

**MINUTES OF CARTERTON DISTRICT COUNCIL  
WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE CARTERTON EVENTS CENTRE, 50 HOLLOWAY ST, CARTERTON  
ON WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2024 AT 1:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Brian Deller, Deputy Chair John McFadzean (Member), Mayor Ron Mark, Cr Steve Cretney, Cr Steve Gallon, David Ellison (Member), Neil Wadham (Member), John Booth (Co-opted member)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Elected members  
Deputy Mayor Dale Williams

Staff  
Johannes Ferreira (Infrastructure Services Manager), Lawrence Stephenson (Water Services Manager), Melvin Pike (Water Race Overseer), Kyra Low (Finance Manager), Marcus Anselm (Communications and Engagement Manager), Robyn Blue (Democratic Services Officer)

## **1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA**

The meeting opened with a karakia by Cr S Cretney.

## **2 APOLOGIES**

### **MOVED**

That apologies be received from Jill Eastham and Michael Hewison.

N Woodham /Cr S Cretney

**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 28 FEBRUARY 2024**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Minutes of the Water Race Committee Meeting held on 28 February 2024 are true and correct.

J McFadzean / D Ellison

**CARRIED**

## 6 REPORTS

### 6.1 WATER RACE REPORT, MAY 2024

#### 1. PURPOSE

To provide the Water Race Committee with an update on the management of the Water Races.

#### NOTED

- There was discussion about the options for the management of poor access to certain water races for cleaning by the Water Race Overseer. When property owners are asked to manage the water race themselves and this is not done, there are flow on effects such as flooding downstream. A Code of Practice for the water races will help but has not yet been approved. Another workshop is planned to discuss this after the Fresh Water Plan has been received.
- There are potential safety concerns to the Water Race Overseer with debris flowing in the stream. Johannes will look into this.
- It was recommended by the Water Race members that Melvin Pike and if possible Water Race users attend the consent meetings with GWRC as they can provide clarification on practicalities over theory.

#### MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.
2. **Endorses** the officers' decision in item 4, for officers to deny the request to stop charging water race rates on the property at Cobden Roads.

N Wadham / Cr S Cretney

#### CARRIED

### 6.2 QUARTERLY WATER QUALITY REPORT

#### 1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to be informed about water quality in the water races.

#### NOTED

- The graphs in the report don't clearly show trends. Lawrence has the data and will send this to the Committee.

#### MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Cr B Deller / Cr S Cretney

#### CARRIED

**6.3 WATER RACE FINANCIAL REPORT**

**1. PURPOSE**

To present the financial result of operational activity on water races for the period ended 31 March 2024.

**NOTED**

- Following previous discussions about concerns over the Water Race overheads there had been discussion about holding a workshop. Johannes identified that Geoff planned to take this to the Risk and Assurance Committee. It was not clear if a workshop would be better before or after the paper to the Risk and Assurance Committee.

**MOVED**

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

N Wadham / D Ellison

**CARRIED**

**7 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA**

The meeting closed with a karakia by Cr B Deller.

**The Meeting closed at 2.13 pm**

**Minutes confirmed: .....**

**14 August 2024**

**Date: .....**