

MINUTES



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MEMBERSHIP: Her Worship the Mayor Rehette Stoltz, Deputy Mayor Josh Wharehinga
Colin Alder, Andy Cranston, Larry Foster, Debbie Gregory, Ani Pahuru-Huriwai, Rawinia Parata, Aubrey
Ria, Tony Robinson, Rob Telfer, Teddy Thompson, Rhonda Tibble and Nick Tupara.

MINUTES of the TWELFTH INAUGURAL MEETING of the GISBORNE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Held at Te Poho-o-Rawiri Marae, 24 Ranfurly Street, Inner Kaiti, Gisborne on Thursday 27 October 2022 at 11:00AM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Rehette Stoltz, Deputy Mayor Josh Wharehinga, Colin Alder, Andy Cranston, Larry Foster, Debbie Gregory, Ani Pahuru-Huriwai, Rawinia Parata, Aubrey Ria, Tony Robinson, Rob Telfer, Teddy Thompson, Rhonda Tibble, Nick Tupara and Josh Wharehinga.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Nedine Thatcher Swann, Director Lifelines David Wilson, Director Internal Partnerships James Baty, Director Liveable Communities Michele Frey, Director Environmental Services & Protection Helen Montgomery, Director Engagement & Maori Responsiveness Anita Reedy-Holthausen, Chief Financial Officer Pauline Foreman, Chief of Strategy & Science Jo Noble, Democracy & Support Services Manager Heather Kohn and Committee Secretary Jill Simpson.

1. Opening Prayer

Chief Executive Nedine Thatcher-Swann opened the meeting and acknowledged and congratulated the newly elected members and the Mayor and those from the previous triennium for taking on an important role for our district. I am proud to be welcoming our first Maori Ward Councillors. Nedine also acknowledged those who were unsuccessful in their election campaign as without the successful and unsuccessful candidates putting themselves forward for sometimes thankless tasks, win or lose we would not have democracy.

2. Apologies

There were no apologies.

3. Declaration of Election Results

4. Legislative Advice for the Incoming Council

4.1 22-232 Legislative Advice for the Incoming Council

Secretarial Note: The discussion on this report was held prior to the Councillors elect being sworn in, therefore there was no mover or seconder.

5. Declarations by Mayor and Councillors

6. Mayor's Acceptance Speech

It is an honour and a privilege to be able to share this very special day with all of you and thanked the Poho o Rawiri team for their warm welcome into their whare. Rehette acknowledged and welcomed kaumatua, leaders in our community and fellow Councillors along with Council staff. This is an exciting time as we welcome our new Maori Ward Councillors along with Councillors elected in our General Ward. We have a strong team and will work together to make our community proud.

It is an important time to reflect, look back and learn from our experiences but most importantly look forward to our shared future and our community aspirations. This will set us up to a path of success. I would also like to acknowledge my family and friends here in New Zealand and those family members who are watching via livestream in South Africa.

There is a lot of mahi in front of us. As a community there are several social, cultural, economic as well as environmental issues that need our urgent attention. How we prioritise these issues on behalf of our community will be decided by this new team of Councillors and look forward to us working closely with our community to ensure we carry their voices and their concerns with us to our decision-making table.

Thank you to our Chief Executive Nedine Thatcher-Swann and her team of Directors and staff for the Induction programme which will equip our Councillors moving forward.

7. Resolution of Thanks to Previous Councillors

Thank you on behalf of the community to our departing Councillors, Akuhata-Brown, Burdett, Dowsing, Faulkner, Hughes, Seymour, Sheldrake and Worsnop for their services and I wish them all the best for the future.

8. Matters to be Addressed at the First Meeting of the Local Authority for DECISION

8.1 22-230 Fixing of Date and Time of the First Ordinary Meeting of the Council

MOVED by Cr Foster, seconded by Cr Robinson

That the Council:

1. Holds the first ordinary meeting of Gisborne District Council on 17 November 2022 commencing at 9am at Te Ruma Kaunihera (Council Chambers), Awarua, Fitzherbert Street, Gisborne.

CARRIED

9. Matters to be Addressed at the First Meeting of the Local Authority for INFORMATION

9.1 22-229 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

MOVED by Cr Stoltz, seconded by Cr Cranston

That the Council:

1. Notes the contents of this report.

CARRIED

10. Close of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 1.40pm.

Rehette Stoltz

MAYOR