

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TE TAI O POUTINI PLAN COMMITTEE HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE WESTLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL AT 9.30AM ON TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 2023

PRESENT:

R. Williams (Chairman), G Neylon (BDC), A. Cassin (WDC), H. Lash (WDC), T. Gibson (GDC), A. Gibson (GDC); P. Haddock (WCRC, Chair) J. Cleine (BDC), R. Townrow (BDC) – via Zoom

IN ATTENDANCE:

R. Vaughan(Acting Project Manager), H. Mabin (WCRC, via Zoom), P. Morris (GDC), S. Bastion (WDC), F. Thomson (WCRC), L. Easton (Consultant), S.Kilkelly (minute taker WCRC).

WELCOME

Chair Williams opened the meeting and welcomed Rachel Vaughan who is stepping into the recently vacated Project Manager position and called for apologies.

APOLOGIES:

F. Tumahai, P Madgwick, B. Cummings.

Moved (A. Gibson/T. Gibson) that the apologies be accepted

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting 21 March 2023 are a true and correct record.

Moved (Cassin/T. Gibson)

Carried

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Request to Approve Contract Variation

It is recommended that a variation be made to the 2022/23 contract with Kereru Consultants increasing the maximum spend by \$30,000.

Rachel Vaughan clarified that the shortfall would be moved from the salary budget.

The Committee approve a variation to the Kereru Consultants 2022/2023 contract increasing the maximum spend by \$30,000 and delegates the Chief Executive West Coast Regional Council authority to sign the variation.

Moved (Cassin/Lash)



Carried

Te Tai o Poutini Plan - Notification of Summary of Submissions

Ms Easton spoke to her report. All of the 15,000 submissions had now been summarised and Ms Armstrong had sent the email access link to the summary of submissions to the Committee.

The next step is to notify the summary and this would be available. There was a check done to see if it was possible to split them up by district but a lot of submissions were not by district as they were across the whole plan, and there was no easy way to tell which district the submissions pertained to.

Given the summary is very large, to give the community good opportunity to see if further submissions were needed or wanted, she is recommending that the submission period is extended from the mandatory 10 working days to 20 working days.

One more thing of note that under the Resource Management Act there are quite a lot of restrictions on who can make a further submission – anyone who made a submission on The Plan can make a further submission but members of the public and other people who have not made a submission need to meet the criteria as set out in Schedule 1 of the RMA.

The Committee to note where people make further submissions they are supposed to serve a copy of the submission on the original submitter.

That the Committee receive the report

That the Summary of Submissions to Te Tai o Poutini Plan is publicly notified for further submissions in accordance with Schedule One of the Resource Management Act on 28 April 2023;

That the further submission closing date is 26 May 2023.

Moved(T. Gibson/A. Gibson);

Carried

Report - Proposed Plan Timing Update

Ms Vaughan took her report as read. The further submission process would close on 26th of May.

The submissions and further submissions would be put into hearing topics and these topics have already been identified.

Cr Cassin asked Ms Vaughan if she would work with those who had communicated a timing issue.

That the Committee receives this report

Moved(Neylon/Lash)

Carried

Te Tai o Poutini Plan - Buller District Designations Amendments



Ms Easton took her report as read. This was a matter that had been bought to her attention by the Buller District Council Staff, as part of their submission to the TTPP in relation to designations.

There were a couple of matters that didn't meet the minor amendment definition, and would have to be a substantive change to the normal designations.

Ms Easton explained the minor amendment process to the Councillors not familiar with it.

That corrections to address the minor Buller District Council Designation errors as identified in this report be made under the Minor Errors provisions in Schedule 1, Section 16 of the Resource Management Act; and

That the amendments to the Buller District Council Designations that do not meet the Minor Errors threshold be considered to inclusion as part of any Variation 1 to the Te Tai o Poutini Plan, should such a variation be developed.

Moved(Cleine/Haddock)

Carried

Report - Te Tai o Poutini Plan - Updates to Coastal Hazards Mapping

Ms Easton spoke to her report.

When the Coastal Hazard Provisions were being prepared for the proposed Plan, there was a decision made that with the absence of the LIDAR that satellite information from the space shuttle would be used as an interim measure. Now that LIDAR is available, the NIWA scientists have re-run the model and there are significant changes to the extent of inundation for coastal flooding.

Seeking Committee approval to start preparing the variations it is not asking for approval of the variations, as that would come back to the Committee.

S. Bastion said that original discussions this change would be severely impacted in Hokitika as it included future protection works by sea and river, and that was taken into account based on the revised rules for the CBD, and won't be impacted because of protection works. Ms Easton replied that this was the modelling output it is not the proposed coastal hazard layers, and she felt that it was the same as the Greymouth Flood protection, although GREYMOUTH did not have its own coastal hazard layer, whereas Buller and Hokitika did. There was discussion on modelling of protection works already in place, and subdivisions.

Ms Easton said this could also be workshopped for Committee members.

Mayor Cleine endorsed the proposed recommendations, and said it was important to take a science-based approach as this was the latest information to hand and it has big implications in the future.



Chair Williams sought that the Committee prepare a brief release stating what the information is, and the fact that it would be workshopped, and there could be some findings come out after that.

- 1. That the information be received;
- 2.That staff prepare a draft variation to the proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan that:
- a. Updates the coastal hazard mapping and associated natural hazard overlays In light of the updated coastal inundation modelling from NIWA;
- b. Updates the Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori mapping to reflect the amendments provided by Poutini Ngai Tahu; and
- c. Includes the amendments to the Buller District Council Designations, as sought by the Buller District Council.

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3.that the further submission closing date is 26 May 2023.

Moved (Neylon/Lash)

Carried

Project Managers Update

Ms Vaughan took the report as read and stated that it was prepared by Ms Armstrong before she left last week.

Chair Williams asked that the good and effective work undertaken by Ms Armstrong over the last four years be minuted.

That the Project Manager's update be received

Moved(Williams/Cassin)

Carried

General Business

Chair Williams and Ms Vaughan worked through some discussions over future meetings.

Future meetings in May, July and September and members will be notified.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 10.20am.