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KĀPITI ISLAND NATURE LODGE MONITORING COMMITTEE	THURSDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2015	4.29PM

MINUTES of a meeting of the Kāpiti Island Nature Lodge Monitoring Committee, held in the Rata/KoheKohe meeting rooms, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu on Thursday, 19 February 2015, commencing at 4.29 pm.

PRESENT: Dr H Barr Kāpiti Island Watching Interest and Chair
 Cr K Gurunathan
 Mr T Ward Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ
 Mr P Hockey
 Ms S Mills Pharazyn Charitable Trust

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms S Foss Acting Group Manager, Regulatory Services
 Ms H McGregor Minute taker
 Mrs S Moynihan Minute taker

APOLOGIES Mr R Stone Department of Conservation

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

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APOLOGIES

MOVED (Barr/Guranathan)

That apologies be accepted from Mr Rob Stone.

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

MOVED (Ward/Gurunathan)

That the minutes of the Kāpiti Island Nature Lodge Monitoring Committee of 23 October 2014 meeting be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

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Matters Arising from Minutes

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

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COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT (OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2014)

Ms Sharon Foss, Acting Group Manager Regulatory Services, spoke to the report. Ms Foss advised the meeting of staffing changes. The report writer Ms Justine Gurr has left the Council as had Mr Andrew Guerin, Resource Consents and Compliance Manager. Ms Rita O'Brien is acting in Mr Guerin's role.

Ms S Mills arrives 4.34pm.

Ms Foss advised that the report stands as read and there were no issues. The author had been very happy with her last visit to the island.

The Chair invited questions from the Committee for Ms Foss. There were no questions for Ms Foss.

MOVED (Gurunathan/Ward)

That the Compliance Inspection Report (October – November 2014) be accepted.

CARRIED

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OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Progress of the Kapiti Coast District Council District Plan Review

Ms Foss provided an extract of a Quarterly Report that Council Corporate Business Committee received at this morning's meeting that outlined the progress of the project.

Cr Gurunathan asked whether given the northern part of the island was under rural zoning, there would be benefit for the landowners joining the Rural Issues Group. Ms Foss responded that she would look into this.

Mr Tony Ward asked whether the renewal of the resource consent specific to the Kapiti Island Homestay had been processed yet. Ms Foss advised that there was still no decision. She noted that there was no correlation between the proposed district plan and the resource consent processing - they were separate processes.

Ms Foss advised that the consent conditions including the nature and form of any monitoring might change with the application.

Ms Foss agreed to undertake to keep the Committee informed of the application and where it sits, and would send Committee members relevant information to update them. She noted that in the meantime that the report work will continue to be carried out.

There were no further questions about the report.

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(b) General business:

Cr Gurnathan asked whether any concerns about the bio-security risks at departure point to Kapiti Island had been raised with regards to Mr Barrett's operations being provided indoors at the Paraparaumu Beach kiosk, and other operators undertaking bio-security checks outside on the tarmac.

Dr Barr asked whether a report from the Council could be provided if they were addressing the issue.

Ms Foss confirmed that a temporary contract had been provided to Mr Barrett to use the kiosk. With regard to concern about the departure points for other providers being outside and not under cover, Ms Foss noted that this was a concern for the Department of Conservation (DOC).

Mr Hockey asked whether the agreement provided to Mr Barrett would become the template of the standards that all operators operate by.

Cr Gurnathan noted that the committee brief is purely for the homestay however asked whether it would be possible to express the concern over the biosecurity risks at departure point.

Ms Foss noted the Committees interest. As Mr Stone from DOC was unable to attend the meeting, Ms Foss suggested that the committee could advocate its concerns directly to DOC. It was agreed that Ms Foss and Cr Gurnathan would contact Mr Stone and seek DOC's view.

(c) Date of the next meeting

Ms Foss suggested that the date of the next Committee meeting be set by staff. This would allow consideration of the resource consent application that is progressing.

(d) Agenda

Ms Foss noted that she had discussed with the Chair his wish to know what is on the agenda prior to the meeting. Dr Barr said that he wanted the same rights regarding draft agendas as the Chairs of other Kapiti Coast District Council committees. She explained that Council meeting agendas were set by the Chief Executive in accordance with the local Government Official Information and Meetings Act. However she would like to propose that four weeks out from the meeting date, an indication of the agenda could be provided to the Chair. This is a courtesy that other committees were provided and Ms Foss would like to extend the same courtesy to this committee.

There was no other business and the Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.01pm.

Chairperson

Date