

Pest Management Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Kaipara Room
Northland Regional Council, 36 Water Street, Whangārei
on Thursday 18 April 2019, commencing at 1.00pm

Present:

Chairman, Councillor Mike Finlayson
Councillor Justin Blaikie
Councillor Rick Stolwerk
Nora Rameka (Non-Elected Member from TTMAC)

In Attendance:

Full Meeting

Bruce Howse, Group Manager - Environmental Services & Deputy CEO
Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Manager
Amélie Augé, Biosecurity Manager – Marine & Strategy
Adrian Peachey, Biosecurity Officer – Kauri Dieback
Nola Sooner, Environmental Services Group PA/Administrator (Record of Actions Taker)

Part Meeting

Natasha Stubbing, Marketing and Engagement Manager

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm.

Apologies (Item 1.0)

Councillor Bill Shepherd (Ex-Officio)

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest (Item 3.1)

Presented by: Cr Mike Finlayson

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Record of Actions from previous meeting & Matters Arising (Item 3.2)

Presented by: Cr Mike Finlayson

Presentation by Commercial Fisherman re new Marine Pests established in Hokianga Harbour (Item 3.3)

Agreed action points:

- This Presentation was deferred to the next meeting of the Pest Management Working Party. **Action: Cr Justin Blaikie**

Community Engagement on Marine Biosecurity (Item 3.4)

Presented by: Cr Mike Finlayson & Amélie Augé, Biosecurity Manager – Marine & Strategy

A brief summary on community initiatives in relation to Marine Biosecurity was discussed.

Agreed action points:

- NRC to continue to work and explore options with Papa Taiao Earthcare, a community group based in the Far North to see how NRC can increase community pest monitoring and link with Enviroschools. **Action: Amélie Augé**
- Staff to look into the option of using freshwater sites e.g. moorings in rivers for marine pest management control. **Action: Amélie Augé**

Predator Free Northland PF2050 - Expression of Interest (Item 3.5)

Presented by: Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Manager

Agreed action points:

- Staff to provide an update to Councillors via email on the application process. **Action: Don McKenzie**
- Staff to provide an update on Predator Free Northland PF2050 at the next meeting of the Pest Management Working Party. **Action: Don McKenzie**

Overview/Breakdown of Funding Allocation by area of LTP new Pest Management Fund (Item 3.6)

Presented by: Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Manager

Pig Control on Private Land surrounding Northland's Kauri Forests (Item 3.7)

Presented by: Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Manager

Agreed action points:

- Staff to continue to liaise with Ministry of Social Development to discuss youth training schemes. **Action: Bruce Howse**

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 2.32pm.