

**Council Meeting Minutes 22 March 2023**

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# Minutes

**Council meeting held Wednesday 22 March 2023 at 10.30am  
Council Chamber, Rotorua Lakes Council**

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Tapsell (Chair)  
Cr Kai Fong (Deputy Chair), Cr Barker, Cr Brown, Cr Kereopa, Cr Lee,  
Cr Maxwell, Cr O'Brien, Cr Paterson, Cr Wang, Cr Waru
- STAFF PRESENT:** G Williams, Chief Executive;  
T Collé, Deputy Chief Executive, Organisational Enablement;  
J.P Gaston, Deputy Chief Executive, District Development;  
O Hopkins, Deputy Chief Executive, District Leadership & Democracy;  
S Michael, Deputy Chief Executive. Infrastructure & Environmental  
Solutions;  
A Pewhairangi, Deputy Chief Executive, Community Wellbeing;  
G Rangi, Deputy Chief Executive, Te Arawa Partnership;  
D Jensen, Director of Finance;  
D Cossar, Governance & Democracy Manager;  
G Kieck, Corporate Planning and Strategy Manager;  
T Rutherford, Executive of Communications, Mayor's Office;  
I Brell Governance Support Advisor.

The meeting opened at 10.30am.

The Chair, Mayor Tapsell welcomed elected members, staff and members of the public.

**1 KARAKIA WHAKAPUAKI  
OPENING KARAKIA**

Cr O'Brien opened the meeting with a Karakia.

**2 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA  
APOLOGIES**

None

**3 WHAKAPUAKITANGA WHAIPĀNGA  
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cr O'Brien advised of an interest in items relating to the Draft Annual Plan Development 2023-2024 report due to being involved with non-profit volunteer organisations that have received council funding. Cr O'Brien said he would abstain from voting on those items.

Cr Barker advised of an interest in an item due to being a board member of an entity, which had previously received council funding.

**4 NGĀ TAKE WHAWHATI TATA KĀORE I TE RĀRANGI TAKE  
URGENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Notice of Motion – Cr Lee request for hardcopy agendas

Chair advised this matter would be followed up.

**5 HE WHAKATAUNGA KIA HOKI ATU TE ARONGA O TE HUI HAI HUI TŪMATAWHĀITI  
RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

**Resolved:**

**1. That Council move into Public Excluded session.**

Moved: Cr Kai Fong

Seconded: Cr Lee

**CARRIED**

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:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
Draft Annual Plan Development 2023/24- service delivery proposals	Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(b)(ii)
	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)
	Protect information where making available would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(c)(ii)

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
	Maintain effective conduct of public affairs through protection of such members, officers, employees and persons from improper pressure or harassment.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(f)(ii)
	Prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(j)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6 or 7 of the Act or Sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above (in brackets) with respect to each item.

#### OPEN SESSION

#### 9 TE KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA CLOSING KARAKIA

Cr O'Brien closed the meeting with a Karakia.

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The meeting closed at 6pm  
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Confirmed at a Council meeting on 5 April 2023



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Chair

**Note:-Rotorua Lakes Council is the operating name of Rotorua District Council**