



# Rangitikei District Council

## Policy/Planning Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 15 October 2015 – 1:00 p.m.

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(Note: In the absence of the Chair, Cr Aslett chaired the meeting for items 1 to 6)

**Present:** Cr Lynne Sheridan (Chair)  
Cr Richard Aslett  
Cr Cath Ash  
Cr Angus Gordon  
Cr Rebecca McNeil  
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

**In attendance:** Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager  
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager  
Mr Johan Cullis, Environmental & Regulatory Services Team Leader  
Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst  
Mrs Priscilla Jeffrey, Governance Administrator

## 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies/leave of absence

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/093**                      **File Ref**

That apologies for absences from Cr Peke-Mason and Cr Sheridan (for lateness) be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Ash. Carried

## 3 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that there would be no change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

## 4 Confirmation of minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/094**                      **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 10 September 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Ash / Cr Gordon. Carried

## 5 Chair's report

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/095**                      **File Ref**                      **3-CT-15-1**

That the Chair's report to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 15 October 2015 be received.

Cr Aslett / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

## 6 Rural settlement zoning

Ms Gray explained the context of her report.

Cr Ash left the meeting at 1.43pm/1.45pm  
Cr Sheridan entered the meeting at 1.45pm

Members saw merit in further discussion with the wider Turakina Community on its vision and effects of any future zone changes.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL.096**                      **File Ref**

That the discussion paper on the rural settlement zoning be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr McNeil. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/096**                      **File Ref**                      **1-PL-2-5**

That, once the issues with the Animal Control Bylaw are addressed, Council staff undertake further discussion with the wider Turakina community to establish the vision for the community and the implications of any zone changes, having regard for the analysis in the discussion paper 'Rural Settlement zoning' provided to Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 15 October 2015 and the Committee's consideration of that.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Councillor Sheridan resumed the Chair.

## **7 Activity management**

The Committee received and discussed the non-financial reporting templates for September 2015, covering the following groups of activities:

- Community Leadership
- Environmental and Regulatory Services
- Community Well-Being

Mr Cullis advised that the Task Force Green crew assigned to the Rangitikei to help farm clean-ups after 20 June rainfall would have its final day on 16 October 2015.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/097**                      **File Ref**                      **5-EX-4**

That the activity management templates for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Gordon. Carried

## 8 Update on Legislation and governance issues

Mr Hodder spoke to his report. Mr Cullis gave a presentation on the proposed Building (Pools) Amendment Bill, and suggested points for inclusion in Council's submission to the Local Government and Environment Parliamentary Committee.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/098**                      **File Ref**                      **3-OR-3-5**

That the report 'Update on legislation and governance issues' to the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting of 15 October 2015 be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Ash. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/099**                      **File Ref**                      **3-OR-3-5**

That the Policy/Planning Committee endorse the preparation of a draft Council submission to the Building (Pools) Amendment Bill on the basis of the outline presented to the Committee.

Cr Gordon / Cr Ash. Carried

## 9 Proposed amendment to the Rates Remission Policy to include incentives for business expansion – consideration of submissions

Mr Hodder spoke to his report.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/100**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-2**

That the report 'Proposed amendment to the Rates Remission Policy to include incentives for business expansion – consideration of submissions' be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Aslett. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/101**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-2**

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that it (a) approves the proposed response to the sole submitter on the proposed amendment to the Rates Remission Policy to include incentives for business expansion and (b) adopts the proposed amendment without change.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Aslett. carried

## 10 Heritage Strategy

The Committee noted the advice on the agenda that the Heritage Strategy had been amended to include a draft Tangata Whenua perspective. The Strategy would be considered further by the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti, with any proposed amendments tabled at the Policy/Planning Committee meeting. It was proposed that the Heritage Strategy be recommended to Council for consultation in accordance with the Significance and Engagement Policy.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/102**                      **File Ref**                      **3-PY-2**

That the draft Heritage Strategy without amendment be recommended to Council following further discussion with Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti for consultation in terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Cr Aslett / Cr Sheridan. Carried

The meeting adjourned at 3.01pm  
The meeting resumed at 3.18pm

## 11 External risks to roading assets

Councillor Gordon spoke to his discussion item on external risks to roading assets. He considered that the Council should be looking at future protection of roads for extreme flooding events. It was important to draw on available data to get policy discussion on the roading assets.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/103**                      **File Ref**                      **1-AS-1-4**

That the discussion piece 'External risks to roading assets' be received.

Cr Ash / Cr McNeil. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/104**                      **File Ref**                      **1-AS-1-4**

That a report be provided to the February 2016 meeting of the Policy/Planning Committee which (a) sets out the information available on the current management of external risks to roading assets and (b) examines the extent to which other local authorities are considering this issue.

Cr Gordon / Cr Aslett. Carried

## 12 Bulls Multi-purpose Community Centre – project management update

The Committee noted the advice on the Agenda that further work had been done to clarify the project management requirements for the project. A project manager was expected to be appointed before the end of October 2015.

### **13 Update on communications strategy**

The Committee received and discussed the report.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/105**                      **File Ref**                      **3-CTY-15-1**

That the update on the Communication Strategy to the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting of 15 October 2015 be received.

Cr Ash / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

### **14 Update on the Path to Well-being initiative**

Ms Servante spoke to the memorandum.

**Resolved minute number**                      **15/PPL/106**                      **File Ref**                      **1-CO-4**

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being Initiative and other community development programmes – October 2015' be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr McNeil. Carried

### **15 Late items**

Nil

### **16 Future items for the Agenda**

Nil

### **17 Next meeting**

Thursday, 12 November 2015, 1.00pm

### **18 Meeting closed – 4.02pm**

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

Date: