

MINUTES

ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 13 March 2025

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 Paul Sharland
Cr Richard Lambert
Cr Simon Loudon
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive
Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Ms Gaylene Prince, Northern Area and Property Manager
Mr Darryn Black, Roding Transport Manager
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Wilson opened the meeting at 9.30am and read the Council prayer.

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Cr Wilson declared a conflict of interest at item 9.1 Access Control for Bulls Bus Lane.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Committee entered public excluded during item 9.2 Taihape Town Hall Procurement Claim.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/001

That the minutes of Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 20 November 2024 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr D Wilson/Cr B Carter. Carried

7 Follow-up Actions

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

Item 1 – Marton Swim Centre

There is an asset management plan on the Marton Swim Centre and this is available on the Council website.

Item 10 – Traffic Management

Officers responded to questions that the Bond Street, \$7,500 was on traffic management , noting these type of jobs are usually a cost per day. Traffic management is usually 12-13% cost of the whole project.

Item 2- Marton Water Strategy

Officers provided an update on this item noting that this is on the Council website on the Marton Water Strategy.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/002

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

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Duncan. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - March 2025

The Mayor raised the value of workshops and the potential to have these livestreamed on the Council Facebook page and the importance of capturing actions and a summary of these workshops.

Officers outlined the proposed process of taking a summary of the workshop as notes which will be made publicly available, and including actions from the workshop in the actions list that will be reported to the Committee.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/003

That the Chair's Report – March 2025 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Sharland. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Access Control for Bulls Bus Lane

Cr Wilson declared a minor conflict of interest on this item and stepped down as Chair at 9.51am. Cr Lambert took over as Chair at 9.52am.

Officers highlighted that this solution is cost effective, easy to do and that there are staff available at Te Matapihi who can open the arm if needed.

Officers responded to questions that this has not been circulated to bus companies yet due to needing support from the Committee before taking this to the bus companies.

The cost of this project and the company is in public excluded due to commercial negotiations but this can be sent to councillors.

Cr Lambert vacated the Chair at 10.03am and Cr Wilson returned at the end of this item.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/004

That the report "Access control for Bulls Bus Lane" be received

Cr G Duncan/Cr B Carter. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/005

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee support the installation of the barrier arm units at the Bulls Bus Lane, noting that this is a project that can be delivered via existing budgets under the Chief Executive's delegation.

Cr B Carter/Cr S Loudon. Carried

Moved into public excluded at 10.05am

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/006

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

1. Taihape Town Hall Procurement Claim

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987* for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
9.2 - Taihape Town Hall Procurement Claim	This is in public excluded due to commercial negotiations with the contractor. s7(2)(h) - Commercial Activities	s48(1)(a)(i)

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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding or the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

9.2 Taihape Town Hall Procurement Claim

The Committee moved into public excluded during this item.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/007

That the Committee moves into open meeting and confirm the below resolutions at 10.45am:

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends to Council they do not approve payment of \$12,000 to the contractor that submitted the claim.

.Cr D Wilson/Cr B Carter. Carried

9.3 Lake Alice Survivors Group - Request for Memorial Plaque

The Mayor noted that the funding was coming from central government.

The Committee thanked the work the Mayor had undertaken in this space.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/008

That the report 'Lake Alice Survivors Group – Request for Memorial Plaque' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/009

That His Worship the Mayor and staff liaise with representatives of the Lake Alice Survivors Group to consider their request to erect a small Memorial Plaque on the road reserve bank in No 7 Line, Marton, with final approval to be confirmed by Council.

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Abuse in Care Royal Commission of Inquiry - Survivor Support & Recognition Fund

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/010

That the report 'Abuse in Care Royal Commission of Inquiry – Survivor Support & Recognition Fund' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

10.2 Consent Compliance Report - January 2025

Mr Benadie advised that there is now an in-house compliance officer which will help moving the red to green on the table.

Mr Benadie responded to questions about PFAS testing noting that this testing is completed annually.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/011

That the report Consent compliance Report – January 2025 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Sharland. Carried

10.3 Roding Update

Low Cost Low Risk (LCLR) Funding Application

Mr Black highlighted that two other funds have been made available crown resilience and a targeted fund. Mr Black is looking at the projects that could fit into these funding rounds.

Maintenance Contract

The Committee acknowledged the positive report and bringing roading services back in-house. The roading contract decision is likely to be completed the following week.

The health and safety reporting are due to two systems and this reporting not coming through to the reporting to Council.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/012

That the 'Roding Update' report be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr G Duncan. Carried

10.4 Project Updates Report - February 2025

Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation

The Mayor noted that Good Earth Matters have not provided an update in some time. Officers responded that they are part of the consent application, however, the best contact for the project as a whole is Steve Carne who is project managing the entire project.

The Committee noted that there are potentially new national standards for wastewater which may have impacts on this project. The consenting for discharge to water may be relaxed under these standards and noted that this is where the big costs are. There is always the potential that a new government may come in and change this.

Rātana Wastewater Discharge to Land

The Committee noted the consenting process has taken a long time. Officers responded to questions that the two submitters against are set in their views and live outside the district.

Taihape Town Hall and Library Redevelopment

The discussion notes from the user group to be circulated to the Committee.

Resolved minute number 25/AIN/013

That the report 'Project Updates Report – February 2025' be received.

Cr B Carter/Cr G Maughan. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.57am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 15 May 2025.

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Chairperson