



Rangitikei District Council

Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 12 February 2015 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present: Cr Dean McManaway (Chair)
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Tim Harris
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Lynne Sheridan
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Mr Hamish Waugh, General Manager Infrastructure
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Johan Cullis, Environmental Services Team Leader
Ms Gaylene Prince, Community & Leisure Services Team Leader
Ms Denise Servante, Senior Policy Analyst
Mr Paul Chaffe, Principal Rural Fire Officer
Mr Wayne Keightley, Asset Manager - Roading
Ms Joanna Saywell, Asset Manager - Utilities
Mr Reuben Pokiha, Operations Manager - Roading
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager - Utilities
Mr Glen Young, Utilities Project Manager
Mr David Rei Millar, Asset Engineer – Utilities
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents: **Item 6** Chair's Report
Item 13 Late Item (presentation on the Santoft Road fire)

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council prayer

Cr Belsham read the Council Prayer.

3 Apologies/Leave of absence

That the apologies for absence from Cr Jones and Cr Rainey be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Harris. Carried

4 Confirmation of order of business

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The Chair informed the Committee of two late items to be presented to the meeting.

The first would be an overview of the Santoft Road fire on 5 February 2015 by Paul Chaffe, Principal Rural Fire Officer for the Rangitikei District. This fire occurred after the completion of the order paper for this meeting, so it could not be included as an item.

The second would be on the Bonny Glen Landfill Resource Consent hearings. These hearings are scheduled to being on Tuesday 17 February 2015, so this cannot be delayed until a later meeting.

Cr McManaway / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

5 Confirmation of minutes

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That the Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 13 November 2014 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Belsham. Carried

13 Late items

Paul Chaffe, Principal Rural Fire Officer for the Rangitikei District, provided a brief presentation on the Santoft Road fire that occurred on 5 February 2015. The cause was being investigated. At its height, the fire extended 2 km long and 400 m wide. 130 firefighters and 23 appliances were involved. An application was being made to the New Zealand Fire Authority for reimbursement of fire-fighting costs, which were in excess of \$100,000. In addition to these costs were the loss of stock feed, destruction of fences and

damage to forests. He listed the civilian groups that helped combat this fire and highlighted the fact that without their help the situation could have been much worse.

The Committee asked that a letter of thanks be sent to all those groups that help bring the Santoft Road fire under control.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/003** **File Ref**

That a letter of thanks be sent to all those who helped to bring the Santoft Road fire on 5 February 2015 under control.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Cr Gordon arrived 9.36 am

6 Chair's report

The Chair spoke briefly to his report, providing further detail on the issue of narrow bridges within our District outlined in the report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/004** **File Ref** 1-CT-13-1

That the Chair's report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting on 12 February 2015 be received.

Cr McManaway / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

7 Activity management templates

Mr Waugh, Mr Pokiha, Mr Millar, Mr Young and Ms Prince spoke to the activity management templates for Roding & Footpaths, Water Supply, Sewerage & the Treatment and Disposal of Sewage, Community & Leisure Assets and Rubbish & Recycling.

Matters discussed included:

Ongoing investigations into the condition of bridges

Confirmation that Rangitikei would paid one third of the cost of the replacement Wylie's Bridge

- 'Community apportionment' is no longer done, reflecting the District-wide funding of utilities.
- Kaka Road sewerage issue being looked into by the Project Engineer.
- Extra works have been done to restore the Taihape Pool's connection to the sewer
- Horizons has granted consent for the proposed micro-tunnelling and consequent discharge into the Tutaenui Stream to resolve the stormwater issues at Russell

Street/Wellington Road. However, as there is no stormwater reticulation in part of Russell Street, completing the project will exceed the budgeted \$200,000.

- The proposed upgrade to the Mangaweka campground wastewater system: is on hold. More frequent cleaning of the septic tank during the summer months looks like the cost-effective solution.
- There is no intention to increase the size of sites at any of Council's waste transfer stations. Some are quite congested.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/005** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That the activity management templates for Asset based groups of activities for November and December 2014, and January 2015 be received.

Cr Harris / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

8 Actions on submission about roading to Council's 2014/15 Annual Plan

Mr Waugh spoke briefly to the item.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/006** **File Ref** **6-RT-5-6**

That the memorandum 'Actions on submission about roading to Council's 2014/15 Annual Plan' be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Harris. Carried

9 Pedestrian crossing on Broadway, Marton (near Centennial Park)

Mr Pokiha spoke briefly to the item, giving further detail on the proposed action.

The Committee expressed a desire to see something done about this issue prior to the start of the netball season. Mr Pokiha indicated that the report from GHD contained some initial designs for the project and funding could be secured by re-prioritising other projects.

The Committee asked that a report be presented to the Council meeting on 26 February 2015, containing a design for the project and funding options, for approval.

10 Potential sites for Community Gardens in Bulls

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the report. Discussion was held around the need for due diligence to be carried out on the Chief Executive's part regarding any proposals received.

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- 1 That the report 'Potential Sites for Community Gardens in Bulls' be received.
- 2 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves the inclusion of Haylock Park, Wilson and Johnson Street, as an available site for establishing a community garden, subject to the application process outlined in the Policy, Community Gardens in the Rangitikei.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

11 Progress with resolving uncertainty over responsibility for Council's stormwater drainage network in urban areas

Mr Waugh provided a brief update to the Committee and suggested that bi-monthly updates could be brought to the Committee.

His Worship the Mayor left Chambers 11.35am / 11.39am

Cr Peke-Mason left Chambers 11.36am / 11.38 am

12 Consent Compliance – July 2014 to January 2015

Mr Miller spoke briefly to the report and Mr van Bussel provided additional detail on the various incidents of non-compliance.

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That the report 'Consent Compliance – July 2014 to January 2015' be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Gordon. Carried

13 Late items continued...

Bonny Glen Resource Consent Hearing – to be held at Manfeild Park in Feilding.

The Committee asked that a letter be sent to the Chief Executive of Horizons Regional Council expressing disappointment in the Bonny Glen resource consent hearing being held outside of the Rangitikei District (Manfeild Park, Feilding).

Road User Charges

The Chair explained how road user charges applied to different classes of vehicles

14 Future items for the agenda

None

15 Next meeting

Thursday 12 March 2015, 9.30 am

16 Meeting closed – 11.52 am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____