

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA
ON TUESDAY, 1 APRIL 2025 AT 1:30 PM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare, Cr Jeremy Harker, Cr Melissa Kaimoana, Cr Benita Cairns, Cr Roslyn Thomas

IN ATTENDANCE: **Kitea Tipuna** (Tumu Whakarae | Chief Executive), **Gary Borg** (Pouwhakarae – Pūtea/Tautāwhi Rangapū | Group Manager Finance and Corporate Support), **Hinetaakoha Viriaere** (Pouwhakarae Whakamahere me te Waeture | Group Manager Planning and Regulatory), **Luke Knight** (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau | Acting Group Manager Assets and Infrastructure), **Te Aroha Cook** (Kaiarataki Whakaoranga | Recovery Manager), **Hinemoa Hubbard** (Kaiurungi Mana Ārahi | Governance Officer), **Kate Standring** (Executive Principal | Office of the Mayor/Office of the Chief Executive), **Henare Mita** (Chair of Māori Standing Committee)

1 KARAKIA

A meeting was held before the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2025/20

Moved: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That the apology received from Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

To be declared as the agenda progresses.

4 CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil.

5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

LATE ITEMS

RESOLUTION 2025/21

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

That the reports 14.1 *Silt & Debris Fund – Programme Update – April 2025*, 14.2 *Review of Climate Action Joint Committee Financial Commitments*, and 14.3 *Wairoa District Council membership withdrawal from Climate Action Joint Committee* be received as late items.

CARRIED

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil.

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**RESOLUTION 2025/22**

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

That the minutes and confidential minutes of the following meetings be confirmed, with amendments to the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 25 February 2025:

- Extraordinary Meeting held on 25 February 2025
- Ordinary Meeting held on 4 March 2025
- Emergency Meeting held on 11 March 2025

CARRIED

Amendments to the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 25 February 2025:

An amendment was made to items 6.1 and 6.2, which were considered during the Public Excluded section of the meeting. The details of these amendments are recorded in the Public Excluded minutes.

8 GENERAL ITEMS

Nil.

9 RECEIPT OF MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES/ACTION SHEETS

Nil

10 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC****RESOLUTION 2025/23**

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting at 1:38pm.

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
14.1 - Silt & Debris Fund - Programme Update - April 2025	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	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
14.2 - Review of Climate Action Joint Committee Financial Commitments	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	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
14.3 - Wairoa District Council membership withdrawal from climate action joint committee	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	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**RESOLUTION 2025/24**

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Benita Cairns

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 2:42pm.

CARRIED

Council acknowledged the service and dedication of Chief Executive Kitea Tipuna, noting his strong communication skills and effective engagement with the community as key strengths.

The Meeting closed with a closing karakia by His Worship at 2:47pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 29 April 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON