

## NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the council  
held in the Council Chamber, 36 Water Street, Whangārei,  
on Wednesday 7 March 2018, commencing at 10 am

### Present:

Chairman, Bill Shepherd  
Councillors:  
David Sinclair  
Justin Blaikie (*from 10.20 am*)  
Mike Finlayson  
Penny Smart  
Rick Stolwerk  
Joce Yeoman

### In Attendance:

#### Full Meeting

Chief Executive Officer  
GM – Governance and Engagement  
GM – Corporate Excellence  
Strategy Specialist  
Management Accountant  
Governance Support Manager

#### Part Meeting

Economist

*The Chairman declared the meeting open at 10 am.*

### Apologies (Item 1.0)

#### Moved (Shepherd/Smart)

That the apologies from Councillors Bain and Dimery for non-attendance and from Councillor Blaikie for delayed arrival be received.

Carried

### Declarations of Conflicts of Interest (Item 2.0)

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

### Supplementary Item for Extraordinary Council Meeting – 7 March 2018 (Item 2.0A)

ID: A1041877

Report from Group Manager – Corporate Excellence, Dave Tams

#### Moved (Sinclair/Yeoman)

That as permitted under section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

- Supplementary Item 3.1: Additional text for the Statement of Proposal on the draft Rating Polices

be received.

Carried

**Adoption of the draft Rating Policies (including the Policy on the Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land) for consultation (Item 3.1) and Additional text for the Statement of Proposal on the draft Rating Policies 2018 (Supplementary Item 3.1)**

ID: A1037631, A1041909

Reports from Strategy Specialist, Kyla Carlier; and Management Accountant, Steve Goddard

Moved (Sinclair/Stolwerk)

1. That the reports 'Adoption of the draft Rating Policies (including the Policy on the Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land) for consultation' and 'Additional text for the Statement of Proposal on the draft Rating Policies 2018' by Kyla Carlier, Strategy Specialist; and Steve Goddard, Management Accountant, and dated 20 February 2018 and 6 March 2018 respectively, be received.

Carried

It was further moved (Yeoman/Stolwerk)

2. That council include the following text in the Statement of Proposal on the draft Rating Policies 2018, (considered in Item 3.1): *"In development of these policies, the council has considered Schedule 11 of the LGA and recognises that the nature of Māori freehold land is different to general title land."*

Carried

It was further moved (Sinclair/Yeoman)

3. That council resolves to consult on the draft Rating Policies (including the Policy on the Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land), (included in the attachments under separate cover pertaining to Item 3.1 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting), in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002, and that this be carried out in conjunction with consultation on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.
4. That council adopts the Statement of Proposal on the draft Rating Policies, including Rates Remission and Postponement Policies, and the Policy on the Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land (included in the attachments under separate cover pertaining to Item 3.1 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting) for consultation.
5. That council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make any changes to the Statement of Proposal for the consultation of the draft Rating Policies (including Rates Remission and Postponement Policies, and the Policy on the Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land) that may improve readability and compliance with the Local Government Act.

Carried

**Rating considerations under Section 100T of the Biosecurity Act for the purpose of consultation, in conjunction with the Long Term Plan 2018–2028**

(Item 3.2)

ID: A1013801

Report from Biosecurity Manager, Don McKenzie

Moved (Stolwerk/Finlayson)

1. That the report 'Rating considerations under Section 100T of the Biosecurity Act for the purpose of consultation, in conjunction with the Long Term Plan 2018–2028' by Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Manager, and dated 22 February 2018 be received.
2. That council notes the requirements of section 100T of the Biosecurity Act 1993, and approves the draft analysis set out in this item for the purpose of consulting on the Pest Management Rate, as set out in the Funding Impact Statement of the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Supporting Information document.

Carried

**Adoption of the draft Revenue and Financing Policy, draft Financial Contributions Policy and draft Significance and Engagement Policy, and approval to consult (Item 3.3)**

ID: A1037523

Report from Strategy Specialist, Kyla Carlier; and Management Accountant, Steve Goddard

Moved (Yeoman/Finlayson)

1. That the report 'Adoption of the draft Revenue and Financing Policy, draft Financial Contributions Policy and draft Significance and Engagement Policy, and approval to consult' by Kyla Carlier, Strategy Specialist; and Steve Goddard, Management Accountant, and dated 20 February 2018, be received.
2. That council resolves to consult on the following policies in accordance with section 82 of the Local Government Act and that this consultation be carried out in conjunction with the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 process of consultation:
  - a. The draft Revenue and Financing Policy (pages 208 – 217 of the Long Term Plan Supporting Information Document, attached under separate cover, pertaining to Item 3.5 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting);
  - b. The draft Financial Contributions Policy (pages 206-207 of the Long Term Plan Supporting Information Document, attached under separate cover, pertaining to Item 3.5 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting); and
  - c. The draft Significance and Engagement Policy (pages 224 – 227 of the Long Term Plan Supporting Information Document, attached under separate cover, pertaining to Item 3.5 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting)
3. That council adopts the statements of proposal for:
  - a. The draft Revenue and Financing Policy (set out in Appendix 1 pertaining to Item 3.3 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting)
  - b. The draft Financial Contributions Policy (set out in Appendix 2 pertaining to Item 3.3 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting); and
  - c. The draft Significance and Engagement policy (set out in Appendix 3 pertaining to Item 3.3 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting).

4. That council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make any necessary minor formatting, typographical and administrative changes to the statements of proposal and policies prior to formal public consultation.
5. That council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make any changes to statements of proposal and policies that may improve readability and compliance with the Local Government Act.

**Carried**

### **Adoption of the Draft Charging Policy 2018/19 and approval to consult (Item 3.4)**

**ID: A1037995**

**Report from Strategy Specialist, Kyla Carlier**

**Moved (Yeoman/Stolwerk)**

1. That the report 'Adoption of the Draft Charging Policy 2018/19 and approval to consult' by Kyla Carlier, Strategy Specialist, and dated 23 February 2018, be received.
2. That council adopts the Statement of Proposal and the draft Charging Policy 2018/19 (attached under separate cover pertaining to Item 3.4 of the 7 March 2018 extraordinary council meeting) for the purposes of consultation, pursuant to section 150 of the LGA, and that this be carried out in conjunction with consultation on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.
3. That council delegates to the Chief Executive officer the authority to make any necessary minor formatting, typographical and administrative changes to the draft Charging Policy prior to formal public consultation.

**Carried**

### **Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Supporting Information document and Consultation Document, and approval to consult (Item 3.5)**

**ID: A1037995**

**Report from Strategy Specialist, Kyla Carlier; and Management Accountant, Steve Goddard**

**Moved (Yeoman/Finlayson)**

1. That the report 'Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Supporting Information document and Consultation Document, and approval to consult' by Kyla Carlier, Strategy Specialist, and Steve Goddard, Management Accountant, and dated 20 February 2018, be received.
2. That council approves the consultation approach outlined in this report, including an official feedback period of 14 March – 17 April 2018, providing an opportunity for spoken feedback at a series of 'Have Your Say' events, and receipt of submissions through council's online portal, email, fax, post and hand delivery during the official feedback period.
3. That council approves the draft Financial Strategy for the purpose of including relevant aspects of this information in the Consultation Document and in the Supporting Information for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.

4. That council approves the draft Infrastructure Strategy for the purpose of including relevant aspects of this information and proposals in the Consultation Document and in the Supporting Information for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.

**Carried**

**It was further moved (Yeoman/Stolwerk)**

5. That council adopts the Supporting Information for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (as tabled at the meeting), for the purpose of consultation.
6. That council adopts and approves the release of the Consultation Document (as tabled at the meeting) for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 via the Special Consultative Procedure pursuant to sections 93, 93A, and 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.
7. That council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make any necessary minor formatting, typographical and administrative changes to the Consultation Document and Supporting Information prior to formal public consultation.
8. That pursuant to Schedule 7, clause 32 of the Local Government Act 2002, the council delegates to councillors its function under S83(1)(d) of that Act, that being to provide opportunity for persons to present their views to council in a manner that enables spoken interaction.

**Carried**

*Secretarial Note:*

- *Councillor Blaikie arrived at 10.20am.*
- *'Marked up' copies of the Consultation Document and Supporting Information were tabled.*
- *Appreciation was extended to both council and staff for their input into the development of the Long Term Plan.*
- *The Chief Executive Officer withdrew Item 3.6 'Adoption of the Liability Management Policy and Investment Policy' which would be considered at a future council meeting following further review.*

## **CONCLUSION**

The meeting concluded at 10.23 am