

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL
STRATEGY, WELLBEING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA
ON TUESDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2024 AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare, Cr Jeremy Harker, Cr Roslyn Thomas, Mr Seenie Kahukura, Ms Sue Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE: **Kitea Tipuna** (Tumu Whakarae | Chief Executive), **Gary Borg** (Pouwhakarae – Pūtea/Tautāwhi Rangapū | Group Manager Finance and Corporate Support), **Michael Hardie** (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau | Group Manager Assets and Infrastructure), **Juanita Savage** (Pouwhakarae Rātonga Hapori me te Whakawhanake | Group Manager Community Services and Development), **Kate Standring** (Executive Principal | Office of the Mayor/Office of the Chief Executive)

1 KARAKIA

The opening karakia was given by the Chief Executive, Kitea Tipuna.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

APOLOGY

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/163

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Roslyn Thomas

That the apology received from Mr. Terence Maru be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

To be declared as the agenda progresses.

4 CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil.

5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

PRESENTATION FROM THE WAIROA BUSINESS HUB

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/164

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Roslyn Thomas

That the presentation from the Wairoa Business Hub be received as a late item.

CARRIED

PUBLIC EXCLUDED – GENERAL DISCUSSION OF AHI KŌMAU

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/165

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That the public excluded general discussion of Ahi Kōmau be received as a late item.

CARRIED

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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 14.14 requests to speak must be made to the meeting secretary at least one clear day before the meeting; however this requirement may be waived by the Chairperson.

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/166

Moved: Cr Roslyn Thomas

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That the minutes and confidential minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10 September 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED

8 GENERAL ITEMS

APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/167

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That the committee approve the appointments of Seenie Kahukura representing Adara and Terence Maru representing Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust to the Strategy, Wellbeing and Economic Development Committee.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ASSOCIATION APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/168

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Mr Seenie Kahukura

That the committee approve the appointment of the Chairman of the Wairoa Business Association to the Strategy, Wellbeing and Economic Development Committee, and that a specific member appointed by the Business Association will serve as an alternate when the Chairman cannot attend. Additionally, future Chairs of the Wairoa Business Association will automatically sit on the committee as representatives.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION FROM THE WAIROA BUSINESS HUB

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/169

Moved: Cr Roslyn Thomas

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That the committee receive the presentation and refer it to the Community Partnership Group.

CARRIED

Mr Seenie Kahukura delivered a brief presentation on behalf of the Wairoa Business Hub, summarising their full business plan. He noted that the current funding for operations is nearing its end, prompting the Hub to explore self-sustainability strategies for the upcoming year to ensure continued operations.

8.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT GROUP UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/170

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Roslyn Thomas

The Pouwhakarae - Rātonga Hapori me te Whakawhanake | Group Manager Community Services & Development RECOMMENDS that Committee receive the report.

CARRIED

The Group Manager of Community Services and Development spoke to the report.

The committee:

- Revisited a previous conversation about relocating the smaller signs currently situated at the district boundary closer to town.
- Addressed the larger new signs that are being printed for the district boundary.
- Highlighted the previous request of a power source instead of relying on solar power.

The Group Manager of Community Services and Development highlighted the necessity for a new structure if the new signs do not fit within the existing framework of the ISite signs that Council already has approval to use the land area in which it sits.

The committee showed support for the pricing structure for the Gaiety Theatre outlined in item 8 of the report and requested a trial of the proposed advertising initiative. The Group Manager of Community Services and Development noted that there has been a schedule change for item 9.1 of the report. The Māori Film Festival will retain its original timing at Kahungunu Marae, while the event at the Gaiety Theatre will be rescheduled to coincide with Matariki. The Group Manager of Community Services and Development noted that she would speak on the Wairoa Star pricing proposal and Te Ahi Kōmau within public excluded.

9 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/171

Moved: Mr Seenie Kahukura

Seconded: Cr Roslyn Thomas

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting at 11:02am.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
8.1 – Community Services & Development Group Update	S7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/172

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Ms Sue Wilson

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 11:54am.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 11:55am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Strategy, Wellbeing and Economic Development Committee Meeting held on 3 December 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON