

Whangarei District Council Meeting

Agenda

Date: Tuesday, 16 May, 2023

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Council Chamber
Forum North, Rust Avenue
Whangarei

Elected Members: His Worship the Mayor Vince Cocurullo
Cr Gavin Benney
Cr Nicholas Connop
Cr Ken Couper
Cr Jayne Golightly
Cr Phil Halse
Cr Deborah Harding
Cr Patrick Holmes
Cr Scott McKenzie
Cr Marie Olsen
Cr Carol Peters
Cr Simon Reid
Cr Phoenix Ruka
Cr Paul Yovich

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the Whangarei District Council on (09) 430-4200.

1. Karakia/Prayer
2. Declarations of Interest / Take Whaipānga
3. Apologies / Kore Tae Mai
4. Decision Reports / Whakatau Rīpoata
 - 4.1 Annual Plan 2023-24 Hearings and Submissions, 2023-24 Fees and Charges 1
5. Public Excluded Business / Rāhui Tangata
6. Closure of Meeting / Te katinga o te Hui

Recommendations contained in the Council agenda may not be the final decision of Council.

Please refer to Council minutes for final resolution.

4.1 Annual Plan 2023-24 Hearings and Submissions, 2023-24 Fees and Charges.

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Reporting officer: Aaron Taikato – General Manager Strategy and Democracy

1 Purpose / Te Kaupapa

To receive and hear the submissions to the 2023-24 Annual Plan and 2023-24 Fees and Charges.

2 Recommendations / Whakataunga

That the Council:

1. Receive and hear the submissions relating to the Consultation Document for the 2023-24 Annual Plan.
2. Receive and hear the submissions relating to the Statement of Proposal for 2023-24 Fees and Charges.

3 Background / Horopaki

On 30 March 2023 Council adopted the following documents which trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy:

- Annual Plan 2023-24 Consultation Document.
- Statement of Proposal for the 2023-24 Fees and Charges.

These documents have been available to the community for consultation between 5 April 2023 to 5 May 2023 in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002.

Communication of the Consultation Document included:

- WDC “Have your say” web page.
- Three public meetings in Ruakaka, Forum North and Ngunguru.
- Hard copy available from the WDC Forum North and Ruakaka Service Centres.
- Hard copy available at the Central, Kamo, Onerahi and Tikipunga libraries.
- An online Annual Plan 2023-24 webinar with the Chief Executive.
- Advertisements in the traditional press and social media.

Online submissions were accepted via the web page, hard copy submissions were accepted via mail or if returned to the Service Centres or libraries, telephone submissions were accepted via the WDC 0800 and 09 phone numbers and email submissions were accepted when sent to the WDC mailroom, Annual Plan and Fees and Charges email addresses.

4 Discussion / Whakawhiti kōrero

At the close of the consultation period Council had received the following submissions:

Consultation	Submissions	Wish to be heard
Annual Plan	756	64
Fees and Charges	41	7

Copies of submissions received are appended as attachments.

71 submitters wish to be heard. Staff are contacting these submitters to schedule a hearing. A schedule of confirmed submitters wishing to be heard will be provided once processed.

5 Significance and engagement / Te Hira me te Arawhiti

Having considered the Significance and Engagement Policy, hearing submissions for the Annual Plan 2023-24 is considered a step in the process that could result in potentially significant decisions.

Potentially significant decisions were included in the Consultation Document for the 2023-24 Annual Plan. Consultation was undertaken for a month between 5 April 2023 and 5 May 2023.

This item brings the submissions on the consultation back to Council for consideration.

6 Attachments / Ngā Tāpiritanga

Under separate cover – available on council's website

- 1 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume One (Annual Plan)
- 2 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Two (Annual Plan)
- 3 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Three (Annual Plan)
- 4 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Four (Annual Plan)
- 5 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Five (Annual Plan)
- 6 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Six (Annual Plan)
- 7 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Seven (Annual Plan)
- 8 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Eight (Fees and Charges)
- 9 Whangarei District Council – AP23-24 Submission Volume Nine (Cats)

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.