

Waiheke Local Board OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Waiheke Local Board held in the Waiheke Local Board Office, 10 Belgium Street, Ostend, Waiheke Island on Thursday, 28 January 2016 at 5.15pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Paul Walden		
Deputy	Becs Ballard	From 5:21pm	Item
Chairperson			9.3
Members	Shirin Brown John Meeuwsen		

APOLOGIES

Councillor	Mike Lee	For absence
Member	Beatle Treadwell	For absence

ALSO PRESENT

Orakei Board	Mark Thomas
Member	

1 Welcome

Board Member S Brown led the meeting in karakia.

2 Apologies

Resolution number WHK/2016/1

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member JP Meeuwssen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **accept the apology from Councillor Mike Lee and Member BM Treadwell for absence and Deputy Chairperson R Ballard for lateness.**

CARRIED

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number WHK/2016/2

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member S Brown:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Thursday, 10 December 2015, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

5 Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

7 Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Deputations

There were no deputations.

9 Public Forum

Secretarial Note: The chairperson with the consent of the meeting accorded Items 9.3 to 9.8 – TPPA precedence at this time.

9.3 TPPA - Susi Newborn

Susi Newborn was in attendance to talk to the board regarding the TPPA.

Resolution number WHK/2016/3

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Susi Newborn for her attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

9.4 TPPA - Carol Winstanley

Carol Winstanley was in attendance to talk to the board regarding the TPPA.

Resolution number WHK/2016/4

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member S Brown:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **receives the tabled documents and attach it to the minutes.**
b) **thanks Carol Winstanley for her attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

A copy of the tabled document has been placed on the file copy of the minutes and can be viewed on Auckland Council's website.

Attachments

- A TPP Free Zone
- B TPP_Waiheke_LB_26_Jan_2015
- C Key-Issues-in-the-Final-Text-of-the-TPPA-5
- D TPP text on trade and climate change - comparison

9.5 TPPA - Reverend Mua Strickson Pua

Reverend Mua Strickson Pua was in attendance to speak to the board about the TPPA.

Resolution number WHK/2016/5

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Reverend Mua Strickson Pua for his attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

9.6 TPPA - Georgina Blackmore

Georgina Blackmore was in attendance to speak to the board about the TPPA.
Resolution number WHK/2016/6

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Georgina Blackmore for her attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

9.7 TPPA - Debbie Sheridan

Debbie Sheridan was in attendance to speak to the board about the TPPA.
Resolution number WHK/2016/7

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Debbie Sheridan for her attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

9.8 Auckland Council and the TPPA - Mark Thomas

Mark Thomas was in attendance to speak to the board about Auckland Council and the issues around the TPPA.

Resolution number WHK/2016/8

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Mark Thomas for his attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: The order of business resumed at Item 9.1.

9.1 Direction Matiatia - Merran Lawler

Merran Lawler was in attendance to thank the members of the current board for their support in the campaign against the marina development at Matiatia and to update the board about the recent activities of Direction Matiatia.

Resolution number WHK/2016/9

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Merran Lawler, Christine Gisby, Brian Griffiths, David Smith and Janet Moore for their hard work with Direction Matiatia to safe guard our Island Gateway and that this recognition is on behalf of the community of Waiheke.**
- b) **recognises Merran's thanks to the Local Board.**

CARRIED

9.2 Development on the Strand at Onetangi - David Baigent

David Baigent was in attendance to talk to the board about a possible development on the strand at Onetangi.

Resolution number WHK/2016/10

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member JP Meeuwssen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) receives the tabled document and attach it to the minutes.
- b) thanks David Baigent for his attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

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Attachments

- A House Proposed
- B Request for information correspondence

Secretarial Note: Item 9.3 to Item 9.8 were considered at the start of public forum.

9.9 Waiheke Citizens Advice Bureau - Lomond Brown

Lomond Brown was in attendance to thank the board for a recent grant received for the Waiheke Citizens Advice Bureau

Resolution number WHK/2016/11

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) thanks Lomond Brown for her attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

9.10 Vegetation Control - Hana Blackmore

Hana Blackmore was in attendance to talk to the board about vegetation control and the legacy policies regarding the use of chemicals on the island.

Resolution number WHK/2016/12

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member S Brown:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) receives the tabled documents and attach them to the minutes.
- b) thanks Hana Blackmore for her attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

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Attachments

- A Chemical free parks
- B Spray regimes in Auckland

9.11 TPPA - Will Ryan

Will Ryan was in attendance to talk to the board about the TPPA
Resolution number WHK/2016/13

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **thanks Will for his attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

10 Extraordinary Business

10.1 Extraordinary Item - Urgent Funding for Seaweek

Resolution number WHK/2016/14

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **considers an extraordinary item regarding urgent funding for Seaweek at Item 21 of this agenda**
- i. **the reason the item was not on the agenda was because no funding application had been received.**
 - ii. **the reason for urgency being that the event is due to take place from Saturday 27 February to Sunday 6 March 2016 and the funds are need in order to progress the organisation of the event.**

CARRIED

11 Notices of Motion

11.1 Notice of Motion - Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement

Resolution number WHK/2016/15

MOVED by Member S Brown, seconded by Member JP Meeuwsen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) **notes that:**
- i. **The intention is for the Minister of Trade to sign the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA) on or near 4 February 2016 in Auckland, without a clear indication of mandated support from the New Zealand public, or any discussion in Parliament.**
 - ii. **The October 5, 2015 released TPPA text show that NZ laws would need to be changed to comply with TPPA regulations where these are inconsistent.¹**
 - iii. **To date 12 councils covering about 60% of New Zealanders have passed resolutions seeking further transparency and clarification of the effects of signing the TPPA.²**

¹ TPP Intellectual Rights Chapter <https://wikileaks.org/tpp-ip3/>

² http://www.actionstation.org.nz/tpp_policy_solution Additionally Whanganui District, Horowhenua District and Horizons Regional Council have carried remits seeking that Central Government negotiate the TPP text in the New Zealand national interest. Many more Councils are taking an active interest. Local Government New Zealand LGNZ has had many contacts from its members in this regard.

- iv. In a TV3 Reid Research poll from November 2015, 52% of the public polled said they don't support the TPPA.
 - v. There does not appear to be any response or consideration from Central Government on the issues raised, (see Background) in spite of the urgency of this issue, and the previous indication of parliamentary debate before the signing of the agreement.³
- b) considers that:
- i. the risks to democracy, national and local law and elected member decision-making posed by New Zealand's inclusion in the TPPA are too severe to be neglected and should be thoroughly debated before any agreement is signed.
 - ii. the Waiheke Local Board would be acting in a foolhardy manner and fail in its responsibilities towards its constituents if it did not speak about its concerns in respect to the TPPA – particularly as there is nothing on the implications for local government decision-making.
 - iii. there is too great a financial and environmental risk to the Auckland ratepayer and NZ taxpayer from the possibility of investor state disputes, rising costs of goods and services from costs of compliance, and costs to the Council in realigning local laws to be consistent with the requirements of the TPPA.
- c) requests Auckland Council to:
- i. urgently request information on the costs of compliance of the TPPA and effect on Auckland Council elected representative decision-making processes, and how this affects Treaty of Waitangi issues and for this to be discussed at the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee meeting of the Auckland Council.
 - ii. urgently seek clarification again from the Minister of Trade on how previous requests for parliamentary and public consultation have been addressed.
 - iii. make available to Local Boards and Auckland Citizens the government's response as well as an analysis of the adequacy of undertakings to address Council's concerns as raised in the 8 October 2015, Regional Strategy and Policy Committee meeting.
 - iv. in the light of the leak text being made public since October 2015, urge Central Government to undertake independent social, financial, health, environmental and climate change impact assessments of the potential effects of the TPPA on the people and land of New Zealand, particularly in relation to central and local government decision-making, and make this information publicly available.
 - v. request that Central Government institutes a process for parliamentary debate before the agreement is signed, where the above feedback can be considered and there can be open debate on the issues including the effects on local and central governance.

³ <http://www.3news.co.nz/politics/key-accused-of-spreading-tpa-mistruths-2013100109#axzz3xar2Dxae>

d) declares that:

i. until such time as there is robust debate and convincing protection of local government decision-making for the benefit of residents, citizens and ratepayers, and an analysis of how these issues will be addressed at local government level, Waiheke and the Hauraki Gulf is a TPPA free zone where the constraints imposed by the TPPA, and the changes to national and local legislation to make our area comply with TPPA requirements are not supported by the Waiheke Local Board.

e) requests that this resolution and background information be circulated to the Mayor and Governing Body, all other Local Boards in Auckland and other Councils and local and community boards around New Zealand and that it is sent immediately to the New Zealand Minister of Trade and Prime Minister.

CARRIED

12 Councillor's Update

This item was withdrawn.

13 Once upon an Island Trust - Waiheke Events fund application

Resolution number WHK/2016/16

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

a) approves the application listed in the table below to be funded from the FY16 Events fund budget:

Organisation	Funding for	Amount approved
Once Upon an Island Trust	Towards a series of events that are proposed for Waiheke Cycle Month 2016	\$2,000.00

CARRIED

14 Feedback on road works associated with Countdown development

Resolution number WHK/2016/17

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member JP Meeuwssen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

a) delegates to the transport holders to meet with the engineer and transport spoke persons to discuss active and public transport requirements and to provide final feedback.

b) notes that the Local Board has been requesting the plans for the traffic management for two years.

CARRIED

15 Draft Local Government Election Year Policy for Elected Members

Resolution number WHK/2016/18

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member JP Meeuwssen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) can find no legislative requirement to develop an election year policy for elected members.
- b) believes that current legislative provisions are sufficient.

CARRIED

16 New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme and Electricity Authority Consultations

Resolution number WHK/2016/19

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) delegates to Member S Brown to provide feedback by 15 February 2016.

CARRIED

17 Review of Waiheke Local Board business meeting frequency

Resolution number WHK/2016/20

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) agrees to amend its business meeting schedule for the 2016 calendar year commencing February 2016, to monthly meetings held on the fourth Thursday of the month commencing at 5.15pm.

CARRIED

Attachments

- A Revised Waiheke 2016 Meeting dates

18 Governance Forward Work Calendar

Resolution number WHK/2016/21

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) notes the attached Governance Forward Work Calendar.

CARRIED

19 List of resource consents

Resolution number WHK/2016/22

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Member JP Meeuwssen:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) receives the list of resource consents lodged during 9 November 2015 to 15 January 2016 related to Waiheke Island.

CARRIED

20 Reports requested/pending

Resolution number WHK/2016/23

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board

- a) receives the reports requested/pending report.

CARRIED

21 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

21.1 Extraordinary Item - Urgent Funding for Seaweed

Resolution number WHK/2016/24

MOVED by Chairperson PA Walden, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Ballard:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) allocate \$500 from its Marine Protection budget to support the Seaweed Marine Conservation Futures and the legacy of Bill Ballantine event to be held at Auckland University from Saturday 27 February to Sunday 6 March 2016.

CARRIED

7:28 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE WAIHEKE LOCAL BOARD
HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....