

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES



Meeting	Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee
Date and Time	5.30pm, 17 February 2020
Venue	Waiiau Hall, Waiiau
Agenda	https://www.hurunui.govt.nz/find/how-the-council-works/meetings
Members Present	Ken Hughey (Acting Chairperson), Mayor Marie Black, Cr Lynda Murchison, Cr Claire McKay, Josh Dondertman, John Faulkner, Michele Hawke, Julia McLean, John Preece, Makarini Rupene, and Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.
In Attendance	Environment Canterbury (ECan) – Lyn Carmichael (Zone Facilitator), Marco Cataloni, Stephen Bragg, Hurunui District Council – Judith Batchelor (Chief Strategy and Community Officer) Department of Conservation (DOC) – John Benn Hurunui District Landcare Group – Josh Brown Committee Secretary – Michelle Stanley
Karakia	Ken Hughey led the Karakia.
Te Reo Māori: Places in the Zone	Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash led the Committee through a te reo Māori lesson. The following was discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The pronunciation of Waiiau is said like '<u>why owe somebody money</u>'• Mispronunciation of Māori ingoa/names is a common issue. It is important to Māori and their mana to get ingoa/names correct. Using 'nicknames' in a formal setting is not appropriate and a person's full name should be spoken. The Committee practiced pronouncing Nukuroa and Makarini.• Nukuroa reiterated continuing to practice the five vowels.• It was agreed that the Committee work on a simple mihi for the next Zone Committee meeting.
Apologies	Cr Lynda Murchison for early departure at 6.30pm
Conflict of Interest Declarations	The Interest register was considered and John Faulkner, Mayor Marie Black, Ken Hughey and Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash to forward changes to the Secretary. There were no declarations of conflict of interest for this agenda.
Urgent Business	Nil.

Workshop Update

A brief summary on the workshop held prior to this meeting was given by Ken Hughey. The following was noted:

- The Committee worked on a forward plan of where it intends to be over the next 12 months to 3 years.
- The Committee to develop a strategy with holistic approach. There will be a public workshop on this.
- The communication strategy was discussed and the working group is to meet and develop updates to the communication strategy to deliver on the actions agreed in the workshop. .

Minutes

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2020 ARE CONFIRMED, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

- Page 6, Members Present, spelling of Cr Claire McKay.
- Page 6, Te Reo Māori, third paragraph, change to read "... that research **on muscle memory retention** has shown that..."

Hughey/Hawke

CARRIED

Matters Arising/Action Sheet:

Matters Arising 16 September 2019 (page 7)

Clarification was requested from LINZ with respect to its relationship with local iwi. It was noted as a question to follow up with LINZ staff when they are invited back to discuss their biosecurity work programme.

Item 5, Update from Hurunui-Waiapu Zone Committee Wetlands Working Group (page 10 and 11)

It was reported that the action to develop branding for the Wetlands project is still a work in progress. This work to develop wetlands branding is now being undertaken at a regional level. Follow up is sought from Andrew Arps, Zone Delivery.

An update on the 'Sustainable Farming Fund Wetland Project' was requested. Zone Facilitator to request presentation from project leader to upcoming meeting.

Item 6, AIC meeting (page 11)

Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash noted his disappointment that the Zone Committee was not able to make a decision on the AIC enhancement package. The rūnanga had not changed its stance on the package, but Nukuroa felt that the committee could still vote on the package without receiving approval from the Rūnanga.

It was clarified that the message received from AIC was that AIC had received communication directly from Rūnanga stating that they did not support this package.

The zone committee enhancement package working group members noted that AIC are still interested in the package but have put on hold further discussions with the working group until the central government initiatives have been released and the impact of these regulations are understood. AIC have offered to provide bimonthly reports to the Zone Committee on the

‘working beyond audit’ initiative and aspects of the enhancement package that are being actioned.

The membership of the working party was discussed. It was asked if Makarini Rupene would be available to provide support for work that aligned with his role as Pou Mata Ko a. Makarini noted his work and focus was on actions on farm and he would speak to his manager about this suggestion of an additional work stream.

John Faulkner noted that he would have a perceived conflict of interest to continue being a part of the working group and therefore stood down.

The membership of the enhancement package working group was put on hold and would be reconsidered following the delivery of the central government freshwater package and the updated committee vision and strategy.

Action sheet (page 13)

Cultural Discussion of identifying grades of the rivers

It was asked that Officers find the previously circulated report from the Cawthron Institute on the different ‘grades’ of the rivers.

It was clarified that this item was to suggest a paradigm view of how to view the river and did not need to be an action item. It is about the quality of the water as well as the quantity.

Other minor changes were noted on the action sheet.

1. Public Contribution

Nil

2. Election of Officers

Each year, the Zone Committee reappoints a Chair, Deputy Chair and a representative on the Regional Committee.

The Zone Committee is aware that a refresh is due to take place towards the end of 2020 and once the refresh has been completed, another election will be undertaken for a Chair and Deputy Chair.

Chairperson

Ken Hughey stepped back from chairing the meeting for the election of the chair and the Secretary conducted the election process for the Chairperson.

The Secretary called for nominees for Chairperson. The following nominations were received:

- **Ken Hughey** was nominated by Michele Hawke and seconded by Makarini Rupene.
- **Julia McLean** was nominated by Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash and seconded by Josh Dondertman.

No further nominations were received and both nominees indicated their acceptance of the nominations.

The secretary called the nominations closed and informed the committee that a written vote would need to take place. Each member had one vote to be written on a piece of paper and handed to the secretary to be counted alongside Judith Batchelor, Chief Strategy and Community Officer.

THAT THE ZONE COMMITTEE APPROVE MICHELLE STANLEY, COMMITTEE SECRETARY, AND JUDITH BATCHELOR, CHIEF STRATEGY AND COMMUNITY OFFICER, AS SCRUTINEERS.

Murchison/Black

CARRIED

The votes were counted and Ken Hughey was duly elected as the Chair to the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee for 2020.

Deputy Chairperson

Ken Hughey resumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Ken Hughey called for nominations for Deputy Chair. The following nominations were received:

- **Cr Lynda Murchison** was nominated by Mayor Marie Black and seconded by Cr Claire McKay.
- **Julia McLean** was nominated by Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash and seconded by John Preece.

No further nominations were received and both nominees indicated their acceptance of the nominations. Ken Hughey called the nominations closed.

The votes were counted and Cr Lynda Murchison was duly elected as the Deputy Chair to the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee for 2020.

Representative on the Regional Committee

Nominations for representative on the Regional Committee was called for.

- **John Preece** was nominated by Michele Hawke and seconded by Josh Dondertman.

No further nominations were received and John indicated that he is happy to fill this role but noted that he might reconsider with the refresh process.

John Preece was elected as the representative on the Regional Committee.

REPORTS, SPEAKERS AND PRESENTATIONS

3. Hurunui Catchment Project
Josh Brown,
Hurunui District
Landcare Group

Josh Brown, Hurunui District Landcare Group, spoke to his report on the Hurunui Catchment Project.

Three community workshops and a meeting of stakeholders has been held to gather community ideas for a large-scale community project funded through the MPI Extension Services Programme.

Once the ideas from the community and stakeholder meetings are finalised, a project will be designed with expert input and an application will be made to the Extension Services Program.

Josh invited the Zone Committee to provide feedback on the project and to consider what further support the Zone Committee would like to provide.

The following was further noted:

- They are targeting between 300-400 farms.
 - The feedback so far has been diverse but some common themes are showing through namely:
 - Understanding – Regulations, base line and legislation.
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- Pride – Telling their own story, dealing with the impacts of negativity from media and how to turn that around.
- Unity – there is a divide that has developed in the community which the community would like to address.
- A very early draft is to be sent out to stakeholders for review. The draft title is Future Hurunui.

Discussion was held and the following was noted:

- The landowners involved are from all over the Zone.
- Whilst it was noted that mahinga kai and other cultural considerations were not specifically identified within the workshops it was felt by Josh that there is still an opportunity to help landowners with understanding and opportunities.

Cr Lynda Murchison left 6.39pm

- There is to be a workshop prior to the 16 March 2020 meeting to discuss the Zone Committee forward strategy. The Zone Committee extended an invitation to Josh Brown to attend.
- Makarini informed the committee that from early April he will be running mahinga kai workshops throughout the community.

The Zone Committee thanked Josh Brown for his presentation.

4. Update from Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee Wetlands Working Group

Nil.

5. Update from Zone Committee members on other activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the Zone.

The following updates from Zone Committee members on other activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committees outcomes for the zone were received:

- John Preece reported that the Cawthron Institute 'Lakes 380' group have visited and sampled St Annes/Mata kopae Lagoon. Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash reported a concern with the poor water quality of St Annes/Mata kopae Lagoon. ECan officers to report on any monitoring of water quality in St Annes/Mata kopae Lagoon.
- Hanmer Conservation Trust – Ken Hughey is on this trust and attending their upcoming meeting. Ken will provide an update.
- John Preece reported that the field trip to Nigel Gardiners wetland last year was successful and Nigel has been in touch to provide updates on improved biodiversity. Nigel has indicated that he would be happy to have a communication piece done on his wetland. John Preece to forward contact details to the Zone Facilitator.
- It was asked if any progress had been made on the HDC/ECan half share biodiversity officer. It was reported that the Council had not set any funding aside in the current year's annual plan so will need to look at for next year.

6. Zone Facilitator's Report Lyn Carmichael, Zone Facilitator, took her report on the newly formed biosecurity committees as read. The Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee Final Annual report was tabled for the Zone Committees information.

The decision from Plan Change 1 was noted and will go to ECan Council for consideration before being presented to the Zone Committee at the next meeting.

It was reported that the Jed River Catchment Action Group is proposing to do a stream walk to develop an action plan for the Jed River on 16 April 2020. Environment Canterbury will support this initiative with some staff time and the stream walk app. Zone Committee members asked to support with attendance on the day if they are available to do so.

Urgent Business Nil

Meeting concluded The meeting concluded at 6.55pm with a whakamoemiti from Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.

Next meeting 16 March 2020, Waikari Hall.
