

Strategy, Planning and Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, 17 July, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Civic Centre, Te Iwitahi, 9 Rust Avenue

In Attendance

Cr Ken Couper (Chairperson)
Cr Scott McKenzie (Deputy
Chairperson)
Cr Gavin Benney
Cr Nicholas Connop
Cr Deborah Harding
Cr Patrick Holmes
Cr Marie Olsen
Cr Carol Peters
Cr Simon Reid
Cr Phoenix Ruka
Cr Paul Yovich

Not in Attendance

His Worship the Mayor Vince Cocurullo
Cr Jayne Golightly
Cr Phil Halse

Scribe

D.Garner (Democracy Adviser)

Secretarial note:

Item 5.1 was taken before Item 4.5.

1. Declarations of Interest / Take Whaipānga

No interests were declared.

2. Apologies / Kore Tae Mai

Cr's Jayne Golightly and Phil Halse. His Worship the Mayor was absent on Council Business.

Moved By Cr Deborah Harding

Seconded By Cr Scott McKenzie

That the apologies be sustained.

Carried

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Strategy, Planning and Development Committee Meeting / Whakatau Meneti

3.1 Minutes Strategy, Planning and Development Committee Meeting held on 19 June 2025

Moved By Cr Carol Peters

Seconded By Cr Scott McKenzie

That the minutes of the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee meeting held Thursday 19 June 2025, having been circulated be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.

Carried

4. Decision Reports / Whakatau Rīpoata

4.1 New Public and Private Road Names – RMA Consents – Port Nikau Joint Venture – Ref SL2200019

Moved By Cr Ken Couper

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee:

1. Approve the name of 6 public and 1 private road off Port Road, Whangarei as follows –

Road 1 – Millbank Drive

Road 2 – Gunnels Avenue

Road 3 – Waypoint Drive

Road 4/6 – Windward Avenue

Road 5 – Astern Avenue

Road 7 – Mariners Drive

Road 8 – Halyard Lane

Carried

4.2 Private Plan Change Request - 422 Marsden Point Road

Moved By Cr Ken Couper

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee:

1. Accepts the Request for a private plan change by On Point Northland Limited pursuant to clause 25(2)(b) of Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

2. Approves for notification the private plan change by On Point Northland Limited under Clause 26 of Part 2 of the Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
3. Delegates the Chief Executive to make any non-material minor edits or amendments to the plan change documents including typographical/ formatting changes, or changes to correct any identified errors.
4. Notes that a decision to accept the request for a plan change will commence the process, with the plan change being brought back to the Committee or Council for decision making following notification, submissions and hearings.
5. Notes that if the plan change is accepted the applicant will pay the actual and reasonable cost of processing this private plan change.

Carried

4.3 Notification of Temporary Activities, Cross Boundary Matters, Contaminated Land and Minor Improvements Plan Changes

Procedural Motion

Moved By Cr Ken Couper

Seconded By Cr Carol Peters

That the item of business should lie on the table until further information is received from central government and not be discussed at this meeting.

Carried

4.4 Whangārei District Airport Final Statement of Intent 2025 - 2026

Moved By Cr Scott McKenzie

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee

1. Under delegation approves the Final Statement of Intent 2025/2026 for the Whangarei District Airport.
2. Notes and provides feedback on the 2025/26 Final Statement of Intent.

Carried

4.5 Delegation for Submission on Updates to National Policy Statements and National Environmental Standards

Moved By Cr Scott McKenzie

Seconded By Cr Carol Peters

That the Committee:

1. Directs staff to develop a submission to Central Government on current proposals for updates and additions to the Resource Management Act 1991 national policy statements and national environmental standards.
2. Authorises the Chair plus any two members approve the submission on behalf of Council.

Carried

Cr Paul Yovich requested his vote against the motion be recorded.

5. Information Reports / Ngā Pūrongo Kōrero

5.1 Operational Report - Strategy, Planning and Development - July 2025

Moved By Cr Ken Couper

Seconded By Cr Nicholas Connop

That the Strategy, Planning and Development Committee notes the Strategy and Democracy and Planning and Development Operational reports for July 2025.

Carried

6. Public Excluded Business / Rāhui Tangata

No business was held in public excluded.

7. Closure of Meeting / Te katinga o te Hui

The meeting concluded at 9:28am.

Confirmed this 21st day of August 2025

Cr Ken Couper (Chairperson)