

APPENDICES MINUTES

Te Awahou Foxton Community Board Meeting

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management'.¹⁵⁸ The Resource Management Act 1991 is discussed in relation to the Paraparaumu Airport which can be found in the Kapiti Coast District Council chapter.

3.14 Local Government Act, 2002

The Local Government Act 2002 provides local authorities with 'principles and requirements ... intended to facilitate participation by Maori in local authority decision-making processes'. This is, according to section 4 of the Act 'in order to recognise and respect the Crown's responsibility to take appropriate account of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and to maintain and improve opportunities for Maori to contribute to local government decision making processes'.

These principles and requirements are within parts 2 and 6 of the Act. One of the principles is outlined in section 14(d) whereby 'a local authority should provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to its decision-making processes'. In addition, under section 40(d) 'a local authority must prepare and make publicly available ... a local governance statement that includes information on representation arrangements, including the option of establishing Maori wards or constituencies, and the opportunity to change them; and ... policies for liaising with, and memoranda or agreements with Maori'.

With respect to requirements when making decisions, under section 77 a local authority must 'seek to identity all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and ... if any of the options identified ... involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water, sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna, and other taonga'.

Under section 81 a local authority 'must' do the following:

- (a) establish and maintain processes to provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to the decision-making processes of the local authority; and
- (b) consider ways in which it may foster the development of Maori capacity to contribute to the decision-making processes of the local authority; and

¹⁵⁸ Kapiti Coast District Council website: http://www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/Your-Council/Planning/District-Plan1/ accessed February 2017.

(c) provide relevant information to Maori for the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b).

Section 82(1) outlines the principals of consultation for a local authority and 82(2) states that a local authority 'must ensure that it has in place processes for consulting with Maori in accordance with' these principals.

In addition, under section 36, a local authority must be a 'good employer'. Part of being a 'good employer' entails the 'recognition of - (i) the aims and aspirations of Maori; and (ii) the employment requirements of Maori; and (iii) the need for greater involvement of Maori in local government employment'.

Schedule 10 outlines information to be included in long-term plans prepared by local authorities. This includes information on the development of Maori capacity to contribute to decision-making processes. In addition, under section 35, an annual report of a local authority must include a report 'on the activities that the local authority has undertaken in the year to establish and maintain processes to provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to the decision-making processes of the local authority'.

This is discussed further in the Manawatu District Council and Kapiti Coast District Council chapters.

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