

# Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Agenda

**Date:** Wednesday, 9 December, 2020  
**Time:** 9:00 am  
**Location:** Council Chamber  
Forum North, Rust Avenue  
Whangarei  
**Attendees:** Cr Phil Halse (Chairperson)  
Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai  
Cr Gavin Benney  
Cr Ken Couper  
Cr Greg Innes  
Cr Anna Murphy  
Cr Carol Peters  
Cr Simon Reid  
Delaraine Armstrong  
Jade Kake  
Tame Te Rangi  
Jared Pitman  
Mira Norris  
Aorangi Kawiti  
Deborah Harding  
Len Bristowe

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## **Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee – Terms of Reference**

### **Membership**

#### **Chairpersons**

Council based meetings: Councillor Phil Halse

Marae based hui: to be determined from mandated hapū members\*

#### **Members**

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai

Councillors Gavin Benney, Ken Couper, Greg Innes, Anna Murphy, Carol Peters, Simon Reid and Phil Halse

Eight mandated hapū representatives: Delaraine Armstrong, Jade Kake, Tame TeRangi, Jared Pitman, Mira Norris, Aorangi Kawiti, Deborah Harding and Len Bristowe

#### **Meetings**

Bi monthly for formal standing committee meetings, with hui on being held on a marae in accordance with Tikanga\*

#### **Quorum**

8 comprised of 4 councillor and 4 hapū members

\*note, marae based hui will be in accordance with Tikanga and as such are outside of standing orders adopted under the Local Government Act 2002

### **Preamble**

Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum was formed late in 2012 between Te Huinga (as advocates of the hapū of Whangarei) and Whangarei District Council. The desire to 'develop more robust partnership arrangements over time' was signaled in the 2014 revision of the Agreement. This partnership Committee Represents an important step in that process. While the Purpose, Key Responsibilities and Delegations form the basis for the Terms of Reference to determine what the Committee will do, it is important that the respective principles of each of the Partners continue to underpin the relationship, and that the relationship builds on the foundations outlined in the Agreement. The Statement of Principles for each of the Partners, as established in the foundation relationship agreement, is below.

### **Te Huinga Statement of Principles**

He Whakaputanga o Te Rangiratanga o Nu Tireni (Declaration of Independence – 1835) and Te Tiriti o Waitangi, 1840 provides the foundational doctrines of authority and partnership that are being sought after by the hapū of Whangārei as the relationship develops with the Whangārei District Council.

Te Huinga will work towards achieving the strategic intent.

#### *Strategic Intent*

- Vision/Te Pae Tawhiti: 'Ma nga hapū ano nga hapū e korero' - 'Hapū self reliance and prosperity'
- Mission/Te Kaupapa: 'Achieving hapū aspirations through effective and enduring relationships'
- Whangārei - Māori Community Outcomes:
  - a A rohe with a vibrant Māori culture
  - b A Māori community, which is healthy and highly educated

- c A society that protects and cares for all its members
- d A rohe with a flourishing Māori economy
- e A society that appreciates and cares for its natural environment
- Nga tikanga – Values
  - a Whanau – the extended family is the social unit that Māori identify with.
  - b Mana Hapū - Hapū are the cornerstone of the Māori community and identity.
  - c Mana Motuhake – self-determination, self-reliance and self-sustainability.
  - d Whakarite – Invest time and energy in building decision-making capacity and capability.
  - e Te Manawatoopu – Of one heart and mind. We are stronger working together.
  - f Kia maia – Providing leadership through courage.

### Whangārei District Council Statement of Principles

In order to improve and enhance relationships with Māori, Council acknowledge a strategic platform is required upon which to continue to build strong relationships. Council is committed to collaboration with Māori organisations within the District.

Council has a contribution to make towards Māori wellbeing, be it environmental, social, cultural/spiritual or economic. Additionally, further collaboration and relationship building processes with Crown agencies and other local territorial authorities will continue as all such organisations make up part of the many services that impact on Māori wellbeing.

Whangārei District Council wishes to engage with Māori hapū and to recognize the Treaty of Waitangi. The Local Government Act 2002 outlines the obligations of local authorities around the Treaty of Waitangi.

### Purpose

To enable the primary partners (Council and hapū of Whangārei) to work closely together to achieve the agreed vision 'He Whenua Rangatira - Whangārei, a district of prosperity, wellbeing and empowered communities' and mission 'Ka tūtuki te Kāwanatanga ā-rohe, ka puāwai hoki te kotahitanga me ōna tini kaupapa - Local Government that works through effective partnership and shared decisions to provide practical solutions'. Central to this is continued development of robust partnerships through learning conversations.

The Committee provides a platform for high level/strategic discussions and priority setting between the primary partners, with preference given to *kanohi ki te kanohi* (face-to-face) and preserving tikanga. Areas of focus include, but are not limited to;

- Identifying the cultural, economic, environmental, and social issues/decisions of Council that are significant for Māori<sup>1</sup> in the Whangarei District. (participation)
- Ensuring Council complies with statutory provisions that refer to Te Tiriti o Waitangi (the Treaty of Waitangi), including providing oversight of key processes and controls (assurance)
- To agree mutual strategic priorities (direction)

However, it is acknowledged that areas of focus/priorities may be beyond the direct control of the committee, meaning that in some areas it will be operating in an advisory capacity.

Recognising this, and to ensure clarity, the Working Group for Maori Participation in decision making (which was tasked with developing Terms of Reference) split the responsibilities of

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<sup>1</sup> Māori in this context is defined as people that affiliate to a whanau, hapū, Iwi, mana whenua groups

the Committee into those where it provides advice and recommendations, and those where decision making powers would be delegated.

### **Key responsibilities – advice and recommendations**

- 1) Participation
  - a) Develop pathways (and processes) that will achieve lasting and meaningful relationships between Māori and Council.
  - b) Ensure the views of Māori are taken into account.
  - c) Recommend ways to develop Council capacity
  - d) Recommend ways to develop Māori capacity to contribute to decision making processes
  - e) Governance oversight of initiatives, Te Karearea budget and resourcing to build capacity (both Council and Māori) and deliver on the Terms of Reference
  - f) Provide for equitable participation
- 2) Direction
  - a) Identify strategic priorities for the partnership
  - b) Provide advice on topics referred by Council and Māori
  - c) Advice to, and relationships with, other committees of Council
  - d) Recommendations on harbour and waterway matters (within the jurisdiction of WDC)
  - e) Advice and recommendations on 3 Waters and flood protection infrastructure
  - f) Oversight and advice on central government reform initiatives relating to strategic priorities of the partnership and Te Ao Māori including, but not limited to, three waters reform
  - g) Provide advice and recommendations on key strategic policies, plans and projects of Council, including but not limited to growth strategies, the Long Term Plan and the District Plan
  - h) Information sharing / discussions on Treaty Settlement processes and potential co-governance opportunities (where appropriate)
  - i) Identify matters of significance to Māori that may require joint positions/advocacy with external agencies (i.e. co-governance) or recommendations to Council
  - j) Recommendations on Maori Representation (i.e. under the Local Electoral Act)
- 3) Assurance
  - a) Develop a workplan and strategy log to monitor input to, and decision making/progress on, strategic priorities identified by the Committee
  - b) Monitor and advise on council's compliance with its legislative obligations to Māori, including under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991.
  - c) Receive and consider audit reports on Council's compliance with its legislative obligations
  - d) Monitor and ensure that appropriate action is being taken
  - e) Monitor and assess the primary partner relationship against its vision and mission
  - f) Monitoring compliance with statutory provisions that refer to Te Tiriti o Waitangi (the Treaty of Waitangi), including providing oversight of key processes and controls

### **Key Responsibilities – under Delegated authority**

- 1) Establishing Audit Processes for statutory provisions relating to Te Tiriti o Waitangi (the Treaty of Waitangi).
- 2) Establishing Council processes and templates for Mana whakahono ā rohe Agreements and Iwi/Hapu Environmental Management Plans
- 3) Developing a Te Ao Maori framework for decision making
- 4) Establishment of working parties or steering groups
- 5) Nominating hapū representatives to any Council committee, joint committee or working group (as required, noting that nominations to Council Committees or Joint Committees must then be appointed by full Council)
- 6) Developing collaborative relationships on strategic priorities/areas of focus

## Item 4.1



## Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, 29 October, 2020  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Council Chamber  
 Forum North, Rust Avenue  
 Whangarei

### In Attendance

Cr Phil Halse (Chairperson)  
 Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai  
 Cr Gavin Benney  
 Cr Ken Couper  
 Cr Greg Innes  
 Cr Anna Murphy  
 Cr Carol Peters  
 Cr Simon Reid  
 Delaraine Armstrong  
 Jade Kake  
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 Jared Pitman  
 Mira Norris  
 Aorangi Kawiti  
 Deborah Harding  
 Len Bristowe

### Scribe

N. Pestana (Team Leader Democracy)

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### 1. Karakia/Mihi

*Aperahama Edwards opened the meeting with a karakia. Mihi led by Andre Hemara. Response by Len Bristowe.*

### 2. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest made.

### 3. Apologies

Aorangi Kawiti (late arrival).

**Moved By** Cr Gavin Benney

**Seconded By** Cr Ken Couper

That the apology be sustained.

**Carried**

#### **4. Introductions / Whakawhanaungatanga**

*Aorangi Kawiti joined the meeting at 9.24am during the introductions / whakawhanaungatanga.*

#### **5. Decision reports**

##### **5.1 Te Karearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Meeting Schedule**

**Moved By** Jade Kake

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee;

1. Confirms the November and December 2020 meeting dates are as follows:

- Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Marae based hui - 18 November 2020.
- Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee - 9 December 2020.

1. Confirms the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee will meet bi-monthly on the third Wednesday of every month.
2. Confirms the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership marae based hui will take place bi-monthly on the alternate third Wednesday of every month.
3. Notes that the Council meeting schedule will be updated to include both the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee and marae based hui meeting dates.

**Carried**

##### **5.2 Hapu Nominations - Joint Climate Change Adaptation Committee**

**Moved By** Cr Carol Peters

**Seconded By** Deborah Harding



That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee endorses the hapū nominations made by Te Huinga to the Joint Climate Change Adaptation Committee being:

- Delaraine Armstrong – as the primary member; and
- Rosie Wellington – as the alternate member.

**Carried**

## **6. Information reports**

### **6.1 Inaugural Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Committee**

**Moved By** Her Worship the Mayor

**Seconded By** Cr Carol Peters

That Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee note the report.

**Carried**

### **6.2 Strategic work programme**

**Moved By** Delaraine Armstrong

**Seconded By** Cr Anna Murphy

That Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee notes the report.

**Carried**

*Cr Benney left the meeting at 10.36am during discussions on Item 6.2.  
Cr Benney re-joined the meeting at 10.46am during discussions on Item 6.2.*

*Cr Murphy left the meeting at 10.54am during discussions on Item 6.2.  
Cr Murphy re-joined the meeting at 10.56am during discussions on Item 6.2.*

*A break was taken from 11.15am to 11.25am.*

### **6.3 Elections 2022 - Maori representation**

**Moved By** Cr Carol Peters

**Seconded By** Delaraine Armstrong

That the Te Karearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee:

1. Notes the process for Council to consider Māori representation through establishment of Māori ward(s); and

2. Recommends that Council consider introducing Māori representation for the 2022 and 2025 Local Government Elections through the establishment of Māori ward(s); and
3. Notes that Councillors need to keep an open mind on this matter.

**Carried**

**7. Public excluded**

There was no business concluded in public excluded.

**8. Closure of Meeting - Karakia**

*Andre Hemara closed the meeting with a karakia.*

The meeting concluded at 12.28pm.

Confirmed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020

Cr Phil Halse (Chairperson)

## Item 4.2



## Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Hui Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, 18 November, 2020  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Ngunguru Marae  
 Waiotoi Road  
 Ngunguru

### In Attendance

Len Bristowe (Hapū mandated  
 Chairperson)  
 Cr Phil Halse  
 Cr Ken Couper  
 Cr Greg Innes  
 Cr Anna Murphy  
 Cr Carol Peters  
 Cr Simon Reid  
 Delaraine Armstrong  
 Jade Kake  
 Tame Te Rangi  
 Jared Pitman  
 Mira Norris  
 Aorangi Kawiti  
 Deborah Harding

### Not in Attendance

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai  
 Cr Gavin Benney

### Scribe

N. Pestana (Team Leader, Democracy)

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**Also present:** Whangarei District Council - Rob Forlong (Chief Executive), Dominic Kula (General Manager Strategy and Democracy), Aperahama Edwards (Manager Maori Relationships), Pam Jenkinson (Project Manager Corporate Planning).

### 1. Karakia/Mihi

Aperahama Edwards.

Jared Pitman, Len Bristowe and Tame te Rangi responded.

## 2. Apologies

Taipari Munro, Her Worship the Mayor, Rosie Wellington, Cr Gavin Benney.

**Moved By** Delaraine Armstrong

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That the apologies be sustained.

**Carried**

## 3. Introductions (Whakawhanaungatanga)

## 4. Community Forum (Hui a Hapori)

- **Cr Anna Murphy** – the Tangata whenua from Whananaki have requested details of their hapū representative. Aperahama Edwards advised that the interim Te Huinga representative for Whananaki is Cilla Moore.
- **Aorangi Kawiti** – requested support for the NSPS (Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society) petition to Council to change the bylaw to prohibit vehicles driving on the estuary and ocean beaches in the Ngunguru Sandspit Scenic Reserve.

### **Discussion**

- **Aorangi Kawiti** – the biggest culprits are the locals. There is some signage, mostly around pā, to inform people. The aim is to inform people. The bylaw will enable Tangata whenua to talk to people with the backing of a bylaw.
- **Cr Ken Couper** - enforcement of a bylaw will be difficult because there is no manpower to support.
- **Rob Forlong** – there are issues all around the district. Bylaws are not always effective because by the time enforcement officials get there, the offenders have left. There are multiple ways of doing things, placing a rāhui is quite powerful.
- **Cr Anna Murphy** – generally the process would be for the community to present a petition to Council to consider when we do review of speed laws. Dominic Kula advised that the process for this will be confirmed with NTA and added to the action log.
- **Aorangi Kawiti** – husband was in an accident with Council's rubbish truck. Rubbish truck drivers drive recklessly on small rural roads. Dominic Kula advised that the issue will be included on the action log to investigate and track.
- **Tame Te Rangi** – would like some clarification around roles and functions of Te Kārearea, Te Huinga, and Elected Members.

### **Discussion**

- **Delaraine Armstrong** – A lot of energy was put into setting up the standing committee in a very short timeframe. As a result, there hasn't been an

opportunity to work on the synergy between Te Kārearea, Te Huinga and hapū. The hapū members are going to meet as hapū members and with Te Huniga to discuss this. This is something that will evolve and grow.

- *Cr Phil Halse* – meetings on marae and community input are important. Ideally Te Huinga and Te Kārearea should be work alongside each other. Suggests that Te Huinga decides what information to bring to Te Kārearea for Te Kārearea to decide which issues to focus on.
- *Delaraine Armstong* – agrees that Te Huinga and Te Kārearea members should agree an agenda to bring to Te Kārearea. There is a problem in having two secretariats, one from council and one for Te Huinga, we need to create a link.

## 5. Reports

### 5.1 Approach to LTP 2021 – 2031

- Dominic Kula summarised the LTP process, including the priorities, investment required and constraints. This is a challenging process. Conversations with and feedback from Te Kārearea over the last three years, captured in the action plan includes:
  - Increased funding for toilets at programme level
  - There has been a change to the definitions of community halls to include marae and an increase in funding
  - Increased funding for road sealing / road maintenance.

#### **Discussion**

- *Cr Phil Halse* – it is important to get Te Kārearea's views on the key points in the LTP, prior to adoption of the plan. The best way to get something in the plan is to provide a solution.
- *Mira Norris* – what is included in transportation? Dominic Kula advised that this is a mix of Council's core business to keep the district running and then additional transportation projects e.g. sealing of rural roads is a key priority, cycleways, slow streets programme and the CBD.
- *Mira Norris* – why is the Port a priority? Dominic Kula explained that elected members set their priorities in November and endorsed these priorities in February. At that stage, this was viewed as a priority. The decision has been delayed, however Council will take an advocacy approach.
- *Jade Kake* – will there be an opportunity for hapū consultation before the LTP goes out for consultation? Rob Forlong advised that discussions on the draft LTP with hapū will be held from December.
- *Cr Peters* – can Te Kārearea have insights into budget provisions? Dominic Kula advised that an update on where Council is at with the budget can be put on the agenda for the December Te Kārearea meeting.

- *Delaraine Armstrong* – has the description of marae changed in terms of the building requirements as marae are classed as commercial? Dominic Kula replied that this is not part of the LTP process and is a separate rating exercise.
- *Tame Te Rangi* – there is a need to align the requirements of community halls and marae as far as what they are and what they provide. Marae are charged commercial rates e.g. electricity and are struggling because of this. There is an opportunity to strengthen the network of marae in the district.
- *Cr Phil Halse* explained the upgrade programme for community halls. This could work for marae as well.

## 5.2 Three Waters Report Update - November 2020

**Moved By** Delaraine Armstrong

**Seconded By** Cr Anna Murphy

That the Chief Executive invite the Honourable Minister Nanaia Mahuta to have a discussion on Three Waters with the Te Kārearea Standing Committee.

**Carried**

- Rob Forlong provided an update on the Government's Three Waters Service Delivery Reform programme. The programme only includes potable water, wastewater and stormwater, although there is some indication that stormwater will be excluded. The Crown is not interested in water ownership.

### **Discussion**

- *Delaraine Armstrong* –this is a big discussion for Māori as Tangata whenua but Māori are not at the table. Rob Forlong replied that he has advised the Crown that they need to talk to hapū, the Crown has spoken to iwi but this is a conversation that iwi and hapū need to have with the Crown and Minister Mahuta.
- *Aorangi Kawiti* – cannot exclude Māori. In pā, three waters were separated into three distinct areas, the models that really work are based on tikanga māori, if only people would use them.
- *Cr Phil Halse* – the issue around ownership of water is not something Te Kārearea can do something about. The key aspect relates to local democracy. We need to have discussions within this forum, and we need to negotiate for local government and local democracy, we need to be at the table, and need to demand that we are part of and have a role in this regional structure.
- *Jared Pitman* – what does Council want from Māori in Te Tai Tokaerau in respect of Three Waters?
- *Delaraine Armstrong* – at the last Te Huinga meeting, one of the issues raised was whether to engage a technician to do some work on Three Waters to be able to feed in Te Ao Māori views.

- *Cr Simon Reid* – cannot see the status quo being maintained, up to Northlanders to tie together and put all our infrastructure together.
- *Cr Ken Couper* – we are well placed to comply with the new standards. Elected members have to consider how best to spend ratepayer's money.
- *Cr Greg Innes* – Council has requested funding from central government to look at options and have been given that funding.
- *Cr Phil Halse* proposed that a Three Waters working party be established but noted that the Committee couldn't make a decision on this working party on Marae. Elected members on the working party could be Cr Greg Innes, Cr Phil Halse and Cr Ken Couper. Cr Halse suggested that the Minister be invited to speak to Te Kārearea. Further discussion on how we work together to be had in December.
- *Delaraine Armstrong* – advised that hapū members would need to take this away and consider alongside the discussion of the relationship between Te Huinga and Te Kārearea. Any names would come out of that process.

## 6. Other Business

- *Cr Murphy* – we can apply for funding for a dry toilet in Matapouri, she would be interested to know whether Te Huinga would support Council to get this money.
- *Mira Norris* - there is an issue at Poroti where the marae applied for a resource consent in October which they have now withdrawn because Council and the Mangakahia Water Board were going to object to their authority to draw water from their own land. This is relevant to Three Waters, how can we work together if we are opposing each other?

## 7. Closure of Meeting - Karakia

Len Bristowe, Aperahama Edwards

Confirmed this 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Councillor Phil Halse (Chairperson)





## 5.1 Action Log Update December 2020

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee  
**Date of meeting:** 9 December 2020  
**Reporting officer:** Dominic Kula (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

To brief the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee on the actions undertaken by Council for queries brought up at previous meetings in the attached Action Log.

### 2 Recommendation

That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee note the attached Action Log.

### 3 Background

Queries from previous the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee meetings are added to the Action Log with Council updating actions.

### 4 Significance and engagement

The decisions or matters of this Agenda do not trigger the significance criteria outlined in Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, and the public will be informed via Agenda publication on the website.

### 5 Attachments

Action Log



Contact	Task	Action taken	Date logged	Date closed	Status
Aorangi Kawiti	Support required for the NSPS (Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society) petition requiring WDC to change the bylaw to prohibit vehicles driving on the estuary and ocean beaches in the Ngunguru Sandspit Scenic Reserve.	Checking with NTA on the process for this.	11/18/2020		Pending
Aorangi Kawiti	Husband was in an accident with Council's rubbish truck.	Health and Safety Incident report logged	11/18/2020		Pending
Request -Te Kārearea hui	Provide feedback on how WDC works with NTA	NTA overview to be scheduled for the new year	11/18/2020		Pending
Resolution - Te Kārearea hui	Chief Executive to invite Minister Nanaia Mahuta to have a discussion on Three Waters with the Te Kārearea Standing Committee	Initial discussions with government officials have had a positive response and a letter is being drafted for sign off by hapū and Council Chairs.	11/18/2020		Pending



## 5.2 Strategic work programme

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee  
**Date of meeting:** 09 December 2020  
**Reporting officer:** Tony Horton (Manager – Strategy)

### 1 Purpose

To update Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee on future strategic work programme and facilitate discussion of priorities.

### 2 Recommendation

That Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee notes the report.

### 3 Background

Creation of Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee provides an opportunity to work alongside hapu on strategic priorities. At the Inaugural hui staff provided a report outlining:

- the key projects in Council's current strategic work programme
- overview of central government policy and future reforms (to the extent that these are known)

The Report provided an opportunity for discussion of the strategic priorities of the Partners, including how to work together on these.

### 4 Discussion

At the hui the Committee requested that the Strategy work programme become a standing item on the Council based Te Kārearea Agenda.

The attached work programme has been updated to reflect the progress made on the workstreams since the last meeting, with additional information added in response to feedback from Committee members. This has included identifying the key agencies/pathways for delivery.

In addition the District Plan work programme has been removed for this register. Given the scale and importance of the District Plan programme this will become a separate work stream.

## **5 Significance and engagement**

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## **6 Attachment**

1. Strategy work programme

Strategy and Policy Register: November Update			
Growth Management	Description	Timeframes	Delivery
<b>Draft Whangarei District Growth Strategy</b>	Strategic document which outlines the key issues facing our District and how we will respond to those issues. Also aligns with the requirements of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development.	Consultation – underway Adoption – Early 2021 Implementation – ongoing Reviewed every 3 years.	WDC to co-ordinate and monitor delivery. Reported to central government (MfE)  Specific actions will rely on partnership with hapū and collaboration with other stakeholders. E.g. Housing Demand and Capacity Assessment / Future Development Strategy.
<b>Housing Demand and Capacity Assessment</b>	Requirement of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development. Assesses the demand for housing and ability to meet that demand over the next 30 years	First assessment by 31 July 2021.  Reviewed every 3 years.	Multiple stakeholder and partner input: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hapū input on Maori housing / papakianga opportunity</li> <li>• Kāinga Ora/ TPK / MSD on housing needs</li> <li>• Developer input on market housing delivery</li> </ul>
<b>Future Development Strategy</b>	Requirement of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development. Sets out how and where new homes and business will be built.	Programme to begin in 2022  Completed to inform the 2024-34 LTP	WDC to lead delivery and implementation through RMA tools (District Plan)  Development of the strategy to involve hapū partners and follow on from korero in the Housing Demand and Capacity Assessment  Full public consultation required.

<b>Inner city living</b>	Programme to investigate opportunities to enable and encourage more inner-city living opportunities.	Underway and budget contribution in 2020-2021 Annual Plan	WDC to work in collaboration with city centre landowners/developers.  Develop a tool kit/business case to support development in our inner city.
<b>Place based Planning</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timeframes</b>	<b>Delivery</b>
<b>Placemaking Programme</b>	Location specific plans created with the community to set out a 30 year vision. The plan will focus on future housing and development as well as infrastructure provision.	Hikurangi and Tikipunga Plans (Pilot schemes) – Early 2021  Then move through other areas such as Waipu and Parua Bay.	Co-design with the respective communities including the appropriate hapū representation.  Implementation through WDC planning and infrastructure projects.
<b>Waterfront Precinct Plan</b>	The third of the City Centre precinct plans, this focuses on the Hatea and Waterfront areas. It aims to tie together existing projects as well as set direction for the long term.	Consultation – First round underway  Draft and finalise – mid / late 2021	Co-design with the waterfront stakeholders (business and land owners) and partnership input from appropriate hapū representation.  Building on the cultural heritage/landscape work completed for the Complete Streets Masterplan.  Implementation through WDC planning and infrastructure projects as well as private development.
<b>Northland to Auckland Corridor Plan</b>	Central government led spatial plan for the corridor between North Auckland and Whangarei (likely also to include Dargaville). Based on the model	Timeframes not confirmed yet by central government. But likely to start in 2021.	Central government led programme.  Joint governance across Northland councils / iwi and hapū.



	established by the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan.		Implementation delivered through central government agencies such as Waka Kotahi
<b>Climate Change</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timeframes</b>	<b>Delivery</b>
<b>Climate Action Plan</b>	A plan focusing on District wide actions to reduce emissions as well as adaption to a changing climate.	<p>Partner and stakeholder engagement – Underway</p> <p>Wider public engagement – March</p> <p>Finalise and implement through mid 2021</p>	<p>Currently undertaking targeted engagement with hapū, rural and farming community.</p> <p>Wider public input early next year.</p> <p>Community wide implementation. WDC to monitor and report on progress.</p> <p>Some key actions will sit with WDC to implement, but dependant on funding through the LTP.</p>
<b>Climate Change Risk Assessments</b>	Place specific risk assessments, linked to the region-wide programme. The assessments will identify risk and begin an approach with the community to identify solutions.	<p>Dependant on LTP funding.</p> <p>To begin in late 2021</p>	<p>WDC to co-ordinate but it will be align with wider regional approach.</p> <p>Partnership with hapū to inform both the methodology and future implementation.</p> <p>Assessments will be delivered through external technical resources.</p>
<b>Statutory Policy and Bylaws</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timeframes</b>	<b>Delivery</b>
<b>Camping in Public Place Bylaw</b>	Review of the 2017 bylaw to manage freedom camping across the District.	<p>Consultation – complete (27 November)</p> <p>Hearings - December</p>	Implemented through our regulatory team.

		Adoption – Early 2021	Central government funding can assist with tourist related infrastructure and freedom camping ambassadors.
<b>Water supply bylaw</b>	Review of existing 2012 bylaw which protects the supply and quality of water for the District.	Consultation – Mid 2021 Adoption – Late 2021	Implemented and monitored through our water services department.
<b>Trade Waste bylaw</b>	Review of existing 2012 bylaw which regulates the discharge of trade waste to the reticulate waste water network.	Consultation – Mid 2021 Adoption – Late 2021	Implemented and monitored through our waste water department.
<b>Animals Bylaw</b>	Review of existing 2017 bylaw which manages the keeping of animals in urban areas.	Consultation – Mid/ Late 2021 Adoption – Late 2021	Implemented and monitored through our regulatory team.
<b>Corporate Planning</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timeframes</b>	<b>Delivery</b>
<b>2021 – 31 Long Term Plan</b>	Sets out the 10-year plan of programmes and projects as well as the revenue and budget.	Consultation – March 2021 Adoption – June 2021	Implemented by WDC and monitored and reported each year through the Annual Report.  Key delivery mechanism through infrastructure projects and operational programmes of work.  Consultation to included hui with hapū as well as more formal consultation through March 2021.





## 5.3 Approach to LTP 2021 – 2031 Update

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Hui  
**Date of meeting:** 9 December 2020  
**Reporting officer:** Dominic Kula (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

To update Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee and seek feedback on the 2021 – 2031 Long Term Plan.

### 2 Recommendation

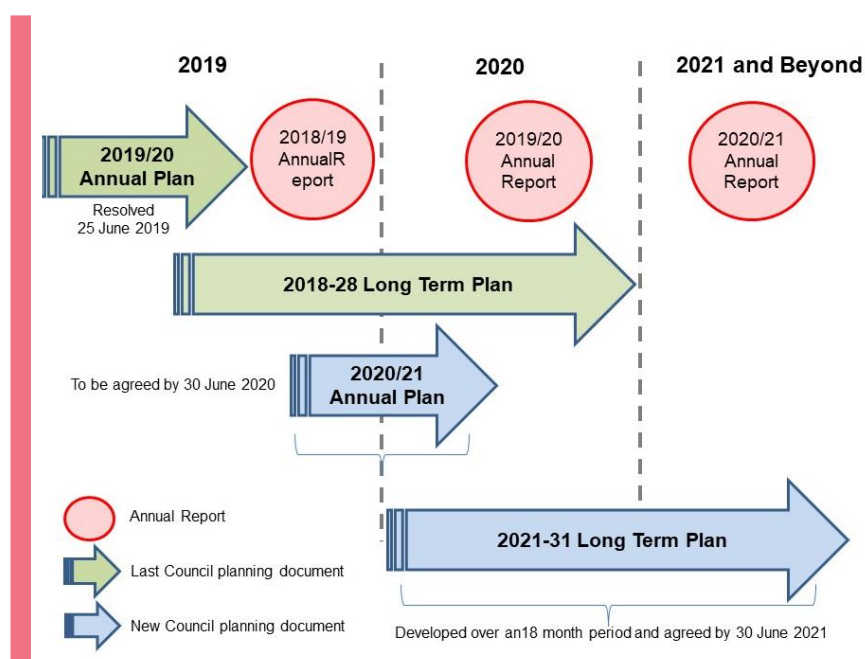
That Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee receives this report.

### 3 Background

The Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) requires Councils to produce a Long Term Plan (LTP) every three years. The LTP outlines activities and priorities for the next ten years, providing a long-term focus for decision-making.

It also explains how work will be scheduled and funded. An Annual Plan is then developed in the years in between with an Annual Report outlining performance at the end of each year.

A summary of the LTP planning cycle is shown below:



Given the importance of the LTP korero with hapū began early, with an initial hui with Te Huinga in September 2019. At that hui staff worked through the process and timelines for the LTP over the next two years. There was also early korero of where strategic priorities may lie, with feedback being sought on how best to engage with hapū.

With local government elections imminent at that point (in October 2019) it was stressed that there would need to be early discussion between hapū and the new Council around both Māori participation in decision making, and strategic priorities leading into the LTP.

## **4 Discussion**

At the November hui staff outlined korero between hapū and Council on the LTP since 2019, including new funding/initiatives included in the draft. An overview of the priorities and funding for the draft plan was provided, along with an overview of the tight statutory timeframes that Council is required to work to.

Key milestones through to adoption of the 2021 – 2031 LTP by 01 July 2021 include:

- Adoption of draft documents for Audit – December 2020
- Audit of draft documents – Dec – Feb 2021
- Consultation document adopted – Feb 2021
- Consultation – March 2021
- Hearings of public submissions – April 2021
- Issues & Options / Deliberations by elected members – May 2021
- LTP 2021 – 2031 Adoption – June 2021

As partners feedback on priorities/aspirations for the 2021 – 2031 LTP was sought, along with how best to engage going forward.

At the hui staff gave a commitment to bring an update on the process, along with an overview of the budget, to the December Te Kārearea meeting.

Further information will be distributed to committee members prior to the hui with a presentation provided on the day.

## **5 Significance and engagement**

The decisions or matters of this Agenda do not trigger the significance criteria outlined in Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, and the public will be informed via the publication of this agenda item on the Council website.

## 5.4 Three Waters Reform Update – December 2020

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Hui

**Date of meeting:** 9 December 2020

**Reporting officer:** Simon Weston (General Manager Infrastructure)  
 Dominic Kula (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

To provide an update on Council's response to the Government's Three Water Reform and seek direction on engagement and collaboration going forward.

### 2 Recommendation

That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee receives this report.

### 3 Background

Over the past three years there has been intense focus on the issues and opportunities facing the system for regulating and managing the three waters (drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater). This has in part been driven by events in Havelock North, and the subsequent 2016 Government Inquiry into Havelock North Drinking Water.

Over that time Council has provided regular updates and Briefings to hapū, notably through hui with Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum. With the creation of a Standing Committee, and given the pace at which reform is moving, this matter has been brought back to Te Kārearea at the earliest possible opportunity.

This has been in addition to, and recognising the limitations of, the Governments processes and engagement on their reform programme. Government engagement has been undertaken predominantly with iwi involving:

- A national iwi reference group for the reform programme;
- Department of Internal Affairs (DIA), Watercare and Auckland Council staff meeting with Te Tai Tokerau iwi and local government Chief Executives (ILGACE) to outline the DIA's proposal on 10 November 2020; and
- A separate programme/process for the Government to consider rights and interests in water (including ownership of water).

At this meeting staff will provide a presentation/update following on from the report provided at the 18 November 2020 meeting, seeking feedback and direction on the mechanisms and pathways to work together on this kaupapa.

## 4 Discussion

The agenda for the November Te Kārearea hui provided a comprehensive overview of the Government's Three Water Service Delivery Reform programme, with an emphasis on the timelines and funding decisions currently before Council (as defined by the Delivery Plan submitted to the Department of Internal Affairs).

Unfortunately, the General Manager Infrastructure was not able to attend the November hui. Given this, the Committee's desire for a visit from the Minister, and the korero around mechanisms for input and developments since that time a further update was proposed for December.

This Item will broadly cover the options for collaboration on the three waters, before outlining relevant funding secured from Government.

It will be supported by a presentation to the Committee which will provide an in depth overview of the three waters reform programme (and workstreams covering Council's response) before seeking direction on options for engagement and collaboration going forward.

### 4.1 Options for engagement and collaboration

It must be stressed that this reform programme has been instigated and driven by central government. While both hapū and council can advocate for outcomes, all decisions will be made by the government.

Given the scale of this kaupapa, and the significance to both partners, there was extensive korero on options for collaboration at the November hui. While a working party was one avenue raised, discussion also centred on the need for technical input from hapu, and the fact that this issue was not limited to the Whangarei District.

Given the importance of the matter to the committee (and beyond) a summary of potential options for engagement and collaboration going forward has been provided in the table below.

Option	Benefits	Requirements
Standing item for Te Kārearea	Provides a forum for korero and direction Provides for the involvement of all committee members Alignment to other committees of Council (notably Infrastructure) through councillors involvement in those committees	Falls under existing ToR
Three waters working group	Provides a dedicated workstream for the three waters Potential for more focussed discussion/direction (i.e. 6 members rather than 14)	Clear terms of reference covering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purpose of the working group</li> <li>• Delegations</li> <li>• Budget/remuneration</li> <li>• Conflict management</li> <li>• Reporting and alignment (i.e. back to Te Karearea/other committees)</li> </ul>
Technical input / workstreams	Could support engagement and the development of a hapu perspective/position Potential for 'technical input through a cultural lens' Invaluable to ensuring that any council workstreams take into account the views/values of Maori	Scope definition Procurement/engagement of appropriate practitioners Contract/mana enhancing agreement Conflict and role management



Broader engagement	Likely to support the above options by providing for broader involvement and engagement in the kaupapa once a workprogramme (and potentially joint perspective) has been formed	An engagement plan with associated budget
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While not an exhaustive list, and the options are not necessary mutually exclusive, it is hoped that this will generate discussion and provide direction to staff.

#### 4.2 Government funding of Projects with Special Interest to Iwi and Hapū

All projects within the Delivery Plan to the Department of Internal Affairs must be started before 31 March 2021; and must be completed by 31 March 2022. The projects are managed as a single programme, where funding stays within the programme and can be reallocated across the projects as necessary by the Programme Director.

Within the Delivery Plan there are 3 approved projects of special interest to Iwi and Hapū which are explained below. All three projects received funding for delivery across the region.

Although Council holds the funding for these projects, it is envisaged that delivery will be through collaborative partnerships with Iwi/Hapū (as appropriate to the situation), that Iwi/Hapū will have an active role in the projects and may provide specialists or experts to do some of the work.

Governance, resourcing and delivery planning for the individual projects is yet to be determined. The Te Ao Māori Decision Making Framework is specifically referenced in the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Standing Committee Terms of Reference. While the governance of the projects within Whangarei District aligns to the Committee, there will need to be a regional perspective with a governance and reporting structure agreed with other councils, iwi and hapu.

##### Iwi/Māori Engagement in 3 Waters Reform for Northland

This is for engagement beyond that undertaken by the Government, recognising that Councils have specific partnerships or relationships with the Iwi/Māori in their Districts or Regions.

It was identified that during the process of investigating reform options for Northland (another project in the list) there was going to be a need for engagement with Northland's Iwi/Māori. It is envisaged that this funding would allow for facilitated hui with established leadership forums plus expert cultural advice relating to how Iwi/Māori could be included in future a 3 Waters entity in decision-making and/or advisory capacities. Funding for this work is \$50,000.

##### Te Ao Māori Decision Making Model

Within the Climate Change Action Plan, the need for a Te Ao Māori Decision Making Framework was identified as a top priority. Climate Change will have a significant impact on 3 Waters, and as such this work is urgent to assist to inform policy and planning decisions.

Policy and planning of 3 Waters infrastructure and many other areas of Council responsibility are of special interest to Iwi/Māori and as such would benefit from a consistent approach to decision making that takes into account Te Ao Māori, the Māori worldview. This work fits has an available budget of \$100,000.

##### Northland Mātauranga Māori Report and GIS Data Capture

The need for capture of Mātauranga Māori, Māori knowledge, in a consistent and easily accessible format has been desired for some time by Iwi/Hapū and Councils alike to inform policy, planning and infrastructure project decisions. Discreet pieces of work have been done or are currently in progress. Funding for this work is \$150,000.

The Tane Whakapiripiri report identified mātauranga as one of the five central themes where work is needed to increase capacity of Iwi and Hapū through the use of new tools and information to take part in all aspects of environmental and resource planning decisions. Particular focus is on the Resource Management Act, where Mātauranga Māori can actively inform the 3 Waters aspects of environmental, resource and infrastructure planning.

The Tane Whakapiripiri report also identified Resourcing and Relationships as central themes where improvement is needed. By providing some resources and the opportunity to build relationships through funding and delivery of this project, some progress can be made towards implementing the recommendations of Tane Whakapiripiri.

## **5 Significance and engagement**

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**RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

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:

1.	The making available of information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of persons who are the subject of the information. {Section 7(2)(c)}
2.	To enable the council (the committee) to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage commercial negotiations. {(Section 7(2)(i))}.
3.	To protect the privacy of natural persons. {Section 7(2)(a)}.
4.	Publicity prior to successful prosecution of the individuals named would be contrary to the laws of natural justice and may constitute contempt of court. {Section 48(1)(b)}.
5.	To protect information which is the subject to an obligation of confidence, the publication of such information would be likely to prejudice the supply of information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied. {Section 7(2)(c)(i)}.
6.	In order to maintain legal professional privilege. {Section 2(g)}.
7.	To enable the council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations {Section 7(2)(i)}.

**Resolution to allow members of the public to remain**

If the council/committee wishes members of the public to remain during discussion of confidential items the following additional recommendation will need to be passed:

**Move/Second**

"That \_\_\_\_\_ be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of his/her/their knowledge of Item \_\_\_\_\_.

This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed, is relevant to that matter because \_\_\_\_\_.

*Note:*

*Every resolution to exclude the public shall be put at a time when the meeting is open to the public.*