

## Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, 26 August, 2021  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Virtual Meeting Room

**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)

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### Administrative matters

Her Worship covered the following administrative matters:

- Protocols during meeting
- Meeting live streamed
- Members use of devices to view agendas
- Declarations of interest

#### 1. Karakia/Prayer

Cr Golightly opened the meeting with a prayer/karakia.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

Item 7.1 – Exemptions for Council Controlled Organisations

#### 3. Apologies

There were no apologies.

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

Public Forum speaker Robin Lieffering deferred speaking to the 23 September Council meeting due to the Covid19 restrictions.

#### **5. Representation Review 2021 - Submission on the Initial Proposal**

##### **5.1 Submission on Representation Review 2021 Initial Proposal**

The submitter decided not to comment further on her written submission.

#### **6. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings of the Whangarei District Council**

##### **6.1 Minutes Whangarei District Council Meeting held 22 July 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Carol Peters

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on Thursday 22 July, 2021, including the confidential section, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.

**Carried**

##### **6.2 Minutes Extra ordinary Whangarei District Council meeting held 13 July 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Ken Couper

That the minutes of the Extra ordinary Whangarei District Council meeting held on Tuesday 13 July 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**

##### **6.3 Minutes Whangarei District Council Meeting held 17 August 2021**

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Simon Reid

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on Tuesday 17 August 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**

*Item 7.2 was taken after Item 6.3.*

*Item 7.1 was taken after Item 7.2.*

## 7. Decision Reports

### 7.1 Exemptions for Council Controlled Organisations

**Moved By** Cr Simon Reid

**Seconded By** Cr Jayne Golightly

That the Council

1. Resolves to exempt Springs Flat Contractors Limited as an organisation exempted under Section 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 for three years ending on 25 August 2024.
2. Resolves to exempt Whangarei Waste Limited as an organisation exempted under Section 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 for three years ending on 25 August 2024.
3. Resolves to exempt Northland Events Centre Trust as an organisation exempted under Section 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 until the organisation has been wound up.

**Carried**

*Declarations of Interest:*

*Crs Halse and Benney declared their interests in regards to Item 7.1 as Council appointed representatives to the Northland Events Centre Trust.*

*Cr Martin declared his interest in regards to Item 7.1 as the Council appointed representative to Whangarei Waste Limited.*

### 7.2 Norfolk Avenue, Reotahi - Reserve Classification

**Moved By** Cr Phil Halse

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That the Council:

1. Resolve to classify Part Lot 40 Deeds 863 as Local Purpose (Access) Reserve.
2. Delegate to the Chief Executive the responsibility to provide notice of this classification to the Commissioner under s16(2B) of the Reserves Act and undertake to provide notice of this classification in the Gazette.
3. Delegate to the Chief Executive the negotiation and approval of access easements across Part Lot 40 Deeds 863 and Lot 15 DP58030 with the affected landowners.

**Carried**

### 7.3 Lease to Whangarei Cruising Club Kissing Point

**Moved By** Cr Ken Couper

**Seconded By** Cr Carol Peters

That the Council approves the lease of 2329m<sup>2</sup> being part Section 9 SO 449132, including the land containing the clubhouse to Whangarei Cruising Club for a further ten-year term and community use rental currently \$510/annum.

**Carried**

### 7.4 Recommendation for increase in contract value of Contract CON17085 – Whangarei North Road Maintenance and Renewals

**Moved By** Cr Nicholas Connop

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Martin

That the Council

1. Approves the contract value, for Con17085 Whangarei North Road Maintenance and Renewals Contract, to be increased by the sum of \$11,886,500 and the total contract value increased to \$48,887,207.36 exclusive of GST.

**Carried**

### 7.5 Temporary Road Closure - Whangarei Christmas Parade 2021

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Carol Peters

That Whangarei District Council,

1. Approves the proposal to temporarily close the following roads to ordinary traffic for the Whangarei Christmas Parade on Saturday the 27 November 2021, in accordance with the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965.

**Wood Rd/ Albert Street.** Rolling closure from intersection to Clyde St/Cameron St Intersection.

**Clyde Street.** Restricted speed limit from Tony's Tyres to Albert St intersection to enable walking entries assembly then join parade.

**Cameron Street.** Rolling closure Cameron St over Walton St intersection to the Mall.

**James St.** Full closure from 7.00am to 2.00pm for finishing Xmas Parade.

The roads indicated with green arrows on the attached map will be a rolling parade, traffic management approval for these will be managed through the Whangarei District Council Roading Department.

2. 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**

## **7.6 Development of 8-10 Dent Street**

**Moved By** Cr Tricia Cutforth

**Seconded By** Cr Carol Peters

That Council approves the marketing of the properties at 8 and 10 Dent Street and calls for expressions of interest to develop the sites.

The terms of expression of interest being:

- The preferred use be visitor accommodation or medium density residential
- That the flats remain on site until such time as a sale and purchase agreement is reached at which stage the purchaser has the right to demolish or retain them as part of their proposed development.
- Any proposal needs to demonstrate commencement within a 12 month time frame
- The purchaser has a proven track record in the type of development proposed.

### Amendment

**Moved By** Cr Greg Martin

**Seconded By** Cr Simon Reid

That Council:

- 1 Authorise staff to continue to prepare the sites at 8-10 Dent Street for a potential hotel development.
- 2 Authorise funds from the property reinvestment reserve of up to \$150k to cover additional development ready costs.
- 3 Approves the marketing of the property at 8-10 Dent Street and calls for expressions of interest to develop the site.

The terms of expression of interest being:

- The preferred use be visitor accommodation or medium density residential
- The properties be marketed as a whole
- That the flats remain on site until such time as a sale and purchase agreement is reached at which stage the purchaser has the right to demolish or retain them as part of their proposed development.
- Any proposal needs to demonstrate commencement within a 12 month time frame
- The purchaser has a proven track record in the type of development proposed.

*On the amendment being put Cr Martin called for a division:*

	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
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		
<b>Results</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>

**The amendment was Lost (5 to 9)**

**The motion was Carried**

*The meeting adjourned from 10.04am due to poor internet connectivity during the putting of the motion. Voting on the motion was conducted after the meeting resumed at 10.14am.*

## 8. Information Reports

### 8.1 Financial Report for month ending 31 July 2021

**Moved By** Her Worship the Mayor

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Martin

That Council notes the external net debt position and treasury report as at 31 July 2021.

**Carried**

### 8.2 Capital Projects Report - June 2021

**Moved By** Cr Phil Halse

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Martin

That the Council notes the Capital Projects Report for the twelve months ending 30 June 2021.

**Carried**

## 9. Public Excluded Business

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Martin

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 meeting 22 July 2021	Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
1.2	Appointment of Hapu Trustee to Hatea Art Precinct Trust		
1.3	Reappointment of Trustees to Hatea Art Precinct Trust		

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	For the reasons as stated in the open minutes	

1.2	To protect the privacy of natural persons	Section 7(2)(a)
1.3	To protect the privacy of natural persons	Section 7(2)(a)

**Carried**

## **10. Closure of Meeting**

The meeting concluded at 10.31am

Confirmed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2021

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)