

Te Poari Akoranga | Academic Committee

16 September 2026

Online via Microsoft Teams



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Karakia tīmatanga | Opening incantation

Whakarongo rā e Rongo

Ki a mātou

te manawa nei

ki te rongo taketake,

te whiwhia, te rawea

te whiwhi-ā-nuku

whiwhi-ā-rangi

i takea mai i te kāhui o ngā ariki.

kia tūturu ka whakamau ai kia tina, Tīna! (everybody)

Hui e?

Tāiki e!

Listen o Rongo

to us

offering gratitude

for the peace and harmony

that allows us to enjoy

the gifts of the earth

and the heavens

bequests of a higher order.

And bind it firmly, firmly!

Do we all concur?

We concur!

An extract from the NZIST Delegations Register (approved 30 January 2026) is provided to show the delegations from the Council to Te Poari Akoranga, as a reference to inform decision-making at this meeting.

Schedule A

Tā Te Kaunihera Mana Tāpae ki ngā Kōmiti | Delegation of Authority from Council to Committees

In accordance with the Delegations Policy, Committees are granted the specific authorities listed below.

A1: Council Delegations to Te Poari Akoranga

All delegated authority must be exercised in accordance with the purpose of Te Poari Akoranga as set out in the Terms of Reference as updated from time to time.

Ref	Subject	Description	Objective	Power to Sub-Delegate?
1.	Academic Policies, procedures and framework	To determine policies and operating procedures of NZIST in relation to learners and academic matters.	Provide assurance and confidence that the quality and academic infrastructure, including policies, procedures and frameworks, are fit for purpose; and approve academic direction, statutes and practices to be applied throughout the organisation to ensure the goals of NZIST, as set by Council having regard to the Minister's expectations, are met and continuous improvement is achieved and sustained.	No
2.	Courses/ Programmes of Study	To approve new courses and programmes, review and approve changes to existing courses and programmes, and approve the withdrawal/closure or suspension of existing courses or programmes. To seek approval/accreditation of programmes by external bodies. ²	Provide and facilitate strategic direction and thought leadership on a range of education matters, including innovation, teaching and learning, and applied research and scholarship, with oversight of funding allocation, planning and ethics.	Yes

² Delegation to be exercised in accordance with NZIST's approved Investment Plan and Strategic Plan.

Ref	Subject	Description	Objective	Power to Sub-Delegate?
3.	Courses/ Programmes of Study	To approve variations to an individual learner's course/programme of study outside programme regulations.	Provide assurance and confidence of the effectiveness of teaching, learning and research within the organisation with a focus on outcomes.	Yes
4.	Quality Assurance	To set and monitor the application of NZIST quality assurance processes for the development and delivery of all courses and programmes (including with respect to learning, teaching, assessment, learner support and learner performance) through quality evaluation, review and reporting processes.	As above.	Yes
5.	Assessment	To approve and release learner results and recognise credit for assessment (including assessment of prior learning) in accordance with approved academic regulations.		Yes
6.	Research	To set and promote quality standards for research and approve proposals for research from NZIST kaimahi and learners involving human subjects (including learner course work research) and a Maori or Te Tiriti/Treaty of Waitangi dimension.	To conduct research, with a focus on applied and technological research. Teaching and learning is supported by research, evidence, and best practice.	Yes

Ref	Subject	Description	Objective	Power to Sub-Delegate?
7.	Appeals	To: a. receive unresolved learner complaints or appeals that have already been determined (in line with relevant appeals policies and processes); b. support the resolution, settlement and/or withdrawal of such unresolved complaints or appeals; and c. if necessary, make recommendations about policies, procedures, or the provision of services.		Yes
8.	Incidental	To do anything incidental to the exercise of any of the powers or functions delegated by the Council to the Academic Board.	The Council delegates to Te Poari Akoranga matters relating to work-based learning, courses of study or training, awards, and other academic matters, to exercise powers delegated to it by the Council.	No

Schedule D:

Tāpaenga Mana mai i Te Poari Akoranga | Sub-Delegations from Te Poari Akoranga

Te Poari Akoranga may formally sub-delegate specific tasks and/or responsibilities to nominated groups, committees and/or ohu whakahaere. This schedule will be updated each time a power is sub-delegated. All sub-delegated authority must be exercised in accordance with the purpose of Te Poari Akoranga as set out in the Terms of Reference as updated from time to time. In sub-delegating authority, Te Poari Akoranga requires:

- i) Any policies related to the responsibilities are approved by Te Poari Akoranga;
- ii) Major decisions made by the body receiving the sub-delegation are reported to Te Poari Akoranga through reporting template.

Ref	Subject	Description	Sub-delegation
1.	Academic Policies, procedures and framework	Not applicable	
2.	Courses/ Programmes of Study	To approve new courses and programmes, review and approve changes to existing courses and programmes, and approve the withdrawal/closure or suspension of existing courses or programmes. To seek approval/accreditation of programmes by external bodies.	Local Academic Committees To review and approve new (non-unified) courses and programmes delivered by their business division, and to review and approve changes to existing courses and programmes and approve the withdrawal/closure or suspension of existing (non-unified) courses or programmes.
3.	Courses/ Programmes of Study	To approve variations to an individual learner's course/programme of study outside programme regulations.	Local Academic Committees This delegation is sub-delegated in its entirety.
4.	Quality Assurance	To set and monitor the application of NZIST quality assurance processes for the development and delivery of all courses and programmes (including with respect to learning, teaching, assessment, learner support and learner performance) through quality evaluation, review and reporting processes.	
5.	Assessment	To approve and release learner results and recognise credit for assessment (including assessment of prior learning) in accordance with approved academic regulations.	Local Academic Committees This delegation is sub-delegated in its entirety.

Ref	Subject	Description	Sub-delegation
6.	Research	To set and promote quality standards for research and approve proposals for research from NZIST kaimahi and learners involving human subjects (including learner course work research) and a Māori or Te Tiriti/Treaty of Waitangi dimension.	Local Academic Committees To approve proposals for research from NZIST kaimahi and learners involving human subjects (including learner course work research) and a Māori or Te Tiriti/Treaty of Waitangi dimension.
7.	Appeals	To: a. receive unresolved learner complaints or appeals that have already been determined (in line with relevant appeals policies and processes); b. support the resolution, settlement and/or withdrawal of such unresolved complaints or appeals; and c. if necessary, make recommendations about policies, procedures, or the provision of services.	Local Business Division Leads To: a. receive unresolved learner complaints or appeals that have already been determined (in line with relevant appeals policies and processes); b. support the resolution, settlement and/or withdrawal of such unresolved complaints or appeals.
8.	Granting of Formal Awards	To grant formal awards of NZIST.	Local Academic Committees This delegation is sub-delegated in its entirety.
7.	Appeals	To: d. receive unresolved learner complaints or appeals that have already been determined (in line with relevant appeals policies and processes); e. support the resolution, settlement and/or withdrawal of such unresolved complaints or appeals; and f. if necessary, make recommendations about policies, procedures, or the provision of services.	Local Business Division Leads To: a. receive unresolved learner complaints or appeals that have already been determined (in line with relevant appeals policies and processes); b. support the resolution, settlement and/or withdrawal of such unresolved complaints or appeals.
8.	Granting of Formal Awards	To grant formal awards of NZIST.	Local Academic Committees This delegation is sub-delegated in its entirety.

2026 Schedule of NZIST Academic Board | Te Poari Akoranga meetings

Approved 22 January 2026

Month	Day Date	Venue	Members	Role
January	Thursday 22	MIT, Ōtara	Deborah Young	Chair (Ako Excellence Director)
~~March~~	~~Wednesday 18~~	~~Online~~	Gus Gilmore	Chief Executive
~~April~~	~~Wednesday 15~~	~~Online~~	Fiona Beals	Whitireia and WelTec representative
~~May~~	~~Wednesday 20~~	~~Cancelled due to illness~~	Emma Osborne	WITT representative
~~June~~	~~Wednesday 17~~	~~Online~~	Joan Taylor	NorthTec representative
~~July~~	~~Wednesday 22~~	~~Online~~	Annabell Dey	Tai Poutini Polytechnic representative
August	Wednesday 19	Online	Dahrian Watene	Learner representative
September	Wednesday 16	Online		
October	TBC	Online		
November	Wednesday 18	Online		

Te Poari Akoranga Register of Interests

1 July 2026

Name	Interest	Nature of Interest
Deborah Young Chair	NZIST	- Ako Excellence Director - Transitional Leadership team member
	Ara Institute of Canterbury	- Ako Excellence Director - Chair, Academic Committee - Member of Programme Assurance Committee - Member of Research, Rangahau and Postgraduate Committee
Gus Gilmore Member (Chief Executive)	New Zealand School Property Agency	Functional Chief Executive
Fiona Beals Member	Whitireia and WelTec	Principal Lead, Teaching Innovation and Research
	Ara Taiohi	Member
Emma Osborne Member	Western Institute of Technology Taranaki	Lead Academic Quality
Joan Taylor Member	NorthTec	Academic Registrar
Annabell Dey Member	Tai Poutini Polytechnic	Senior Leader Teaching and Learning
Dahrian Watene Member (Learner Representative)	NorthTec	Student, Maunga kura toi Bachelor of Māori Art
	Bennetts and Associates	Junior Accountant

Te Poari Akoranga 2026 workplan as at 27 August 2026

Approved 23 January 2026

Item	Frequency	Thu 22 Jan	Wed 18 Mar	Wed 15 Apr	Wed 20 May	Wed 17 Jun	Wed 15 Jul	Wed 19 Aug	Wed 16 Sep	Tue 20 Oct ^	Wed 18 Nov
Reports from local academic committees *	Monthly	●	●	●	Cancelled	●	●	Cancelled	●	●	●
Academic risk monitoring and environmental scan	Monthly	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●
2026 workplan for Te Poari Akoranga	Annually	●									
Reporting template for local academic committees	One-off	●									
Unified programme monitoring reports and self-assessments +	As required	●									
Transition	Monthly			●		●	●		●	●	●
Te Kawa Maiooro	As required			●		●					
NZ Nursing Council feedback	One-off					●					
Investment plan	Annually					●					
Pastoral code self-report	Annually						●				
2027 workplan (if required)	Annually										●
Te Poari Akoranga self-assessment for 2026	Annually										●
Unified programme approvals	As required										

^ October meeting is proposed to be cancelled

* Local academic committee reports

Business division	Frequency	Thu 22 Jan	Wed 18 Mar	Wed 15 Apr	Wed 20 May	Wed 17 Jun	Wed 15 Jul	Wed 19 Aug	Wed 16 Sep	Tue 20 Oct	Wed 18 Nov
Ara	One-off	●			Cancelled			Cancelled			
Careerforce	One-off	●									
Tai Poutini Polytechnic	Monthly	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●
NorthTec	Monthly		●	●		●	●		●	●	●
Whitireia and WelTec	TBC		●			●			●		
WITT	TBC		●	●		●			●		

+ Unified programme monitoring reports and self-assessments

Programme	Thu 22 Jan	Wed 18 Mar	Wed 15 Apr	Wed 20 May	Wed 17 Jun	Wed 15 Jul	Wed 19 Aug	Wed 16 Sep	Tue 20 Oct	Wed 18 Nov
NZ Diploma in Business (Level 5) NZ2459-3	●			Cancelled			Cancelled			
New Zealand Certificate in Commercial Barbering (Level 4) 2115	●									
New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Level 3) 2411	●									
New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Professional Stylist) (Level 4) 2413	●									

(Note that degree monitoring reports do not need to be provided to Te Poari Akoranga)

Minutes for Te Poari Akoranga | Academic Committee 22 July 2026

22/07/2026 | 02:30 PM - 04:00 PM - Auckland, Wellington New Zealand Standard Time

Microsoft Teams

Attendees (6)

Deborah Young (Chair); Dahrian Watene; Emma Osborne; Joan Taylor; Annabell Dey; Fiona Beals

Staff in attendance:

Rebecca Donne (Governance Director - minutes), Shannon Nearey (Senior Implementation Lead, Learner Journey and Experience - for agenda item 7)

Open agenda

Karakia tīmatanga

The Chair delivered karakia timatanga and the meeting started at 2.34pm.

1. Administration

1.1. Welcome and apologies

The Committee noted an apology from Gus Gilmore.

1.2. 2026 Schedule of Committee membership and meeting dates

The Committee noted:

- the schedule of meetings for 2026, which will be updated to reflect the change of July meeting date from 15 July to 22 July
- the Chair will be overseas on 20 October, and the Governance Director will work with the Chair to find an alternate date for the October meeting.

1.3. Register of interests

The Chair reminded members to check that their interests are correct and to declare any agenda items where a conflict arises between their role as a member of Te Poari Akoranga and any private or other external interest they may have, and to stand aside from decision making in respect of that item.

No additional interests were declared.

1.4. Te Poari Akoranga 2026 Workplan

The Committee noted the 2026 workplan, which is subject to change as required.

1.5 Minutes of open portion of Te Poari Akoranga 17 June 2026

RESOLVED (J. Taylor/F. Beals)

That Te Poari Akoranga approve the minutes of Te Poari Akoranga open meeting held 17 June 2026 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

2. Local Academic Committee reports

2.1 NorthTec

2.1.1. 11 June report

RESOLVED (A. Dey/E. Osborne)

That Te Poari Akoranga:

- *receive the report titled 'NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 11 June 2026'*
- *note that the Committee granted five certificate qualification awards and one degree qualification award.*

CARRIED

2.1.2. 17 June e-meeting report

RESOLVED (A. Dey/E. Osborne)

That Te Poari Akoranga:

- *receive the report titled 'NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 17 June 2026'*
- *note that the NorthTec Academic Committee approved the application for accreditation to deliver Te Ata Māhina Bachelor of Social Work programme.*

CARRIED

2.2 Tai Poutini Polytechnic, 1 July 2026

RESOLVED (A. Dey/E. Osborne)

That Te Poari Akoranga receive the report titled 'Tai Poutini Polytechnic open Academic Committee report 1 July 2026'.

CARRIED

3. Any other open business

No other business was declared.

4. Resolution to exclude the public

RESOLVED (D. Young)

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting. This resolution will be made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) (noting NZIST is subject to Part 7 of the LGOIMA) and the particular interests protected by section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant parts of the proceedings of the meeting in public. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded and the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter is as detailed in the table below.

Item	General subject of each matter to be considered	Section(s)
5.	Administration	
5.1	Minutes of the closed portion of Te Poari Akoranga 17 June 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
5.2	Actions	Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.	Closed Local Academic Committee reports	
6.1	NorthTec, 11 June 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.2	Tai Poutini Polytechnic, 1 July 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
7.	Pastoral Code self-review report	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
8.	Academic risk monitoring and environmental scan	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
9.	Transition	Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA
10.	Any other closed business	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA

Interests

Section	Interest
Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA	To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.
Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA	To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of such Ministers, members of organisations, officers, and employees from improper pressure or harassment.
Section 9(2)(i) OIA	To enable the organisation holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

And that certain employees from NZIST, namely Shannon Nearey, be permitted to remain at the meeting, after the public has been excluded because of their specific knowledge in relation to the above items. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters above to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because they have assisted in the progression of such matters.

CARRIED

Te Poari Akoranga moved into a public excluded session at 2.38pm.

The meeting closed at 3.38pm.

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 26 July 2026
Provided by	Joan Taylor, Academic Committee Co-Chair
Author	Stella Campbell, Academic Committee Secretary
For	Information
Classification	Unclassified
Endorsement (if any)	N/A

Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 26 July 2026'.
2.	Note that the NorthTec Academic Committee approved: • The granting of 25 Certificate and 8 Diploma qualification awards

Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters from the NorthTec Academic Committee on the open agenda of its July 2026 virtual meeting.

Background

2. The NorthTec Academic Committee (the Committee) held a virtual meeting on 26 July 2026 to receive the July Awards report.

Sub-delegations exercised

Granting of formal awards

3. The Committee granted the following formal awards:
 - Certificate qualification awards (25)
 - Diploma qualification awards (8)

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 13 August 2026
Provided by	Joan Taylor, Academic Committee Co-Chair
Author	Stella Campbell, Academic Committee Secretary
For	Information
Classification	Unclassified
Endorsement (if any)	N/A

Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'NorthTec Open Academic Committee report 13 August 2026'.
2.	Note that the NorthTec Academic Committee approved: - Type 1 Changes to the following programmes: - STAR Beauty Therapy - Hair and Beauty Trades Academy - Type 2 Changes to the following programmes: - New Zealand Diploma in Sport, Recreation and Exercise (Level 5) - New Zealand Diploma in Sport, Recreation and Exercise (Level 6) - Changes to local policy – 10.001 Academic Records and Awards - Moderation Memorandum of Understanding with NMIT - Memorandum of Understanding with Te Matarau Education Trust - Statement of Shared Objectives with The Open Polytechnic - Deregistration of Sites listed with NZQA and TEC - Approved the granting of 273 Certificate, 21 Diploma and 44 Degree qualification awards

Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters discussed by the NorthTec Academic Committee on the open agenda of its August 2026 meeting.

Background

2. The NorthTec Academic Committee (the Committee) met on 13 August 2026 at the Raumanga, Whangarei campus. The meeting achieved quorum.

Sub-delegations exercised

Courses/programmes of study

3. The Committee reviewed and approved the following changes to existing courses and programmes:
 - Type 1 Programme Change: STAR Beauty Therapy - add unit standard to offering
 - Type 1 Programme Change: STAR Beauty Therapy - remove unit standard from offering
 - Type 1 Programme Change: Hair and Beauty Trades Academy - Add / remove unit standards to offering
 - Type 2 Programme Change: New Zealand Diploma in Sport, Recreation and Exercise (Level 5) - update programme of study to align with Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT) programme of study.
 - Type 2 Programme Change: New Zealand Diploma in Sport, Recreation and Exercise (Level 6) - update programme of study to align with Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT) programme of study.

Granting of formal awards

4. The Committee approved the granting of the following formal awards:
 - Certificate qualification awards (273)
 - Diploma qualification awards (21)
 - Degree qualification awards (44)

Other matters

5. The Committee approved minor wording changes to the local policy 10.001 Academic Records and Awards.
6. The Committee approved the following contracts:
 - Moderation Memorandum of Understanding with NMIT for the external moderation of the New Zealand Diploma in Sport, Recreation and Exercise programmes.
 - Memorandum of Understanding with Te Matarau Education Trust to increase access for Māori and Pasifika learners to trades training
 - Statement of Shared Objectives with The Open Polytechnic for the use materials to support NorthTec learners
7. The Committee approved the deregistration of two sites with NZQA and TEC. One in Dargaville, one in Kaitia.

8. The Committee received the following reports:

- Academic Quality Assurance Committee 22 June 2026
- Academic Quality Assurance Committee 27 July 2026
- Research and Ethics Committee 25 June 2026
- Research and Ethics Committee 30 July 2026
- Research and Ethic Committee 2025 Self-Evaluation
- Education Performance Indicators
- 2025 Programme Evaluation Summary
- Annual Survey Schedule 2026
- Te Ara Poutama/Student Wellbeing

Appendices

Nil

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	Tai Poutini Polytechnic open Academic Committee report 3 August 2026
Provided by	Deborah Young, Ako Excellence Director
Author	Emily Miller, Committee Secretary
For	Information
Classification	Unclassified
Endorsement (if any)	N/A

Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'Tai Poutini Polytechnic open Academic Committee report 3 August 2026'.
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Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters discussed by the Tai Poutini Polytechnic Academic Committee on the open agenda of its August 2026 meeting.

Background

2. The Tai Poutini Polytechnic Academic Committee (the Committee) met on 3 August 2026 at 73-87 Tainui Street, Greymouth. The meeting achieved quorum.

Other matters

3. The Committee received the Academic Committee report to Te Poari Akoranga (open) from the 1 July 2026 meeting for information.

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	Tai Poutini Polytechnic open Academic Committee report 2 September 2026
Provided by	Deborah Young, Ako Excellence Director
Author	Emily Miller, Committee Secretary
For	Information
Classification	Unclassified
Endorsement (if any)	N/A

Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'Tai Poutini Polytechnic open Academic Committee report 2 September 2026'.
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Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters discussed by the Tai Poutini Polytechnic Academic Committee on the open agenda of its September 2026 meeting.

Background

2. The Tai Poutini Polytechnic Academic Committee (the Committee) met on 2 September 2026 at 73-87 Tainui Street, Greymouth. The meeting did not achieve quorum.

