

Confirmed Public minutes of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti meeting on 10 October 2023

Raukawa Marae
90 Mills Road, Ōtaki, at 10am

Members Present

Councillor Ropata (Chair)
Councillor Ponter (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Duthie
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor Staples
Councillor Woolf

Karakia timatanga

Te Komiti Chair invited Denise Hapeta, Ngā Hapū o Ōtaki, to open the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

Whakawhanaungatanga

Te Komiti Chair invited each person present to introduce themselves.

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Ponter / Cr Connelly

That te Komiti accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Kirk-Burnnand and Saw.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Opportunity to Establish a Māori Constituency – Report 23.321

Francis Ryan – Kaiwhakahaere Mana Urangi, Manapori | Head of Governance and Democracy, tabled an updated table for paragraph 31 of the report, provided a verbal update on mana whenua comments, and spoke to the report. On the invitation of the Komiti Chair, Denise Hapeta, Chair, Ngā Hapū o Ōtaki, advised the meeting of the views of Ngā Hapū o Ōtaki on the matter.

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Staples

That te Komiti:

- 1 Notes that if Council agrees to establish a Māori constituency, that this will inform the full representation review scheduled for 2024.
- 2 Recommends that Council establishes a Māori constituency for the 2025 triennial local elections onwards, noting that the Māori constituency is supplementary and not a replacement for Council's Te Tiriti o Waitangi obligations with mana whenua.

The motion was **carried**.

Te Komiti sung a waiata, Te Aroha, to close the meeting.

The public meeting closed at 11.16am.

Councillor H Ropata

Chair

Date:

15 August, 2024 ✓