



Rangitikei District Council

Finance/Performance Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 29 October 2015 – 9:30 a.m.

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The quorum for the Finance/Performance Committee is 5.

At its meeting of 28 October 2010, Council resolved that “The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Dean McManaway
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Tim Harris
Cr Rebecca McNeil
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Lynne Sheridan

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Mr Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager

2 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3 Council Prayer

Cr Belsham read the Council prayer.

4 Apologies/leave of absence

There were no apologies.

5 Confirmation of agenda

The Chair confirmed there was no change to the Order of Business. However, there were two further matters which he wished to raise under Late items, in both cases to gauge the Committee's view.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **15/FPE/ 072** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Finance and Performance Committee meeting held on 1 October 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Rainey / Cr Ash. Carried.

7 Chair's report

The Chair spoke to his tabled report, noting that the New Zealand Transport Agency Board would meet on 30 October 2015 to determine the level of emergency Funding Assistance Rate to apply to Rangitikei, Wanganui and South Taranaki District Councils.

Members supported the request for an update on progress with dealing with properties with rates arrears and for a formal recommendation on the costs for the CCO investigation.

Resolved minute number **15/FPE/073** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the Finance/Performance Committee meeting on 29 October 2015 be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried.

8 Financial Results for 1 July – 30 September 2015

Mr McIrvine spoke to his report, noting that the costs for repairing the damaged road network from the June rainfall event would fall (roughly) two thirds in 2015/16 and one third in 2016/17. An insurance claim was pending for the damaged hockey turf at Centennial Park once the reinstatement costs had been determined. Once that detail was known, Mr McIrvine would inform the Mayor.

Resolved minute number **15/FPE/074** **File Ref**

That the report 'Financial Results for 1 July – 30 September 2015' be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Belsham. Carried.

9 Queries from previous meeting

Mr McIrvine noted that he had done further analysis on the finances of the Omatane Rural Water Supply Scheme.

10 Statement of Service Performance for 1 July – 30 September 2015

Mr Hodder spoke to his report, noting that some mandatory measures could not be reported on because the requested system upgrades had not been made. Mr McIrvine noted that the NCS/MagiQ Users Group had raised and would continue to raise the issue with the software supplier. The Committee supported continuing that and having a letter sent to the Department of Internal Affairs on the matter (since under the Local Government Act this department had the responsibility for developing and promulgating the mandatory measures).

Resolved minute number **15/FPE/ 075** **File Ref**

That the report 'Statement of Service Performance for 1 July – 30 September 2015' be received.

Cr Ash / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried.

11 Proposed disposal of land (including Santoft Domain)

The Chief Executive informed the Committee that a proposal would be provided to the next meeting.

12 Late items

Funding grant towards the Marton Christmas Parade

The Marton Jaycees had approach the Mayor for funding assistance. They had had Council support before, most recently in 2014 through the Community Initiatives Fund. The

Committee agreed that a late application (to the Events Sponsorship Scheme) would be accepted and considered along with others at its meeting next month.

Council had previously decided to meet the cost of road closures (and advertising of these) for such events.

Discretionary fund for the Mayor

His Worship the Mayor wondered whether such a fund would be useful for the community. Some councils had this and some did not.

13 Future items for the agenda

Proposed discretionary fund for the Mayor

14 Next meeting

26 November 2015, 9.30 am

15 Meeting closed

10.35 am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: