

Water and Land Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Council Chamber
36 Water Street, Whangārei
on Wednesday 24 February 2021, commencing at 1:00pm

Present:

Chairperson, Councillor Justin Blaikie
Councillor Jack Craw
Councillor Amy Macdonald
Councillor Marty Robinson
Councillor Joce Yeoman
Ex-Officio Penny Smart
TTMAC Representative Janelle Beazley
TTMAC Representative Mira Norris
TTMAC Representative Victor Holloway

In Attendance:

Full Meeting

Chief Executive Officer
Land Management Advisor – Project Lead
Coastal and Water Quality Field Operations Manager
Hydrology Field Operations Manager
Natural Resources Monitoring Manager
Natural Resources Science Manager
Resource Scientist – Groundwater

Part Meeting

Resource Scientist – Freshwater
Resource Scientist – Coastal
Strategic Policy Specialist
Policy Specialist

The meeting commenced at 1.10 p.m.

Apologies (Item 1.0)

There were no apologies.

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest (Item 3.0)

Presented by: Chair Justin Blaikie

Agreed action points:

- Members were advised that these would be addressed as they arise.

Retirement Fencing Project Update (Item 4.1)

Presented by: Land Management Advisor – Project Lead

Presentation covering Sustainable Hill Country and Regional Priorities (SHaRP) was provided.

All working party members were supportive of this work.

Agreed action points:

- Contact details to be provided to the Kaipara Moana Land Management Specialist as to opportunities for the project in terms of catchment restoration groups in the Kaikohe and Hokianga Area – Chair Justin Blaikie.

Sediment Monitoring (Item 4.2)

Presented by: Coastal and Water Quality Field Operations Manager

Presentation on the Introduction to NRC's Sediment Monitoring Programmes was provided.

Agreed action points:

- A presentation to be organised for the next meeting to update the Working Party – Coastal and Water Quality Field Operations Manager.

Summer Weather Update (Item 4.3)

Presented by: Hydrology Field Operations Manager

Presentation on the Northland Climate Situation was provided.

Agreed action points:

- No actions required.

Water Tank Sensor Trial Update (Item 4.4)

Presented by: Natural Resources Monitoring Manager

Presentation on an update of the Drought Early Warning System was provided.

Agreed action points:

- An update on the usage of water over the Christmas/New Year period to be provided to the Chair – Natural Resource Monitoring Manager.

Summer Swimming Site Monitoring Results (Item 4.5)

Presented by: Group Manager – Regulatory Services

An update on the summer swimming site monitoring results was provided.

Agreed action points:

- A more detailed report of the full swimming site monitoring results for the 2020/2021 Summer to be provided to the Working Party after completion of the monitoring – Group Manager – Regulatory Services.
- A media release to be done summarising this seasons results – Group Manager – Regulatory Services.

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 3.45 p.m.