

ORDER PAPER

EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 2 September 2025

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Chair: Mr Jock Stratton

Membership: Mr Peter Batley
Mr Geoff Duncan
Mr Barry Thomas
Mr Simon Plimmer
Mr Paul McLaren
Mr Benjamin Mallalieu
Mr Steven Stoney (Aorangi Awarua Trust Representative)
Cr Greg Maughan
Cr Jeff Wong (Alternative)
HWTM Andy Watson

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Notice is hereby given that a Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Kokako Street Pavilion, 2 Kokako Street, Taihape on Tuesday, 2 September 2025 at 4.00pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

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4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are 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, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 3 June 2025** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting - 3 June 2025**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 3 June 2025 **[as amended/without amendment]** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

ITEM 6.1
MINUTES



ATTACHMENT 1

**UNCONFIRMED: EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY
MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, 3 June 2025
Time: 4.00pm
Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Present

- Mr Jock Stratton
- Mr Peter Batley
- Mr Geoff Duncan
- Mr Barry Thomas
- Mr Simon Plimmer
- Mr Paul McLaren
- Mr Benjamin Mallalieu
- Mr Steven Stoney (Aorangi Awarua Trust Representative)
- HWTM Andy Watson
- Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance

- Mr Dene Smith
- Cr Gill Duncan
- Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
- Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager Corporate Services
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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Unconfirmed

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - June 2025

There was no Chair's report.

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Operations Report – June

The committee moved to this item after item 8.2 Erewhon RWS - 2024/25 YTD Financial Summary.

Scheme Project Options

Mr van Bussell spoke about the importance of a condition inspection with the scheme. The committee noted this and agreed this can be undertaken up to the cost of \$15,000.

Pipe Renewals

The committee discussed the locations and the difficulties with the area.

Scheme Intake Flow Data

Mr van Bussell will bring a report to the next meeting on the monitoring of the flow data and if there is a better system for this.

Mr van Bussell undertook to speak with Horizons about the take for the scheme and Juliet Chambers from Traverse Environmental to understand this better and bring options back to the committee.

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/012

That the Operations Report – June be received.

Mr G Duncan/Mr B Thomas. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/013

That Mr van Bussell undertake a condition inspection up to the cost of \$15,000.

Mr P McLaren/Mr B Thomas. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/014

That the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme committee direct Mr van Bussell to prepare tendering for Kelly Pipeline and engage a structural engineer condition on river crossing bridge.

Mr S Plimmer/Mr P McLaren. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/015

That the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme committee confirm the day hire at the cost of \$200 Denne Smith side by side.

Mr B Thomas/Mr P McLaren. Carried

8.2 Erewhon RWS - 2024/25 YTD Financial Summary

The committee moved to this item after the Chair's Report.

Ms Macdonald introduced the report noting that there are no substantial changes since the previous meeting.

Ms Macdonald undertook to confirm if there were any outstanding debts from the scheme and to report back on this.

Mr van Bussell noted that there are invoices to be paid before the end of the financial year.

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/016

That the report 'ERWS Financial Summary - April 2025' be received and approved.

Mr P McLaren/Mr S Plimmer. Carried

9 Discussion Items

9.1 Local Water Done Well

The Mayor provided an update to the Committee that Council has a preferred position of a regional CCO. Council also resolved to keep the rural water schemes separate from these entities and officers continue to work through the implications of this.

10 Public Excluded

The meeting went into public excluded session 5.01pm

Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/017

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

- 1 Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting - 4 March 2025
- 2 Contractor Update

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
10.1 - Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting - 4 March 2025	To confirm the public excluded minutes at the 04 March meeting.	S48(1)(a)
10.2 - Contractor Update	To receive an update from the contractor on work, this report includes financial figures within the contract. s7(2)(h) - Commercial Activities	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.

Mr P McLaren/Mr B Thomas. Carried

The meeting closed at 5.20pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 2 September 2025.

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Chairperson

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply Meetings

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for follow up, and a brief status comment.

Attachments:

1. Follow-up Actions Register [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply Meetings' be received.

Current Follow-up Actions

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	3-Jun-25	If there is funding available as part of the consent process	Kezia	There is are no funding options available at this stage	Closed.
2	3-Jun-25	Update on flow data for the scheme	AVB	No update at this stage	In progress

ITEM 8.1

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - September 2025

Author: Jock Stratton, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The Chair may provide a verbal report at the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – September 2025 be received.

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Erewhon RWS - 2024/25 Full Year Financial Summary

Author: Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships

Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This Report provides the draft Operating Statement for the period ended 30 June 2025 (which is subject to audit).

2. Commentary

- 2.1 This shows:
 - 2.1.1 Operating Cash Surplus for the full year of \$196k
 - 2.1.2 Capital Expenditure for the full year of \$5k
 - 2.1.3 Notional Cash Reserves of \$204k as at 30 June 2025
 - 2.1.4 Final confirmed 25/26 full year budget is shown on the attached report

3. Discussion and Options Considered

- 3.1 Nil as for information only.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The 24/25 full year operating surplus is in line with budget expectations. With the Capital budget being well under-spent for the financial year, this has contributed to the significant cash surplus of \$204K for the full year.

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 5.1 Nil, considered as part of the Long-term Planning.

6. Strategic Alignment

- 6.1 Nil, considered as part of the Long-term Planning.

7. Mana Whenua Implications

- 7.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

- 8.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

9. Statutory Implications

- 9.1 Nil.

10. Conclusion

- 10.1 Monthly report attached for consideration

ITEM 9.1

Attachments:

1. ERWS Financial Summary - June 2025 [↓](#)

Recommendation 1

That the report 'Erewhon RWS - 2024/25 Financial Summary' be received and approved.

**Erewhon Rural Water Scheme
Operating Statement
Full Year - June 2025**

	Jun-25		2023/24	2025/26
	FY Actual	FY Budget	Actual	Budget
OPERATING INCOME				
Metered Charges	324,393	324,388	324,393	324,388
Interest	522	0		0
RDC Grant for asset replacement	0	0	0	50,000
	324,915	324,388	324,393	374,388
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Contractors and Prof Services	89,616	96,154	66,948	98,271
Professional Services MDC	0	6,087	10,630	0
Rates	8,310		6,664	9,064
Erewhon Waterboard Lease	11,907	7,455	0	7,623
Resource Consents	0	1,489	0	1,524
Telephone Costs	658	641	695	756
Materials	0	704	5,388	720
Insurance	18,517	17,590	16,200	20,696
Finance Costs	0	4,274	4,634	3,938
	129,008	134,394	111,159	142,592
Depreciation	160,837	159,124	155,330	175,079
Internal Charges	99,733	101,872	93,693	0
Accounting Surplus/(Deficit)	(64,663)	(71,002)	(35,789)	56,717
Add back				
Depreciation	160,837	159,124	155,330	175,079
Internal Charges	99,733	101,872	93,693	0
Operating Cash Surplus / (Deficit)	195,907	189,994	213,234	231,796
Capital Expenditure	5,412	378,100	177,651	177,651
Available Finance				
Funding Surplus / (Deficit) b/f	13,932	13,932	(21,651)	204,427
Operating Cash Surplus / (Deficit)	195,907	189,994	213,234	231,796
Capital Expenditure	(5,412)	(378,100)	(177,651)	(396,267)
Funding Surplus/(Deficit) c/f	204,427	(174,174)	13,932	39,956
Book Value of Fixed Assets				
As at 1 July	4,520,241	4,520,241	4,497,920	5,404,261
Additions	5,412	378,100	177,651	396,267
Depreciation	(160,837)	(159,124)	(155,330)	(175,079)
Revaluations	1,039,445	0	0	0
Current	5,404,261	4,739,217	4,520,241	5,625,449

ITEM 9.1 ATTACHMENT 1

9.2 Operations Report - August

Author: Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist

ITEM 9.2

1. Reason for Report

1.1 This report provides updates to the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme

2. Operations and maintenance on scheme

2.1 Carried out routine monthly checks.

2.2 Carried out four monthly checks.

2.3 Carried out routine running sluice valves.

2.4 Installed tapping band to check pressures on Mangohane line.

2.5 Unblocked marc on H Alexandra block.

2.6 Repaired leak on the Hanna Block.

3. Project Update

3.1 Carried out complying estimates for future major pipe replacement projects for Central Government Rural Infrastructure Fund application. AgFirst will be taking a lead in submitting application.

3.2 We have selected an Engineer to carry out bridge inspection Denne Smith will assist Engineer when required.

3.3 Signed off costing for stage one of reconsenting work required for application of the water take for the Scheme. AgFirst are taking the lead in this work in conjunction with Traverse.

3.4 The two small pipe replacement projects programmed this year, Peter Sharpe has been engaged to supply tender documents for pair review and then assist with the tender process. Denne Smith will help where required.

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Recommendation

That the Operations Report – August be received.

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