Minutes Whakatāne District Extraordinary Council Meeting – 9 April 2025

WHAKATĀNE District Council Kia Whakatāne au i ahau	Details of Meeting:	WHAKATĀNE DISTRICT EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN ROOM TŌTARA (CHAMBERS), ON WEDNESDAY, 9 APRIL 2025, COMMENCING AT 1:00 PM.
	Present:	His Worship the Mayor Dr V Luca, Deputy Mayor Immink, Councillors A Iles, G Dennis, T Boynton, N Rangiaho, T O'Brien, W James, N Tánczos, J Pullar and J Jukes
	In Attendance:	S Perdia (Chief Executive), B Gray (GM Finance and Commercial Services), H Patrick (Kaihautu Strategic Māori Partnerships), L Woolsey (GM Strategy and Growth), A Pickles (GM Community Partnerships), K Stasiewicz (contractor), V Fergusson (Strategic Property), K Boreham (Principal Advisor / Executive Office), L Taylor (Manager Communications and Engagement), S Whittle (Principal Communications Advisor) and C Viljoen (Manager Governance Services) Via Teams: S Henderson (Chairperson of the Risk and Assurance Committee and E Hatch (GM People and Partnerships)
	Visitors:	E Trout (Independent appointed member / Limited Trust)
	Apologies:	

1 KARAKIA

The Chairperson asked Councillor O'Brien to open the meeting with a Karakia opened the meeting with a Karakia at 01:00 pm.

2 MEETING NOTICES

Meeting attendees were advised on the following subjects:

- Health and Safety aspects attendees needed to be aware of.
- Standard meeting protocols when livestreamed.

3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

Attendance: Councillors J Pullar and N Tánczos entered the room at 1:02 pm.

Attendance: Independent appointed member to the limited trust joined the meeting online at 1:04 pm.

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4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

Nil.

5 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts were declared.

6 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE

Refer to pages 10 of the agenda.

Moved Councillor deputy Mayor Immink / Seconded Councillor Jukes

RESOLVED:

THAT the **public be excluded** from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

1. Project Scope and Feasibility Report April 2025 – Te Rāhui Herenga Waka Boat Harbour Project

CARRIED

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

	General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	When item can be released into public
1.	Project Scope and Feasibility Report April 2025 – Te Rāhui Herenga Waka Boat Harbour Project	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7.	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists. Section 48(1)(a)	Not to be released

This resolution is made in reliance on sections 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 7 of that Act, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Item No	Interest
1	To enable the Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities (Schedule 7(2)(h))
1	To carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) (Schedule 7(2)(i))
1	Withholding the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege (Schedule 7(2)(g))

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The meeting moved to the Public-Excluded session at 1:03 pm.

The meeting returned to the public session at 2:55 pm.

The following resolutions were restated during the public section of the meeting:

- 1. THAT the Project Scope and Feasibility Review Report was received; and
- 2. THAT the Council **confirmed** that the report remains in Public Excluded and will be released to the public when the project is completed.

Councillor T O'Brien closed the meeting with a Karakia at 02:56 pm.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:	
CHAIRPERSON	

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