



**I, Steven May, Tumu Whakarae Chief Executive Officer, hereby give notice that  
a Māori Standing Committee Meeting will be held on:**

**Date: Friday, 2 October 2020**  
**Time: 12.00pm**  
**Location: Council Chamber, Wairoa District Council,  
Coronation Square, Wairoa**

# **AGENDA**

## **Māori Standing Committee Meeting**

**2 October 2020**

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A maximum of 30 minutes has been set aside for members of the public to speak on any item on the agenda. Up to 5 minutes per person is allowed. As per Standing Order 15.1 requests to speak must be made to the Chief Executive Officer at least one clear day before the meeting; however this requirement may be waived by the Chairperson. Requests should also outline the matters that will be addressed by the speaker(s).

**7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Ordinary Meeting - 20 August 2020

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE WAR MEMORIAL HALL, QUEEN STREET, WAIROA  
ON THURSDAY, 20 AUGUST 2020 AT 12.30PM**

**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Jeremy Harker, Mr Kiwa Hammond, Mrs Here Nissen, Mr Paul Kelly, Mr Henare Mita, Ms Sharon Cooper, Mrs Fiona Wairau

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Steven May (Tumu Whakarae Chief Executive Officer), Morehu Tomo (Senior Maori Advisor, Napier City Council), Duane Culshaw (Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager), Stephen Heath (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau Hapori/Ratonga Group Manager Community Assets and Services), Luke Knight (Kaiwhakahaere Rawa Property Manager), Nathan Heath (HBRC Area Manager – Northern Hawke’s Bay), Karen Akuhata (Kaiwhakahaere Whaipanga Utilities Manager), Grey Wilson (Good Earth Matters), Teri Wathen (Good Earth Matters Consultancy), Gay Waikawa (Kaiurungi Tutohu / Governance Officer), Liz Battes, Ngaromoana Raureti

**1 KARAKIA**

Karakia was given by Kiwa Hammond.

**2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**APOLOGIES**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2020/131**

Moved: Mr Kiwa Hammond

Seconded: Mr Henare Mita

That the apologies received from Theresa Thornton and Paul Kelly be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**CARRIED**

**3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

**4 CHAIRPERSON’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

None.

**6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Liz Battes & Ngaromoana Raureti (Opoutama Residents) gave a presentation. The presentation outlined protection of Opoutama Reserves, support Opoutama community, public walkway, walkway from subdivision, rubbish problems, beach protection, and the Opoutama Reserves Management Plan.

**7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2020/132**

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Mr Henare Mita

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 28 May 2020 be confirmed.

**CARRIED**

**8 GENERAL ITEMS****8.1 TA TE POUAHUREA MAORI PURONGO****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2020/133**

Moved: Mr Kiwa Hammond

Seconded: Mrs Here Nissen

That the Committee receives the report.

**CARRIED**

The Maori Relationship Manager presented his report and reported on Updates (Informational) being Client Service Request, MSC Terms of Reference, Patangata Bridge, Nuhaka River Road, Three Waters Review, Blue Bay Waste Dump Station, District Plan Review, Wairoa Centennial Library and CBD Project Update and Mahia Recycling Centre.

The report also outlined the Cultural Toolkit app, New Zealand Geographic Board – Use of Macrons and Datacom Payroll system.

Mrs Grey Wilson of Good Earth Matters Consultancy explained the WDC Stormwater Consent application. The project team responsible, what is stormwater and why we need a resource consent, kind of information needed to be in the resource consent application, what consultation is required and why – processing and notification under the RMA and what assistance is sought from the Maori Standing Committee.

The Property Manager presented an updated report on the Mahia Recycling Centre.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2020/134**

Moved: Mr Kiwa Hammond

Seconded: Ms Sharon Cooper

That the Maori Standing Committee accepted the Chairperson, HBRC, written and verbal reports.

**CARRIED**

The HBRC Area Manager (Northern Hawke's Bay), Mr Nathan Heath presented his report and reported on HBRC updates.

Written takiwa report received from:

- Rakaipaaka
- Waikaremoana

Verbal update received from:

- Mahia mai Tawhiti
- Ruakituri
- Ngati Pahauwera

**The Meeting closed at 3.13pm with a karakia by Kiwa Hammond.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Māori Standing Committee Meeting held on 1 October 2020.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**



## 8 GENERAL ITEMS

### 8.1 TA TE POUAHUREA MAORI PURONGO

**Author:** Duane Culshaw, Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager

**Authoriser:** Steven May, Tumu Whakarae Chief Executive Officer

**Appendices:**

1. MSC Chairmans Report - October 2020 [↓](#)
2. Te Wairoa Matangirau Takiwa Report - October 2020 [↓](#)
3. Rakaipaaka Takiwa Report - October 2020 [↓](#)

#### 1. PURPOSE

This report provides information for the Māori Standing Committee on Council and community activities.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee receives the report.

#### 1. KUPU WHAKATAKI

- 1.1 Hei aku nui, hei aku rahi, hei aku rau rangatira mā, haere tonu te mihi māhaki ki a koutou. Te whakaeatanga e, tēnei te kaupapa ka ea, tēnei te wānanga ka ea, te mauri o te Kaupapa ka whakamoea, te mauri o te wānanga ka whakamoea, koa ki runga, koa ki raro, haumi e..., hui e..., tāiki e.

#### 2. UPDATES (INFORMATIONAL)

- 2.1 This is an update from the previous minutes (August 2020) of the Māori Standing Committee (MSC).
- 2.2 **Client Service Request** – a kindly reminder for MSC members to refer any repair requests or complaints to the Client Service Request form (Telephone complaint in or it is accessible via the Council website – From Home Page, click on the Envelope icon (top right of page), scroll down to **I want to...** click on **Get Something Fixed**. Fill out online form and click **Submit**).
- 2.3 **MSC Terms of Reference** – at the Council ordinary meeting on Tuesday, 8 September 2020, the MSC Terms of Reference were presented to Council. There are minor changes to be added, plus some discussion and decisional points that need to be raised by the committee. This item has been presented as an agenda item.

- 2.4 In the absence of the Waikaremoana representative, we received an email (Tuesday, 22 September 2020) update from Eddie Moses, on behalf of Putere Marae which reads, 'At its meeting last Sunday [20 September 2020], it was decided by those in attendance that the status quo of Putere Marae to remain with Waikaremoana will not be changed. Also note that Putere Marae is not responsible or accountable to the Waikaremoana Tribal Council and Pāhauwera other than to keep them informed as to building work, and lake protection projects happening at the marae. This also applies to ensuring accountabilities of funding provided by these entities to upgrade the marae. Apart from riparian planting carried out by Waka Gilbert Jr, together with intended riparian fencing for part of Rotonuiaha, there has been no progress on the building complex. Finally, Putere Marae will continue to maintain the importance of local and Government agencies relationships created over the last eight years.'
- 2.5 **Pātangata Bridge** – everything is tracking well for this project. At the time of writing this report, the final stages of the project would be nearly finished, that includes the deconstruction of the old bridge. Council is currently working with the hau kāinga to do an official opening of the new bridge (yet to formally named) on Sunday, 4 October 2020 at 11.00 am.
- 2.6 **Nuhaka River Road** – as with the above project, the Nuhaka River Road is also progressing well. This will be covered off in Nathan's HBRC report.
- 2.7 **Wairoa Centennial Library and CBD Project Update** – things are progress well with these two projects – still in the discussion and concept stages. A Cultural Impact Assessment was completed by Nigel How and Mike Spedding, there some minor changes need to be completed before the final copy is approved. We will feedback to the Māori Standing Committee once this has been completed.
- 2.8 We have also started an engagement process with mana whenua and this has been well received.
- 2.9 **Māhia Recycling Centre** – we are confirming a date with the Māhia Māori Committee to present the conceptual drawings to them.
- 2.10 **Cultural Toolkit App** – due to technical issues, we had to delay the official launch of the app. This will now occur on Monday, 19 October in Napier.
- 2.11 **Datacom Payroll Workshop** – the Finance team will be presenting a workshop prior to the start of the Ordinary meeting to update members regarding the new payroll system.

### 3. RATES REVIEW (INFORMATIONAL)

- 3.1 The General Manager Community and Engagement will present a verbal report to the Māori Standing Committee.

