

MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting Monday, 12 April 2021

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MINUTES OF RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL, 46 HIGH STREET, MARTON ON MONDAY, 12 APRIL 2021 AT 11.00 AM

Present: Cr Nigel Belsham, Cr Brian Carter, Cr Gill Duncan, Cr Angus Gordon, Cr Richard

Lambert (via Zoom), Cr Waru Panapa, Cr Coral Raukawa (via Zoom), Cr Dave

Wilson (via Zoom), His Worship the Mayor Andy Watson (via Zoom)

In Attendance: Mr Peter Beggs, Chief Executive

Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Gaylene Prince, Group Manager – Community Services
Mr Anro Benadie, Group Manager – Assets and Infrastructure
Mrs Carol Gordon, Group Manager – Democracy and Planning

Mrs Sharon Grant, Group Manager – People and Culture

Mr George Forster, Policy Advisor

Mr Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

Mr Chris Webby, Audit NZ

1 Welcome

Cr Nigel Belsham welcomed everyone to the meeting, noting that due to a commitment at Horizons Regional Council His Worship the Mayor was attending via Zoom. The meeting opened at 11.02am. Cr Duncan read the Council prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/044

That the apologies from Cr Ash, Cr Dalgety and Cr Hiroa be received.

Cr Carter/Cr Panapa. Carried

3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

4 Confirmation of Order Of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

5 Adoption of Documents Supporting the Consultation Document for the 2021-31 Long Term Plan & Simultaneous Consultation

Mrs Gordon said the purpose of this item was for Council to adopt the supporting information that was part of the draft Long Term Plan consultation process.

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/045

That the report 'Adoption of Documents Supporting the Consultation Document for the 2021-31 Long Term Plan & Simultaneous Consultation' be received.

Cr Gordon/Cr Carter. Carried

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/046

That the supporting documents including:

- Council's example properties rating impacts
- Regional Spatial Plan
- Draft LTP 2021 2031 (including the Infrastructure & Financial Strategy)
- Report on Taihape Grandstand
- Economic Development Strategy
- Strategic Vision 2050
- Housing Strategy (summary and background document)
- Treasury Management Policy
- Roading Asset Management Plan & Roading Programme Business Case 2021-2041
- Three Waters Asset Management Plan
- Community and Leisure Asset Management Plan

be adopted in accordance with section 93G of the Local Government Act 202 and be made available to the public as Supporting Information for Council's 2021-2031 Long Term Plan Consultation Document.

HWTM/Cr Duncan. Carried

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/047

That Council adopts for consultation simultaneously with Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-31 the following:

- Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2021/22;
- Draft Significance and Engagement Policy 2021; and
- Draft Revenue and Financing Policy 2021.

Cr Carter/Cr Panapa. Carried

6 Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2021-31 Consultation Document

Mrs Gordon said the purpose of this item was to present, for formal adoption, the Consultation Document for Council's draft Long Term Plan and advised there had been some minor tweaks and additions from the version previously seen by elected members.

Mr Webby (Audit NZ) was in attendance for this meeting and presented the Audit opinion on the Consultation document, he noted four Emphasis of Matter points:

- 1) Uncertainty over the Three Waters reform.
- 2) Uncertainty of the water forecast.
- 3) Uncertainty of capital works delivery, mostly due to the performance of past years where there was quite a lot of variance in delivery. There are significant projects coming up in the Long Term Plan, so Audit NZ are referring readers to the 227m there are some risks, but there are also steps in place to mitigate these.
- 4) Cost savings.

Elected members asked for clarity around Audit NZ's role in this document. Mr Webby explained that the current Audit NZ opinion for this document is just for the consultation process. Once the consultation process for the Long Term Plan has been completed, Audit NZ will look at any changes to the draft LTP and issue another audit opinion, based on the significance and changes.

During discussion on this item, elected members noted their appreciation for the work that had been done by everyone in preparing this Consultation Document.

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/048

That Report 'Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2021-31 Consultation Document' be received.

Cr Carter/Cr Duncan. Carried

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/049

That the Rangitīkei District Council adopts the Long Term Plan 2021-31 Consultation Document (subject to minor editorial changes and the inclusion of the Audit opinion) for public consultation.

HWTM/Cr Panapa. Carried

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/050

That Council resolves that for the Rangitikei 2021-31 Long Term Plan it is financially prudent to set projected operating expenses at a different level than that required by section 100(1) of the Local Government Act 2002, having had regard to the four factors specified in section 100(2) of that Act.

Cr Gordon/Cr Carter. Carried

Resolved minute number

21/RDC/051

That Council notes that, now we have adopted the consultation documents and supporting documents, we extend our appreciation to the Chief Executive and his team, and in particular to Mrs Carol Gordon, Mr Dave Tombs, Mr Arno Benadie, and Audit NZ.

HWTM/Cr Belsham. Carried

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There were no late items.

8 Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on Thursday 29 April 2021, 1.00 pm.

9 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 11.32 am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirme	d at the Ordinary	Council Mee	eting held o	n 27 Ma
2021.				

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