

Kaipara Moana Remediation Joint Committee Minutes

Rā Date:	Monday 26 February 2024
Tāima Time:	9.30am
Tauwāhi Location:	Online Link
Tuhinga Present	Tame Te Rangi (Chair), Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua Amy Macdonald (Deputy Chair), Northland Regional Council Georgina Curtis-Connelly, Te Uri o Hau (<i>joined 10.28am</i>) Greg Sayers, Auckland Council Jack Craw, Northland Regional Council Jane Sherard, Ngā Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara John Blackwell, Northland Regional Council Michelle Carmichael, Auckland Council Taiāwhio Wati, Te Uri o Hau Virginia Warriner, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua
I Tae Mae In Attendance	Justine Daw, Pou Tātaki, KMR Ben Hope, Ringa-Pārongo, KMR Lisette Rawson, Amo-Rauora Kōawa, KMR Sophie Bone, PA to Pou Tātaki and Governance Support, KMR Stephanie Versteeg, Amo-Rautaki Pākihi, KMR Duncan Kervell, KMR Contractor Ilka Pelzer, Kaitātari Matua, MfE (Observer) Brooke Waterson, Wai Tātai, Auckland Council (Observer)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 09.40am.

Karakia Timatanga and Whakatau (Item 1.0)

Ngā whakapahā | Apologies (Item 2.0)

Moved Crow/Warriner

1. That the apologies from Councillor Kerrin Leoni and Member Cherie Povey for non-attendance be received.

Carried

Ngā whakapuakanga | Declarations of Conflicts of Interest (Item 3.0)

It was advised that members should make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed.

Confirmation of Minutes- October and November 2023 (Item 4.1)

Report from Sophie Bone, PA and Governance Support

Moved Blackwell/Sayers

That the Joint Committee;

1. Confirm the minutes of the Kaipara Moana Remediation meeting held on 30 October 2023, as a true and correct record.
2. Note the minutes of the Kaipara Moana Remediation meeting held on 27 November 2023.

Carried

Joint Committee Forward Workplan (Item 5.1)

Report from Sophie Bone, PA to Pou Tātaki and Governance Support

Moved Sherard/Craw

1. That the 'Joint Committee Forward Workplan' be received.

Carried

Secretarial note:

Member Crow indicated support for more Field Trips. Pou Tātaki confirmed early planning aims to take the Joint Committee to a Navigator Project for the first field trip in April 2024.

Joint Committee Action Tracker (Item 5.2)

Report from Sophie Bone, PA to Pou Tātaki and Governance Support

Moved Sherard/Warriner

1. That the 'Joint Committee Action Tracker' be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

Mana Whenua Relations Lead Willie Wright provided a brief update on the Kōrero Tuku Iho Project as noted in the Action Tracker.

Draft Six Month Report (2023-2024) (Item 6.1)

Report from Stephanie Versteeg, Amo-Rautaki Pākihi

Moved Macdonald/Sherard

That the Joint Committee;

1. Receive the report 'Kaipara Moana Remediation Programme Draft Six Month Report (2023-2024)' by Stephanie Versteeg, Amo-Rautaki Pākihi and dated 26 February 2024.
2. Approve in principle the 'Draft Six Month report' document (Appendix One).
3. Delegate the power to the Chair and Deputy Chair to approve a final draft of the Six Month Report for provision to the Ministry for the Environment, with the Pou Tātaki also delegated to make minor editorial changes prior to submission if required.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

Member Carmichael suggested KMR local work and procurement via KMR supplier accreditation, local job creation from project outsourcing, and local capability development from flagship (Navigator) projects might also be appropriate to include in the Capability Development section.

The Pou Tātaki responded that a wider view was appropriate and that KMR would also include a reference to KMR's commitment to the Amotai supplier diversity initiative.

Member Carmichael welcomed references in the report to supporting the local economy and asked if the report was explicit enough in terms of highlighting KMR alignment to new government priorities. The Member also suggested some content in the Engagement and Partnership section might sit better in the Marketing section.

The Pou Tātaki responded that staff would take a look at these suggestions, as KMR was highly aligned to government priorities but this may not be sufficiently visible. By necessity, budget reporting comment reflected the source of the budget.

Kaipara Moana Remediation GIS Layers (Item 6.2)

Report from Stephanie Versteeg, Amo-Rautaki Pākihi and Duncan Kervell, KMR Contractor

Moved Blackwell/Carmichael

That the Joint Committee:

1. Receive the report titled 'Kaipara Moana Remediation GIS Layers' by Stephanie Versteeg and Duncan Kervell dated 26 February 2024.
2. Note that as a highly technical programme that relies on mapping of projects to unlock our co-funding, KMR relies on accurate mapping information, including of the catchment itself.
3. Note the attached revised map of the catchment (Attachment 1) in which KMR operates.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

Member Blackwell asked what 'paddock-scale accuracy' meant in practice given the diversity of paddock size. Duncan Kervell described the level of detail this might offer, i.e. enough detail to identify small slope class changes on farm (i.e. the equivalent of a sub ¼ hectare scale) but acknowledged that this was a colloquial term.

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The Pou Tātaki confirmed that KMR would ensure consistent use of terminology in its mapping language, drawing on accepted naming conventions in the mapping community. A more usual term was ‘sub-paddock scale’, but KMR would check this usage with NRC GIS practitioners.

Member Sherard asked if KMR’s mapping was potentially duplicating other activity, and if there was potential for confusion with other mapping or datasets. She also asked if this layer would be made available to others beyond KMR. Stephanie Versteeg confirmed that the catchment boundary layer was currently used only by KMR Field Advisors and reviewers, and did not risk duplication.

The Pou Tātaki clarified that the MoU signatories co-own the KMR datasets and can access and use them for relevant purposes, on request.

Member Craw asked for confirmation that the mapping layer would not create any data sovereignty questions. The Pou Tātaki clarified that this was highly unlikely given the nature of the data, and Stephanie Versteeg confirmed that KMR would continue to maintain a watching brief on this matter.

Member Blackwell suggested the catchment boundary was an important tool for demonstrating the scale of the catchment at the public events, and the Pou Tātaki agreed, noting that a key use of the boundary map was to engage landowners in the catchment and ensure they were aware of the funding support KMR could offer them.

Rephasing Procedures (Item 6.3)

Report from Justine Daw, Pou Tātaki and Stephanie Versteeg, Amo-Rautaki Pākihi

Moved Craw/Sherard

That the Joint Committee:

1. Receive the ‘Rephasing Procedures’ report by Justine Daw and Stephanie Versteeg dated 26 January 2024.
2. Note that the KMR Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the Ministry for the Environment and Member Parties acknowledged the KMR programme was intended to run for ten years.
3. Note the ‘time-only extension’ of the KMR programme that the Crown has granted to KMR through to 8 February 2031.
4. Note the signed documentation (Attachment 1) which was used to implement the ‘time-only’ extension, a minor change under the KMR Deed of Funding.

Carried

Pou Tātaki Report (Item 6.4)

Report from Justine Daw, Pou Tātaki

Moved Warriner/Curtis-Connelly

That the Joint Committee:

1. Receive the report ‘Pou Tātaki Report’, by Justine Daw dated 26 February 2024.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

Member Warriner asked if other Members had conflicts of interest.

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The Pou Tātaki clarified that KMR held, updated and monitored all Member conflicts of interests in the usual way under the Local Government Act. The table presented in the Pou Tātaki Report related only to current KMR grant (LAMIA) related interests. Previously, other Members had had grant interests. All grant-related interests were carefully monitored and reported to ensure transparency and that KMR did not breach LAMIA requirements relating to Member grant interests.

The Pou Tātaki reminded Members that while many of them automatically have interests in KMR grant applications due to their role representing their iwi/hapū, the OAG had ruled that not all interests were material from a LAMIA perspective. However, for transparency's sake, KMR still reported all grant interests. She offered to speak to individual Members as needed if any further clarification was required.

Karakia Mutunga

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 10.48am.