### 4. TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI (INFORMATIONAL)

- 4.1 The Wairoa District Council participated, registered by the Pouahurea Māori, in the Māori Moment organised by Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori *Māori Language Commission*, who were seeking to have over 1 million people participating in any event that included te reo Māori.
- 4.2 We also ran a quiz over the week, with a different theme each day. There was a prize for first, second and third. Apart of a few technical issues, this is well received.

- 4.3 We also included daily kīwaha, whakataukī/whakatauākī and tikanga focusing on positive affirmations.
- 4.4 Napier City Council, Hastings City Council and Central Hawkes Bay District Council also presented their new bilingual flags during this week. These flags are in line with the bilingual flags that have been flying in Wairoa since 2013. The Pouahurea Māori was also interviewed by the Breeze radio station to promote this kaupapa, as well as newspaper media picking up the story.

## 5. KUPU WHAKAKAPI

- 5.1 Ko ō tātau whakaponu ngā kaiwhakawehewehe i a tātau. Ko ō tātau moemoeā me ō tātau pākatokato ngā kaiwhakakotahi i a tātau – nā Wharehuia Milroy
- 5.2 *Ideologies separate us. Dreams and anguish bring us together – Wharehuia Milroy.*

## 6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 The Māori Relationships Manager RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee receives the report.

### Signatories

	
Author Duane Culshaw	Approved by Steven May

## Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee

## Chairman's Report

Kiwa Hammond

Thursday, 20 August 2020

*Tēnei te mauri ka whakapiki, tēnei te mauri ka whakakake, tēnei te mauri ka ohoho, tēnei te mauri ka ihiihi, ka wehiwehi, ka wanawana whakaputa atu ki te whaiao, ki te ao mārama.*

It is my pleasure to present this Chairman's report for the month of September 2020 up to and including this Māori Standing Committee meeting, Thursday 1 October 2020.

Over the period that this report covers, in my role as MSC Chairman I attended the following WDC related, local government related, stakeholder meetings or events related to MSC and WDC:

- 8 September 2020 – WDC Ordinary Council Meeting
- 22 September 2020 – WDC Local Alcohol Policy Submissions
- 1 October 2020 – WDC Māori Standing Committee Meeting.

Matters related to the events mentioned above may be covered in the Māori Relationships Manager report and where possible I will try not to repeat those topics in this report. Where applicable, however, I have made comment in this report on current significant matters that require discussion.

**Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference**

Probably the most significant item for discussion in this meeting is the revised Terms of Reference for the Māori Standing Committee. As MSC members will be aware last year the Council and MSC undertook a review of the WDC Māori Policy within which is contained the Terms of Reference that outline the purpose, composition, roles, and responsibilities of the MSC. This policy, like other WDC policies is scheduled for review every three years. While the review of the WDC Māori Policy was effectively conducted in 2019, for a variety of reasons of which we are well aware it has taken the best part of this year for the revised policy to come back to MSC for comment.

At the last Ordinary Meeting of Council discussions took place around changes that have been made to the Terms of Reference. These will be covered in our discussions today. Following this the policy will be returned to Council for it to be finalised at the next Ordinary Meeting. Confirmation of this clears the way for MSC to start promoting the selection process for the next iteration of MSC and encouraging our marae to nominate potential candidates.

As stated last year, I reiterate my intention to not seek reselection for the MSC and will be encouraging the marae through my takiwā of Te Wairoa Hōpūpū to think seriously about who they wish to represent them. We also have takiwā such as Te Wairoa Hōngenengene which have been without a representative for the most of this year and may need some support in terms of the selection process.

We are quite fortunate though that the Māori Relationships Manager can effectively facilitate and manage this process. In saying that the time frame from when the selection process begins through to its completion before the end of our term as the current MSC ends (21 December 2020). This means it will require some effort from all MSC members to ensure the nomination and selection process is completed successfully and on time.

*Huakina mai te tatau o te whare kia kite atu ai au.*

### Pātangata Bridge

Congratulations to all involved in the recent completion of the Pātangata Bridge. This has been a heartfelt kaupapa with many people and entities working hard to resolve the issues that arose in regard to the previous bridge and the efforts made to find a solution that worked first and foremost for the community of Whakakī. At the time this report was written I understand that a karakia was performed by the Whakakī people prior to the official opening.

*E Te Whakakī-nui-a-Rua, kua hangā anōtia te arawhata ki a rātau e takoto ana ki ngā rua kōiwi. Ka āpiti hono, tātai hono. He hononga e kore e whati, e kore e mimiti. Tau ārai te pō, tītoko te ao mārama.*

### Whakatuwheratanga

On the morning this report (Tuesday 22 September) was submitted Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ngāti Kahungunu o Te Wairoa celebrated the opening of its new building named Te Whakatipu (The Growth). In fact, the kura has grown significantly since the opening of its current buildings in 2014. The karakia performed in the early hours of the morning mark the completion of this phase of growth and thanks must be expressed to all who were involved in the completion of this project.

*He whare tū ki te paenga he kai mā te ahi. He whare maihi e tū ana ki te pā tūwatawata, he tohu nō te tangata rangatira.*

### Te Urutā Korona – Covid-19

As we are all aware the second significant wave of Covid-19 has affected the whole country even the strongest impacts have been felt more acutely in Tāmākimakaurau and as far south as Waikato. This has even been felt here in Te Wairoa through the forced cancellation or postponement of events. Traditionally August-September is the season for AGM's for some of the more significant land blocks through Te Wairoa. The first major meeting of the season is often Ōhuia (in the Matangirau takiwā) followed by Mahurangi, Pāpuni, and others. However, some of these AGM's were forced to be deferred to later dates. Those that have been held have often been done so under Level 2 Covid conditions. In a marae context this has made for some remarkably interesting arrangements.

The impact on the MSC and WDC has also been felt through some members and personnel not being able to attend due to Level 2 restrictions. In saying that I do want to acknowledge that in spite of those challenges that everyone has carried on with what has needed to be done.

On Monday 21 September, the nation was informed that Tāmākimakaurau (Auckland) will drop from Level 2.5 to Level 2 and remain thus for 14 days. The rest of the country will move back down to Level 1. While this will bring relief to some as we all look forward to a time when there is no need for any types of Alert Levels and restrictions. In the meantime, we remain vigilant and mindful that pandemics do not disappear overnight.

*Turuki whakataha e te urutā, turuki whakataha e te mate Korona, hoki atu ki tō takenga mai.*

**He maimai aroha**

Finally, I would like to take this time to acknowledge Kitea Tipuna whose whānau suffered another bereavement this year. Also, acknowledgements to the whānau of Morgan Goldsmith with the passing of his brother. This year has been tough for many whānau thus far regarding tangihanga and even though the Covid-19 restrictions have eased off since lock-down the loss of loved ones is never easy.

*Ngā mate o te wā huri noa i te motu, haere oti atu rā koutou e.*

*Hei whakakōpani ake i ngā kōrero kua tīkina tēnei kōrero hei kawē ake i a tātau, hei hiki ake hoki i a tātau – puritia te mauri mua, te mauri roto, te mauri tukutuku, te mauri ora ki te whaiāo, ki te ao mārama.*

Nāku nei,

**Kiwa Hammond**

(Te Wairoa Hōpūpū Takiwā)

**Chairman, Māori Standing Committee**

**WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee**  
**Te Wairoa Matangirau Takiwā Report**  
Paul Kelly  
Thursday, 1 October 2020

Ko Whakapunake te matau a Māui Tikitiki a Taranga te Maunga. Ko te Wairoa Hōpūpū Hōnengenenge Matangirau te awa. Ko Ngamotu te whenua. Ko Rauhina rāua ko Tapuae ōku tīpuna. Ko Te Rauhina te whare tīpuna. Ko Te Aio te Whare Kai. Ko Te Uri o Te Ō te hapū. Ko Tapuae rātau ko Te Otane, ko Porohiwi ngā tāngata. Ko Okaka te wāhi okioki. Ko Ngāti Kahungunu te iwi. Ko Takitimu te Waka. Ko Paul Kelly tōku ingoa.

01/10/2020

Tēnā koutou te whānau,

This latest episode of COVID-19 Level 2, I decided that because of my age and ethnicity I would disqualify myself from all meetings that required my personal appearance. But with the aid technology I have been able to meet my commitments by Zoom and enable me to furnish this report.

I hope all of you and your whānau whānui have come through this without too much bother.

**KAHUNGUNU EXECUTIVE..**

The past months since my last report my role as a Board of Management member has seen me zoom into two monthly meetings and make a personal appearance at another two.

Business at these meetings is of a private nature but KE have led the way with obtaining the Marae Recovery program and obtain funding for marae from the Provincial Growth Fund. This funding will allow our marae to upgrade things that are well overdue.

**MATANGIRAU RESERVES BOARD.**

My role on this board is to represent the Māori Standing committees interests. Lately we have been active in successfully arranging, funding, planning permission, hapū and whānau consultation and finally successfully recommending to Council that a fully functional toilet be situated at Rangihoua Pilot Hill.

Due to the nature of the latest COVID-19 restrictions, I have no information from the five marae in my takiwā, however Whakiirangi Marae are hosting a strategic planning event on Sunday, 27 September at 10am. The new board at Te Rauhina Marae continues to make progress with new and innovative ideas.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou katoa.

Paul Kelly (Paora) Bm.  
Deputy Chairman  
**MSC Te Wairoa Matangirau**

**Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee  
Rakaipaaka Purongo-a-Takiwā – Henare Mita  
WDC Chambers 12:30pm  
1 Oketopa 2020**

**TE IWI O RAKAIPAACA TRUST (TIORT):**

In a recent September Facebook posting, newly appointed Te Iwi o Rakaipaaka Trust Project Co-ordinator Gypsy Maru, shared photographs of a meeting between TIORT representatives, Graeme and Johnina Symes and Ministry of Primary Industries. Part of their discussions focused on the Nuhaka River mouth and coastal wetlands, covering issues like riparian planting, fencing, a nursery, and pest management needs.



Kia Ora Whanau te haukainga o Rakaipaaka,

**Re – River Road Realignment**

We want to inform you all that QRS are planning to divert the Nuhaka river at the River Road realignment area into its new channel on Tuesday next week (22/09/2020) at around 9.00am.

White baiters, may notice additional sediment in the river and wonder why this is happening. Please don't be alarmed it will only be temporary.

If you have any queries, let our Environment portfolio lead Graeme Symes know at [gsymes58@hotmail.com](mailto:gsymes58@hotmail.com) or he can also be contacted on 027 499 2237.

Nga mihi aroha,

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**River Road Re-alignment:**

Appearing today (18/09/20) on Facebook. A notice posted by TIORT, informing whanau of the impending re-alignment project and what it will mean in terms of increased sediment in our waterways. Whitebaiters be aware!

**Tāne-nui-ā-rangi Marae – 28-30 Akuhata**

Mereana Pitman presented a three-day workshop on Te Tiriti o Waitangi. It was a wananga facilitated by Moira Barber of behalf of her local Work Development students. Moira had invited Mereana, because she believed her treaty work would benefit her students in their future employment. I agree with her totally. It was, without a doubt, one of the most enjoyable wananga I have ever experienced. Mereana was a wonderful tutor. Charismatic, empathetic, and adroit. I would recommend her work to anyone. These photographs were taken on the last day. It was a beautiful, balmy Sunday morning.





**Te Rehu Working Bee:**

In late July, Te Rehu whānau met. There were numerous activities planned for the weekend. Committee members would work through our agenda, while the rest of the whānau undertook long overdue renovation work. Following our meeting we held a fundraising activity, while whānau continued with their many tasks. There was outdoor seating to be replaced, a metal pole that needed new timber housing, new locks for doors, a special outdoor mat that needed to be laid, skirting for our mahau, and a number of leaks in our roof that required attention. It was a huge weekend. Everyone left on Sunday totally exhausted, but very satisfied. Will see you all again in November whānau.

**PGF Marae Recovery Plan:**

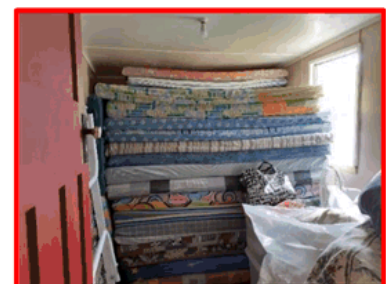
Like all other marae in Wairoa, who were successful in their PGF application, there are many people to thank. Firstly, the hard work of marae committees, KE through the leadership of GM Sarah Paku and Michelle McIlroy and finally Marsha Wyllie of TPK, Tūranganui. The communication between KE and TPK especially, was pivotal in these applications. We are all grateful for their leadership. On Monday 7 September, Te Rehu hosted Wairoa Whakaora Marae Project Manager Benita Cairns, and overseer Brian Mildon. They confirmed our priority schedule, promising that all work undertaken will be completed. Marae would not be left with a hotch-potch of unfinished works. Also present was TIORT administrator Kiriwera Cotter and her husband Aoterangi. Aoterangi's advice regarding some of our whakairo was invaluable. We look forward to our marae receiving much-needed TLC.

**Te Rehu Digital Connectivity:**

A big thank you to Tina Wilcox for her assistance. Our Chairperson and Treasurer are our signatories and I became the contact person. Pictured is our marae modem which arrived today (Mane 14 Hepatema). Really happy that our committee acted quickly. The entire process is surprisingly simple. Need to sign a Spark End User document on Tuesday, scan it and email it to Spark marae connectivity. Te Rehu can expect a visit from our digital provider, and we should become digitally connected soon thereafter. Zoom conferencing, here we come.

**A Giving Heart:**

Te Rehu was blessed by the generosity of Kathy Pomana who spent two full days at our marae re-covering many of our mattresses. This was her second stint at Te Rehu. She had done the same at Kahungunu and Tamakahu marae. Our committee remains indebted to her. Kathy worked in our dining hall, with her music blaring and two sewing machines at the ready.



**Pātangata Bridge:**

Could not help but find a better vantage point concerning the work being carried out at Pātangata Bridge, Whakaki. It is heartening to see such positive progress being made here. Well done to everyone involved.

**Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori: Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori (14 – 20 Hēpatema)**

For some of us it is easy to forget, that there are many in our communities whose work, relating to promoting the use of our language, is not confined to a specific week, but is largely a year-round reality. These are our Kōhanga Reo, Rūma Rumaki, Kura Kaupapa, Wharekura, Ātārangi, Kura Takiura and Wānanga teachers and students. Nonetheless, the significance of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, as a means of normalising and celebrating the use of Māori, must not be under-estimated. This week however witnessed a Māori media storm, ignited when a promotional video was released, by a group of young social-media influencers, known as Hahana.

The furore surrounding their satirical take on Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, and the fact that their video was funded by taxpayer monies, through Te Māngai Pāho, added further fuel to the media outrage. Minister Shane Jones, especially vociferous in his criticism, demanding the immediate resignation of certain high-ranking officials. The likes of Larry Parr, cutting a forlorn figure during his 'Te Ao' television interview. Hahana as well as Parr, apologised profusely, admitting that although well-meaning, their satirical messaging had failed, in generating a positive public response. Notwithstanding the barrage of criticism, there were other commentators, who viewed this incident in more magnanimous terms. Educator Mataia Keepa (Rotorua Daily Post 15/09/20) viewing it more as youthful exuberance gone awry, feeling compassion not only for Hahana, but also their families. And herein lies the crux of this matter for me.

Criticism where criticism is due, I have no issue with. But some of the vitriol, was wanton and excessive. We live in a country where Māori, especially young Māori men, have proven themselves our most vulnerable citizens, with regards to suicide. The hysteria surrounding Hahana and Te Māngai Pāho illustrative of how far we have yet to go in this area. Keepa is quite correct in his summary. People should exhibit a little more empathy and less high-brow pontification. Short to long-term, it may serve as a more constructive strategy.

Nāku noa, nā

Henare Mita

**MSC – Rakaipaaka Takiwā**

**8.2 MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

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**Authoriser:** Steven May, Tumu Whakarae Chief Executive Officer

**Appendices:** 1. MSC- Terms of Reference - Tracked Changes [↓](#)

**1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 This report provides information for the Māori Standing Committee on the review of the Māori Standing Committee terms of reference

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Kaiurungi Matua Kaupapa Here me te Mana Arahi Senior Policy & Governance Advisor RECOMMENDS that Committee make recommendations on the terms of reference for the Māori Standing Committee.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Council extended the term of the 2016 triennium members to the end of 2020 at their meeting on 16 June 2020. No changes were made to the terms of reference at the meeting as an additional workshop was requested.
- 2.2 Iwi Chairs have been engaged as to their view and this has also been taken into consideration.
- 2.3 The selection process reflects the status quo. However, 3 options for the Wairoa Whānui representative are included for their consideration.
- 2.4 The Terms of Reference went to Ordinary Council on 08 September, MSC chair provided some recommendations to be endorsed by the Māori Standing Committee.

**Confirmation of statutory compliance**

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

## Signatories

	
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## NGĀ PAEARU MAHI / TERMS OF REFERENCE: MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE



### NGĀ MEMATANGA/MEMBERSHIP

Eight takiwā representatives – one representative per takiwā (takiwā boundaries are defined by Council), One Wairoa whānui representative (to represent Māori who whakapapa back to hapū/iwi outside of Wairoa), His Worship the Mayor, 2 councillors.

*The takiwā and Wairoa whānui representatives' term of office will expire at the end of the year in which the triennial local body elections is held.*

### TE KŌRAMA/QUORUM

6 members – of which 5 must be takiwā/Wairoa whānui representatives, and 1 must be an elected member.

### NGĀ WĀ HUI/MEETING FREQUENCY

Every 6 weeks and as required.

### TE KAUPAPA/PURPOSE

To provide a Maori perspective **to guide Council with its legislative responsibilities** in the implementation of policies and work programmes to enable effective governance, engagement, and service delivery for all **people within the** district.

### NGĀ KAWENGA/RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensure that the work of the Committee is carried out in a way that enhances the social, economic, cultural, and environmental wellbeing of the Wairoa district
- To provide insight into strategic issues for Māori and the communities represented in the development of the Long Term Plan, the effectiveness of the District Plan and the delivery of the Annual Plan
- To provide advice on the District Plan review regarding provisions for wāhi tapu, papa kāinga, and other issues relevant to Māori
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- To provide input to the development of the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan with particular reference to those issues of importance to **Māori**
- **To advocate on behalf of Māori in the Wairoa district to support Council's** objectives at a local, regional, and national level as appropriate
- **Make submissions on Māori-related matters** in conjunction with Council
- Investigate and report to Council on any issues that may have an implication for **Māori as the Committee considers** necessary
- To assist Council as appropriate in conducting and maintaining effective, good **faith working relationships with the Māori community**
- The Chair and one other representative will attend every scheduled ordinary, and extraordinary public meeting of full Council. These representatives will have speaking rights.
- Representatives to attend other committee meetings as indicated in the relevant terms of reference.
- **Determine actions that Council should take to develop and enhance Māori capacity to contribute to Council's decision-making processes**
- To provide strategic and appropriate tikanga guidance to the Council as requested

## NGĀ TUKU MANA/DELEGATIONS

Create and delegate to any subcommittee any responsibilities that have been delegated by Council to the Committee, and to appoint members onto the subcommittee.

Make recommendations to the Chief Executive Officer on professional development **opportunities which will enable members of the Māori Standing Committee to better** contribute to its decision-making processes. The Chief Executive Officer will sign off on these in accordance with budget provisions.

All powers necessary to perform the **Committee's responsibilities except:**

- a. Powers that Council cannot lawfully delegate under the Local Government Act 2002
- b. Where the **Committee's** responsibility is limited to making a recommendation only
- c. Approval of expenditure
- d. The approval of final policy
- e. Deciding significant matters for which there is high public interest and which are controversial
- f. The commissioning of reports on new policy where that policy programme of work has not been approved by the Council

## NGĀ TUKANGA/PROCEDURES

- Minutes are submitted to Council for receipt



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- There will be an appropriate induction for new members of the Committee

## TE KŌWHIRINGA SELECTION PROCESS

In local government election year, the Māori Standing Committee shall schedule district-wide hui for the selection process to decide the membership of the next Māori Standing Committee.

