

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MANGAKINO/POUAKANI REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING
HELD AT THE BOARDROOM, MANGAKINO SERVICE CENTRE, MANGAKINO
ON TUESDAY, 16 JULY 2019 AT 10.00AM**

- PRESENT:** Cr Kirsty Trueman (in the Chair), Mayor David Trewavas, Cr Barry Hickling, Cr Tangonui Kingi, Mrs Lisa de Thierry, Mr Mark Seymour
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive, Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues, District Parks Manager, Project Management Advisor, Senior Reserves Planner, Strategic Partnerships Advisor, Parks Cadet Officer, Democratic Services Support Officer
- MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** DGLT general manager Jane Wilson plus six members of the public

- Notes:
- (i) *The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with a karakia.*
 - (ii) *Items were heard in the following order: 1 - 4.1 (funding applicant presentations portion only), 4.3-4.4, 4.1 (resumed with funding deliberations and allocations); 4.7, 4.2, 4.5-4.6, 4.8.*
 - (iii) *An apology was noted from Head of Operations, Kevin Strongman.*
 - (iv) *Mayor David Trewavas left the meeting at 12.58pm and was not present for resolutions MP201707/03, 07, 08 and 09.*
 - (v) *Cr Barry Hickling left the meeting (at 12.36pm) and re-entered the meeting at 12.38pm.*
 - (vi) *Mrs Lisa de Thierry left the meeting (at 12.37pm) and re-entered the meeting at 12.39pm.*
 - (vii) *Mr Mark Seymour left the meeting (at 12.58pm) and re-entered the meeting at 1.03pm.*

1 APOLOGIES

With there being no apology received from Miss Memory Te Whaiti and a high frequency of absences, a member asked for clarification on Council's protocols regarding meeting apologies as it was their opinion that the frequent non-attendance was unacceptable. The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues explained that if a member failed to attend three consecutive meetings with no apology given, their membership could be terminated. Discussion ensued and concluded with members' requesting that the Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues look into amending the applicable clause in relation to non-attendance by lowering the allowance to be less than what was currently stipulated (three).

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 MANGAKINO/POUAKANI REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING - 21 MAY 2019

The following updates were noted in relation to the minutes:

- Council were to take a look at the pot holes by the doctor's surgery.
- Mr Matt Storm had been appointed to the Mangakino Police as at 1 July, and had taken up residence in Mangakino along with his family.
- Page 7 'Update from the Mangakino Community Coordinator' (first bullet) – replace 'Show and Shine' with 'Mangakino Lake Hop'.

MP201907/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi

Seconded: Cr Kirsty Trueman

That the minutes of the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group meeting held on Tuesday 21 May 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 REPORTS

4.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2019/20

The following people spoke to their respective grants applications and answered member questions:

Mr Glyn Wooller, Waikato River Trails

- Application was for \$2,199.00 for the Waikato River Trails Summer Sizzler event on 11 January 2020.
- Anticipated up to 500 entrants (359 entrants at last year's event).
- All entrants would receive a medal and photo.
- Included running and walking legs to make the event accessible to as many people as possible.
- The Trust was not a commercial enterprise therefore tried to keep pricing at a reasonable level; however, needed to generate some profit to justify future events.
- Entry fees ranged from \$5.00 for children to enter the 6 kilometre event, through to \$60.00 per adult for entry in the 22 kilometre event. There were also early bird prices available until the end of August.
- Community grants sponsorship would support showcasing Mangakino as it was anticipated that the event would bring up to 800-1000 people into town. These events were also a good way to demonstrate to Council the value of trails in communities.
- It was difficult to extract precise data from MarketView reports on spend generated in Mangakino as a result of local events as the reports only captured electronic / credit card spend and not cash transactions.

Ms Christine Holland, Mangakino Festival Committee

- Application was for \$2,279.77 to purchase a snow cone (slushy) machine plus a barbecue and gas bottle.
- People were aware that they had a small pool of equipment and often asked to borrow it. Had since decided that equipment would be free to community groups and a small hireage fee would be applied for private use.
- A member noted that a slushy machine did not align with Council's community health and wellbeing goals.
- Costs to hire a slushy machine for the Christmas parade were around \$87.00.
- Tickets were sold for \$2.00 each at the Christmas parade. Children could use these to either purchase a shaved ice slushy, face painting, candy floss, or put towards any other available activities.
- Snow cone machine quote was circa \$950, which included freight and supply of some flavourings. The barbecue was around \$1,200 plus gas bottle costs.

Ms Christine Holland, Mangakino and Districts Seniors Citizens Association Incorporated

- Application was for \$4,922.00 to purchase new chairs for the hall.
- Total cost to replace full stock of chairs was in the vicinity of \$17k-\$18k.
- Supplied quote was for 10 chairs with arms (which would support elderly people who struggled to get of chairs without arms) plus 10 chairs without arms.
- Would replace more chairs as funds permitted.
- The current chairs were very uncomfortable; the (quoted) chairs had a comfort rating of between 5-6 hours.
- Clarified that the application stated that only 20 people would benefit from the grant based on the number of chairs requested. However, the hall was frequently used by various groups and for community meetings with 80-100 people in attendance.
- Current 50+ club membership was 48.

- Had 112 chairs in the main hall. Wanted to replace those first followed by the chairs in the card room.

Ms Lara Davies, Mangakino Central Charitable Trust

- Application was for \$7,000.00 to support and grow the 'Young Guns' youth programme.
- A survey of working parents interested in using the programme had not yet been undertaken.
- Would look to align holiday programmes to support working parents.
- Extended programme hours would be Monday-Friday from 3.00pm-6.00pm.
- Currently used Mangakino School as their base but that arrangement was expected to end in the near future, as the room was scheduled to be demolished. Confirmed that they could use the Senior Citizens Hall; rent portion within the application was for hirage fees.
- Members suggested using the school gym as a base as it was a purpose built facility for sporting activities.
- The programme was free of charge. Going through the Out of School Care and Recreation (OSCAR) application process with a view to claiming subsidies in future.
- Currently had 30 children per day on the programme. Would look to extend numbers as demand increased and long-term, would like to include Whakamaru and Atiamuri as both areas had no afterschool care.
- There were 5 children on the waiting list.
- A member liked the trial idea as 7.30am to 6.00pm was a very long day for children.
- Providing positive activities and engagement for children was important. Had also visited local St Johns and the fire brigade.

Mr Jason Wright, Mangakino School

- Application was for \$5,116.86 to purchase 5 computers, plus peripherals and an Adobe Creative Suite.
- The capacity and functionality of desktop computers was much greater than hand-held devices and would increase students digital capabilities and learnings as well as prepare them for using computers at high school.
- Would look to increase number of computers in future - eventually may be able to offer evening classes to the community.
- Wanted to produce good quality enquiry-based media products e.g. newspapers for school and the community (handheld devices did not have the capacity to run the required software for that).
- There were 52 year 1-8 students on the roll.
- Devices were leased and paid for by the Ministry of Education (MOE). The school received an operations grant but there was not enough surplus funds to purchase / provide the requested software.
- The quotes provided were for the purchase of ex-industry reconditioned high-end machines that would last for at least 3-years.

Miss Kristen Karauna, Mangakino Rugby League Club Incorporated

- Application was for \$3,904.25 to purchase tracksuits for the club's juniors.
- The rugby league season would end in August 2019.
- The kids would be allowed to keep the tracksuits.
- Would order one size bigger (than current size) to maximise wear.
- Quote was sourced from Auckland based business Maxprint ScreenPrinting & Embroidery who were formerly based in Taupō for many years. A member suggested Brandfuel as an alternative Taupō based supplier.
- Club fundraising efforts would be ongoing.
- Adult tracksuits had the Taupō District Council logo on one side and Mangakino on the back.
- Junior tracksuits would have each individual child's surname on them so they could get passed on to the next family member.

Ms Tarsh Bradford, Taupō Bluelight

- Application was for \$10,433.92 to run the Whaia te Mana Youth Programme at Mountview School,

Taupō.

- The pilot programme was based on Professor Mason Durie's Māori health and wellness model 'Te Whare Tapa Whā'. The model focused on four key areas of health: psychological, spiritual, physical, and family.
- One in 20 New Zealand children aged 14-years and under were already known to police. Police and Bluelight were trying to reduce these numbers through intervention and positive engagement in various youth programmes.
- Planned to run the 10-week programme during school hours in term 3, with an overnight weekend camp included to utilise practical skills learned.
- All intermediate school-aged children would participate in the programme.
- Bluelight would look into funding options to cover costs for a Bluelight so the programme could be delivered in other schools across the district.
- Mangakino came under Tokoroa Bluelight; Taupō Bluelight area went as far as Whakamaru.

Members discussed the current district community grants, in particular the fact that Turangi and Mangakino were grants distributors but Taupō was not. The Chief Executive noted that the grants policy was coming up for review soon, which would be an opportune time to reconsider how community grants were distributed and make any desired changes.

Mr Seymour advised that he had phoned Ms Avril Boswell, the contact person listed on the Atiamuri Community Recreation Club application regarding their application for a cabinet to house a defibrillator. He was told that the defibrillator had not yet been purchased; the cabinet would be attached to Ms Boswell's holiday home residence at 23 Monowai Drive, Atiamuri. He also enquired about cell phone coverage and was told that the reception was very good.

