

Date: 3 September 2024

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

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Present:

C S Williamson	Chairperson
S W Hughes	
B J Bigham	zoom
D M Cram	
D H McIntyre	
A L Jamieson	
C L Littlewood	(ex officio)
N W Walker	(ex officio)
P Moeahu	Iwi Representative
E Bailey	Iwi Representative
L Gibbs	Federated Framers
B Haque	New Plymouth District Council
C Filbee	South Taranaki District Council

Attending:

S J Ruru	Chief Executive
A D McLay	Director – Resource Management
M J Nield	Director – Corporate Services
A J Matthews	Director – Environment Quality
F Kiddle	Strategy lead
A Smith	Communications Advisor - Science
F Kumeroa	Scientist - Freshwater (left meeting at 11.48am)
T McElroy	Manager - Science and Technology (left meeting at 11.48am)
A Collins	Scientist - Water Quality (left meeting at 11.48am)
B Zieltjes	Team Leader - Freshwater and Coastal (left meeting at 11.48am)
L Hawkins	Policy Manager
C Woollin	Communications Advisor
M Jones	Governance Administrator

The meeting opened at 10.45am

Apologies: Were received and sustained from Councillor Boyde – Stratford District Council and M Ritai.

Williamson/Littlewood

1. Confirmation of Minutes Policy and Planning 23 July 2024

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) took as read and confirmed the minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held at 10.30 on 23 July 2024 at Taranaki Regional Council 47 Cloten Road Stratford
- b) noted the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 6 August 2024.

Hughes/Cram

2. Freshwater Implementation Update August 2024

- 2.1 L Hawkins provided a freshwater update for August 2024. The consultation process has concluded.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the August 2024 update on the Freshwater implementation Programme.

Cram/Hughes

3. Can I Swim Here? Report Card 2024

- 3.1 A Collins provided an overview of the results from the 2023/24 'Can I Swim Here?'.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the Can I Swim Here? Report Card 2024.

Moeahu/Bailey

4. Freshwater Macroinvertebrate State of the Environment Monitoring Report

- 4.1 F Kumeroa provided an update on the Freshwater Macroinvertebrate State of the Environment Monitoring Report.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the report Freshwater Macroinvertebrate State of the Environment Monitoring Report 2019-23
- b) noted the recommendations therein.

Walker/McIntyre

5. Submission on Proposed Temporary Fishing Closure in Western Taranaki

5.1 F Kiddle provided an overview of the proposed extension to the temporary fishing closure in Western Taranaki.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the memorandum titled Submission on Proposed Temporary Fishing Closure in Western Taranaki
- b) endorsed the submission contained in Appendix One
- c) determined that this decision be recognised not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- d) determined 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, determined 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.

Hughes/Cram

6. Climate Change Mitigation Submissions

6.1 F Kiddle provided an update on the Climate Change Mitigation Submissions.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the memorandum titled Climate Change Mitigation Submissions
- b) endorsed the Submission in Attachment One on the Government's proposals for a regulatory regime for carbon capture, utilisation and storage
- c) noted the contents of the Taranaki Mayoral Forum submission in Attachment Three on the discussion document for New Zealand's second emission reduction plan
- d) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- e) determined 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, determined 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/Walker

E Bailey and C Filbee voted against. The motion passed

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, C S Williamson, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee closed at 12.07am.

Policy and Planning

Committee Chairperson: _____

C S Williamson