

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 107 TE HEUHEU STREET, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 1.00PM**

PRESENT: Mayor David Trewavas (in the Chair), Cr Duncan Campbell, Cr Karam Fletcher (via MS Teams), Cr Sandra Greenslade, Cr Kylie Leonard, Cr Danny Loughlin, Cr Anna Park, Cr Christine Rankin, Cr Rachel Shepherd, Cr Kevin Taylor, Cr Kirsty Trueman (until 2.02pm), Cr John Williamson

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, General Manager People and Customer, General Manager Finance and Environment, General Manager Operations and Delivery, Environmental Services Manager, Executive Manager Mayor's Office, Finance Manager, District Customer Relations Manager, Policy Manager, Community Engagement and Development Manager, Project Management Office Manager, Policy Team Leader, Resource Consents Manager, Governance Quality Manager, Senior Policy Advisor, Senior Policy Advisor, Policy Advisor, Policy Advisor, Digital Content Creator, Resource Consent Planner, Senior Committee Advisor, Business Support Officer

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Three members of the public

- Notes:
- (i) Cr Danny Loughlin opened and closed the meeting with a karakia.
 - (ii) Cr Karam Fletcher joined the meeting via Microsoft (MS) Teams
 - (iii) Mayor David Trewavas advised that this meeting was not being live-streamed but a recording would be made available on Council's website.
 - (iv) Cr Kirsty Trueman left the meeting at 2.02pm. She was not present for resolutions TDC202302/25 - TDC202302/31.

1 KARAKIA

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

TDC202302/18 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That the apology received from Cr Yvonne Westerman be accepted.

CARRIED

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 7 FEBRUARY 2023

TDC202302/19 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4.2 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 17 FEBRUARY 2023

TDC202302/20 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Friday 17 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 NGĀ KAUPAPA HERE ME NGĀ WHAKATAUNGA | POLICY AND DECISION MAKING

5.1 MEMBERS' PORTFOLIO UPDATES

Elected Members shared the following updates in addition to those provided in the report:

Cr Yvonne Westerman (shared with the elected members by Mayor David Trewavas)

- Attended the Botanical Society annual barbecue for volunteers on 16 February.
- Attended the Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group meeting on 21 February and it was great to see some locals attend the meeting.
- Attended the Waiora House meeting on 23 February which was a good opportunity to meet the committee and to listen to their plans for future operation of Waiora House.
- Attended the 20 February Acacia Bay Residents Meeting and discussed damage around the area, the hall and their concerns about the gum trees on the waterfront. The Mapara walking track was now partly open and the glow-worms cave was well worth a visit.

Cr Kirsty Trueman

- Was attending a hui at the Pouakani Marae that evening regarding the Mangakino Lakefront Development.

Cr Christine Rankin

- Local businesses were under pressure and asked that public choose to spend locally and participate in local events.
- Chaired the first Kinloch Representative Group meeting on 23 February in which Māori representative Mr Matt Andrews was elected as deputy chairperson.

Cr Rachel Shepherd

- Attended a Sports Advisory Council meeting last week where KiwiSport advised that they were expanding what was provided in schools to include rugby league and squash. Cr Shepherd would build on existing relationships to assist with providing facilitators.

Cr John Williamson

- The Friends of the museum and art gallery meeting was deferred to next month.

Cr Danny Loughlin

- Would be attending a Kids Greening Taupō meeting in April.

Cr Anna Park

- Attended the Launch of Unison Great Lake Taupō Business Awards on 23 February.
- Attended the Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group meeting on 21 February.
- Attended a Waikato Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee meeting in Hamilton 27 February.

Cr Kylie Leonard

- The Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting scheduled for 16 February was cancelled due to Cyclone Gabrielle but the group had met informally online for induction.
- Wished finalists well in the Dairy Industry Awards and advised that the Regional Awards Dinner would now be held in Rotorua on 3 March instead of Taupō, due to Cyclone Gabrielle.

Mayor David Trewavas

- Acknowledged transport providers in the area, plus the businesses that have contributed to the response of Cyclone Gabrielle to help those affected. Thanked the community for donations for their neighbours in the Hawke's Bay.
- Acknowledged the passing of Neil Ladbrook on 26 February and thanked him for his services to the Taupō community.

Cr Sandra Greenslade

- Met with Hon Louise Upston and members of the Kuratau community on 17 February regarding the water level of Lake Taupō.
- Advised that Te Kapua Park playground was close to being completed and the Tūrangi sports facility was looking great.
- Was looking forward to the first meetings of the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee on 1 March, and the Tongariro Representative Group on 15 March.
- Acknowledged the support of the Tūrangi community after Cyclone Gabrielle and thanked them for pulling together to clear roads.

Cr Duncan Campbell

- Attended the Oceania Triathlon Cup event on 25 February and hoped that it would continue in future years.

TDC202302/21 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council receives the portfolio updates from members.

CARRIED

5.2 LAKE TAUPŌ PROTECTION TRUST - RECOMMENDATIONS TO TRANSFER MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS TO TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Senior Policy Advisor introduced Mr Clayton Stent to the elected members and asked him to provide background about the Lake Taupō Protection Trust (the Trust). He advised that this item would return before Council in March or April for next steps.

Mr Clayton Stent thanked the elected members for inviting him to speak and summarised the history of the project to reduce the nitrogen discharged in the Lake Taupō catchment. He passed around a copy of the book compiled in 2015 covering timelines and comments when the nitrogen target level was reached.

Mr Stent expanded on the information provided in the report and attachment included on the agenda, and added that Lake Taupō was an important body of water in the district, nationally and internationally. The Trust was not just about management but was a conduit between regulators, landowners, and the public and needed to retain its voice.

Elected members acknowledged the quality of leadership that the Trust had provided and supported the recommendation for the Lake Taupō Protection Project to be managed locally by transferring it to Taupō District Council.

TDC202302/22 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That Council:

1. Adopts recommendation (LTPPJC22/41) from the Lake Taupō Protection Project Joint Committee and therefore approves the transfer of the management functions currently undertaken by the Lake Taupō Protection Trust to Taupō District Council; and
2. Adopts recommendation (LTPPJC22/42) from the Lake Taupō Protection Project Joint Committee to provide a progress report on the transition of the current management functions from the Lake Taupō Protection Trust at the next Lake Taupō Protection Project Joint Committee meeting.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive to sign any approval documents on behalf of Council.

CARRIED

5.3 NEW PUBLIC ROAD NAME - MANGAKINO

The Resource Consents Manager introduced the Resource Consents Planner to the elected members.

In answer to a question, the Chief Executive clarified that this matter had come before Council rather than the Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group due to timings of agendas.

The Resource Consents Manager confirmed that the developer had contacted Council around October 2022 regarding this road name but had not consulted with Raukawa. Following engagement with Raukawa, it was determined that they were aware of the proposal of the new road name but did not have any comments. The Deputy Chief Executive added that Raukawa had experienced changes in personnel and were building their resources and capability.

The Resource Consents Planner confirmed that the support from Wairarapa Moana Incorporation was from Anaru Smiler.

TDC202302/23 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kirsty Trueman

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council approves the public road name Lakeview Place, Mangakino.

CARRIED

5.4 TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT - JANUARY 2023

The Chief Executive acknowledged that this was his last Performance Report and thanked elected members, Council staff and the community for their support and work over his time at Taupō District Council and particularly in his Chief Executive role.

The Finance Manager highlighted that the 'Other Expenses' of operating expenditure was very close and was being managed at a cost centre level. She drew attention to the Personnel and Finance Costs of operating expenditure.

The Project Management Office Manager summarised the significant projects report and added that new projects had been added such as the Tauhara Ridge Reservoir & Airport Connection, and the SCADA Upgrade. She signalled that they were in the process of gathering reporting improvements for this monthly report.

The Taupō Town Centre Transformation and Taupō Airport Upgrade would celebrate official openings the following week on 9 and 11 March respectively. The Project Management Office Manager thanked all of those involved in these projects.

Elected members thanked the Chief Executive for all of his work and wished him well in his new role as Chief

Executive of New Plymouth District Council.

TDC202302/24 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That Council notes the information contained in the Performance Report for the month of January 2023.

CARRIED

5.5 RECEIPT OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF INTENT – COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS

The Community Engagement and Development Manager explained the process of receiving the Statements of Intent from Council Controlled Organisations. He clarified that these were drafts so the Chief Executive information in the Bay of Plenty LASS would be updated by June when the final Statement of Intent was approved.

TDC202302/25 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That Council

1. receives the draft Statements of Intent from Council Controlled Organisations:
 - i. Taupō Airport Authority (TAA);
 - ii. Destination (Great) Lake Taupō (DGLT);
 - iii. Bay of Plenty LASS (BOPLASS); and
 - iv. New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency Limited (LGFA).

2. directs officers to review these documents.

CARRIED

5.6 TE IHIRANGI THE TAUPŌ REGIONAL DESTINATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Deputy Chief Executive acknowledged Jane Wilson, General Manager of Destination Great Lake Taupō and Rowan Sapsford, Director of Roam Consulting.

This was a community based plan and many issues were already being worked on by Council.

TDC202302/26 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council receives and endorses the report Te Ihirangi – The Taupō Regional Destination Management Plan.

CARRIED

5.7 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION ON THE NATURAL AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT BILL AND THE SPATIAL PLANNING BILL

The Senior Policy Advisor introduced the Policy Advisor and advised that the presentations to the Select Committee would be the following Thursday, Friday or Monday.

Mayor David Trewavas and Deputy Mayor Cr Kevin Taylor were recommended to present on behalf of Taupō District Council but were not available on Thursday and Friday. The Senior Policy Advisor would follow up with the Select Committee to find a suitable time.

TDC202302/27 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr John Williamson

That Council

1. Approves the submission on the Natural and Built Environment Bill and the Spatial Planning Bill (Attachment 1) and
2. Appoints the following elected members, Mayor David Trewavas and Deputy Mayor Cr Kevin Taylor, to present the submission to the Select Committee.

CARRIED

5.8 SUBMISSION ON THE FUTURE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM

Elected members thanked the Policy Advisor for conveying the direct tone and language they preferred to express in this submission.

TDC202302/28 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That Council adopts the Submission on the Future for Local Government Reform attached to the agenda.

CARRIED

5.9 2022-2025 HAWKE'S BAY REGION TRIENNIAL AGREEMENT

The Policy Advisor summarised the report and added that the Triennial Agreement with Waikato Regional Council would come before Council at a later time.

TDC202302/29 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor

Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That Council adopts the Triennial Agreement for the 2022-25 Triennium for:

1. the Hawke's Bay Region as a non-primary signatory

CARRIED

5.10 COUNCIL ENGAGEMENTS MARCH 2023, APPOINTMENTS, AND TRAINING AND CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

The Senior Committee Advisor made the elected members aware that workshops scheduled for 7 March would be re-ordered with the Capital Expenditure Programme for the 2023/24 Annual Plan year beginning at

10am, followed by the Annual Plan workshop. She also advised that the Te Kōpu ā Kānapanapa Committee meeting currently scheduled for Friday 10 March would be moved to a later date.

TDC202302/30 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson
 Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That Council:

1. Receives the information relating to engagements for March 2023.
2. Appoints Cr Kirsty Trueman to the Emergency Management Committee as the Mangakino Ward community representative for the 2022-2025 Triennium.
3. Approves the attendance of Cr Kylie Leonard at the Forefront Rural Leaders Agribusiness Summit taking place in Christchurch on 27 March 2023, with costs of attendance, flights and accommodation to be paid by Council.
4. Approves the attendance of Cr Duncan Campbell at the Engineering New Zealand Transportation Group Conference taking place in Tauranga on 29 March 2023, with attendance and mileage costs (if any) to be paid by Council.

CARRIED

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

TDC202302/31 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin
 Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

I move 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:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.1 Confirmation of Confidential Portion of Ordinary Council Minutes - 7 February 2023</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 2.32pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 March 2023.

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CHAIRPERSON