

Minutes of Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Meeting held in Council Chamber, Western Bay of Plenty District Council, 1484 Cameron Road, Greerton on Friday, 19 October 2018 commencing at 10.30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman: Dean Flavell – Tapuika Iwi Authority Trust

Deputy Chairman: Councillor Arapeta Tahana – Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Appointees: Councillor Jane Nees – Bay of Plenty Regional Council; Maria Horne – Te Komiti Nui o Ngati Whakaue; Councillor Kevin Marsh – Western Bay of Plenty District Council; Rikihana Hancock – Te Tahuu o Tawakeheimoa Trust; Councillor Tania Tapsell – Rotorua Lakes Council; Piki Thomas – Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa; Councillor Matemoana McDonald – Alternate, Bay of Plenty Regional Council; and Rawiri Kingi – Alternate, Te Pumautanga a Te Arawa Trust

In Attendance: **Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC):** David Phizacklea – Regional Integrated Planning Manager and Acting Water Policy Manager; Pim De Monchy – TMoK Committee Champion and Kaituna Catchments Manager; Anaru Vercoe – Māori Policy Team Leader; Jo Watts – Senior Planner (Water Policy); Katerina Pihera-Ridge – Māori Policy Advisor; Yvonne Tatton – Governance Manager and Merinda Pansegrouw – Committee Advisor

Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC): Matthew Leighton – Senior Policy Analyst; Coral-Lee Ertel – Project and Design Engineer Team Leader

Other: Elva Conroy – Conroy and Donald Consultants Limited; Ariell King – Principal Planner, AECOM and Maru Tapsell – Waitaha

Apologies: Dr Bryce Kihirini – Alternate, Tapuika Iwi Authority; Nick Chater – Alternate, Lakes Community Board; Councillor John Scrimgeour – Alternate, Western Bay of Plenty District Council; Councillor Steve Morris, Tauranga City Council and Raymond Pou Poasa – Te Komiti Nui o Ngati Whakaue.

1 Opening Karakia

Rikihana Hancock opened the proceedings with a karakia.

Members welcomed Piki Thomas as the newly appointed member for Te Pumautanga a Te Arawa Trust and Rawiri Kingi as the alternate.

2 **Apologies**

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

- 1 Accepts the apologies from Dr Bryce Kihirini, Nick Chater, Councillor John Scrimgeour, Councillor Steve Morris and Raymond Pou Poasa tendered at the meeting.

Tahana/Marsh
CARRIED

3 **Public Forum**

Nil

4 **Acceptance of Late Items**

Nil

5 **General Business**

1. Update: Proposed joint hui - Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority and Rangitiaki River Forum

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

Nil

7 **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Nil

8 **Previous Minutes**

8.1 **Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Minutes - 24 August 2018**

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

- 1 Confirms Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Minutes of 24 August 2018 as a true and correct record.

Nees/Tapsell
CARRIED

9 **Presentations**

9.1 **Video: Celebrating the Launch of the Kaituna River Document on 30 September 2018**

Refer Video Clip – Objective ID A3028782

A draft video capturing the celebration of the Kaituna River Document at Waitangi Reserve, Te Puke on 30 September 2018 was presented to members for comment. Feedback would be provided to Uenuku Jefferies to assist with the finalisation of the video.

Points raised by Members

- Thanked staff for a beautiful day
- Supported the contents of the draft video
- Appreciated the powerful imagery and symbolism used in the video
- Emphasised that it was important to keep in mind what the purpose of the video would be: educational or informative and who the target audience should be
- Having a clear purpose for the video would determine the message and contents
- It was important to use the video to convey the message and values of the Kaituna River Document. The video should ultimately be used as an advertisement/marketing tool for the Kaituna River Document.

Item for Staff Follow-up

- Staff to provide Uenuku Jefferies with the following feedback to assist with the finalisation of the video capturing the celebration of the Kaituna River Document at Waitangi Reserve, Te Puke on 30 September 2018:
 - Voice over needed to be added to assist with getting across the message and values of the Kaituna River Document
 - The possibility of including interviews conducted by Māori Television to be further investigated
 - The inclusion of interviews used for the video capturing the launch of the River Document to be considered
 - An introduction (background information) needed to be added to the video to provide context for people seeing the video for the first time (what was it about and what was being celebrated)
 - Subtitles could be added to reflect the philosophies/values of the Kaituna River Document
 - Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority's logo should be added to the video.

9.2 **Presentation: Urban Storm Water Catchment Plan – Western Bay of Plenty District Council**

Refer PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A3013521

Principal Planner, AECOM Ariell King, supported by Project and Design Engineer Team Leader, Western Bay of Plenty District Council Coral-Lee Ertel provided a presentation on the draft Catchment Plan for urban stormwater from Te Puke, Maketu, Paengaroa and Pukehina.

Key Points of Presentation

- Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) had a responsibility to manage stormwater in the urban areas of the district
- WBOPDC has prepared a draft Catchment Management Plan (CMP) to provide for an integrated and comprehensive approach to the management of stormwater
- The approach would include a design philosophy of minimising runoff and maximising quality through low impact design solutions
- There would be a focus on water quality, water quantity, protection and maintenance of existing aquatic and riparian habitats; and maximising the visual and recreational amenity of the environment that received the storm water

- Research to date had indicated that the waterways within the eastern catchments were in moderate to poor condition. This had suggested that waterways were negatively influenced by land use intensification. WBOPDC would complement this initial research with baseline environmental and stormwater monitoring which would establish areas for environmental enhancement
- In the short term, WBOPDC would look to maintain the current level of service, review and, if necessary, change its Stormwater Strategy, Asset Management Plan and Development Code. WBOPDC would also undertake ongoing assessments of primary and secondary flow paths
- The eastern part of the district included Te Puke, Maketu, Little Waihi, Pukehina and Paengaroa
- Stormwater activities outside the urban areas were not within the control of WBOPDC
- Engagement opened on 15 August and closed on Friday, 16 November 2018.

Points raised by Members

- Highlighted the importance of addressing the on-going issue of stormwater from the Te Puke industrial area and expressed the hope that the Catchment Management Plan would address this matter
- The differences between long term and short term commitments needed to be clearly defined
- Thorough consultation with the Bay of Plenty Regional Council's Rivers and Drainage Team was critical
- WBOPDC needed to consult all affected iwi groups in individual, separate sessions, including Waitaha
- National initiatives driven by Central Government should also be taken on board as part of the Catchment Management Plan process.

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

1. **Mandates the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority to submit feedback on behalf of the Authority to the Western Bay of Plenty District Council on the Eastern Catchments – Draft Stormwater Catchment Management Plan, based on the values contained in the Kaituna River Document and that the draft submission be circulated to members of the Authority via email prior to the submission on Friday, 16 November 2018.**

**Thomas/Tapsell
CARRIED**

9.3 **Presentation: Kaituna Catchment Operations Update**

Refer PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A3028901

Kaituna Catchments Manager Pim De Monchy provided a PowerPoint Presentation outlining an update on Bay of Plenty Regional Council Toi Moana's operations in the Kaituna Catchment area.

Key Points of Presentation

- Kaituna River Re-diversion Project
 - Progress: 24% complete, 14% of time elapsed
 - Key actions:
 - New stopbank RL2.2m

- Dredged 17,000m³
 - Papahikahawai causeway
 - Te Pa Ika wetlands
 - Mauri baseline assessment
- Te Pourepo o Kaituna Wetland Project
 - Progress: On track, aiming for consent lodgement in April 2019
 - Key actions:
 - Concept design workshops
 - Land negotiations
 - Hydraulic modelling
 - Wetland construction
- Kaituna Catchment Control Scheme
 - Key actions:
 - Washer Rd weir reinstated to protect property
 - Temporary pumps installed at Bell Rd and Seddon St
 - Drain de-silting and de-weeding operations
 - Ford Rd pump station options
- Quarterly Public Meeting planned for 7 November 2018 with a community site tour and update meeting at Tukotahi Marae. Ford Road and boat ramp closures: in terms of consent requirements all vehicle and pedestrian access needed to be re-opened for the period 20 December 2018 to 7 February 2019 to allow the community the opportunity to fish during the summer months

Points raised by Members

- It was paramount to ensure that sufficient health and safety requirements were in place during the temporary re-opening of the Ford Road and boat ramp
- Supported a future vision of potentially linking all open public area spaces with a similar look and feel to ensure a common flow.

9.4 Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Quorum Matters

Governance Manager Yvonne Tatton presented the report.

Chairperson Dean Flavell provided an update on the vacant seat of the joint Tapuika/Waitaha membership. Correspondence had been sent to the Tapuika and Waitaha Iwi Authority Chairpersons dated 9 October 2018 to follow up on progress made with the filling of the vacancy. No response had been received as yet.

Points raised by Members

- Acknowledged the frustrations caused as a result of the vacant seat of the joint Tapuika/Waitaha membership
- Supported reinstating the principle of rotating meeting venues between ngā marae and councils' chambers, commencing 2019

Staff Follow-up

- Rotation of meeting venues between ngā marae and councils' chambers, commencing 2019
- 14 December 2018 meeting/workshop to be followed by an end of year function.

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Quorum Matters;**

2 Supports meetings being held at alternate marae and council venues.

**Tahana/Hancock
CARRIED**

9.5 Public Excluded Section**Resolved****Resolution to exclude the public**

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
Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Action Plan - evaluation of proposals and decision to engage	To carry out commercial and industrial negotiations	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a)

**Flavell/Nees
CARRIED**

Public Section - Continued**10 Reports****10.1 Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority Action Plan - evaluation of proposals and decision to engage - continued**

Refer PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A3015237

Consultant Elva Conroy from Conroy and Donald Consultants Limited provided an introductory presentation outlining the impending process of developing the action plan for the Kaituna River Document:

Key Points of Presentation

- Introduction / background
- Examples of the previous work undertaken by Conroy and Donald Consultants Limited
- Elva Conroy's role as consultant in the action plan development
- The proposed approach
- Defining the success factors
- Guidance required:
 - Focus Group Hui

- Extent of involvement of TMoK members with focus group hui?
- Iwi-specific hui: Who to invite? Other ways to engage with whanau?
- Other stakeholders: Anyone in particular?
- Criteria for Prioritising Actions (anything missing or not needed?):
 - Achieve multiple objectives and/or desired outcomes
 - Enables collective impact
 - Complements existing projects
 - Involves opportunities for environmental education
 - Involves opportunities to build capacity/capability of Iwi/hapū/local communities.

Points raised by Members

- Since a lot of work was taking place within the catchment area, the document needed to be dynamic of nature to ensure it remained current
- Funding options for rolling out the actions would be determined once the priorities had been identified. The final action plan would ultimately identify the funding options/status for each individual action (funding options could include the use of TMoK funding or lobbying agencies)
- Suggested a literature review to provide social and environmental context as this would reveal the impact and determine remedies required
- Suggested that an initial workshop with the TMoK members be undertaken before consultation with the focus groups commenced. This would allow an opportunity for members to review the desktop analysis, to further develop the framework and then determine the contents/agenda for the focus group conversations
- When visiting schools / engaging with the community for consultation members of TMoK could be invited to attend where possible
- Online engagement should be considered as a possibility
- As an outcome from the initial workshop with TMoK members, the key stakeholders/agencies to be consulted would be identified (iwi stakeholder focus group / key stakeholder focus group)
- Noted that some agencies, in their submissions as part of the River Document Consultation process, had expressed an interest to be part of the development of the action plan
- Key Land Trusts to be included in the consultation process.

12:37pm - Councillor Tania Tapsell **withdrew** from the meeting.

Staff Follow-up

- The formal meeting scheduled for 14 December 2018 to be shortened to enable the main focus of the hui to be a workshop discussion focusing on the following matters:
 - Change 5 update (formal meeting)
 - Water update on matters relating to fresh water and coastal water quality (science and modelling results) (Workshop)
 - Action Plan Development (Workshop).

10.2 Governance Update

Committee Advisor Merinda Pansegrouw presented the report on the following administrative matters: updated Authority membership appointments, financial status as it 30 September 2018 and the proposed 2019 meeting schedule.

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Governance Update;**
- 2 Acknowledges the appointment of Piki Thomas as the appointed member and Rawiri Kingi as the alternate member for Te Pumautanga a Te Arawa Trust;**
- 3 Notes the financial position of the Authority as at 30 September 2018;**
- 4 Approves the proposed 2019 meeting dates for the Authority, being: 22 February, 22 March, 3 May, 28 June and 30 August.**

**Nees/Thomas
CARRIED**

10.3 Freshwater policy update

Refer PowerPoint presentation – Objective ID A3014552

Senior Planner (Water Policy) Jo Watts provided a Freshwater update, outlining the following:

Key Points of Presentation

- National Update
 - Government has recently released a blueprint document for the management of freshwater - *Essential Freshwater: Healthy Water, Fairly Allocated* which outlines key actions to be completed over the next two years.
 - Alongside this report Government released a supporting document *Shared Interests in Freshwater: A new approach to the Crown/ Māori Relationship for Freshwater* which reinforces the need for Maori to be engaged and involved in the development of actions identified within *Essential Freshwater*
 - Outlined key actions government will be taking in the next two years to improve freshwater management
- Plan Change updates
 - PC 9: Region Wide Water Quantity
 - Change 3: Rangitāiki River
 - Draft plan change 14 – OSET
 - Plan Change 12
- Issues raised by tangata whenua
- Kaituna-Pongakawa-Waitahanui issues
- Technical work in progress.

Next steps / Staff Follow-up

- At the 14 December 2018 meeting of Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority, a workshop session be held to provide members with an update on fresh water and coastal water quality (science and modelling results)
- The Kaituna River Document was to guide the content of the water update at the workshop

Resolved**That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:**

- 1 Receives the report, Freshwater policy update;**

**Horne/Hancock
CARRIED**

10.4 **Proposed Change 5 (Kaituna River) to the Bay of Plenty Regional Policy Statement**

Regional Integrated Planning Manager and Acting Water Policy Manager David Phizacklea presented the report providing an overview of the interrelationship between the proposed Bay of Plenty Regional Policy Statement and the Kaituna River document.

Resolved

That Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Proposed Change 5 (Kaituna River) to the Bay of Plenty Regional Policy Statement.**
- 2 Notes Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority will be involved throughout the project's key stages.**

**Flavell/Thomas
CARRIED**

10.5 **General Matters**

Update: Proposed joint hui - Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority and Rangitiaki River Forum

Chairperson Dean Flavell advised that following a letter received from the Rangitāiki River Forum Chairperson, Maramena Vercoe, an informal agenda discussion had taken place following which Maramena Vercoe had suggested a site visit to the Kaituna River be undertaken as part of the joint hui.

Item for Staff Follow-up

- Staff to arrange the joint hui for Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority and Rangitiaki River Forum in close vicinity of the Kaituna River in order to incorporate a field trip to the Kaituna River.

The meeting closed at 1:04 pm.

Confirmed

Dean Flavell, Chairperson, TMOK

Date