

Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, 27 November, 2019
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Council Chamber
Forum North, Rust Avenue
Whangarei

In Attendance

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai
(Chairperson)
Cr Gavin Benney
Cr Vince Cocurullo
Cr Nicholas Connop
Cr Ken Couper
Cr Tricia Cutforth
Cr Shelley Deeming
Cr Jayne Golightly
Cr Phil Halse
Cr Greg Innes
Cr Greg Martin
Cr Anna Murphy
Cr Carol Peters
Cr Simon Reid

Scribe C Brindle (Senior Democracy Adviser)

1. Karakia/Prayer

Chief Executive Rob Forlong opened the meeting with a karakia/prayer.

Item 6.1 Statutory Declaration by Member was taken after the karakia.

2. Declarations of Interest

Closed session - Item 1.2 Development Opportunity

3. Apologies

There were no apologies.

4. Public Forum

Judy Plain - Cat management in the district
Wayne and Valerie Deeming - Walking and cycling
Brian Trevor May - Land valuations

Note: Public forum response to note that Fiona Green tabled two documents – Disabled People's Organisation Roles and Attributes and Christchurch City Council Disability Advisory Group 2019 position description.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting of the Whangarei District Council

5.1 Minutes Whangarei District Council meeting held 31 October and 1 November 2019

Moved By Cr Tricia Cutforth
Seconded By Cr Shelley Deeming

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on 31 October and 1 November 2019, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.

Carried

6. Information Reports

6.1 Statutory Declaration by Member - Councillor Ken Couper

Councillor Ken Couper made and signed the Statutory Declaration.

Item 4 was taken after Item 6.1.

6.2 Financial Report for the 4 months ending 31 October 2019

Moved By Cr Shelley Deeming
Seconded By Cr Greg Innes

That Council notes the operating results for the four months ending 31 October 2019.

Carried

6.3 Decisions made under temporary delegation during the election period

Moved By Cr Gavin Benney
Seconded By Cr Anna Murphy

That the Council notes the decisions made by the Chief Executive under temporary delegation during the election period.

Carried

7. Decision Reports

7.1 Committee Terms of Reference 2019-2022 Term

Moved By Her Worship the Mayor

Seconded By Cr Greg Innes

That Council:

1. Adopts the committee terms of reference included as attachment two.
2. Notes the Chief Executive will conduct a contestable process to identify a suitable candidate for the Commissioner Chair of the District Licencing Committee.

Amendment

The recommendations were taken in parts.

Moved By Cr Anna Murphy

Seconded By Cr Tricia Cutforth

1. Include 'Waste minimisation' in the key responsibilities of the Infrastructure Committee Terms of Reference.

Carried

2. Include 'Sustainability' in the key responsibilities of the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee Terms of Reference.

Lost

On the substantive motion being put Cr Halse called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Vince Cocurullo		X	
Cr Nicholas Connop	X		
Cr Ken Couper	X		
Cr Tricia Cutforth	X		
Cr Shelley Deeming	X		

Cr Jayne Golightly	X		
Cr Phil Halse		X	
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Cr Anna Murphy	X		
Cr Carol Peters	X		
Cr Simon Reid	X		
Results	12	2	0
			Carried (12 to 2)

7.2 Council Meeting Schedule

Moved By Cr Anna Murphy

Seconded By Cr Greg Martin

That Council;

1. Adopts the schedule of meetings for the period 2020-2022, effective from February 2020, as attached to the agenda report.
2. Notes the December 2019 meeting dates.
3. Delegates to the Chief Executive the ability to amend or add to the meeting schedule in conjunction with the relevant Chair of any meeting.

Carried

Cr Halse left the meeting at 9.55am during Item 7.2.

7.3 Elected member appointments to Northland Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

Moved By Cr Shelley Deeming

Seconded By Cr Tricia Cutforth

That Council:

1. Appoint Her Worship the Mayor (principal) and Councillor Nicholas Connop (alternate) to represent Council on the Northland Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.
2. Requests the Chief Executive advise the Northland Civil Defence Emergency Management Group of the appointments.

Carried

7.4 Elected member appointments to Regional Transport Committee

Moved By Cr Vince Cocurullo

Seconded By Cr Shelley Deeming

That Council:

1. Appoint Councillor Greg Martin (principal) and Councillor Phil Halse (alternate) to represent Council on the Regional Transport Committee.
2. Requests the Chief Executive advise the Northland Regional Council of the appointments.

Carried

7.5 Temporary Road Closure - Rev Up Whangarei 2020

Moved By Cr Vince Cocurullo

Seconded By Cr Shelley Deeming

That Whangarei District Council,

1. Approves the proposal to temporarily close the following roads to ordinary traffic for the Rev Up Whangarei event on Saturday 18 April 2020 in accordance with the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965.

Saturday 18 April 2020

Cameron Street, from Bank Street to Walton Street.

Rathbone Street, from Cameron Street to Robert Street, including a closure of the Rathbone end of Butter Factory Lane.

James Street, from Cameron Street to Robert Street.

John Street from Cameron Street to 10 metres South of the entry ramp to the John St. public carparking building.

Period of Closure: 6:00am – 3:00pm.

2. Approves the proposal to temporarily close the side roads off the roads to be closed for up to 100 meters from the intersection for safety purposes.
3. Delegates to the Chair of the Infrastructure Committee and General Manager Infrastructure the power to give public notice of these proposed temporary closures, to consider any objections and to either approve, cancel or amend any or all of the temporary road closures if applicable.

Carried

8. Public Excluded Business

Moved By Cr Greg Martin

Seconded By Cr Vince Cocurullo

That the public be excluded from the following parts of 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 passing this resolution
1.1	Confidential Minutes Whangarei District Council 29 August 2019	Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
1.2	Property Matter		
Item	Grounds		Section
1.1	The making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences and the right to a fair trial		Section 6(a)
	To maintain legal professional privilege		Section 7(2)(g)
	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage		Section 7(2)(j)
1.2	To enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)		Section 7(2)(h)
	To enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)		Section 7(2)(i)
	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage		Section 7(2)(j)

Carried

9. Closure of Meeting

The meeting concluded at 12.12pm.

Confirmed this 19th day of December 2019

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)