



T/25/03

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF TRUSTEES

Date: Tuesday, 29 April 2025
Time: 2.32pm
Place: DV Bryant Trust Boardroom, 131 Alexandra Street, Hamilton

PRESENT: Trustees Afeaki (Chair), Chew, Harvey, Johnston, Silverton, Strange & West

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer, Grants Manager & Trust Administrator

APOLOGIES: Grants Advisor & Finance Administrator

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS: Nil

KARAKIA TIMATANGA: All

AGENDA ITEM (Order differs to circulated Agenda)

T/25/03/1.0 PRESENTATIONS

T/25/03/1.1 Waikato Regional Sports Precinct Charitable Trust (Ref: 5/30)

Trustee Afeaki welcomed Matthew Cooper, Blair Currie and David Kneebone, Trustees of the Waikato Regional Sports Precinct Charitable Trust (WRSPCT), who were in attendance for the first item. Mr Cooper thanked the Trust for the opportunity to present at the meeting. He introduced his fellow Trustees and gave some background with regard to WRSPCT, noting that WRSPCT wishes to provide visibility, clarity and co-ordination for funders to make informed decisions. He acknowledged the Trust's recent support of multiple sport and recreation infrastructure projects in the region. He then delivered a presentation that covered the following:

- About WRSPCT
- Regional Situation
 - Sport Waikato's Regional Active Spaces Plan identifies 23-24 key projects requiring over \$400M in funding
- Why Invest
 - Every \$1 spent on sport and physical activity generates \$2.12 in social impact
 - The system is currently un-coordinated

- Trust Focus Areas – Current Priorities
 - The biggest focus needs to be in the growth corridor of Hamilton City, Waikato District and Waipā District
 - Regional Advocacy
 - Sports Fields and Lights
 - Indoor Courts
 - Eastlink Hub
- Trust Role – Artificial Turf
 - Council – Ownership
 - WRSPCT – Governance Led
 - Regional Sporting Organisations (RSO) – Optimisation Led
 - Project Delivery
 - Partnership
 - Council
 - RSOs
 - Funders
 - Ensures Ongoing Sustainability
 - Optimisation/Multi-Use
 - Maintenance
 - Funding
- Turf Projects – Current
 - Korikori Park Concept
 - Gower Park

Trustee Harvey enquired as to the plans for upgrading other sporting facilities, such as clubrooms/changing rooms. Mr Currie explained that turfs were initially selected as a main focus for WRSPCT in order to produce visible, tangible and timely results because other community projects had been taking many years to complete using a broken model. Mr Cooper added that WRSPCT's role was to work with funders and provide them with good facts around the opportunities being presented, and look for more efficient ways to get projects completed.

Trustee West asked about the resource consents process for WRSPCT's projects and Mr Currie described the measures taken, adding that there have been discussions with Hamilton City Council about how to ensure there is reasonable quality parking in the relevant areas.

Trustee Strange thanked WRSPCT for their work to-date and asked whether there would be affordable community access to the facilities. Mr Cooper highlighted as an example WRSPCT's Community School Partnerships where there are agreements in place that include provisions for community use. Mr Currie touched on the different structures of funding models, noting that WRSPCT was making every effort to ensure that 'kids play free.'

The Grants Manager acknowledged Sport Waikato for the useful information shared with the Trust which had assisted greatly in the Trust's Vital Impact Collaborative Energy Fund application assessing and decision-making process.

Trustee Chew raised the issue of the growing population, and Mr Cooper assured him that WRSPCT has good data and heat-mapping to inform future provision, and can be a neutral voice to keep funders abreast of priority projects and opportunities.

Mr Currie added that WRSPCT is engaging Central Government in discussions on how it might support the efforts in the region.

The WRSPCT representatives were thanked for their presentation, and they left the meeting at 3.10pm.

MOVED: (Afeaki/West) That the Waikato Regional Sports Precinct Charitable Trust presentation be received.

CARRIED

T/25/03/1.2 Waikato Regional Council (Ref: 5/30/5)

Trustee Afeaki welcomed Senior Policy Advisor, Katrina Andrews from Waikato Regional Council (WRC), who was in attendance for the second item. Ms Andrews introduced herself and delivered a presentation on the Waikato Regional Energy Inventory (WREI) which she project-managed the preparation of in 2024. The following was covered:

- Overview
- Purpose – why create an inventory?
 - Inform WRC’s input to a national energy strategy (MBIE)
 - Create evidence base to inform review of the Waikato Regional Energy Strategy, as required by WRC’s Strategic Direction, particularly in terms of the transition to a low-emissions economy
- Project parameters
- Stakeholder and partner engagement
- Engagement approach
- Findings
 - Access to natural resources (WRC has limited levers in the energy space but brings a region-wide perspective and can set policy direction to integrate land use and infrastructure)
 - New Zealand’s electricity generation portfolio will change (it was established that a number of consented geothermal projects had likely not been reflected in the national graph)
 - Waikato is getting drier (this has potential implications on hydro-generation and other land uses, such as dairy farming so spatial planning for future land uses will be required)
 - Energy Inventory Summary
 - The Waikato has an abundance of natural energy resources and is a corridor region for electricity transmission
 - An addendum has been prepared to take into account additional proposed projects, but the WREI is now moving to the strategy review stage
 - Grid connection enquiries (73 relating to the Waikato region)
 - Opportunities (covers both supply and demand)
 - Demand side management
 - The network system (set up for profit maximisation for shareholders)
- Stakeholder engagement – key themes
- What’s not included: EECA’s Regional Energy Transition Accelerator
- Next steps

Trustee Strange enquired as to WRC's position around national direction and strategy. Ms Andrews conveyed that the WREI primarily provides an information base that can be referred to when presented with national direction proposals, to assist in advocating for the best interests of the region.

Trustee Chew asked whether the WREI takes into account the fast-increasing energy demands from Artificial Intelligence. Ms Andrews conveyed that data centres had been acknowledged as emerging high-demand users. She confirmed that the WREI, including the addendum, would be made available for Trustees to view in the near future.

Ms Andrews was thanked for her attendance. She in turn thanked the Trust for the opportunity to present and left the meeting at 3.35pm.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Strange) That the Waikato Regional Council presentation be received.

CARRIED

Trustee Harvey reflected that the Trust could be a key stakeholder in future inventories.

T/25/03/3.0 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

MOVED: (Afeaki/Johnston) That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, for reasons relating to third party commercial sensitivity, on the following grounds:

1. To enable the Trust to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial or industrial negotiations).
2. To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonable to prejudice the commercial position of the person/organisation who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

CARRIED

| Agenda Item | General subject matter to be considered | Grounds for passing this resolution |
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| T/25/03/4.1 | Director Performance Review | Definitions 1 & 2 above |
| T/25/03/4.2 | WEL Networks – Collaborative Initiative | Definitions 1 & 2 above |
| T/25/03/4.3 | WEL Networks Ltd – Quarterly Report | Definition 2 above |
| T/25/03/5.1 | Resolution Schedule | Definitions 1 & 2 above |
| T/25/03/5.2 | Risk Management Report | Definitions 1 & 2 above |
| T/25/03/5.3 | Industry & Trust Activity Verbal Updates | Definitions 1 & 2 above |
| T/25/03/5.4 | Confirmation of Minutes | Definitions 1 & 2 above |

The Open meeting adjourned at 3.36pm and reconvened at 5.27pm.

T/25/03/6.0 OTHER REPORTS

T/25/03/6.1 Review and Ratification of Governance Policies (Ref: 10/3)

A report from the Trust Administrator dated 17 April 2025 was circulated.

Trustee Afeaki communicated that the Trust's Governance Policies document had been discussed in detail at the recent Finance, Audit and risk Committee meeting, and Trustee West confirmed that the resultant changes had been instigated by the CEO.

There was a brief discussion on whether there was a need for further parameters around the Capital Beneficiaries Project Fund. There was also some discussion with regard to appropriate wording for point 16 g) under Grants and Distributions relating to church ministry, and with regard to the detail around multi-year funding.

Trustee West pointed out that there is a hierarchy of documents for the Trust to adhere to, under the Trust Deed, and it was agreed that a document outlining these would be created for the benefit of current and future Trustees.

MOVED: (Afeaki/West) That:

1. All changes/additions to the Trust's Governance Policies document made since the April 2024 review as highlighted in the draft attached to the report, including the amendments proposed by the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee, be ratified.
2. The Governance Policies continue to be updated as appropriate and are next reviewed fully in 2026, firstly by the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee then by the full Trust at the April 2026 Trust meeting.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.0 MANAGEMENT REPORTS

T/25/03/7.1 Financial & Budget Report (Ref: 20/10)

A report from the Finance Administrator for the month of March 2025 was circulated.

In the absence of the Finance Administrator, the CEO ran through some of the highlights in the Financial Commentary, giving some further explanation with regard to Operating Expenses. He also confirmed that one of the Trust's community loans had been repaid that day.

It was suggested that the Trust offer to pay to repair the instant hot water tap in the DV Bryant Trust kitchen.

There was a brief discussion with regard to the increased Communications budget.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Chew) That the financial and budget report to 31 March 2025 be adopted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.2 Fiduciary Calendar (Ref: 25/30)

The April Fiduciary Calendar was circulated for noting.

The CEO ran through the calendar entries currently in progress.

MOVED: (Afeaki/West) That the updated Fiduciary Calendar be noted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.3 Resolution Schedule (Ref: 15/20/5)

The Resolution Schedule dated 17 April 2025 was circulated for noting.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Johnston) That the Resolution Schedule be noted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.4 Trustee Meeting, Workshop and Event Attendance (Ref: 15/2)

A report from the Trust Administrator dated 17 April 2025 was circulated for noting.

Trustees Chew, Harvey, Johnston and Strange reported on community events recently attended.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Strange) That the Trustee Meeting and Workshop Attendance report be noted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.5 Ongoing Status Report (Ref: 15/20/5)

A report from the Grants Manager dated 17 April 2025 was circulated for noting.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Chew) That the Ongoing Status Report be noted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.6 Energy Trusts of New Zealand (Ref: 5/30/15)

A report from the Trust Administrator for the month of April 2025 was circulated.

There were no nominations put forward for the ETNZ Executive Committee.

MOVED: (Afeaki/Harvey) That the ETNZ report be noted.

CARRIED

T/25/03/7.7 Industry & Trust Activity Verbal Updates

The Grants Manager had provided his update in item T/25/03/5.3 in the Public Excluded session before leaving the meeting. These related to the March 2025 Community Support grants round and the April 2025 Quick Response grants round.

There were no further updates to be relayed this month.

T/25/03/7.8 Confirmation of Minutes (Ref: 15/20/10)

The Minutes of Ordinary Meeting T/25/02 dated 25 March 2025 were circulated.

MOVED: (West/Chew) That the Minutes as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA: All

The meeting closed at 5.53pm.

Confirmed at T/25/04 on 27 May 2025 as a true and correct record.



CHAIR