

Minutes of the Komiti Māori Meeting held in the Wharenuui, Te Whetu o te Rangi Marae, 612 Welcome Bay Road, Tauranga on Friday, 3 March 2017 commencing at 9.30 am.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor A Tahana

Councillors: L Thurston, D Love, W Clark

In Attendance: M Macleod (Chief Executive), C Ingle (General Manager Integrated Catchments), F McTavish (Group Manager Strategy & Science), K O'Brien (Strategic Engagement Manager), P de Monchy (Kaituna Catchments Manager), N Moore (Committee Advisor), S Hohepa (Māori Policy Advisor), A Vercoe ((Māori Policy Team Leader), C Stephenson (Relationship Manager), C Koopu (Māori Policy Advisor), E Sykes (Community Engagement Officer), J Waldon (Internal Services Manager), K Gosling (Community Engagement Team Leader), K Heitia (Strategic Engagement Coordinator), L Tauroa (Internal Services Officer)

Manuhiri: C Savage (Department of Conservation)

Presenters: K Barclay, N Te Kani, C Williams (Tauranga Moana Museum Trust)

Tangata Whenua: K Ellis, M Tapsell, A Coffin, T Rangitaha, A Thatcher, L Ohia, A Black, P Black, L Cairns, R Hohaia, C Nepia, M Te Wheoro, T Blake, W Rameka, K Smallman, V Smallman, C Reeder, K Pukekura, M Duncan, P Black, C Bidois, A August, P Tapsell, P Akuhata (Kaumatua),

Apologies: Chairman D Leeder, Councillors T Marr and J Nees

1 Karakia

2 General Business

The following item was raised for consideration under General Business:

- 1 Tauranga Moana Museum Trust Presentation

Resolved

That pursuant to section 46A of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following items be considered at this meeting.

- 1 **Receives and considers the General Business item.**

**Thurston/Love
CARRIED**

3 **Declaration of conflicts of interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 **Komiti Māori minutes - 31 August 2016**

Resolved

That the Komiti Māori under its delegated authority:

- 1 **Confirms the minutes of the Komiti Māori meeting held on 31 August 2016.**

Thurston/Love
CARRIED

5 **Te Akaaka Rauwhero, Mana tu, Mana toa, Mana akeake He Tohu Maumahara mo Te Awanuiarangi Black**

Special tributes were given to recognise the work, achievements and legacy of the late Awanui Black. The Chairperson, Councillors, council staff and tangata whenua shared stories and accounts that emphasised the legacy of a respected leader who was an orator, historian, educator, politician, kapa haka exponent, champion of te reo Māori, and friend and counsel to many. His contribution and positive influence was widespread throughout the mōtū, and his willingness to help whānau and others was well-known. Awanui was acknowledged for naming Regional Council 'Toi Moana' and for composing the Toi Moana waiata. He would be missed dearly while remembered forever.

Special thanks were extended to his whanau, with the presentation of a commemorative photo album depicting his contribution and involvement with the Regional Council, hapū and iwi.

The establishment of an appropriate initiative to commemorate Awanui Black on a long term basis was supported.

An offer was extended to the whānau from the Tauranga Moana Museum Trust who also wished to commemorate Awanui Black through the naming of an exhibition room at the museum.

Carlton Bidois offered, on behalf of Te Pirirakau hapū, to engage a whakairo expert to produce a carving for Council in honour of Awanui Black.

Resolved

That the Komiti Māori under its delegated authority:

- 1 **Receives the report, Te Akaaka Rauwhero, Mana tu, Mana toa, Mana akeake He Tohu Maumahara mo Te Awanuiarangi Black ;**
- 2 **Approves the establishment of an appropriate initiative to commemorate the late Councillor Te Awanuiarangi Black.**

Tahana/Love
CARRIED

6 **Pāpāmoa Hills Cultural Heritage Regional Park expansion**

Pim de Monchy (Kaituna Catchments Manager) and Matire Duncan (Ngā Potiki) presented on the addition of 8b Poplar Lane to the Pāpāmoa Hills (Te Rae o Pāpāmoa) Cultural Heritage Regional Park. The property addition encompassed a culturally significant pa complex and ridgeline, as well as road frontage and flat land that could provide possible future access to the Park via Poplar Lane.

Resolved

That the Komiti Māori under its delegated authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Pāpāmoa Hills Cultural Heritage Regional Park expansion.**

**Tahana/Thurston
CARRIED**

7 **Komiti Māori Draft Terms of Reference**

Anaru Vercoe (Māori Policy Team Leader) reported on the proposed terms of reference (TOR) for Komiti Māori. The new triennium was an opportune time to consider updating the TOR. As requested by the Chair of Komiti Māori, staff have proposed amendments to enable Komiti Māori to evolve its mandate and look to improve its effectiveness.

Resolved

That the Komiti Māori under its delegated authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Komiti Māori Draft Terms of Reference;**
- 2 Recommends that the Regional Council approve the proposed Terms of Reference for Komiti Māori.**

**Tahana/Love
CARRIED**

8 **General Manager Strategy and Science Update**

Fiona McTavish (Group Manager Strategy & Science) provided an update on matters of interest which included:

- Treaty Symposium
- Kaituna River Document
- Matauranga Māori project
- Mauao by-election
- Kotahitanga Student programme

Ms McTavish noted that Awanui Black was a great advocate for the Welcome Bay Bus Service and was keen to see it extended into the rural area of Welcome Bay. Council will be reviewing its transport network in the near future.

Kiamaia Ellis (Ngāi Te Rangi Environmental Officer) spoke about the value that Council's summer student programme provided for the iwi. Mihikeita Ngata, summer student for Māori policy was deployed to work with the iwi during her tenure with Council. This arrangement provided the iwi with a dedicated resource for three months. The iwi greatly appreciated this initiative and requested that it continue into the future.

Resolved

That the Komiti Māori under its delegated authority:

- 1 Receives the report, General Manager Strategy and Science Update.**

**Thurston/Clark
CARRIED**

9 General Business

Neil Te Kani, Cate Williams and Kelly Barclay presented on the Tauranga Moana Museum Trust and its vision to 2020. An invitation was extended to tangata whenua to be part of creating a museum that would conserve and showcase taonga that represented the many dimensions of the region.

Councillor Thurston mentioned his past experience about similar kaupapa and offered to provide advice. He invited the Trust to contact him.

10 Public Forum

There being no public forum matters, Chairperson Tahana thanked everyone for attending, particularly the whānau of the late Awanui Black.

11 Karakia Whakamutunga

Kaumatua Pahu Akuhata closed the hui with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 1.15 pm.