

Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Council Chamber
36 Water Street, Whangārei
on Wednesday 25 May 2022, commencing at 1.00pm

Tuhinga/Present:

Chairperson, NRC Councillor Jack Crow
Councillor Marty Robinson
Councillor Rick Stolwerk
Ex Officio Penny Smart
TTMAC representative Michelle Elboz

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NRC Chief Executive Officer

Pou Tiaki Taiao - GM Environmental Services
NRC Biosecurity Manager
NRC Biodiversity Manager
NRC Biosecurity Manager - Marine
NRC Biosecurity Manager – Incursions & Response
NRC Biosecurity Manager – Partnerships
NRC Biosecurity Manager – Pest Plants
NRC Biosecurity Specialist – Predator Free Operations Lead
NRC Biosecurity Specialist – Kauri Boardwalks Project Lead
NRC Biosecurity Project Lead – Feral Deer
NRC Biodiversity Specialist – Freshwater
NRC Biodiversity Coast Care Co-ordinator
NRC PA – Biosecurity Services

Part Meeting

Councillor Justin Blaikie
Alastair Wells – Commodore – Kerikeri Cruising Club

The meeting commenced at 1:05 pm.

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā Whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

TTMAC representative Georgina Connelly
TTMAC representative Juliane Chetham
TTMAC representative Nora Rameka
Pou Tātaki GM – Kaipara Moana Remediation - Justine Daw

Record of Actions – 23 February 2022 (Item 4.1)

Presented by: PA – Biosecurity Services

Agreed action points:

- No actions required

Receipt of Action Sheet - 23 February 2022 (Item 4.2)

Presented by: PA – Biosecurity Services

Agreed action points:

- All actions marked as complete

A report concerning tangata whenua involvement in PF2050 (Item 4.3)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Manager

Agreed action points:

- Confirmed receipt of information, page 13 – He Unaunahi o Te Ika Nui a Māui Report Final
- Confirmed receipt of information, page 49 – Hei Tapiri He Unaunahi o Te Ika Nui a Māui Addendum

Biosecurity Operational Plan (Item 4.4)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Manager

Agreed action points:

- That the report 'Draft Biosecurity Operational Plan' by Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Group Manager and Kathryn Lister, Biosecurity Partnerships Manager dated 25 May 2022, be received, page 51 – report received
- That the Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party recommend the Draft Northland Regional Pest and Marine Pathway Operational Plan 2022–2023 be presented to council for approval, page 51 – recommendation supported

PF2050 Progress Update (Item 4.5)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Specialist - Predator Free Operations Lead

Agreed action points:

- That the working party note the information, page 80 – item noted
- That staff update with further progress at the next working party meeting, page 80 – recommendation supported

Feral Deer (Item 4.6)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Manager – Incursions and Response

Agreed action points:

- That the working party note the information contained in the report, page 82 – item noted
- Staff to update on further progress at a future working party meeting, page 82 – recommendation supported

Progress on Road and Rail Plans with Agencies (Item 4.7)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Manager – Pest Plants

Agreed action points:

- Working party note the content of this report, page 100 – report noted
- Working party support the planned actions, page 100 – recommendation supported

Kauri Protection and recent Biosecurity and Biodiversity incidents (Item 4.8)

Presented by: NRC Biosecurity Specialist – Kauri Boardwalks Project Lead

Agreed action points:

- Verbal report – staff to provide an update at the next working party

FIF Dune Lakes programme and herbicide update (Item 4.9)

Presented by: NRC Biodiversity Specialist - Freshwater

Agreed action points:

- FIF Dune Lakes programme and herbicide update, page 104 – report received
- Staff report back on the outcomes from this next visit to the vegetation plots in six months' time, page 104 – recommendation supported

Update on Coast Care and dune monitoring programmes (Item 4.10)

Presented by: NRC Biodiversity Coast Care Co-ordinator

Agreed action points:

- Update on Coast Care and dune monitoring programmes, page 117 – report received

Update on Internal Biodiversity Strategy and Biodiversity Annual Report (Item 4.11)

Presented by: NRC Biodiversity Manager

Agreed action points:

- Seek endorsement from the Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party to delay work on the Internal Council Biodiversity Strategy until March 2023 due to current workload commitments, page 122- recommendation supported
- Seek endorsement from the Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party to prepare Councils first Biodiversity Annual Report, highlighting council biodiversity activities and achievements for 2021-2022 financial year, page 122 – item noted and recommendation supported

Biosecurity Marine Concerns - Alastair Wells (Item 4.12)

Presented by: Alastair Wells – Commodore – Kerikeri Cruising Club

Agreed action points:

- Supplementary Report – minutes and concerns raised on behalf of Kerikeri Cruising Club
- NRC Biosecurity Manager to meet with members and work through the concerns raised and report back at the next working party meeting

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 3:10 pm.