

Natural Resources Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Council Chamber
36 Water Street, Whangārei
on Tuesday 2 May 2023, commencing at 9.30am

Tuhinga/Present:

Amy Macdonald Chairperson, Councillor
Geoff Crawford, Councillor
Geraldine Baker, TTMAC Representative
Joe Carr, Councillor
Marty Robinson, Councillor
Mira Norris, TTMAC Representative
Tui Shortland – Ex Officio Chair Councillor

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Ruben Wylie Pou Tiaki Taiao
Sandra Harris, Personal Assistant Pou Tiaki Taiao
April Nordstrom, Environmental Monitoring Officer - Māori Relationships
Jason Donaghy, Natural Resources Monitoring Manager
Ingrid Kuindersma, Policy Planner
Colin Dall, Pou Whakaritenga - Group Manager Regulatory Services
Rick Stolwerk, Councillor

The meeting commenced at 9.30am.

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā Whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

TTMAC Representative, Lynette Wharerau TTMAC Representative, Nora Rameka

Secretarial Note: New Working Party members confirmed

Record of Actions – 21 February 2023 (Item 4.1)

Presented by: Ruben Wylie – Pou Tiaki Taiao

Agreed action points:

- Recommend Actions to be included per item as reference for Working Party Members
- Working Party members agreed that the record of actions was an accurate reflection of the meeting

Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 4.2)

Presented by: Ruben Wylie – Pou Tiaki Taiao

Agreed action points:

- No actions required

Process for selecting areas to undertake S-Mapping (Item 4.3)

Presented by: Ruben Wylie – Pou Tiaki Taiao

1. That the report 'Process for selecting areas to undertake S-Mapping' by Ingrid Kuindersma, Policy Planner and Lester Bridson, Land Programme Manager and dated 31 March 2023, be received.
2. That the Natural Resources Working Party endorse the staff approach to selecting areas for S-Mapping.

Agreed action points:

- Working Party in support and endorsed the recommendations.

Harbour Remediation Business Case Proposed Scope (Item 4.4)

Presented by: Ruben Wylie – Pou Tiaki Taiao

1. That the Natural Resources Working Party recommend to Council that the Harbour Remediation Business case is carried out for the Hokianga Harbour.
2. That staff prepare a report to Council to confirm the business case framework set out in this report and the recommendation of Natural Resources Working party in respect of the preferred location for the business case.
3. That staff report to the August Natural Resources Working party meeting to provide an update on progress with the business case development.

Agreed action points:

- Working Party in support and endorsed the recommendations.

Secretarial Note: Ruben to work in collaborate with Māori Engagement team on TTMAC members inclusion and engagement with Hapū/Iwi

Lake Ōmāpere Brief (Item 4.5)

Presented by: Jason Donaghy – Natural Resources Monitoring Manager

1. That the Natural Resources Working party endorse the next steps of:
 - a. Staff continuing to work with the Lake Ōmāpere Trust to develop a relationship agreement between council and the Trust; and
 - b. Any support by Council in respect of lake restoration initiatives are done so in accordance with that agreement.

Agreed action points:

- Working Party in support and strongly endorse the recommendations.
- NRC to maintain supporting role to Lake Ōmāpere Trust. NRC Māori Engagement Team to be included in talks with Ngāpuhi Iwi

Poplar Windthrow Report (Item 4.6)

Presented by: John Ballinger – SHaRP Manager

The report entitled 'Poplar windthrow following Cyclone Gabrielle' by John Ballinger SHaRP Manager Tabled as a late item for information purposes.

Agreed action points:

- No actions required.

Lake Taharoa Ecological Impacts 2023 (Item 4.7)

Presented by: Lisa Forester – Biodiversity Manager

The presentation 'Changes at Lake Taharoa (Kai Iwi Lakes) 2023' is tabled as a late item for information purposes. The most recent monitoring for the lake indicates a dramatic decline in lake condition. Given the cultural, environmental and economic significance of the lake, staff consider it important to brief Working Party members of the issue and the intended responses.

Agreed action points:

- Updates on Lake Taharoa condition to be included in CEO report, and councillors to be kept updated on significant findings

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 11.55am.