

Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum

Open Minutes

- Commencing:** Friday 2 February 2024, 1:00pm
- Venue:** Council Chambers, Regional House, 1 Elizabeth Street, Tauranga and via Zoom
- Chairperson:** Mayor Tania Tapsell – Rotorua Lakes Council
- Deputy Chairperson:** Mayor Victor Luca – Whakatāne District Council
- Members:** Chairman Doug Leeder – Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Commission Chair Anne Tolley – Tauranga City Council
Mayor Faylene Tunui – Kawerau District Council
Mayor David Moore – Ōpōtiki District Council
Mayor James Denyer – Western Bay of Plenty District Council
- In Attendance:** Staff: Stephanie O’Sullivan - Chief Executive, Whakatāne District Council; Fiona McTavish - Chief Executive, Bay of Plenty District Council; John Holyoake - Chief Executive, Western Bay of Plenty District Council; Stace Lewer - Chief Executive, Ōpōtiki District Council; Gina Rangi - Acting Chief Executive, Rotorua Lakes Council (late arrival), Tone Nerdrum Smith – Senior Advisor Governance
- Apologies:** Mayor David Trewavas – Taupō District Council; Julie Gardyne - Chief Executive, Taupō District Council; Marty Grenfell - Chief Executive, Tauranga City Council; Morgan Godfery - Chief Executive, Kawerau District Council; Gina Rangi - Acting Chief Executive, Rotorua Lakes Council (late arrival)

1. Opening Karakia

A karakia was provided by Mayor Tania Tapsell.

2. Recording Statement

Mayor Tapsell reminded those present that the open section of this meeting was being recorded and that the recording would be made available on the Bay of Plenty Regional Council website following the meeting.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=el-mYTFMQ6I>

3. Apologies

Resolved

That the Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum:

- 1 Accepts the apologies from Mayor David Trewavas - Taupō District Council; Julie Gardyne - Chief Executive, Taupō District Council; Marty Grenfell - Chief Executive, Tauranga City Council; Morgan Godfery - Chief Executive, Kawerau District Council, Gina Rangi - Acting Chief Executive, Rotorua Lakes Council (late arrival) tendered at the meeting.**

**Tolley/Denyer
CARRIED**

4. Items not on the Agenda

The Pyrolysis of Tyres opportunity raised by Mayor Luca (refer item 9.1 of the minutes of the meeting on 24 November 2024) would be further discussed as an item not on the agenda.

5. Minutes

Minutes to be Confirmed

5.1 Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum Minutes - 24 November 2023

Matters Arising:

Item 6.1 - Te Whatu Ora Localities and Locality Boundary Determination: Chairman Leeder to follow up with regards to 'element of co-funding' required for the workstream as clarification regarding what this entailed was required;

Item 6.2 - Sea Cleaners Looking After Our Environment: Noted the direction for Chief Executives to co-ordinate the Sea Cleaners' submission to the respective Councils' Long Term Plans;

Item 9.1 - Pyrolysis of Tyres: To be discussed as an Item Not on the Agenda. Noted that Te Maunga Transfer Station business case was delayed until March 2024.

Resolved

That the Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum:

- 1 Confirms the Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum Minutes - 24 November 2023 as a true and correct record.**

**Tapsell/Luca
CARRIED**

6. Reports

Decisions Required

6.1 Letter to Hon Min Simeon Brown for Approval

Fiona McTavish – Chief Executive spoke to this item.

Key Points:

- Noted that the draft letter had been approved by all Chief Executives and it was now being presented to the Forum for approval.

Key Points - Members:

- Worked through the letter and suggested changes (refer resolution 2 below)
- Recognised the strategic and opportunity driven angle of the letter
- Queried the need/suitability of the Attachment as the level details detracted from the strategic approach of the main letter.

Key Points - Staff:

- Clarified the key priorities as set out in the attachment to the report (agenda pg 20) relating to Eastern Bay, which had been raised through the Eastern Bay Leadership Group.

Resolved

That the Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum:

- 1 **Receives the report, Letter to Hon Min Simeon Brown for Approval.**
- 2 **Approves the letter as attached, inviting Minister Chris Bishop, Minister Shane Jones and Minister Simeon Brown to the Mayoral Forum meeting on 3 May 2024, with the following amendments :**
 - **Expand the invitees to include Minister Chris Bishop, Minister Shane Jones and Minister Simeon Brown**
 - **Update/replace logos for each Council as appropriate**
 - **Implement minor typographical changes**
 - **Add 'inequity' to the list of issues under 'Safe, supported and empowered Bay of Plenty residents'**
 - **Add recognition of the significant cost of 3 Waters to the communities**
 - **Add new bullet under 'Productivity in our regional economy': "Maintaining airlines and airports that meet local and tourist needs"**
 - **Remove Attachment 1.**

**Tunui/Denyer
CARRIED**

7. Public Excluded Section

Resolved

Resolution to exclude the public

- 1 **Excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting as set out below:**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and

the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item No.	Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	When the item can be released into the public
7.1	Workshop: Water Infrastructure/ 3 Waters Business Case Update	Withholding the information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom section 2(5) applies, in the course of their duty; and withholding the information is necessary to not unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information.	48(1)(a)(i) Section 7 (2)(f)(i); and 48(1)(a)(i) Section 7 (2)(b)(ii)	To remain in public excluded.

- 2 That Vaughan Payne - Department of Internal Affairs, Sinead Hart - Department of Internal Affairs, Sarah Baddeley - Martin Jenkins be permitted to stay in the public excluded section of the meeting due to their knowledge of the matter under discussion, being Workshop on Water Infrastructure.**

**Moore/Tolley
CARRIED**

8. Consideration of Items not on the Agenda

8.1 Pyrolysis of Tyres

Presented By: Mayor Luca.

Key Points:

- Sought clarification regarding any appetite to pursue the Pyrolysis of Tyres technology as part of the regional waste strategy
- Noted that the delivery of Te Maunga Transfer Station business case had been delayed until March 2024
- A business case for inclusion of the Pyrolysis technology would be required
- Noted that TCC was responsible for the development of the Regional Waste Strategy.

Action Points:

- Commissioner Tolley to compile information regarding the Regional Waste Strategy/Te Maunga Transfer Station redevelopment progress and circulate to Forum Members
- This matter to be added to the next meeting agenda.

9. Closing Karakia

A karakia was provided by Mayor Tapsell.

4.27 pm - the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED

Mayor Tania Tapsell
Chairperson, Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum