

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1, 67 HOROMĀTANGI STREET, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 2 JUNE 2026 AT 10.30AM**

PRESENT: Mr Bruce Robertson (in the Chair), Cr Rachel Cameron, Cr Nicola de Lautour, Mayor John Funnell (from 11.21am to 12.34pm), Cr Sandra Greenslade, Cr Kylie Leonard, Cr Wahine Murch (via MS Teams), Cr Kevin Taylor (until 11.13am and from 11.57am)

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (J Gardyne), General Manager Organisation Performance (S Matthews), General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services (T Hale), General Manager People and Community Partnerships (H Tattle), General Manager Strategy and Environment (W Zander), Legal and Governance Manager (N McAdie), Finance Manager (J Paenga), Project Management Office Manager (P Fletcher), Property and Development Manager (C Haskell), Digital Solutions Manager (T May), Events and Venues Manager (S Giles), People and Culture Manager (L Nienhuser), Business Excellence Manager (L Chick), Community Engagement and Development Manager (T Russell), Senior Emergency Management Advisor (E Harrington), District Aquatics Manager (M Hands), Team Leader Transport Operations (I Cruz), Policy Advisor (A Wilson, via MS Teams), Project Manager Digital (N Soudagar), Procurement Manager (S Rugg), Risk Advisor (M Hill), Business Excellence Coordinator (N Donaldson), Governance Quality Manager (S James)

Audit Office representatives, Ms Liz Tombleson and Mr Naude Kotze

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: One member of the public

- Notes:
- (i) *This meeting was livestreamed and is available to view on Taupō District Council's YouTube channel.*
 - (ii) *His Worship the Mayor, John Funnell entered the meeting at 11.21am. He was not present for resolutions RACC202606/01-07. He left the meeting during the adjournment and was not present for resolutions RACC202606/13-16 and C01-03.*
 - (iii) *Deputy Mayor Cr Kevin Taylor left the meeting at 11.13am and re-entered the meeting at 11.57am. He was not present for resolutions RACC202606/07-10.*

1 KARAKIA

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

RACC202606/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

That the apologies received from His Worship the Mayor, J Funnell (for lateness) and Cr Kevin Taylor (for absence during the meeting) be accepted.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/01 above.

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The independent Chairperson, Mr Bruce Robertson advised that he was the Chairperson of the Ministry for Primary Industries' Risk and Assurance Committee. The agenda for today's meeting contained references to ongoing risks posed by invasive clams and avian bird flu, however those references did not give rise to a conflict of interest, so the Chairperson was able to participate fully in the meeting.

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 10 MARCH 2026

RACC202606/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That the minutes of the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting held on Tuesday 10 March 2026 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/02 above.

5 NGĀ RIPOATA | REPORTS

5.1 ANNUAL REPORT 2026 UPDATE

Audit Office representatives Ms Liz Tombleson and Naude Kotze were present at the meeting.

Ms Tombleson addressed the Committee and the following points were noted:

- The interim audit went very well. Council management and staff were thanked for their preparedness and the information provided.
- There were quite a few issues yet to be closed out, but progress was being made and the overall picture was very positive.
- The Office of the Auditor-General and Audit New Zealand had merged to form the Audit Office. This reorganisation would result in efficiencies, but would have no impact on clients. The audit team and the audit process would stay the same.

In answer to questions, the Finance Manager advised that:

- The roading customer response time measure might be qualified for the first time, while the 'three waters' response time recording measure would be qualified again. While the 'three waters' issue required Council to work with one contractor, roading involved several contractors.
- There was a lot of capitalisation work to be done, mainly for 'three waters'. This was not wholly reliant on the Finance team; the 'three waters' asset managers had to work with their third party suppliers to summarise information before providing to Finance.

The General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services added that significant changes had occurred within the asset team responsible for waters activities. Good progress was being made, for example automating manual processes.

The General Manager Organisation Performance advised that the capitalisation risk was related more to potential differences in the approach to the extent of capitalisation between Council and the Audit Office, rather than a timing risk.

The Chairperson asked if there was anything on the horizon which had the potential to divert the Finance team, to which the General Manager Organisation Performance responded that yes, this was a risk. The Finance team workplan was extensive and included 'three waters' financial separation; the Annual Plan; the Long-term Plan; the Annual Report; and reforecasting.

In answer to a final question, Ms Tombleson advised that the Audit Office would be back at Taupō District Council in July 2026. The larger pieces of work were being prioritised and would be completed in July, to give certainty of direction.

The Chairperson thanked Ms Tombleson and Mr Kotze on behalf of the Committee.

RACC202606/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That the Risk and Assurance Committee notes the progress on the 2026 Annual Report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/03 above.

5.2 TREASURY QUARTERLY UPDATE - JANUARY TO MARCH 2026

Members noted the Funding Maturity non-compliance for the 0-3 year maturity bracket. The Finance Manager advised that this could be addressed at the time of the next review of the Treasury Management Policy, which would take place alongside development of the Long-term Plan 2027-37.

RACC202606/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Taupō District Council Dashboard March 2026 (A3938618), the Taupō District Council – Asset Allocation & Performance Report March 2026 (A3938620) and the Taupō District Council - ESG Attestation – 31 March 2026 (A3938619).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/04 above.

5.3 FINANCIAL STRATEGY UPDATE

RACC202606/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kylie Leonard

Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Financial Strategy update (A3944021).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/05 above.

5.4 ANNUAL PLAN 2026/27 UPDATE

The Policy Advisor was present online via MS Teams. He advised that the Annual Plan 2026/27 was on track to be adopted on time, however the turnaround time for review was likely to be tight.

In answer to questions, the General Manager Organisation Performance advised that:

- The overall financial picture including debt headroom was more important than the disaster relief fund, when considering expenditure incurred as a result of emergencies. The fund would be reconsidered as part of the next Long-term Plan process.
- Waipapa Road slip repair work was being funded by a mixture of disaster relief fund, rates, lending and New Zealand Transport Agency funding.

It was noted that elected members and management had held a number of workshops to reduce expenditure to deliver an Annual Plan in line with the Long-term Plan 2024-34 average rates increase for the 2026-27 financial year.

In response to another question, the General Manager Organisation Performance explained that the money saved on certain insurance premiums would not be transferred across to insurance for other areas for the current year i.e. it would be 'banked' not carried forward. Assumptions would include an increase in future insurance premiums, but it was difficult to identify what that increase would be.

The Policy Advisor explained that in relation to holding Destination Great Lake Taupō (DGLT) funding at current levels, the result would be deferral of advertising and other initiatives. DGLT funding would also be considered again via the Long-term Plan process.

The General Manager Organisation Performance added that there would have to be substantial changes and savings identified to bring the next Long-term Plan within the Government's rates cap for councils. Taupō District Council had identified mitigations to apply, however services would most likely be affected.

Members agreed to delegate authority to the Chairperson to review the draft Annual Plan 2026/27 prior to adoption by Council.

RACC202606/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kylie Leonard

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee delegates authority to the Chair to endorse the draft Annual Plan 2026/27 prior to Council adoption at the end of June 2026.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/06 above.

5.5 SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS RISK REPORT

The Project Management Office Manager summarised key changes to the significant projects risk register. The following points were noted:

- The top risks related to pricing, followed by regulatory.
- Increasing risk had been identified for the Centennial treatment compliance upgrade and Crown Road.
- The Centennial project had been discussed as a case study at a recent workshop; some elements of the \$4.3m project, for example piping, had been impacted by the situation in the Middle East, causing timeline and cost implications.
- There had been a decrease in risk associated with the stormwater discharge consent renewal and Council's water reform activities.

In answer to a question, the General Manager Strategy and Environment advised (via MS Teams) that no further information was available in relation to the Mangakino lakefront upgrade project.

A member pointed out that all 'three waters'-related projects were monitored by the Water Services Committee, providing multiple levels of assurance to Council for those projects.

In response to a question, the Project Management Office Manager clarified that risks relating to pipes were more about price increases and possible delays, than availability.

Cr Kevin Taylor left the meeting at this point (11.13am).

The General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services confirmed that there had been two productive meetings recently, one with hapū and one with land Trusts, to discuss the Broadlands Road landfill consent. WSP had provided an independent facilitator. A collective hui (meeting) date would be set in due course.

RACC202606/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Significant Projects Risk report (A3941271).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/07 above.

5.6 TAUPŌ DISTRICT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

The Senior Emergency Management Advisor and the Community Engagement and Development Manager presented the Emergency Management update. The following points were noted during questions, answers and related discussion:

- A new fulltime emergency management advisor had been employed to help deliver the workplan.
- Instead of holding an annual emergency management exercise, Council had held a facilitated debrief following the Cyclone Vaianu event (12 April 2026). Council had received a score of 75% following the debrief, compared to last year's exercise score of 67%. Nothing unexpected had come out of the debrief; areas to work on included staff capacity and training.
- A community response plan group practice day had taken place in Kinloch the prior weekend. 40 people had attended, with positive feedback received. Similar days would be held throughout the district going forward.
- The team had met with the iwi liaison for the Waikato Civil Defence Emergency Management Group, to discuss the Marae readiness programme, which would include all Marae in the district.

His Worship the Mayor, John Funnell entered the meeting at this point (11.21am).

- Funding for the Marae readiness programme came from multiple sources and would be clarified in future.
- Funding for civil defence / emergency management overall was a topic for all councils in light of local government reform currently underway.

The Chairperson thanked the Senior Emergency Management Advisor and the Community Engagement and Development Manager for the update and their enthusiasm.

RACC202606/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kylie Leonard

Seconded: Cr Nicola de Lautour

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Taupō District Emergency Management update.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/08 above.

5.7 DIGITAL IMPROVEMENT WORKPLAN UPDATE

The Digital Solutions Manager summarised the report and answered questions. The following points were noted:

- In the 12 months since the last digital improvement workplan update to the Committee, a number of projects had been progressed, including successful go-lives.
- The digital governance group had been in place since last year, governing all digital projects and applying a risk lens to them.
- In addition to a focus on risk, the team was also looking to the future, considering technology requirements carefully in a time of uncertainty for local government.
- The current all years' budget was \$10.1m, with \$9.6m spent to date. The spend for the current phase was under budget and work was progressing as planned.
- Council was heavily focused on adopt, not adapt, in relation to products and services.
- The Project Manager – Digital had built in new approaches to support staff engagement, which was much better than it had been in the past. The recent building consent software project had been a success, with a huge amount of engagement from relevant staff.
- There had been a significant reduction in users on Council's legacy system, MAGIQ. The compliance and regulatory functions were still being managed via MAGIQ and it was hoped those functions would all have been moved off by this time next year.
- There were no concerns from an audit perspective, arising from transitioning to a new building consent system mid-year.

The Chairperson congratulated the team on the improved position.

RACC202606/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the update on the digital improvement workplan, including risk and progress.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/09 above.

5.8 ASSURANCE REPORT

The Risk Advisor summarised the report, including the approved internal audit plan.

PoolSafe Audit

PoolSafe audits for both AC Baths and Tūrangi had been attached to the agenda.

The District Aquatics Manager was present and answered questions as follows:

- All three Council-owned pools were lifeguarded. The Mangakino pool was not PoolSafe-accredited because of its limited opening times, but was operated in the same manner as the other pools i.e. to PoolSafe standards.
- The poolside first aid test component was known and understood by staff, but not documented, hence the 'not achieved' result. PoolSafe had asked Council to update its standard operating procedures (SOPs) to include minor updates, to ensure documentation was complete and reflective of current practices.
- The auditors had identified one missing photograph in system monitoring, which had now been uploaded to the appropriate file.
- All other recommendations had been completed.

New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) Investment Audit Report – Procedural Audit

The NZTA Investment Audit Report on the Procedural Audit of Taupō District Council dated 25 May 2026 had been attached to the agenda. The Risk Advisor explained that this was one of two audits conducted by NZTA. The Technical Audit report was due to be presented to the Risk and Assurance Committee in September 2026.

The Team Leader Transportation was present online via MS Teams. She explained that the Transport Team was not responsible for financial procurement processes examined as part of the procedural audit. The contract management practices were found to be robust by the auditors.

The Business Excellence Manager explained that all but one audit sample originated prior to the adoption of new procurement procedures introduced in mid-2024, therefore the audit findings do not reflect current practices in place.

The General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services added that the Transport team had undergone significant change over the last 18 months and was now in a better position to move forward as a whole. The audit process was very thorough.

In answer to a question, the Business Excellence Manager advised that the audit cycle for this audit was four-yearly.

The General Manager Organisation Performance explained that the Business Excellence team had been set up to provide an increased focus on procurement, health and safety and risk since the period examined by the NZTA auditors.

In response to another question, the Business Excellence Manager advised that there had been significant improvement in contractor management in the transport area in recent times. There was an ongoing focus on contractor management practices, including via the procurement strategy.

In conclusion, the Team Leader Transportation pointed out that the approach for capital project contracts was different to the approach for maintenance contracts. Stronger procurement practices and support from Finance were now in place, and the audit findings were a 'stepping stone' to knowing what is required to achieve 'green' (effective) in all audit subject areas.

The Chairperson encouraged staff to clear the recommendations from the NZTA Procedural Audit quickly.

RACC202606/10 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

That the Risk and Assurance Committee:

1. Receives the Assurance report;
2. Receives the PoolSafe Audit reports for AC Baths, Taupō;
3. Receives the PoolSafe Audit reports for Tūrangi Turtle Pools; and
4. Receives the NZTA / Waka Kotahi Procedural Investment Audit report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/10 above.

5.9 RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

The Risk Advisor provided a brief introduction to the risk management update.

Cr Kevin Taylor re-entered the meeting at this point (11.57am).

The Chairperson facilitated a discussion about the Zero Harm strategic risk, which was rated outside of Council's risk appetite. The following points were noted:

- It was practically impossible to fall within the current risk appetite for the Zero Harm risk.
- Staff could access Council's Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) regardless of whether they needed support as a result of work-related or personal matters affecting well-being.
- A number of items raised by KPMG via the health and safety audit had been addressed. Staff were continuing to consider how much capacity there was within the organisation to 'move the dial' on health and safety issues.
- Some of the drivers for the Zero Harm risk were out of Council's control.
- It would be helpful to identify matters within Council's control, and out of Council's control, so the Committee could focus on the things that are able to be managed.

Members accepted the risk settings for the time being, including for the Zero Harm strategic risk, noting progress made against KPMG health and safety recommendations. There would be another opportunity to review the strategic risks and risk appetite settings in due course.

In relation to risk management generally, a member expressed the view that while audit obligations were important, Council should also consider the end user experience to support positive relationships, which would in turn support risk management.

In response to a question about emerging risks, the Project Management Office Manager advised that:

- There were limited concerns about the impacts of fuel escalations on the current financial year's projects.
- There had been pleasing fuel-saving behavioural changes from vehicle users across Council operations.
- Staff had been working to analyse the impacts of the fuel crisis arising from the Iran war, going forward. There was virtually no impact on 92% of Council's current contracts, due to the way the contracts were structured. The remaining 8% would need to be re-scoped and closely monitored and reported upon.
- Council's main contracts including transport maintenance, waste and 'three waters' did have indicies for price escalations. There had been a 10-20% price uplift over the last three months.
- The risks were higher in relation to operations, rather than the capital programme.

The Chairperson suggested the risk of extraordinary claims within the 92% of Council's current contracts should also be monitored.

RACC202606/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kylie Leonard

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Risk Management report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/11 above.

5.10 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY AND POLICY ADOPTION

The Business Excellence Manager summarised the report. The Committee's adoption of the Procurement Strategy 2026-2029 and updated Procurement Policy 2026 was sought.

The General Manager Organisation Performance, the Business Excellence Manager and the Procurement Manager answered questions and the following points were noted:

- The emergency procurement provisions in the draft documents were consistent with the current Government Procurement Rules. Emergency procurement exemptions were required to be approved by the Chief Executive.
- It was important to support local suppliers to understand and participate in Council's procurement processes.
- The team was working on simplifying the supplier panel application form.
- The supplier panels were updated as required and suppliers could be added if there was a shortage in a particular area. A full review was undertaken every three years. Suppliers interested in applying could contact the Procurement Manager for assistance.
- There was a balance to be found between the Central Government Procurement Rules and supporting local suppliers.
- In relation to the storage of procurement records (with current state noted as records being stored inconsistently), a culture change was underway. The digital improvement programme included a content and document management project which was due for completion by 30 June 2027. This would address the inconsistencies. In the meantime, CiAnywhere (TechnologyOne) contained a module which enabled contracts to be assigned a unique contract number.

The Chairperson suggested the wording in the 'procure' explanation in the Financial Thresholds Guide for procurement up to \$20k could be updated to be consistent with the explanation for the \$20k-\$100k value procurement line.

Once adopted, the Procurement Strategy and Procurement Policy documents would have general application.

RACC202606/12 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee:

1. Adopts the Procurement Strategy 2026-2029; and
2. Adopts the 2026 Procurement Policy, effective 1 July 2026.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/12 above.

The meeting adjourned at this point (12.34pm) and reconvened at 1.03pm. When the meeting reconvened, His Worship the Mayor was not present.

5.11 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING UPDATE

The Business Excellence Manager summarised the report and introduced the Business Excellence Coordinator.

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

- Good progress had been made against all four pillars of Council's Health, Safety and Wellbeing Strategy; the Health and Safety and Improvement Plan; and the Critical Risk Management Framework.
- A number of outstanding actions from the KPMG report could not be resolved until all critical risks had been completed.

- Extensive work had been undertaken on Council's highest priority critical risk, the Aggressive and Threatening Behaviour risk. Staff had not yet been assessed or surveyed to check whether the work was having its intended consequence, but this was something that the team would like to do in the long-term.
- The Aggressive and Threatening Behaviour risk work had included analysis of lone worker risks. Controls for lone worker roles included 'guardian angel' devices (cellphone-based and satellite), tracking, training and team debriefs.
- The increase in incident reporting was a reflection of both good staff engagement and an increase in the volume of incidents, particularly aggressive and threatening behaviour. Staff, often in customer-facing roles and in particular at the customer service centre on Tongariro Street were exposed to this behaviour. The Zero Tolerance Policy was designed to support staff and provide guidance on mechanisms to keep people safe.
- Aggressive and threatening behaviour was spreading. In addition to customer service team members, compliance, pool and resource consent team members had also been negatively affected by aggressive and threatening behaviour.

In answer to a question, the Chief Executive acknowledged that elected members were also affected by the Aggressive and Threatening Behaviour risk. In terms of elected member behaviour which may affect staff, that was not covered by the Zero Tolerance Policy. The relevant document guiding elected member behaviour was the Code of Conduct.

The Chairperson praised the team for the thorough work done on the Aggressive and Threatening Behaviour risk.

The Business Excellence Manager advised that the next critical risk to be dealt with was Driving, with a Driving Escalation Procedure almost ready to be published. She added that the People and Culture team was also doing great work on the Psychosocial risk, supported by management training including Mental Health First Aid. The next risk to be considered after those would be the Working with Animals risk.

The General Manager Organisation Performance pointed out that the organisation may not be able to continue to make progress on KPMG's health and safety recommendations at the same rate going forward. Some of the measures were ambitious and may need to be re-set.

RACC202606/13 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Health, Safety and Wellbeing report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/13 above.

5.12 OUTSTANDING AUDIT AND IMPROVEMENT ITEMS

Members discussed the value of keeping old outstanding audit and improvement items on the list for Committee review.

The General Manager Organisation Performance advised that several items would be resolved when Council moved off legacy systems onto the new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system.

At the invitation of the Chairperson, the appointed auditor Ms Tombleson advised that the Audit Office welcomed conversations about audit risks and matters to be brought to the Committee's attention. Significant matters of interest to governors, including fraud and any potential qualifications, would still be brought to the Committee, but items of possible interest would be raised with management in the first instance. The Audit Office would also focus on new issues, rather than continuing to comment on previous issues.

The Chairperson suggested early disclosure and explanation of upcoming matters the Audit Office would be reviewing would be beneficial.

It was important for the Committee to understand and consider any risks the organisation may be running by not resolving outstanding audit and improvement items.

In relation to Business Continuity Plans (BCPs), the General Manager Organisation Performance advised that although BCPs had not been formally reviewed and updated, keeping them refreshed and relevant was a priority. Fundamentally, services had not changed.

The Chief Executive added that there may be a need to re-set organisation improvements as a result of limited capacity in the organisation.

The Chairperson reiterated the need for Committee members to be informed about risks arising from not completing audit and improvement recommendations.

RACC202606/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the report on the status of the audit and review recommendations.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/14 above.

5.13 RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN UPDATE

RACC202606/15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That the Risk and Assurance Committee approves the updated Workplan for 2026.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/15 above.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

RACC202606/16 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kylie Leonard

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	Plain English reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter
Agenda Item No: 6.1 Confirmation of Confidential Portion of Risk and Assurance Committee Minutes - 10 March 2026	Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege Section 7(2)(j) - the withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	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	It is necessary to exclude the public for consideration of the confidential minutes of the 10 March 2026 meeting, for the reasons set out at the end of the public agenda for that meeting i.e. for item 6.1 improper gain or advantage and 6.2 legal professional privilege.
Agenda Item No: 6.2 67 Horomātangi Street - Account Settlement	Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	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	To preserve legal professional privilege in relation to legal advice currently being received.
Agenda Item No: 6.3 Legal and Litigation Update	Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	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	For the Council to receive legal advice on significant legal and litigation matters affecting the Council and the need to preserve legal professional privilege.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202606/16 above.

The meeting closed at 2.12pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk and Assurance Committee Meeting held on 15 September 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON