

CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY



I hereby give notice that a Environment and Regulatory Committee Meeting will be held on:

Date: Thursday, 29 November 2018
Time: at the conclusion of the Risk and Audit Committee meeting
Location: Council Chamber
28-32 Ruataniwha Street
Waipawa

AGENDA

Environment and Regulatory Committee Meeting 29 November 2018

Our vision for Central Hawke's Bay is a proud and prosperous district made up of strong communities and connected people who respect and protect our environment and celebrate our beautiful part of New Zealand.

Monique Davidson
Chief Executive

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1 APOLOGIES**2 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST****3 STANDING ORDERS****RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the following standing orders are suspended for the duration of the meeting:

- 20.2 Time limits on speakers
- 20.5 Members may speak only once
- 20.6 Limits on number of speakers

THAT 21.4 Option C under section 21 General procedures for speaking and moving motions be used for the meeting.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Environment and Regulatory Committee Meeting - 6 September 2018

**MINUTES OF CENTRAL HAWKES BAY DISTRICT COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 28-32 RUATANIWHA STREET, WAIPAWA
ON THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE RISK AND AUDIT
COMMITTEE MEETING**

PRESENT: Cr David Tennent (Chair)
Mayor Alex Walker
Cr Ian Sharp (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Tim Chote
Cr Brent Muggeridge

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr Tim Aitken
Cr Shelley Burne-Field
Cr Kelly Annand
Cr Gerard Minehan
Monique Davidson (CEO)
Joshua Lloyd (Group Manager, Community Infrastructure and Development)
Bronnda Smith (Group Manager, Corporate Support and Services)
Doug Tate (Group Manager, Customer and Community Partnerships)
Nicola Bousfield (People and Capability Manager)
Lisa Harrison (Organisation Transformation Lead)
Lizz Jenkins (Governance and Support Officer)

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APOLOGY

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Alex Walker

Seconded: Cr Ian Sharp

That the apology received from Dr Roger Maaka (overseas) be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

2 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3 STANDING ORDERS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Brent Muggeridge

Seconded: Cr Ian Sharp

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4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ian Sharp
Seconded: Mayor Alex Walker

That the minutes of the Environment and Regulatory Committee Meeting held on 13 June 2018 as circulated, be confirmed as true and correct.

CARRIED

Public Excluded Meeting will not occur as it was the acknowledgement of previous minutes only.

5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT COMPLIANCE – PLANNING, DECISION MAKING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Council is required to make decisions in accordance with the requirements of Part 6 Subpart 1 of the Local Government Act 2002.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Alex Walker
Seconded: Cr Tim Chote

THAT Council has read the reports associated with items 6.1, 6.2 and 7.1 and considers in its discretion under Section 79(1)(a) that sufficient consultation has taken place in addition to the Councillors knowledge of the items to meet the requirements of Section 82(3) in such a manner that it is appropriate for decisions to be made during the course of this meeting.

CARRIED

6 REPORT SECTION

6.1 ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Brent Muggeridge
Seconded: Cr Tim Chote

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

CARRIED

- Group Manager, Community Infrastructure and Development spoke to this report.
- Solid waste is now known as environmental waste.
- Mayor Walker encouraged Council staff to make use of the people who have indicated their interest in the Environmental Strategy and reference group.

- There has been an increase in the applications for consents but this is being managed within timeframes.
- Cr Muggeridge advised he had been told problem with leachate was due to capping of cell. Has there been any change.
- Cr Annand asked if it is still going into the Waipawa.
- Group Manager, Community Infrastructure and Development confirmed yes. While not pleased with what is going into ponds, it is not uncommon.

6.2 VERBAL UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE WASTEWATER PROJECT REFERENCE GROUP

PURPOSE

To provide a verbal update on the progress of the Wastewater Project Reference Group.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Brent Muggeridge

Seconded: Cr Tim Chote

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

CARRIED

- Group Manager, Community Infrastructure and Development provided verbal report.
- Cr Muggeridge asked if the Reference Group will continue as continuity is required and will this be maintained with two Councillors not standing for re-election in October 2019.
- Minutes from future meetings will be available and will be included with future Project updates.
- Cr Burne-Field asked if there is a timelined review process.
- GM, Community Infrastructure and Development confirmed yes and that by Christmas high level decisions would be presented.
- Inclusion of Otane will build capacity into the group.
- Cr Tennent asked if Regional Council had indicated a timeline for Court Cases.
- GM, Community Infrastructure and Development advised that we are four months into a two year timeframe.
- Cr Tennent advised that Regional Council have a role to play. There is a need for more ownership in relation to sewage being released into the sea.
- Cr Burne-Field asked if external funding process is woven into planning.
- CE advised yes. External funding strategy will be workshopped on the 20th of September.

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Alex Walker

Seconded: Cr Brent Muggeridge

THAT the next meeting of the Environment and Regulatory Committee be held on 29 November 2018.

CARRIED

8 TIME OF CLOSURE

The Meeting closed at 12.30pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Environment and Regulatory Committee Meeting held on 29 November 2018.

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CHAIRPERSON

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6 REPORT SECTION

6.1 ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

File Number: COU1-1412

Author: Josh Lloyd, Group Manager - Community Infrastructure and Development

Authoriser: Monique Davidson, Chief Executive

Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

This report is provided for information purposes only and has been assessed as being of some importance.

DISCUSSION

3 WATERS REVIEW

The Government is reviewing how to improve the management of drinking water, stormwater and wastewater (three waters) to better support New Zealand's prosperity, health, safety and environment.

Local Government Minister Nanaia Mahuta has announced a reform programme to transform drinking, storm and wastewater. It is focussed on the challenges facing the sector, including funding pressures, rising environmental standards, climate change, seasonal pressure from tourism, and the recommendations of the Havelock North Inquiry. The review is in its second stage.

Stage One – This stage explored the issues and opportunities with three waters services by gathering and analysing information. This was completed at the end of 2017.

Stage Two – This stage commenced in March 2018. It is looking at options for improving the three waters system, including the management, service delivery, funding, and regulatory arrangements.

Central government have made a commitment to working closely with councils, iwi and all stakeholders with an interest in three waters services in order to develop options and recommendations by the end of the year.

Initial advice to cabinet will be presented in October, noting that further work is likely to be required. While no decision has been made, government are clear that status quo is not an option. Council can expect further updates and engagement on this critically important matter as future information comes to light.

Minister Nanaia Mahuta is advertising the Rural Provincial meeting on 23rd November. The committee can expect a verbal update on this.

WASTE WATER

Takapau WWTP Upgrade

HBRC have provided draft consent conditions for a 3yr extension of the Takapau WWTP resource consent from May 2018 to October 2021. The new (draft) conditions are very similar to those currently in place and would require little to no physical works. The extension in consent is to allow

Officers to consider long-term solutions for Takapau including discharge to land options and has been met positively by affected residents and groups.

Waipawa Trunk Sewer Main Renewal

The project to renew 2.2km of 375mm glazed urbanware pipe that forms the gravity main from Waipawa to the Waipawa ponds is progressing on or ahead of schedule. The pipework (installed in 1910) is severely deteriorated and showing cracking, separation at joints and ingress of tree roots and water.

Officers and GHD together are designing options to the renewal of the line that will include a mixture of relining and replacement. An option of abandonment and reliance on a secondary existing rising main is also being considered.

The project is phased across two years in the BWS and expected to be completed by the end of the 2019 calendar year. 24 affected landowners have been identified as part of a preliminary stakeholder management plan.

Waipukurau and Waipawa (and Otane) WWTP Upgrade

In November, Officers supported by a consultant on the project technical team, presented to Taiwhenua to seek direction on the best means of engagement and collaboration for the project going forward. Taiwhenua have committed to providing input into the project that they see as vital for the district and that they hope will take a 100yr+ view on infrastructure requirements.

The project reference group has met twice and has developed a set of criteria for evaluating options moving forward. These are aligned to a project vision statement:

“Our effluent is treated in a sustainable way that creates a resource, protects our environment and continues to do so for generations to come”

Options are currently being assessed at a high level against the criteria with some quickly being ruled out as unfeasible or not meeting minimum acceptable levels against some criteria.

A press release to inform the wider public of project progress and timelines is being published in November. Greater representation is also being sought for the project reference group with the group identifying that it lacks representation from several key demographics.

Otane has formally been included in project scope with an application for resource consent extension formally lodged with the HBRC and approved in principle through discussion.

DRINKING WATER

Otane Alt supply

Construction of the 6km pipe section from Otane to Waipawa to improve capacity, redundancy and security of supply is underway with the 150m section at the Otane end in progress as part of development work in the area. Tenders are being evaluated for design and procurement services for the remainder of the large build with construction to begin next year. An application has been submitted to KiwiRail for a crossing along the intended route.

Waipukurau Second Supply

Resource consent has been granted by HBRC for the drilling of test bores at three selected sites (Russel Park and two lots of private property). An MOU has been formed and will be signed by the owners of the preferred site for test bores to be drilled. The preferred location has excellent site access and favourable route for electricity and pipework. A drilling contractor has been briefed and

has committed resource to drill the test bores. HBRC have also been engaged regarding the proposed reservoir site on Mangatarata Road.

Takapau & Porangahau Water Treatment Upgrades

A combined project to upgrade drinking water treatment facilities at both Porangahau and Takapau is being scoped for procurement in December 2018 (following presentation of a paper to approve the proposed procurement approach).

Combining the projects will have significant benefit and cost savings through synergies in design and engineering. Both sites (although geographically disparate) have similar issues and require similar solutions at a similar scale.

Based on early engagement with contractors (both design/engineering and construction), Officers are confident of a 2019 completion for both sites with Takapau programmed slightly ahead and Porangahau to be completed towards the end of 2019.

Pipe Renewals

Backbone infrastructure replacements form a key part of the Big Water Story and several sites have been identified for renewal in urban areas based on age and condition. 100m of pipe in Porritt Place is scheduled for replacement in December 2018 with design and procurement completed already. Four sites in Waipukurau have been identified and grouped into a single project with work scheduled to begin in March 2019.

ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY

A community reference group for the Environmental and Sustainability Strategy met in October to perform a similar exercise as Elected Members did at the August Workshop. The reference group agreed key themes and objectives for the strategy and a strong alignment was noted with those agreed among Elected Members.

A second workshop was held with Elected Members in October to agree a Vision and to discuss future governance of the Strategy to bring it to life and ensure it is an enduring document. Workshop participants agreed a need for diversity and inclusion in any future governance structure to own and maintain the strategy.

The strategy will be put to Council in draft for approval to consult with the community as part of the Annual Plan process.

LEACHATE TO LAND

Tonkin and Taylor have been engaged to support the project to extract leachate from the landfill and apply it via surface irrigation to land. Officers and T&T staff visited the site in October carrying out an assessment to feed into a report being developed to define the project scope parameters, solution/s and design challenges. The report is a requirement for a resource consent application to be lodged with HBRC.

The report will also identify opportunities to reduce leachate before removal. The report is expected in November with a firm project timeline to follow soon after and physical works budgeted for in the first half of 2019. Officers expect to have the physical work completed by July 2019.

BUILDINGS AND CONSENTS

At the time of writing this report, IANZ assessors are departing Central Hawke's Bay after completing their 3-yearly review of our Building Control practices, processes and policies for accreditation. The IANZ assessors commented on the unusually low number of noted areas for improvement (all of which were addressed whilst the assessors were here) and the Building Control Team have been accredited again for another three years.

A final accreditation report will be sent to the BCA shortly from IANZ to confirm our ongoing accreditation and to summarise their findings during their time with us. This will be presented at the next Environment and Regulatory Committee meeting.

Building Consent volumes remain very high with 2017 year total numbers reached in August 2018.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCING IMPLICATIONS

There are considered to be only minor financial and resourcing implications from the information contained within this report.

IMPLICATIONS ASSESSMENT

This report confirms that the matter concerned has no particular implications and has been dealt with in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002. Specifically:

- Council staff have delegated authority for any decisions made;
- Any decisions made will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses;
- Unless stated above, any decisions made can be addressed through current funding under the Long-Term Plan and Annual Plan;
- Any decisions made are consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
- No decisions have been made that would alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or would transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the next meeting of the Central Hawke's Bay District Council be held in 2019 with the date to be advised.

8 TIME OF CLOSURE