



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**WAIKATO**  
*Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato*

## **REPORT OF COUNCIL**

The following is a report of the Council meeting held on 5 April 2022

### **KARAKIA**

The meeting was opened with a karakia.

### **REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

Council confirmed a register of its members' declared interests.

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 FEBRUARY 2022 (PART 1)**

Council confirmed the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 February 2022 (Part 1).

### **REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR (PART 1)**

Council received a written report from the Vice-Chancellor.

### **APPOINTMENT TO COUNCIL**

Council resolved to appoint Ms Mary-Anne Macleod to Council, with effect from 5 April 2022, to fill the vacancy that had been left by the death of Council member Scott Bartlett.

### **CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE CAPITAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Council resolved to change the constitution of the Capital and Finance Committee to include the Vice-Chancellor as an ex-officio member of the Committee.

Council resolved to appoint Ms Mary-Anne Macleod as a member of the Capital and Finance Committee.

### **CONFERMENT OF DEGREES AND AWARD OF DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES**

Council resolved to confer a number of degrees and award a number of diplomas and certificates. The conferments and awards related to those students who had applied to have their qualifications conferred or awarded in absentia.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Council noted that its next meeting would be held on 14 June 2022.

### **PUBLIC EXCLUSION**

Council resolved to exclude the public from the meeting from this point.

*The following items were considered following the exclusion of the public from the meeting:*

## **COUNCIL MEETING – PART 2**

### **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15 FEBRUARY 2022 (PART 2)**

Council confirmed the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 February 2022 (Part 2).

### **COUNCIL WORK PLAN**

Council received an updated 2022 Work Plan.

### **REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR (PART 2)**

Council received a written report from the Vice-Chancellor.

Council received a further oral report from the Vice-Chancellor with respect to University of Waikato application and enrolment trends, scholarships and ownership of University building assets.

### **DRAFT CAPITAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Council received the draft minutes of the Finance and Committee held on 22 March 2022.

### **DRAFT HEALTH & SAFETY, RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Council received the draft minutes of the Health & Safety, Risk and Assurance Committee held on 8 March 2022.

### **2021 UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO ANNUAL REPORT**

Council received an update on the progress of the University of Waikato annual audit for 2021 from the University's appointed auditor (Audit New Zealand).

Council noted that audit clearance had been delayed due to the timing of an external report.

Council resolved to approve in principle the adoption of the audited 2021 financial statements and statement of services performance, subject to Audit New Zealand audit clearance.

Council resolved to approve in principle the 2021 University of Waikato Annual Report, subject to minor changes required by Audit New Zealand before publication.

Council resolved to delegate authority to the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor to sign the 2021 Annual Report and to authorise its public release, once audit clearance had been received from Audit New Zealand.

### **SEISMIC STRENGTHENING PROGRAMME UPDATE**

Council received a report on the University's planned programme for undertaking seismic strengthening work across the University's Hillcrest Campus.

Council noted that no buildings on any of the University's campuses had been assessed as having any structural issues that might constitute a collapse risk.

### **UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Council received the University of Waikato Financial Summary for the period ended 28 February 2022.

## **UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO BORROWING CASE**

Council considered a proposed borrowing case and supporting business case to underpin future capital projects at the University.

Council noted that the proposed limit reflected peak borrowing; the University's average borrowings over a year would be much lower given the cyclical nature of the University's cash flows.

Council noted that the University would manage projects to ensure borrowing affordability should future delivery targets not be achieved.

Council resolved to approve an application to the Secretary for Education under section 282 (4) (d) of the Education and Training Act 2020 to seek borrowing approval.

Council resolved to approve a borrowing request and a strategic business case for submission to the Ministry of Education in support of the borrowing application to the Secretary for Education.

## **PROGRESS AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO STRATEGY 2017-2021**

Council received a final report on progress against the University of Waikato Strategy 2017-2021.

## **REPORT OF THE STUDENT DISCIPLINE APPEALS COMMITTEE**

Council received a report on appeals considered by the Student Discipline Appeals Committee.

## **HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLNESS REPORT**

Council received a report on Health, Safety and Wellness.

## **PĀ PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT**

Council received a progress report with respect to the University's Pā project.

## **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD**

Council received the draft minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 8 December 2022.

## **VICE-CHANCELLOR'S 2022 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES**

Council approved the Vice-Chancellor's 2022 performance objectives.

## **REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR**

Council received a report from the Chancellor with respect to the Vice-Chancellor's remuneration review for 2022/23.

## **POROPOROAKI**

The meeting was closed with a poroporoaki.

Brandon McGibbon  
**Secretary to Council**