

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE KINLOCH REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING
HELD AT THE KINLOCH COMMUNITY HALL , MATA PLACE , KINLOCH
ON THURSDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 3.00PM**

- PRESENT:** Cr Rosanne Jollands (in the Chair), Mr Tim Brittain, Cr Barry Hickling, Cr Christine Rankin, Ms Belinda Walker
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Head of Finance & Strategy, Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues, Head of Communications & Customer Relations, Asset Manager Water, Parks & Recreation Specialist, Senior Reserves Planner, Policy Advisor – A Smith, Policy Advisor – T Wood, Democratic Services Support Officer
- MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** Two members of the public

The Chair welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2019, noting that she looked forward to 2019 and member's continuing to work alongside the community to get the best outcomes for Kinloch.

Note: Cr Hickling left the meeting at the conclusion of item 4.4 at 4.43pm and was not present for resolutions KIN201902/07 & KIN201902/08.

1 APOLOGIES

KIN201902/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin
Seconded: Mr Tim Brittain

That the apologies received from Mayor David Trewavas and Mr Bruce Campbell be accepted.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 KINLOCH REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING - 8 NOVEMBER 2018

Minutes of a meeting of the Kinloch Representative Group held on Thursday, 8 November 2018 had been circulated (A2369417).

KIN201902/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin
Seconded: Mr Tim Brittain

That the minutes of the Kinloch Representative Group meeting held on Thursday 8 November 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 REPORTS

4.1 ACTION POINTS UPDATE

The follow action point updates were noted:

- Add replacement of rubbish bins at Kinloch golf course to the action sheet.
- Cr Rankin requested that the action item assigned to her be removed as at this stage, she would not likely get the report completed. Reiterated that development statistics and sustainability for Kinloch and New Zealand overall was positive.
- Mr Brittain was concerned that the proposed new footpath at Kinloch Road currently appeared to be going all the way to Whangamata Road, instead of ending at the poplars as per the original concept. He considered that the added section (poplars to Whangamata Road) served no purpose, that the extra expense was unjustified, and there were more higher priorities. It was also a premature move as that section of footpath would likely be ripped up upon the entranceway improvement and beautification work being undertaken. Ms Walker gave a brief update on engagement on that to date noting that the work was planned in two stages. The community survey that was done by the Kinloch Community Association (KCA) asked about the preferred length of the footpath. The majority of responses were in favour of the path going to the poplars. However technically the poplars was a private access and therefore not for public use. The Asset Manager Water advised (on behalf of the Asset Manager Transportation) that officers were currently undertaking consultation with the golf course and once that was completed, the contract for installation would go out for tender; \$250k had been allocated in 2019 for stage 1, and \$190k for stage 2 in 2020. Ms Walker undertook to do another community survey to understand the community's current views; that would be completed within the next two weeks. A member cautioned that the community should keep in mind that any decision to cease work would delay recommencement of that work if there was a future change in appetite.
- Discussion ensued regarding the commemorative memorial action. Cr Hickling advised that Council did not set aside reserve land for memorial purposes. The Senior Reserves Planner added that it was incumbent on the individual / group to suggest the site for a memorial. Staff would then prepare a report to the Fences, Roding, Reserves and Dogs (FRReD) committee for assessment against the policy. Mr Brittain noted that he would make a new submission request to extend the current memorial as that option was not proposed in the original request to the FRReD committee in November 2018. Officers were available to provide assistance if needed.
- Ms Walker noted that the Kinloch Community Association (KCA) had not received email notification of today's meeting as previously requested. The Democratic Services Support Officer apologised for the oversight and undertook to ensure notification email was sent to KCA going forward. Other options discussed to advise of upcoming Group meetings were the corflute sign at the big roundabout (Linda Malcolm would oversee notice there), and the Topsy Trout and Kinloch Store noticeboards.
- The Asset Manager Water gave a brief verbal infrastructure update and tabled plans relating to the Loch Eagles intersection and Kenrigg Road.
 - Work on the landfill accessway was 95% completed.
 - Work was underway on the wastewater pond near the plant entrance.
 - New road markings had been completed and barriers (similar to those at Taupō Countdown) would be installed to prevent people driving over the roundabout. In response, Mr Brittain noted that the roundabout exit point on to Kenrigg Road should be widened and the island reduced as the angle was too acute for vehicles – especially those towing a boat – travelling from Loch Eagles and turning right into Kenrigg Road.
 - Officers were currently working with the new store owners on proposed footpath improvements
 - The Head of Operations and Asset Manager Transportation were meeting with Bruce Bartley in the following week to discuss Whangamata Road surfacing issues. The Chair advised that a large portion of the community had expressed concerns about the safety of the road, especially in winter, and requested that the Group receive an update via email post discussions.
 - The effluent and sludge holding tanks were 95% completed.
 - Consultation was underway on the next major (WWTP) project to irrigate the golf course. Currently preparing communications which would be shared at the next Group meeting.

- Loch Eagles reservoir work was ahead of schedule with the roof currently being installed.
- Currently halfway through the first year of a 5-year project on the drinking water standards. Testing was completed over the Christmas period to capture pressure areas when network use was at a peak. A contract which looked at the whole distribution network had just been awarded. Discussions ensued about exploring other potential site options, in particular the hapū owned land at eastern beach lake reserve. The Asset Manager Water advised that the current site selected was near the landfill site however, he would be open to discuss the potential viability of the eastern beach site with hapū if wanted. Ms Walker undertook to organise a meeting between the parties.
- The Chair undertook to follow up the status of the proposed toilet on the eastern beach reserve with the Parks Manager Sports & Horticulture.

KIN201902/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the current action points update.

CARRIED

4.2 DRAFT TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITY STRATEGY

The Parks & Recreation Specialist introduced his report and provided an overview of engagement undertaken to date in the development of Council's sports and recreation facility strategy. Key points noted during the presentation including questions, answers and related discussion were:

- Sport Waikato had been engaged to undertake the next phase of engagement with stakeholders, develop surveys and questionnaires, and provide specialist services eg undertake research, understand national trends. Sport Waikato were a good fit for this work as Council already had a well established relationship with them.
- This was the first ever sports and recreation strategy for Council. Initially was going to be sportsfields only however decided to extend brief wider.
- Considerable time had been spent exploring the intent of the strategy which was about people, places, spaces, resourcing, partnerships and future proofing.
- For funding purposes the final version adopted would need to align with central government framework and the Sports New Zealand Strategy.
- The role of Sport Bay of Plenty would be the same as a key stakeholder (refer pg 22).
- Those sporting bodies that met criteria and were not currently included could still be added.
- Kinloch activities were primarily of a recreational nature.
- Stakeholder feedback would be collated and reviewed in April / May 2019 and brought back to the Group for comment.
- The draft would be developed in June / July 2019 before elections and put on hold until after the local government elections.
- It was identified around 18 months ago that there was a big gap in sports areas in Kinloch; would like that included in strategy.
- The future assessment process for allocation of resources would be fair and equitable.

KIN201902/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Ms Belinda Walker

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the update on the Draft Taupō District Council Sports and Recreation Facility Strategy.

CARRIED

4.3 TRANSPORT STRATEGY ENGAGEMENT

Policy Advisor Aidan Smith gave a brief overview of engagement to date on the transport strategy. User feedback from walkers, cyclists, truck drivers etc. had been Taupō centric however, the scope of engagement would now be broadened. Was interested to hear views from the Kinloch community on various aspects specific to Kinloch including speed limits, cycling linkages, safety, commute times to Taupō, walking paths, as well as Taupō town centre parking restrictions.

A report had also been commissioned to investigate parking demand, travel times etc.

The following comments were noted during questions, answers, and related discussion:

- A major issue in Kinloch was the limited amount of parking and access to the lakefront. Additionally there was no requirement on developers to provide parking for their proposed lots, which council planning needed to incorporate.
- Publicly accessible land and use was a district wide issue.
- The strategy needed to consider senior drivers and their unique requirements.
- Suggestion for public transport in future.
- Ms Walker extended an offer for KCA to host a workshop if Council wanted.
- Ms Walker referred to a walking map for Kinloch that had been previously drawn up. Walkways that connected people to the lake, and other key areas in Kinloch were important and should be factored in.

KIN201902/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Tim Brittain

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the report in relation to the Transport Strategy engagement.

CARRIED

4.4 DRAFT WATER SUPPLY STRATEGY

Policy Advisor Tanya Wood distributed a handout (A2422702). The Water Supply Strategy was a 30-year strategy and was legislatively required under the Infrastructure Strategy. The Asset Manager Water noted that the current draft was relatively complete and had been developed following several workshops with Council. The strategy was a high level document which had local, regional, and national components. There were four key outcomes and goals to guide the direction over next 30 years. Other key points noted were:

- A key focus was to accelerate items that related to the protection of public health.
- Responsible use of water was a high driver for regional council and key reason for developing and updating the strategy.
- Taupō district water consumption was high in comparison to other towns and averaged around 400 litres per person per day. Council were looking at ways to minimise impacts on the environment and overall reduce water use. A target of 10-years had been set which was also the median level in line with other towns.
- Needed to understand figures more by looking at dynamics such as summer to winter pressures, and holiday peak seasons. A profile could then be developed and growth predictions provided to WRC.
- The fourth outcome related to financial management and crossed over into asset management. The goal was to ensure fairness with how water was charged.
- Kinloch rates paid for water upgrades in Kinloch. A new funding plan for Kinloch upgrades would be included in the next Long-Term Plan.
- Community and stakeholder feedback would be taken back to Council later this year.
- More work was being done to understand the dynamics of the Kinloch population and how that affected water use and supply.
- The Group's role would be ensure that the community was aware of the strategy and their feedback

included.

- The strategy was high level and would be signed off by Council. The consultation plan would be reviewed regularly and updated accordingly.
- Water meters were not part of any plans in the near future.

KIN201902/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Ms Belinda Walker

Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the update on the Taupō District Council Water Strategy.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Hickling left at this point – 4.43pm.

4.5 UPDATE ON KINLOCH COMMUNITY PLAN AND VISION

Ms Walker tabled documentation titled the Kinloch Community Hub Project and gave a brief summary of the project. Post initial community plan work in 2017, the community identified that a larger community hall was wanted; \$200k was set aside for that in the LTP. Consulted community again in April and July 2018; desire was now for a new hall. A third workshop was held in February 2019 to develop principles; another had been scheduled for evening of March 25, 2019. Chief Executive Gareth Green had agreed to be direct contact for Council on the project. Currently looking into NZ Lotteries funding for a feasibility study. A provider to do that work had been chosen and quote was currently being developed.

KIN201902/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Mr Tim Brittain

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the information.

CARRIED

4.6 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Tim Brittain

- Advised that a number of people had complained about the access from Nisbet Terrace reserve to lakefront and Lady Henry had fallen over going down there. There was three entry points along the reserve that went down a bank to the beach; the main issue was the rough terrain and subsidence on one lot of steps. No maintenance had been done in those areas for at least a decade. Cr Jollands asked Mr Brittain to take photographs of the entrance points so she could follow up with the Parks Manager Sports & Horticulture before the next Group meeting.
- Noted that on the two busiest days in summer, trailers went right to the back of the domain.

Belinda Walker

- Waiting to hear back from the Parks Manager Sports & Horticulture when the cricket net would be installed in the corner of the domain (opposite to pending rugby goal posts). Funding for the net was an outcome of a partnership with Taupō cricket. Happy for any other partners to come onboard.

Cr Rosanne Jollands

- A comprehensive review of Council's district plan was well underway. Had spoken with the Policy Manager who advised new planning standards - which would impact on Kinloch - were due for release in April 2019. Would organise a workshop / meeting with the Policy Manager so that the community could feed into that process.

KIN201902/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Mr Tim Brittain

That the Kinloch Representative Group receives the reports from members.

CARRIED

5 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 4.52pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Kinloch Representative Group Meeting held on 2 May 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON