

Great Barrier Local Board OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Great Barrier Local Board held in the Claris Conference Centre, 19 Whangaparapara Road, Claris, Great Barrier Island on Tuesday, 15 August 2017 at 1.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Izzy Fordham
Deputy Chairperson	Luke Coles
Members	Jeff Cleave
	Susan Daly
	Shirley Johnson

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor	Mike Lee
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1 Welcome

Chairperson IM Fordham opened the meeting and welcomed everyone present. Member J Cleave led the meeting in a karakia.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number GBI/2017/70

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Deputy Chairperson L Coles:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 18 July 2017 as a true and correct record.

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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

9.1 Rosemary Harland and Rose Williams - Glow worms

Rosemary Harland and Rose Williams were in attendance to speak to the Great Barrier Local Board about glow worms.

A document was tabled in respect this item. A copy of the tabled document has been attached to the official minutes and can be viewed on the Auckland Council website.

Resolution number GBI/2017/71

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Daly:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **note the Public Forum presentation.**
- b) **thank Rosemary Harland and Rose Williams for their Public Forum presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A Tabled document - Rosemary Harland and Rose Williams

10 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

11 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Secretarial note: *Councillor Mike Lee was welcomed by the Chairperson and invited to address the board at this point in the meeting.*

12 Environmental agency and community group reports

Resolution number GBI/2017/72

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member J Cleave:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **receive the following reports:**
 - i. **Biodiversity report July 2017**
 - ii. **Pest Free News – July 2017**
 - iii. **Great Barrier Island Environmental Trust update – 1 August 2017**

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13 Auckland Tourism, Events & Economic Development (ATEED) six-monthly report to the Great Barrier Local Board

Paul Robinson - Local Economic Growth Manager, ATEED was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board on the ATEED six-monthly report.

Resolution number GBI/2017/73

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **note the the six-monthly report period 1 January to 30 June 2017.**
- b) **thank Paul Robinson - Local Economic Growth Manager, ATEED for his attendance and presentation.**

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14 Draft Annual Report 2016/2017 – Great Barrier Local Board report

Michele Going – Lead Financial Advisor was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board on the Draft Annual Report 2016/2017 – Great Barrier Local Board report.

Resolution number GBI/2017/74

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **note the monitoring and reporting requirements set out in the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 and the draft local board information proposed for the Auckland Council Annual Report 2016/2017.**
- b) **receive the draft local board report to be included in the Auckland Council Annual Report 2016/2017.**
- c) **approve the message from the chairperson, which provides the local board's comments on local board matters in the Annual Report 2016/2017.**
- d) **give authority to the chairperson and deputy chairperson to make typographical changes before submitting for final publication.**
- e) **thank Michele Going – Lead Financial Advisor for her attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Tabled document – Draft annual report 2016/2017 – Great Barrier Local Board

15 Auckland Council's Quarterly Performance Report: Great Barrier Local Board for quarter four, 1 April - 30 June 2017

Jacqui Fyers – Local Board Advisor was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board on the Auckland Council's Quarterly Performance Report: Great Barrier Local Board for quarter four, 1 April – 30 June 2017 report.

Resolution number GBI/2017/75

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Deputy Chairperson L Coles:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **note the performance report for the financial quarter ending 30 June 2017.**

CARRIED

16 Submissions and feedback on the draft Aotea Great Barrier Local Board Plan 2017

Jacqui Fyers – Local Board Advisor was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board on the Submissions and feedback on the draft Aotea Great Barrier Local Board Plan 2017 report.

Resolution number GBI/2017/76

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Deputy Chairperson L Coles:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) **note submissions and feedback on the draft Aotea Great Barrier Local Board**

Plan 2017.

- b) thank Jacqui Fyers – Local Board Advisor for her attendance and presentation, and patience.

CARRIED

17 Feedback on the proposed direction of the Regional Pest Management Plan

Imogen Bassett - Environmental Advisory Manager, Infrastructure & Environmental Services was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board on the Feedback on the proposed direction of the Regional Pest Management Plan report.

Resolution number GBI/2017/77

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member J Cleave:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) Delegate to the Chairperson and Member S Daly in discussion with other board members to provide feedback on the proposed direction of specific regional and local programmes being considered as part of the Auckland Regional Pest Management Plan review (as per Attachment C of the agenda report).
- b) thank Imogen Bassett - Environmental Advisory Manager, Infrastructure & Environmental Services for her attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

18 Governance Framework Review recommendations

Resolution number GBI/2017/78

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) Provide feedback on the following draft positions and recommendations of the Political Working Party:
- Regional policy and decision-making**
- i. Agree that council should implement new mechanisms that ensure effective local board input to regional policy decisions, via a framework that sets out, at a minimum:
- A process for involving local boards in the development of regional work programmes at the beginning of each term and in an annual refresh;
 - Earlier and more joint engagement between local boards and the governing body in regional decision-making processes
 - Requirements for analysis of local impacts and local interest of regional decisions and options, and reporting of this to local boards and the governing body
 - Specified criteria for categorising the potential local impact and local board interest of regional decisions

- Processes and methods for tailoring local board engagement in line with the local impact and local interest of regional decisions e.g. high categorisation requiring more specific local engagement and analysis, low categorisation requiring more cluster joint local board workshop sessions and less in depth analysis.
 - Specified methods for engagement and communication with local boards at all stages of the decision-making process.
- ii. Direct that local boards will be consulted on the details of these mechanisms prior to implementation.
 - iii. Note that the Quality Advice programme is continuing to be implemented in order to improve the quality of advice to elected members for decision-making, in line with the recommendations of the Governance Framework Review.
 - iv. Agree not to implement any formal policies or procedures that control when and how local boards may procure external or contestable advice, but note that, in principle, the Auckland Council organisation should be the first provider of advice to local boards.
 - v. Agree not to implement any policy or procedure that would limit local boards' ability to advocate to the governing body on regional issues.

Local decisions that may have regional impacts (development of a 'call-in' right)

- vi. Note that an explicit call-in right is not possible under the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act
- vii. Agree not to implement any mechanism that would have the effect of 'calling in' or allocating decision-making to the governing body for otherwise local activities or decisions that have regional implications.
- viii. Direct officers that, whenever a local board is to make a decision that has potential impacts beyond the immediate local board area e.g. a sub-regional impact or an impact on regional networks, advice on those potential impacts is to be provided to the local board as a matter of course (for example through a regional impact statement).

Allocations and delegations

- ix. Agree that the governing body delegates, subject to the necessary statutory tests being met, the following Reserves Act 1977 decision-making functions for local reserves to local boards:
 - declaration
 - classification
 - reclassification
 - application for revocation of reserve status (limited to when there is a desire by a local board to manage open space under the LGA)
- x. Note that officers' advice on decision-making for exchanges of reserve land was that it should remain with the governing body, with the

relevant local board consulted on these decisions

- xi. Note that the working party did not reach consensus on this issue, and will consider the feedback of local boards before making a recommendation
- xii. Agree that the Minister of Conservation's supervisory powers remain delegated to staff, but where there is likely to be significant public interest, an independent commissioner should be engaged.

The role of Auckland Transport and local boards

- xiii. Note the critical interface between the local place-shaping role of local boards and Auckland Transport's jurisdiction over the road corridor and transport networks.
- xiv. Note that the Governance Manual for Substantive CCOs requires Auckland Transport, amongst other things, to:
 - develop, with local boards, a shared understanding of local board views and CCO priorities to inform the following year's business planning, including through an annual interactive workshop 'where local boards communicate their local board priorities and the CCOs communicate how their current year work programme will contribute to local board priorities'.
 - develop by 31 July each year an annual local board engagement plan, which includes a schedule 'clearly indicat[ing] for each board, the projects and/or activities that it expects to report on, and the projects and activities that it expects to consult on, for the following year. This should be updated annually or more frequently if required.'
 - report against their local board engagement plan in their quarterly performance reports to the CCO Governance and Monitoring Committee.
- xv. Direct Auckland Transport to meet all requirements for local board engagement as set out in the Governance Manual for Substantive CCOs.
- xvi. Direct Auckland Council officers to monitor Auckland Transport's compliance with the requirements for local board engagement, as set out in the Governance Manual for Substantive CCOs, and to report this monitoring to the governing body at least annually.
- xvii. Note that the Mayor's 2017 letter of expectation to Auckland Transport stipulated that council expects there to be:
 - better and earlier engagement and communication between Auckland Transport and local boards;
 - active consideration by Auckland Transport of which of its decision-making powers it could delegate to local boards (within the constraints created by the regulatory environment, safety

- considerations, the needs of regional networks and the role played by NZTA in decision-making).
- xviii. Note that the following activity statement has been included in Auckland Transport's 2017-2020 Statement of Intent:
- 'Participation in the governance review which is aimed at changing behaviours and processes across relevant Council family activities, including Auckland Transport, to enable local boards to give effect to their governance role, particularly around local place-shaping.'**
- xix. Note that the Governance Framework Review has investigated the potential delegation of a range of Auckland Transport powers and the working party recommends that additional work be undertaken to identify delegation opportunities
- xx. Direct Auckland Transport, in working with local boards, to:
- Ensure that local boards have a strong governance role in determining the 'look and feel' of town centres and streetscapes, in line with their allocation of non-regulatory decision-making
 - Improve co-ordination between local place-shaping projects, such as town centre upgrades, and its renewals programmes
 - Provide more opportunities for local board direction on the prioritisation of minor traffic safety projects, with the exception of those which Auckland Transport considers are of critical safety importance
 - Be more responsive to local place-shaping initiatives in non-transport parts of the road corridor, including reducing or removing barriers to community place-making initiatives e.g. looking at ways to reduce the costs of developing traffic management plans for community events
 - Take direction from local boards on how and where to implement community-focused programmes
- xxi. Direct Auckland Transport to report to the governing body annually on how it is meeting the directions given under recommendation xx.
- xxii. Note that the Quality Advice programme has been working with Auckland Transport to improve the quality of advice to local boards and will shortly begin regular six monthly surveys of local board members' satisfaction with Auckland Transport advice, engagement and reporting to local boards.
- xxiii. Note that the Local Board Transport Capital Fund is valued by local boards but that the level of funding means that some boards are not able to progress meaningful projects, and that improved local transport outcomes may be achieved if the size of the fund was significantly increased.
- xxiv. Direct officers to report to the relevant governing body committee,

through the Long Term Plan process, on options for significantly increasing the Local Board Transport Capital Fund and the method of allocation of the fund.

- xxv. Direct Auckland Transport to implement a more systematic work programme approach to assist local boards to identify potential projects and make decisions.
- xxvi. Direct Auckland Transport to actively engage with governing body members (ward councillors) on transport projects and issues within their ward areas.

Waiheke Local Board pilot

- xxvii. Agree that the governing body should endorse the Waiheke Local Board pilot project as set out in the Waiheke Local Board pilot project plan.
- xxviii. Note that as the pilot progresses, other matters beyond the current scope of the project plan, including matters discussed by the Governance Framework Review Political Working Party but not currently being progressed, may arise or merit investigation and agree that these be investigated if appropriate and support is available
- xxix. Note that the Waiheke Local Board will maintain oversight of local implementation of the pilot.
- xxx. Note that regular reports on the agreed formal RIMU led Waiheke pilot evaluation process will be reported back to all local boards.

