# Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Kawerau District Council held on Wednesday 6 September 2023 commencing at 11.02am

**Present:** Her Worship the Mayor F K N Tunui

Deputy Mayor A Rangihika (via Zoom)

Councillor W Godfery Councillor B Julian Councillor C J Ion

Councillor R G K Savage Councillor R Andrews

In Attendance: Chief Executive Officer (R George)

Group Manager, Finance and Corporate Services (L Butler) Group Manager, Regulatory and Planning (M Glaspey)

Group Manager, Operations and Services (H van der Merwe)

Communications Manager (T Humberstone)

Economic and Community Development Manager (L Barton)

Administration Officer (T Barnett)

# **Opening Prayer**

Pastor Mark Kingi opened the meeting with a prayer.

# **Apologies**

No apologies were received.

## Leave of Absence

#### Resolved

## Her Worship the Mayor / Councillor Savage

A Leave of Absence was granted for Councillor Ross from Monday 21 August 2023 through to Friday 8 September 2023.

A Leave of Absence was granted for Councillor Kingi from Wednesday 6 September 2023 through to Wednesday 20 September 2023.

## **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

# 1 Electoral Decisions (Communications and Engagement Manager) (101200)

Council discussed report from Electoral Services on Electoral Decisions.

#### Resolved

#### Councillors Julian / Godfery

Councillors Julian / Ion

1. That the Election Services' report "Electoral Decisions" be received.

# Resolved

2. That pursuant to section 27 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 Council resolves for the 2025 Kawerau District Council triennial elections to retain First Past the Post

electoral system and that public notice be given by 19 September 2023 of the decision and of the right of electors to demand a poll on the electoral system to be used.

## Resolved

# Councillor Ion / Her Worship the Mayor

3. That pursuant to section 19ZA of the Local Electoral Act 2001, Council resolves to consider one or more Māori wards for the Kawerau District for the 2025 and 2028 triennial elections and that Iwi and public consultation takes place in September/October 2023.

#### Resolved

# Her Worship the Mayor / Councillor Andrews

4. Irrespective of whether Council has Maori Wards, Council will undertake a representation arrangements review with an initial proposal required no earlier than 20 December 2023 and no later than 31 July 2024.

# Meeting closed 12.04pm

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