

## Minutes: Hikurangi Flood Management Scheme Working Group Meeting Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017, held at Jordan Valley Farm

*Minutes of meeting held at the Jordan Valley Farm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017*

<b>Facilitator</b>	Adam Twose
<b>Purpose</b>	Forum to discuss the Hikurangi Flood Management Scheme Issues
<b>Present</b>	Adam Twose, Andrew Carvell, Penny Johnston, Geoff Crawford, Rosemary Lister, Evan Smeath, Tim Brandenburg, Ken Finlayson, Justine Rowe, Phil Bayley
<b>Apologies</b>	Ben Herbert, Tess Dacre, Matt Highway, Cr Christie

Adam Twose addressed the floor, opened the meeting welcoming members and staff representatives from the Whangarei District Council.

Item	Description	Action
<b>Apologies</b>	Accepted	Moved/Second
<b>Minutes</b>	Last Meeting Minutes. Issues raised - None. All true and correct.	Moved/Second
<b>Tanekaha Pocket Rep</b>	Phil Bayly is the new primary pocket rep and Justine Rowe is the secondary pocket rep.	
<b>2016/17 Drain Clearing/Spraying</b>	Top of McKenzie Drain to be done when Fonterra crops their maize. Joe Martin and Rosemary Lister liaising on this. Findings from Te Mata stream excavator trial this year; - If drain flow is low, start at the top - If drain flow is high, start at the bottom Agreed that all drains that have been sprayed this year will be repeat sprayed in April/May 2017. Will also include two helicopter loads from the riparian boundary weed control on the main river channel.	
<b>2018 Hikurangi Flood Management Scheme Asset Management Plan</b>	Support from group to put in the gravity gates and proposed staged upgrade of all pump stations to Archimedes Screws. Group supports decision to engage early with NRC for hydrological requirements to possibly push ahead with gravity gates. Group wishes to see the Jordan Valley Road flood culverts made the priority.	
<b>Living Water Update</b>	Catchment scale models to improve water quality - Recommend silt retention dams upstream - Sediment is the largest issue in northland not nitrates - Reducing sediment has the biggest benefit to water quality - Proof of concept design – concern that the sediment is too fine	
<b>A.O.B</b>	Get the cost of interest to the working group. Rates for the scheme; - 8% until 2021 - LGI increase only afterwards Adam meeting with NKONWM this Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February for a tiki tour of the environmental restoration projects.	Andrew Carvell to get cost of interest.

**Meeting closed at 12.00pm**

**Next Meeting: Mid May**