

Policy & Planning Chairs Report Whiringa ā rangi 2024

Tena Koutou katoa,

Apologies for not being in person at today's hui however I thank Councillor Duncan for standing in today at this our November, Policy & Planning Komiti Hui.

This month's Hui sees us receiving our standard updates from staff and additional information sharing around a number of other areas. Not necessarily the most exciting of Komiti to sit in on, the importance of the recommendations that come out of this Komiti to full council is important and relevant.

- TAB & Gambling Policy
 - o We have received updated information from Te Whatu Ora and a recommendation from Te Roopu Ahi Kaa around this kaupapa
 - o The Policy & Planning will be making some decisions and recommendations to full council on this policy

- Climate Change Update
 - o An update will be coming from the Climate Action Joint Komiti
 - o Mayor Andy is the lead in this space for our council with our team member Kezia Spence also working in this area

- Government Action Plan
 - o Updates to be given around things that will affect councils in this space
 - o Information sharing only at this stage

- Regulatory Update
 - o We look forward to an update from Johan around the reform in building legislation

Our country is in an interesting place at the moment and as I alluded to at our last meeting there is change happening at pace across the board that has an effect on our communities. Reforms are happening in every space from Local Waters Done Well, Resource Management Act, Treaty of Waitangi Bill just to name a few.

We should never lose sight in the fact that policies that are made to satisfy a system and process must also remember that people are the heart of why we have been elected to make a difference for them.

Whakatauki!

Toitu Te Tiriti!

Honour the Treaty

Nga mihi mahana

Piki Te Ora Hiroa

Tiamana