

NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber,
36 Water Street, Whangārei, on Wednesday 7 October 2015
commencing at 10 am

Present:

Northland Regional Council

Cr J Bain, Chairman

Cr P Dimery (left meeting 11:35 am, returned 11:42 am)

Kaipara District Council

Mr P Winder

Far North District Council

Cr A Court

Whangarei District Council

Cr G Martin

New Zealand Transport Agency

Mr E Zöllner

In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NRC Transport Manager – Chris Powell

NRC Infrastructure Manager – Graham Nielsen

WDC Roading Manager – Jeff Devine

KDC Roading Manager – Henri Van Zyl

NZTA Safety and Network Performance Manager – Tim Crow

NZTA Principal Transport Planner – Jim Sephton

NRC RTC Secretary – Christine Niblock

NRC Council Secretary – Chris Taylor

Part Meeting

NZTA Communications Manager – Rachel Blundell

NZTA Principal Project Manager – Tom Newsome

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 10:01 am

Apologies (Item 1.0)

There were no apologies

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest (Item 2.0)

The Chairman invited members to make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed. There were no declarations of conflict at this point.

**Supplementary Item for the Regional Transport Committee –
7 October 2015 (Item 2.0A)**

ID: A786862

Report from Governance Support Manager Chris Taylor.

Moved (Martin/Winder)

That as permitted under section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the supplementary information and amended recommendations pertaining to item 5.4 be received.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes – 3 June 2015 (Item 3.1)

ID: A778530

Report from Regional Transport Committee Secretary Christine Niblock.

Moved (Zöllner/Winder)

That the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 3 June 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes – 12 August 2015 (Item 3.2)

ID: A780615

Report from Regional Transport Committee Secretary Christine Niblock.

Moved (Court/Winder)

That the agenda and minutes pertaining to the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 12 August 2015 be noted.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Item 4.2 was addressed prior to Item 4.1

**The 2015–2018 National Land Transport Programme – Northland
(Item 4.1)**

ID: A778535

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell.

Moved (Martin/Winder)

That the report by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, entitled 'The 2015–2018 National Land Transport Programme for Northland', dated 29 July 2015, be received.

Carried

Regional Land Transport Programme 2012–2015 – Funding Uptake (Item 4.2)

ID: A778537

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell.

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

That the report, 'Regional Land Transport Programme 2012–2015 – Funding Uptake' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 29 July 2015, be received.

Carried

Regional Land Transport Programme 2015–2021 – Funding Uptake (Item 4.3)

ID: A778145

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell.

Moved (Winder/Court)

That the report, 'Regional Land Transport Programme 2015–2021 – Funding Uptake' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 10 September 2015, be received.

Carried

Regional Road Safety Update (Item 4.4)

ID: A781870

Report from Transport Projects Officer Ian Crayton-Brown.

Moved (Bain/Court)

That the report 'Regional Road Safety Update' by Ian Crayton-Brown, Transport Projects Officer, dated 22 September 2015, be received.

Carried

Auckland to Whangārei – Briefing on the Pūhoi to Warkworth and North Shore State Highway Improvements (Item 4.5)

ID: A781051

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell.

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

That the report 'Auckland to Whangārei – Briefing on the Pūhoi to Warkworth and North Shore State Highway Improvements' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 21 September, be received.

Carried

Matters arising from Item 4.5:

NZTA Principal Transport Planner, Jim Sephton, provided the presentation 'Connecting Northland', an update on the Auckland to Whangārei corridor, summarising the following key points:

- Initial review completed, next step is a formal business case.
- Current projects include:-
 - Loop Road North (Projected start date end 2017)
 - Springfield to Mata
 - Warkworth to Wellsford RoNS
 - Pūhoi to Warkworth PPP
 - Additional Waitemata Harbour Crossing
 - Additional Western Ring Route projects
- Key elements
- Goals
 - Connecting Northland to Auckland and the Upper North Island
 - Support and encourage economic growth of the North
 - Improve safety, reliability and resilience of the State Highway
- Key Facts
- Progress to date
- Pūhoi to Warkworth designation (fly through)
- Public Private Partnerships (PPP) and PPP Structure
- Key outcomes
 - Safety
 - Predictable journeys
 - Transport agency's reputation
 - High quality asset
- Shortlisted consortia
 - Northlink
 - Northern Express Group
 - Pacific Connect
- Procurement Dates (Target date for PPP contract to be awarded October 2016)

Secretarial note: NZTA Principal Project Manager – Tom Newsome and NZTA Communications Manager Rachel Blundell left at 11:26 pm.

Te Hapua Road and Kimberly Road (Item 5.1)

ID: A781051

Report from Chairman, Regional Transport Committee, John Bain.

Moved (Bain/Court)

1. That the presentation by Councillor John Bain, Chairman Regional Land Transport Committee, on 'Te Hapua Road and Kimberly Road' be received.
2. That as Te Hapua Road falls under the jurisdiction of the Far North District Council, this matter be forwarded to the Far North District Council for their action.
3. That as Kimberly Road falls under the jurisdiction of the Far North District Council, this matter be forwarded to the Far North District Council for their action.

Carried

The New National Speed Management Guide and Proposed Implementation Plan (Item 5.2)

ID: A78542

Report from Regional Road Safety Advisor Auckland and Northland, NZ Transport Agency, Trish Rudolph.

Moved (Court/Martin)

1. That the report 'The New National Speed Management Guide and Proposed Implementation Plan' by Trish Rudolph, Regional Road Safety Advisor Auckland and Northland, New Zealand Transport Agency, dated 29 July 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee approves the request to delay proactive and network-wide speed management (including limit) reviews while the Waikato demonstration project runs over the next 12–15 months.

Carried

Proposal for a Working Group to Compile a Regional Rest Stop Strategy (Item 5.3)

ID: A78545

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell.

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

1. That the report 'Proposal for a Working Group to Compile a Regional Rest Stop Strategy' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, and dated 7 August 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee approve that the NZTA be requested to compile the proposed strategy.

Carried

Regional Transport Committee Membership – Amendment to Terms of Reference (Item 5.4 and Supplementary Item 5.4)

ID: A778280 and A786872

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell and Governance Support Manager Chris Taylor.

Moved (Winder/Court)

1. That the report, 'Regional Transport Committee Membership – Amendment to Terms of Reference' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 10 September 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee note the additional advice regarding appointing Alternate Members to the Regional Transport Committee.

3. That Far North District Council, Whangarei District Council, Kaipara District Council, Northland Regional Council, and the New Zealand Transport Agency each be requested to nominate Alternate Members to represent their organisation in the event that their principal representative is unavailable.
4. That the Northland Regional Council be requested to appoint these nominees as Alternate Members to the Regional Transport Committee.
5. That the Northland Regional Council be requested to make the necessary amendments to the Terms of Reference for the Regional Transport Committee to give effect to these appointments.

Carried

Secretarial note: An amended suite of recommendations were included in the supplementary item to replace those in the original agenda.

CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 12:00 pm.

**NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Environmental Management Committee Meeting
held in the Council Chamber,
Northland Regional Council, 36 Water Street, Whangārei, on
Tuesday 27 October 2015, commencing at 9.30 am

Present:

Northland Regional Council

Cr Joe Carr (Chairman)
Cr Craig Brown (Deputy Chairman)
Cr Bill Shepherd (ex officio)
Cr Paul Dimery
Cr Monty Knight

Whangarei District Council

Cr Tricia Cutforth

Farming Community

Alan Clarkson

Department of Conservation

Ms Sue Reed-Thomas

Māori Interests

Keir Volkerling

Environmental Interest Groups

Martin Hunt

Forest Industry

Geoff Gover

In Attendance:

NRC Staff - Full Meeting:

Group Manager Environmental Services
Chief Executive
Committee Secretary

NRC Staff - Part Meeting:

Group Manager – Regulatory Services
Biosecurity Manager
Compliance Monitoring Manager
Natural Hazards/Rivers Officer
Policy Specialist
Coastal Monitoring Manager
Policy Development Manager
Land Manager
Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager
Resource Management Planning and Policy Manager
Waiora Northland Water Project Manager
Farm Monitoring Manager
Environmental Monitoring Officer – Farm Waste

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 9.30 am.

Apologies

Moved (Brown/Cutforth)

That the apologies from Richard Booth and Ann Court for absence be received.

Carried

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

It was advised that councillors should make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed.

Confirmation of Minutes: Environmental Management Committee Meeting – 31 August 2015 (Item 3.0)

Report from Nola Sooner, Committee Secretary.
A782026

Moved (Brown/Clarkson)

That the minutes of the Environmental Management Committee meeting held on 31 August 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Waioara Northland Water Progress (Item 4.0)

Report from Natalie Blandford, Waioara Northland Water Project Manager.
A780580

Moved (Dimery/Cutforth)

1. That the report 'Waioara Northland Water Progress' by Natalie Blandford, Waioara Northland Water Project Manager, and dated 1 October 2015, be received.
2. That council approve one further community interests' seat on the Ngunguru catchment group.
3. That council approve a Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ seat for the Ngunguru catchment group.
4. That council approve the following additional nominations for the Ngunguru catchment group:

Nominee	Seat
Cr Paul Dimery	Northland Regional Council
Cr Greg Martin	Whangarei District Council
Willie Wright	Northland Conservation Board
Darlene Buckley	Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society
Chris Robertson	Tutukaka Coast Ratepayers and Residents Association
Hayley Sharp and Kristi Henare (alternate)	Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ Inc

Carried

Environment Fund and Farm Water Quality Improvement Plan Update (Item 5)

Report from Duncan Kervell, Land Manager, and Bruce Howse, Group Manager Environmental Services.

A778192

Moved (Brown/Hunt)

That the report 'Environment Fund and Farm Water Quality Improvement Plan Update' by Duncan Kervell, Land Programme Manager, and Bruce Howse, Group Manager Environmental Services, and dated 5 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Soil Conservation Programme Update (Item 6.0)

Report from Duncan Kervell, Land Manager.

A784804

Moved (Carr/Clarkson)

That the report 'Soil Conservation Programme Update' by Duncan Kervell, Land Manager, and dated 2 October 2015, be received.

Carried

River Management Update (Item 7.0)

Report from Joseph Camuso, Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager.

A782834

Moved (Brown/Carr)

1. That the report 'River Management Update' by Joseph Camuso, Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, and dated 28 September 2015 be received.
2. That the minutes of the following River Liaison Committee meetings be received:
 - a. Awanui River Liaison Committee, 9 September 2015; and
 - b. Awanui River Liaison Committee, 24 September 2015.

Carried

Environmental Monitoring for the Period 1–30 September 2015 (Item 8.0)

**Report from Colin Dall, Group Manager Regulatory Services.
A784080**

Moved (Brown/Clarkson)

That the report 'Environmental Monitoring for the Period 1–30 September 2015' from Colin Dall, Group Manager Regulatory Services, dated 2 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Community Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharges – Current Compliance Status (Updated) (Item 9.0)

**Report from Tess Dacre, Compliance Monitoring Manager.
A784964**

Moved (Hunt/Clarkson)

That the report 'Community Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharges – Current Compliance Status (Updated)' from Tess Dacre, Compliance Monitoring Manager, dated 2 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Recreational Swimming Water Quality Programme (Item 10.0)

Report by Colin Dall, Group Manager Regulatory Services and Pania Te Whaiti, Environmental Monitoring Officer - SOE.

A779042

Moved (Carr/Clarkson)

1. That the report 'Recreational Swimming Water Quality Programme', prepared by Colin Dall, Group Manager Regulatory Services, and Pania Te Whaiti, Environmental Monitoring Officer - SOE, dated 24 September 2015, be received.
2. That the programme for 2015/16 as outlined in the report be supported taking into consideration advice received from Mr McBride at the meeting.

Carried

Biosecurity Update (Item 11.0)

**Report from Don Mckenzie, Biosecurity Manager.
A785514**

Moved (Brown/Hunt)

That the report 'Biosecurity Update' by Don Mckenzie, Biosecurity Manager, and dated 2 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Update on Coastal Hazard Assessments for Northland (Item 12.0)

**Report by Bruce Howse, Group Manager Environmental Services, and
Toby Kay, Natural Hazards Advisor.
A784920**

Moved (Carr/Volkerling)

That the report on 'Coastal Hazard Assessments for Northland' by Bruce Howse, Group Manager Environmental Services, and Toby Kay, Natural Hazards Advisor, and dated 5 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Update on Rainfall and Water Resources (Item 13.0)

**Report by Jason Donaghy, Water Resources/Hydrology Manager.
A786083**

Moved (Reed-Thomas/Brown)

That the report 'Update on Rainfall and Water Resources' by Jason Donaghy, Water Resources/Hydrology Manager, and dated 5 October 2015, be received.

Carried

Farm Dairy Effluent Volume Reduction Project (Item 14.0)

**Report by Dennis Wright, Farm Monitoring Manager.
A785170**

Moved (Knight/Clarkson)

That the report 'Farm Dairy Effluent Volume Reduction Project' by Dennis Wright, Farm Monitoring Manager, and dated 5 October 2015, be received.

Carried

MPI – Presentation (Item 15.0)
Report by Nola Sooner, Committee Secretary.
A788142

Moved (Hunt/Clarkson)

That the verbal presentation from Ministry of Primary Industries be received.

Carried

Agenda items for next Environmental Management Committee Meeting – 7 December 2015 (Item 16.0)
Report by Nola Sooner, Committee Secretary.
A790003

Moved (Carr/Brown)

That the Environmental Management Committee members suggest agenda items for inclusion into the agenda for the next Environmental Management Committee meeting on 7 December 2015.

Carried

Conclusion

The meeting closed at 12.42 pm.

ATTACHMENT 1

Consents Decisions and Applications in Process

ID: A794068

The following Resource Consent Decisions have been made since 1 October 2015.

Consent Number	Consent Holder	Consent Description
AUT.001862.01.04	Far North District Council	Kaikohe town supply – Monument Hill and Squire Springs.
AUT.002072.01.04 AUT.002072.02.02	Ōkaihau College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discharge treated wastewater to land. ▪ Wastewater treatment system.
AUT.004509.11.01	Whangarei District Council	Discharge to land – Waipū Wastewater Treatment Plant.
AUT.007286.03.03 AUT.007286.04.03 AUT.007286.06.01	Brooklands Irrigation Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Take water at Kaiwaka. ▪ Take water at Kaiwaka. ▪ Take water at Kaiwaka.
AUT.008385.01.04 AUT.008385.02.02 AUT.008385.03.07 AUT.008385.04.02 AUT.008385.06.02 AUT.008385.09.02 AUT.008385.25.02 AUT.008385.28.02 AUT.008385.45.04	Far North Holdings Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Renewal of marina structures – Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of piled platform for Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of building and offices for Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of boardwalk for Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of fuel pontoon at Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of discharge from marina facilities for Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of removal of algal growth for Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Renewal of signage on building at Ōpua Marina Stage 1. ▪ Section 127 Change – Exclusive occupation for Ōpua Marina Stages 1 and 2.
AUT.009539.01.03 – AUT.009539.02.03	Omata Estates Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discharge from disposal system at Russell. ▪ Air discharge from disposal system at Russell.
AUT.014520.01.02 AUT.014520.02.01	Millpara Avocados Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Groundwater take for irrigation at Far North Road, Kaitāia. ▪ Take groundwater for horticultural irrigation, Paparore.
AUT.029215.02.03 AUT.029215.03.02 AUT.029215.09.02	Paihia Maritime Properties Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Section 127 change to deck structure at Paihia. ▪ Section 127 change to deck for the temporary mooring at Paihia. ▪ Section 127 change to deck extension.
AUT.036864.02.02	Kent Bay Trust	Change to consent for berths at Whangaroa Marina, Kent Bay, Whangaroa Harbour.
AUT.036868.01.01	I A Stanisich	Groundwater take for irrigation of orchard.
AUT.037483.01.01 – AUT.037483.03.01	The Savvy Nights Trust & Trustees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seawall at 62 Estuary Drive, Mangawhai Heads.

Consent Number	Consent Holder	Consent Description
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Earthworks in the riparian management zone. ▪ Vegetation clearance in the riparian management zone.
AUT.037700.01.01 – AUT.037700.04.01	Lakeside Business Park Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sand extraction operation at Marsden Point Road, Ruakākā. ▪ Groundwater take at Marsden Point Road, Ruakākā. ▪ Stormwater discharge at Marsden Point Road, Ruakākā. ▪ Divert stormwater at Marsden Point Road, Ruakākā.
AUT.037929.01.01	Chorus New Zealand Limited	Fibre optic cable in the coastal marine area at Pātua South.
AUT.037987.01.01	Tranquility Retreats Limited	Take groundwater for irrigation at McManus Road, Houhora.
AUT.038020.01.01	F Terry	Bore construction at Okaka Road, Horeke.
AUT.038033.01.01	J I & H D Owen	Bore construction at Kerikeri.

ATTACHMENT 2

CONSENTS DECISIONS AND PROGRESS ON NOTIFIED APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS, OBJECTIONS AND APPEALS

The Group Manager – Regulatory Services summary of resource consent decisions issued since 1 October 2015 is given in Attachment 1.

Progress on notified applications, objections, and appeals is as set out in the following tables:

NOTIFIED APPLICATIONS

Progress on Applications Previously Notified

Applicant	Proposal	Progress
Far North District Council APP.004007.01.03 Lodged: 30/05/2008	East Coast Bays Wastewater Treatment Plant (Taipā) replacement discharge consents	No further progress to report.
Millpara Avocados Limited APP.014520.01.02 Lodged: 31/07/2012 APP.014520.02.01 Lodged: 19/06/2012	Increase in existing groundwater take for avocado irrigation purposes, Paparore, Far North	The council issued a decision to grant consents under delegated authority on 5 October 2015. There were no appeals on the decision.
Far North District Council APP.001862.01.04 Lodged: 13/01/2014	Change to groundwater take consent from Monument Hill for Kaikohe town supply	The council issued a decision to grant consent on 19 October 2015 under delegated authority. There were no appeals on the decision.
Northland Regional Council (Rivers) APP.037356.01.01 Lodged: 15/12/2014	Waima River flood control works	No further progress to report.
Northland Regional Council APP.037643.01.01 Lodged: 13/05/2015	Modifications to Whangatane Spillway Intake	The applicant has resolved issues with submitters to the point where no submitter wishes to be heard.
Kaipara District Council APP.002111.01.02 Lodged 2/01/2012	Replacement consents for Mangawhai stormwater system	Draft conditions to be formulated by the council and circulated to the applicant for discussion. Decision on the application to be made under delegated authority.
I A Stanisich APP.036868.01.01 Lodged: 03/06/2014	New consent to take groundwater for irrigation of proposed avocado orchard, Paparore	The council issued a decision on 8 October 2015 under delegated authority. There were no appeals on the decision.

Applicant	Proposal	Progress
Denise & Company Limited APP.037934.01.01 Lodged: 25/08/2015	Seawall at Whananaki	Three submissions in opposition, all wishing to be heard, were received. The applicant has agreed to an extension of time to enable the Whangarei District Council and Northland Regional Council applications to be jointly heard and decided. The Whangarei District Council has requested further information from the applicant.

Hearings and Decisions

Applicant	Proposal	Date of Hearing	Decision Issued/Comment
Northland Regional Council (Rivers) APP.037334.01.01 Lodged: 4/12/2014	Kerikeri Flood Scheme Diversion	27 May 2015 and 21 August 2015	The Hearing Panel is currently considering and preparing its decision.

APPEALS/OBJECTIONS

Applicant	Proposal	Progress
Poutō Farms Limited APP.021258.01.01 Lodged: 6/08/2008	Flood protection works at Kaihū River	No further progress to report.
Ohana Limited APP.006510.01.03 Lodged: 7/01/2015	Jetty extension in Kerikeri River	A consent order that will resolve an appeal lodged by the applicant is being prepared following Court assisted mediation on 1 October 2015.
Ngāwhā Generation Limited APP.036992.01.01 Lodged: 18/12/2014	Replacement consents for the existing Ngāwhā power station. New consents for the expansion to the power station.	Appeal lodged by Parahirahi C1 Trust against the decision, with Ngati Rangi Development Trust joining the appeal as a section 274 party.