



Otorohanga District Council

MINUTES

19 April 2016

10.04am

Members of the Otorohanga District Council

Mr MM Baxter (Mayor)
Mr RM Johnson
MRS RA Klos
Mr KM Phillips
Mrs DM Pilkington (Deputy Mayor)
Mr R Prescott
Mr PD Tindle
Mrs AJ Williams

Meeting Secretary: Mr CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL

19 April 2016

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga District Council held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto Street, Otorohanga on Tuesday 19 April 2016 commenced at 10.04am.

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PRESENT

Mr MM Baxter (Mayor), Councillors RA Klos, KC Phillips, DM Pilkington, RJ Prescott and AJ Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs DC Clibbery (Chief Executive), GD Bunn (Finance & Administration Manager), A Loe (Environmental Services Manager), R Brady (Engineering Manager) and CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor).

His Worship declared the meeting open and welcomed those present. He extended a special welcome to the Waikato Times reporter Ms Caitlin Moorby and to Mrs Robbie Kaye of the Waitomo News.

APOLOGIES

Resolved that the apologies received from Councillor R Johnson and P Tindle be sustained.

His Worship / Cr Pilkington

OPENING PRAYER

Councillor Pilkington read the Opening Prayer.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 15 March 2016

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga District Council held on 15 March 2016 as previously circulated, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Cr Pilkington / Cr Phillips

MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Pilkington referred to page 11 of the minutes, in particular to the Item on the Maniapoto Family Violence Campaign and advised that the recent BBQ was held on the Beach at Kawhia, not Ocean Beach as recorded.

Councillor Klos reported she had discussion with the Bio-Diversity officer of the Waikato Regional Council regarding the dumping of Possum carcasses on private property. She was advised that their contractors are picking up the Possum carcasses and taking them back for disposal.

Councillor Klos reported that there are also independent Possum hunters however the Waikato Regional Council are not aware of where they dispose of carcasses. Councillor Klos suggested that the Regional Council be requested to place in their contract with the Possum Contractors that they find an appropriate place to dispose of the Possum carcasses.

Apparently the Waikato Regional Council has discussed this issue with their current contractors.

REPORTS

ITEM 287 OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES – 10 MARCH 2016

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held on 10 March 2016 be received.

Cr Prescott / Cr Phillips

PEST CONTROL IN ROTARY PARK AND BOB HORSFALL RESERVE

His Worship referred to the resolution on Page 2, that the Chief Executives report be received and that poisoning within the Bob Horsfall Reserve and Rotary Park be discontinued until an exploration of alternative rodent control options has been completed within a two month period.

His Worship advised that he understood and confirmed with Board members that poisoning should be continued.

Councillor Pilkington reported that the poisoning operation is carried out, and then personnel come in afterwards to monitor the results. She said there needs to be some accountability of the service.

The Chief Executive reported there has been continued monitoring however the presence of rodents has not reduced, therefore expert advice is being sort.

Resolved that the resolution on Page 2 of the minutes be amended to read – **Resolved that the Chief Executives Report be received and that poisoning within the Bob Horsfall Reserve and Rotary Park be continued until an exploration of alternative rodent control options has been completed within a two month period.**

His Worship / Cr Prescott

OTOROHANGA KIWI HOUSE

Councillor Klos queried whether after the Kiwi House has completed all it wishes to do, is there evidence the operation can be viable financially and sustainable?

His Worship replied, not without voluntary help being engaged. He said when the results of the feasibility study are known then it will be able to establish whether the facility will be financially viable. His Worship said Council will not be providing ongoing support to the Kiwi House.

ITEM 288 KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES – 18 MARCH 2016

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held on 18 March 2016 be received.

Cr Pilkington / His Worship

ITEM 289 NGA WAI O WAIPA CO GOVERNANCE FORUM

The Environmental Services Manager referred members to his report advising that the Co-Governance Forum resolved that the minutes of their meetings would be formally reported to the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board and all the member Councils.

Resolved that the minutes of the Nga Wai O Waipa Co-Governance Forum meeting held at the offices of the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board, 49 Taupiri Street, Te Kuiti on 4th of March 2016 be received.

