Ngā Hui a te Rōpū Kaitohutohu Take Hapori Iwi Takatāpui / Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel held in the Council Chamber, Ground Floor, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Monday, 1 July 2019 at 5.31pm.

PRESENT

Co-Chair
John Kingi

Members
Moira Clunie
Mark Fisher
Dave Hati
From 5.56pm, Item 5
Bruce Kilmister
Lexie Matheson
Diana Rands
Julie Watson

Liaison Councillor
Richard Hills

ABSENT

Co-Chair
Julie Radford-Poupard

Member
Audrey Hutcheson

Chief Liaison Councillor
Dr Cathy Casey
Welcome/Opening Karakia

The Co-Chair, John Kingi, opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

Note: The facilitator for Item 5, Andrew Whiteside, introduced himself and invited staff, the panel and members of the public to introduce themselves.

1 Apologies

That the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel:

a) accepted the apologies from Co-Chair Julie Radford-Poupard and Member Audrey Hutcheson for absence.

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

That the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel:

a) confirmed the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Monday, 1 April 2019, as a true and correct record.

4 Additional Items

There were no additional items.

5 Stand up and strengthen Auckland's diversity - an invitation to learn about local governance opportunities

The discussion was facilitated by Andrew Whiteside, media presenter, interviewer, director, and producer.

Member D Hati joined the meeting at 5.56pm.

PowerPoint presentations were provided in support of the item. Copies have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

That the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel:

a) thanked Andrew Whiteside for facilitating the evening and all in attendance.

b) noted the following topics being discussed:

   i) Auckland Council’s structure.
   ii) Upcoming local body elections and the contestable positions.
   iii) The need for and benefits of greater diversity across elected positions.
iv) Visibility of Rainbow communities.

v) Member Lexie Matheson outlined the history of the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel, and reflected on its challenges and achievements.

vi) Reflections of other Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel members on their time with the panel.

vii) Why Rainbow communities are under-represented in local politics.

Attachments

A 1 July 2019 - Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel - Item 5 - Stand up and strengthen Auckland’s diversity - an invitation to learn about local governance opportunities - Auckland council structure map

B 1 July 2019 - Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel - Item 5 - Stand up and strengthen Auckland’s diversity - an invitation to learn about local governance opportunities - Elections update 1

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6 Consideration of Additional Items

There was no consideration of additional items.

The Co-Chair, John Kingi, closed the meeting with a karakia.

7.54pm The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS TRUE AND CORRECT BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE UNDER STANDING ORDER 8.1.4 ON

DATE:..............................................................

CHAIRPERSON:..............................................................

CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OR
NOMINEE:..............................................................