## TAKIWĀ REPRESENTATIVES

The following table outlines the eight takiwā as defined by Council. The marae listed are those that Council will invite to the selection process for that takiwā – marae can choose not to participate in the process.

Takiwā name	Marae
Pāhauwera	Kahungunu Te Huki Waipapa-ā-Iwi Kurahikakawa
Waikaremoana	Putere Te Kūhā Tārewa Te Waimako
Te Wairoa Hōpūpū	Pūtahi Pākōwhai Whetū Marama Aranui Arimawha Rangiahua Waipaoa Hine Te Ra
Te Wairoa Hōnengenenge	Te Aka Matua Takitimu Waihirere Sir James Carroll Memorial Tawhiti-ā-Maru Ruataniwha Hinemihi Huramua
Te Wairoa Matangirau	Whaakirangi Taihoa Te Poho o Tiakiwai Te Rauhina (Kihitu) Iwitea Whakakī

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Rakaipaaka	Kahungunu Manutai Kotahitanga Te Poho o Te Rehu Tamakahu <b>Tānenuiārangi</b>
Mahia Mai Tawhiti	Ruawharo <b>Māhanga</b> <b>Te Rākatō</b> Kaiuku Tuahuru Apaapa-ā-rangi
Ruakituri	Erepeti Pareroa Te Reinga



5.

Independent members of the Māori Standing Committee shall be determined at a series of district-wide hui-ā-takiwā within each takiwā, held after the triennial elections, whereby those present will endorse representatives to the Committee.

The hui-ā-takiwā and hui-ā-iwi processes will include the following:

- Confirmation of a meeting date and time (organised by the current takiwā representative with their respective marae) for the hui-ā-takiwā
- Presentation by Council staff on the selection process
- Council requires the following information from a nominated contact person for the takiwā following the selection process the takiwā runs:
  - Confirmation of any people nominated by the marae or nominations supported by the marae in the takiwā
  - Confirmation of a nominated person that the marae has voted for or any abstention from the process (person receiving the majority of votes are selected for that takiwā)
- A hui-ā-iwi is organised by Council once all of the selection information from the takiwā has been received
- The information from each takiwā is presented at the hui-ā-iwi to present all of the chosen representatives from each takiwā

If a takiwā position is not filled during the initial selection process or becomes vacant during the term of office then the Committee will run another selection process for that particular takiwā in order for the takiwā to decide who they would like to fill the seat.

The newly selected Māori Standing Committee members will be confirmed by Council at its next available ordinary meeting.

## WAIROA WHĀNUI REPRESENTATIVE

Option One: Status Quo

During the hui-ā-iwi nominations are sought from the floor for a Wairoa Whānui representative and are then voted on at the meeting.

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Option Two: Expressions of Interest or by direct Council appointment

Council will request expressions of interest via advertising locally. A panel consisting of the Chief Executive Officer (or nominee), Chair of the Māori Standing Committee, and His Worship the Mayor will assess the expressions of interest and make an appointment.

Expressions of interest must be accompanied by 2 references from Māori who whakapapa back to hapū/iwi outside of Wairoa.

The expressions of interests will be assessed based on:

- Skills and knowledge of tikanga Māori and te reo Māori
- Access to existing networks for interacting with Māori who whakapapa back to hapū/iwi outside of Wairoa e.g. community groups, social media presence

Council will make a direct appointment if necessary

Option Three: Remove this representative from the terms of reference of the Committee

## REMOVAL OF TAKIWĀ REPRESENTATIVES

If a takiwā wish to remove their representative and replace them with another person then the majority of marae need to support this in order for Council to initiate an extraordinary selection process for the takiwā.

Council requires the following information from a nominated contact person for the takiwā following the selection process the takiwā runs:

- Confirmation of any people nominated by the marae or nominations supported by the marae in the takiwā
- Confirmation of a nominated person that the marae has voted for or any abstention from the process (person receiving the majority of votes are selected for that takiwā)

The newly selected Māori Standing Committee member will be confirmed by Council at its next available ordinary meeting.