Cr Pilkington / Cr Phillips

ITEM 291 CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY PLANNING REPORT – OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2015

The Environmental Services Manager referred members to the quarterly update report on the Civil Defence Emergency Management activity for the period 1 October 2015 to 31 December 2015. He said this is another committee involving Council where the minutes of their meetings are to be formally reported to the Councils included in the shared services.

The Environmental Services Manager informed members that the Emergency Management Operations Manager Martin Berryman is making real inroads into Civil Defence preparedness at Council with most of the Council staff being involved in practices.

His Worship reported that he was very impressed when observing the Civil Defence exercise held yesterday (Monday 18 April 2016). He reported that the scenario was of a Tanker Truck crashing into the Otorohanga South School grounds and losing its load of fuel.

In reply to Councillor Pilkington regarding 'Centre Identification' the Environmental Services Manager advised that the reality of Civil Defence centres in an urban area is quite different to those within a rural area. He said the following areas have been identified.

- 1- actual suitability of buildings
- 2- flow on effect from what has happened in Christchurch
- 3- centres being established that discourage people from going back home

The Environmental Services Manager reported that within the rural areas there is usually only one suitable building / School available, therefore an agreement needs to be reached to use these buildings and to provide support to help organise their response.

The Environmental Services Manager informed members that a Civil Defence emergency is declared at a stage where the local authority can no longer manage the event and carry out the tasks required.

Councillor Klos queried whether Civil Defence exercises are carried out in the rural areas.

The Environmental Services Manager replied no, exercises are not carried out in rural areas.

Councillor Pilkington expressed the opinion that most farmers are able to look after themselves in such situations.

Councillor Klos disagreed and advised that the farming community now comprises a large number of farm workers, not property owners.

The Environmental Services Manager replied that Civil Defence staff would not be sent out to assist the farming community; they would need to look after themselves. He said Civil Defence plans have been sent out to schools along with booklets etc.

Resolved that the Civil Defence planning report from Andrew Loe, Local Civil Defence Controller and Martin Berryman, Emergency Management Operations Manager for the period 1 October 2015 – 31 December 2015 be received.

His Worship / Cr Prescott

ITEM 292 KAWHIA COMMUNITY PROJECTS TRUST INC – REQUEST TO WAIVE BUILDING CONCENT FEES

The Governance Supervisor presented a report on the request from the Kawhia Community Projects Trust Inc for a remission of the Building Consent fee associated with the Pou – Maumahara (Remembrance Pillar).

Councillor Pilkington declared her interest in the matter being discussed as she is currently a member of the Kawhia Community Projects Trust Inc.

Councillor Pilkington reported that it is now necessary for the Trust to obtain a Geotechnical report prior to the Pou being erected. She said this will be an unbudgeted cost.

The Environmental Services Manager replied that it is no longer necessary for a Geotechnical report to be prepared; the foundation of the Pou has been modified.

Councillor Klos expressed the opinion it is the least Council could do to support the project by waiving the fees.

Resolved that Council provide a grant of \$720.40 to the Kawhia Community Projects Trust Inc in respect of the Building Consent Fees associated with the Pou – Maumahara (Remembrance Pillar) to be funded from Council's Sundry Grants account.

His Worship / Cr Prescott

ITEM 294 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE –TARGA ROTORUA

The Engineering Manager referred members to the Engineers representatives report on the application received from Club Targa Inc for various road closures within the Otorohanga District, to enable the Targa Rotorua 2016 event and associated activities to proceed.

Councillor Klos made mention of the Arohena camping ground and requested that campers are made aware of the proposed closures.

In reply to Councillor Pilkington, the Engineering Manager agreed to follow up on Condition 7, that all gates and entranceways are to be taped and the tape is to be removed thereafter.

Resolved that

Approval be granted for the following road closures, including 50 metres of each adjoining road, (with the exception of Waipapa Road), from where it intersects with the road being applied for:

Purpose: Targa Rotorua 2016

Date: Saturday, 14 May 2016

Details of Closure: **Stage Name – Mangare Road**

MANGARE ROAD – from the district boundary to its intersection with Pukewhau and Huirimu Roads. Includes intersection with Landing Road.

PUKEWHAU ROAD – from its intersection with Mangare and Huirimu Roads to finish at the intersection with Waipapa Road.

Period of Closure: 0825 am to 1200 pm

With the following conditions imposed:

1. Emergency services have right of way at all times.
2. Club Targa Inc is to pay an application fee of \$400.00 towards administration of the road closures to Otorohanga District Council.
3. Club Targa Inc is to pay for all advertising costs in appropriate newspapers. Public notice advertisements are to be published in the Te Awamutu Courier.

4. Club Targa Inc is responsible for obtaining public liability insurance (and paying the cost thereof) to a minimum value of \$2,000,000. This is required to indemnify Council against any damage to property or persons as a result of rally activities during the road closure period.
5. Club Targa Inc is to liaise, and provide evidence of liaison with all operators and businesses that may be affected by the road closures.
6. Club Targa Inc is to consult with all residents of all properties on the roads intended to be closed and also residents on roads connecting with the roads intending to be closed, including any no exit roads. Mail drops to residents are also to be carried out. All mail drops to residents are to be approved by Council staff before distribution to residents commences. The subsequent mail drop to be completed no later than ten full days before the proposed closures.
7. Club Targa Inc is solely responsible for signposting and policing of the roads to be closed, to ensure that only vehicles connected with the rally have access to the road closure areas. This includes arranging the delivery, erection and staffing of all road closure barriers and the removal thereof after closures. All gates and entranceways are to be taped and tape is to be removed thereafter.
8. Signs advising of the road closures are to be erected at the start and end of the closed portions of roads and on each intersecting road two weeks prior to the road closure. All signs are to be removed immediately after the closure. A Club Targa representative is to meet with Council Engineering Staff regarding the required signs format, size, location and quantity of signs for approval before they are manufactured and erected.

Cr Klos / Cr Phillips

ITEM 290 WAIKATO DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD – RURAL HEALTH SERVICES DELIVERY

Representatives of Waikato District Health Board, Justine Crittenden (Analyst – Change Team), Ashley Phillips (Administrator) and Sharon Rayner (Change Team) attended the meeting.

Ms Crittenden informed members that the District Health Board is currently reviewing rural services which they carry out and those provided by other Community providers.

She said this is being undertaken with a triple aim for quality improvement, being:

1. Improved quality, safety and experience of care.
2. Improved health and equity for all populations
3. Best value for Public Health System resources.

Ms Crittenden reported that the rural population does not experience good health outcomes therefore the service currently provided is not meeting their needs.

She said it is the intention of the Board to work with each Community and accordingly will be in touch with Council and service providers.

In reply to Councillor Phillips, Ms Crittenden advised that the PHO and themselves have obtained information from Hospital staff and other providers however, it will carry out full Community consultation.

Ms Crittenden reported that the common themes found throughout the research addressed the need for

1. Accurate health needs analysis.
2. New models of care, focusing on prevention.
3. Greater integration of health services.
4. Succession planning and extended scopes of practice.

5. Accessible services.

Ms Crittenden confirmed that the information per TLA's is currently based on postal addresses.

Councillor Klos advised that this District has a number of residents who's addresses are different to that of the Otorohanga District, i.e. Te. Awamutu.

Ms Crittenden advised that in the way forward the following areas are to be addressed – growing health needs, develop new models of care, integrate service provision, build workforce capacity and locate services to improve access.

She said Board representatives will visit Council a number of times to receive Community input. She undertook to follow up on the matter of a Surgical Bus being provided by the Board to take patients to the Waikato Hospital.

Ms Crittenden then presented an amended time-frame being:

Key Stakeholder Consultation – to be completed by the end of June 2016

A couple of option models will then be presented to a Board meeting during June 2016. A three month Community consultation will be carried out from 1 July 2016 and a final document and operational plan will be produced towards to the end of this year.

Councillor Pilkington reported that the Kawhia area is very well served by Doctor John Burton and queried whether the Health Board will be inviting input from this service. She said Doctor Burton services the rural area surrounding Kawhia and would be a good source of information.

His Worship queried when the last review of rural services was undertaken.

Ms Crittenden replied that she was not aware of any previous reviews being undertaken. She said it was envisaged to obtain a number of recommendations signed off prior to the Local Government elections in October.

