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KĀPITI ISLAND NATURE LODGE MONITORING COMMITTEE	THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2014	4.34PM

MINUTES of a meeting of the Kāpiti Island Nature Lodge Monitoring Committee, held in the Council Chambers meeting room, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu on Thursday, 23 October 2014, commencing at 4.34 pm.

PRESENT: Dr H Barr Kāpiti Island Watching Interest and Chair
 Cr K Gurunathan
 Ms D Morris-Travers Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board Representative
 Mr T Ward Forest and Bird
 Mr P Hockey

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms S Foss Acting Group Manager, Regulatory Services
 Mr A Guerin Resource Consents and Compliance Manager
 Ms J Gurr Compliance Officer
 Miss A McLaughlin Democratic Services Advisor (Minute-taker)

APOLOGIES Ms S Mills

The Chairperson, Dr Hugh Barr welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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APOLOGIES

MOVED (BARR/GURUNATHAN)

That apologies be accepted from Susie Mills, representative of the Pharazyn Charitable Trust.

CARRIED

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30 MINUTES PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

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MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Oral Submissions

There were no oral submissions.

Leave of Absence

There were no requests for leave of absence.

Matters of an Urgent Nature

There were no matters of an urgent nature.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

There was an amendment agreed which was to delete the name of Ms Morris-Travers as attending as she had already tendered her regrets.

MOVED (GURUNATHAN/WARD)

That the amended minutes of the Kāpiti Island Nature Lodge Monitoring Committee of 29 May 2014 meeting be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED

Matters Arising from Minutes

Dr Barr noted that he wanted to raise under General Business the issue of what progress had been made on the resource consent.

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COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT (MAY – SEPTEMBER 2014)

Ms Justine Gurr, Compliance Officer, spoke to the report. Inspections took place in the period May - September 2014. The lodge had been closed for the winter and there had been no visitors during this time, therefore there were no spot checks. The lodge had re-opened in the last six weeks and Ms Gurr had visited the Island at the end of last month. Everything complied at the time of the visit. It was noted that to visit the Island it was not viable if the boat was half full.

The Chair invited questions from the Committee for Ms Gurr.

There were no questions for Ms Gurr.

MOVED (MORRIS-TRAVERS/HOCKEY)

That the Compliance Inspection Report (May – Sept 2014) be accepted.

CARRIED

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OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Resource Consent

Dr Barr asked about the progress of the resource consent and if Council had received any recent information. The following points were made:

- An application for the consent had been made but with increased overnight stays, kiwi-spotting, etc, Council's view is that if they went for that option, it would need to be publicly notified. The impact on fauna is unknown on the increased activity and had given them the option to get monitoring data. The other option was to apply for a resource consent for the homestay with the same effects. It would all depend upon written consent by the land-

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owners, DOC and iwi. Council could not give the full picture but would know as soon as next week. It was now over to the applicant.

- Mr Ward asked about limited notification and who would be notified. Mr Andrew Guerin responded that it would be with the owners and occupiers of Kapiti Island. Council wanted to bring this to a close before the end of the year.
- The Committee would be informed once the decision was made and given a copy of the application.
- Mr Guerin believed there had been some discussions with DOC and also close contact with GWRC.
- If the application was publically notified, the public could make a submission during a one month consultation time-frame which Council could extend.

(b) Another meeting?

Until a decision was made about the resource consent and it was beyond appeal, this Committee would continue to meet.

(c) Proposed District Plan

Mr Guerin updated the Committee on the Proposed District Plan. The zoning would be the same and the number of houses will be carried over. There is a lot more policy guidance if people are applying for consent but the fundamentals are still the same as the current District Plan hearings are programmed to take place in 2016.

Mr Hockey asked about the changes that are being made with the Kapiti Gateway project and general access by local people/New Zealanders affecting accessibility. DOC costs had been reduced.

Ms Sharon Foss would email out the press release on the price of visiting the Island making it more affordable.

In response to a question about data giving information on the number of international visitors to the island versus local people, the response would come from DOC.

There was no other business and the Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.00 pm.

Chairperson

Date