

# COUNCIL MINUTES



**Time:** 9.10am  
**Date:** Tuesday 24 September 2024  
**Venue:** Council Chambers, Waipā District Council  
101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu

## PRESENT

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### Chairperson

Her Worship the Mayor SC O'Regan

### Members

LE Brown, PTJ Coles, ML Gower, RDB Gordon, MG Montgomerie, DM Morgan, MJ Pettit, CS St Pierre, EM Stolwyk (via Zoom), BS Thomas

*Opening Karakia – Councillor Morgan*

## 1 HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR OPENING COMMENTS

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Her Worship the Mayor acknowledged that this was the first formal Council meeting since the passing of Kiingi Tuheitia. Mayor O'Regan spoke about the great warmth and hospitality shown by the Kīngitanga to the delegation from Waipā District Council who attended the tangi of Kiingi Tuheitia at Tūrangawaewae marae.

Her Worship the Mayor advised that on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024, there would be a twilight family fun focused welcome back to the Olympic and Paralympic athletes in Cambridge.

Her Worship the Mayor spoke about the RMLA Conference she recently attended in New Plymouth, and of particular note, Minister Chris Bishop's announcement regarding phase 3 of the Resource Management Act Reform.

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## 2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE, STEPH O’SULLIVAN OPENING COMMENTS

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CEO, Steph O’Sullivan thanked Councillor Morgan for her karakia and the acknowledgement of the passing of Kiingi Tuheitia and other family members of recent time and the rising of the new Queen leading the Kīngitanga movement.

Ms O’Sullivan thanked the Councillors for the opportunity given to her, in taking on the role as new CEO of Waipā District Council. Ms O’Sullivan acknowledged that it had been an extraordinary month and thanked everyone for their warm welcome.

Ms O’Sullivan noted that she had started meeting Elected Members, understanding the organisation and meeting teams and been out and about meeting key partners and stakeholders.

## 3 APOLOGIES

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There were no apologies.

## 4 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS

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Item 13 – Councillor Gower and Councillor Coles

## 5 LATE ITEMS

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None.

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF ORDER OF MEETING

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### RESOLVED

1/24/62

*That Council confirms the order of the meeting.*

Mayor O’Regan / Councillor A Brown

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## 7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 27 AUGUST 2024

### RESOLVED

1/24/63

*That the open minutes of the Waipā District Council meeting held on 27 August 2024, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

Councillor L Brown / Councillor Thomas

## 8 PUBLIC ART ACQUISITION – TE AWAMUTU BRIDGE ART PANELS

The purpose of this report was to provide information and seek approval for a public art acquisition for art panels on five walking/cycling bridges with Te Awamutu in accordance with Waipā District Council's Arts Policy.

Community Services Manager, Brad Ward apologised to Council for the lateness of the approval of the public art acquisition, as per the Art Acquisition Policy and advised Council that a review of procedure had been undertaken to incorporate approvals for art acquisition into the organisational project management process.

### RESOLVED

1/24/64

*That Council*

- a) *Receives the report of Anne Blyth, Director Museums & Heritage titled Public Art Acquisition – Te Awamutu Bridge Art Panels (document number 11258006);*
- b) *Approve the acquisition of the public art as set out in this report for the installation of art panels on five walking/cycling bridges within Te Awamutu – specifically;*
  - *One crossing the Mangapiko Stream on SH3*
  - *One crossing the Mangaohoi Stream connecting Mutu Street and Shanel Place*
  - *Three crossing the Mangaohoi Stream in Te Awamutu War Memorial Park.*

Councillor Morgan / Mayor O'Regan

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## 9 PUBLIC ART ACQUISITION (RICHARD LEWER PAINTING – THE ATROCITIES OF RANGIAOWHIA)

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The purpose of this report was to provide information and seek approval from Council for a public art acquisition in accordance with Waipā District Council's Arts Policy.

The Council acknowledged the generosity of the anonymous doner who gifted the painting to Council.

### RESOLVED

1/24/65

*That Council*

- a) *Receives the report of Anne Blyth, Director Museums and Heritage titled Public Art Acquisition (Richard Lewer painting – The Atrocities of Rangiaowhia) (document number 11249968);*
- b) *Approves the acquisition of the artwork described in the Description of Artwork – The Atrocities of Rangiaowhia included as Appendix 3 (document number 11259035) to the Council Public Art Collection.*

Councillor Morgan / Councillor St Pierre

## 10 RESERVES ACT 1977 – EXERCISE OF DELEGATED MINISTERIAL POWER EASEMENT FOR GROUNDWATER TAKE – MOANA ROA

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The purpose of this report was to seek Council approval, as the holder of a delegation from the Minister of Conservation pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, to the granting of an easement to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, in respect of part of the recreation reserve located at 1506 Tirau Road, Cambridge and known as the Moana Roa Reserve and vested in Waipā District Council.

