

Rangitīkei District Council



Finance and Performance Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 29 August 2019 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present: Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Dean McManaway
Cr Graeme Platt
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr David Wilson
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also Present: Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Jane Dunn

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Ms Jo Devine, Group Manager – Finance & Business Support
Mr Arno Benadie, Principal Advisor – Infrastructure
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Blair Jamieson, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Ms Gioia Damosso, Strategic Advisor – Economic Development

Tabled documents: Item 11 – Provisional Statement of Service Performance
Item 14 – Draft Economic Development Strategy

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at 9:33am

2 Council Prayer

Cr McManaway read the Council Prayer.

3 Public forum

Nil

4 Apologies/Leave of Absence

Nil

5 Members' Conflict of Interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

There were no conflicts declared.

6 Confirmation of order of business

The order of business was confirmed, item 11 was moved to follow item 9.

7 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held 25 July 2019 are attached.

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That the Minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 25 July 2019 as amended be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Ash/Cr Wilson. Carried

8 Chair's Report

The Chair provided a verbal update to the Committee noting that Council is in a strong financial position.

9 Progress with strategic issues

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

10 Financial Highlights and Commentary – July 2019

Ms Devine spoke to the presentation.

It was noted the increases would be due to the works that have been done. The depreciation amounts will be higher than anticipated due to these value increases and these will be discussed in detail likely in late October.

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That the memorandum 'Financial Highlights and Commentary – July 2019' to the 29 August 2019 Finance/Performance Committee meeting be received.

Cr Ash/His Worship the Mayor. Carried

11 Statement of Service Performance

Mr Hodder highlighted section in the provisional statement.

- Footpaths – His Worship the Mayor noted that these areas could have the standards varied at the Long Term Plan planning stage.
- Road safety – Mr Hodder noted that this is a mandatory measure (prescribed by Internal Affairs) and the results are very largely out of Council's control.
- Wastewater discharge compliance – Immediate action was taken at Taihape; the pump station was working as designed.
- Timeliness of processing building consents and resource consents – Introduction of e-consenting is part of the Information Services Strategic Plan now under development

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That the 'draft full-year Statement of Service Performance' to the 29 August 2019 Finance/Performance Committee meeting be received.

Cr Wilson/His Worship the Mayor. Carried

Cr Dunn arrived 10.10am.

12 Questions raised at previous meeting

There were no questions raised at the previous meeting.

13 Economic Development Project and Activity Report - August 2019

Ms Damosso spoke to the report.

Ms Damosso clarified that there had been discussions about securing collaboration among hemp producers.

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That the 'Economic Development Project and Activity Report - August 2019' to the 29 August 2019 Finance/Performance Committee meeting be received.

Cr Ash/Cr Sheridan. Carried

14 Economic Development Strategy

The draft document was presented to the Committee.

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That the draft 'Economic Development Strategy' to the 29 August 2019 Finance/Performance Committee meeting be received.

Cr Ash/Cr McManaway. Carried

15 Late Items

As agreed at item 6.

16 Future Items for the Agenda

Consenting processes

Information Services Strategic Plan update

Grant funding and utilisation of the website* (November)

17 Next Meeting

26 September 2019, 10.30 am.

(This will be the last meeting for the triennium)

18 Meeting Closed

10:38am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: