



# Rangitikei District Council

## Council Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 26 September 2019 – 1:00 p.m.

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- Present:**
- His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
  - Cr Nigel Belsham
  - Cr Cath Ash
  - Cr Richard Aslett
  - Cr Jane Dunn
  - Cr Angus Gordon
  - Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
  - Cr Graeme Platt
  - Cr Ruth Rainey
  - Cr Lynne Sheridan
  - Cr David Wilson
- In attendance:**
- Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager/Acting Chief Executive
  - Mr Arno Benadie, Principal Advisor – Infrastructure
  - Ms Jo Devine, GM – Finance and Business Support
  - Ms Nardia Gower, Strategic Advisor - Youth
  - Mr George Forster, Policy Advisor
  - Ms Carol Gordon, Customer Services & Communications Team Leader
  - Ms Jo Priestley, Communications / Website Officer
  - Ms Bonnie Clayton, Governance Administrator
- Tabled Documents:**
- Item 8** Portfolio Updates:
    - Cr Ash – Youth Development/Samoan engagement/Environment
    - Cr Aslett – Heritage and Tourism
    - Cr Gordon – Norther Sport and Taihape Building
  - Item 9** Administrative Matters – September 2019 - supplementary
  - Late Item** Re: Haylock Park letter from Brice Tamblyn
  - Late Item** Results from Haylock Park Survey
  - Late Item** Objection to the proposed sale of Haylock Park letter from Franks Ogilvie Commercial & Public Law

## 1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting at 1.08pm.

## 2 Public Forum

- Peter Beggs, Chief Executive designate introduced himself to Elected Members and those in attendance. He briefly updated on his upcoming move to the Rangitikei and that after 25 hours in the district he knows that he has made the right career move. Mr Beggs thanked everyone for being welcoming and looks forward to the next number of years.
- Lucy Skou, Marton Development Group addressed Council seeking their financial contributions to the Marton Memorial Hall Playground including play equipment, infrastructure and toilets. This is addressed in item 15 and 16.

## 3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That apology for absence for Cr McManaway be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Gordon. 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

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,

- a) letter Re Haylock Park from Brice Tamblyn
- b) Results from Haylock Park Survey
- c) Objection to the proposed sale of Haylock Park letter from Franks Ogilvie Commercial & Public Law

be dealt with as late items at this meeting.

The order of business was confirmed, Public Excluded - Session 1, was moved to follow item 15.

## 6 Confirmation of minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/265**                      **File Ref**

That the minutes and public excluded of the Council meeting on 29 August 2019 as amended be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Dunn/Cr Sheridan. Carried

## 7 Mayor's Report

His Worship the Mayor took his report and schedule as read.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/266**                      **File Ref**                      **3-EP-3-5**

That the 'Mayor's report and schedule' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Ash. Carried

## 8 Portfolio Updates

### Criterion Site - Cr Dunn *Verbal*

The Walton Street house is due to go to auction on 2 November 2019 at 1pm. The thank you night will be held on the 23 October 2019. The video is now available on the Council website.

### Shared Services - Cr Belsham *Verbal*

The recent appointment of Chief Executive designate Peter Beggs, who is due to commence 21 October 2019.

### Samoan Community, Youth Development and Environment - Cr Ash *Tabled*

Excited to see what Ms Gower is doing with the Youth Council: the well-being of children/youth, getting them to think constructively, even some adults need to think this way. Attended the SDG Summit on the 2 September 2019, this will be good to present to Youth Council.

### Iwi Interests - Cr Peke-Mason *Verbal*

Mokai Patea have passed their mandate, the next step is for treaty settlement.

### Heritage and Tourism - Cr Aslett *Tabled*

Summer is just around the corner, visitor numbers will increase with events and the warmer weather.

### Northern Sport and Taihape Building - Cr Gordon *Tabled*

Proud of the people who have been involved in the Memorial Park process to date.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/267**                      **File Ref**

That the 'Portfolio Updates' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Aslett/Cr Ash. Carried

## **9 Administrative Matters – September 2019**

Mr Hodder spoke to the report and updated Council that there have been 17 submissions received for the district plan change, most were opposed to the change and queried the impact on local roads. Mr Hodder advised that analysis is being sought from the Property Group. Currently seeking legal advice on whether there is a need to extend for further public submissions. There will be an opportunity for submitters to have an informal chat before the hearings.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/268**                      **File Ref**                      **5-EX-4**

That the report 'Administrative Matters – September 2019' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received. Including supplementary report.

Cr Gordon/Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/269**                      **File Ref**

That the report 'Administrative Matters – September 2019 – supplementary' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Belsham. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/270**                      **File Ref**

That, subject to confirmation by all member councils, Manawatu-Wanganui Local Authority Shared Services Ltd ('MW LASS') be exempt for the purposes of section 6(4)(i) of the Local Government Act 2002 and thus not be a council-controlled organisation under that Act, and that this exemption applies up until and including the year ending 30 June 2022 or until member councils determine an earlier date when this exemption should no longer apply.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Belsham. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/271**                      **File Ref**

That for the 2019-22 triennium community committees be elected by residents on the most recent District electoral roll who live within the ward that the principal town that the community committee represents, and that people nominated and people nominating them must reside within that area.

Cr Belsham/Cr Sheridan. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/272**                      **File Ref**

That, those who are elected to a Community Committee, can be a member of only one Community Committee.

Cr Gordon/Cr Belsham. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/273**                      **File Ref**

That for the 2019-22 triennium the Santoft Domain Reserve Management Committee comprise between four and six members, elected by residents on the most recent District electoral roll who live within a 20 km radius of the Domain entrance, and that people nominated and people nominating them must reside within that area.

Cr Sheridan/Cr Dunn. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/274**                      **File Ref**

That the terms of reference for community committees and reserve management committees in the 2019-22 triennium clarifies that Council staff provide secretarial support on the basis that frequency of meetings being normally not more than every second month, and that the meetings start time are negotiated with Council and finish formally within two hours.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Sheridan. Carried

## **10 Top 10 projects – status, September 2019**

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/275**                      **File Ref**                      **5-EX-4**

That the memorandum 'Top 10 Projects – status, September 2019' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Aslett/Cr Rainey. Carried

## **11 Submission on proposed National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land**

The commentary was noted in the agenda.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/276**                      **File Ref**                      **3-OR-3-5**

That the draft submission on the proposed National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Rainey. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/277**                      **File Ref**                      **3-OR-3-5**

That the draft submission on the proposed National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land be reviewed at Council's meeting on 10 October 2019, taking into account comments from Elected Members provided to the Chief Executive before that date.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Rainey. Carried

## **12 Submission on Proposed priority products stewardship scheme guidelines**

The commentary was noted in the agenda.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/278**                      **File Ref**                      **3-OR-3-5**

That the draft submission on the proposed priority stewardship scheme guidelines be received.

Cr Ash/Cr Rainey. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/279**                      **File Ref**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised, on behalf of the Council, to sign the submission as amended to the Associate Minister for the Environment on the proposed priority products stewardship scheme guidelines.

Cr Ash/Cr Rainey. Carried

## **13 Deliberations on the proposed amendment to Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw 2013**

Mr Forster took the report as read.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/280**                      **File Ref**                      **1-DB-1-8**

That the report 'Deliberations on the Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw Amendment' be received.

Cr Gordon/Cr Dunn. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/281**                      **File Ref**                      **1-DB-1-8**

That the Amendment to Part 5 of the Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw so that 'No person shall graze any portion of the road reserve which is not directly adjacent to his or her property without the written permission of either the owner of the property adjacent to the road reserve which is proposed for grazing or an authorised owner of the Council (who will have regard for the adjoining owner's use and preferences for the area)' be adopted.

Cr Gordon/Cr Ash. Carried

## **14 TAB Venue Policy and Gambling Venue Policy**

Mr Forster took the report as read.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/282**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-1-5 (3-PY-1-26)**

That the engagement plan, statement of proposal, social impact assessment, submission form and draft Policies be received.

Cr Belsham/Cr Sheridan. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/283**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-1-5 (3-PY-1-26)**

That the draft Class 4 Gambling Policy is adopted without amendment for public consultation, in accordance with the engagement plan, statement of proposal, social impact assessment, submission form and draft Policies.

Cr Belsham/Cr Sheridan. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/284**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-1-5 (3-PY-1-26)**

That the TAB Venue Policy be adopted without amendment.

Cr Belsham/Cr Peke-Mason. Carried



## 15 Council Financial Contribution to the Marton Memorial Hall Playground Project

Ms Gower spoke to the report, updating Elected Members on the project. Funding is being requested to cover the costs to put in toilets at the new Marton Memorial Hall Playground. Boffa Miskell have designed the Playground to cater to up to 400 people, which would require at least three toilets.

Mitigating avenues would be to put in speed bumps or a crossing on the driveway to make the toilets safer to access for young children if the toilets were located in the Memorial Hall building rather than within the playground.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/285**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-4-1**

That the report 'Council Financial Contribution to the Marton Memorial Hall Playground Project' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Ash/Cr Wilson. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/286**                      **File Ref**

That Council agree to include through the 2020/2021 Annual Plan budget the sum of \$37,000 which includes a contingency of \$5,000 for the underground infrastructure of the Marton Memorial Hall Playground, through an increase to the storm water budget.

Cr Wilson/Cr Ash. Carried

### Motion

That Council agree to Option 4 within the grounds for the provision of public toilet facilities located at the redeveloped Marton Memorial Hall Playground.

And

That the funding for this work is sourced from 2020/2021 General Purpose Reserves Fund.

Cr Wilson/Cr Belsham. Lost  
4 for/6 against

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/287**                      **File Ref**

That the question of toilets for the new Marton memorial Hal playground comes back to Council with more information from staff on the options for toilets including upgrading the Marton Memorial Hall toilets.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Aslett. Carried

**Motion**

That Council resolve to contribute \$50,000 towards Marton Memorial Hall Playground play equipment from the 2020-2021 Parks Partnership Upgrade Fund.

Cr Belsham/Cr Sheridan.

**Amendment**

That Council resolve to contribute \$25,000 towards Marton Memorial Hall Playground play equipment from the 2020-2021 Parks Partnership Upgrade Fund.

Cr Rainey/Cr Gordon. Lost

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/288**                      **File Ref**

That Council resolve to contribute \$50,000 towards Marton Memorial Hall Playground play equipment from the 2020-2021 Parks Partnership Upgrade Fund.

Cr Belsham/Cr Sheridan. Carried  
Cr Rainey/Cr Gordon. Against

Meeting adjourned 3.14pm-3.32pm

**20 Public Excluded – Session 1**

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/289**                      **File Ref**

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

1. Property matters

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:

<b>General subject of the matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution</b>
Item 1 Property matters	To enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) – <i>section 7(2)(i)</i> .	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.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Gordon. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/290**                      **File Ref**

That the public excluded meeting move into an open meeting.

Cr Aslett/Cr Rainey. Carried

Moved into a public meeting 3.55pm.

## 16 Marton Play Trail Concept

Ms Gower spoke to the report.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/291**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That the report 'Marton Play Trail Concept' to the 26 September 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Peke-Mason/Cr Dunn. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/292**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That That Council approve of the Marton Development Group Play Trail sub-committee leading the Marton Play Trail project linking play spaces and parks in Marton with consideration to signage, street art and paint markings and continued community engagement.

and

That the Marton Development Group Play Trail sub-committee include at least one council staff representative and one elected member representative.

Cr Sheridan/Cr Rainey. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/293**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That Council endorses following approval of Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa, that the Marton Play Trail be named after Tutaeporoporo.

Cr Ash/Cr Sheridan. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/294**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That Council approve that ownership and responsibility for maintenance of the Marton Play Trail Signs be that of council

Cr Wilson/Cr Ash. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/295**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That Council approve an additional \$3,000 to the Parks and Reserves budget for the maintenance of Marton Play Trail Signs through the 2020/21 Annual Plan.

Cr Belsham/Cr Gordon. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/296**                      **File Ref**                      **6-RF-3**

That Council agrees that Marton Play Trail Signs, street art, games and paint-markings on council pathways require approval through Council resolution or delegation.

Cr Wilson/Cr Rainey. Carried

## 17 Minutes and recommendations from Committees

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/297**                      **File Ref**

That the following minutes be received:

- Hunterville Rural Water Scheme, 29 July 2019
- Finance/Performance Committee, 29 August 2019
- Santoft Domain Management Committee, 11 September 2019
- Assets/Infrastructure Committee, 12 September 2019
- Policy/Planning Committee, 12 September 2019
- Youth Council, 17 September 2019 – *to be tabled*

Cr Peke-Mason/Cr Dunn. Carried

That the following recommendations from the Santoft Domain Management Committee meeting held on 11 September 2019:

**~~19/SDMC/026~~**

~~That the Santoft Domain Management Committee recommend to Council that the Santoft Domain Management Committee be made up to a maximum of eight members~~

~~for the 2019-2022 triennium, plus two Elected Members from the Southern Ward and the Mayor (ex officio) as this is coming into a busy period.~~

This was dealt with in item 9.

~~**19/SDMC/027**~~

~~That the Santoft Domain Management Committee recommends to Council that those seeking election for the Santoft Domain Management Committee live within a 20km radius of the Domain entrance.~~

This was dealt with in item 9.

**Resolved minute number                      19/RDC/298                      File Ref**

That the following recommendation from the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 12 September 2019:

**19/AIN/056**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council look to fast-track the development staging outlined in the Boffa Miskell 'Tutaenui Reservoir 20-year Management Plan' as the basis for providing public access to the area, noting that in the meantime, access will be limited to authorised groups and individuals assisting in the development.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Ash. Carried

That the following recommendations from the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 September 2019:

**19/PPL/092**

~~That the Policy/Planning Committee recommend to Council that the draft TAB Venue Policy, draft Gambling Venue Policy (Class 4), Statement of Proposal and supporting information are released for public consultation~~

This was dealt with in item 14.

<b>Resolved minute number</b>	<b>19/RDC/299</b>	<b>File Ref</b>
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That the following recommendations from the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 September 2019:

**19/PPL/094**

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the policies on reducing or waiving fees – use of Council facilities and internal consenting costs be amended by adding additional hall charge for small rooms by 1/3 of the supper room charge.

Cr Gordon/Cr Aslett. Carried

## **18 Late items**

Cr Platt requested that his late items be accepted as tabled documents and that they be uploaded to the Council website:

**letter Re Haylock Park from Brice Tamblyn**

**Results from Haylock Park Survey**

**Objection to the proposed sale of Haylock Park letter from Franks Ogilvie Commercial & Public Law**

His Worship the Mayor accepted the late items to be tabled.

Cr Platt updated Elected Members that the results from the Haylock Park Survey are now available, the results were:

- 376 votes to retain the park
- 19 opted to develop/sell the park
- 13 votes were considered invalid

Cr Platt advised that legal advice had been sought in regards to the sale of Haylock Park, which takes a contrary view to previous advice from Council.

It was discussed that there is conflicting information and that facts need to be confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor apologised if he provided incorrect advice and noted the concerns of Cr Platt. He advised that legal advice is being obtained on Council's behalf in regards to the sale of Haylock Park, including advice received, the process taken and the overall decision.

## **19 Future Items for the Agenda**

None

## 21 Public Excluded – Session 2

Moved into Public excluded meeting 4.30pm.

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/300**                      **File Ref**

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

2.        Property matters
3.        Award of contract C1109 Taihape Raw Water Falling Main Stage 5

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:

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Item 2 Award of contract C1109 Taihape Raw Water Falling Main Stage 5	To enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) – <i>section 7(2)(i)</i> .	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.

Cr Gordon/Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

**19/RDC/301**

**19/RDC/302**

**19/RDC/303**

**19/RDC/304**

**19/RDC/305**

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/306**                      **File Ref**

That the public excluded meeting move into an open meeting.

Cr Dunn/Cr Gordon. Carried

Moved into a public meeting 5.03pm

**Resolved minute number**                      **19/RDC/307**                      **File Ref**

That the following recommendation from Public Excluded be confirmed:

**19/RDC/303**

That the Council awards Contract C1109 to I D Loader Ltd. for \$700,723.58 excl. GST

Cr Wilson/Cr Belsham. Carried

**22 Next Meeting**

Thursday 10 October 2019, 1.00 pm

*This will be the final meeting of the 2016-2019 triennium.*

**23 Meeting Closed**

5.05 pm

**Confirmed/Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date: