

MINUTES

ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 13 April 2023
Time: 9.30am
Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

- Cr Brian Carter
- Cr Dave Wilson
- Cr Fi Dalgety
- Cr Gill Duncan
- Cr Greg Maughan
- Cr Jeff Wong
- Cr Richard Lambert
- Cr Simon Loudon (via zoom)
- HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

- Mr Peter Beggs, Chief Executive
- Mr Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer
- Mrs Carol Gordon, Group Manager – Democracy and Planning
- Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager – Corporate Services
- Ms Gaylene Prince, Group Manager – Community Services
- Ms Adina Foley, Group Manager-Capital Projects
- Ms Sheryl Srhoj, Property Manager (zoom)
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting opened at 9.31am. Cr Wilson read the Council prayer.

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

6 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings

ELT met yesterday and did discuss open and in progress action items.

Item 1

There was confusion with the contractor regarding the sorting which has now been resolved. Tendering for the waste contract ends in April and a report will come to Council at the end of May.

Item 3

Councillors questioned who pays for the resurfacing of damaged roading repairs. Staff will seek clarification and will report this back to councillors.

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/001

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings' be received.

Cr B Carter/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2023

Mr Beggs and HWTM attended a meeting this morning regarding the Three Waters reform. Further information will be provided during the meeting once it is confirmed the information is not embargoed.

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/002

That the Chair's Report – April 2023 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr B Carter. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Parks Upgrades Partnership Application - Taihape Show Jumping

Ms Prince clarified that staff received the application prior to work being completed however it didn't align with Taihape Community Board meetings. The Taihape Community Board support the application.

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/003

That the Parks Upgrade Partnership Application – Taihape Show Jumping report be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/004

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves funds of \$3, 488 from the Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund to the Taihape Show Jumping Group to upgrade the pavilion and track at Taihape Memorial Park.

Cr G Duncan/Cr J F Wong. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Project Management Office Report - March 2023

Ms Foley stated that this is a new format for PMO projects.

Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation

There is a planner that is available to work on this project and will start late April early May. This was strongly suggested by Horizons to show planning leadership. A detailed report on this project will come to the Council meeting in May.

Taihape/Papakai Wastewater Pump Station

Staff clarified that the \$5 million was only for the pump and the \$6.3 million includes the entirety of the project.

Marton Water Strategy

A detailed report on this project will come to the April Council meeting.

Ms Foley responded to questions that the date is unlikely to be able to be moved forward due to the market stretch for contractors.

Taihape Amenities Building/Ngā Awa Block

Ms Foley stated that it is expected that completion will be later this month. There is a lot of activity on site and Ms Foley will liaise with northern councillors regarding a walk through of the site.

Ms Foley will be in touch with the rugby team for the dates of completion.

Ms Foley will contact iwi members that have been involved with the project prior to construction, to bless the building.

Marton Industrial Park and Rail Hub

Mr Beggs updated councillors that he just received email from the court that a decision has been made and this will be given at the end of this month.

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/005

That the report 'Project Management Office Report - March 2023' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr B Carter. Carried

Three Waters Update

HWTM and Mr Beggs both attended an update on the Three Waters Reform earlier this morning.

There will be 10 entities and Rangitikei will be in an entity with councils within the region. The start date for the transition has been pushed out to 2026. There will be changes to the Better Off Funding, however it is likely to impact tranche 2 not tranche 1.

9.2 Operational Infrastructure Report

Roading

His Worship the Mayor and Mr Benadie will have a further conversation offline regarding the Mangahoe Block.

Mr Benadie will confirm the status of the road in Mangaweka from State Highway 1 down to the Mangaweka campsite and whether this is included in the 70 Under-slip sites.

His Worship the Mayor requested that the Nga Tawa foot path should be discussed with Waka Kotahi earlier rather than later. Mr Benadie responded that the funding is completed in three-year blocks and the application are due in August this year. This will only be approved in the middle of next year.

Water Supply Consent Compliance

Mr Benadie responded to questions that the meters do work but the volume is too high for the consent, specifically in Taihape and Hunterville.

Solid waste

This has been brought back in house with staff member Raj Khadka and he will be looking at the service of our transfer stations and making this more efficient.

Mr Benadie responded to questions that the waste contract expires at the end of June and aims for a new contractor to begin in July.

Resolved minute number 23/AIN/006

That the report "Operational Infrastructure Report - February 2023" be received

Cr B Carter/Cr R Lambert. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.02am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 12 July 2023.

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Chairperson