



Rangitikei District Council

Council Meeting

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1 Welcome

2 Council prayer

3 Public Forum

4 Apologies/Leave of absence

5 Members' conflict of interest

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

6 Confirmation of order of business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

7 Confirmation of minutes

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Council meetings held on 7 May 2015 and 8 May 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

8 Project Central Wind: application from Meridian Energy Limited to extend the lapse date for five years (i.e. until 24 May 2020)

A report is attached. The appendices to accompany this report are a separate item.

File ref: 2-LP-5-RMO8 (80065)

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Project Central Wind: application from Meridian Energy Limited to extend the lapse date for five years (i.e. until 24 May 2020)' be received.
- 2 That the application from Meridian Energy Ltd to extend the lapse date for the consents granted by Rangitikei District Council for Project Central Wind for five years (i.e. to 24 May 2020) be EITHER approved OR declined. Deliberations on Submissions to "What's the Plan Rangitikei...?"

9 Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, “What’s the Plan Rangitikei...?” with respect to the draft 2015-25 LTP

A report is attached.

File ref: 1-LTP15-7

Recommendations

- 1 That the report ‘Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, “What’s the Plan Rangitikei...?” with respect to the draft 2015-25 LTP’ be received.
- 2 That, following consideration of written and oral submissions to the 2012-22 draft Long Term Plan, Council:

Community Leadership

- 2.1 Liaise with Horizons Regional Council over its view on addressing issues relating to genetic modification

Roading

- 2.2 Confirm its intention to build up the roading reserve to \$3.5 million through increased rates contributions over the life of the 2015-25 Long Term Plan but focussed in years 1-5.
- 2.3 Confirm that in year 1 (2015/16), the contribution to the roading reserve will be \$550,000 (\$100,000 from the increased FAR rate and the balance from rates) and that up to \$60,000 of this will be provided to make good both the access road to Dudding Lake and the access road off Toroa Road to Taihape Kindergarten/Mount Stewart Reserve, seeking contributions from the Dudding Lake Management Trust of 38% of costs and Whanganui Kindergarten Association of \$20,000 as a one-off contribution.
- 2.4 Confirm that cost-estimates will be provided to the September 2015 meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee with respect to the requests for new footpaths at Bulls (from units 1-6, 136 High Street – 160 High Street), Ratana (from the corners of Te Taitokerau and Seamer Streets along Rangatahi and a streetlamp on Rangatahi) and Taihape (walkway along State Highway 1 from Dixon Way).
- 2.5 Request the Assets/Infrastructure Committee to monitor the general upkeep and upgrade of the footpaths in Turakina through the normal business of the activity and the committee.

Water Supply, Sewerage and the treatment and disposal of sewage and Stormwater Drainage

- 2.6 Confirm that the Chief Executive convey to the Whanganui District Health Board the Council’s view that fluoridation of potable water supplies is a matter for national policy setting and funding.

- 2.7 Confirm its intention to investigate all options for the replacement, where absolutely necessary, of reticulated water and wastewater schemes for smaller communities:
- In close consultation with affected communities, and
 - Bearing in mind affordability of the schemes District-wide, and
 - Advocating for and maximising the additional central government funding that can be leveraged to support small rural communities, and
 - Using the best available technology to develop appropriate solutions
- 2.8 Request the Assets/Infrastructure Committee to review the management of the trade waste stream from Bonny Glen landfill, to ensure that the full costs of the service are born by Mid-West Disposals Ltd and not ratepayers.

Community and Leisure Assets

- 2.9 Confirm its preferred option to invest in the rejuvenation of the town centres in Bulls, Marton and Taihape at the level and in the timeframe proposed in the consultation document.
- 2.10 Confirm its intention to maintain the current level of service at the District's swimming pools, ensuring that contractual arrangements with the operators permit swimming in the pool in Marton from the end of term 3 to the beginning of term 2, including school holidays, and in Taihape, that pool opening hours enable customers to enjoy a regular programme to swim (for example, before work each weekday).

Or

Agrees to extend the season at Marton from six months to ten months for a trial period of 2 years from 1 August 2015 and make provision for an additional \$60,000 per annum for the trial period.

And

- 2.11 Agrees to waive the swim school entry fee as an ongoing contribution to the Swim-4-All programme.

Or

Agrees to waive all entry fees to school students in the District, in effect a "free pass" scheme to be administered by participating schools.

And

Agree to waive all entry fees for one adult accompanying a pre-school child.

- 2.12 Confirms its intention to invest \$100,000 per year for three years to refurbish the existing community housing stock and to continue to investigate partnerships with other agencies with a track record in managing social housing.
- 2.13 Confirms its intention to invest \$50,000 per annum to fund park and reserve upgrades that are supported by the community and bring added value of at least \$100,000 (in cash or in kind) per annum.

- 2.14 Confirms up to an additional \$50,000 in 2015/16 to work with the Taihape Memorial Park users group to make a water source available for irrigating the playing surfaces of the Park.
- 2.15 Requests that the Assets/infrastructure Committee:
- Consider a scheme to allocate the fund created for Council-owned parks and reserves upgrades which will be matched (in cash and in kind) by the community, and communicate with submitters regarding their particular projects.
 - Includes a review of the maintenance and management of the Urupa in the review of the Ratana Maintenance Contract with the Ratana Communal Board

Rubbish and recycling

- 2.16 Requests that the Assets/infrastructure Committee:
- Includes a review of the potential to provide a managed recycling facility outside of the Ratana Waste Transfer Station in the review of the Ratana Maintenance Contract with the Ratana Communal Board
 - Negotiates with the contractor at the Ratana Waste Transfer Station for an acceptable contract variation to provide an extended service on varying days of the week

Community Well-being

- 2.17 Confirm its preferred option for increasing investment in economic development by \$205,000 in 2015/16 and continue to develop the detail of the Rangitikei Growth Strategy, including the District Promotion Strategy and the Events Strategy, in consultation and collaboration with key stakeholders through the Regional Growth Strategy, the Buoyant District Economy Theme Group, the Lifelong Education Theme Group and the Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei Theme Group.
- 2.18 Increase the provision for Rangitikei Environment Group for programmes to address Old Man's Beard infestation, from \$10,000 to \$20,000 per annum.
- 2.19 Contact Sport New Zealand to recommend a review of the allocation criteria for the Rural Travel Fund to include scarcity and distance from facilities.
- 3 That Council notes officers will now prepare the revised draft Long Term Plan 2015/25 for consideration at the Council meeting on 28 May 2015 and delivery to the Council's auditors the following day.

10 Analysis of submissions on the proposed revenue and financing policy

A report is attached.

File ref: 1-LTP15-3

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Analysis of submissions on the proposed revenue and financing policy' be received.
- 2 That the funding mechanism for the Community Boards be a targeted Community Services rate set as a fixed charge per rating unit for the..... Community Board and/or a targeted Community Services Rate based on capital value for the Community Board.
- 3 That [except for the change to the funding mechanism for the.....Community Board(s)] the proposed revenue and financing policy not be amended as a result of considering submissions.
- 4 That a report be prepared for the August 2015 meeting of Assets/Infrastructure Committee on the impact of various classes of vehicles on the costs of maintaining local roads.

11 Deliberation on Submissions to the Draft Schedule of Fees and Charges 2015/16

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 1-AP-2-1

Recommendations

- 1 That the memorandum 'Deliberation on Submissions to the Draft Schedule of Fees and Charges 2015/16' be received.
- 2 That Council

EITHER

Provides no discount on dog registration fees to members of the New Zealand Kennel Club.

OR

Provides a discount of ...% to members of the New Zealand Kennel Club.

12 Proposed Duck Sculpture for Frae Ona Park

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-PY-1-11

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Proposed Duck Sculpture for Frae Ona Park' be received.

13 Late items

14 Future items for the agenda

15 Public Excluded

Recommendation

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Item 1: Outcome of tender for the District-wide Roding Contract

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
Item 1 Outcome of tender for the District-wide Roding Contract	Briefing contains information which if released would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it or who is the subject of the information and to enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 48(1)(a)(i)

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.

16 Next meeting

Thursday 28 May 2015, 1.00 pm

17 Meeting closed