

## **Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Thursday, 22 April, 2021  
**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 Simon Reid

**Not in Attendance**

Cr Anna Murphy  
Cr Carol Peters

**Scribe**

Danielle Garner (Trainee Democracy  
Adviser)

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### **1. Karakia/Prayer**

Cr Golightly opened the meeting with a karakia.

### **2. Declarations of Interest**

Item 6.1 - Update on management of Northland Event Centre

### **3. Apologies**

Cr Peters and Cr Murphy.

**Moved By** Cr Tricia Cutforth

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That the apologies be sustained.

**Carried**

#### **4. Public Forum**

There were no public forum speakers at this meeting.

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

##### **5.1 Minutes Whangarei District Council 25 March 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Gavin Benney

**Seconded By** Cr Simon Reid

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on Thursday 25 March 2021, 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. Decision Reports**

##### **6.1 Update on management of Northland Events Centre**

**Moved By** Her Worship the Mayor

**Seconded By** Cr Jayne Golightly

That Council:

1. Notes that the establishment of a new trust will be subject to consultation as part of the 2021 – 2031 Long Term Plan Consultation Document.
2. Approves the Trustee Recruitment Process for Expressions of Interest.
3. Appoints the Deputy Mayor to the selection panel.
4. Delegates General Manager Strategy and Democracy to make any changes required to the Trustee Recruitment Process prior to calling for Expressions of Interest.
5. Notes that if Council decides not to proceed Council with a new Trust following consultation Expressions of Interest could be used

for upcoming appointments to the Northland Events Centre Trust, or the process abandoned.

**Carried**

*Cr's Cutforth and Cocurullo requested their vote against be recorded.*

*Declarations of Interest:*

*Cr's Halse and Benney declared their interests as Chairperson and Council appointed trustee of the Northland Event Centre Trust.*

## **7. Information Reports**

### **7.1 Financial Report for the 9 months ending 31 March 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Shelley Deeming

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Martin

That the Council notes the operating results for the nine months ending 31 March 2021.

**Carried**

### **7.2 Capital Projects Report for 9 Months ending March 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Phil Halse

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That the Council notes the Capital Projects Report for the nine months ending 31 March 2021.

**Carried**

## **8. Public Excluded Business**

**Moved By** Cr Greg Martin

**Seconded By** Cr Simon Reid

“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	Bad Debts for write off	Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows:

Item	Grounds	Section
1.1	To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it or the subject of the information.	Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

**Carried**

## **9. Closure of Meeting**

The meeting concluded at 9:27am.

Confirmed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)