



# Rangitikei District Council

## Finance/Performance Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 1 October 2015 – 9:30 a.m.

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**Present:** His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson  
Cr Cath Ash  
Cr Nigel Belsham  
Cr Dean McManaway  
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason  
Cr Ruth Rainey

**In attendance:** Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive  
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager  
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager  
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager  
Mrs Priscilla Jeffrey, Governance Administrator

**Tabled Items:** **Item 6:** Chair's report  
**Item 10:** Financial Report August 2015 Draft

## 1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Council Prayer

Cr Ash read the Council prayer.

## 3 Apologies/leave of absence

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/064**                      **File Ref**

That apologies for absence from Cr Harris and Cr McNeil, and Cr Sheridan for lateness be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Ash. Carried

## 4 Confirmation of order of business

His Worship the Mayor advised that item 7 would be considered after item 10 on the Order Paper.

## 5 Confirmation of Minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/065**                      **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 27 August 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Ash / Cr Belsham. Carried

## 6 Chair's report

Consideration was given to the Chair's tabled report.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/066**                      **File Ref**                      **3-CT-14-1**

That the Chair's report to the Finance/Performance Committee meeting on 1 October 2015 be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

## **7 Queries from previous meeting**

At its last meeting, the Committee asked that funding promotional display materials and the MarketView Event reports be funded outside the budgets set aside for grants under the Events Sponsorship Scheme. The two services were different, and so they would be allocated against two different budgets.

The promotional display materials would be funded from District promotions and development – Pathway theme groups (4020069901); the MarketView Event reports would be funded from Statutory reporting – monitoring of community outcomes (9250058103).

## **8 First year impact from implementing E-road**

Mr McIrvine made a presentation on the implementation of E-road, demonstrating its various reporting functions which, in association with Fleetwise, were useful in terms of driver safety and ensuring effective use of vehicles.

Cr Lynne Sheridan entered the meeting at 9.50am

Cr McManaway left the meeting at 9.58am/9.59am

He advised that the cost for the installation of E-road was \$100 per vehicle with ongoing costs. The Council was looking to install e-pod for drivers who were working remotely as an additional safety measure.

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting at 10.16am/10.18am

Mr McIrvine advised that no managers other than the Chief Executive had full private use of Council vehicles. He also advised that at this point there were no utes in the pool. Considerations were being given to having a utility vehicle on call or hire locally if required.

The Chief Executive noted that the information now available for the fleet would be useful in determining the vehicle needs of the proposed infrastructure Council Controlled Organisation.

## **9 Scope for District promotion strategy 2015/16**

Ms Servante spoke to her report.

Cr Ash left the meeting at 10.49am

The main points raised during discussion were:

- the use of the Marton Library as an information centre was part of the library strategic plan;
- the cost of distributing printed promotional material was high and targeting information centres in neighbouring districts seemed to deliver the most value (based on the number of requests for replacement stocks);

- it was better to promote cross-regional activities for New Zealand as a whole was a more promising approach than trying to compete.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/067**                      **File Ref**                      **4-ED-1**

That the report 'Scope for District promotion strategy 2015/16' be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Ash. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/068**                      **File Ref**                      **4-ED-1**

That the Finance/Performance Committee agrees the focus for the additional resource provided to implement the District Promotion Strategy 2015/16 without amendment to be collaborative, cross-regional promotional activities, aligned to the Manawatu-Whanganui Growth Study.

Cr Rainey / Cr Belsham. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/069**                      **File Ref**                      **4-ED-1**

That District promotion activity be monitored through retail spending (MarketView data) and accommodation/visitor nights, as outlined in the report the District Promotion Strategy 2015/16 without amendment and reported upon at 6 and 12 months to the Committee.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/070**                      **File Ref**                      **4-ED-1**

That a further report outlining the detail of proposed collaborative, cross-regional promotional activities be prepared for the Finance/Performance Committee's meeting in November 2015.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Belsham. Carried

## **10 Financial Results for July and August 2015**

Consideration was given to a draft tabled report.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/FPE/071**                      **File Ref**                      **5-FR-4-1**

That the report 'Financial Results for July and August 2015 be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Belsham. Carried

**11 Late Items**

Nil

**12 Future items for the agenda**

Nil

**13 Next meeting**

29 October 2015, 9.30am

**14 Meeting closed – 11.00 am**

Confirmed/Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: