

Joint Regional Economic Development Committee Minutes

Meeting held in the Council Chamber
36 Water Street, Whangārei
on Thursday 20 April 2023, commencing at 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Tuhinga/Present:

Chair, Councillor John Vujcich (FNDC)
Councillor Marty Robinson (NRC)
Councillor Penetaui Kleskovic (FNDC) (*via audio visual link*)
Mayor Craig Jepson (KDC) (*via audio visual link*)

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NRC Economist - Governance and Engagement
NRC Economic Policy Advisor - Governance and Engagement
NRC Kaiāwhina Tari Māori Relationships

Part Meeting

NRC Chief Executive Officer
Northland Inc Chief Executive Officer
Northland Inc General Manager, Investment and Infrastructure
Northland Inc Portfolio Manager, Tai Tokerau Northland Economic
Action Plan
Northland Inc Former Project Lead Extension 350
FNDC Manager, Strategy and Policy (*via audio visual link*)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1.05pm.

Ngā whakapahā/Apologies (Item 1.0)

Moved (Vujcich / Robinson)

That the apologies from Councillors Tui Shortland and Johnathan Larson for non-attendance be received.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes - 10 March 2023 (Item 4.1)

Report from Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin

Moved (Kleskovic / Vujcich)

That the minutes of the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee meeting held on 10 March 2023, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Amend item 6.7 recommendation 5. Name to read Craig Jepson rather than Johnathan Larsen.

Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 5.1)

Report from Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor and Darryl Jones, Economist

Moved (Vujcich / Robinson)

That the action sheet be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

- *The Chair advised that there would be a change to the order of the meeting.*
- *Committee agreed to proceed with item 6.1 then resume to item 5.1.*
- *Paul Linton and Vaughn Cooper left the meeting prior to item 7.0. Public Excluded.*
- *Jonathon Gibbard joined the meeting at 1.27pm, Public Excluded.*

Northland Inc Limited: Statement of Intent 2023-2026 - Shareholder comment on draft (Item 6.1)

Report from Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor

Moved (Robinson / Vujcich)

1. That the report 'Northland Inc Limited: Statement of Intent 2023-2026 - Shareholder comment on draft' by Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor and dated 31 March 2023, be received.
2. That the Chair be delegated authority to provide the shareholder comment back to Northland Inc Limited on its draft SOI 2023–2026, in line with comments received on this report by 30 April 2023.

Carried

Moved (Robinson / Vujcich)

That the meeting return to a public forum.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Paul Linton, Jude Thompson and Luke Beehre (Nth Inc) joined the public meeting at 1:28pm.

Northland Inc Limited: Update on primary sector related activities (Item 6.2)

Report from Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor

Moved (Robinson / Vujcich)

That the report 'Northland Inc Limited: Update on primary sector related activities' by Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor and dated 5 April 2023, be received.

Carried

Te Rerenga: Te Tai Tokerau Northland Regional Economic Development Strategy - Update (Item 6.3)

Report from Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor

Moved (Vujcich / Robinson)

That the report 'Te Rerenga: Te Tai Tokerau Northland Regional Economic Development Strategy - Update' by Darryl Jones, Economist and Emmanouela Galanou, Economic Policy Advisor and dated 5 April 2023, be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

- *Luke Beehre left the meeting at 2.29pm.*
- *Paul and Jude left the meeting at 2.51pm. (prior to item 7.0)*
- *Committee resumed discussion for item 7.0 Public Excluded*
- *NRC CEO contacted NRC Chair. NRC Chair agreed the Committee progress with candidate shortlist in her absence.*

Kaupapa ā Roto/Business with Public Excluded (Item 7.0)

Moved (Robinson / Vujcich)

1. That the public be excluded from the proceedings of this meeting to consider confidential matters.
2. That the general subject of the matters to be considered whilst the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to this matter, and the specific grounds under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution, are as follows:

Item No.	Item Issue	Reasons/Grounds
7.1	Northland Inc Limited: Appointment of Directors - Selection of applicants to interview	The public conduct of the proceedings would be likely to result in disclosure of information, the withholding of which is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons s7(2)(a).

3. That the Independent Advisors be permitted to stay during business with the public excluded.

Carried

Secretarial Note: NRC Economic Team will advise ad hoc team with logistics for the interviewing process.

Moved (Vujcich / Robinson)

That the meeting return to a public forum.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

- *Paul Linton, Jude Thompson and Luke Beehre (Nth Inc) joined the public meeting at 1:28pm.*

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 2.57pm with a karakia by Councillor Kleskovic.