### RESOLVED

1/24/66

*That Council*

- a) *Receives the report of Angela McEwan, Property Advisor (Leasing) titled Reserves Act 1977 – Exercise of Delegated Ministerial Power - Easement for Groundwater Take - Moana Roa Reserve (ECM number 11287543);*
- b) *Acting under delegation of the Minister of Conservation, consents as Minister under section 48(1) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Waipā District Council, as*

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*administering body of the Moana Roa Recreation Reserve (“Reserve”), granting an easement to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency over part of the Reserve to enable the installation, maintenance, monitoring and repair of equipment and other installations as necessary for the purposes of testing a methodology to remove gold clam from water taken from Lake Karāpiro and, if successful, to take groundwater from the Reserve to support the construction of the SH1 Cambridge to Piarere Project and associated infrastructure and construction for a maximum term of eight (8) years.*

Councillor Pettit / Councillor Gordon

## 11 RESERVES ACT 1977 – EXERCISE OF DELEGATED MINISTERIAL POWER NEW COMMUNITY LEASES

The purpose of this report was to seek Council approval, as the holder of a delegation from the Minister of Conservation pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977 to Waipā District Council, as owner and Administering Body, granting of four new community leases to the following entities over land classified as recreation reserve:

- Te Awamutu Netball Centre Incorporated – in respect of part of the recreation reserve located at 153 Mangahoe Street, Te Awamutu.
- Te Awamutu Brass Band Incorporated – in respect of part of the recreation reserve known as Albert Park and located at 420 Albert Park Drive, Te Awamutu.
- Hautapu Rugby Sports Club Incorporated – in respect of the recreation reserve known as Memorial Park and located on the corner of Laurent Road and Taylor Street, Cambridge, which forms part of the Cambridge Town Belt.
- Cambridge Dog Obedience Club Incorporated – in respect of part of the recreation reserve located at Taylor Street, Cambridge, which forms part of the Cambridge Town Belt.

### RESOLVED

1/24/67

*That Council*

- a) *Receives the report of Angela McEwan, Property Advisor (Leasing), titled Reserves Act 1977 – Exercise of Delegated Ministerial Power – New Community Leases (ECM number 11269657)*



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- b) *Acting under delegation of the Minister of Conservation, consents as Minister under section 54(1)(b) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Waipā District Council, as administering body, granting new leases to:*
- i) *the Te Awamutu Netball Center Incorporated, as further detailed in appendix 1 to the report;*
  - ii) *the Te Awamutu Brass Band Incorporated, as further detailed in appendix 2 of the report;*
  - iii) *the Cambridge Dog Obedience Club Incorporated and the Hautapu Rugby Sports Club Incorporated, as further detailed in appendix 3 of the report.*

Councillor Morgan / Councillor L Brown

## 12 COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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At the commencement of this triennium the Mayor's committee structure and membership was presented to Council. The Mayor can make changes to the committee structure during the triennium. Appendix 1 of this report, included a memorandum from the Mayor appointing the Department of Conservation representative to the Maungatautari Reserve Committee; a position which had been vacant this triennium.

### RESOLVED

1/24/68

*That Council*

- a) *Receives the report of Jo Gread, Manager Governance, titled Council Committee Appointments (ECM number 11300093);*
- b) *Receives the Mayor's memorandum included as Appendix 1 of this report (ECM number 11298287) amending the Council Committee Membership pursuant to section 41A of the Local Government Act 2002.*

Councillor St Pierre / Councillor Morgan

## 13 WAIPĀ NETWORKS TRUST TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS OF TRUSTEES

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[Councillor Coles left the room for this item. Councillor Gower did not participate in discussion for this item]



The purpose of this report was to seek approval to delegate to Her Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive to jointly exercise all of Council’s votes in the 2024 triennial election of trustees of the Waipa Networks Trust.

**RESOLVED**

1/24/69

*That Council*

- a) *The information contained in the ‘Waipa Networks Trust Triennial Election of Trustees’ report (ECM number 11301907), of Georgina Knapp, Acting Group Manager Business Support, be received; and*
- b) *Authority be delegated to Her Worship The Mayor and the Chief Executive to jointly exercise all of Council’s votes in the 2024 triennial election of trustees of the Waipā Networks Trust.*

Councillor A Brown/ Councillor L Brown

**14 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

[Councillor Coles rejoined the meeting]

**RESOLVED**

1/24/70

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

*The general subject of the 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:*

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
15. <i>Public Excluded Minutes – 27 August June 2024</i> 16. <i>Disposal of Residential Land Kihikihi</i> 17. <i>Block Land Disposal Te Awamutu</i> 18. <i>Te Awamutu Walk of Fame</i>	<i>Good reason to withhold exists under section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987</i>	<i>Section 48(1)(a)</i>



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*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, or Sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may be, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows:*

Item No.	Section	Interest
16,17	7(2)(i)	<i>To carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</i>
15,18	7(2)(a)	<i>To protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</i>

Councillor St Pierre / Councillor Thomas

The meeting went into Public Excluded session at 9.36am  
 There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.49am

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD**

**CHAIRPERSON:** .....

**DATE:** .....