

# MINUTES

# COUNCIL MEETING

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**Status:**

Draft to be ratified

**Date**

4 December 2020, 12:30pm

**Present:**

Jamie Baddeley (President) Joy Liddicoat (Vice President), Hiria Te Rangi, Melissa Davies, Anthony Bow, Don Stokes, Sarah Lee, Richard Hulse, Kate Pearce, Amber Craig and aimee whitcroft

**In attendance:**

*InternetNZ:* Jordan Carter (Chief Executive), David Morrison, Dave Baker, Kim Connolly-Stone, Andrew Cushen, Raniera Albert and Dominic Kebbell.

*Member:* Mark Thomas

**Meeting opened:**

The meeting started at 12:04pm.  
Staff joined the meeting at 12:42pm.

**Section 1 - Meeting Preliminaries**

**1.1 Council only (in committee)**

**1.2 Council and CE alone time (in committee)**

**1.3 Karakia, apologies, interests register**

Raniera Albert opened the meeting with Karakia.

No Apologies received.

Cr Craig provided an update for the interests register she is now a Kaiako at Arataki Systems.

**1.4 Agenda Review and environment scan**

- Concerns re DHB use of Māori data, and also data about water.
- The latest updates on Police use of facial recognition.
- Noting privacy considerations of the above and storage of data offshore.

## Section 2 - Strategic Priorities

### 2.1 .nz Policy Review - proposed approach for responding to the recommendations of the .nz Advisory Panel

*Mark Thomas joined the meeting for this item.*

Cr Pearce, Chair of the .nz policy committee outlined the background to the review, and the proposed approach to Council.

Policy Director, Kim Connolly-Stone added further context, noting that the approach of getting feedback on a draft of the new framework should generate more meaningful feedback than simply double-consulting on the panel's recommendations.

Council members noted the interdependencies between the policy review and the registry replacement project. They asked whether there would be issues in the other categories (2 and 3) that would overturn category 1 recommendations - the answer is no. They discussed engagement fatigue risks around the work. The language and framing of the paper were noted as being of a style familiar with government, and the importance of being accessible and open was stressed.

A separate issue was raised about the various sets of principles we have, and whether there should be some review of the organisation's objects. It was suggested that Council could come back to this discussion when the end states are considered in February 2021.

Staff noted the approach to engaging with Māori. They also noted that the decisions here are about what to consult on - decisions at this meeting do not amount to substantive decisions on the future policy framework.

Council thanked the Policy Committee and the staff for its work.

**RN80/2020** THAT Council **agree** to prioritise the Panel's recommendations as set out in Appendix 1.

**RN81/2020** THAT Council **note** that staff intend to publicly consult in February 2021 on:

- a) the exposure draft of the new .nz Rules, incorporating many of the panel's Category 1 recommendations.
- b) recommendations 29-31 and 33-36 relating to the Registry Replacement Project, subject to the following recommendation.
- c) various issues relating to the Registry Replacement project.

**RN82/2020** THAT Council **note** that we may not be able to include recommendations 29-31 and 33-36 given the high workload of the teams involved.

(Cr Craig /Cr Hulse)  
**CARRIED U**

## 2.2 Priorities for 2021/2022

The Chief Executive introduced the paper that set out key priorities for the 2021/2 and proposed three areas of focus for the group in order of priority:

- .nz Registry Replacement Project
- .nz Policy Review
- Flexible First Programme (operating model changes for flexible work)

Members of Council made the following comments:

- Queried the use of the language “must not fail project”, and suggested instead to talk about risk minimisation. The language of “fail forward” was also suggested.
- On the issue of product development, Council needs to take a portfolio view, but appreciates information on how we are tracking.
- The three priorities are bang on, and are connected.
- In respect of the secondary priorities, there was the hope that these will keep ticking along.
- Indicated that we should indicate if we need to apply more resource/funding to the priority areas.
- Suggested we think about light touch options for the Internet for Good work if COVID continues to put pressure on our ability to advance this work.
- Noted the impact on other organisations if community funding is impacted.

**RN83/2020** That Council **note** and **endorse** the primary priorities for the 2021/2022 Budget and Plan, and note the secondary priorities.

(President / Cr Stokes)

**CARRIED U**

## Section 3 – Matters for Decision

**3.1** No items - covered elsewhere in the agenda.

## Section 4 – Matters for Discussion

### 4.1 Registry Replacement Update

This item was discussed in committee. A high level implementation plan and business case will be presented at the Council meeting in February 2021. If not, the staff will submit the plan through an e-vote for Council.

**RN84/2020** That Council **note** the registry replacement project update, including the current status and next Steps.

(Cr Hulse / Cr Davies)

**CARRIED U**

## 4.2 (Vice) President's Report

No additional matters to report.

## 4.3 Management Items for Discussion

Council members noted the paper provided. Comments included:

- Membership is moving in the right direction
- The format of the paper works well
- On the question of whether there was feedback on Nethui, it was a shame not to have the hui kanohi ki te kanohi. Council members also thanked staff for the good work on Nethui.
- Noted the implementation of the price change has now come and gone.
- A question was raised about market concentration and whether this should be an area for concern.

## Section 5 - Consent Agenda

### 5.1 Committee Reports

There were no written reports for this meeting, and no verbal updates.

**AP33/2020** Staff to compile committee reports for the Chair to review/input into in advance of Council Meetings.

### 5.2 Confirm Minutes of 9 October 2020

**RN85/2020** That the minutes for the meeting held on 9 October 2020 be adopted as a true and correct record.

(Cr Lee / Cr Pearce)

**CARRIED**

Abstain: President, Cr Craig

### 5.3 Actions Register

No additional comments for the register.

### 5.4 E-votes Ratification

None conducted since the previous meeting.

### 5.5 Quarterly and Operational Reports

5.5.1 The following Health, Safety and Wellbeing Update was noted:

- There were no new incidents or near misses noted since the last Audit and Risk Committee and Council Meeting.
- The property Manager Colliers International Real Estate Management Ltd provided an update on mitigations for the seismic assessment of the property. Installation of the gantry structures will commence in mid Dec through to the end of January.

- New evacuation procedures have been implemented. There is no longer a designated Fire Warden. Instead all staff will be trained in the evacuation procedures for the premises.
- An Emergency preparedness Plan is being drafted and the H&S Committee will be seeking SLT approval before the end December.

5.5.2 Membership Report

5.5.3 InternetNZ Activity Report

5.5.4 2020-Q2-InternetNZ Financial Group Consolidated Report

5.5.5 2020-Q2-InternetNZ Financial Report

5.5.6 DNCL 2020-Q2 Financial Report

**RN86/2020** That the reports for the quarter be received.

Cr Hulse / Cr Lee  
**CARRIED U**

## **Section 6 - Other Matters**

### **6.1 General Business**

- New Ministers: discussion of relevant portfolio holders and of briefings sent to the government (which will be published on our website next week).
- DNCL Operating Agreement: the Chief Executive noted an updated document has been produced and will be provided to Council for e-vote (hopefully before Christmas).
- Privacy Act 2020: there was a question about the organisation being prepared for the updates to the legislation.

### **6.2 Matters for communication – key messages**

#### **6.2.1 Communications in general**

The post-Council email to members will include a heads up on next steps of the .nz policy review, and the priorities for next year.

#### **6.2.2 Upcoming events**

### **6.3 Meeting review**

#### **Next meeting:**

The next scheduled Council meeting is Friday 12 February 2021.