

## 4. Minutes: Extra-ordinary Whangarei District Council 4 June 2014

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*Minutes of an Extra-ordinary Whangarei District Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Forum North on Wednesday 4 June 2014 at 9.00am*

**Present:**

Her Worship the Mayor S L Mai

Crs S J Bretherton, C B Christie, P A Cutforth, S J Deeming, S M Glen, C M Hermon, P R Halse, G C Innes, G M Martin, B L McLachlan, S L Morgan and J D T Williamson

**Apology:**

Cr S J Bell

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr Martin**

“That the apology be sustained.”

**CARRIED**

**In Attendance:**

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager Support Services (A Adcock), Group Manager District Living (P Dell), Group Manager Infrastructure (S Weston), Group Manager Positive Growth (J Thompson), Governance Manager (D Kula), Financial Controller (R Kerr), Roading Manager (J Devine), Wastewater and Stormwater Asset Engineer (C Summers), Financial Accountant (D Muckle), LTP Co ordinator (S Gavin), Executive Assistant (J Crocombe) and Senior Meeting Co ordinator (C Brindle)

### 1. 2014-2015 Draft Annual Plan Deliberations

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr Christie**

“That the information be received.”

**CARRIED**

#### 1. Infrastructure and Services

##### 1.1 Coastal Protection & Structures

General

**Moved: Cr Innes**

**Seconded: Cr Halse**

“That Council funds \$365,500 for Coastal Protection Structures in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

One Tree Point Boat Ramp

**Moved: Cr Deeming**

**Seconded: Cr Bretherton**

“1. That Council funds \$60,000 to progress the required resource consent in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

2. That Council includes the required remedial works as a project for the draft 2015-2025 Long Term Plan.”

**CARRIED**

## 1.2 Parks and Recreation

### Dog Park, William Fraser Memorial Park on Pohe Island

**Moved: Cr Hermon**

**Seconded: Cr Glen**

“That Council funds \$10,000 for materials to an appropriate community volunteer group in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan”

**CARRIED**

### Holocaust Memorial

**Moved: Cr Martin**

**Seconded: Cr Morgan**

“1. That Council notes the submission and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

2. That staff liaise with the Northland Jewish Association to discuss further.”

**CARRIED**

### Fencing Playgrounds

**Moved: Cr Christie**

**Seconded: Cr Hermon**

“That Council notes the submission and than no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

### Public Toilets

**Moved: Cr Martin**

**Seconded: Cr Glen**

“1. That Council fund \$181,207 for District Wide Public Toilets in the 2014- 2015 Annual Plan.

2. That Council funds an additional \$150,000 for public toilets at William Fraser Memorial Park on Pohe Island in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

3. That Council consider further prioritisation of public toilets at the appropriate time.”

**CARRIED**

### Sportsfields and Sporting Facilities – Kensington Netball Facilities

**Moved: Cr McLachlan**

**Seconded: Cr Christie**

“1. That Council funds \$259,000 for Kensington Park – Additional Netball Courts in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

2. That Council funds an additional \$30,000 for construction of a drop-off zone outside the netball pavilion in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

Walking & Cycling – Waipu/Waipu Cove Walk & Cycleway

**Moved: Cr Halse**  
**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

- “1. That Council notes these submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That legalisation issues are managed through the ordinary course of business, with any required funding from within existing operating budgets.”

**CARRIED**

### **1.3 Roothing**

Carparks & Parking

**Moved: Cr McLachlan**  
**Seconded: Cr Glen**

“That Council notes this submission and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

Footpaths

**Moved: Cr McLachlan**  
**Seconded: Cr Hermon**

“That Council notes these submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

**CARRIED**

Dust Management

**Moved: Cr Morgan**  
**Seconded: Cr Martin**

“That Council funds option 1 at a cost of \$30,000 from within existing operating budgets and continues to apply for funding for seal programme for the 2015-16 financial year.”

**CARRIED**

Seal Extensions

**Moved: Cr Morgan**  
**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

“That Council funds a further \$638,000 for Seal Extensions in the 2014-15 financial year.”

**CARRIED**

### **1.4 Flood Control & Protection Work**

Hikurangi Swamp Programmed Work

**Moved: Cr Christie**  
**Seconded: Cr Bretherton**

“That Council funds \$357,000 for the Hikurangi Swamp Programmed Work in the 2014-15 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

*Crs Halse and McLachlan requested their votes against be recorded.*

*Cr Martin declared a potential conflict of interest and withdrew from discussions and voting on this item.*

*The Chief Executive Officer declared a potential conflict of interest and vacated his position for this item. Group Manager S Weston acted in the capacity of the Chief Executive for this item.*

## **2. Support Services**

### **2.1 Council Policy & Strategic Direction**

#### One Rating Agency

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr Innes**

- “1. That Council notes the submission and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That the notion of one rating agency for Northland be considered via the 2015 – 2025 Long Term Plan process or after the Local Government reorganisation decision for Northland.

**CARRIED**

## **3. District Living**

### **3.1 Community Services**

#### Kamo Community Inc

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr McLachlan**

“That Council notes this submission and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

### **3.2 Funding Requests – Capital**

#### The Great Barn, Waipu

**Moved: Cr Martin**

**Seconded: Cr Morgan**

“That Council budgets a capital grant to The Waipu Joint Venture of \$100,000 in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan and this item be listed as “unfunded”.”

**CARRIED**

*Cr Martin left the meeting at 9.54am following discussions on The Great Barn Waipu.*

### **3.3 Funding Requests – General**

#### Hihiaua Cultural Centre Trust

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

“That Council notes this submission and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

### 3.4 Funding Requests – Operating

**Moved: Cr Cutforth**  
**Seconded: Cr Bretherton**

“That CPI be reinstated for CHART and the Whangarei Art Museum.”

*Cr McLachlan gave notice of a further motion if the motion was lost.*

#### Amendment

**Moved: Cr Christie**  
**Seconded: Cr Glen**

*Culture Heritage Arts Resource Trust (CHART)*  
*Maungakareme Recreation Society*  
*The Packard & Pioneer Museum*  
*Volunteering Whangarei*  
*Waipu Museum*  
*Whangarei Art Museum Trust (WAMT)*  
*Whangarei Life Education Trust*

- “1. That Council notes these submissions and that no changes be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That Council completes a comprehensive review of all operating grants and re-assesses funding levels to current recipients as part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan process.”

*Cr McLachlan gave notice of a further amendment if the amendment was lost.*

*On the amendment being put Cr Halse called for a division:*

*For the amendment:*

*Crs Morgan, Deeming, Williamson, Bretherton, Glen, Hermon, Christie, Innes and Her Worship the Mayor (9)*

*Against the amendment:*

*Crs McLachlan, Halse and Cutforth (3)*

*Absent:*

*Crs Bell and Martin (2)*

**The amendment was CARRIED  
and subsequently CARRIED  
as the substantive MOTION**

### 3.5 Policy, Monitoring & Bylaws

#### Development Contributions

**Moved: Cr Hermon**  
**Seconded: Cr Bretherton**

- “1. That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That Council works collaboratively with the Whangarei Chamber of Commerce and the Whangarei Economic Development Group when developing Policy.”

Amendment

**Moved: Cr Deeming**  
**Seconded: Cr McLachlan**

“That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**The amendment was CARRIED  
and subsequently CARRIED  
as the substantive MOTION**

*Cr Halse requested his vote against be recorded.*

Genetic Engineering

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**  
**Seconded: Cr Innes**

“That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

Heritage Buildings

**Moved: Cr Morgan**  
**Seconded: Cr McLachlan**

“That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

Local Alcohol Plan

**Moved: Cr Hermon**  
**Seconded: Cr Williamson**

“That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

**3.6 Sense of Place Projects**

Christmas decorations, lights & flags

**Moved: Cr Williamson**  
**Seconded: Cr Glen**

“That Council allocates \$140,000 (\$100,000 capital and \$40,000 operating) in the 2014-2015 annual Plan to a District-wide Christmas decorations, Lights and Flags programme.”

**CARRIED**

Parua Bay Village Plan

**Moved: Cr Deeming**  
**Seconded: Cr Williamson**

“That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

Amendment

**Moved: Cr Halse**  
**Seconded: Cr Christie**

- “1. That Council continue to support the Parua Bay Village Plan.
2. That Council notes the submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**The amendment was CARRIED  
and subsequently CARRIED  
as the substantive MOTION**

#### **4 Positive Growth**

##### **4.1 Property (Commercial)**

Saorsa Retirement Village

**Moved: Cr Halse**  
**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

“That staff review funding and ownership issues relating to the Saorsa Trust and within a three month period bring the issue back to Council for further consideration.”

**CARRIED**

##### **4.2 Property (Community)**

Kamo Memorial Hall

**Moved: Cr Williamson**  
**Seconded: Cr Christie**

“That Council allocate a budget of \$20,000 (operating) in the 2014-2015 Annual Plan for materials.”

**CARRIED**

#### **5 Items for Long Term Plan Consideration**

*Coastal Protection – 10 year programme*  
*Home Composting Scheme*  
*Hihiaua Funding Assistance*  
*Limeburners Creek Bridge Walk and Cycle Capacity*  
*Sportsfields & Sporting Facilities – Shooting*  
*Performance Measures – NRC Consents*  
*Seniors Playground at Pohe Island*  
*Tutukaka Carpark*  
*Waipu Golf Club Funding Assistance*

“That Council notes these submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

**CARRIED**

*Cr Halse requested his vote against be recorded.*

*Cr McLachlan left the meeting at 10.55 at the juncture between Items 5 & 6.*

## **6 Other Submission Issues**

### **District Living**

- Building Compliance
- Policy, Monitoring & Bylaws including:
  - Climate Change
  - Development Contributions
  - District Plan
  - Freedom Camping
  - Local Approved Products Policy (LAPP)
  - Population Growth
  - Trans-Pacific Partnership
- Grants:
  - Total Mobility Scheme
  - Whangarei Youth Space Trust
- Resource Consents
- Sense of Place Projects including:
  - Carpark to Park Conversion
  - CBD Development Stage 1
  - Hatea Loop Walkway
  - Otangarei Centre Development Programme

### **Infrastructure & Services**

- Civil Defence/Emergency Management
- Parks & Recreation
  - General
  - Playgrounds
  - Skateparks
- Roothing
  - Bridges
  - Carparks & Parking
  - General
  - Public Transport
  - Seal Extensions
  - Traffic Control
- Solid Waste
  - General
  - Transfer Stations
- Sportsfields & Sporting Facilities including:
  - General
  - Hikurangi Multisports Complex
- Stormwater General
- Walking & Cycling General
- Wastewater General
- Water General

### **Positive Growth**

- District Promotions & Tourism including:
  - Cruise Industry
  - Tourism
- Economic Development including:
  - Northland Inc
  - Whangarei Airport
- Maori Relationships including:
  - Hapu Economic Development Plan
- Property (Commercial) including:
  - Municipal Building
- Sale of Council-Owned Property



### **Support Services**

- Communications
- Council Policy & Strategic Direction
- Financial Strategy & Prudence
- General Financial Services
- General Governance
- Rates
- Sale of Council Owned Property.

**Moved: Cr Glen**

**Seconded: Cr Bretherton**

“That Council notes these submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.”

### Amendment

**Moved: Cr Cutforth**

**Seconded: Cr Morgan**

“That Council supports funding a Settlement Support Person to the amount of \$25,000 in conjunction with the Northland District Health Board and the Chamber of Commerce.”

**The amendment was LOST  
The motion was CARRIED**

*Cr McLachlan rejoined the meeting at 10.58am following Item 6 - Other Submission Issues.*

## **7 Other Submission Issues – Hundertwasser Art Centre**

**Moved: Cr Deeming**

**Seconded: Cr McLachlan**

- “1. That Council notes these submissions and that no change be made to the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That any decisions regarding the future of the Hundertwasser Art Centre project be managed outside of the Annual Plan process.”

**CARRIED**

## **8 Submission Issue to be lodged as CRM Request**

### Stormwater – Motutara Rd, Oakura

**Moved: Cr Bretherton**

**Seconded: Her Worship the Mayor**

“That Council attend to the above issue within the normal operating process.”

**CARRIED**

## **2014-2015 Draft Annual Plan Deliberations**

**Moved: Cr Deeming**

**Seconded: Cr Innes**

- “1. That recommendations in the Deliberations Report, after any amendments and where appropriate, be incorporated into the 2014-2015 Annual Plan.
2. That Council directs the Chief Executive Officer to review operating and capital budgets based on the outcomes of the deliberations process as well as any changes to Council’s financial

position since the 2014-2015 Draft Annual Plan was prepared, and that these changes are incorporated into the final 2014-2015 Annual Plan for the adoption meeting.”

**CARRIED**

## **2. Deliberation and Adoption of 2014-2015 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**Moved: Cr McLachlan**

**Seconded: Cr Innes**

- “1. That this report be received.
2. That the proposed Resource Management fees and charges in Tables 1 and 2 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
3. That the proposed Swimming Pool Inspection fees and charges in Table 3 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 150(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.
4. That the proposed Gambling Act and Racing Licensing fees and charges in Table 4 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 150(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.
5. That the proposed Bylaw Enforcement fees and charges in Tables 5 and 6 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 150(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.
6. That the proposed Land Use Consent Monitoring fees and charges in Table 7 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
7. That the proposed Land Information Memorandum fees and charges in Table 8 for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 be adopted, pursuant to Section 44A(4) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.”

**CARRIED**

*Crs Christie and Bretherton requested their votes against be recorded.*

## **3. Deliberation and Adoption of 2014-2015 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**Moved: Her Worship the Mayor**

**Seconded: Cr McLachlan**

- “1. That Council adopts the Wastewater Bylaw 2014 and the Stormwater Management Bylaw 2014 (as attached to the agenda report).
2. That the Wastewater and Stormwater Bylaws 2014 come into effect on 1 July 2014.”

**CARRIED**

*Cr Halse requested his vote against be recorded.*

**The meeting closed at 11.48am**

Confirmed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014

S L Mai (Chairperson)