION

This section of the schedule sets out charges for assessments to address permitted activities under the NES as set out above. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(5) of the *Resource Management Act 1991* where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges set out in Schedules 1 and 3. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2022.



Date: 5 April 2022

Subject: **Report from the Electoral Officer on the 2022 Triennial Elections**

Approved by: M J Nield, Director - Corporate Services
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

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Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive an update report from the Council's Electoral Officer and to decide on the order of candidates for the voting papers per regulation 31 of the *Local Electoral Regulations 2001*.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the report from the Council's Electoral Officer
- b) agrees that the candidate's names on the 2022 local authority triennial election voting documents for the Taranaki Regional Council be in either alphabetical, pseudo-random or random order in accordance with Clause 31 of the *Local Electoral Regulations 2001*
- c) notes the timetable for the 2022 local authority triennial elections
- d) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- e) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Background

2. The Council has appointed Mr Dale Ofoske of Election Services Ltd as its Electoral Officer for the conduct of the 2022 triennial elections. Mr Ofoske has prepared a report on the elections and has requested a decision on the candidate order that will appear on the voting papers.

Discussion

3. Attached is a report from the Council's Electoral Officer in relation to the 2022 triennial elections on 8 October 2022. The report provides an update on preliminary matters including consideration of the order of candidate names to appear on voting documents.
4. Clause 31 of the *Local Electoral Regulations 2001* allows the Council to determine that candidate's names on the voting documents be in alphabetical order of surname, pseudo-random order or random order. This decision is required before public notice is given under section 65 of the Act. If there is no resolution, then the candidate's name must be in alphabetical order.
5. The Council has used alphabetical order for previous elections. Information on the different options is included in the report. Based on that information, it is recommended that the Council continue to adopt the alphabetical ordering of candidate's names.
6. South Taranaki District Council has resolved to use pseudo-random order for their 2022 voting papers. New Plymouth District Council and Stratford District Council have not yet made a decision.

Options

7. The Council needs to decide on the order of candidate names to appear on the voting documents. The options are alphabetical, pseudo-random or random.

Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan

8. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's adopted Long-Term Plan and estimates. Any financial information included in this memorandum has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Policy considerations

9. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the policy documents and positions adopted by this Council under various legislative frameworks including, but not restricted to, the *Local Government Act 2002*, the *Resource Management Act 1991* and the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*.

Iwi considerations

10. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's policy for the development of Māori capacity to contribute to decision-making processes (schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 2002*) as outlined in the adopted long-term plan and/or annual plan.

Community considerations

11. This memorandum and the associated recommendations have considered the views of the community, interested and affected parties and those views have been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Legal considerations

12. This memorandum and the associated recommendations comply with the appropriate statutory requirements imposed upon the Council.

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3011025: 2022 Triennial Elections – report from the Electoral Officer

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Report to the
Taranaki Regional Council
regarding the

2022 Triennial Election

From the
Electoral Officer

3 March 2022



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Outline

The 2022 triennial local government elections will occur on Saturday 8 October 2022. An update on preliminary matters relating to the election is provided to Council, including consideration of the order of candidate names to appear on the voting documents.

Background

The 2022 triennial elections for local authorities are due to occur on Saturday 8 October 2022 and are required to be undertaken according to the Local Electoral Act 2001, the Local Electoral Regulations 2001, and to a limited extent, the Local Government Act 2002.

Certain pre-election information and tasks are outlined in this report for Council's information and attention.

The Local Electoral Regulations 2001 provides for Council to resolve the order of candidate names to appear on the voting documents (alphabetical, pseudo-random or random order). If no decision is made, the order of names defaults to alphabetical.

Narrative

2022 Elections

Elections will be required for the following positions*:

- Councillors (11)
 - New Plymouth General Constituency (5)
 - North Taranaki General Constituency (2)
 - South Taranaki General Constituency (2)
 - Stratford General Constituency (1)
 - Taranaki Māori Constituency (1)

*subject to determination by the Local Government Commission, expected by 10 April 2022.

There are no longer elections held for district health board members.

2022 Election Timetable

With an election date of **Saturday 8 October 2022**, the following key functions and dates will apply:

Nominations open/roll open

Friday 15 July 2022

Nominations close/roll closes (noon)

Friday 12 August 2022

Delivery of voting mailers

From Friday 16 September 2022

Close of voting

Noon Saturday 8 October 2022

A more detailed timetable is attached [Appendix 1](#)

2022 Election Fact Sheet	A 2022 Election Fact Sheet summarising the key functions of the election (Appendix 2) is also attached.
Representation Review	<p>Following the decision to establish one or more Māori constituencies in 2021, Taranaki Regional Council undertook a representation arrangements review (review of constituencies, boundaries, number of elected members etc).</p> <p>As a result of this, there will be 11 councillors being elected from the following five constituencies:*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Plymouth General Constituency (5)• North Taranaki General Constituency (2)• South Taranaki General Constituency (2)• Stratford General Constituency (1)• Taranaki Māori Constituency (1) <p>*subject to determination by the Local Government Commission, expected by 10 April 2022.</p>
Compilation of non-resident Ratepayer Roll	<p>The compilation of the 2022 non-resident Ratepayer Roll is required to commence in early-mid 2022 by the three constituent territorial authorities. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• an insert detailing the qualifications and procedures for enrolment as a non-resident ratepayer elector to be included with a 2022 constituent territorial authority rates instalment notice by the end of August 2022 (Appendix 3);• a national Ratepayer Roll inquiry hotline operating between 1 February and 30 August 2022;• a confirmation letter issued to all current constituent territorial authority non-resident ratepayer electors in March/April 2022;• a national advertising campaign on the qualifications and procedures for enrolment as a non-resident ratepayer elector during May 2022. <p>The above are all required to be undertaken by the constituent territorial authorities.</p>
Order of Candidate Names	Regulation 31 of the Local Electoral Regulations 2001 provides the opportunity for Council to choose the order of candidate names appearing on the voting documents from three options – alphabetical, pseudo-random (names

drawn randomly with all voting documents printed in this order) or random order (names randomly drawn by computer with each voting document different).

Council may determine which order the names of candidates are to appear on the voting documents, but if no decision is made, the order of names defaults to alphabetical.

Council has resolved to adopt the alphabetical order for the 2019 triennial election.

For Council's information, following a recent analysis undertaken by Auckland Council, research showed no observable effect of candidate order on actual election outcomes.

For the 2019 local government elections:

- 22 territorial authorities used alphabetical order (32.84%)
- 7 territorial authorities used pseudo-random order (10.44%)
- 38 territorial authorities used random order (56.72%)

Alphabetical Order

Alphabetical order is simply listing candidate surnames alphabetically and is the order traditionally used in local and Parliamentary elections.

Comments regarding alphabetical order are:

- voters are easily able to find names of candidates for whom they wish to vote. Some candidates and voters over the years have argued that alphabetical order may tend to favour candidates with names in the first part of the alphabet, but in practice this is generally not the case – most voters tend to look for name recognition, regardless of where in the alphabet the surname lies;
- the order of candidate names on the voting document matches the order listed in the candidate directory (candidate profile statements).

Pseudo-Random Order

Pseudo-random order is where candidate surnames are randomly selected, and the same order is used on all voting documents for that position. The names are randomly selected by a method such as drawing names out of a container.

Comments regarding pseudo-random order are:

- the candidate names appear in mixed order (not alphabetical) on the voting document;
- possible voter criticism/confusion as specific candidate names are not easily found, particularly where there may be many candidates;
- the order of candidate names on the voting document does not match the order listed in the candidate directory (candidate profile statements).

Random Order

Random order is where all candidate surnames are randomly selected and are listed in a different order on every voting document. The names are randomly selected by computer so that the order is different.

Random order enables names to be listed in a completely unique order on each voting document.

Comments regarding random order are:

- the candidate names appear in mixed order (not alphabetical) on the voting document;
- possible voter criticism/confusion as specific candidate names are not easily found, particularly where there are many candidates;
- the order of candidate names on the voting document does not match the order listed in the candidate directory (candidate profile statements).

There is no price differential in printing costs between the three orders of candidate names.

Number of Electors	The number of electors for the 2022 triennial elections in the Taranaki region is expected to be 87,300 (as at 31 January 2022 this was 87,407). This compares to 81,667 electors for the 2019 triennial election or +6.9% growth.
Pre-Election Report	Section 99A of the Local Government Act 2002 requires each local authority to prepare a pre-election report, whose purpose is to provide information to promote public discussion about the issues facing the local authority. The pre-election report is prepared by the Chief Executive, must contain financial and major project information, and should be completed by the end of June 2022 (two weeks before the opening of nominations).

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

Council resolves for the 2022 triennial election, to adopt *either*:

- (i) the alphabetical order of candidate names; *or*
- (ii) the pseudo-random order of candidate names; *or*
- (iii) the random order of candidate names

as permitted under regulation 31 of the Local Electoral Regulations 2001.

Author:



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APPENDIX 1



SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER 2022

Wednesday 2 March - Saturday 30 April 2022	Ratepayer roll enrolment confirmation forms sent [Reg 16, LER]
Wednesday 2 March - Wednesday 6 July 2022	Preparation of ratepayer roll [Reg 10, LER]
May 2022	National ratepayer roll qualifications and procedures campaign [Sec 39, LEA]
Friday 1 July 2022	Electoral Commission's enrolment update campaign commences
Wednesday 13 July 2022	Public notice of election, calling for nominations, rolls open for inspection [Sec 42, 52, 53, LEA]
Friday 15 July 2022	Nominations open / roll open for inspection [Sec 42, LEA]
Friday 12 August 2022	Nominations close (12 noon) / roll closes [Sec 5, 42, 55 LEA, Reg 21, LER]
Wednesday 17 August 2022	Public notice of day of election, candidates' names [Sec 65, LEA]
by Monday 12 September 2022	Electoral officer certifies final electoral roll [Sec 51, LEA, Reg 22, LER]
Friday 16 September - Wednesday 21 September 2022	Delivery of voting documents [Reg 51, LER]
Friday 16 September - Saturday 8 October 2022	Progressive roll scrutiny [Sec 83, LEA] Special voting period [Sec 5 LEA, Reg 35, LER] Early processing period [Sec 80, LEA]
by Friday 7 October 2022	Appointment of scrutineers (12 noon) [Sec 68, LEA]
Saturday 8 October 2022	Election day [Sec 10, LEA] Close of voting (12 noon) [Sec 84, LEA] Progress and preliminary results available as soon as practicable after close of voting [Sec 85, LEA]
Saturday 8 October (pm) - Thursday 13 October 2022	Official count [Sec 84, LEA]
Friday 14 October - Wednesday 19 October 2022	Declaration of result/public notice of declaration [Sec 86, LEA]
mid-December 2022	Return of electoral donations & expenses form [Sec 112A, LEA]

LEA = Local Electoral Act 2001
LER = Local Electoral Regulations 2001



Dale Ofoske, Electoral Officer
Taranaki Regional Council
January 2021

APPENDIX 2

FACT SHEET

2022 election

8 OCTOBER 2022



What does Council do?

While district councils are responsible for a wide range of local services in your area, the role and responsibilities of the Regional Council involve managing the region's natural resources - it manages land, air, coast and the quality of water in our lakes and rivers. They are also responsible for biodiversity, regional parks, flood protection, emergency management and regional transport. The Regional Council works closely with district councils and other agencies on some issues, to ensure they are managed to benefit the entire region.

Background

Local government triennial elections are being held by postal vote on Saturday 8 October 2022 and will be undertaken by Election Services, under contract to the Taranaki Regional Council.

The elections are undertaken on behalf of the regional council by its three constituent territorial authorities (New Plymouth District Council, South Taranaki District Council and Stratford District Council). In addition to their own elections (Mayor, Council etc), each constituent territorial authority is also required to undertake the regional council election.

The first past the post (FPP) electoral system will be used for the Taranaki Regional Council election.

2022 Key Dates

Nominations open	Friday 15 July
Nominations close	Noon, Friday 12 August
Delivery of voting packs	from Friday 16 September
Close of voting	Noon, Saturday 8 October
Official results announced	Thursday 13 October

Who is being elected?

Following the decision to establish Māori constituencies in 2021, Taranaki Regional Council undertook a representation arrangements review (review of constituencies, boundaries, number of elected members etc).

Elections will be required for the following positions:*

- Councillors (11)
 - New Plymouth General Constituency (5)
 - North Taranaki General Constituency (2)
 - Stratford General Constituency (1)
 - South Taranaki General Constituency (2)
 - Taranaki Māori Constituency (1)

* subject to determination by the Local Government Commission, expected by 10 April 2022.

How can I be nominated?

Nominations for these positions will open on **Friday 15 July 2022** and close at noon on **Friday 12 August 2022**.

Nomination papers will be available during this period:

- New Plymouth District Council's Civic Centre, 84 Liardet Street, New Plymouth
- South Taranaki District Council's Administration Building, 105-111 Albion Street, Hawera
- Stratford District Council's Administration Building, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford
- by accessing www.trc.govt.nz
- by telephoning the electoral office on 0800 922 822.

To be eligible to stand for election, a candidate **must** be:

- a New Zealand citizen (by birth or naturalisation ceremony); **and**
- enrolled as a Parliamentary elector (anywhere in New Zealand) on either the general or Māori electoral roll, irrespective of the constituency being nominated for; **and**
- nominated by two electors whose names appear on the respective electoral roll within the constituency that a candidate is standing for.

A detailed candidate information handbook will be available from April 2022.

Who can vote?

Those eligible to vote are all resident electors and non-resident ratepayer electors whose names appear on the electoral roll when it closes on Friday 12 August 2022. The Preliminary Electoral Roll will be available for public inspection from **Friday 15 July 2022** to **Friday 12 August 2022** at the above locations.

Resident Roll: All parliamentary electors, including those on the Māori Electoral Roll, are automatically enrolled on the Resident Roll, at the address where they live.

Any alterations to the Resident Roll (e.g. change of address details, including new postal addresses) should be made by:

- completing the appropriate form at any postal agency;
- phoning 0800 ENROLNOW (0800 36 76 56)
- accessing the Electoral Commission website on: www.vote.nz

Ratepayer Roll: If a person is on the parliamentary roll in one area and pays rates on a property in another area, this person may be eligible to be enrolled on the non-resident ratepayer roll. A firm, company, corporation or society paying rates on a property may nominate one of its members or officers as a ratepayer elector (provided the nominated person resides outside the area). Ratepayer Roll enrolment forms are available from respective territorial authority websites, or by phoning 0800 922 822.

Those electors on the general electoral roll will be able to vote for the respective general constituency candidates, and those on the Māori electoral roll will be able to vote for the Māori constituency candidates.

How to vote?

Voting packs will be sent out in the mail to all those who have enrolled from **Friday 16 September 2022**.

The voting period is three weeks (**Friday 16 September 2022 to noon Saturday 8 October 2022**). Electors may post their completed voting documents back to the electoral officer using the orange pre-paid envelope sent with their voting document.

Polling places for the issuing of special voting documents and for the receiving of completed voting documents will be available from Friday 16 September 2022 to noon, Saturday 8 October 2022 at:

- New Plymouth District Council's Civic Centre, 84 Liardet Street, New Plymouth

- South Taranaki District Council's Administration Building, 105-111 Albion Street, Hawera
- Stratford District Council's Administration Building, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford.

To be counted, all completed voting documents must be in the hands of the electoral officer or an electoral official by **noon Saturday 8 October 2022**.

Progress results will be announced early afternoon of election day. Preliminary results will be announced on Sunday morning, 9 October 2022, and final results will be known on Thursday 13 October 2022. All results will be accessible on Council's website: www.trc.govt.nz

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APPENDIX 3

An organisation can nominate one of its members or officers to vote on its behalf

If a firm, company, trust, corporation, society partners, joint tenants and tenants in common collectively pay rates on a property in a council district, one of the group may be nominated to be the ratepayer elector. The person nominating and the nominated person must be registered as Parliamentary electors at addresses outside the council district where the property is located.

You can only enrol once

You can only enrol, or be nominated to enrol, once in a council district, no matter how many properties you own in that council district. Council district includes: a city, district and regional council area; a community board area if established; the area of Auckland Council and the local boards.

New Ratepayer Electors

If you think you may be eligible to enrol or to nominate someone as a ratepayer elector, get an Enrolment Form for Ratepayer Electors from the local council where you pay your rates. The Electoral Officer will be able to help you with your application.

If you want further information please phone toll free

0800 54 8683 0800 LG VOTE

(phone number is available from 7 February 2022 to 30 August 2022)



**Enrol now – the
Ratepayer Electoral
Roll closes on
12 August 2022**



Wherever you pay rates you can vote

Do you live in one area and pay rates on a property in another area?

You may qualify to vote in both areas at the local authority elections in October 2022

You may like to vote in this election. Voting is a way to have your say on what happens in your local community. This information is designed to help you. It notes who you can contact to enrol, and ways you might qualify to vote.

There are two types of electors...

Residential Electors – If you are registered to vote on the electoral roll, you are automatically enrolled to vote in local authority elections. You will receive a voting document so that you can vote by post.

Ratepayer Electors – You may also be eligible to enrol as a non-resident ratepayer elector in a council district if both of these apply:

- you are on the district valuation roll and pay rates in the council district
- the address where you are registered as a Parliamentary elector is outside that council district.

Your eligibility to enrol or be nominated as a ratepayer elector may also depend on your individual circumstances as determined by criteria in the Local Electoral Act 2001 and its regulations.



Date 5 April 2022

Subject: **Riparian Planting Review**

Approved by: D R Harrison, Director - Operations
S J Ruru, Chief Executive

Document: 3026208

Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to inform members of the Terms of Reference for a riparian planting review.

Executive summary

2. Following two significant rainfall events during the 2022 Waitangi and following weekend, western Taranaki experienced record high flows in rivers and streams.
3. The very large flows caused widespread streambank erosion in the area, including undermining and washing away of vegetation that occupied the eroded banks.
4. After the event, some councillors expressed concern about the way in which riparian planting has been undertaken in the Taranaki region and whether it exacerbated the level of flood damage caused by the February 2022 events.
5. Council has decided, at its meeting on 21 February 2022, that an independent review of the riparian programme should be undertaken and has asked management to develop a proposed scope for that review.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum entitled Riparian Planting Review
- b) agrees that the attached Terms of Reference for the Riparian Planting Review are appropriate
- c) notes that management will appoint a suitably qualified independent person to undertake the review
- d) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- e) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in

accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Discussion

6. Following two significant rainfall events during the 2022 Waitangi and following weekend, western Taranaki experienced record high flows in rivers and streams. Worst hit was the coastal area between Opunake and Okato. Initial indications are that across the affected area the event had a probability of between a 2% and less than 1% AEP or constituted a 1 in 50 to greater than a 1 in 100 year event.
7. The very large flows caused widespread streambank erosion in the area, including undermining and washing away of vegetation that occupied the eroded banks. This ranged from large trees to small shrubs and flaxes, including riparian vegetation planted under the Council riparian programme. Many culverts and bridges were also damaged by the flood flows. Some damage was made worse by vegetation blocking culverts and channels and deflecting flows. It was typical of the type of damage that has been seen in other parts of the country when such rare events unfold.
8. After the event, some councillors expressed concern about the way in which riparian planting has been undertaken in the Taranaki region and whether it was being completed in accordance with good practice standards. They assert that the riparian planting practices used by Council have exacerbated the level of flood damage caused by the February 2022 events and that there is a need for the Council to change its current practices. By its very nature riparian planting involves undertaking plantings close to a river and/or waterway environment which inevitably carries with it a level of risk, particularly during times of heavy rainfall and flooding. The question that arises, however, is whether the benefits generated by riparian planting programmes justify the level of risk associated with such planting and whether there are alternative risk mitigation measures which should be considered.
9. Against the above background the Council has decided, at its meeting on 21 February 2022, that an independent review of the riparian programme should be undertaken and has asked management to develop a proposed scope for that review. The proposed terms of reference for that review are attached.

Significance

10. In terms of the *Significance and Engagement Policy*, this item is not considered significant.

Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan

11. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's adopted Long-Term Plan and estimates. Any financial information included in this memorandum has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Policy considerations

12. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the policy documents and positions adopted by this Council under various legislative frameworks including, but not restricted to, the *Local Government Act 2002*, the *Resource Management Act 1991* and the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*.

Iwi considerations

13. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's policy for the development of Māori capacity to contribute to decision-making processes (schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 2002*) as outlined in the adopted long-term plan and/or annual plan. Similarly, iwi involvement in adopted work programmes has been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Community considerations

14. This memorandum and the associated recommendations have considered the views of the community, interested and affected parties and those views have been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Legal considerations

15. This memorandum and the associated recommendations comply with the appropriate statutory requirements imposed upon the Council.

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3003182: Terms of Reference for the Riparian Planting Review.

