

0.0 Appointment of Chief Executive**Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor****1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 This report is provided to enable Council to formally appoint a Chief Executive as required under Section 42 of the Local Government Act.

2. Context

- 2.1 Following the resignation of Mr Peter Beggs in May 2023 from the role of Rangitikei District Council Chief Executive, Council undertook a recruitment process for a new Chief Executive.
- 2.2 An appointment panel, made up of all Elected Members, one business representative and one iwi representative, was established to undertake the recruitment.
- 2.3 The Council has met the requirements under the Local Government Act and is now in a position to make an appointment to the role and recommends that Mr Kevin Ross be appointed as Council's Chief Executive, subject to signing of an employment contract.

3. Statutory Implications

- 3.1 The Local Government Act 2002 requires that following a vacancy for the role of Chief Executive, Council must undertake a recruitment process to fill that vacancy.

Recommendation

That Mr Kevin Ross be appointed as Chief Executive, effective from 30 November 2023, for a period of up to two years.