

# **Emergency Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes**

Date: Time: Location:	Tuesday, 24 March, 2020 9:00 a.m. 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 Innes Cr Greg Martin Cr Anna Murphy Cr Carol Peters Cr Simon Reid

### Administrative matters

Her Worship covered the following administrative matters:

• Meeting to be live streamed

Scribe

• Two Councillors attending by electronic means. Cr Halse (audio link) and Cr Peters (audio visual link)

C Brindle (Senior Democracy Adviser)

### 1. Karakia/Prayer

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

### 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

## 3. Apologies

There were no apologies.

### 4. Decision Reports

4.1 Decision making arrangements: COVID-19

## Moved By Her Worship the Mayor Seconded By Cr Greg Innes

That Council:

- 1. Notes that following this Council meeting, all meetings of Council will cease for a period of at least one month.
- 2. Delegates the power to make urgent decisions on behalf of Council or its Committees to:
  - Any two of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor, and the Chairperson of either the Infrastructure, Strategy, Planning and Development, or Community Development Committees.

To be in force so long as Council is required to act in accordance with COVID-19 Alert Level 4 as determined by Government.

- If the Mayor or Deputy Mayor is not available, delegates to the Chief Executive, urgent decision making powers, except for those responsibilities, duties and powers specifically excluded in clause 32(1)(a) – (h) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 4. Agree that the Chief Executive's financial delegation is increased to \$4,500,000 in relation to these urgent decision making powers if they are required.
- 5. Notes the delegations under recommendations 3 and 4 above would only apply so long as Council is required to act in accordance with COVID-19 Alert Level 4 as determined by the Government.
- 6. Note these urgent decision making delegations will be reviewed when the alert level is reduced by government.

Carried

Rescinded: Whangarei District Council minutes 16 April 2020

### 5. Closure of Meeting

The meeting concluded at 9.11am.

Confirmed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)