

# Community meeting

## Meeting minutes

Port of Auckland, 5th September 2024, 5:30pm-7pm

TIMING	AGENDA ITEM	OWNER
5:30pm	Welcome	Julie Wagener
5:35pm	General business update	Roger Gray
6:00pm	Infrastructure update	Alistair Kirk
6:15pm	Environment update	Nigel Ironside
6:30pm	Any other business	Roger Gray
6:45pm	Close	Roger Gray

Name	Organisation
Alistair Kirk, Head of Infrastructure	Port of Auckland
Julie Wagener, Head of Communications	Port of Auckland
Shelley Ashdown, Communications Specialist	Port of Auckland
Nigel Ironside, Head of Sustainability and Environment	Port of Auckland
Gayle Bennett	Local resident
Mike Blackburn	Local resident
Tom Muller	Local resident

Lyn Eden	Local resident
Terry Anderson	Local resident
Gayle Bennett	Local resident
Stephen Wagstaff	Auckland Yacht & Boating
Michael McKeown	Online
Tim Coffey	Online
Paul McLuckie	Online
Mike Blackburn	Online
Ardeth Lobert	Online

**General Business Update: Roger Gray, CEO**

- End of Year Financial results: 30 June 2024 – made \$55.2 million NPAT – up from \$45 million on the previous year.
- Paid dividend to Auckland Council of \$40 million.
- Container terminal: continues its turnaround – some of the highest volume going through terminal now for last four years. Had highest monthly volume in June. Overall volume is up 3%.
- Full imports and full exports grown 8% with market share likely coming back to POAL from Tauranga.
- 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2025 – charges will increase. Truck access charges will increase to \$135 during peak hour; \$95 off-peak, rail \$40. This has been well communicated to the market.
- Five blue straddles are currently in service with more coming on-stream. Yellow straddles will eventually be scrapped.
- Cruise: 133 ship calls; 345,000 passengers – highest cruise season ever. This coming year cruise will drop by 20% with around 110 ship calls currently scheduled.
- Last FY: trade in bulk cargo and cars were down last year but other parts of the business performed well.
- Car trade is expected to lift in calendar year.

- Safety continues to be a focus. We're making progress with significant reduction in lost time days due to injury compared to last FY. Severity of injuries has also reduced.
- South Head: 50,000 plants put in this year with previous planting flourishing.
- Harbour Health: Exotic Caulerpa infestation from Great Barrier Island and spreading into harbour; using harbour to regenerate sea grasses and shellfish.
- Next goal is to deliver \$65 million NPAT and pay a dividend of \$45million to Auckland Council.

### **Infrastructure update: Alistair Kirk, General Manager Infrastructure**

- Excavation along Quay Street from Vector substation along rail grid for a new power cable to port. This will provide resilience and capacity as the port continues electrification.
- Lumo billboard: foundation work is underway before installation of third billboard.
- Fergusson North Wharf extension and Bledisloe North Wharf: extensive community engagement for these projects. Engaged with over 140 parties. Draft technical reports have not indicated any major issues. Next step is more iwi engagement. October we hope to find out if POAL successful in Fast Track Consenting Process. Bledisloe North Wharf will be a mixed use wharf for cruise and Roll On Roll Off. We will convert ground floor of car handling building into a cruise terminal. We are working with cruise industry and will engage with iwi on design ideas.

### **Environmental update: Nigel Ironside, General Manager Sustainability & Environment**

Air Quality Report summary: undertaken in March to understand wider impacts of the port activities on the environment.

- Report focused on particulates and the very small ones (PM2.5) which have adverse health impacts.
- Also wanted to distinguish black carbon (byproduct of burning hydrocarbons) released by ships, trains and trucks. MARPOL6 has had an impact.
- Ten monitoring sites – three in Devonport, situated at ground and elevated levels.
- Results shows particulate concentrations are lower than standards and results are consistent across the different sites – no statistical difference between them.
- Wind direction influences air quality in the city.

- Very low black carbon concentrations around the city – it makes up about 10% of PM2.5 constituent. The biggest contributor is sea salt.
- No sulphur dioxide detected.

**Meeting closed.**

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