

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TE TAI O POUTINI PLAN COMMITTEE HELD ONLINE AT 8.00AM ON 29 AUGUST 2024

Present

R. Williams (Chairman), Mayor T. Gibson (GDC), P. Madgwick (Makaawhio), Cr A. Gibson (GDC), Mayor J. Cleine (BDC), Cr G. Neylon (BDC), Cr P. Haddock (WCRC)

In attendance

Scott Baxendale (WDC), J. Armstrong (TTPP Project Manager), Doug Bray (WCRC), Chu Zhao (WCRC), Max Dickens (WCRC), D. Lew (WCRC), Simon Pickford (BDC), Adriana de Rooter-James (Public), Tayla Nelson-Tuhuru (Ngāi Tahu)

Welcome

Apologies: Cr A. Cassin (WDC), F. Tumahai (Ngāti Waewae)

R. Williams suggested amending the agenda to not deal with the minutes of the previous meeting and they could pick them up at a future meeting. R. Williams noted that only one item would be discussed, which is the report on the Activities on the Surface of Water Variation 1.

Senior Policy Planner, Doug Bray, commented that the submissions have been received on the Activities on the Surface of Water, a variation about making sure port activities and matters are recognised as permitted activities. Mr Bray noted that 5 submissions were received. This variation was a limited notified process, meaning only those who were notified could submit. These parties are now being given the opportunity to make further submissions in opposition or support of the submissions received. The letter is to go out today for a two-week period closing on Friday 13 September. Mr Bray noted that the Committee paper incorrectly said 14 September.

Cr G. Neylon asked if the further submissions are open to the public and whether we post the submissions received on our website

Mr Bray answered that they are not totally open to the public, they are open to the people who made submissions because it was a limited notification variation. The variation 1 submissions will not be posted on the website.

R. Williams asked Doug Bray to clarify the 'irrelevant submission'.

Mr Bray explained that one irrelevant submission had been received. The sender did not indicate whether it was Variation 1 or the Variation 2 he was submitting on. However, this submission is not relevant to either of these narrowly prescribed variations, and Mr Bray does not believe the submission can be accepted. Mr Bray recommended the hearings panel assess the submission and write to the submitter suggesting he contact Grey District Council on the matter he raised.



Moved (Mayor J. Cleine / Mayor T. Gibson)

1. *That the information be received.*
2. *That in accordance with Clause 7(3) of Schedule 1 of the RMA, the Summary of Submissions be limited notified to all those to whom notification of the Variation was initially served, on 29 August 2024.*
3. *That the required two-week period for receipt of further submissions close on 14 September 2024.*
4. *That consistent with Section 41D of the RMA, the TTPP Committee recommend to the Chairperson of the Hearings Panel, responsible for convening the Hearing for Variation 1, that Mr. Alex Woods be advised that his submission bears no relevance to either subject of what have been two recently notified Variations to the TTPP – i.e. Variation 1: Activities on the Surface of Water or Variation 2: Coastal Natural Hazards Mapping. His submission cannot, therefore, be allowed in terms of being of relevance to either Variation. It is recommended that the Chairperson of the Hearings Panel be encouraged to so advise Mr. Woods ahead of the Hearing itself and recommend to Mr. Woods that he contact the Grey District Council if wishing to pursue the matter he has written about any further.*

Carried

Closing comments

J. Armstrong drew the Committee's attention to the letter about further submissions that will be sent out today.

Cr G. Neylon asked if the process for Variation 2 is similar to Variation 1.

Mr Bray answered yes, but Variation 2 was publicly notified, so anyone may submit on it.

Cr G. Neylon asked if submissions will still be accepted where some of these further submissions will be from people who are in the Westport area which was not actually covered by Variation 2.

Mr Bray answered that anyone is able to make a submission on Variation 2, and all will be accepted. It will be over to the commissioners to decide if the points are relevant.

R. Williams noted the next meeting is face to face at 9am on the 10th of October at Grey District Council and they will deal with previous minutes at the beginning.

Meeting ended at 8.14am.