HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON WEDNESDAY, 24 JUNE 2020 COMMENCING AT 9.00 AM

PRESENT
D A Adams (His Worship the Mayor), Cr P A Milner (Deputy Mayor), Cr P G Anderson (9.00am-12.10pm), Cr R D T Broad, Cr P D Buckthought, Cr C A Daley, Cr R G E Garrett, Cr B J Gentil (from 9.20am), Cr R Harris, Cr S Howell, Cr D Smeaton, Cr A M Spicer, Cr J R Tilsley and Cr R L Wilkinson

IN ATTENDANCE
Messrs L D Cavers (Chief Executive), A de Laborde (Group Manager - Engineering Services), D Peddie (Group Manager - Corporate Services), P Thom (Group Manager - Planning & Environmental Services), S B Fabish (Group Manager - Community Services), Mrs J Nelson (Strategic Planning Projects Manager), Ms N Murphy (Strategic Planner), L de Haast (Transportation Manager), E J Wentzel (Water Services Manager), S de Laborde (Manager, Planning and Infrastructure Systems), Ms K McLaren (Community Engagement Officer), Ms R Jenks (Economic Development Officer) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

Karakia timatanga
Cr Milner opened the meeting with a karakia.

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED
THAT the apology of Cr B Gentil for lateness be received and sustained.

C20/239 Wilkinson/Howell CARRIED

LATE ITEMS
There were no late items.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Conflict of Interest: Cr Smeaton declared an interest in relation to Item 28 – Communities Working Together Proposal.

Rescheduled Presentation from OceanaGold Waihi Limited

The Mayor noted as previously advised, that as the General Manager of OceanaGold Waihi Limited was unable to attend this meeting to update on mining activities he would be in attendance at the 15th of July meeting at 11.00am.

CONFIRMATION: COUNCIL MINUTES – (10-06-20) (2773037)

RESOLVED
THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Hauraki District Council held on Wednesday, 10 June 2020 are received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

C20/240 Spicer/Broad CARRIED
MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters raised.

CONFIRMATION: EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MINUTES – (10-06-20) (2771747)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting of the Hauraki District Council held on Wednesday, 10 June 2020 are received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

C20/241 Wilkinson/Daley CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters raised.

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION: AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MINUTES – (16-06-20) (2774322)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Audit & Risk Committee held on Tuesday, 16 June 2020 are received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

C20/242 Harris/Tilsley CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters raised.

Cr Gentil attended the meeting at 9.20am.

LGFA - PROPOSAL TO AMEND FOUNDATION POLICIES (2775602)
APPENDIX A - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LGFA FOUNDATION POLICIES JUNE 2020 (2775021)
APPENDIX B - LGFA SHAREHOLDER COUNCIL MEMO - FOUNDATION POLICY CHANGES (2775022)

The Group Manager – Corporate Services presented a report which outlined the amendments proposed by the board of the LGFA to its foundation policy and to seek a Council resolution to vote for or against the amendments proposed. The Audit and Risk Committee endorsed the proposed amendments at their meeting of 16 June.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/243 Daley/Tilsley CARRIED

RESOLVED

THAT Council, as a LGFA shareholder, resolves to vote in favour of the proposed amendments to the LGFA Founding Policies. The amendments proposed by the LGFA Board would increase the Net Debt/Total Revenue foundation policy financial covenant from the current 250% to 300% for a period, and permanently to 280%. These proposed changes would only apply to Local Authorities with a long-term credit rating of ‘A’ equivalent or higher, and
THAT the Council instructs staff to complete the Proxy Form for the LGFA Special General Meeting 30 June 2020 - reflecting Councils decision to vote for or against the amendments Proposed, and

THAT the Council considers these decisions to be insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017, and

THAT Council does not engage at this time about this matter.

C20/244 Buckthought/Broad CARRIED

CEO MONTHLY REPORT FOR JUNE 2020 (2775166)

The Chief Executive presented his monthly report to June 2020. The report updated the members on recent staff changes within the organisation.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/245 Adams/Anderson CARRIED

Passing of Lew Peters, Former HDC District Engineer

The Chief Executive acknowledged the passing in May of a well-known former Council employee Lew Peters. Mr Peters was the Hauraki Plains County Engineer from 1969 until 1989 when the former Hauraki Plains area became part of the Hauraki District Council. He then served as the Hauraki District Engineer until 1995.

Cr Broad reiterated the CEO’s acknowledgement of Mr Peters.

FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT – MAY 2020 (2775613)

The Group Manager – Corporate Services presented the financial services report to 31 May 2020.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/246 Daley/Buckthought CARRIED

APPOINTMENT TO WAIKATO PLAN LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE 2020 (2773308)

The Group Manager – Community Services and Development presented a report which requested Council to consider the approval of the appointment of the Mayor Ash Tanner, Matamata-Piako District Council, to the Waikato Plan Leadership Committee due to the resignation of Mayor Toby Adams.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/247 Adams/Spicer CARRIED
RESOLVED

THAT Council approves the appointment of Mayor Ash Tanner to the Waikato Plan Leadership Committee, and

THAT the Council considers these decisions to be insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017.

C20/248 Spicer/Milner CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MAYOR TO ATTEND COMPANY DIRECTORS COURSE – (2769518)

The Group Manager – Community Services and Development presented a report which sought approval that the Mayor attend a company director’s course to further develop his leadership skills and to provide a greater understanding of governance from a corporate perspective.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/249 Garrett/Howell CARRIED

RESOLVED

THAT Council approve to contribute $10,600 towards the cost of the Mayor attending a Company Directors’ Course, and

THAT Council approve expenditure of $10,600 in the Democracy activity in the 2019/20 year/s, and that the unbudgeted expenditure is funded from the Elected Members Training and Conferences budget, and

THAT Council considers this decision insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017, and

THAT the level of engagement considered appropriate for this matter, now, is to inform (one-way communication disseminating information).

C20/250 Smeaton/Harris CARRIED

REQUEST FOR SOCIAL STRATEGY FUND ALLOCATION – ‘ELEPHANT IN THE PADDOCK’ INITIATIVE (2775872)

The Community Engagement Officer presented a report which sought the approval of Council to fund the social strategy initiative ‘Elephant in the Paddock’ established in support of mental wellbeing of the rural community and the wider community in the Hauraki District.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/251 Tilsley/Wilkinson CARRIED

RESOLVED

THAT the Council approves the allocation of up to $10,000 from the District Social Strategy Fund towards payment of projects associated with the ‘Elephant in the Paddock’ social initiative, and
THAT the Council considers these decisions to be insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017.

C20/252 Tilsley/Adams CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10.05am
The meeting reconvened at 10.23am

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT - MAY - 2020 (2775194)

The Group Manager – Planning and Environmental Services presented the planning and regulatory report covering May 2020.

RESOLVED
THAT the report be received.

C20/253 Milner/Anderson CARRIED

HEALTH LICENCE FEES DURING COVID 19 – 2020 (2775348)

The Group Manager – Planning and Environmental Services which sought Council to consider a waiver of licensing fees for food and liquor licensed premises because of the premises having to remain closed due to COVID-19 during various levels.

RESOLVED
THAT the report be received.

C20/254 Milner/Howell CARRIED

RESOLVED
THAT Council does not charge all its Food Control Plans and National Programmes the annual $100 registration fee for the 2020/2021 financial year.

C20/255 Howell/Buckthought CARRIED

2021 LTP - PROPOSED COMMUNITY OUTCOMES FOR ADOPTION (2775011)

The Strategic Planning Projects Manager presented a report which provided the members with some draft Community Outcomes for adoption, following discussion at its long term planning (LTP) workshop of 3 June 2020.

RESOLVED
THAT the report be received.

C20/256 Gentil/Broad CARRIED
RESOLVED

THAT Council approves, as amended, the proposed Community Outcomes shown in Appendix B, and

THAT the Council considers these decisions insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017, and

THAT the Council's Community Outcomes (strategic direction) be communicated through the long term planning process.

C20/257 Buckthought/Smeaton CARRIED

HDC REMIT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND (2444898)

The Strategic Planner presented a report which provided members with information on the Hauraki District remit which has been submitted for consideration at the Local Government NZ AGM meeting in August 2020.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/258 Adams/Spicer CARRIED

WHAREKAWA COAST 2120 - PROJECT UPDATE (2775105)

The Strategic Planner presented a report which updated the members on the progress of the Wharekawa Coast 2120 project. Attached was a copy of the minutes of the Wharekawa Coast 2120 Joint Working Party meeting held on 18 February 2020 for the member’s information.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/259 Adams/Anderson CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION REPORT MAY 2020 (2775082)

The Transportation Manager presented the monthly roading activity for the period ending 31 May 2020.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/260 Adams/Harris CARRIED

TRANSPORT DECISION REPORT - REPLACEMENT OF MAHUTA ROAD NORTH BRIDGE NO. 2
APPENDIX A (2775331) – Mahuta No. 2 Posting Review Report
APPENDIX B (2735906) - Project Feasibility Report – Mahuta Road North Bridge No. 2 ID33

The Transport Manager presented a report which advised of the proposal to replace the Mahuta Road North Bridge No. 2, following a programmed bridge inspection where it was identified to be at risk of failure. The report sought guidance from Council as to the preferred replacement option.
RESOLVED
THAT the report be received.

C20/261 Adams/Harris CARRIED

Upon further investigation it was decided to commission a consultant to do a detailed investigation of the bridge.

Two reports were received from the consultant in April 2020. The Mahuta No.2 Posting Review Report (attached as Appendix A) recommended that a weight and a speed restriction is placed on the bridge immediately. Subsequent to receipt of the report the bridge was posted to a weight and speed restriction. The width of the single lane bridge must also be decreased to lower the risk of failure.

A Project Feasibility Report (included separately as Appendix B) was also received that presented several remedial options including estimated costs and identified risks.

Members were invited to consider all of the options included in the report and the additional information available.

In conclusion, the members agreed that Option (5) was the preferred course of action and that the bridge remain a single lane and not be upgraded to a two lane bridge.

RESOLVED
THAT Council approves Option (5) to replace Mahuta Road North Bridge No. 2 with precast concrete beams, single lane for a Rough Order Cost of $ 810,000 to $ 1,006,000 (excl. GST), to proceed to preliminary design and costings, and

THAT staff report back to Council once the preliminary design and costings have been completed, and

THAT the Council carry forward unspent capital funds, up to $750,000, in the Minor Improvements Budget from 2019/20 to the year 2020/21, for the replacement of Mahuta Road North Bridge No. 2, and

THAT the Council considers these decisions to be insignificant under its Significance and Engagement Policy 2017, and

THAT the Council does not engage in consultation on this issue at this time.

C20/262 Milner/Harris CARRIED

WATER SERVICES REPORT TO COUNCIL - JUNE 2020 (COVERING MAY) (2775206)

The Manager – Water Services presented the monthly water services activity report covering the month of May 2020.

RESOLVED
THAT the report be received.

C20/263 Harris/Anderson CARRIED

Cr Anderson left the meeting at 12.10pm

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.10pm
The meeting reconvened at 12.40pm
WASTE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY REPORT - MAY 2020 (2775489)

The Infrastructure Systems Planning Manager presented the monthly waste management activity report covering May 2020.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/264  Smeaton/Howell  CARRIED

DISTRICT DRAINAGE ACTIVITY REPORT - MAY 2020 (2775437)

The Infrastructure Systems and Planning Manager presented the monthly activity report on district drainage for the period to 31 May 2020.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

C20/265  Buckthought/Garrett  CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION: EASTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES - 04-06-20 (2770590)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Eastern Plains Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 04 June 2020 be received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

C20/266  Buckthought/Garrett  CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION: WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES - 04-06-20 (2770587)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Western Plains Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 04 June 2020 be received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

C20/267  Buckthought/Garrett  CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION: PAEROA RURAL COMMITTEE MINUTES - 05-06-20 (2770616)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Paeroa Rural Drainage District Committee held on Friday, 05 June 2020 be received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

C20/268  Buckthought/Garrett  CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION: TARAMAIRE DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES - 04-06-20 (2770592)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Taramaire Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 04 June 2020 be received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

C20/269  Buckthought/Garrett  CARRIED
Matters to be taken with the Public Excluded

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:

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C20/270 Spicer/Broad **CARRIED**
RESOLVED

THAT the public be re-admitted to the meeting and that the business in committee discussed be confirmed.

C20/275 Spicer/Buckthought CARRIED

Karakia whakamutunga
Cr Milner closed the meeting with a Karakia at 2.20pm

CONFIRMED

D A Adams
Mayor

15 July 2020