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Wellington City Council**

Me Heke Ki Pōneke

# Ordinary Meeting of Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board Ngā Meneti | Minutes

7:00pm Rāapa, 24 Paenga-whāwhā 2024

7:00pm Wednesday, 24 April 2024

Mākara Community Hall

366 Makara Road

Wellington



**PRESENT**

Christine Grace  
Darren Hoskins (Deputy Chair)  
Mark Reed (Chair)  
Chris Renner  
Wayne Rudd  
Hamish Todd

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Matthews

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# 1 Meeting Conduct

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## 1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 6:59pm and invited members to stand and read the following karakia to open the meeting.

**Whakataka te hau ki te uru,  
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.  
Kia mākinakina ki uta,  
Kia mātaratara ki tai.  
E hī ake ana te atākura.  
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.  
Tihei Mauri Ora!**

Cease oh winds of the west  
and of the south  
Let the bracing breezes flow,  
over the land and the sea.  
Let the red-tipped dawn come  
with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,  
a promise of a glorious day

## 1.2 Apologies

**Moved Mark Reed, seconded Hamish Todd**

### **Resolved**

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Accept the apologies received from Wayne Rudd and Darren Hoskins for absence.

**Carried**

## 1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

## 1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

**Moved Mark Reed, seconded Chris Renner**

### **Resolved**

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Approves the minutes of the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board Meeting held on 14 March 2024, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

**Carried**

## 1.5 Public Participation

There was no public participant.

## 1.6 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

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## 2. Reports

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### 2.1 Oral Updates

**Moved Mark Reed, seconded Hamish Todd**

**Resolved**

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

**Carried**

- A) Micheal Duindam gave the following Proposed District Plan update:
- Michael shared with the Board an overview of the of process which has been followed in the creation of the Proposed District Plan until now.
  - The decisions that have been made by Council so far are:
    - Greater housing and more housing intensification.
    - Classifying the Johnsonville rail line as mass rapid transport.
    - Increasing building height limits.
    - Changing both walking catchments and character precincts.
  - In Mākara and Ōhāriu there is still work to be done through the Proposed District Plan regarding natural hazard works, namely looking at flood mitigation works in the area.
  - When the core land use part of the process is settled, the next stage of the plan looks more at coastal and landscape matters such as classification of significant natural areas.
  - Changes from Central Government of their regulations on biodiversity will affect the next phase, so there is some uncertainty until those new regulations are announced.
  - The final decision for Council regarding the Proposed District Plan will be coming to elected members in March 2025.
  - A board member asked how submissions are taken on board. Michael explained that there is a very clear reporting process and explained to the Board how they can find responses from Commissioners to submissions.
  - Michael is also happy to look into any specific feedback that was given from the Board to see how this was responded to. All of this information is available online.
  - Liam and Michael shared that the District Plan hearings can be found online and that submissions regarding both the Meridian windfarm (raised by board member) and rural zoning will be heard next week.
  - Michael discussed how rural zoning in the Proposed District Plan would be likely maintaining the current status quo.
  - A board member brought up that a constituent had been enquiring about the status of the rural design guides. Michael said that officers have passed onto the Commissioners that the rural design guides are no longer necessary, and that they no longer aligned with the Proposed District Plan. Michael also noted that many of the other design guides have now been dropped.
  - Michael noted that they are expecting an announcement on the first tranche of the Proposed District Plan from the Minister soon.
  - A board member asked if there was any consideration of fragmentation in the consenting process. Michael explained that it is not integrated into planning policy.
  - Liam discussed rural development contribution and how it can be tagged to ward projects if possible.

- B) Hedi Mueller gave the following Elected Members Support (EMSA) update:
- Hedi explained to the Board that EMSA's can be used find answers or source information for them so they don't have to wait for the information to come in between meetings and are placed to follow up on enquires for them.
  - They can also provide administrative and IT support, payroll support etc.
  - The EMSA team is currently in recruitment for one vacancy in the team.
  - Hedi also spoke to the Board about the Elected Member Queries (EMQs) channel.
  - This channel is to escalate queries that a constituent may have approached member about.
  - These enquiries can be forwarded onto the EMQ email. This also allows the relevant teams to see previous interactions with the constituent.
  - Hedi also discussed some development opportunities available to the Board including the LGNZ Akona online learning portal, and the National Community Board Conference.
- C) Richard Davidson gave the following Transport update:
- Following on from last meeting, all the community responses from the Ōhāriu Valley safety improvement letter drop have been sent through to the Board.
  - Richard followed up about the clearing of the streams with the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GW), and will pass on the details of who to contact about active streams needing attention to the Board.
  - A board member raised a slip in South Mākara and Richard confirmed that they were aware of it and it is on the list of needing to be remediated. There was a discussion about looking into changing the shape of the road and Richard said he will look into this with NZTA.
  - A board member raise that on South Mākara Road the edge markers are leaning towards the roads. Richard will look into putting them on fence marking to reinforce them.
- D) Mark Reed gave the following Chair Person update:
- Mark recently had a meeting with Daran Ponter, who is the chairperson of the Greater Wellington Regional Council, to discuss the fresh water plan updates, and how GW could have better handled community feedback.
  - Mark updated that Darren would like to attend a meeting in the future to link the Community Board with GW.
- E) The Board members gave the following updates:
- With the ANZAC day celebrations happening in Mākara the board discussed that they would need to remind everyone that will be happening to try and minimise traffic.
  - The WREMO session has been set for Saturday 18 May at the Mākara School. The Community Board will promote this within the community.

**Secretarial note:** In accordance with standing order 3.9.2, the chairperson accorded precedence to some items of business and announced that the agenda would be considered in the following order:

- 2.3 Resource consent applications and approvals for 26 February 2024 to 4 April 2024.
- 2.2 Upcoming Consultations and Engagements.
- 2.4 Forward Programme.

### 2.3 Resource consent applications and approvals for 26 February 2024 to 4 April 2024

Moved Mark Reed, seconded Chris Renner

#### Resolved

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Not receive the information.
2. Agree that the Board has not received sufficient information and directs Council officers to improve this process.

**Carried**

**Secretarial Note:** The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer's report, the changes are marked in red.

### 2.2 Upcoming Consultations and Engagements

Moved Mark Reed, seconded Hamish Todd

#### Resolved

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

**Carried**

### 2.4 Forward Programme

Moved Mark Reed, seconded Hamish Todd

#### Resolved

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.
2. Approve the current work programme, subject to any required changes.
3. Agree to create an action tracker to be reviewed each meeting.

**Carried**

**Secretarial Note:** The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer's report, the changes are marked in red.



The hui concluded at 8:38pm with the reading of the following karakia:

<b>Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui</b>	Draw on, draw on
<b>Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua</b>	Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body and the spirit of mankind
<b>I te ara takatū</b>	
<b>Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga</b>	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
<b>Kia wātea, kia wātea</b>	Let this all be done in unity
<b>Āe rā, kua wātea!</b>	

Authenticated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair