

Minutes of the Regional Council Meeting held in Mauao Rooms, Bay of Plenty Regional Council Building, 87 First Avenue, Tauranga on Friday, 1 June 2018 commencing at 9.00 a.m.

Present:

Chairman: D Leeder

Deputy Chairman: J Nees

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

In Attendance: Mat Taylor, (General Manager, Corporate Performance), Sarah Omundsen (General Manager, Regulatory Services-Acting), Namouta Poutasi (General Manager, Strategy & Science-Acting), Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager), Yvonne Tatton (Governance Manager), Prue Sisam (Communications Partner), Shelley Hey (Manager, Chief Executive's Office), Kerry Gosling (Community Engagement Team Leader), T Nerdrum-Smith (Committee Advisor)

Apologies: L Thurston and A Tahana

1 Karakia

Cr Marr opened the meeting with a Karakia.

2 Apologies

That the Regional Council:

Accepts the apologies tendered at the meeting from Cr Thurston and Cr Tahana.

**Leeder/Winters
CARRIED**

3 Public Forum

Nil

4 General Business

Members' Comments

- Agreed that a brief update would be provided regarding Mycoplasma Bovis Cow Disease

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

- Noted the decision by Tauranga City Council to contribute funding towards the free school bus trials for Welcome Bay.

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

Nil

6 **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Nil

7 **Reports**

7.1 **Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Financial Overview and Implications Following Council Deliberations**

Mat Taylor (General Manager, Corporate Performance) and Debbie Hyland (Finance and Corporate Planning Manager) provided an overview of developments since the Council LTP deliberations meeting on 22 May 2018, and the decision of the Board of Quayside Holdings Limited with regards to the positive results for the 2017/18 year.

Staff Comments

- The originally projected rates increase had reduced from 12% as outlined in the consultation document to 9.1% as a result of allocating the additional distribution forecast from Quayside Holdings Limited
- The Tauranga Passenger Transport reserve totalled \$790,000
- Outlined Council's contributions to the Regional Fund over the next 10 years, with the budget allocations increasing the balance of the Fund from \$23m in Year One to \$62m in Year 10
- There was additional borrowing capacity that could be applied to Capital expenditure from Year Four if required
- Toimata Foundation was seeking additional funding for the Enviroschools programme. Staff was currently identifying the contributions from the Kindergarten Association and the Territorial Authorities to facilitate a well-informed discussion on the appropriate level of support
- Following this meeting, the draft LTP 2018-28 would be reviewed by Audit NZ, prior to final adoption at the Council meeting on 28 June 2018.

Members' Comments

- Concerned that the significant drop in capital expenditure allocation, in particular in Year Four, was unrealistic, however it was noted that Council was required to prepare its Long Term Plan based on what was currently planned
- Preparing for change and being adaptive at a strategic level was an essential part of planning for the future.

Staff Follow-up

- Scenario planning to be considered through the Audit and Risk Committee, particularly for Years One and Two of the LTP 2021-2031
- Staff to commence discussions around being adaptive at a strategic level when planning for the future.

Refer tabled item 1 – Enviroschools Key Results 2017, Nationwide Census.

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Resolved

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - Financial overview and implications following Council deliberations;
- 2 Notes that the EnviroSchools and related programmes will continue to be supported as currently budgeted, noting additional funding has been requested through the Long Term Plan processes for other territorial authorities;
- 3 Notes the budget forecasts for the Chairman's discretionary fund and external sponsorship funds are included in the draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028 budget estimates;
- 4 Agrees that the draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028 will be prepared for adoption on an assumption of a general rate increase in 2018/19 of 9.1% and that this increase is almost three percent less than proposed through consultation.

Crosby/Cronin
CARRIED

8 Public Excluded Section

Resolved

That the Regional Council:

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
Rotorua Review - April 2018 Flood Event	To protect the privacy of an individual	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)

Leeder/Love
CARRIED

9 Consideration of General Business

9.1 Mycoplasma Bovis Cow Disease

Members' Comments

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- Sought information regarding the Bay of Plenty's preparedness for the potential impact of Mycoplasma Bovis, in particular:
 - Transport of cattle
 - Minimising risk of spreading the disease
 - Containment of effluent.

Chief Executive's Comments

- Had requested information and guidance from the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) as the lead agency
- Council had operational guidelines and policies in place to keep contamination risks to a minimum
- As a Regional Authority, Council had an agreement with MPI that staff could at any time be seconded to assist with national level emergencies, as had been the case during the fruit fly infestation
- Mycoplasma Bovis was categorised as a national risk, which meant Council reported to MPI as the overriding authority
- Council was currently preparing a business case to determine the wider impacts of managing Mycoplasma Bovis in the Bay of Plenty.

The meeting closed at 9.44 am

Confirmed

Chairman, Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Date

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