Terms of Reference for the Riparian Planting Review

Background

Following two significant rainfall events during the 2022 Waitangi and following weekend, western Taranaki experienced record high flows in rivers and streams. Worst hit was the coastal area between Opunake and Okato. Initial indications are that across the affected area the event had a probability of between a 2% and less than 1% AEP or constituted a 1 in 50 to greater than a 1 in 100 year event.

The very large flows caused widespread streambank erosion in the area, including undermining and washing away of vegetation that occupied the eroded banks. This ranged from large trees to small shrubs and flaxes, including riparian vegetation planted under the Council riparian programme. Many culverts and bridges were also damaged by the flood flows. Some damage was made worse by vegetation blocking culverts and channels and deflecting flows. It was typical of the type of damage that has been seen in other parts of the country when such rare events unfold.

After the event, some councillors expressed concern about the way in which riparian planting has been undertaken in the Taranaki region and whether it was being completed in accordance with good practice standards. They assert that the riparian planting practices used by Council have exacerbated the level of flood damage caused by the February 2022 events and that there is a need for the Council to change its current practices. By its very nature riparian planting involves undertaking plantings close to a river and/or waterway environment which inevitably carries with it a level of risk, particularly during times of heavy rainfall and flooding. The question that arises, however, is whether the benefits generated by riparian planting programmes justify the level of risk associated with such planting and whether there are alternative risk mitigation measures which should be considered.

Against the above background the Council has decided, at its meeting on 21 February 2022, that an independent review of the riparian programme should be undertaken and has asked management to develop a proposed scope for that review. This document outlines the proposed terms of reference for that review.

Purpose

The Council is seeking an independent review of the effects of the February 2022 storm events and the effectiveness of its riparian planting programme. The review should have regard to 'good practice', relevant legislative and/or national and regional policy requirements where relevant in undertaking an assessment of the Council's current practices in these areas.

Review Scope

1. The Review is to provide:
 - An overview of the storm events that affected the Taranaki region between 4 February and 14 February. As such it should assess the size of the event, the expected frequency of such

an event occurring and how these factors might be expected to change in the future given the impact of climate change.

- An overview of the damage resulting from the storm event including consideration of specific examples where damage was clearly exacerbated by vegetation. It should also comment on the likely source of that vegetation where possible.
- An evaluation of the extent to which the reviewer considers the level of damage incurred to be consistent (or not) with an event of the size that occurred.
- An outline of the role of riparian planting programmes operated by Council including the reasons for doing it and the benefits that it is expected to generate including, but not limited to, water quality, biodiversity values, carbon sequestration, flood mitigation, erosion mitigation; farm management, animal welfare and landscape amenity values.
- An outline of what is considered to be good practice in relation to riparian planting programmes when conducted within a region such as Taranaki.
- An outline of national and regional policies and rules in relation to stock exclusion and riparian planting and the way in which these requirements are being implemented.
- An assessment of the extent to which historical and current riparian planting practices used by Council are consistent with good practice (and relevant legislation, national and regional policies) that applied at the time that they were undertaken. The assessment should include:
 - consideration of how the Council assesses the local environment within which riparian planting is to be undertaken. This should include, for example, how it assesses the level of water flow that might occur within a particular waterway and how provision is made for flood events.
 - Comment on how the Council is making an allowance for the impacts of climate change in its river management programmes and riparian planting programmes.
 - How the risks posed by undertaking planting in close proximity to waterways might be balanced with the benefits that such planting can deliver.
 - An audit of a sample of riparian plantings in Taranaki, including location and species choice, in relation to how they might affect stream flows; and whether the planting practice has changed over time.
 - A review of current planting practice, and LMO training and understanding of the effect of riparian on stream flows.
 - An understanding of landowner attitudes toward riparian planting and the effect that might have on planting practice.
 - An overview of the risks/disadvantages resulting from riparian vegetation, including but not limited to: flood risk; weed/pest refuge; access.
- An outline of any recommended changes that should be made to riparian programme development and management within the Taranaki region.

Parties to be consulted

2. The Reviewer will have full access to Council records.
3. It is also expected that they will interview a number of Council staff, contractors and land owners who have been involved with the riparian planting programme and/or flood management.

March 2022

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Ordinary Meeting Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*, resolves that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 21 February 2022 for the following reason/s:

Item 11 – Public Excluded Ordinary Minutes – 14 December 2021

THAT the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 12 - Public Excluded Executive, Audit and Risk Minutes – 14 February 2022

THAT the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.