

**Minutes of the Regulatory & Services Committee  
held on Wednesday 10 April 2024  
commencing at 9.00am**

**Present:** Councillor C J Ion (Chairperson)  
Her Worship the Mayor F K N Tunui  
Deputy Mayor A Rangihika (via Zoom)  
Councillor B Julian  
Councillor S Kingi  
Councillor W Godfery  
Councillor J Ross  
Councillor R G K Savage  
Councillor R Andrews

**In Attendance:** Chief Executive Officer (M Godfery)  
Group Manager, Finance and Corporate Services (L Butler)  
Group Manager, Operations and Services (D Lye)  
Group Manager, Regulatory and Planning (M Glaspey)  
Communications Manager (T Humberstone)  
Economic and Community Development Manager (L Barton)  
Administration Officer (T Barnett)

**Chair Ion acknowledged the members of the community who were there for Public Forum.**

**Apologies**

*No Apologies were received.*

**Leave of Absence**

*No Leave of Absence were received.*

**Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

*No Declarations of Conflict of Interest were received.*

**Formal introductions were made for our new Group Manager, Operations and Services Manager, Dean Lye, and Dog Control and Compliance Team Leader Dale Anderson.**

**Public Forum**

**Jan Meredith**

Queried why Council have not applied for an extension regarding the proposed fluoride mandate from Central Government.

**Christine Larsen**

Asked Council to supply figures on the installation of the equipment needed for the proposed introduction of fluoride, and would like annual costs on the proposed fluoride introduction made available to the public.

## **Derek Spiers**

Requested relevant information regarding the directive from Central Government around the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water to be posted on Councils Facebook page.

## **Jonette Nead**

Has concerns regarding the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water system, and mentioned when living in Australia, the local Council gave out fluoride tablets, giving people the option.

## **Mark Valk**

Supports the proposed introduction of fluoride, and given the choice, he would choose fluoride over chlorine.

## **Skarlett Starr**

Mentioned the injunction recently sought by Hastings Council regarding the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water, and said all the Community is asking for at this stage is that an injunction is sought for the Kawerau District.

## **Mieke Byerley**

Spoke representing her family against the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water, and questioned why people do not have the choice whether to have it in their water.

## **Phil Shoemac**

Spoke detailing the directive issued to all Councils around the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water.

## **Chief Executive Officer Morgan Godfery**

CE Godfery gave an update in regards to the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water, and the Councils position regarding this.

## **Chair Ion adjourned the open meeting at 9.24am**

## **Chair Ion resumed an open meeting at 9.32am**

CE Godfery went on to explain that we do not have the power to take on Central Government, and encouraged the public to take their fight to Wellington.

## **Her Worship the Mayor**

Her Worship gave an update regarding meeting with the Councils that have asked for the deferment from Central Government regarding the proposed introduction of fluoride into the water in Wellington on the 11 and 12 April 2024.

## **Opening Prayer**

*Pastor Mark Kingi opened the meeting with a prayer.*

## **PART A – REGULATORY**

### **1 Monthly Report - Regulatory and Planning Services (340000)**

The Committee discussed a report covering Regulatory and Planning activities for the month of March 2024.

#### **Correction:**

Page 5 – Item 8.3 – last paragraph – Group Manager, Regulatory and Planning Services to update Iwi title to Ngāti Tūwharetoa.

**Resolved**

**Councillors Savage / Kingi**

*That the report on Regulatory and Planning Services activities for the month of March 2024 is received.*

## **PART B – NON REGULATORY**

### **2 Monthly Report - Finance and Corporate Services (211000)**

The Committee discussed a report from the Group Manager, Finance and Corporate Services covering activities for the month of March 2024.

**Resolved**

**Councillors Godfery / Ross**

*That the report from the Group Manager, Finance and Corporate Services for the month of March 2024 is received.*

### **3 Monthly Report - Operations and Services (440000)**

The Committee discussed a report from the Acting Group Manager, Operations and Services covering activities for the month of March 2024.

#### **Action Items:**

Group Manager, Operations and Services to update Elected Members on the status of the Resource Consent for water supply.

Page 18 – Group Manager, Operations and Services to confirm that activities that have been completed and change the report to reflect this.

**Resolved**

**Councillors Savage / Kingi**

*That the report from the Acting Group Manager, Operations and Services for the month of March 2024 is received.*

### **4 Monthly Report - Economic and Community Development (Economic and Community Development Manager) (309005)**

**Councillor Ross left the meeting at 10.04am**

The Committee discussed a report from the Economic and Community Development Manager covering economic and community activities for the month of March 2024.

**Action Items:**

Economic and Community Development Manager to update Economic Profile and email to Elected Members.

Economic and Community Development Manager to provide an update on when a decision will be likely made regarding the boundary Change.

**Resolved**

**Her Worship the Mayor / Councillor Julian**

*That the report from the Economic and Community Development Manager for the month of March 2024 is received.*

**Chief Executive Officer Godfery left the meeting at 10.17am**

5 **Monthly Report – Communications and Engagement (Communications and Engagement Manager) (340100)**

The Committee discussed a report from the Communications and Engagement Manager covering communications and engagement activities for the month of March 2024.

**Resolved**

**Councillors Savage / Ion**

*That the report from the Communications and Engagement Manager for the month of March 2024 is received.*

**Meeting closed at 10.30am**



C J Ion  
**Chairperson**

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