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues advised that the Atiamuri community was relatively small and would most likely be aware of where the defibrillator would be located however, appropriate public signage should be installed. The District Parks Manager undertook to follow up with a site visit to find a suitable location for the sign.

MP201907/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Mark Seymour
Seconded: Mrs Lisa de Thierry

1. That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group approves/declines the following applications for the 2019/20 financial year:
 1. \$2000.00 *Waikato Youth Empowerment Trust to offer the Kiwican programme in Mangakino and Whakamaru.
 2. \$1000.00 Atiāmuri Community Recreation Club to purchase a cabinet for a defibrillator.
 3. \$500.00 Mangakino District Services & Citizens Club Inc. to repaint carparking lanes including disabled parking.
 4. \$2000.00 *Waikato River Trails Trust for the Summer Sizzler event on 11 January 2020.
 5. \$0 Mangakino Community Festival Committee to purchase a snow cone machine.
 6. \$2,500.00 *Mangakino Central Charitable Trust for support to grow the 'Young Guns' youth programme.
 7. \$2,500.00 Mangakino and Districts Senior Citizens Association Inc. for new chairs for the hall.
 8. \$0 *Pouākani Marae Trustees to provide internet and Wi-Fi to the Mangakino community marae Whānau, Hapū, Iwi.
 9. \$2,000.00 *Mangakino School for a Digital Media Hub - 5 computers, peripherals and Adobe subscription.

10. \$0 Mangakino Rugby League Club Incorporated to purchase tracksuits for junior teams.
11. \$0 Taupō Bluelight for Whaia te Mana Youth Programme at Mountview Primary School.

Note: * denotes GST registered organisation

CARRIED

4.2 CURRENT ACTION POINTS UPDATE

The District Parks Manager advised that:

- Arrangements had been made with a contractor to undertake a clean-out of the bowling club on 26 / 27 July.
- Overhanging limbs had been removed from gum trees by the number 2 tee at the golf course. Would continue to monitor going forward – *remove item*.
- Spoken with Ata from Ata's Bar and Eatery regarding the area out front of her shop. Although she did not have any future plans to use the area, would appreciate that it was refreshed. The garden would be replanted around the end of August – *remove item*.
- The suppliers for the new seats had advised that concept sketches would be available by the following week – *remove item*.
- Tried to arrange a site meeting with New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) regarding planting at the Pouakani Totara Tree Walk carpark entrance however, the meeting never eventuated. Would pass this item on to the Infrastructure Manager as it came under transportation.

The Infrastructure Manager advised that:

- A full width reseal would be done on Tirohanga Road coming into summer. Reseals were generally done to a minimum of one kilometre – *remove item*.
- The decision for bus signs on rural roads / highways sat with the bus committee. Taupō District Council staff had still inspected the site and made recommendations to the committee. Ms de Thierry advised that since initiating the request she had received a follow-up call.
- Had spoken to Otorohanga Council regarding Ranginui Road. Over the years, grading and mowing of councils two end sections had been completed as required, and also re-added into the maintenance schedule contract which had been won back by Inframax. There was also some minor drainage work planned which would be invoiced back to Council. In reply, Ms de Thierry noted that they may have graded the road once or twice but they had completely neglected the mowing – *remove item*.
- A member requested that a flashing / electronic display speed sign for placement outside Marotiri School be added to the action sheet.

MP201907/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kirsty Trueman

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receives the current action points update.

CARRIED

4.3 MANGAKINO LAKEFRONT MATTERS

The Senior Reserves Planner advised that the main driver to sort matters at the Mangakino lakefront was that the public toilets, which were scheduled for renewal, did not go ahead as the land was under Treaty claim. The recommended option was probably not the most popular option for the amenity but it was the most sound option in terms of protecting the infrastructure security and investment.

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

- No discussions had taken place with Mercury Energy to site the toilet on their land as Council would

not want to knowingly install waste water infrastructure too close to the lake. The Chief Executive also noted that if the amenity was not on Council land, Council would have to fund it from an operational fund which would have to be rates funded; it would also exclude loan funding.

- The current claim situation meant there was no assurance that Council would have future administration of the land.
- At the time the management agreement was entered into with Mercury and Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), Council was not aware that it had no rights over the land. The agreement also predated the current treaty claim.
- The bust stop café wastewater was supposed to be self-contained.
- The toilets would not be able to be transported off site in future as Council were no longer installing bolt toilets.
- The Senior Reserves Planner would try and put some costings together for the next Long-term Plan (LTP).
- A member noted that people would not like the suggested location as it was on a hill.
- A member suggested that His Worship the Mayor meet with Wairarapa Moana to share plans of where the amenity would go and secure another management agreement. In reply, the Senior Reserves Advisor noted that the management of the area was not clearly defined. Although it should have been owned by Council, the documentation was never finalised. The current claim had also complicated matters further.

MP201907/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receive the information contained in this report.

CARRIED

4.4 MANGAKINO SPORTSGROUND CHANGING FACILITIES - REQUEST FOR UNBUDGETED EXPENDITURE

The Project Management Advisor took the report as read, and noted that typing errors were picked up after the report had been circulated in relation to differing amounts (\$354k and \$365k). He confirmed that the correct figure for unbudgeted expenditure being requested was \$365k.

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

- The estimated cost of \$465k was for the proposed facility only. Additional costs for services and other work that would be required around area would increase the overall total to \$554k.
- The concept designs were from the same company who had provided the design plans for the Otumuheke Stream toilet and changing facility. Estimates were also put together for building a commercial facility however, those costs were substantially higher than the presented modular options.
- The modular footprint area size was based on 144 square metres.
- It was impossible to go out to tender without firstly confirming that sufficient funding was in place which is why a concept plan was developed.
- The concept plan was not representative in any way of the final or actual facility design but included core elements such as storage, toilets, etc, which could be used to gather indicative pricing options.
- Modular units were built according to preset specifications.
- The Chief Executive advised that the original idea for a sports changing facility in Mangakino had come from the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board (who had requested unbudgeted expenditure to build their current temporary sports changing facility). Options available to the Group included submitting to next year's Long-Term Plan (LTP) or Annual Plan, requesting unbudgeted funds and / or applying to external funders.
- The funding partnership with Transpower for the playground was a great model.
- Funders liked to see matched contributions from applicants. It would be beneficial if Council could

also see some reference to other funders and that alternative funding opportunities were being actively pursued.

- The Mangakino Hawks Rugby League ladies were happy to assist with collating funding applications.
- The Chief Executive suggested waiting while due diligence and further planning was undertaken in order to provide a better funding application as the project had come about in a haphazard way and was not properly scoped out from the outset. Council could assist with writing up the application however it would need community sign-off and input.

Further discussions ensued and concluded with the Group agreeing that it was more logical to go for the higher \$800k option. Funds would be sought through unbudgeted expenditure, external funders and fundraising efforts.

MP201907/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mrs Lisa de Thierry

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group recommends to Council that it:

1. Approves unbudgeted expenditure of \$200,000.00 (excl. GST) for the Mangakino Sportsground Changing Facilities which is in addition to the current Annual Plan budget of \$200,000 (excl. GST).
2. Notes that the total projected cost is approximately \$800,000.00 (excl. GST).
3. Notes that the balance shortfall will be sought from external funding sources.

CARRIED

4.5 UPDATE FROM THE MANGAKINO COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

MP201907/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receives the report from the Mangakino Community coordinator.

CARRIED

4.6 COMMUNITY ISSUES

The following comments were noted:

- Thanked the team for steam blasting the town footpath.
- Concerned about the sewer blow out; proved the biggest risk to the environment was humans and not animals.
- The Chair advised that she had been contacted by NZ Post to discuss relocation of the post boxes to a previous site.

MP201907/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mrs Lisa de Thierry

Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receives the information relating to community issues.

CARRIED

4.7 UPDATE FROM DESTINATION GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ

Destination Great Lake Taupō general manager Jane Wilson advised that she had been in the general managers role for three months, and had worked in the tourism industry for the past 20-years. She gave a brief update on DGLT business activities; strategic direction; events; challenges; promotional campaigns; local, regional and global markets; and key tourism statistics on regional growth, commercial accommodation and visitor numbers.

Ms Wilson encouraged members to provide feedback if they were aware of any opportunities for DGLT to grow their product on offer, or share / promote anything specific to Mangakino via their website and social media space.

In reply to a question, Ms Wilson advised that DGLT did not have a budget specifically for Mangakino as they were tasked with promoting the whole region and gaining traction in a very busy market economy.

MP201907/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mrs Lisa de Thierry

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receives the update from Destination Great Lake Taupō.

CARRIED

4.8 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Mr Mark Seymour

- Attended one of the WRC Hearings for Proposed Plan Change 1 – Waikato and Waipa River Catchments. Four independent commissioners on the hearings panel – good hearing.

Cr Kirsty Trueman

- Noted that the Mangakino Lakehop event was a huge success with approximately \$6k raised for St John and Mangakino School.

MP201907/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kirsty Trueman

Seconded: Mr Mark Seymour

That the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group receives the information on members' reports.

CARRIED

Note: At the conclusion of the Members' Reports, the Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues advised the members that she would like to briefly meet soon to informally discuss the current Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group structure - what had / had not worked well, etc.

5 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 1.38pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group Meeting held on 17 September 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON