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COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Date: 20 August 2026
Time: 9.30am
Venue: 46 High Street
Council Chambers
Marton

Present	Cr Diana Baird Cr Alan Buckendahl Cr Fi Dalgety Cr Sandra Field Cr John Hainsworth Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa Cr Graeme O'Fee Cr Coral Raukawa Cr Dave Wilson Cr Jeff Wong (Zoom)
Apology	Cr Paul Sharland Cr Coral Raukawa HWTM Andy Watson (for lateness while on Council business, attendance from 1.30pm)
In attendance	Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Ms Tiffany Gower, Strategy Manager Ms Janna Harris, Corporate Planner Ms Kezia Spence, Policy Analyst Brent Manning, Transition Manager Michael Hodder, Advisor to the Chief Executive Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships Graeme Pointon, Legal Advisor Calum Wilbur, Financial Accountant Paul Carlsson, Asset Manger Gwylim van Hoffen, Contractor

1. Welcome

1.1 The workshop commenced at 9.30am with Cr Wilson reading the Council prayer.

2. Long Term Plan

Strategic framework

2.1 A presentation was provided on the refresh of the strategic framework. It was proposed that the four new community outcomes were used as the base for Council's strategic framework and that at this stage strategic priorities are not identified. Elected members were generally supportive of the proposed approach.

Non-financial significant forecasting assumptions

2.2 A presentation was provided on the non-financial significant forecasting assumptions including population and climate change. There was discussion about the impacts of demographic changes and initial discussion about the high population scenario being a good base. The climate change scenario will be considered and revisited at a later date.

Finance introduction

2.3 A presentation was provided with an overview of key financial matters for this long term plan. Elected members supported further investigation into differentials for the general rate, increasing the forestry differential, moving civil defence to a uniform annual charge, a differential for renewable energy generation and further consideration of a resilience fund.

Break 12.30pm – 1.02pm

3. Central Districts Water – Transfer Agreement

That the public were excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this workshop.

1 Central Districts Water – Transfer Agreement

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
Central Districts Water – Transfer Agreement	To consider commercial activities relating to the Transfer of assets to Central Districts Water Reason: s7(2)(h) and s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to	s48(1)(a)(i)

	carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities or to carry out negotiations.	
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This decision 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.

The workshop closed at 2.29pm.