



Rangitikei District Council

Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 15 October 2015 – 9:30 p.m.

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- Present:**
- Cr Mike Jones (Chair)
 - Cr Nigel Belsham
 - Cr Angus Gordon
 - Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
 - Cr Ruth Rainey
 - Cr Lynne Sheridan
 - His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
- In attendance:**
- Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
 - Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
 - Mr Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Manager
 - Mr Reuben Pokiha, Roding Operations Manager
 - Mr Jim Mestyanek, Senior Projects Engineer
 - Mrs Joanna Saywell, Utilities Asset Manager
 - Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
 - Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst
 - Mrs Priscilla Jeffrey, Governance Administrator
- Tabled items:**
- Item 12** Document entitled 'Rangitikei District Council Contract 980 – Indicative Resurfacing Programme for 2015-2016 (Year 1)'
 - Item 18** Report entitled 'Marton Stormwater issues – June 2015'

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council Prayer

Cr Jones read the Council prayer.

3 Apologies/leave of absence

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/084** **File Ref**

That apologies for absence from Cr Dean McManaway and Cr Tim Harris be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

4 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that the order of items would be taken differently to those set out on the Agenda. Item 12 would be considered excluding Roading Activity which would be considered after item 17, and items 13, 14 and 15 would be considered at the conclusion of the continued Activity Management Templates.

5 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/085** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 10 September 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Rainey / Cr Gordon. Carried.

6 Chair's report

Councillor Jones advised that in the absence of the Chair and due to the short notice no Chair's report was available for consideration.

7 Taihape Pool – 2014/15 season update (and operational report from the Taihape Community Development Trust)

Mrs Elizabeth Mortland, Manager, and Mrs Angela Oliver, Taihape Community Development Trustee, presented their report for the 2014/15 Taihape pool season.

In answer to questions, Mrs Mortland and Mrs Oliver advised that the Trust was unsure why there was a drop in the number of patrons; it could be connected to a change in the co-

ordinator and/or not promoted as much as previous seasons. The maintenance planned would not be done all at once and the Trust had funding tagged for this, but the Trust also required Council assistance. It was hoped to collaborate with the Council to develop a planned maintenance programme.

Cr Sheridan entered the meeting at 9.39am

The development of a Barbecue area was a new installation. As part of the contract it was the Trust's responsibility to maintain the grounds within the pool area. The Trust was looking to extend the operating hours of the pool. The drop in senior citizens' attendance at the pool was of concern and the Trust was investigating.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/086** **File Ref** **6-RF-2-3**

That the report 'Taihape Pool – 2014/15 season update and operational report from the Taihape Community Development Trust' be received

Cr Belsham / Cr Gordon. Carried

8 Surplus property- Ngarino Street, Marton

His Worship the Mayor left the meeting 9.50am/10.00am

Ms Prince spoke to her report. Noting that the offer-back to descendants of the original owner had been 20 years ago, McNeil considered it appropriate for that process to be revisited.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/087** **File Ref** **6-CF-4-4**

That the report 'Surplus property – Ngarino Street, Marton' be received.

Cr Rainey / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/088** **File Ref**

That, subject to confirmation that there were no legal impediments, the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends that Council agrees to the sale of Section 1, SO21721 jointly with the neighbouring blocks of railway land, with the proceeds (and costs) being split on a proportionate land area basis.

Cr Jones / Cr Sheridan. Carried

9 Community housing – October 2015 progress update on actions from previous meeting

Ms Prince gave a verbal update to the meeting on the community housing. She advised that 80% of the flats had been filled within two weeks of completion of renovations. Expressions

of interest for the management of the flats had been advertised with a closing date of 23 November 2015. A report would then be prepared for Council's decision at its meeting in December 2015. The renovations were covered under insurance and to a varying degree the flats were insulated.

10 Potential financial impact from the damage to Council's roading network in June 2015

The Chief Executive gave an update on the potential financial impact from the damage to Council's roading network in June 2015. He advised that the Council had put together an application to the NZTA for enhanced emergency work. When looking at the scale of impact on the roading network to would take at least two years to complete. The New Zealand Transport Agency resets its clock each calendar year on the proportion of funds it would pay out in respect of emergency work and flood affected areas.

11 Queries raised at previous meeting

The Chief Executive advised that the Russell Street stormwater improvements including expenditure to date and the amount carried forward from 2014/15, and the Design proposed for reconstruction of Mt Curl Road would be part of the Activity Management Template report.

12 Activity management templates (except roading)

The Committee received and discussed the non-financial reporting templates for September 2015 covering the following groups of activities:

- Community & Leisure Assets
- Water Supply
- Sewerage & the Treatment and Disposal of Sewage
- Stormwater Drainage
- Rubbish & Recycling

[Note the Activity management templates continued after clause 17]

16 Consent compliance – August-September 2015

Mrs Saywell spoke to her report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/089** **File Ref** **3-EX-4**

That the report 'Consent Compliance – August-September 2015' be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Sheridan. Carried

18 Marton stormwater – priorities

Mrs Saywell and Mr Adams spoke to the tabled report, entitled 'Marton Stormwater Issues – June 2015'. It was acknowledged that the flooding could have been a lot worse. The Tutaenui Stream provided protection for 1-20 year flow however the flooding experienced in June was a 1-60 year event. It was suggested that the Council talk with Horizons Regional Council to see how much it would cost to protect the town from high events.

In discussion it was noted that an area on the corner of Waitere and Potaka Streets had not been identified as a flood issue and perhaps should be included.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/090** **File Ref**

That the tabled report 'Marton Stormwater Issues – June 2015' be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried.

19 Upgrade of Marton wastewater treatment plant – update as at 5 October 2015

Mrs Saywell spoke to her report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/091** **File Ref** **6-WW-1-4**

That the report 'Upgrade of Marton wastewater treatment plant – update as at 5 October 2015' be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried

20 Upgrade of Bulls wastewater treatment plant – October 2015 update

Mrs Saywell spoke to her report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/092** **File Ref** **6-WW-1-1**

That the report 'Upgrade of Bulls wastewater treatment plant – October 2015 update' be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Belsham. Carried

21 Taihape Memorial Park Water Supply

Ms Saywell spoke to her report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/093** **File Ref** **6-WS-3-10**

That the report 'Taihape Memorial Park Water Supply' be received

Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey. Carried

17 Improving New Zealand's water, wastewater and stormwater sector

Mr Adams gave a PowerPoint presentation on a position paper prepared by LGNZ. In his presentation he commented on the key issues identified for the Sector. This included an increasing need to renew and replace assets; higher standard of drinking water and freshwater management; and improved informant on sector performance. Three options were being considered for a strong, sector-led approach to meet challenges including, multilateral contract/deed with a commitment to enforceable provisions; co-regulatory approach modelled on the approach used in the gas industry and utilisation of the possible Local Government Risk Agency. A draft submission would be included on the Council's Order Paper for 29 October 2015.

12. Activity management templates – continued: roading

Consideration was given to the non-financial reporting templates for the roading activity of the Asset based groups.

Mr Pokiha spoke to the tabled document entitled 'Rangitikei District Council – Contract 980 – Indicative Resurfacing Programme for 2015-2016 (Year 1).

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/094** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That the non-financial reporting templates for Asset based groups of activities for September 2015 be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Belsham. Carried

13 Update on work to address impacts of 20-21 June 2015 on the District's roading network – major reconstruction projects

Mr Mestyaneck spoke to the report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/094** **File Ref** **6-RT-5-18**

That the report on 'Emergency Works Update – Roothing Structures, October 2015' be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/095** **File Ref** **6-RT-5-18**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee supports the schedule of major reconstruction projects as presented to the Committee's meeting of 15 October 2015 and endorses the proposed process to undertake those works.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried

14 Broadway Courtesy Crossing, Centennial Park, Marton

Mr Pokiha spoke his report.

Resolved minute number **15/AIN/096** **File Ref** **6-RT-6-4**

That the report 'Broadway Courtesy Crossing, Centennial Park, Marton' be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

15 Street-lighting contract

The Committee noted the advice on the Agenda that the Rangitikei District Council Streetlight Maintenance contract was due to expire at the end of February 2016. The Infrastructure Shared Services team was in the process of re-tendering this contract. The contract term and specifications had been aligned with the recently tendered Manawatu District Council/Horowhenua District Council joint Streetlight Maintenance contract to allow for possible future contract alignment. It was expected that a tender recommendation would be brought to Council in December 2015.

22 Late items

Nil

23 Future items for the agenda

Nil

24 Next meeting

Thursday, 12 November 2015, 9.30am

25 Meeting closed – 12.34pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: