

## Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, 27 September, 2018  
**Time:** 10:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Committee Room 1  
Forum North, Rust Avenue  
Whangarei

**In Attendance**

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai  
(Chairperson)  
Cr Stu Bell  
Cr Gavin Benney  
Cr Crichton Christie  
Cr Vince Cocurullo  
Cr Shelley Deeming  
Cr Sue Glen  
Cr Phil Halse  
Cr Cherry Hermon  
Cr Greg Innes  
Cr Greg Martin  
Cr Sharon Morgan  
Cr Anna Murphy  
Cr Tricia Cutforth

**Not in Attendance**

**Scribe** C Brindle (Senior Democracy Adviser)

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### 1. Karakia/Prayer

Cr Anna Murphy opened the meeting with a karakia/prayer.

### Acknowledgement

The meeting observed a moments silence to acknowledge the passing of Archie Dixon, former Whangarei Returned Services Association Trust chairman.

### 2. Declarations of Interest

Item 6.4 - Recommendation from the Community Funding Committee

### 3. **Apology**

Cr Cutforth (leave of absence)

**Moved By** Cr Greg Innes

**Seconded By** Cr Anna Murphy

That the apology be sustained.

**Carried**

### 4. **Public Forum**

Kim Robinson - Appreciation of Council funding for a 10 week New Zealand Sign Language Course

Sandra McKersey - Adopt a Spot campaign - litter free city

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

#### 5.1 **Minutes Whangarei District Council Meeting held 30 August 2018**

**Moved By** Cr Sue Glen

**Seconded By** Cr Sharon Morgan

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on Thursday 30 August 2018, 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**

#### 5.2 **Minutes Whangarei District Council meeting 11 September 2018**

**Moved By** Cr Greg Innes

**Seconded By** Cr Sharon Morgan

That the minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held on Tuesday 11 September 2018 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 **Adoption of the 2017-2018 Annual Report**

Subsequent to the agenda being circulated the 2017-2018 Annual Report and Annual Report Summary document were distributed separately but within the timeframe specified in LGOIMA.

A supplementary addendum, including minor amendments requested by Audit New Zealand was tabled at the meeting.

**Moved By** Cr Stu Bell

**Seconded By** Cr Anna Murphy

That the Council:

1. Adopts the Annual Report and Summary Annual Report, including the minor amendments tabled at this meeting, for the year ended 30 June 2018;
2. Authorises the Chief Executive to make any minor editing amendments that are required.

**Carried**

## **6.2 Representation Review 2018 - Final Proposal**

Subsequent to the agenda being circulated an addendum providing the maps of the proposed ward boundary changes was distributed separately but within the timeframe specified in LGOIMIA.

**Moved By** Cr Vince Cocurullo

**Seconded By** Cr Cherry Hermon

That Council:

1. Receives this report.
2. Approves the submissions report attached to this report.
3. Resolves, pursuant to section 19N of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and having considered and deliberated on the submissions received, to adopt the initial proposal as the final proposal for the review of representation arrangements for the 2019 and 2022 triennial elections as follows:
  - (i) Whangarei District Council to comprise 13 councillors elected under the ward system, plus the mayor elected at large;
  - (ii) Whangarei District Council be divided into six wards, these being:

**Bream Bay Ward** (two councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-4 deposited with Land Information New Zealand with the exclusion of a small northern area (Smeaton Drive, Acacia

Drive, Wattle Lane area). The proposed new ward boundary is shown on Attachment 1;

**Denby Ward** (three councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-5 deposited with Land Information New Zealand, with the inclusion of a small northern area from the current Hikurangi-Coastal Ward (Dip Road, Georgia Lane, Waipanga Road, Springs Flat Road). The proposed new ward boundary is shown on Attachment 2;

**Hikurangi-Coastal Ward** (two councillors), being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-3 deposited with Land Information New Zealand, with the exclusion a small southern area (Dip Road, Georgia Lane, Waipanga Road, Springs Flat Road). The proposed new ward boundary is shown on Attachment 2;

**Mangakahia-Maungatapere Ward** (one councillor) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-2 deposited with Land Information New Zealand;

**Okara Ward** (four councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-6 deposited with Land Information New Zealand, with the inclusion of a small southern portion (Smeaton Drive, Acacia Drive, Wattle Lane area). The proposed new ward boundary is shown on Attachment 1;

**Whangarei Heads Ward** (one councillor) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on Plan LG-002-2012-W-7 deposited with Land Information New Zealand;

no community boards be established;

- (iii) The reason for the minor ward boundary alterations is to better reflect communities of interest.

- 4. Notes the submissions opposed to the initial proposal be declined on the following grounds:

- having considered the size, nature and diversity of the District, the total number of councillors remains at 13 (plus the mayor);
- the ward system best reflects the District's communities of interest and provides for better representation and councillor workload;

- the Bream Bay Ward name, boundaries and number of councillors remain, as this provides fair and effective representation to this particular community of interest;
  - the issues of the electoral system and Māori wards have been previously considered and are outside of this review;
  - the issues of candidate expenditure limits and the rating system in regard to the central business district are outside of this review;
5. Issues a public notice on 3 October 2018, providing the opportunity for appeals to be lodged in the period 3 October 2018 to 2 November 2018, noting that any appeal received is to be forwarded to the Local Government Commission for determination.

**Carried**

*Cr Bell requested his vote against be recorded.*

### **6.3 Camping in Public Places Bylaw - location of designated sites**

**Moved By** Cr Greg Innes

**Seconded By** Cr Sue Glen

That Council resolves to change the locations of the designated sites within the restricted areas in accordance with clauses 9.2 and 10.2 of the Camping in Public Places Bylaw 2017, as shown in the maps in Attachment 1, located at:

- Whangarei I-site – Tarewa Road
- Tamaterau
- Whananaki North.

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

<b>Recorded</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Stu Bell	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Crichton Christie	X		
Cr Vince Cocurullo	X		
Cr Shelley Deeming	X		
Cr Sue Glen	X		
Cr Phil Halse		X	

Cr Cherry Hermon	X		
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin		X	
Cr Sharon Morgan	X		
Cr Anna Murphy	X		
<b>Results</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
		<b>Carried (11 to 2)</b>	

*Cr Cutforth was absent.*

#### **6.4 Recommendation from Community Funding Committee**

**Moved By** Cr Crichton Christie

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That having considered the recommendation of the Community Funding Committee 11 September 2018; Council

- 1 Approve the allocation of the held-over \$60,000 operating grant to Creative Northland from the Annual Operating Fund 2018-19.

**Carried**

*Declaration of Interest:*

*Cr Morgan declared an interest as council appointed representative on Creative Northland.*

*Secretarial Note: The Chief Executive assured council that a Workshop on the draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy would be scheduled.*

#### **6.5 Partnership Fund**

**Moved By** Cr Cherry Hermon

**Seconded By** Cr Greg Innes

That Council approves the creation of a new community facilities fund and endorses;

1. The name of the fund:
  - Partnership Fund.
2. The purpose of the fund:

- Facilities development through combined community and council contribution. These will predominantly be community buildings with scope for other capital works of tangible/wide community benefit.

3. The scope of the fund:

- Leverage funding (seed capital) to enable applicants to source other funds.  
Capital works funding to complete/ support actual construction/ project completion.

4. The administration of the fund:

- By the Community Funding Committee (within its delegations)
- In accordance with The Partnership Fund – Process Flowchart.

*On the motion being put Cr Murphy called for a division:*

<b>Recorded</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Stu Bell	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Crichton Christie	X		
Cr Vince Cocurullo	X		
Cr Shelley Deeming			X
Cr Sue Glen	X		
Cr Phil Halse	X		
Cr Cherry Hermon	X		
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Cr Sharon Morgan	X		
Cr Anna Murphy	X		
<b>Results</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Carried (12 to 0)</b>			

*Cr Cutforth was absent.*

## 7. Public Excluded Business

**Moved By** Cr Greg Innes

**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	Closed Minutes Whangarei District Council Meeting 30 August 2018	Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
1.2	Appointment to Northland Events Centre Trust		
1.3	Chief Executive's Performance Review 2017/2018 and Annual Review of Remuneration		
1.4	Chief Executive's Performance Goals 2018-2019		

Item	Grounds	Section
1.1	For the reasons as stated in the open minutes	
1.2	To protect the privacy of natural persons including that of a deceased person.	Section 7(2)(a)
1.3	To protect the privacy of natural persons including that of a deceased person.	Section 7(2)(a)
1.4	To protect the privacy of natural persons including that of a deceased person.	Section 7(2)(a)

**Carried**

**8. Closure of Meeting**

The meeting concluded at 12.47pm.

Confirmed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)