



Rangitikei District Council

Finance and Performance Committee Meeting

Agenda – Thursday 28 June 2018 – 9:30 AM

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Committee The quorum for the Finance and Performance Committee is 4

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

1 Welcome

2 Council Prayer

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

4 Members' Conflict of Interest

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, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

6 Chair's Report

A report is to be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-CT-14-1

Recommendation:

That the Chair's Report to the Finance/Performance Committee meeting on 28 June 2018 be received.

7 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held 31 May 2018 are attached.

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 31 May 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

8 Progress with strategic issues

Advocacy by His Worship the Mayor (including Ministerial discussions) has continued for unlocking the Māori land-locked land in the north of the District.

The Hunterville/Tutaenui rural water pre-feasibility study is complete.

Progress continues with the proposed new civic/community centres in Bulls and Marton.

Consideration was given by the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 13 July 2017 to services provided by information centres (with a further report to Council's meeting on 27 July 2017).

Two workshop discussions have been held on economic development and District promotion and a potential budget envelope identified. A draft policy on using the legislative provisions for development agreements to incentivise housing and other developments was considered at the Finance/Performance Committee's October meeting and a revised draft considered at meeting in January 2018. A further workshop session will be held on 19 July 2018. Priorities for economic development were one of the key choices in the Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan. The Government's Provincial Growth Fund (announced in February 2018) is a potentially significant mechanism to stimulate development and growth in the Rangitikei.

Council submitted to the Horizons Regional Council long-term plan supporting the proposed establishment of a regional facilities fund. However, there were varying responses from other councils so the proposal will not proceed.

In March 2018, Chorus advised an accelerated timetable for the roll-out of fibre in Rātana/Whangaehu, Marton, Mangaweka, Hunterville, Taihape and Bulls, to be completed by June 2022.

Rates modelling is part of the new financial modelling software which has been used as the basis of preparing the financial statements for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan.

The review of the revenue and financing policy is complete and included in the draft Long term Plan – analysis of all expenditure activities has now been undertaken in Council workshops.

Impact of forestry on roading has been considered in the roading asset management plan and in developing the Traffic and Parking Bylaw.

The Independent Assessment Board released its report on the Council's operations under the Local Government Excellence Programme. Actions to effect the suggested improvements are in progress.

MW LASS collaboration has been used to provide insurance cover for below-ground infrastructure assets from 1 July 2017

Staff are continuing to manage the Rangitikei.com website.

9 Monthly financial report

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 5 FR-4-1

Recommendation:

That the 'Financial Highlights and Commentary – May 2018' to the Finance/Performance Committee on 28 June 2018, be received.

10 EECA audit of power use

A memorandum is attached.

Recommendation:

That the report 'EECA Energy Audits HRWS, Marton Swim Centre, MWWTP and TWWTP' be received.

11 Update from Subdivision Group

A verbal update will be provided.

12 Late Items

13 Future Items for the Agenda

14 Next Meeting

Thursday, 26 July 2018, 9.30 am

15 Meeting Closed