Local boards funding and finance

- xxxi. Agree that the enhanced status quo model be moved to immediately, noting that further work can be progressed within this framework rather than waiting for further work before implementing the enhanced status quo.
- xxxii. Re-name the enhanced status quo to be called, “local decision-making within a funding envelope.”
- xxxiii. Provide additional decision-making to local boards by enabling them to increase or decrease service levels within and across ABS activities provided that the impact is cost neutral, i.e. within the “funding envelope”.
- xxxiv. Agree that the additional work to support the Enhanced status quo model be undertaken – framework for service levels and local flexibility, options for addressing historical uneven funding, improving the information and advice that is provided to local boards.
- xxxv. Agree that further work on the implications of the local decision making model also be undertaken for further consideration - modelling of rates implication following the revaluation, costs to the organisation of supporting more local decision making etc.

The optimum number of local boards

- xxxvi. Agree that council should undertake no further work on changing the number of local boards until at least after the governance framework review has been completed and implemented, and the outcomes of reorganisation proposals that are underway for North Rodney and Waiheke Island are known.

Methods of electing governing body members

- xxxvii. Agree that a change to the current system of electing governing body members from existing wards is not warranted purely to address alignment between governing body members and local boards.
- xxxviii. Note that the statutory review of representation arrangements for Auckland Council must be completed by September 2018.
- xxxix. Note that the Local Government Act Amendment Bill No. 2, which proposes a simplified process for local government-led reorganisation processes, is currently before Parliament.
- xl. Agree that council should continue to advocate to central government for legislative amendments that would allow changes to the number of governing body members in line with population changes, and simplification of the process for changes to numbers and boundaries of local boards.
- b) Support a delegation to local boards for decision-making for exchanges of reserve land.
- c) Support the continuation of a joint local board/governing body forum focusing on matters of governance impacting on both governance arms.
- d) Express its gratitude to John Nash - Relationship Manager Waiheke & Great Barrier for his valuable work and support on the Governance Framework Review and representation of the board.

CARRIED

19 Local board involvement in regional strategic priority workshops on the Long-term Plan 2018-2028

Resolution number GBI/2017/79

MOVED by Member J Cleave, seconded by Deputy Chairperson L Coles:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) appoint the Chairperson and Member S Daly as lead and alternate respectively to take part in regional strategic priority workshops on the Long-term Plan 2018-2028.

CARRIED

20 Feedback on the Tākaro – Investing in Play discussion document

Resolution number GBI/2017/80

MOVED by Member J Cleave, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) delegate to Deputy Chairperson L Coles and Member S Daly in discussion with other board members to provide feedback on the questions presented in the Tākaro – Investing in Play discussion document by 21 August 2017.

CARRIED

21 Auckland Transport Update – August 2017 to the Great Barrier Local Board

Resolution number GBI/2017/81

MOVED by Member J Cleave, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) note the contents of the Auckland Transport Update – August 2017 to the Great Barrier Local Board report.
- b) note that there is further deterioration to the recently completed seal on Gray Rd and seeks a response from Auckland Transport to this matter.
- c) requests Rough Order of Costs for solutions on the road corridor to address Claris shopping centre carparking safety and congestion issues.
- d) Request that Auckland Transport address the outstanding issue of the Akapoua culvert being a temporary fix and requests that a functional fish passage friendly solution as originally agreed be progressed.

CARRIED

22 Correspondence

Resolution number GBI/2017/82

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member J Cleave:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) note the correspondence received for the month of July 2017:
- i. Letter from Associate Minister of Education re Early Childhood Education services on Great Barrier Island
 - ii. Letter from John Barentine, International Dark Sky Association.

CARRIED

23 Governance Forward Work Calendar

Resolution number GBI/2017/83

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Daly:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) note the Great Barrier Local Board Governance Forward Work Calendar – August 2017.

CARRIED

24 Great Barrier Local Board Workshop Proceedings

Resolution number GBI/2017/84

MOVED by Member J Cleave, seconded by Deputy Chairperson L Coles:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) note the record of proceedings for the workshops held on 4 July, 11 July, 18 July and 31 July 2017.

CARRIED

25 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

3.22 pm

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

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AT A MEETING OF THE GREAT BARRIER LOCAL
BOARD HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....