

# MINUTES OF MEETING OF TE TAI O POUTINI PLAN COMMITTEE HELD AT BULLER DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 10.32AM ON 29 AUGUST 2023

# PRESENT:

S.Gibley (GDC), J.Howard (BDC), T.Gibson (GDC), R.Williams (Chairman), P.Morris (GDC), A.Cassin (WDC), H.Lash (WDC), S.Bastion (WDC), G.Neylon (BDC)

Via Zoom- D.Lew (WCRC), B.Cummings (WDC), P.Haddock (WDC), P.Madgwick (PNT)

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

R.Vaughan (WCRC), B.Douglas (WCRC), T.Mehrtens (WCRC), L.Easton (WCRC)

Via Zoom- K.Sims (WCRC)

#### WELCOME:

Chairman Williams opened the meeting and called for apologies.

Welcome to Councillor Howard standing in for Mayor Cleine.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

F.Tumahi (PNT) and J.Cleine (BDC)

#### Previous Meeting Minutes:

Chair Haddock thanked for standing in for Rex Williams.

Recommendation that the minutes of 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 be accepted subject to an amendment to reflect that the meeting paused at 10:00am and restarted 10:20am.

Moved (Mayor Gibson/Cr Cassin)

#### **Report – Variation to contracts**

Project Manager presented report.

Moved (Mayor Gibson/Mayor Lash)



### Report – Delegation of technical expert services

Project Manager presented report.

General discussion:

- Costs included in budget
- Contracting to WCRC
- Technical experts need to be qualified and different to the submitters' experts with no conflict of interest.
- Important to use local experts for technical input to the mineral extraction topic.
- Mineral extraction can be discussed again at a later date. Contracting expertise for the Plan topics being considered now.
- The budget for planners' consultants and technical expert is already set. New project manager to keep everyone fully informed on budget.

Recommendations

**Moved** (Haddock/Howard)

#### <u> Financials – May, June</u>

Budget had no change in the forecast but there was chance in the actuals. The forecast is done yearly and will change this financial year.

Moved (Gibson/Cassin)

## Project Manager Update

R.Vaughans last week.

Plans going forward. Questions for hearings go to T.Mehrtens.

Risks

- People aren't happy
- Budget
- Changes to the national legislation
- Plan can still be heard under the Resource Management Act
- Staff safety

How is recruitment, roles being merged and being advertised. Won't be a fulltime role, advertised for a month. Being helped by Fiona, Tayla, and Ben.

R.Williams says the ball can't be dropped in the meantime.

Appeals have been budgeted and the team will hold as many Prehearings as possible.

Carried

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WCRC are to stress test the plan.

Decision on the role was meant to go back to all council members.

Project manager to send handover document to Steering Committee and meeting invitations for October and December.

R.Williams thanked R.Vaughan.

Moved (Gibson/Cassin)