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OPENING KARAKIA

MIHIMIHI

E nga waka, e nga mana e nga karangatangamaha, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou. E nga mate i tautini, he mihi aroha tenei ki a koutou, haere, haere, haere. E te hunga ora, rau rangatira ma tenei te kakano ka rua nei a morimoritia kia puawai ai. Hei aha? Hei maunga ringa ma nga whakaturupuranga, kia kaha, kia manawanui, kia u. Kia mau hoki ki te whakapono, te tumanako me te aroha.

1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - Monday, 14 May 2007

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Meeting of Te Taumata Runanga held on Monday, 14 May 2007, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.



3 PRESENTATION

MAORI ECONOMIC WELLBEING PLAN

The Pae Arahi - Maori Relationships Manager will make a presentation updating Te Taumata Runanga on progress with the Maori Economic Wellbeing Plan.



4 URGENT BUSINESS

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that where an item of business is not on the agenda, it may only be dealt with at the meeting if:

- (i) the Committee by resolution so decides; and
- (ii) the Chairman has explained at the beginning of the meeting (when open to the public) that the item will be raised for discussion and decision, why the item is not on the agenda, and why it cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The Committee may make a decision on a matter determined to be urgent.

NOTE: Urgent Business need not be dealt with now and may be delayed until later in the meeting.



5 PUBLIC FORUM

For guidance of Te Taumata Runanga Members, the Council's Standing Orders have the following provisions in regard to Public Forum.

- (i) members of the public wishing to address the Committee in Public Forum shall furnish their names to the Chairman at the beginning of the meeting; and
- (ii) the Chairman shall determine the order of speakers, and allow five minutes for speaking time;
- (iii) questions by members are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker.

Section 46(7) and (7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of any specific item of business not on the agenda except to refer the items to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. Therefore, no decision may be made on matters raised in Public Forum. However, written reports on matters raised may be requested from the Chief Executive Officer.



6 COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORTS

Provision has been made on this agenda for Committee Members should they so wish to submit a report on their activities during the month in regard to matters within the scope and delegations of the Committee. However, to comply with the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, no decision may be made on matters raised in Committee Members' reports.

TE TAUMATA RUNANGA APPOINTMENTS

OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS	APPOINTMENT
Keep Waitakere Beautiful	Rev J Cooper
West Coast Plan Liaison Group	Mihi Te Huia
Safe Waitakere Alcohol Project	Poata Northcroft
Safe Waitakere Injury Prevention Board	Poata Northcroft Mihi Te Huia
West Education Sector Trust	Awa Hudson Carol Ngawati
Waitakere Arts and Cultural Development Trust	Rev J Cooper
Child and Youth Advocate	Mihi Te Huia
Waitemata Harbour Foreshore Reserves Management Plan Joint Subcommittee	Evelyn Taumaunu
Te Pai Park Reserve Management Plan Advisory Group	Awa Hudson
COUNCIL COMMITTEES	
Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee	Evelyn Taumaunu Wayne Knox
City Development Committee	Mihi Te Huia







7 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Provision has been made for the Chief Executive Officer, or his nominated representative, to report on the progress of other matters considered to be of significance to Te Taumata Runanga, including organisation and representation issues.



8 **COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Workshop Between Te Taumata Runanga and the Waitakere Pacific Board	14 August 2006 Resolution No: 1564/2006	16 July 2007	Cheryl Talamaivao  836 8000 ext: 8930
Youth and Alcohol Problems in Wilsher Crescent, Henderson Park	19 March 2007 Public Forum	16 July 2007	Roy Hunt  836 8000 ext: 8714
Te Taumata Runanga 2007 Community Awards	A verbal update will be made at the meeting.	18 June 2007	Wayne Knox  836 8000 ext: 8923
Waitakere Outrigger Canoe Club - Finding an Appropriate Site	10 April 2006 Resolution No: 624/2006	17 September 2007	Robert McGee  836 8000 ext: 8558

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee Secretary's Report for 18 June 2007 be received.

Report prepared by: Ngareta Delamere, Committee Secretary.



9 TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2007 – ELECTIONS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update Te Taumata Runanga on the Triennial Election 2007 - Electors Awareness Campaign process for the Maori community, and to request the Members of Te Taumata Runanga to take an advocacy role in this process.

