MINUTES



FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 16 December 2021

Time: 9.30 am

Venue: Council Chamber

Rangitīkei District Council

46 High Street

Marton

Present Cr Nigel Belsham

Cr Fi Dalgety

Cr Cath Ash [via Zoom]

Cr Brian Carter Cr Angus Gordon Cr Tracey Hiroa

Cr Waru Panapa [via Zoom]

Cr Dave Wilson Cr Gill Duncan

HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Mr Peter Beggs, Chief Executive

Mr Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer

Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager - Corporate Services

Mrs Carol Gordon, Group Manager – Democracy and Planning Mrs Sharon Grant, Group Manager – People and Culture

Mr Danny Le Mar, Manager Financial Services

Ms Kezia Spence, Executive Assistant

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting opened at 9.30 am. Cr Belsham read the Council prayer.

2 Apologies

Nil.

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

No changes were made to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/078

That the minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 24 November 2021, 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.

HWTM A Watson/Cr B Carter. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/079

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings' be received.

Cr G Duncan/Cr B Carter. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - December 2021

The guidelines on cancelled or postponed events are to be reviewed by staff (for both the Community Initiatives Fund and Events Sponsorship Scheme).

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/080

That the Chair's Report – December 2021 be received.

Cr G Duncan/Cr A Gordon. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Financial Snapshot - November 2021

Mr Tombs is pleased with the operating activity expenses, noting that there are some variances in the report due to timing delays.

Mr Beggs noted that Council facilities will have security guards in place in December for some locations and January for the main Marton Office, which will have an operational cost in excess of \$100,000.

Insurance premiums are not included in the report, but these will affect the next financial year. There has been a large increase (around 30%) in the premiums Council is required to pay, although Mr Tombs noted that this increase was due to the insurance provider having more up to date information on Council's assets. The current invoices are higher than those expected within the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

Mr Tombs will investigate and provide clarity around the operational savings (the removal of material damage additional cover and the increase in deductibles on material damage), and whether these savings have been accounted for in the new insurance premiums.

Mr Beggs noted that there are additional operational costs that were not anticipated within the 2021-31 Long Term Plan and that staff will bring these to the attention of elected members.

Cr Ash joined the meeting at 9.50 am.

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/081

That the report 'Financial Snapshot – November 2021' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr T Hiroa. Carried

9.2 QV Monthly Report - October 2021

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/082

That the QV Monthly Report – October 2021 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr G Duncan. Carried

9.3 HappyOrNot Report - November 2021

In response to a query about whether specific issues can automatically come through as an RFS (request for service), Mr Beggs advised that an RFS is different than a customer complaint. Each service requires a different response and a point of service will be looked into for each different service.

Resolved minute number 21/FPE/083

That the HappyOrNot Report – November 2021 be received.

Cr G Duncan/Cr A Gordon. Carried

The meeting closed at 10.17 am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Finance/Performance Committee held on 27 January 2022.

Chairperson