

Environment and Integrated Catchments Committee

Terms of Reference

Confirmed by resolution of the Committee on 4 December 2019

Adopted by resolution of Hawke's Bay Regional Council 29 January 2020

The purpose of the Environment and Integrated Catchments Committee (EICC) is as follows.

1) Policy

To consider and recommend to Council:

- 1.1 carbon reduction and Climate Change adaptation and mitigation policies and strategies developed to guide the establishment of work plans
- 1.2 policies with regard to Council responsibilities and involvement in flood protection and drainage
- 1.3 policies with regard to Council's responsibilities for biosecurity, biodiversity and pest management
- 1.4 policies, strategies, and by-laws and compliance and enforcement programs relating to maritime and navigational safety under the Maritime Transport Act.

2) Environmental Monitoring and Research

- 2.1 To consider and recommend to Council environmental monitoring strategies and research and investigation programmes, including the State of the Environment Reports.
- 2.2 To consider technical reports on the findings of research and investigations into the impact of activities on the receiving environments and recommend to Council the development of new policy frameworks based around such information.

3) Policy/ Plan Implementation

- 3.1 To periodically review the effectiveness of Council's non-regulatory resource management operational work programmes within the ambit of the Committee and make recommendations to Council for any changes.
- 3.2 To recommend to Council management plans or any similar such documents for the effective implementation of environmental enhancement and improvement programmes of Council.
- 3.3 To assist staff, where appropriate, in identifying a preferred option and/or funding mechanism for Council consideration of biosecurity/ biodiversity initiatives, proposals for new or expansion of existing open spaces and regional parks, and infrastructure asset construction or improvement work; and in promoting the preferred option to the beneficiaries/ community.
- 3.4 To consider and recommend to Council all other policy implementation issues of Council.

4) Financial Authority

- 4.1 To recommend to Council, consideration of possible financial implications of specific initiatives.

5) Use of Delegated Powers for the Environment & Integrated Catchments Committee

This Committee may, without confirmation by the local authority that made the delegations, exercise or perform them in the like manner and with the same effect as the local authority could itself have exercised or performed them, provided that the decision deserves urgency and the decision to make the resolution a decision of Council is carried unanimously.

- Members:**
- All Councillors being: Rick Barker, Will Foley, Craig Foss, Rex Graham, Neil Kirton, Charles Lambert, Hinewai Ormsby, Jerf van Beek and Martin Williams
 - One appointed member of the Māori Committee, being Dr Roger Maaka
 - One appointed member of the Regional Planning Committee, to be confirmed
- Chair:** A member of the Committee as elected by the Council being: Councillor Hinewai Ormsby
- Deputy Chair:** A member of the Committee as elected by the Council being: Councillor Rick Barker
- Meeting Frequency:** Two-monthly
- Staff Executive:** Group Manager Integrated Catchment Management
Group Manager Asset Management
Group Manager Policy and Regulation