BACKGROUND

At Te Taumata Runanga 14 May 2007 meeting, the Committee received a presentation on the Elector Awareness Campaign in preparation for the Triennial Election scheduled for 13 October 2007. The focus of the Elector Awareness Campaign is on three areas:

- the enrolment process to ensure that eligible electors are on the electoral roll;
- the nomination process to explain to people how to stand for election;
- the voting process to encourage electors to return their votes for the Mayor, Waitakere City Council, Community Boards, Auckland Regional Council, and the Waitemata District Health Board, and the Portage and Waitakere Licensing Trusts.

The Maori Relationships Manager and the Maori Development Planner are providing guidance to the Elections Project Team on Maori population target groups in Waitakere, including marae or other Maori focal points (such as Matariki events) which are opportunities to disseminate information on the Triennial Election 2007.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Elector Awareness Campaign project is aligned to contribute to the Council's key priority Treaty of Waitangi and the Active Democracy platform. In addition Te Taumata Runanga Long Term Strategy and Action Plan and the Maori community outcomes have also highlighted the importance of participating in the democratic process.

ISSUES

The proposed process for communication to the Maori community of Waitakere involves a range of specific outputs to target Maori groups, gatherings and events where Maori will be likely to attend leading up to the Triennial Elections. Where appropriate, a display will be erected with staff in attendance to distribute general information on the Triennial Election 2007. In addition the members of the Maori Relationships team are undertaking a hīkoi process – road show, to attend identified community meetings to share with the Maori community key opportunities such as Te Taumata Runanga Community Awards and basic information on the Triennial Elections process. Staff will also be available to respond to other community requests for information or engagement.

To date there have been a range of processes which target Maori audiences; at a national level Waitakere has been advocating and collaborating with other agencies, including government to ensure Maori, including iwi, hapu and whānau are informed of the Elections 2007 processes. As an example Waitakere City Council will be a key contributor to Te Puni Kokiri, Kokiri newsletter Here Turi Koka - Mahuru (August - September). The general use of other media including Maori media will be undertaken: Maori radio and television, Radio Ranui, iwi websites where appropriate and mainstream newsletters.

At a regional level, Waitakere City Council is communicating with other local authorities to share and learn appropriate processes for communicating effectively with Maori. Consistent with other local authorities, staff are proposing that two City-wide Hui are held to provide an opportunity for a range of Maori groups to attend, discuss and clarify the processes of enrolment, candidature and voting for the Triennial Elections 2007. The suggested venues for these Hui are at Hoani Waititi Marae and Te Piringatahi o te Maungarongo Marae in the north of the City. Advice from Te Taumata Runanga on these proposed initiatives or others would be appreciated.

TE TAUMATA RUNANGA LEADERSHIP ROLE

It is suggested that Te Taumata Runanga may wish to take a direct leadership role in supporting the Hui and the proposed communication processes for the Maori community. In particular, for the Hui, Members of Te Taumata Runanga are invited to attend these Hui to support or contribute to the Council's presentation on the processes of enrolment, candidature and voting for Triennial Elections 2007. Council officers would welcome Te Taumata Runanga advice and guidance on further ways engage the audience at the Hui, or more broadly.

RESOURCES

Resources required for this programme are within the Elections budget in the Long Term Council Community Plan.

CONCLUSION

The Triennial Election 2007 Electors Awareness Campaign process for the Maori community is a key element of the overall Triennial Elections 2007 process. A range of communication mediums have been scoped to ensure a wide coverage, however, staff are keen to focus on events and localities where Maori in the City are most likely to attend. The report outlines proposed methods.

The involvement of Te Taumata Runanga Members is considered critical in achieving success. The Committee's presence at proposed Hui will highlight the importance for improving opportunities for Maori to contribute to the local government decision making processes. Advice from the Committee on other avenues for communications and involvement is welcomed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Triennial Elections 2007 – Elections Awareness Campaign report be received.
2. That Te Taumata Runanga Members take a leadership role in the proposed Triennial Election 2007 Electors Awareness Campaign process.

Report prepared by: Charlie Inggs, Deputy Electoral Officer and Georgina Parata, Maori Development Planner.



10 AUCKLAND REGIONAL GOVERNANCE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to enable Te Taumata Runanga to provide advice to Council on proposals to strengthen regional governance.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 14 May 2007, Te Taumata Runanga resolved as follows:

“That a report be brought back to Te Taumata Runanga around the Regional Governance Review and that the Committee be asked to make a submission to this Review.”

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At its meeting of 30 May 2007, Council received a report on Regional Governance. A copy of this report, together with the accompanying material on the Strengthening Regional Governance project, is attached at pages A1 to A59. In response to this report the Council resolved:

“That the matter regarding the Auckland Regional Governance be deferred until after an urgent workshop on the subject has been held.”

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and

“1. Pursuant to Standing Order 27.18 notice is given that the following Council resolution (671/2007) relating to Watercare dividend will be rescinded at the Council meeting which will be held after the urgent workshop on Auckland Regional Governance:

“That Watercare ownership be retained by the territorial local authorities as a Council Controlled Organisation and that it be able to pay a dividend which can be used by the territorial local authorities for the Three Waters.”

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“2. That the report on the Auckland Regional Governance be referred to Te Taumata Runanga and the four Community Boards for their information and feedback to Council.”

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The matter was further considered at the meeting of the City Development Committee Meeting held on 7 June 2007. The Committee resolved:

“1. That the Council acknowledges and confirms the essence of the problem statement agreed at the outset of the project, and in particular the need for improved arrangements for the region to effectively partner with and negotiate with central government in order to achieve international competitiveness as a city-region, and manage long-term development more sustainably.

2. That the Council acknowledges that the proposals for reform constitute a start on a process of evolutionary (rather than sudden) change to address these issues, but notes that further and wider reforms may be desirable in the medium term.

3. *That Waitakere continues to support the proposals outlined in December 2006, and refined in the report of 16 May 2007. In order to advance and consolidate those proposals, Waitakere resolves to respond to the specific issues raised as follows:*

(a) **GAC/ARC**

Recommend status quo

- *The **name** Auckland Regional Council should be retained*
- *The **role** of the ARC should remain unchanged other than as a result of changes agreed in this process*
- *The **leader** should continue to be appointed by members*
- *The **membership** should remain as at present – 13 councillors elected across 6 constituencies aligned to TA boundaries.*

(b) **Regional Sustainable Development Forum (RSDF)**

Recommend that the RSDF is the key new institutional mechanism for achieving agreement and collective responsibility at local, regional and national level for the development programme for the region.

- *The RSDF should be constituted as a **standing committee** of the ARC, using the provisions of sections 37SE – 37SH of the LGA74 in the first instance, if appropriate.*
- *The key function of the RSDF should be to prepare and recommend to the ARC, for adoption, the **One Plan** as a means of co-ordinating and integrating regional strategies for landuse (lead) transport, other infrastructure, economic, social and cultural development, and environmental performance.*
- *The RSDF should be the mandated primary **point of contact** for the government in engaging with regional development and planning issues that affect the whole region.*

RSDF Representation

- **Council Representation:**
 - **ARC:** 4 members (Committee Chairs?)
 - **Cities:** 2 members each appointed by each Council
 - **Districts:** 1 member each appointed by each council
- **Central Government representation:**
 - 3 – 5 ministers or delegates (recognising the importance of this relationship)
 - **Mana Whenua representation**
The reason for Mana Whenua representation appears to be founded on the exercise of the Crown's Treaty partnership obligations, which elevates this group above stakeholders. Difficulties might be anticipated in providing an adequate resourcing and backup for these representatives. Until Treaty settlements are concluded, WCC recommends that the Minister of Maori Affairs hold specific representation on the Forum with the ability to appoint Mana Whenua representative(s) as his delegates, and for his Ministry of Maori Development to provide consultation and back up support for those representatives.

- *It is recommended that the maximum membership should be 20 representatives.*

RSDF Machinery of Government

- *The **RSDF Chair** should be appointed by the ARC from amongst the Forum members on the recommendation of the RSDF.*
- ***RSDF decision-making** should be consensus whenever possible. If that fails, decisions should be by majority decision, but when decisions are to be formally binding on all parties, a 75% majority should be required.*
- *Each member should have **one vote**.*
- ***Existing fora** (such as RGF, RLTS, AREDF/Metro) should be abolished and their responsibilities transferred to the RSDF for incorporation into the One Plan. (Thus simplifying and streamlining regional governance.)*

(c) The One Plan

Recommend the development of a single strategic document that expresses the agreed regional development programme and funding commitments.

One Plan Breadth

- *One Plan should develop over time, starting with the content of the RGS, RLTS, REDS, but expanding over time to cover the 4 wellbeings.*
- *Includes vision, goals, directional shifts and ethos of LTSF.*
- *Initially records existing strategic agreements and funding agreements.*
- *Needs to urgently address regional responses to global forces of change.*
- *Focus on regional priority actions that will achieve “step change” in competitiveness, efficiency, well being.*
- *Records Auckland’s place in the nation, relationship with adjoining regions and NZ, and expectations about engagement with central government.*
- *Key function is horizontal and vertical integration of development programme.*

One Plan Depth

- *Issues of regional significance. Focus on high-level, complex, difficult to solve issues.*
- *Could include outcomes, objectives, strategic direction, priorities and funding parameters.*

- *Prioritised projects to be agreed.*
- *20 – 30 year time frame with a view to 50 year horizon.*

Enforceability

- *A primary focus is engaging the Crown, so their representation is essential along with the use of multi-year-end bulk regional funding agreements, and performance contracts.*
- *Until 2012, primary local government commitments should generally be limited to those in LTCCPs, but beyond 2012 LTCCP commitments may be revised to reflect One Plan funding needs.*
- *Capacity to enter into agreements with providers of infrastructure, including providers such as Watercare Services limited and energy companies .*
- *Ability to conclude binding agreements between/among parties.*
- *Generally parties should be required to give effect to decisions, and as a minimum to not act inconsistently with One Plan. The One Plan needs to be enforceable according to the needs of each policy, so that provisions should be able to range from advisory to mandatory.*
- *Generally, ARC should be the One Plan contract and funding agreement negotiating agent.*

Sanctions/ Levers

- *Support for the range of incentives and sanctions including moral suasion The sanction of exclusion from the benefits of participation should only be used after careful consideration.*

Consultation

- *RSDf should be responsible for public consultation on the One Plan, and in recommending the Plan to the ARC for approval should also comment on the consultation process and outcomes.*

Relationship with Community Outcomes Process

- *RSDf should report to the ARC on the extent to which One Plan delivers on the Community Outcomes the ARC has recorded.*

Ability of the (GAC) ARC to amend One Plan

- *Follow the RGF provisions of Section 37SG (4) of the LGA74: “the function of the (RGSF) is to advise on and approve the (One Plan) and any amendment to that (One Plan) before any such amendment (or One Plan) is adopted by the Auckland Regional Council.” ie the ARC can adopt a plan or amendment only on the recommendation of RGSF.*

Transition

- *The One Plan will evolve with experience and time. The target should be to complete the first iteration of the One Plan by the end of 2008 in order to inform the local government 2009 – 2012 LTCCP process, and 2009 – 2012 budgets, with a review by 2011, in time for the 2012 LTCCP review.*

(d) **Three Waters**

Status quo

- *WCC has signalled its intention to resolve that Watercare Services Ltd should not be able to pay a dividend. The status quo should continue with respect to Watercare Services Limited governance and legislative arrangements. This means that no proposals for Watercare Services Ltd to pay a dividend should be actioned at this time, and that there should be no change in the ownership by TAs. At some future date, it may be desirable to review whether the present arrangements are the best possible to ensure the sustainable development of the Auckland region. Work on the Three Waters Strategy should be reported to the RSDF.*

(e) **Regional Facilities**

- *Any regionally funded facility should be owned by a regional entity. If funding is to be shared across units of local government, the proportionality formula should reflect usage by communities. WCC considers the West Wave Pool in Henderson to be such a regional facility.*

(f) **Economic Development**

- *Waitakere has a very successful and cost-effective EDA. The Council supports the strengthening of a Regional EDA, and the incorporation within that of Tourism Auckland, on a basis that does not undermine the effectiveness, profile and engagement with government of Waitakere Enterprise. The Regional EDA has a critical role in coordinating local EDAs.*

(g) **Transport**

- *Need to engage with Government immediately to incorporate proposals from the Transport Workstream into government policy and legislation on the implementation of ATSAP, the government's reform of transport entities, the "Next Steps in the Land Transport Review, 30 April 2007, and the Cabinet decisions on this review [POL min (07) 9/5 refers].*

(h) **Shared Services**

- *Support for continued action on shared services, including, for example investigations into coordinated rating and valuation systems.*

(i) **Funding**

- *Acknowledge that existing funding mechanisms available to local and regional government are insufficient to meet the strategic and timely development needs of the region.*

- *There is a need to consider the cost-effectiveness of the RSDF/OnePlan proposal, and the funding arrangements for its operation.*

(j) **Land Use**

- *There needs to be further efforts to ensure that transport and other infrastructure planning and services give effect to the growth concept of the RGS and the shifts of the LTSF.*
- *ARC needs to ensure that the landuse intent of the One Plan is reflected in timely revisions of the RPS prepared under the RMA.*

(k) **Other**

- *CDEM should continue to be a joint regional and local undertaking to ensure the continued engagement of local communities and marshalling of volunteers.*
- *Parks, RMA, Harbours responsibilities of ARC should remain unchanged.*
- *Support for further investigations into regional development corporation for major projects.*

Consultation with the public on the proposed package is essential. WCC considers that an eight week concerted process is the minimum required. Consultation should be a shared government/ local government undertaking.”

The following list of acronyms was included in the minutes to aid understanding:

Footnote: key to acronyms

AREDF: Auckland Region Economic Development Forum

ARC: Auckland Regional Council

ATSAP: Auckland Transport Alignment Project

EDA: Economic Development Agency

GAC: Greater Auckland Council

LGA 74: Local Government Act 1974

LTCCP: Long Term Council Community Plan

LTSF: Long Term Sustainability Framework (for the Auckland Region)

RGF: Auckland Regional Growth Forum

RGS: Auckland Regional Growth Strategy

RLTS: Auckland Region Land Transport Strategy

RMA: Resource Management Act

RPS: Auckland Regional Policy Statement

RSDF: Auckland Regional Sustainable Development Forum

TA: Territorial Authority

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STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The strengthening Auckland's Regional Governance project is an attempt to improve the performance of the region as a whole, and in particular to provide for more effective regional level engagement with central government. It is intended to address current weaknesses in governance, funding, and strategic planning. As such, this project potentially affects every aspect of sustainable development and good governance in Waitakere and the whole Auckland Region.

Te Taumata Runanga has a role in advising Council on how issues and proposals such as this will impact on the ability of Maori to contribute to governance and local authority decision making. The Council's Treaty of Waitangi strategic priority, the Treaty of Waitangi Framework and the statutory provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 relating to the obligations on Councils to enhance the ability of Maori to contribute to local authority decision making provide the context for this role.

ISSUES

Staff will be present at the meeting to make a brief presentation on the proposals to strengthen Auckland's Regional Governance and Council decision making to date. Advice and feedback from Te Taumata Runanga is welcomed, particularly on how the proposals will impact on the ability of Maori to contribute to governance and local authority decision making.

RESOURCES

The proposed package of reforms to Auckland's regional governance structures will have a range of funding and financial implications across the region. These will be investigated and developed more fully as part of further work. In brief, financial implications relate to:

- development of a one plan that agreed by all parties (including central government) should provide for more certain funding allocation to strategic regional priorities;
- a key part of the governance proposal is to address current funding shortfalls at the regional level through identifying new funding sources such as a regional fuel tax, development levies and departure tax;
- that there will be costs associated with implementing any proposed reforms such as a new name for the regional entity, potential new representative arrangements for a new entity, establishing and servicing the new Regional Sustainable Development Forum, and One Plan, the collection of new revenue sources and investigating new shared services arrangements.

Staff time allocated to contributing to the development of proposals and providing advice is being provided for within existing staff resources. Project costs are being shared between the councils and central government and are being funded from the regional projects budget.

CONCLUSION

Further work has been done on proposals to strengthen regional governance. The Council has asked that this work be presented to Te Taumata Runanga to enable the Committee to provide advice to Council on how the proposals will impact on the ability of Maori to contribute to governance and local authority decision making.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Auckland Regional Governance report be received.
2. That Te Taumata Runanga provide feedback to Council on the proposals to strengthen Auckland's Regional Governance and Council's decisions to date.

Report prepared by: Ross McLeod, Director: Corporate and Civic Services, and Graeme Campbell, Director: Strategic Planning.



11 **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of Te Taumata Runanga will be held in the Civic Centre, on Monday, 16 July 2007, commencing at 5.00 pm.

A representative is invited to present Te Taumata Runanga report at the next meeting of Council to be held in the Civic Centre, on Wednesday, 27 June 2007, commencing at 5.30 pm.

