

Confirmed Public minutes of the Wairarapa Committee meeting on Tuesday 28 May 2024

Committee Room, Greater Wellington Regional Council
34 Chapel Street, Masterton at 10.05am

Members Present

Councillor Staples (Chair)	Greater Wellington Regional Council
Mayor Caffell	Masterton District Council
Mayor Connelly	South Wairarapa District Council
Councillor Gaylor	Greater Wellington Regional Council
Councillor Ponter	Greater Wellington Regional Council

Councillor Gaylor participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Scheduled 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Mayor Connelly / Mayor Caffell

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Amber Craig.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Wairarapa Committee meeting on 9 April 2024 – Report 24.168

Moved: Cr Ponter / Mayor Cafell

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Committee meeting of 9 April 2024 - Report 24.168.

The motion was **carried**.

The Committee Chair accorded priority to agenda items 10 and 11 in accordance with Standing Order 3.5.2.

5 Release of Wairarapa SW Carriage Rough Ride and Vibration Review – Report 24.224 [For Information]

David Mawson, Manager Rail Network Delivery, spoke to the report.

6 Public transport update – Report 24.228 [For Information]

Sam Gain, Group Manager Metlink, spoke to the report.

7 Government policy update – Report 24.222 [For Information]

Fathima Iftikar, Director Strategy, Policy and Regulation, spoke to the report.

8 Update on the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project and review of the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme – Report 24.219 [For Information]

Pete Huggins, Catchment Manager – Ruamahanga, and Ella Buckley, Senior Biodiversity Advisor Wairarapa Moana, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee asked officers to send a copy of the Update on the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project and review of the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme – Report 24.219 to Haami Te Whaiti as Chair of the Wairarapa Moana Statutory Board, and to provide future reports to the Wairarapa Committee on the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project and the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme, to the Wairarapa Moana Statutory Board, as a courtesy.

9 Wairarapa flood risk management update – Report 24.217 [For Information]

Madeliene Playford, Senior Project Manager Engineering, spoke to the report.

10 Ruamāhanga Whaitua Implementation Programme progress report and update on Wairarapa Coast Whaitua – Report 24.215 [For Information]

Pete Huggins, Catchment Manager – Ruamāhanga and Tash Styles, Catchment Manager – Wairarapa Coast, spoke to the report.

11 Wairarapa Water Resilience Strategy update – Report 24.216 [For Information]

Pete Huggins, Catchment Manager – Ruamāhanga, and Nicola Patrick, Director Catchment, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11.17am.



Councillor A Staples

Chair

Date: 06/08/24

