Minutes

Nelson-Tasman / Marlborough Local Advisory Committees Joint Meeting

Date: Thursday 12 March 2026 **Time:** 9:45am – 3.45pm (6 hours, full day)

Venue: The Wild Weasel, 6767 State Highway 6, Rai Valley

Present:

Richard Kempthorne	LAC Chair, Nelson-Tasman
Shane Graham	LAC Deputy Chair, Nelson-Tasman
Jennifer Beatson	LAC Member, Nelson-Tasman
Tony Lewis	LAC Member, Nelson-Tasman
Te Naihi Wilson	LAC Member, Nelson-Tasman
Fiona Wilson	LAC Member, Nelson-Tasman
Trevor Hook	LAC Chair, Marlborough
Tracy Johnston (online)	LAC Deputy Chair, Marlborough
Andy Rowe	LAC Member, Marlborough
Nicky Stretch	LAC Member, Marlborough
Gavin O'Donnell	LAC Member, Marlborough
Euan McLeish	LAC Member, Marlborough
Shaun Truelock	LAC Member, Marlborough

In Attendance:

Grant Haywood	District Commander, Nelson/Marlborough
Scott Randall	Acting Community Risk Manager
Lucy Chamberlain	National Manager, Local Advisory Committees
Maria McDonald (online)	Secretariat, Local Advisory Committees

Apologies:

Shane Graham	LAC Deputy Chair, Nelson-Tasman
Ali Boswijk	LAC Member, Nelson-Tasman
Chris Faulls	LAC Member, Marlborough
Paki Johnson	Pou Takawaenga
Brad Mosby	Region Manager

Welcome

The meeting opened with a karakia by Te Naihi Wilson, followed by a welcome from the Marlborough and Nelson-Tasman Chairs acknowledging the unique nature of both LACs meeting together and the opportunity presented by working together. New members were welcomed and departing members thanked and their contributions acknowledged.

Committee operations

Apologies were noted. The Member Interest Register was reviewed, and members were asked to provide any updates to the Secretariat. The Chairs noted that all papers are now in Convene and encouraged members to access and operate in Convene. Nelson-Tasman LAC confirmed the previous minutes. Marlborough LAC confirmed the previous minutes. Both LAC correspondence registers were noted and action logs reviewed.

Updated Terms of Reference

The Chairs led a presentation and discussion on the updated Terms of Reference. The District Commander gave an outline around current agreements and Memoranda of Understanding and context of those for the LAC.

District Update

The District Commander presented a District updated and focus areas for 2025/26 for LACs to support. The District Commander also updated the LAC on the organisational change proposals and the current industrial action.

Review of Engagement Plan

The LACs will continue to consider their engagement plans, how the LACs work together on engagement, and will reconsider how they can look at working together more around engagement.

General Business

For future meetings, the LACs supported a combined meeting in the first part of the agenda, with some committee only time at the end, and general support for having one meeting in Marlborough, one in Nelson-Tasman and one in a middle location.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is on 6 May 2026 9.00am to 3.30pm at Blenheim Fire Station, 4 Symons Street, Blenheim.

Closing

The meeting closed at 2.50pm with karakia, followed by LACs having committee only time of over an hour. A 6 plus-hour meeting (a full day).

Action Log

Date	Action	Responsible	Due	Status
6 May 2026	Provide contact details for stations to LAC members	District Manager	Post meeting	In progress
6 May 2026	District Manger will invite LAC to meetings with Nelson Port around hazards substances	District Manager	Post meeting	In progress