Councillor Klos declared her interest in this matter as she is currently on the District Health Board however, she suggested that is being reported does not reflect what is actually happening in the rural area. She questioned how the needs of the chronically ill will be addressed. Cr Klos suggested that there be additional virtual physical appearance of health providers coming into the area. She said the rural areas have been very disadvantaged by the current situation and that isolated people are entitled to good health services.

Ms Crittenden replied that it is proposed to focus on preventative measures and to provide better accessibility to these people.

His Worship thanked the representative's for their presentation.

Resolved that the Waikato District Health Board presentation be received.

Cr Klos / Cr Pilkington

ITEM 295 COUNCILLORS REMUNERATION

The Finance and Administration Manager presented a report informing members that advice has been received from the Remuneration Authority indicating the proposed levels of remuneration and changes to the allowance available towards additional duties for Elected Members as from 1 July 2016.

The Finance and Administration Manager informed members that in addition to the base remuneration, there is also a pool available for additional duties, such as that undertaken by the Deputy Mayor or participation in the District Plan hearing process. This additional pool was set at 150% of the base Council salary and the maximum amount payable for additional duties to any one Councillor was capped at 40%. He said to recognise the concerns reflected in the review and the ability to appropriately address the additional duties of some elected members, the Authority has decided to increase the amount available to supplement base remuneration from 150% of the Councillors remuneration to 200%. Members were advised that the Authority has also decided to respond to concerns raised by Councils by removing a 40% cap on the payment to individual Councillors for additional duties.

With regard to the position of Deputy Mayor Councillor Phillips expressed the opinion that the incumbent should receive a more substantial amount.

His Worship referred to the current Deputy Mayor and reported that there is certainly a substantial amount of work being undertaken that is not remunerated. He referred in particular to the hours of travel involved and in representing the West Coast Zone. His Worship felt that this is now an opportunity to remunerate the incumbent accordingly

His Worship suggested that this matter be considered outside of the meeting and for him to come back with a recommendation. It was suggested that the Mayor, Chief Executive and Finance and Administration Manager report back with a proposal.

Resolved that the Finance and Administration Managers report be received.

His Worship / Cr Williams

ITEM 296 DISTRICT LIBRARIANS REPORT

The District Librarian attended the meeting and presented her quarterly report for the period January – March 2016.

His Worship referred to the quarterly usage statistics and said it is pleasing to see a slight increase. The District Librarian replied that perhaps the usage statistics have bottomed out and it is the commencement of an upward trend.

The District Librarian referred to the Kotui System and said it has been a good journey with the supplier providing an excellent support group.

Councillor Klos referred to the aim of enabling people and asked if it would be possible to physically courier books out to rural users.

She expressed the opinion that the Kotui System has not enhanced borrowing by rural people. The District Librarian undertook to investigate the suggestion and to provide costings.

Councillor Phillips referred to the default for the supply of E Books at two weeks and suggested this needs to be longer. The District Librarian replied that this is a standard setting to encourage better circulation of the books.

His Worship thanked the District Librarian for her presentation.

Resolved that the District Librarian quarterly report for the period January – March 2016 be received.

Cr Pilkington / Cr Prescott

ITEM 293 HAMILTON AND WAIKATO TOURISM PRESENTATION

The Hamilton and Waikato Tourism Chief Executive Ms Kiri Goulter and Development Officer Nicola Greenwell attended the meeting.

Ms Goulter presented the organisation's report for the period July – December 2015 and advised that this is a good time for Tourism with great growth across the District.

Ms Goulter reported that besides the increase in numbers, good growth has occurred in visitor expenditure as well. She said it is expected to see strong future growth particularly in international expenditure as well and that the China growth will continue. Ms Goulter reported that additional accommodation is required in order to retain this growth.

Councillor Pilkington referred to actual expenditure and asked how this District compares with other local authorities in the region. Ms Goulter replied that the Otorohanga District is picking up on international expenditure.

Ms Goulter informed members that in respect of the holding of conferences, the Waikato is now the fourth most desired location, however Christchurch is coming back on stream and is now in third position. She said the number of conferences is the same but the number of delegates attending is down. Ms Goulter reported that as a region, the Waikato is much more 'on the map' and that it is an easy location for delegates to get to.

With regard to domestic marketing, Ms Goulter reported that research is underway to better understand the regions domestic visitors motivations and travel behaviour. She said this will guide promotional and development activities. Ms Goulter advised that an additional budget has been allocated to domestic campaign activity enabling greater market reach and frequency.

Ms Goulter reported that a Key Project for this year is the development of a 'Tourism Opportunities Plan' (TOP) which will identify opportunities to enhance the regions current visitor experiences as well as identifying new visitor product development and investment opportunities. She said the TOP project, which commenced in December 2015, is due to be completed in May 2016 and will guide Hamilton and Waikato Tourisms work in this area over the next five years.

Ms Goulter informed members of a vision to focus around the Waikato River and the value of the river to tourism. She said this will include all of the tributaries flowing into the Waikato River. It is the intention to bring the rivers to life and to provide access to the waterways. Ms Goulter reported that there is also a concept that will be based around the Wild West highlighting Hero Experiences, Health and Well Being, Spa Experiences and Cultural Stories.

Councillor Pilkington suggested that Tainui be contacted in this regard.

Councillor Klos referred to the Christmas and New Year period and the first week of January each year and the fact that nothing is happening in Te Awamutu or Otorohanga. She said during this time, local people leave the District and there is nothing happening as many premises are closed that would usually cater for the Tourist. Councillor Klos queried how Council could encourage small towns to look at themselves as a Tourist Town, not only as a rural service town.

Ms Goulter agreed that it is desirable to see rural towns open and suggested that these promote themselves as a destination.

Councillor Pilkington advised that there is still a strong desire in Kawhia to promote itself more to encourage visitors.

Ms Goulter informed members that this will be her last visit to Otorohanga as Chief Executive for Hamilton and Waikato Tourism.

His Worship thanked Ms Goulter for her commitment and strong leadership and the fact that she was always available to contact. He said collectively Councillors will miss her presence and hopefully her replacement will be someone as good.

Ms Goulter replied that it is now time for her to take a break and a rest. She said everything is in place to hand over to a new person. Ms Goulter thanked Council for its support right from the very start and its belief and commitment to her vision.

Resolved that the Hamilton and Waikato Tourism report be received.

Cr Pilkington / Cr Klos

ITEM 297 ODC MATTERS REFERRED FROM 15 MARCH 2016

The Governance Supervisor took members through Matters Referred.

LOCAL MARAE MEETING

His Worship reported that contact has been made with local Marae representatives and that they are currently organising amongst themselves which Marae will be available to hold a future Council meeting.

HAURUA ROAD

The Engineering Manager reported that staff were unable to find an area of slumping occurring on Haurua Road. Members were informed that this is apparently occurring on a section of Haurua Road within the Waitomo District.

DISPOSAL OF POSSUM CARCASSES

Councillor Klos expressed the hope that the Environmental Services Manager will make contact with the Regional Council regarding the correct procedure for the disposal of Possum carcasses. She said the Regional Council must require its contractors to dispose of these carcasses correctly.

COUNCIL TOUR – EASTERN SIDE

The Chief Executive informed members that Council's Roothing Manager has proposed a potential itinerary from a Roothing aspect. Councillor Klos suggested that areas such as the Arohena Camping ground and the Ngroma situation be visited. She expressed the opinion that it is difficult for Councillors to engage in conversation when they are not familiar with the area.

GENERAL

WAIKATO PLAN

Councillor Klos said she supported the Mayor yesterday in attending the Waikato Plan Forum. She said the document and this Council's Strategic Plan should align, however the document itself could be simplified.

His Worship said that finalisation of the document has a long way to go before completion. In reply to Councillor Pilkington, His Worship advised that a number of items covered within the Regional Catchment Plans and will fit in to the proposed Waikato Plan. He said consultation with Iwi and key stake holders has not yet commenced.

TAUPAKI / AROHENA RURAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

Councillor Klos referred to the Taupaki Scheme and reported that the users have agreed to continue to utilise this scheme and agreed to put more funding towards it.

INTERSECTION LIGHTING

Councillor Klos highlighted the need for lighting at various rural road intersections, particularly those going towards Taupo. She said a number of travelers have been observed being 'lost' and furthermore the Arohena Camping Ground has brought considerable additional traffic to the area. With regard to the Camping Ground, Councillor Klos suggested that this be lit as the area is being used for undesirable activity.

WAIPAPA RESERVE

Councillor Klos reported it is hoped to extend this area with additional planting of trees being carried out. She said should this be undertaken more rocks will be required.

LITTLE TOILET

Councillor Klos reported that funds are available for the provision of a 'Little Toilet' to provide an amenity for Tourists.

WAIKATO RIVER AUTHORITY

Councillor Pilkington tabled the Waikato River Authority's five year report. She referred members in particular to the clean-up initiatives, the very largest of these projects being a partnership between industry, government agencies, local government and Iwi whilst the smallest have involved schools, community groups and individuals.

BEATTIE HOME EXTENSION

Councillor Pilkington reported that she attended the opening of the Beattie Home extension.

KIWI HOUSE NIGHT ZONE OPENING

Councillor Pilkington extended her congratulations to the Kiwi House on creating this facility.

RIVER RUN QUARRY

Councillor Pilkington reported she attended the opening of this new quarry.

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Councillor Pilkington informed members of a Otorohanga District Development Board meeting to be held tomorrow and that elected members will be consulting with the Board on its draft District Development Strategy.

WAIPA CATCHMENT – HEALTHY RIVERS

Councillor Pilkington referred to the stakeholder groups considering rules and queried whether Council has received advice of the outcome. The Chief Executive replied, not to his knowledge.

BEATTIE HOME EXTENSION

Councillor Phillips informed members that he also attended the Beattie Home extension opening and the Kiwi House Night Zone Opening.

WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Councillor Phillips referred to the Waikato Regional Council 'Clean Up of Rivers' programme in particular the taking out of Willows. In achieving a five meter riparian zone, this allows an opportunity to provide a pathway along the side of the river. He said farmers are onboard with the proposal and that the path will be placed inside the fence line. Councillor Phillips expressed the opinion this will provide a great opportunity for tourism.

His Worship reported that landscaping consultant Rosemary Davison, Council's Engineering Manager and himself are currently looking into this vision.

BEATTIE HOME EXTENSION OPENING

Councillor Prescott advised that he attended the Beattie Home extension opening and was very impressed with the building.

STREET LIGHTING

Councillor Prescott reported he visited Maniapoto Street after 6pm and no street lights were operating. Councillor Pilkington advised that this is an issue at the commencement of the winter months and that there is a need for the street lighting to come on earlier.

Councillor Prescott advised that His Worship and himself had a discussion with Livingstone Builders regarding a verandah proposal for Maniapoto Street.

WAITOMO DISTRICT COUNCIL

His Worship reported he has been involved in discussions with the Waitomo District Council regarding Youth Programmes in particular Driver Licenses. He advised that there will be a meeting next week to cover the transition period from when NZTA withdraws from the service.

MAIN NORTH ROAD ACCIDENT

His Worship reported he has been in contact with the family of the deceased following the tragic road accident on Main North Road, Otorohanga.

FARMER FAMILY DAY

His Worship reported on his attendance at a recent Farmer Family Day organised by Kiwiana Leisure Park where approximately 300 people attended and spent valuable family time.

FFAN

Councillor Klos made mention of FFAN, a Hamilton based centre engaging with Schools and Employers. She reported that Thames and Hauraki are being involved with the Organisation.

His worship advised that the organisation commenced around 2013, a number of their proposals have already been carried out here.

STAFFING MATTER

The Finance and Administration Manager informed members of 2 new staff appointments being Mrs Jo Kete, Customer Services Officer and Mr Louis van der Westhuizen, Environmental Administration Officer.

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Councillor Pilkington referred to the Trade Trading Centre and advised that there have been eight graduates, all now employed and 50 persons in the apprentice support program.

LUNCH ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for lunch at 12.35pm and resumed in a workshop situation to discuss Council's draft District Development Strategy with members of the Kawhia Community Board.

MEETING CLOSURE

Following the workshop, the meeting was reopened at 3.03pm and closed at 3.05pm