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RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL
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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 25 June 2026**
Time:	**10.00am**
Venue:	**Council Chamber Rangitīkei District Council 46 High Street Marton**

Present	HWTM Andy Watson Cr Dave Wilson Cr Coral Raukawa Cr Jeff Wong Cr Fi Dalgety Cr Alan Buckendahl Cr Diana Baird Cr John Hainsworth Cr Sandra Field Cr Graeme O'Fee
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 Mr Darryn Black, Roading Transport Manager Ms Tiffany Gower, Strategy Manager Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships Ms Jacinta Straker, Horowhenua District Council – Central Districts Water Mr Chris Dyberg, Executive Director WSCCO Establishment Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting opened at 10.00am and Cr Dalgety read the Council prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/131

That the apologies from Cr Sharland and Cr Hiroa be received.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Reports for Decision

6.1 Adoption of the Annual Plan 2026/27, amended Revenue and Finance Policy and Rates Remission Policy

Tabled document provided on the CAPEX changes for the Annual Plan 2026/27, noting that these changes have no additional expenditure.

It was noted in response to questions raised that overhead allocation changes impacted the community board charges.

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/132

That the report 'Adoption of the Annual Plan 2026/27, amended Revenue and Finance Policy and Rates Remission Policy' be received.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/133

That Council considers it prudent to adopt a budget that is not balanced in 2026/27 on the basis that it is financially prudent to do so and achieves a sustainable balanced budget in accordance with section 100 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/134

That Council adopts the Annual Plan 2026/27 and gives the Chief Executive authority to make minor editorial and formatting changes to the document prior to publication.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/135

That Council adopts the Revenue and Finance Policy without amendment and that Council gives the Chief Executive authority to make minor editorial changes.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr S Field. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/136

That Council adopts the Rates Remission Policy without amendment and that Council gives the Chief Executive authority to make minor editorial changes.

Cr D Wilson/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

6.2 Setting of the 2026/27 Rates for the Financial Year 01 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

It was noted that these rates form part of the overall Annual Plan and have been set for the 2026/27 financial year. The situation for a couple of roads in Taihape and their water supply was discussed, with the approach being formalised.

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/137

That the Rangitīkei District Council, resolves under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, sets the rates listed in bullet point 2 (2(a) to 2(m)) above for the 2026/2027 financial year, being the period 01 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

Cr D Wilson/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/138

That the Rangitīkei District Council resolves that the rates listed in bullet point 2 (2(a) to 2(m)) above be due in four equal instalments, as set out in bullet point 3 above.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/139

That the Rangitīkei District Council resolves to apply the penalties on these unpaid rates, as set out bullet point 4 (4.1-4.3 inclusive) above.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/140

That the Rangitīkei District Council, under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, sets the Water Rates listed in bullet point 5 (5(a) to 5(h)) above.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/141

That the Rangitīkei District Council resolves that due dates for the water rates listed in bullet point 5 (5(a) to 5(h)) above be set out in bullet point 6 (6.1 to 6.6) tables.

Cr G O'Fee/Cr S Field. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/142

That the Rangitīkei District Council resolves to apply penalties on unpaid metered or extraordinary rates for water for Hunterville Urban Water Supply, Marton Water Supply, Ratana Water Supply, Bulls Water Supply, Mangaweka Water Supply and Taihape Water Supply and ANZCO (Bulls – being the water meter site) listed in Bullet Point 5 (5(a) to 5(g), as set out in bullet points 7 (7.1 to 7.2) above.

Cr J Wong/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/143

That the Rangitīkei District Council resolves to apply the penalties on unpaid Hunterville Rural and Rural Urban Water Supply, as set out bullet point 7.2 above.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

6.3 Deed of Support for Central Districts Water

it was noted that the Central Districts Water funding arrangement is based on a long-term percentage share, with Rangitīkei District Council holding a 9% liability, representing a relatively smaller share of the overall risk. It was noted that this liability will be disclosed in the Annual Report.

It was confirmed that the Delegations Policy will be brought to the next Board meeting for consideration.

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/144

That the report Deed of Support for Central Districts Water be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/145

That Council agrees to enter into the Deed of Support (current draft for discussion attached as Appendix 1) for CDW for the purpose of enabling CDW to obtain independent funding during the establishment period from 1 July 2026.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/146

That Council delegates authority to agree and approve the final version of the Deed of Support to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr S Field. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/147

That Council approves the execution of the Deed of Support on behalf of the Council by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety.

Cr G O'Fee/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/148

That Council agrees to enter into the LGFA documentation including the accession deeds to the LGFA Multi-Issuer Deed and Notes Subscription Agreement for CDW (Accession Deeds), security stock certificates in relation to the LGFA Guarantee and such other documentation as required for Council to support CDW joining LGFA and acceding to the Multi-Issuer Deed and Notes Subscription Agreement (Ancillary Documents).

Cr D Wilson/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/149

That Council delegates authority to agree and approve the final versions of the Accession Deeds and Ancillary Documents to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/150

That Council approves the execution of the Accession Deeds and Ancillary Documents, on behalf of the Council by:

in the case of deeds, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety ; and

in the case of any other document, the Mayor and, and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety or the Chief Executive.

Cr D Baird/Cr S Field. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/151

That Council agrees to enter into the documentation as required for Council to support CDW's entry into any establishment funding arrangements with CDW's transactional bank (Bank Documents).

Cr D Baird/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/152

That Council delegates authority to agree and approve the final versions of the Bank Documents to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr D Baird. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/153

That Council approves the execution of the Bank Documents, on behalf of the Council by:

a. In the case of deeds, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety ; and

b. In the case of any other documents, the Mayor and, and Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson and as alternate Cr Dalgety or the Chief Executive.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/154

That Council provide all shareholder approvals required to approve all actions taken by CDW in connection with the establishment funding and entry by CDW into the required documents and transactions in relation to the establishment funding.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/155

That Council note that the CDW debt funding of up to $20m will be in the form of a short-term line of credit from LGFA, which has recently approved CDW becoming an approved borrower from LGFA, and the newly approved transactional bank for CDW.

HWTM/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/156

That Council note that the independent debt lines will be used to fund the establishment budget of $10.547m approved in the Water Services Delivery Plan (WSDP), which includes $6.3m for the digital programme and any other additional costs that were not anticipated as part of the preparation of the WSDP, which will require CDW Chief Executive and Board approval and will be monitored by the Shareholding Councils through the Shareholders' Committee.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Baird. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/157

That Council note that in addition to the establishment programme budget, the independent CDW debt line will be used to fund CDW operational costs incurred prior to 1 July 2027, which will require CDW Chief Executive and Board approval and will be monitored by the shareholding Councils through the Shareholders' Committee.

Cr D Wilson/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/158

That Council note that a portion of the line of credit funding will also be used to ensure that CDW has sufficient cash or available funding facilities to meet its financial obligations as they fall due during the establishment phase and early years of operation.

HWTM/Cr D Wilson. Carried

7 Public Excluded

The meeting went into public excluded session at 11.18am

Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/159

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

1 Marton Emergency Operations Centre

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
7.1 - Marton Emergency Operations Centre	To enable commercially sensitive information to be discussed without impacting any negotiations and privacy s7(2)(h) - Commercial Activities s7(2)(i) - Negotiations	s48(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 D Wilson/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

8 Open Meeting

The meeting went into open session at 11.50am

Resolved minute number 26/RDC/160

That the public excluded meeting move into an open meeting, and the below recommendations be confirmed in the open meeting:

26/RDC/161 - 26/RDC/163

Cr D Baird/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.50am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 30 July 2026.

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Chairperson