

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON THURSDAY, 01 NOVEMBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 10.30 AM

PRESENT

Messrs H Van Eyk (Deputy Chairperson), P A Leonard, G Laurich, B Keane (10.50am – 12.10pm), B Pirie, P Johnstone, R Young, Cr P Buckthought (Council Representative)

IN ATTENDANCE

R Hicks (WRC Waihou-Piako Catchment Committee Chair), B Manning, Works Supervisor (Projects & Compliance) Operations Hauraki/Coromandel, Integrated Catchment Management), Cr G Leonard, Cr J Thorp (alternate member), S de Laborde (Infrastructure Systems & Planning Manager), B Stephens (Drainage Overseer) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

THAT the apology of Chairman, B A Carter and Cr D Swales be received and sustained.

WPDD18/28

Paterson/Laurich

CARRIED

LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

Robert Hicks – Speaking Rights

The Chairman, Brian Carter had invited Robert Hicks to attend the meeting to provide an update on the Mugeridge's Pump Project.

In the Brian Carter's absence, the Deputy Chair, Harry van Eyk requested agreement from the Committee that Robert Hicks - Chairman of the WRC Waihou-Piako Catchment Committee and member of the WRC Hearings Committee delegated to hear submissions on the Mugeridge Pump application, be given speaking rights to address the Committee.

RESOLVED

THAT Robert Hicks be given speaking rights to address the Western Plains Drainage District Committee for the purpose of providing an update on the Mugeridge's Pump Project.

WPDD18/29

van Eyk/Young

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WESTERN PLAINS DISTRICT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 04 OCTOBER 2018 (2477462)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Western Plains Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 04 October 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.

WPDD18/30

Laurich/Buckthought

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mangawhero Road Flume

Ross Young asked if any action had been taken to address the state of the Mangawhero Flume following a request at the last meeting that the Group Manager – Engineering Services and drainage staff investigate the condition of the flume and what can be done about it.

Steve de Laborde responded that this project is not a priority at the current time but it will be addressed in the future. If remedial work is urgently required to the flume, this will be undertaken.

Brian Keane attended the meeting at 10.50am.

DISTRICT DRAINAGE ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2018 AND FINANCIAL REPORT (FOR THE 3 MONTHS TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 (2472366)

The Infrastructure Systems & Planning Manager presented the Western Plains District Drainage Report for September 2018.

RESOLVED

THAT the Drainage Report for the month of September 2018 and the financial report on the operations of the Western Plains District Drainage Area for the 3 months to 30 September 2018 be received.

WPDD18/31

Pirie/van Eyk

CARRIED

Level of Service/Protection - F1 and F2 Rates

Steve de Laborde explained to the members the F1 and F2 rating system which is placed on properties which receive the differing levels of service/protection.

It was explained that land protection measures which Council provides as part of the drainage network to properties which receive inundation of water are rated accordingly depending on how much protection is provided. The higher the level of service, the higher the rates.

In response to a question regarding the 'design height' of stopbanks, WRC designs the height of stopbanks to 3.5m which is the most desired height. The general height of stopbanks is currently 2.9m being close to the preferred height.

Financial Reporting

The Group Manager – Corporate Services, Duncan Peddie was in attendance to explain the financial information included in the report and provided a number of explanations in regards to the Western Plains District Drainage Committee's budget.

WRC Staff Report – Brendan Manning, Works Supervisor (Projects & Compliance) | Operations Hauraki/Coromandel, Integrated Catchment Management

Brendan Manning was in attendance in the absence of WRC Team Leader, Kenny Growden.

Waitakaruru Mouth Stream - Brendan advised that a marine survey will be undertaken over the summer season to monitor the stream. The results from the survey will be made available to the Committee once they are available. Consent for the bridge to Torehape, could exceed the cubic meterage allowed.

Structural audits have been undertaken in the Ngatea Township and Pouarua.

A number of cameras (on wheels) have been placed inside pipes for investigation.

Muggeridge Pump Update

Robert Hicks spoke on the Waihou-Piako Catchment Scheme. The impact of the zone rating and if there was any benefit for people in Ngatea.

He spoke generally about the increase in rates to cover the costs of the Muggeridge pump project.

Hearing of submissions to the Muggeridge Pump consent application will be heard on 27 November 2018.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Kaiaua Community Stormwater Issues

Cr Leonard spoke on the Kaiaua stormwater initiatives being considered by Council to address the issues identified in the Kaiaua community following recent storm events. A group has been established (Kaiaua Working Group) to work with WRC to identify the critical areas affected by stormwater and what remedial action can be taken to assist the community in addressing these issues.

Land Drainage Committee's Annual Xmas Dinner

After receiving feedback from the members as to the proposed annual xmas dinner for all the land drainage committees, it was agreed that due to the time pressures at this time of the year, that the preferred option would be to hold a mid winter xmas dinner in May/June 2019. The members were all generally in support of this suggestion.

Member's comments:

There were no the operational comments made of any significance.

The meeting closed at 12.10pm.

CONFIRMED

H van Eyk
Deputy Chairperson

7 February 2019