

Port Tarakohe Advisory Group

Tasman District Council

Date and Time: 20 December 2022 @10.30 pm

Venue: Takaka Service Centre

Present: Cr. C Butler (Chair)
Bob Butts (Port Tarakohe Limited), Daniel Hames (Port Tarakohe Services), Allen Reed (Talleys), Shane Bray (Sanford), Cr Henry Dixon (Golden Bay Community Board Representative).

Present by Zoom: Mike Holland (Clearwater Mussel Ltd), Ned Wells (MFA) and Roger Taylor (Enterprise Committee Representative).

In attendance: Nigel Beatson (Stantec), Cr Chris Hill (apology for lateness), Nick Chin (Enterprise and Property Manager), Steve Tennant (Port Manager), Stephen Batt (Snr Enterprise Portfolio Officer), and Christina Ewing (Enterprise Portfolio Officer)

Meeting opened at 10.30 pm

1. Welcome and Opening Karakia

Mr Nick Chin welcomed everyone to the meeting and opened the meeting with a Karakia. The Chair welcomed and introduced Mr Roger Taylor to the Committee, who is the Enterprise Committee representative and Cr Henry Dixon, Golden Bay Community Board Representative.

2. Apologies

Martin Potter (Recreational Representative), Hemi D Toia (Ngati Kōata), Merv Solly (Sollys) and Tom Lakes (Commodore Pohara Boat Club).

That apologies be received.

Moved: Cr Celia Butler

Seconded: Allan Reid

Carried

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The 9 September 2022 minutes were confirmed by the Chairperson and Chief Executive under Standing Order 27.4, therefore there are no minutes for confirmation.

4. **Stantec – Mr Nigel Beatson**

Mr Beatson gave an update to the Committee regarding the two contracts that Stantec were engaged with.

- Concrete repair on the concert wharf – Contractor Egypt Civil Construction
- Upgrade works proposed at the Wharf – Contractor Heron Construction

The works are proposed to start mid-February. The breakwater extension and replacement of the fendering, will be the first works.

In response to a question asked whether the larger proposed works can be continued in the future, and that the current work won't compromise that happening, Mr Beatson responded that the current works will not compromise future plans.

Car congestion and parking at the Port was discussed. Mr Chin said staff are aware and will look at those issues.

The congestion on the road outside the port was further discussed, items discussed in mitigating the problem in the interim was:

- reducing the speed limit.
- 'Trucks crossing' signs
- Possibly moving the barrier fence beside the road in a metre towards the port, to give pedestrians a safe place to walk, but also help with the sightline for drivers.

5. **Port Tarakohe Report and Financials**

Mr Chin took the report as read. He explained of a Health & Safety incident that occurred in September with a forklift, which highlighted the need to have a better Health & Safety plan at the port. Staff will engage with this work in the new year.

Financials Q1 was below expectations, however, this is because of the dips with mussel harvesting. We expect the next quarter to be back on budget.

The contractor Heron Construction was selected through a tender process for the port works, where four others had applied. Works will begin in February. The proposed wastewater pump has been deferred due to budget constraints. Mr Mike Holland outlined the solution for wastewater is a priority for the mussel industry due to contamination.

Penguin Fence

Staff have engaged with Mr Noakes the fencing contractor, due to the contractor's workload the fence will be delayed now starting in January 2023.

Water Issues

Due to adverse weather events in October, the existing non-potable water supply to the port has been severed. Staff have found an interim solution with an existing potable pipe from Pohara and then adding water storage tanks. We still need to find a non-potable supply for wharf & boat washdown.

Kānoa

Staff had a meeting in October, we were told there was no funding for the port currently. There is potential to reapply at Stage 2 if the Council wished to go through the process again.

Broadband

Mr Nick Chin explained that the port needs to expand its data and have a faster internet connection. Staff are investigating how to do this effectively.

FY 2021-22 Financials

There were two sets of financials presented to the Committee. Mr Nick Chin explained the financials to the Committee.

The Port Tarakohe Advisory Committee receives the Port Tarakohe and Financial Report.

Moved: Nick Chin **Seconded:** Allan Reid

CARRIED

6. Port Tarakohe Operations and Health and Safety Report

Mr Tennant tabled a report and gave a verbal update. He continued to outline the Operations and Health & Safety items for the Port which included.

Health and Safety

- Water supply issues. **Emergency Firefighting pump being installed**
- Too many private vehicles on the main wharf, these should be operational vehicles only. **WIP**
- Port Induction W.I.P. **Being encompassed with port repairs and pending rock contract**
- Oil Spill kit being capability being fitted in with NPD lease once signed and their Tier 1 response is submitted. **Oil Response Tier 2 trailer being installed at Harbour Master depot in Moteuka**
- New Integrity security system in place which will allow the port to roll out required security in the future. Barrier arms connected to this system now. **Sifer Card system to be spread to all gates**
- New Lighting Tower all up and running along with new camera and recording unit. **Light adjustments to be made**
- Vehicles stopping at gate entrance creating bottle neck. **Increasing problem**
- Beams being removed from old wharf week of 30 of June. **Completed beams yet to be disposed**

Port operations update

- Still strong forward permanent bookings. **Almost no room for regular summer visitors.**
- Cruise ship bookings for next year and requests helicopter landing spots.
- Weighbridge usage starting to increase after quiet couple of months. **A couple weeks away from harvesting**
- New cashless Barrier arm system to be fitted this week, still have issues members off public interfering with arms. After a few hiccups operating properly. **Working properly and new Sifer cards are working well.**
- Too much product being left on port for extended periods. Slight improvement. **Being monitored**
- New power supply almost completed the port is it on own supply. Electrician overseas one supply to be completed. **All completed and all users on their own metering system.**
- New weighbridge software to be fitted Port users should have access to their transactions on a daily a basis. **Hardware hold up has curtailed this implementation. WIP**
- Drivers need more explicit info to make the weighbridge system work. MPI declaration must be with Drivers Dockets. **When crop gets in full swing, we'll be able to monitor**
- Recycling still investigating but have issue where to put and public abuse. **On Hold**

7. General Business

An update was given regarding the water report by Mr Butts. He stated that there was a large problem with erosion and over spraying. Land disturbance continues to affect the water supply. Mr Butts has spoken to the council compliance team who advised it was a force majeure. This has been a costly exercise for Port Tarakohe Limited. Mr Dan Hames keeps making upgrades to the system, but it has turned into an unreliable supply. Mr Nick Chin offered to meet with Mr Butts and Mr Hames after the meeting.

Cr Hill entered the meeting at 1.45 pm

The Chair mentioned that the spat catching operation issue at Wainui has been resolved at a meeting including industry representatives and residents. This is pleasing as it has been discussed since 2018.

The meeting closed at 12.30 pm

Next meeting: – 7 March 2023

Closing Karakia by Mr Nick Chin.

8. Action Log

Action	Status	Assigned to:
Mussel tonnage forecast is expected to be	Mr Ned Wells mentioned with	Ned Wells

supplied to Council, so that Port works can be planned.	the work that had gone into the 2019 business case regarding the forecasts, there is nothing more to update.	
New Location for the ramp and high stand facility.	Ongoing	Nick Chin

Confirmed