



Rangitikei District Council

Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 12 October 2017 – 1:00 PM

Contents

1	Welcome	3
2	Council Prayer	3
3	Apologies/leave of Absence	3
4	Members' conflict of interest.....	3
5	Confirmation of order of business	3
6	Chair's Report.....	4
7	Confirmation of minutes	3
8	Progress with strategic issues	4
9	Speed reduction around Pukeokahu School	5
10	Mangaweka Bridge Detailed Business Case – Tender Report.....	5
11	Disposal of leachate from Bonny Glen landfill	3
12	Parks Upgrade Programme – Taihape Showjumping Group.....	5
13	Stormwater management – Torere Road	5
14	3 Waters Compliance	6
15	Renewal of Marton wastewater treatment plant – update.....	6
16	Annual compliance reporting from Horizons Regional Council	7
17	Questions put at previous meeting for Council's advice or action.	7
18	Activity management	7
19	Future Items for the agenda	9
20	Next meeting.....	9
21	Meeting closed.....	9

Present: Cr Dean McManaway (Chair)
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr David Wilson
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also Present Cr Graeme Platt

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Management
Mr Glenn Young, Senior Projects Engineer Utilities
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager
Mr Chris Pepper, Special Projects Manager
Mr Jim Mestyanek, Senior Projects Engineer – Roading
Mr Michael Shaw, Projects Engineer – Utilities
Ms Gaylene Prince, Community & Leisure Assets Team Leader
Ms Elysia Butler - Trade Waste Officer
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

2 Council Prayer

The Council prayer was read in the Council meeting held in the morning.

3 Apologies/leave of Absence

That the apologies for the absence of Cr Dunn and Ms Hiroa be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey. Carried

4 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the meeting that item 11 would be taken after confirmation of minutes.

No late items had been suggested.

7 Confirmation of minutes

Amendments: Include Cr Aslett as a member of the Committee and present
Include Cr Platt as 'Also Present' at the meeting

Resolved minute number	17/AIN/032	File Ref	3-CT-13-2
-------------------------------	-------------------	-----------------	------------------

That the amended Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 14 September be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Aslett / Cr Wilson. Carried

11 Disposal of leachate from Bonny Glen landfill

Paul Mullinger from Midwest Disposals was present and gave the Committee an update on investigations undertaken and developments of the Bonny Glen site. The highlights from that presentation and subsequent Committee questions follow:

- 31 December 2017 is the deadline under the current agreement with Council to build a full leachate treatment plant at Bonny Glen.

- Midwest is continuing to pre-treat leachate prior to cartage to Marton Wastewater Treatment plant.
- Fully treated effluent will be produced following the completion of the onsite treatment plant. Weather has delayed the construction of the plant.
- Assuming a resource consent from Horizons Regional Council, Midwest plans to irrigate fully treated leachate to land during the summer months to mitigate environmental damage through potential discharge to low flowing streams – the nearby stream is too ephemeral to take this. Application will be made when samples of treated effluent can be included with it.
- Midwest will look to negotiate with Council to continue discharge of treated effluent from the pre-treatment plant into the Marton Wastewater plant. Staff have already been provided a specification of what is involved.
- As a customer, Midwest has contributed over the past 8 years in excess of \$1.2 million to Council.
- Midwest has explored cartage of treated effluent to the Palmerston North Wastewater treatment among other options (Wellington being the backstop).
- The potential development of connecting Marton and Bulls Wastewater Treatment has an unknown impact on the potential for Council to continue receiving discharge from Bonny Glen.
- The current landfill consent held by Mid-West Disposals Limited includes the provision for a funding stream to the community to be established. The Trust Deed is currently before lawyers. The money allocated will be carried forward into the trust once established. Midwest has sponsored groups and individuals in the interim. A website is under construction as part of Midwest's community liaison project.
- Due to the weather conditions of limited light and heavy rain fall, monitoring has seen little change to discharge impact.
- The current processing of effluent produces approximately 35 m³ of treated leachate discharge per day; with the planned expansion of the Bonny Glen the current plant has capacity to produce a maximum output of 65m³ per day. The likely request to Council is for the maximum 65 m³ to be accepted by Marton Wastewater treatment plant.
- The treatment plant works with a biological process whereby bugs consume the contaminants as a food source creating a sludge bi-product that is then dispersed back into the landfill.

Mr Pepper will produce a report to present to the November 2017 Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting on the proposed discharge of treated effluent from Bonny Glen to the Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant.

6 Chair's Report

There was no report from the Chair.

8 Progress with strategic issues

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

9 Speed reduction around Pukeokahu School

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and the photos of the signage posted on the Chamber noticeboard.

10 Mangaweka Bridge Detailed Business Case – Tender Report

Mr Mestyaneck spoke to the report highlighting:

- The merits of using a Purchaser Nominated Price Method for the tendering process was explained in the report.
- A pre-tender meeting was held with the only tender applicant to discuss alternative methodology of delivery. The tender process still allows for competitive tension in the contractual relationship.
- Council is awaiting NZTA funding approval.

Resolved minute number **17/AIN/033** **File Ref** **6-RT-1 (69)**

That the report “Mangaweka Bridge Detailed Business Case-tender Report” to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee’s meeting on 12 October 2017 be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Belsham. Carried

11 Parks Upgrade Programme – Taihape Showjumping Group

Ms Prince updated the Committee on Mr Sanson’s onsite meeting with the applicant. Mr Sanson and Ms Prince are in support of the application. The Programme provides up to \$50,000 annually on the basis of a 2:1 contribution (cash/in kind) from the organisation proposing a project. This is the first application in 2017/18. The programme had not attracted any applications during the last financial year.

The Committee briefly discussed the level of community engagement in a select sport noting the merits in having eager citizens willing to care and invest in a Council asset.

Resolved minute number **17/AIN/034** **File Ref** **1-AS-1-1**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee grants \$3,400 to the Taihape Showjumping Group to build bigger horse yards on Taihape Memorial Park, in accordance with the Council’s Parks Upgrade Programme.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

12 Stormwater management – Torere Road

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda

Resolved minute number **17/AIN/035** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends to Council that the request to financially subsidise stormwater piping on private property in Torere Rd is declined.

Cr Wilson / Cr Gordon. Carried

13 3 Waters Compliance

The Chair included Item 15 with Item 13. Mr Pepper was present to clarify queries from the Committee. The outcome of which follows:

Huntermville Wastewater Treatment Plant uses a passive pond process which is subject to seasonal influences, limited light and continuous high rainfall has hence resulted in higher nitrogen levels. Further investigation is underway evaluating the results of running a clarifier without the UV system which has been noted to have an 80% success rate in meeting the E.coli consent. The running costs of UV lights is minimal, there is a maintenance cost associated for the cleaning programme of the lights, noting that the lights are bypassed when not in use.

Monitoring of consents has an annual fee of approximately \$1500 per consent, per annum. If Council is compliant the charge is 65% of full fee. Non compliance attracts a 100% fee charge.

Resolved minute number **17/AIN/036** **File Ref** **5-EX-3-2**

That the report '3 Waters Compliance – September 2017' from item 14, and the reports 'Wastewater Treatment Plant Report' and 'Compliance Report Rangitikei Water Supplies' from Item 16 to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting on 12 October 2017 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Sheridan. Carried

14 Renewal of Marton wastewater treatment plant – update

Mr Pepper gave a brief verbal update to the Committee.

Elected members are seeking suitable Bulls residents to join the Focus Group; one name has come from the recent Bulls Community Committee meeting with encouragement to put forward one more. The Focus group is planned to meet prior to next month's Assets/Infrastructure meeting to discuss the proposal of the combined Marton Bulls Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Resolved minute number **17/AIN/037** **File Ref**

That the update 'Renewal of Marton wastewater treatment plant – October 2017' to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting 12 October 2017 be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Belsham. Carried

15 Annual compliance reporting from Horizons Regional Council

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda. This item was combined and dealt with Item 13.

16 Questions put at previous meeting for Council's advice or action.

Bulls mushroom shaped decommissioned water tower

Mr Pepper spoke to the attached report from Calibre informing the Committee that cost estimates have been run on the recommended strengthen of the 3 identified assets outlined with in the report. Further notes on the item were:

- The budget required for any strengthening will be incorporated into the Long Term Plan.
- No Government funding is available for such remedial works.
- The report states that there is no difference in seismic risk between the Bulls Water tower being empty or full.
- Water within the tower is periodically used as backwash; however, other sources are available.

Undertaking	Subject	Minimum Required %NBS for Bulls mushroom
--------------------	----------------	---

Staff are to investigate and report to Councillors, the minimum required %NBS for the Bulls mushroom before remedial strengthen is required for compliance.

The Taihape concrete reservoir is of greatest risk. It further needs major roof maintenance which would require opening of the reservoir leaving the contents susceptible to contaminants. The merits of replacing the tank with alternative construction materials was discussed along with potential sites.

Potential deconstruction of any of the Assets could be a collaboration with the New Zealand Army.

Undertaking	Subject	costs of replacement tanks and various suitable locations for Taihape reservoir
--------------------	----------------	--

Staff to investigate all associated costs of replacement tanks and various suitable locations for Taihape reservoir.

17 Activity management

- Roothing and footpaths (including rooding contractor performance) - Mr Waugh.
Mr Waugh highlighted the charts within the report for tracking work.

Marton's Hammond St reseal, following recent works, will commence when weather permits.

The Committee sought clarification about the scale of work being done on Mangatipona Road.

- Water (including rural water supplies) – Mr Young
- Sewage and the treatment and disposal of sewerage – Mr Young

Relining of sewer pipes is not weather dependant. The programme was detailed in the attachment. Mr Young explained to the Committee the assessment and technology used in relining pipes, stating that various factors help identify the most cost effective method of repair be that relining or replacement. It was very unlikely that the pipe would have to be dug up to address a failure.

The Committee sought clarification on how the costs of slip-lining being done compare with the proposal put to Council. Mr Pepper undertook to provide that.

The Committee wanted assurance that the Mataroa Road pipeline work was on the opposite side of the road to the Gumboot statue.

- Stormwater drainage (including stormwater 'hot spots' update) –Mr Young

Due to Chorus and their fibre cable programme, a delay has resulted in the upper Broadway project, Marton. The plan moving forward is to break the project into two sections. Consultation with affected businesses, prior to the delay notification, saw agreement with the contractor to cease work on the 10 December and resume in the New Year. These dates are not expected to change with the delay.

Local businesses (and the Marton Community Committee) needed to be informed.

Undertaking	Subject	Consultation with affected businesses in Broadway Marton regarding the delayed start to works.
--------------------	----------------	---

During the upcoming consultation with affected businesses, information on the externally forced delay on the Broadway upgrade project will be conveyed.

- Rubbish and recycling – Mr Young

Undertaking	Subject	Signage of Recycling Shop at Marton Waste Transfer Station
--------------------	----------------	---

Signage for the Recycling Shop at Marton Waste Transfer Station be erected.

- Community and leisure assets (including parks) – Ms Prince

The Committee discussed

- the order in which to consult with the Taihape community in regards to various projects both underway and on the horizon.

- the timeframe in which Council has to deal with its own priority buildings.
- the merits of starting the business case on both the current Council site and the proposed new Council site in Marton.

Resolved minute number

17/AIN/038

File Ref

5-EX-3-2

That the activity management templates for October 2017 for Roading, Water (including rural water supplies), Sewerage and the treatment and disposal of sewage, Stormwater drainage, Community and leisure assets, and Rubbish and recycling be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Aslett. Carried

18 Future Items for the agenda

None

19 Next meeting

9 November 2017, 9.30 am

20 Meeting closed

2.43 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: