

# Te Manawhenua Forum Mo Matamata-Piako

## Open Minutes



Minutes of a meeting of the Te Manawhenua Forum Mo Matamata-Piako held in the Council Chambers, 35 Kenrick Street, TE AROHA on Tuesday 5 September 2017 at 10:00am.

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## **Present**

### **Mayor**

Jan Barnes, JP	
Mrs Te Ao Marama Maaka	
Mr Weka Pene	Mrs Shelley Turner
Mr Thomas Smith	Mrs Kathy Ngamane
Mr Michael Baker	Mr Wati Ngamane
Mr Gary Thompson	Ms Dianna Vaimoso

## **Also Present**

Michelle Staines-Hawthorne	Corporate Strategy Manager	
Caroline Hubbard	Committee Secretary	
Mark Hamilton	Environmental Policy Planner	Item 8.5
Niall Baker	Acting Senior Policy Planner	Item 7.1,7.2,8.3
Ann-Jorun Hunter	Policy Planner	Item 7.2,8.3

## **In Attendance**

A. McCormack, Te Wananga	In at 11.25am, out at 12.12pm
T Timoko, Te Wananga	In at 11.25am, out at 12.12pm

**1 Meeting Opening**

Te Ao Marama Maaka welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 10.00am

**2 Karakia**

Gary Thompson gave the opening Karakia

**3 Present**

**4 Apologies**

That the apologies from P Samuels, for lateness (in at 10.06am), Cr J Thomas and G Wigg be accepted and leave of absence from the meeting be granted. J Taylor's apology was noted as well.

**Moved by: Mayor Jan Barnes**

**Seconded by: Gary Thompson**

**CARRIED**

**5 Notification of Urgent Business**

Pursuant to clause 3.7.5 and 3.7.6 of the Standing Orders NZS 9202:2003 and Section 6A (7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the Chairman to enquire from members whether there are any additional items for consideration which qualify as extraordinary or urgent additional business.

There was no urgent additional business

**6 Confirmation of minutes**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Ordinary Meeting of the Te Manawhenua Forum Mo Matamata-Piako held on Tuesday, 6 June 2017, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

**Moved by: Mr Gary Thompson**

**Seconded by: Mr Weka Pene**

**CARRIED**

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## **OFFICER REPORTS**

**7 Executive**

## 7.1 Representation Review 2018

### Executive Summary

The Local Electoral Act 2001 (“Act”) requires Council to review its representation arrangements every six years. Council conducted its last review in 2012; therefore a review must be undertaken in 2018. One of the questions to be considered as a part of the representation review is whether or not Council should establish Maori wards; however, Council is not statutorily required to consider the matter of Maori wards.

Council’s eventual representation proposal to the Local Government Commission in November 2018 must provide for fair and effective representation of any communities of interest that are identified.

The purpose of this report is firstly to give Te Manawhenua Forum Mo Matamata-Piako (“TMF”) the opportunity to provide preliminary feedback to Council on how it views Council’s current representation arrangements. Secondly the intent of the report is to ask TMF to consider whether the Maori communities of interest within the Matamata-Piako District would be more fairly and effectively represented through the establishment of a Maori ward and whether or not Council should establish this.

It must be noted that if Council resolves to establish a Maori ward, the change cannot take effect until the 2019 triennial local election due to the requirements set out in section 19Z of the Act.

#### Comments;

Ngati Paoa – Notes that it is not necessary to be of Maori origin and to live in the district to be on Maori Ward seat but supports the establishment of a Maori ward

Ngati Whanaunga – Would like value added to current forum rather than trying to establish a Maori ward. Would support Maori Ward if it ensured that there was a Maori representative at the Council table as well as the current Forum continuing.

Ngait Maru – What is relationship between rep on Maori ward to TMF – If Maori ward and Maori seat on council, then people may ask what is the point of the TMF. Support the establishment of a Maori ward and retain the Te Manawhenua Forum.

Mayor Jan Barnes - Community would be electing the representative and they work for the district not individually.

Ngati Haua note that it is not limited to district wide representation, that the candidate could come from outside the district and not necessarily Maori, willing to test it and so support a Maori ward. Also , Iwi chairs forum leaning to supporting a Maori ward.

Ngati Hinerangi – representative 1 person only is of concern not a true representation of different iwi.

Raukawa – no definite stance

Ngati Rahiri Timutimu – discussion still to be had

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

#### That:

1. the report be received.

Moved by: Gary Thompson

Seconded by: Wati Ngamane

**CARRIED**

## 7.2 Heads of Agreement Review and Maori involvement in decision-making

### Executive Summary

Over the past few months Te Manawhenua Forum (Forum) has held discussions about a review of its Heads of Agreement (HOA) with Council, and how it would like to engage with Council going forward including its involvement in decision making.

Following a Forum workshop in May and meeting in June, the matter was formally reported to Council in July. The report to Council included the background and current practice relating to iwi engagement and provided Council with the feedback from the Forum.

Council has a Heads of Agreement with the Forum (attached) setting out the principles of the relationship between the parties, and the roles and responsibilities. This agreement was last reviewed in 2013. Forum members have asked that this is reviewed again to better reflect how the relationship has evolved and is now moving into a post-Treaty settlement era.

The purpose of this report is to provide the Forum with feedback from Council on the Heads of Agreement review and further engagement to strengthen the relationship between iwi and Council.

The Forum is asked to consider the feedback from Council and confirm how it wishes to proceed from here.

### Comments

Mayor Jan Barnes invited Te Ao Marama Maaka or a representative from Te Manawhenua Forum to attend Council or Corporate & Operations committee meetings to formally provide feedback from TMF meetings.

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

#### That:

1. **The report be received.**
2. **The Forum considers the feedback from Council and confirms how it wishes to proceed.**
3. **The Forum considers whether to prepare and submit a proposal for increased funding and work programme to further support the revised Heads of Agreement.**

**Moved by: Michael Baker**  
**Seconded by: Gary Thompson**

**CARRIED**

### 7.3 Waitangi Day 2018

#### Executive Summary

The annual Waitangi Day celebrations are part of Te Manawhenua Forum mo Matamata-Piako (the Forum) work programme. Council has allocated a budget of up to \$2,500 towards the celebration of Waitangi Day 2018. Additional funding may be applied for through the Ministry for Culture and Heritage's Commemorating Waitangi Day fund.

At the Forum meeting 6 June the following was resolved;

That:

1. The Forum confirms Matamata Domain and SwimZone Matamata as the venue for the 2018 Waitangi Day celebrations.
2. The Forum nominated Phillip Samuels, Dianna Vaimoso and Weka Pene to sit on the event organising committee to work alongside staff on the planning and organising of the celebrations.
3. The Forum authorises staff to make an application for funding on its behalf from the Commemorating Waitangi Day fund.
4. Staff report back on progress at the next Forum meeting.

The event organising committee will have their first planning meeting Tuesday 5 September and will provide a verbal update to the forum at the time of the meeting.

Comments;

Trying to get emphasis that it is celebrating/remembering the Treaty of Waitangi Day.

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That:

1. The information be received.
2. The Forum endorses the event organising committee's proposal for Waitangi Day 2018 celebrations.
3. The Waitangi Day organising committee report back on progress to the next Forum meeting in December.

Moved by: Dianna Vaimoso

Seconded by: Gary Thompson

**CARRIED**

## 7.4 Waikato Plan Update

### Executive Summary

This report seeks to update Te Manawhenua Forum Mo Matamata-Piako (Forum) on the progress of the Waikato Plan (Plan).

The Plan Joint Committee considered submissions on the draft Waikato Plan in May 2017 and made decisions in relation to these submissions.

The partner Councils (Hamilton City Council, Hauraki District Council, Matamata-Piako District Council, Otorohanga District Council, South Waikato District Council, Taupō District Council, Waikato District Council, Waikato Regional Council, Waipa District Council, and Waitomo District Council) have now adopted the Waikato Plan.

The focus is now on implementation of the Plan. A Plan Leadership Group is being established as a joint committee of the partner councils, tāngata whenua, the business / community sector and government. Hauraki District Council Deputy Mayor, Toby Adams will act as Councils representative on the new Leadership Group.

#### Comment

M Baker - TMF wants engagement on this plan – suggests that TMF do not receive the report. Iwi have not been involved in this discussion.

Hauraki iwi are no longer affiliated to the Tainui Waka alliance.

Te Manawhenua Forum issue is with the process not with the districts representative and making the point that they have not been consulted with.

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

#### That:

1. **The Waikato Plan Update not be received.**

**Moved by: Michael Baker**

**Seconded by: Gary Thompson**

**CARRIED**

Mayor Jan Barnes recorded her vote against the motion.



## 7.5 Long Term Plan 2018-28 - Project Update

### Executive Summary

Council is required to prepare and adopt a Long Term Plan (LTP) under the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) every three years. This report seeks feedback from the Forum on the section on Iwi engagement and the current indicators used in the Long Term Plan relating to engagement with Iwi.

### Comments

Staff would like feedback whether still happy with questions, whether the indicators are pertinent to TMF needs, meaningful?

Staff will check with other councils to see how they measure engagement with Iwi.

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That:

1. The information be received.

Moved by: Gary Thompson

Seconded by: Phillip Samuels

**CARRIED**

G Thompson out of meeting at 1.04pm.

8 Environmental

8.1 Long Term Plan Grant Proposals Policy

**Executive Summary**

As part of the planning for the Long Term Plan 2018-28 (LTP), Council has reviewed the LTP grant funding process. This report provides the Forum with an update on the new Long Term Plan Grant Proposals Policy and application process.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

**That:**

1. The information is received.

**Moved by: Mayor Jan Barnes**

**Seconded by: Mr Weka Pene**

**CARRIED**

## 8.2 Matamata-Piako Civic and Memorial Centre - Iwi presence proposal

### Executive Summary

Following a meeting between representatives of Ngati Haua, Ngati Hinerangi, Raukawa and staff, a proposal to provide carvings and other artefacts to be included in the Matamata-Piako Civic and Memorial Centre has been received.

No specific budget item was allocated to this aspect although all contingencies have not yet been specifically allocated.

It should be noted that the Resource Consent included conditions to recycle and where possible incorporate into the new build, materials (wood) removed from the 1940 Borough Building. There is also a condition to provide a display of drawings, photographs and information regarding the Borough Building.

### Comments

Other discussion to be had within the iwi.

Thoughts, Raukawa, Hinerangi, Haua all flanking each other on the Pou Maumahara.

Suggestion of bi-lingual signage Te Wairere Civic and Memorial centre.

Ngati Maru support the decisions made by group.

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

#### That:

1. The information be received

Moved by: Dianna Vaimoso

Seconded by: Te Ao Marama Maaka

**CARRIED**

### 8.3 Te Wananga o Aotearoa Presentation

#### Executive Summary

Te Wānanga o Aotearoa (TWOA) is one of New Zealand's largest tertiary education providers, offering a comprehensive range of certificate to degree level qualifications to New Zealanders of all ages and walks of life.

TWOA is currently operating from over 80 locations throughout the country, and is working on a proposal to provide NCEA Level 2 training within the Matamata-Piako District.

TWOA is guided by Māori principles and values, nurturing and inclusive learning environment, as well as the depth and diversity of our courses in small business, computing, social work, teaching, Māori performing arts and te reo Māori.

Ms Angeline McCormack (Aukaha Kirimana - Head - Contracted Services) and Mr Travis Timoko (Strategic Advisor) attended to provide an overview of their proposal to the Forum.

#### Comments

Mr Rich Hollis (Team Lead - Matatahi Mataora) was unable to attend.

Could Wananga approach each iwi separately.

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

##### That:

1. The information be received.

**Moved by: Te Ao Marama Maaka**

**Seconded by: Mr Weka Pene**

**CARRIED**

This item was taken out of order and considered after item 7.2 and before Item 7.3  
Mike Baker welcomed the representatives from the Wananga, Angeline McCormack and Travis Timoko.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.12pm and reconvened at 12.30pm.

#### 8.4 Making Good Decisions course attendance

##### Executive Summary

The Making Good Decisions Programme helps councillors, community board members, and independent commissioners make better decisions under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). Commissioners must be accredited to sit on RMA hearings panels.

Each year Council offers Forum members to attend this programme. At the Forum meeting on 6 June, Mr Weka Pene (Ngati Hauā) indicated an interest in attending the training, which was approved by the Forum. The first available date for the programme was in August in Auckland.

This report is to confirm Mr Pene's attendance of the course.

##### Comments

Mr W Pene will be attending the course in September. Weka thanked Matamata Piako District council for giving him this opportunity and offering support from staff members for coursework if needed.

##### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That:

1. The report is received.

Moved by: Mr Weka Pene  
Seconded by: Phillip Samuels

**CARRIED**

## 8.5 Update on the District Plan Review

### Executive Summary

Mark Hamilton gave a presentation to bring the Forum up to date on the District Plan Review and Plan Change 51 – Waharoa Dairy Processing Site.

### Comments

The Forum had not received a copy of the presentation so a copy will be included in the minutes.

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received.

Moved by: Gary Thompson

Seconded by: Tommy Smith

**CARRIED**

This item was taken out of order and considered before Item 7.1

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9 Urgent Additional Business

1.15 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD  
AT A MEETING OF TE MANAWHENUA FORUM MO  
MATAMATA-PIAKO HELD ON

**DATE:** 5 December 2017

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....

Te Ao Marama Maaka