

Minutes of the Regional Council Meeting held in Mauao Rooms, Bay of Plenty Regional Council Building, 87 First Avenue, Tauranga on Tuesday, 22 May 2018 commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman: D Leeder

Deputy Chairman: J Nees

Councillors: J Cronin, T Marr, L Thurston, P Thompson, D Love, N Bruning, A Tahana, W Clark, S Crosby, K Winters, A von Dadelszen, M McDonald

In Attendance: Mary Anne Macleod (Chief Executive), Mat Taylor (General Manager, Corporate Performance), James Graham (General Manger, Corporate Solutions), Chris Ingle (General Manager, Integrated Catchments), Fiona McTavish (General Manager, Strategy & Science), Sarah Omundsen (General Manager, Regulatory Services - Acting), Shelley Hey (Manager, Chief Executive Office), Garry Maloney (Transport Policy Manager), Mark Le Comte (Programme Manager Corporate), Annabel Chappell (Property Manager), Christina Burger (Management Accountant), Laverne Mason (Integrated Catchment Programme, Andrew Williams (Planner), Mary Norris (Planning Coordinator), Yvonne Tatton (Governance Manager), Andy Dixon (Management Accountant Team Leader), Prue Sisam (Communications Partner), Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager), Graeme Howard (Corporate Planning Head), Jane Palmer (Policy Analyst), Greg Corbett (Biosecurity Manager), Roger Waugh (Rivers and Drainage Assets Manager), Peter Buell (BOP Harbourmaster/Manager), Bruce Crabbe (Rivers and Drainage Operations Manager), Namouta Poutasi (Water Policy Manager), Toni Briggs (Project Manager, Water Programme), Stephen Lamb (National Resources Policy Manager), Alex Miller (Compliance Manager - Primary Industry & Enforcement), Daniel Smith (Consents Team Leader), Reuben Fraser (Consents Manager), Edward Sykes (Community Engagement EEF Coordinator), Kerry Gosling (Community Engagement Team Leader), Kataraina O'Brien (Strategic Engagement Manager), Merinda Pansegrouw (Committee Advisor), Tone Nerdrum Smith (Committee Advisor)

Apologies: A Tahana – late arrival

1 Opening Karakia

Cr Thurston opened the meeting with a Karakia.

2 Apologies

It was noted that Cr Tahana would be arriving late.

3 **Public Forum**

Nil

4 **Acceptance of Late Items**

That the Regional Council:

1 **Accepts the confidential report: Ōpōtiki Harbour Transformation as a late item for the Public Excluded section;**

2 **Notes the following:**

- **The paper “Third Party Infrastructure Funding Requests” provided a brief update on currently funded projects including the Ōpōtiki Harbour Transformation. The information on the Ōpōtiki Harbour Transformation has been updated in this late paper as a result of the Government Decision not to fund the current proposal for construction, which was announced on the afternoon of Friday 19 May;**
- **This discussion relates the budgeting approach for the Ōpōtiki Harbour Transformation grant in LTP 2018-2028. This amount is material for the LTP 2018-2028, therefore Council decisions are required to prepare materials for audit and adoption;**
- **The report is to be considered in Public Excluded to enable Council to carry out commercial and industrial negotiations.**

Leeder/Winters
CARRIED

5 **General Business and Tabled Items**

Nil

6 **Confidential Business to be Transferred into the Open**

Nil

7 **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Cr Thompson declared an interest in any matters relating to Envirohub and abstained from any discussion and vote.

8 **Previous Minutes**

8.1 **Regional Council minutes – 16-20 April 2018**

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

1 **Confirms the Regional Council minutes – 16-20 April 2018**

**Thurston/Nees
CARRIED**

9 Reports

9.1 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Overview of Deliberations for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 and the Statement of Proposal: Proposed Changes to Resource Management Act Charges

PowerPoint Presentation – Objective ID A2880923 and A2880924

Chairman Leeder provided an outline of the agenda and advised that the majority of reports would be taken as read. Any issues that required further discussion would be 'parked' and revisited to ascertain their impact on the overall Long Term Plan (LTP). All decisions made throughout the day would be 'in principle' only, with the intention being to pass a resolution at the end of the deliberations to confirm these decisions.

Attendance

Cr Tahana entered the meeting at 9.43 am.

Chief Executive Mary-Anne Macleod, supported by the Executive Leadership Team, provided an introductory overview as follows:

PowerPoint Presentation

- Overview of Deliberations
- Deliberations Process
- Council's Strategic Challenges
- Community Outcomes
- Thriving together
- Financial Strategy (supplementary agenda)
- Financial Strategy
- Operating Expenditure
- Capital Expenditure
- Funding
- Recap Deliberations Process
- LTP Timeline.

Staff Comments

- Noted the removal of the Corporate Sponsorship Fund and the Chairman's Fund from the budget
- The Environmental Enhancement Fund had been retained
- There was no projected change in contribution to the Economic Development Agencies
- Noted the significant increase in CapEx in the initial years of the LTP, e.g. Kaituna River and Kopeopeo Canal
- Further consideration of the CapEx programme would occur as part of the 2021-2031 LTP
- Noted the close alignment between the CapEx programme and the asset management plans.

Staff Follow-up

- Members to view the draft responses to submitters following the adoption of the LTP on 28 June 2018.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Overview of Deliberations for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 and the Statement of Proposal: Proposed Changes to Resource Management Act Charges;
- 2 Agrees to the recommended two-step process for decision making whereby Council make 'in principle' decisions on all the recommendations in the deliberations papers, as papers are considered. Council then reviews the 'in principle' decisions and confirms or amends them, at the end of the deliberations meeting.

Leeder/Love
CARRIED

9.2 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Financial Issues and Implications

Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager) provided an outlined of the report.

Members' Comments

- The proposed rates increase should be seen in context of the local authorities' proposed increases and not be considered in isolation.

Staff Comments

- Clarified the changed funding mechanisms reflected in the LTP, e.g. Emergency Management being transferred from general to targeted rates.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Financial Issues and Implications; and
- 2 Reviews the recommendations within each of the deliberations papers.
- 3 Notes the overall financial position set out in this report.

Love/Winters
CARRIED

10 Public Excluded Section

Resolved

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General Subject of Matter to be Considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) LGOIMA 1987 for passing this resolution
Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Corporate Property	To carry out commercial activities	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)
Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Deliberations Position Paper - Kopeopeo Canal Remediation Project	To carry out commercial and industrial negotiations	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)
Late Confidential Item: Ōpōtiki Harbour Transformation	To carry out commercial and industrial negotiations	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)

Leeder/von Dadelszen
CARRIED

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.02 am and reconvened at 11.21 am.

11 Reports Continued

Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager) provided *tabled item 2 – High level staffing: LTP new positions.*

Chief Executive's Comments

- Outlined the assessment and approval process for any staff positions and appointments
- Clarified the difference between the 'bronze, silver and gold' appointment processes, which related to allocation of funding for a position and its need to be filled.

11.1 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 1 - Rivers and Drainage

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1** Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 1 - Rivers and Drainage;
- 2** Proceeds with Rivers and Drainage flood recovery project Option 1: Carry out all identified repairs as soon as possible. Resulting in a higher rates increase in year one and two and then smaller increases from year three. Noting that available levers discussed in the report to reduce the rates impact on affected ratepayers are applied to the LTP financial estimates for deliberations;
- 3** Adopts recommended Kaituna Scheme expenditure of \$500,000 (\$250,000 in Year 1 and \$250,000 in Year 2) for storm damage repairs resulting from April 2018 flood event in Rotorua (subject to the works being assessed and firm estimates prepared);
- 4** Adopts recommended expenditure for rating reviews of \$530,000 and directs staff to:
 - a.** Undertake in 2019/20 a project to scope the process for delivering targeted rate reviews under the Local Govt. Rating Act and estimate costs for a targeted rate review, the indicative cost for this scoping work is \$30,000;
 - b.** Subject to above, undertake targeted rate reviews in 2020/21 and 2021/22, the indicative cost for this work is \$250,000 per annum;
- 5** Adopts that a capital works sum of \$100,000 be added to year 1 of the LTP 2018-2028 for the Waioeka-Otara Rivers Scheme to investigate and rebuild the Connor-Peterson stopbank and Baird's Drain outlet structure;
- 6** Approves the increase in cost estimates for the Rangitāiki Floodway budget of \$791,000,
- 7** Notes the recommended changes to the LTP budget estimates are summarised in the table below:

Item	Description	Financial implications
Rotorua Lakes Council submission (refer 4.3)	Allowance for significant storm damage repair works are required in Kaituna Scheme stream's in year 1 and 2 of LTP	Year 1: \$250,000 Year 2: \$250,000
Targeted rate review scoping project (refer 4.4)	Scope the process for targeted rate reviews under the Local Govt. Rating Act and estimate costs	Year 1: \$30,000
Targeted rate review project (review 4.4)	Undertake targeted rate reviews under the Local Govt. Rating Act	Year 2: \$250,000 Year 3: \$250,000
Ian Connor (refer 4.5)	Connor-Peterson stopbank restoration. Waioeka-Otara River Scheme renewals	Year 1: \$100,000

	works activity	
Rangitāiki Floodway (refer 4.10)	Revised costs estimate for project.	Year 2: \$791,000

- 8 Gives direction on the proposed use of the forecast targeted rates reserves as discussed in section 3.4;
- 9 Receives a report from the Chief Executive on the wider role and responsibility of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council on water body functions, beyond the river scheme.

Leeder/von Dadelszen
CARRIED

11.2 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 4 - Emergency Management

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 4 - Emergency Management;
- 2 Direct staff to proceed with the preferred option and establish a targeted rate for region-wide CDEM services;
- 3 Receives and notes its consideration of submissions and the key themes arising in relation to the CDEM services;
 - a. Leave responsibility for resourcing for civil defence centres, community led centres and marae with Territorial Authorities. Noting that the Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Service Delivery review and the Ministerial review are currently underway;
 - b. Acknowledges that Maori representation in Civil Defence Emergency Management continue to be a focus for the Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Group. Staff recommend that Maori representation in Civil Defence Emergency Management continues to be a focus for the Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Group. Noting that submissions to the BOPRC LTP 2018-2028 will feed into the Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Service Delivery review for consultants to include in their considerations for a revised operating model. Consideration of a dedicated Maori resource in the Emergency Management team will be included along with other recommendations from the review once it is completed;
 - c. Acknowledges the funding challenges facing New Zealand Response Teams (NZRTs), and awaits the results of the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management led national review into the future of NZRT's to inform any future funding decisions.

Love/von Dadelszen

CARRIED

11.3 **Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 5 - Regional Development**

Mark Le Comte (Programme Manager, Corporate Performance) provided a brief outline of the report.

Amendments to Draft Policy

- Section 9 - move up before Section 8
- Section 9 - add 'generally' before 'must not replace'
- Section 11 - amend to: '...potential for other funding to *be* applied for'
- Section 18 – amend to: 'Council will *generally* not fund replacement...'
- Section 27 – amend to: '...general rates *dependent on local and regional benefits*'.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 5 - Regional Development;**
- 2 **Approves in principle the Third Party Infrastructure Funding Policy, with agreed minor amendments, to be adopted with Long Term Plan 2018-2028;**
- 3 **Approves in principle to use reserves that are specifically set aside, for new third party infrastructure.**

Thompson/Nees
CARRIED

11.4 **Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 2 - Public Transport**

PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A2880923

Garry Maloney (Transport Policy Manager) and Fiona McTavish (General Manager, Strategy & Science) provided a PowerPoint Presentation as follows:

Key Points

- Topic 2 – Public Transport
 - Region-wide
 - Other matters to be decided
 - Western Bay Sub-region & SmartGrowth
 - Public Transport Committee recommendations
- Tauranga Targeted Rate Reserve - \$790,000.

Staff Comments

- The overall cost of the Centre for Transport was not known beyond Year One of the LTP
- The Rotorua to Murupara bus service was well supported by the local community

- CCTV would be installed on the bus services in Tauranga, as was currently the case in Rotorua
- February 2019 would be the earliest possible time to commence a trial on free bus services for students.

Members' Comments

- Sought discussion around staging of targeted rates as some services would not be available in Year One of the LTP
- Suggested that investigating the impacts of a free bus service for school children should be undertaken prior to commencing a trial period
- The desire for a free student bus trial had been expressed by the community as part of the LTP submission process
- Recognised that commencing a trial in Welcome Bay could generate requests for similar trials in other high-pressure areas
- Research and trials would identify the cost of free bus fares and, if continued as a permanent service, funding would have to be allocated as part of future Annual Plans.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 2 - Public Transport.**

Region-Wide Decisions (Section 2)

- 2 Proceeds with Option 2: Fully fund Tauranga, Rotorua, Western Bay and Whakatāne District Council's bus services through a targeted rate;**
- 3 Engages further with the relevant communities that have requested new bus services in the first year of the LTP 2018-2028, with a view to Council considering funding those requests in Year Two of the Plan;**
- 4 Consider the opportunity for park and ride as part of future multi-modal investigations;**
- 5 Notes that the Draft Regional Land Transport Plan contains an activity to investigate the feasibility of passenger rail.**

Western Bay of Plenty Sub-Region Decisions (Section 3)

- 6 Re-examines funding levels, as part of future Annual Plan/Long Term Plan discussions, to support the Tauranga Programme Business Case when it develops the Long Term Plan 2021-2031, at which time it is expected further detailed planning will have been completed;**
- 7 Notes the bus tender for the Tauranga and Te Puke contracts was lower than the forecasted LTP budget estimates, and agrees to maintain the LTP 2018-2028 budget for Tauranga and Te Puke bus services at current levels to:**
 - a. Finalise the network and fund the Tauranga student fare-free bus services investment case in LTP Year One;**
 - b. Support initiatives in LTP Year Two and Year Three such as more investment in electric bus provision, given the strategic intent, level of**

funding support available and the interest from Council's partners to support an application to the Low Emission Vehicle Contestable Fund. Notes that after the Low Emission Vehicle Contestable Fund application round in August 2018, further decisions will be requested from Council as part of Annual Plan 2019/20;

SmartGrowth Decisions (Section 4)

- 8 Contribute \$126,000 in LTP Year One to the Tauranga-Western Bay of Plenty Centre for Transport and budget for the additional expenditure within the Transport Planning Activity;**
- 9 Recommend that the yet to be established Centre of Transport undertake a project to identify the implications of aligning the Western Bay of Plenty Public Transport Blueprint, Bay of Plenty Regional Public Transport Plan and Tauranga Programme Business Case to the 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport, the Provincial Growth Fund and the National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity, resourced from the \$300,000 identified for the local government partners to establish the Centre;**
- 10 Recommend that a research project be funded on engaging older people in transportation planning, with an estimated cost of \$12,000 in Year One**

May 2018 Public Transport Committee Recommendations (Section 5)

- 11 Considers the recommendations from the Public Transport Committee on 11 May to Council that it:**
 - a. Investigate the cost and benefits and wider implications of providing free school transport in Tauranga. This will require approximately \$100,000 of additional budget in LTP Year One (an additional \$1.80 per rating unit for Tauranga) and that this cost will be offset by the bus contract savings referred to in recommendation 7;**
 - b. Fast track from February 2019 an investigation to trial school student fare-free Welcome Bay bus services, and that Council allocate an estimated \$465,000 funding for the trial to be implemented in LTP Year One providing agreement can be reached with Tauranga City Council on:**
 - the level of funding it will provide for fare revenue foregone;**
 - the implementation of appropriate bus priority; and**
 - the timing and term of the trial.**
- 12 Extend the Waihi Beach trial service to 12 months and continue to provide a two day per week passenger transport service for Waihi Beach and that Council will allocate an estimated \$23,000 of additional budget in LTP Year One (approximately \$0.52 (GST exclusive) additional per rating unit).**

Tauranga targeted rates reserve (Section 6)

- 13 Agrees to use \$465,000 (split over Years One and Two) from the Tauranga targeted rate reserve to fund the additional costs recommended to implement the school student fare-free Welcome Bay bus services trial;**
- 14 Agree to use the remaining available funds in the Tauranga targeted rate reserve to further reduce the targeted rates increases in LTP Year One.**

Thurston/Thompson
CARRIED

11.5 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Third Party Infrastructure Funding Requests

Mark Le Comte (Programme Manager Corporate) provided an outline of the report.

Members' Comments

- Noted that funding towards the Tarawera Sewerage project had been included in the Rotorua Lakes Council LTP 2018-28, which meant an accelerated timeline was no longer required on this funding request
- Resource consent was not required as low-pressure pumps would direct sewerage back to Rotorua.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Third Party Infrastructure Funding Requests;**
- 2 **Budgets in the LTP 2018-2028 for \$750,000 in 2021/22 towards infrastructure costs for Tarawera Sewerage, conditional on:**
 - a. **A business case from RLC confirming the total cost, sources of funding, costs to ratepayers and householders and risks is approved by BOPRC prior to June 2021;**
 - b. **All other funding for the project is in place with formal signed agreements;**
 - c. **A funding agreement, including a drawdown schedule for release of BOPRC funds and funding limitations according to the Third Party Infrastructure Funding Policy, is approved by the BOPRC Chief Executive prior to drawdown of BOPRC funds;**
 - d. **All required consents are granted prior to drawdown of BOPRC funds.**
- 3 **Notes that no other requests for new third party infrastructure funding are included in LTP 2018-2028, and that all other requests for infrastructure funding that were received will be declined;**
- 4 **Notes that BOPRC does not outline a funding position for any future new third party infrastructure funding including Matata sewerage, Awatarariki Fanhead, or Rotorua Lakes;**
- 5 **Notes that existing infrastructure grants are budgeted as per the financial table at section 4.2., pending final carryovers after the end of 2017/18;**
- 6 **Notes that staff are working to confirm details of payment timing and milestones for the Rotoma/Rotoiti sewerage scheme;**

- 7 Budgets in the LTP 2018-2028 for \$100,000 in 2018/19 towards infrastructure costs for Ōtāwhiwhi Marae reticulation, conditional on:**
- a. This is the maximum that BOPRC will contribute;**
 - b. A funding agreement, including limitations on the use of BOPRC funds according to the Third Party Infrastructure Funding Policy, is approved by the BOPRC Chief Executive;**
 - c. All required consents are granted prior to drawdown of BOPRC funds.**

**Thompson/Winters
CARRIED**

That the Regional Council:

- 8 Reports back on the scale and extent of the issue of reticulation region wide and its impact on marae.**

**Thompson/Love
CARRIED**

That the Regional Council:

- 9 Budgets in the LTP 2018-2028 for \$100,000 in 2018/19 towards purchase of Tahataharoa and this is the maximum that BOPRC will contribute;**
- 10 Notes that contributions towards restoration of Tahataharoa may be considered from existing budgets where work aligns with BOPRC objectives.**

**Thompson/Love
CARRIED**

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1.08 pm and reconvened at 1.33 pm.

11.6 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - A Vibrant Region

Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager) provided an outline of the report.

Staff Comments

- Two additional Regional Planning staff was sought to accommodate increased growth and to reduce the use of external consultants
- The financial impact of additional staff was off-set by the associated reduction in consultancy costs.

Members' Comments

- Noted that BOPRC was already contributing towards the Marine Research Institute
- Wealth disparity (as referred to in the submission from Whakatāne District Council) could be a regional matter for future consideration.

Staff Follow-up

- Await the direction from Central Government prior to progressing the Regional Spatial Plan.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - A Vibrant Region;**
- 2 Confirms the importance of the Bay of Connections and SmartGrowth programmes, as reflected in the Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028;**
- 3 Provides additional staff resourcing in the Regional Planning activity to enable Council to suitably plan, respond and implement urban policy issues, as follows:**
 - **FTE Team Leader – Regional Integrated Planning;**
 - **FTE Planner – Regional Integrated Planning.**
- 4 Notes that funding of these new positions is to come from the consultancy and contractor fees budget in the Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028 within the Regional Planning activity, so is cost neutral;**
- 5 Confirms amendment is required in Volume Rua at page 14 to reflect the population projections at page 108 by territorial authority;**
- 6 Declines the requests from Priority One for regional funding assistance of \$150,000 towards the following three regional projects.**
 - **Groundswell festival of innovation;**
 - **Regional labour market study;**
 - **Marine biotechnology.**
- 7 Notes that no other amendments are made to the ‘A Vibrant Region’ outcome under the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.**

**Nees/Bruning
CARRIED**

11.7 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 3 - Biosecurity

Greg Corbett (Biosecurity Manager) provided an outline of the report.

Members' Comments

- Recognised the importance of controlling noxious weed, e.g. woolly nightshade
- Encouraged a practice where BOPRC staff actively worked with the community in control of weeds and pests,
- Concerned regarding the ‘containment’ approach as it was not necessarily effective
- Landowner co-operation and buy-in was essential in the control of pests, e.g. wallabies

- A gradual increase in funding allowed for staff recruitment and training, as well as community engagement, which would support a successful outcome.

Staff Comments

- Increased monitoring and inspections would require higher levels of staff resourcing
- The additional funding in Year One would be focussed on community engagement initiatives.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Consultation Topic 3 - Biosecurity;**
- 2 **Budgets in the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 for Option 2 (increased funding of \$500,000 compared to 2017/18 Annual Plan) in year one of the LTP;**
- 3 **Budgets in the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 for further increases of \$250,000 in each of years two and three (increased funding of \$1.0 million in year three onwards compared to Annual Plan 2017/18).**

**Winters/Tahana
CARRIED**

12 **Public Excluded Section**

Resolved

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General Subject of Matter to be Considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) LGOIMA 1987 for passing this resolution
Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Treasury	To carry out commercial and industrial negotiations	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)

**Leeder/Love
CARRIED**

13 Reports Continued

13.1 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Deliberations Position Paper - Resource Consents Resourcing

Chris Ingle (General Manager, Integrated Catchments) and Reuben Fraser (Consents Manager) provided an outline of the report.

Staff Comments

- Additional staff resourcing would assist in meeting the expected levels of service within the resource consent activity
- Any application that did not include the required Cultural Impact Assessment, would be put on hold while seeking input from Iwi
- There were discount provisions in place while a resource consent application was being processed, which meant the proposed changes to the RMA fees and charges were a fair reflection of the work being undertaken
- Iwi had genuine concerns with regards to available resourcing, timeframes and knowledge when being presented with resource consent applications for assessment.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Deliberations Position Paper - Resource Consents Resourcing;**
- 2 **Approves three additional full-time equivalent staff and associated budget for the Resource Consents Activity in Council's 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.**

**Leeder/Love
CARRIED**

13.2 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Proposed Changes to Charges under the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2018/19

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Proposed Changes to Charges under the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2018/19;**
- 2 **Receives and notes its consideration of submissions to the proposed changes to the charges under the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2018/19;**
- 3 **Direct staff to incorporate the changes into the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2018/19 and prepare for adoption.**

Thompson/von Dadelszen
CARRIED

13.3 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - A Healthy Environment

Sarah Omundsen (General Manager, Regulatory Services) provided a brief outline of the report.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - A Healthy Environment;
- 2 Directs staff to explore extending the Hot Swap Scheme further throughout the Bay of Plenty via a Targeted Rate in year 2 of the Long Term Plan;
- 3 Notes the specific points raised through the submissions and the staff response in the attached appendix.

Winters/Thompson
CARRIED

13.4 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Freshwater for Life

Namouta Poutasi (Water Policy Manager) and Toni Briggs (Project Manager, Water Programme) provided an outline of the report.

Staff Comments

- There were currently three vacancies within the science teams
- The proposed staff changes would result in cost reductions by splitting resourcing between internal and external expertise
- Important for Council to secure expertise within the water activity for future projects
- Central Government placed increasing value and importance on Mātauranga Māori, which meant in-house expertise was required.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Freshwater for Life;
- 2 Endorses staff recommendations as outlined in section 4 of this report including:

- a) Request for an additional Scientist to support Matauranga Maori and NPSFM – an additional \$50,000 per annum from Year 1;
 - b) Request for an additional Water Policy planner, providing specialist Maori input – an additional \$90,000 per annum from Year 1);
 - c) Request for additional funding for 1 permanent and 2 fixed term Regulatory Compliance staff for three years for the monitoring and enforcement of consents – an additional \$155,000 from year 1.
- 3 Notes the specific points raised through the submissions and the staff response in the attached appendix.

Thompson/Tahana
CARRIED

13.5 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Climate Change

PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A2880293

Stephen Lamb (National Resources Policy Manager) provided an outline of the report.

PowerPoint Presentation

- Strategic Challenge – Climate Change
- Climate Change – Options considered
- Climate Change – Recommendation.

Members' Comments

- Suggested a more staged funding approach in Years One and Two
- Suggested scheduling a review of this matter in the 2019/20 Annual Plan
- Focus should be on BOPRC as leaders in mitigation of the impact of climate change.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Climate Change.
- 2 Approves Option 2, Enhanced Council Responsiveness and budgets in the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 for \$175,000 in year one, and then \$200,000 (uninflated) from year two onwards.

Thompson/Nees
CARRIED

13.6 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Deliberations Position Paper - Maori Participation

Kataraina O'Brien (Strategic Engagement Manager) provided an outline of the report.

Staff Comments

- The proposed Maori Advisory Group would represent a collaboration between BOPRC and external parties, and would be established specifically for the development of a Regional Maori Responsiveness Strategy
- A number of submissions from Tangata Whenua related to the need for strengthening the relationship between BOPRC and Iwi/Hapū, particularly in the engagement space.

Members' Comments

- Concerned that if the request for funding was declined, other important work streams would be deprioritised as a result
- Recognised the significant and wide reaching responsibilities of the Māori Policy unit
- Drew attention to the Kawe Kōrero (Te Reo) App, developed by Waikato Regional Council.

Attendance

Chairman Leeder withdrew from the meeting at 2.57 pm and Cr Nees assumed the Chair in his absence.

Attendance

Chairman Leeder entered the meeting at 3.04 pm and assumed the Chair.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 **Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Deliberations Position Paper - Maori Participation;**
- 2 **Approves the following recommendations:**
 - a) **Recommendation 1: Approves \$40,000 in years 2-3 of the LTP 2018-2028 budget to support the implementation of He Korowai Matauranga (Matauranga Maori Framework).**
 - b) **Recommendation 2: Approves \$27,000 in years 2-3 of the LTP 2018-2028 budget to facilitate collaborative outcomes of wananga with Maori across the region. Note funding could be sourced from the Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) and has been incorporated into the CIF deliberation report for consideration.**
 - c) **Recommendation 3: Establishes a Maori Advisory Group to assist with the development of a Regional Maori Responsiveness Strategy. No budget is required from the LTP 2018-2028 as this cost can be met within existing budgets.**
 - d) **Recommendation 4: Support the development of Iwi Participation Agreements by approving \$3,000 per agreement to assist Iwi. No budget is required from the LTP 2018-2028 as this cost can be met within existing budgets.**

- e) **Recommendation 5: Amend the Terms of Reference for Komiti Maori to give them delegated authority to request an annual or 6 monthly report on Council's responsiveness to Maori.**

**Leeder/Love
CARRIED**

13.7 **Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Community Initiatives Funding Requests**

Kerry Gosling (Community Engagement Team Leader) provided an outline of the report.

Staff Comments

- Surf Lifesaving: Eastern Region covered the entire Bay of Plenty
- Noted that the Public Transport budget included engagement and research on the needs of the older people in transportation planning within the Western Bay of Plenty (refer resolution 3f below).

Cr Thompson declared an interest in the resolution pertaining to Envirohub and abstained from the discussion and vote.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - Community Initiatives Funding Requests;**
- 2 Review the staff funding assessments for the Community Initiatives Fund and subject to Council direction; make the following in-principle funding allocations:**
 - a. Decision to grant funding to EM16 Surf Lifesaving New Zealand (Eastern Region) of \$30,000 per year for the period 2018/19-2020/21;**
 - b. Decision to grant funding to OL145 Sustainable Business Network \$32,000 for period 2018/19 and \$12,000 per year for period 2018/19-2020/21;**
 - c. Decision to grant funding to EM28 Te Runanga o Ngai Te Rangi Iwi Trust of \$19,000 per year for the period 2018/19-2020/21;**
 - d. Decision to grant funding to OL153 Envirohub BOP (Tauranga Environment Centre Charitable Trust) of \$70,000 per year for the period 2018/19-2020/21;**
 - e. Decision to grant funding to EM36 Discovery Through Nature Ltd. of \$15,000 for period 2018/19 and \$20,000 per year for the period 2018/19-2020/21;**
 - f. Decision to grant funding to OL40/EM91 Bay Conservation Alliance of \$20,000 per year for the period 2018/19-2020/21;**

- g. Decision to grant funding to OL72 Environmental Education for Resource Sustainability Trust (EERST - Water4Schools project) of \$12,380 for period 2018/19-2020/21;
- h. Decision to grant funding to OL178/EM93 RotoruaX Charitable Trust of \$2,333 for each year for the period 2018/19-2020/21.

Note: funding distribution will be subject to applicants meeting appropriate milestones, goals and timeframes as agreed with staff.

Thurston/Crosby
CARRIED

That the Regional Council:

- 3 Makes a decision to decline other non-infrastructure requests for external funding Council received through submissions to the draft Long Term Plan 2018-28, being:
 - a. EM97 Matakana Island Marine Club Incorporated in collaboration with Nga hapū no nga moutere o Matakana me Rangiwaea (ranger wages);
 - b. EM55 Te Arawa Ki Tai Charitable Trust (rangatahi development, stream monitoring, kura kaupapa education resource);
 - c. EM6 Eastern Bay Villages:Te Kokoru Manaakitanga (accessible van, petrol vouchers and partial cost of coordinator);
 - d. OL193 Upokorehe Ngati Raumoia Roimata Marae Trust (flooding works, wastewater system, stream monitoring);
 - e. OL73 The Incubator Creative Hub (grow and expand the creative arts in BOP);
 - f. EM18 SUPA-NZ (engage with and research the needs of the older people in transportation planning within the Western Bay of Plenty);
- 4 Agrees to hold the unallocated funding of \$26,667 for 2019/20 and 2020/21 for a pilot programme to support outcomes of the wananga with iwi and hapū for better engagement with Council.

Nees/Crosby
CARRIED

13.8 Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - General and Other Matters

Staff Follow-up

- Advise Members of the annual Council contribution to BOPLASS.

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Deliberations Position Paper - General and other matters;**
- 2 Agrees to the recommended amendments to Levels of Service and Performance measures as follows:**
 - a. Agree to the updated targets for the ‘Percentage of monitored river and stream sites that meet the ‘swimability’ requirements under the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management’ measure;**
 - b. Shift the ‘Building operating costs per square metre’ measure from an external measure reported in the LTP 2018-2028 to an internal measure;**
 - c. Updated targets for the ‘Reduction of carbon emissions in relation to building energy use at the Tauranga and Whakatāne sites’ measure;**
- 3 Notes the staff responses and recommendations under the ‘Other submissions and items’ section of this report.**

**Love/Bruning
CARRIED**

14 Consideration of General Business

Nil

15 Public Excluded Section

Resolved

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General Subject of Matter to be Considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) LGOIMA 1987 for passing this resolution
Verbal update – Quayside Holdings	To carry out commercial and industrial negotiations	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)

**Leeder/Thurston
CARRIED**

16 **Reports Continued**

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Endorses all the 'in-principle' resolutions of the meeting.

**Leeder/Thompson
CARRIED**

The meeting closed at 3.30 pm

Confirmed

Chairman, Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Date