Other matters

3. The Committee received the Academic Committee report to Te Poari Akoranga (open) from the 3 August 2026 meeting for information.

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki Open Academic Committee report August 2026
Provided by	Emma Osborne, Lead Academic Quality (Delegated Chair)
Author	Sally Ingham, Academic Committee Minute Secretary
For	Information
Classification	Unclassified
Endorsement (if any)	N/A

Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki Open Academic Committee report August 2026'.
2.	Note that the Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki Academic Standards sub-committee approved by sub-delegation: • One new programme: Certificate in Exercise (Level 4)
3.	Note that the Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki Teaching and Learning Committees approved and released by sub-delegation: • Learner results for nine programmes
4.	Note that the Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki Academic Committee approved: • That formal awards are granted to: ○ 35 graduands for micro-credentials ○ 147 graduands for certificates ○ 24 graduands for diplomas ○ Seven graduands for degrees • An amendment to the Meeting Protocols (section M of the Academic Statute)

Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters discussed by the Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki (WITT) Academic Committee on the open agenda of its 5 August 2026 meeting.

Background

2. The WITT Academic Committee (the Committee) met on 5 August 2026 at the boardroom, 20 Bell Street. The meeting achieved quorum.

Sub-delegations exercised

Courses/programmes of study

3. The Committee noted that the Academic Standards sub-committee reviewed and approved the following new (non-unified) courses and programmes to be delivered by WITT by sub-delegation:
 - Certificate in Exercise (Level 4)

Assessment

4. The Committee noted that the Teaching and Learning committees approved and released the following learner results by sub-delegation:
 - New Zealand Certificate in Pest Operations (Level 3)
 - New Zealand Certificate in Cookery (Level 4)
 - New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Pre-Trade (Level 3)
 - Grid-Connected PV Systems, Design and Install (Micro-Credential) (Level 4)
 - Grid-Connected Battery Storage Systems, Design and Install (Micro-Credential) (Level 4)
 - Bachelor of Applied Management – ACCY5105 Commercial Law
 - Bachelor of Applied Management – ACCY6107 Research Methods
 - New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Level 3)
 - Bachelor of Accounting – ACCY6104 Introduction to Finance
 - New Zealand Certificate in Foundation Skills (Level 2)

Granting of formal awards

5. The Committee granted the following formal awards:
 - Introductory Engineering Mathematics (Micro-Credential) (Level 3) – 8 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Arts and Design (Level 4) – 11 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Cookery (Level 3) – 14 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Equipment in Explosive Atmospheres (Level 4) – 3 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Exercise (Level 4) – 23 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Food and Beverage Service (Level 3) – 7 graduands
 - New Zealand Certificate in Food and Beverage Service (Level 4) – 4 graduands

- New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Healthcare Assistance) (Level 3) – 19 graduands
- New Zealand Certificate in Pest Operations (Level 3) – 11 graduands
- New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways (Level 4) – 17 graduands
- Trauma Informed Practice (Micro-Credential) (Level 7) – 11 graduands
- New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture (General) (Level 3) – 10 graduands
- New Zealand Certificate in Business (First Line Management) (Level 4) – 3 graduands
- New Zealand Certificate in Foundation Skills (Level 2) – 25 graduands
- New Zealand Diploma in Engineering (Civil) (Level 6) – 20 graduands
- New Zealand Diploma in Arts and Design (Level 5) – 4 graduands
- Bachelor of Applied Management (Project Management) – 7 graduands
- Hangarau Matihiko: Digital Interface Design and Programming (Micro-Credential) – 1 graduand
- Grid-Connected PV Systems: Design and Install (Micro-Credential) (Level 4) – 7 graduands
- Grid-Connected Battery Storage Systems, Design and Install (Micro-Credential) (Level 4) – 8 graduands

Other matters

6. The Committee approved an amendment to the Meeting Protocols (section M of the Academic Statute) to add committee tikanga.

Report to	Te Poari Akoranga
Title	Whitireia and WelTec Academic Committee report for meeting held on 18 June 2026
Provided by	Dr Fiona Beals, Registrar, Head of Information and Reporting
Author	Lorna Vickerman, Committee Secretary
For	Information
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Recommended resolutions

It is recommended that Te Poari Akoranga (Te Poari):

1.	Receive the report titled 'Whitireia and WelTec Academic Committee report for meeting held on 18 June 2026'.
2.	Note that the Whitireia and WelTec Academic Committee approved the following courses and programmes. New Programme - NZ4605 New Zealand Certificate in Welding (Level 3) Type 2 changes - PR4990 Master of Professional Practice - PR4991 Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Practice - PR4992 Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice Type 1 changes - PR4851 Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic) - PR4624 Bachelor of Nursing - NZ3065 New Zealand Diploma in Ambulance Practice - PR4817 Bachelor of Nursing Māori - PR4942 Bachelor of Nursing Pacific - PR4862 Postgraduate Certificate in Specialty Care - PR4989 Postgraduate Diploma in Specialty Care - PR4974 Master of Information Technology - PR4962 Postgraduate Diploma in Information Technology - PR4963 Postgraduate Certificate in Information Technology

Purpose of this report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari with a summary of the matters discussed by the Whitireia and WelTec Academic Committee on the open agenda of its meeting on 18 June 2026.

Background

2. The Whitireia and WelTec Academic Committee (the Committee) met on 18 June 2026 online. The meeting achieved quorum.

Sub-delegations exercised

Courses/programmes of study

3. The Committee reviewed and approved the following new (non-unified) courses and programme to be delivered by Whitireia and WelTec:
 - NZ4605 New Zealand Certificate in Welding (Level 3)
4. The Committee reviewed and approved the following changes to existing courses and programmes:
 - Type 2 changes to PR4990 Master of Professional Practice; Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Practice and Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice
 - Type 1 changes to PR4851 Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic); PR4624 Bachelor of Nursing; NZ3065 New Zealand Diploma in Ambulance Practice; PR4817 Bachelor of Nursing Māori; PR4942 Bachelor of Nursing Pacific; PR4862 Postgraduate Certificate in Specialty Care; PR4989 Postgraduate Diploma in Specialty Care; PR4974 Master of Information Technology; PR4962 Postgraduate Diploma in Information Technology; PR4963 Postgraduate Certificate in Information Technology

Assessment

5. Please note the approval of learner results is delegated to Whitireia and WelTec School Board of Studies and Achievement Committees.
6. Please note the approval of learner exceptions and/or variations is delegated to Whitireia and WelTec School Board of Studies and Achievement Committees.

Granting of formal awards

7. Please note the granting of formal awards is delegated to Whitireia and WelTec School Board of Studies and Achievement Committees.

Research

8. The Committee received the Whitireia and WelTec Ethics and Research Committee Annual Evaluation Report and the Whitireia and WelTec 2025 Research and Rangahau Report.

Please note the approval of research projects is delegated to Whitireia and WelTec School Board of Studies (non-human) or Whitireia and WelTec Research and Ethics Committee (involving humans).

Other matters

9. The Academic Committee approved changes to the Whitireia and WelTec Student Surveys Procedures.

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4. Resolution to exclude the public

It will be moved by the Chair that the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting. This resolution will be made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) (noting NZIST is subject to Part 7 of the LGOIMA) and the particular interests protected by section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant parts of the proceedings of the meeting in public.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded and the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter are as follows:

Item	General subject of each matter to be considered	Section(s)
5.	Administration	
5.1	Minutes of the closed portion of Te Poari Akoranga 22 July 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
5.2	Actions	Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.	Closed Local Academic Committee reports	
6.1	NorthTec, 13 August 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.2.1	Tai Poutini Polytechnic, 3 August 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.2.2	Tai Poutini Polytechnic, 2 September 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.3	WITT, 5 August 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
6.4	WelTec and Whitireia, 18 June 2026	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA
7.	Academic risk monitoring and environmental scan	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA

Item	General subject of each matter to be considered	Section(s)
		Section 9(2)(i) OIA Section 9(2)(j) OIA
8.	Transition	Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA
9.	Any other closed business	Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA Section 9(2)(i) OIA

Interests

Section	Interest
Section 9(2)(b)(ii) OIA	To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.
Section 9(2)(g)(ii) OIA	To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of such Ministers, members of organisations, officers, and employees from improper pressure or harassment.
Section 9(2)(i) OIA	To enable the organisation holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.
Section 9(2)(j) OIA	To enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).