

Horowhenua District Council & Hokio Environmental Kaitiaki Alliance Inc. Landfill Agreement Project Management Group

MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Horowhenua District Council & Hokio Environmental Kaitiaki Alliance Inc. Landfill Agreement Project Management Group held via Zoom on 19 May 2020 at 1.00pm.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson/s	Jenny Rowan & Lisa Slade	
Members	David Moore	
	David Clapperton	
Project Manager	Greg Carlyon	
Meeting Secretary	Natasha Breen	

Welcome and Karakia

David Moore opened the meeting with a Karakia

Apologies

Cr Sam Ferguson

Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes – 3 March 2020

Moved: David Clapperton

Seconded: David Moore

"THAT the Meeting Minutes of 3 March 2020 be accepted with the following amendment;

FROM: THAT the Meeting Minutes of 12 February 2020

TO: THAT the Meeting Minutes of 12 February 2020 be accepted"

CARRIED

Actions from Previous Meetings

Action table updated.

Compliance Review

Greg advised that one of the requirements of the Landfill Agreement is that Odour and Compliance are independently reviewed and reported on annually.

As such Greg recommends that Dr Marie Doole complete these requirements and highlighted that Dr Doole produced a statement in relation to Levin Landfill as part of the potential legal proceedings.

Dr Doole will report directly to Lisa Dlade.

David Moore raised that Horizons Regional Council should complete an annual review which seems to have lapsed. Greg noted he has made a request for an update from Horizons Regional Council on the status of these reports and that work that Dr Doole will undertake will include an assessment of the Regional Councils obligations under the Consent.

Greg advised that Dr Doole would be reliant on the data provided to her for this compliance reporting and not sourcing the data herself.

There was group discussion on engaging Dr Marie Doole.

Recommendations:

In relation to the audit, Greg recommend the following:

"That the PMG retain the services of Dr Marie Doole to assess the operation against the suite of consents held for the site, in order to provide preliminary feedback to the PMG in September 2020, with final report to be shared in November 2020. Dr Doole is a nationally recognised expert in the space of compliance and monitoring and has spent the better part of her career undertaking reviews and assessments of local authority performance in the environmental space.

In relation to the odour issues set out at 10.1(a) and (b), Greg recommend the following steps:

"1. That the council identifies and makes available the work it has done that is relevant for this exercise (Good Earth Matters). On the basis this information is appropriate, I recommend a facilitated exercise with Dr Cudmore (for HDC) and Louise Wickham (for the community), to confirm the work undertaken and degree to which it provides for the matters at (a) and (b).

2. Where there is insufficient information to complete the task, then the original consultant will be requested to report further, and the independent reviewers will provide a summary provision for consideration by the PMG.

3. These tasks will be completed by August 2020.

4. Dr Doole is provided with this material to incorporate the findings as part of her overall report."

Moved: David Moore

Seconded: Jenny Rowan

"That the recommendations from Greg Carlyon be accepted and it was noted that both David Clapperton and Greg Carlyon did not participate in the discussion and abstained from the decision"

<u>CARRIED</u>

It was agreed that Lisa would make contract with Dr Marie Doole.

Social Impact Assessment

Group discussion took place on the Social Impact Assessment and the possibility of separating the report into two parts.

Part 1: Assessment of the Community View in relation to early closure

Part 2: Addressing the concerns held by the Hokio Community stakeholders

David Moore noted that if a section of the Social Impact Assessment is removed then people need to be made aware that the removed section is part of a wider report. Jenny agreed and added that the integrity of the process needs to be upheld.

David Clapperton advised that Bronwyn Kerr was engaged to undertake a restorative process with the NLG.

David Moore noted he would support Bronwyn undertaking a subsidiary report.

There was in depth group discussion on the best way forward and it was agreed that Greg will prepare a brief for the PMG to review and that Jenny and David M will communicate with Bronwyn.

Scheduling a NLG meeting for feedback to the closure decision.

Greg suggested that a NLG Meeting be arranged to enable the PMG to update on the work they have undertaken in the last six months and where to from here.

David Moore reminded David Clapperton that HDC is required to hold an NLG meeting annually and to his recollection the last one took place around June/July last year. Natasha confirmed the last NLG Meeting was late August 2019. Greg advised the NLG Meeting needs to take place sooner rather than later.

A brief report on the flow of waste and waste-type to the landfill, through the lockdown

David Clapperton advised that commercial pick up did not take place during lockdown and the level of recycling and household rubbish was higher than usual. The recycling plant in Palmerston North was closed during Level 4 and householders were encouraged to keep their recycling until normal services resumed.

There was a situation at the beginning of lockdown where the flare was not operating correctly, which resulted in some odour complaints, once that was rectified no more odour complaints were received.

Progress on discussion, if any, with the Tatana's in relation to a land swap adjacent to the landfill

David Clapperton advised that commercial discussions are progressing.

The Apology

Greg advised he has done another iteration of the draft Apology prepared by David Moore.

David Moore suggested that David Clapperton review the wording from a Council perspective.

David C clarified that "The Who" is Mayor Wanden with David Clapperton and as such there needs to be support from the Governance Section of HDC.

The group discussed the best time for the Apology to take place.

General Business

Greg advised that he has two items which he will circulate shortly on Budgets and the Wetland Project Plan.

David Moore requested an update on the Tonkin & Taylor Reports. Greg responded that he has been in regular communication with Chris and received a status summary from him last week. Greg has asked Chris to review the requirements of the Landfill Agreement and assess that the reporting complies in particular the requirement to recommend a date sooner than 2025 for landfill closure. The reports are the view of Tonkin & Taylor, Greg has asked modifications and communication is ongoing.

David Moore requested to see a copy of the latest report, which Greg will send disseminate.

Next Meeting Dates

Meeting dates are subject being in Level 1 so meetings can take place face to face.

NLG: 6pm 30 June 2020 **PMG:** 3pm 23 June 2020

Meeting Closure and Karakia

David M closed the meeting with a Karakia.

ACTIONS

Action Item	Person(s) Responsible	Status
Add revised timeline to the next meetings agenda	Natasha	
Review the wording of the draft Apology	David C	
Jenny and David M to communicate with Bronwyn regarding the Social Impact Assessment	Jenny & David M	
Follow up on if an Annual Compliance Report for Levin Landfill was completed for 2019	Cr Ferguson	
Hui re Statement of Impact with MTA and Muaupoko Coop Society – Lisa to attend on David C's behalf – Cap \$5k each	Greg	
A forecast be prepared of remaining work from the PMG <u>UPDATE 3 March</u> – Greg advised it is nearly there and will distribute before the next meeting <u>UPDATE 19 May</u> – Greg advised he has received figures from HDC and circulate after the meeting	Greg	In Progress
Confirm with Lisa of the date in which the PMG will brief Council so she can book it <u>UPDATE 3 March</u> – To be decided after the meeting with Mayor and workshop 4 March	PMG	
Create a PMG Principles of Communication Plan <u>UPDATE 22 July</u> – Greg is meeting with Daniel O 23 July and will report back at the next meeting <u>UPDATE 12 February</u> -Taken to Council and the Community <u>UPDATE 19 May</u> – Sets out the way the PMG is to engage both as a PMG and externally	Greg	Ongoing