

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TAUPŌ EAST RURAL REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING
HELD AT THE TE TOKE MARAE, 460 TE TOKE ROAD, TAHORAKURI FOREST, REPOROA
ON THURSDAY, 4 JULY 2024 AT 11.00AM**

PRESENT: Cr Kylie Leonard (in the Chair), Ms Evelyn Forrest, Cr Danny Loughlin, Deputy Mayor Cr Kevin Taylor, Cr John Williamson, Mr Mark Wynyard

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (J Gardyne), Iwi and Co Governance Manager (D Rameka), Senior Community Engagement Advisor (G Smith), Iwi Engagement Partner (T Waaka), Senior Policy Advisor (H Samuel), Senior Committee Advisor (K Watts), Policy Advisor (C Pilkington), Southern Lake Taupō Community Engagement Partner (M Isherwood), Northern Lake Taupō Community Engagement Advisor (C Dredge), Funding and Partnerships Advisor (E Goodwin), Committee Advisor (N Turnbull)

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: 1 member of the public

Note: Deputy Mayor Cr Kevin Taylor was in attendance on behalf of Mayor David Trewavas.

1 KARAKIA

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

TERR202407/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Mark Wynyard
Seconded: Ms Evelyn Forrest

That the apologies received from Mr Patrick Hart and Mayor David Trewavas be accepted.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting voted in favour of resolution TERR202407/01 above.

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 TAUPŌ EAST RURAL REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING - 2 MAY 2024

TERR202407/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin
Seconded: Cr John Williamson

That the minutes of the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting held on Thursday 2 May 2024 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting voted in favour of resolution TERR202407/02 above.

5 NGĀ RIPOATA | REPORTS

5.1 PUBLIC FORUM

Item Withdrawn.

5.2 UPDATE ON DISTRICT PLAN

The Senior Policy Advisor introduced herself to the group and provided a district plan update.

She outlined the two bundles of proposed plan changes and answered questions of clarification from the group, the following key points were noted:

- The main focus of the proposed rural chapter plan change was to split the entire rural environment zone into a general rural zone, and a rural lifestyle zone. The aim of that change was to protect the different activities that happen in those zones.
- Certain constraints around Papakāinga housing were planned for removal to allow certain activities to occur in the rural environment.
- A minor dwelling rule was introduced to allow smaller houses to be constructed next to main houses on properties with some conditions.
- Setbacks for large rural sheds were decreased to allow less constraints.
- In the second bundle of proposed plan changes, options for Māori purpose zones would be investigated to allow for multi use land such as marae.
- A review of the future development strategy was planned for consultation later in the year which would be of interest for marae and papakāinga areas.

The group thanked the Senior Policy Advisor for attending and providing a much appreciated update.

TERR202407/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Mark Wynyard

Seconded: Ms Evelyn Forrest

That the Taupō East Rural Representative Group receives the information on the District Plan.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting voted in favour of resolution TERR202407/03 above.

5.3 ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Northern District Community Engagement Advisor introduced herself to the group and provided an update on the recent Long-term Plan 2024-34 engagement events that had taken place in the area. The Wairakei Village held a Matariki Family day which was a great opportunity to bring the community together.

The Infrastructure Manager introduced himself to the group. He advised that a sign had been erected on Broadlands Road to notify drivers 400m ahead of the landfill. The team were still working on finding a suitable high pressure sodium light for the corner of Broadlands Road and River Road. An update would be provided at the next meeting.

The Chief Executive spoke to the group about the recent submissions made by Taupō District Council to parliament bills and she answered questions of clarification from the group.

TERR202407/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Ms Evelyn Forrest

That the Taupō East Rural Representative Group receives the Items of Interest information provided.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting voted in favour of resolution TERR202407/04 above.

5.4 LONG-TERM PLAN 2024-34

The Taupō East Rural Representative Group worked on a group submission to Taupō District Council's Long-term Plan 2024-34. It was agreed that Mr Mark Wynyard would sign on behalf of the committee and present to Council at the hearings and deliberations.

TERR202407/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Mark Wynyard

Seconded: Ms Evelyn Forrest

That the Taupō East Rural Representative Group:

1. makes a submission on Taupō District Council's draft Long-term Plan 2024-34; and
2. delegates authority to Mr Mark Wynyard to sign this on behalf of the Taupō East Rural Representative Group and present to Council at the hearings and deliberations.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group meeting voted in favour of resolution TERR202407/05 above.

5.5 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Mr Mark Wynyard:

- Concerned that TDC fleet vehicles being speed monitored was not an appropriate use of resources.

Ms Evelyn Forrest:

Papakāinga housing update:

- Near completion, with some of the homes already tenanted.
- The duplex framework was complete at the Waimahana Marae site.
- The earthworks at the Matarai Marae site were complete and the build of their four kaumātua units was ready to start.
- Te Toke Marae was still in the process of working with the neighbouring land owners to negotiate leasing part of the land for road access.

Gold Clam update:

- Ms Forrest had been meeting with representatives from MPI (Ministry of Primary Industries) regarding the gold clam species found in the aqua park in Taupō and the upper Waikato River.
- E-DNA Testing was undertaken in areas such as Vaile Road Reserve, Ngawapurua, River Road, and Aratiatia which all presented negative for the clam species.
- There needed to be a management plan such as regular testing to ensure that there was consistency for future outbreaks, such as a mobile wash station.

The group thanked Ms Forrest for hosting the meeting at Te Toke Marae.

NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Taupō East Rural Representative Group receives the reports from members.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The meeting closed at 12:35pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Taupō East Rural Representative Group Meeting held on 17 October 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON