



TE KAUNIHERA-Ā-ROHE O TARATAHI
CARTERTON
DISTRICT COUNCIL

AGENDA

Water Race Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, 19 May 2021

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Carterton Events Centre
50 Holloway Street
Carterton

Chair B Deller

Cr R Cherry-Campbell

Mayor G Lang

Cr J Greathead

Member J Booth

Member J Eastham

Member D Ellison

Member J McFadzean

Member N Wadham

Notice is hereby given that a Water Race Committee Meeting of the Carterton District Council will be held in the Carterton Events Centre, 50 Holloway Street, Carterton on:

Wednesday, 19 May 2021 at 2:00pm

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1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA

Mai i te pae maunga, raro ki te tai

Mai i te awa tonga, raro ki te awa raki

Tēnei te hapori awahi ai e Taratahi.

Whano whano, haramai te toki

Haumi ē, hui ē, tāiki ē!

2 APOLOGIES

3 CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARATION

4 PUBLIC FORUM

5 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES



5.1 MINUTES OF THE WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 FEBRUARY 2021

1. RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Minutes of the Water Race Committee Meeting held on 3 February 2021 are true and correct.

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Author: Sheree Dewbery, Executive Assistant

Attachments: 1. Minutes of the Water Race Committee Meeting held on 3 February 2021

**MINUTES OF CARTERTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE CARTERTON EVENTS CENTRE, 50 HOLLOWAY STREET, CARTERTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 2:00PM**

PRESENT: Chair Brian Deller, Cr Robyn Cherry-Campbell, Mayor Greg Lang, Cr Jill Greathead, Jill Eastham, John McFadzean, J Booth.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Gittings (Infrastructure, Services and Regulatory Manager), Melvin Pike (Water Race Overseer), Rachel Round (Consents, Compliance and Operations Manager), Casey Spencer (Democratic Services Coordinator) Erin Collins (Democratic Services)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA

The meeting was opened with a Karakia lead by Cr Robyn Cherry-Campbell.

2 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received for David Ellison and Neil Wadham.

Member John Booth / Cr Robyn Cherry-Campbell

CARRIED

3 CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARATION

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

5 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4 NOVEMBER 2020

MOVED

That the Minutes of the Water Race Committee Meeting held on 4 November 2020 are true and correct.

Cr Robyn Cherry-Campbell / Member John Booth

CARRIED

6 REPORTS

6.1 WATER RACE ACTIVITIES - OCTOBER 2020 TO JANUARY 2021

PURPOSE

For the Water Race Committee to be informed and updated on the management of the Water Races for the period 1 October 2020 to 27 January 2021.

MOVED

That the Committee:

Receives the report.

Members John Booth / John McFadzean

CARRIED

6.2 REVIEW OF THE WATER RACES POLICY

PURPOSE

For the Committee to review the current Water Races Policy (**Attachment 1**) for the Taratahi and Carrington water races.

MOVED

That the Committee:

Receives the report.

Agrees to continue with the current Water races Policy.

Chair Brian Deller / Member Jill Eastham

CARRIED

7 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA

The meeting closed with a Karakia lead by Cr Robyn Cherry-Campbell.

The Meeting closed at 2.24pm.

Minutes confirmed:

Date:

6 REPORTS



6.1 WATER RACE

1. PURPOSE

For the Water Race Committee to be informed and updated on the management of the Water Races for the period 28th January 2021 – 10th May 2021.

2. SIGNIFICANCE

The matters for decision in this report are not considered to be of significance under the Significance and Engagement Policy.

3. BACKGROUND

The following Report is to inform the water race Committee of the management and maintenance of the Carrington and Taratahi water races, and to discuss any issues.

4. DISCUSSION

4.1 Flows:

The races are still on low flows, this is the longest period the Water Race Officer has had to manage the races with low flows.

4.2 Fencing

Stock fencing is having a direct effect on access to the water races. The inconsistency of the distance of fences from the centre of the water races has in many areas reduced access for machinery used for clearing weed growth. It is also to be noted that weed growth in fenced areas is significant and some of these areas have had to be cleaned 3 times annually, increasing the work required for maintenance.

4.3 Cartage

The availability of land to dump weed and silt is becoming significantly difficult, and therefore this is adding an extra cost for cartage to a suitable and available site.

4.4 Fertiliser Spreading

A reminder is required regarding the minimum distance from the centre of the water race, that fertiliser should not be spread on (zone free from contaminants). Could be communicated via diagram in the Water race update newsletter (to discuss with the committee chair, as to the content of the newsletter).

4.5 Tree Roots

Of note still is the increasing issue of tree roots for both race networks. This is also increasing maintenance and renewal requirements with culverts having to be lifted,

roots cut back and re-laid or concreting around the culverts to stop roots from uplifting the culverts.

4.6 Trout Spawning

The trout spawning run has just started. We met with Fish and Game up at the Carrington Weir and have removed rocks from the weir and redirected the flow to allow for trout to pass through.

4.7 Aquatic Weeds

The working group have identified at least 15-20 types of Aquatic weeds, which is a significant increase in type of weeds and identifies that the Aquatic ecosystem is changing.

4.8 Service Requests

Carterton District Council registered ten service requests for maintenance of the water race network during this quarter.

One reporting that the race was dry, two were for overflowing races, seven were for cleaning / clearing.

5. Water Race Abstraction Applications

There is no surface take allocation left on the Carrington water race. Therefore, any further take applications will need to be submitted on behalf of CDC to be effectively added to CDC's consent take, which expires in 2023. CDC is currently working with GWRC on 2 applications.

6. NEXT STEPS

Committee Chair and Compliance, Consents & Operations Manager to discuss the content of the upcoming quarterly newsletter.

7. FINANCES

March operational figures show both the Taratahi and Carrington water races are on budget for operational income/expenditure.

8. CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 Climate change

None

8.2 Tāngata whenua

None

8.3 Financial impact

None

8.4 Community Engagement requirements

None

8.5 Risks

None

9. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report .**

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7 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA