Kāeo River - Whangaroa Catchment Working Group Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Weslydale Church, Kāeo on Thursday 7 March 2024, commencing at 10.30

Tuhinga/Present:

Chair NRC Councillor, Marty Robinson
Ratepayer Representative, Ngaere Manning
Community Representative, Geoff Stone
Business and commercial interests Representative, Bruce Mills

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NRC Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, Joseph Camuso

NRC Rivers Project Manager, Meg Tyler

NRC Kai Whiri Iwituna Senior Catchment Advisor, Chantez Connor-Kingi

NRC Secretariat, Erica Wade Hoskin Civil, Andrea Panther Hoskin Civil, Kevin Hoskin

Mooch Rudolph Maggie Rudolph

lan Hayes Lorelei Hayes Anthony Hayes Thomas Hawtin

The meeting commenced at 10.30am.

Karakia Whakamutunga

Cr. Marty Robinson

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā Whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

CEO Northland Regional Council Jonathan Gibbard, FNDC Councillor Ann Court, NZTA Kobus Du Toit, Robert Rush, Te Runanga O Whaingaroa Representative Raniera Kaio.

Record of Actions – 17 August 2023 (Item 3.1)

Presented by: NRC Secretariat, Erica Wade

Agreed action points:

• Minutes confirmed as been true and accurate

Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 3.2)

Presented by: NRC Secretariat, Erica Wade

Agreed action points:

No action points

Secretarial note: Budget (Item 3.4) was presented prior to Recent Heavy Rainfall Events (item 3.3)

Budget update (Item 3.4)

Presented by: NRC Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, Joseph Camuso

Secretarial note: The budget presented does not include February figures.

Agreed action points:

• Future Flood Infrastructure Rate (FIR) spreadsheets to show where the 70/30 (Region /District) split on income and expenditure goes.

Recent Heavy Rainfall Events (Item 3.3)

Presented by: NRC Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, Joseph Camuso

Secretarial note: Recent heavy rain event in Kaeo was August 2022. Meg was in Kaeo taking a video of the Kaeo River and Waikare Creek confluence. The August 2022 event was about 100cubic meters per second of flow. A 10year event in this river is 400 cubic meters per second of flow.

Agreed action points:

• What was the last 10year flow event in Kaeo? So the community can get an idea of the scale of event we used to model Stage 2 channel diversion.

Stage 2 Kaeo Modelling Results (Item 3.5)

Presented by: NRC Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, Joseph Camuso &NRC Rivers Project Manager, Meg Tyler

Secretarial note: Stage 2 to minimize the impact on the environment.

A Dam analysis was completed a number of years ago, the outcome was not economically feasible.

Staff recommendation was presented in the PowerPoint. Group members were asked if they would like the modelling to continue for stage 2. Those present at this meeting would like NRC to proceed with Stage 2 modelling which is to include eliminating all man-made structures on Omanu road which acts as the control. Further modelling for Stage 2 concept of realigning the river channel and building a deflection bank, what are the impacts on Omanu road access and in town in 10, 50 and 100yr + cc flood events.

Agreed action points:

 NRC to continue with stage 2 modelling and present findings at the next meeting on 17 October.

Works Completed in the Catchment (Item 3.6)

Presented by: NRC Rivers Project Manager, Meg Tyler

Secretarial note: Hoskin Civil acknowledged Meg and the local contractors for the amazing work completed in the catchment. There have been a huge number compliments from the community.

Agreed action points:

- The overgrown grass verge by the bus stop (Omanu Road) is a health and safety hazard, particularly for the children catching the school bus. Visibility for vehicles is a huge concern and needs to be cleared. FNDC responsibility
- Permitted Activity Rules to be distributed with the minutes.

Any other business (Item 3.7)

Presented by: NRC Rivers and Natural Hazards Manager, Joseph Camuso

Secretarial note: Shingle down river can be used for personal use at your own cost however, this will not have any effect on flood mitigation.

Geoff Stone would like to step down as Community Representative. Recommendations would be to approach Monty Woodwood, Steve Dawson or Ngaire Porter.

Agreed action points:

• Terms of Reference are to be sent out with the minutes and discussed at the next meeting on 17 October. Members to invite those who wish to be representatives on the Kaeo Whangaroa Rivers Working Group.

Karakia Whakamutunga

Cr. Marty Robinson

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 12.14pm.