



# Rangitikei District Council

## Policy/Planning Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 14 April 2016 – 1:10 p.m.

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**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  
Mr David McMillan, Solid Waste Officer  
Ms Carol Downs, Executive Officer  
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager  
Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst  
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

## 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Peke-Mason be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Sheridan. Carried

## 3 Confirmation of minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/029**                      **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 17 March 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Gordon / Cr Sheridan. Carried

## 4 Chair's report

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/030**                      **File Ref**                      3-CT-15-1

That the Chair's report to the meeting of the Policy/Planning Committee on 14 April 2016 be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr McNeil. Carried

The Chair agreed to take item 9 after item 5.

## 5 Queries raised at previous meeting:

The Committee discussed the various options available for promoting Council business and the District online. The Committee requested that Ms Downs add further information to the Communications Strategy on expanding Council's online presence and developing the Council website.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/031**                      **File Ref**                      1-CO-4

That the memorandum 'Development of a Council mobile app promoting Council services and facilities and the wider Rangitikei District' be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr McNeil. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/032**                      **File Ref**                      1-CO-4

That the Policy/Planning Committee does not believe that the development of a mobile app warrants any further investigation at this point.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Gordon. Carried

## **9 Update on communications strategy**

Ms Downs spoke briefly to the update. The training was being re-scheduled to early 2017.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/033**                      **File Ref**                      3-CT-15-1

That the Update on communications strategy to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 14 April 2016 be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Sheridan. Carried

## **6 Council-initiated Plan change – update on process**

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the memorandum. One further submission had been received since the report was written taking the total to 23. The Committee appreciated the effort put into providing opportunities for people to speak with the Planner.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/034**                      **File Ref**                      1-PL-2-5

That the memorandum 'Council-initiated Plan change – update on process' be received

Cr Sheridan / Cr McNeil. Carried

## **7 Waste Minimisation – possible strategies for consideration**

Mr McMillan and Ms Servante spoke briefly to the item. One challenge is the volatility of recycling prices.

Raglan was considered a useful example of what could be achieved in waste minimisation: a report on its operation (including its finances) was requested for a future meeting. The Committee supported continuing the education programme.

The Committee discussed the need for clearer signage at some of the Waste Transfer Stations around hazardous substances (e.g. batteries and florescent light bulbs) and how best to promote the availability of Council's brochure on the Waste Transfer Stations.

## 8 Activity management:

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the activity management templates for Community leadership, Environmental services and Community well-being.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/035**                      **File Ref**

That the activity management templates for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being (March 2016) be received

Cr Ash / Cr Aslett. Carried

## 10 Legislation and governance issues

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the report. The Bill to articulate the proposed changes to the Local Government Act ("Better local services") was expected to be introduced into Parliament

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/036**                      **File Ref**                      3-OR-3-5

That the report 'Update on legislation and governance issues' to the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting of 14 April 2016 be received.

Cr Ash / Cr Gordon. Carried

## 11 Bulls Multi-purpose Community Centre – project update

His Worship the Mayor presented a model of the proposed Bulls Multi-Purpose Community Centre from the architects engaged to design the building.

Cr Ash 3.04pm / 3.10pm

## 12 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the memorandum.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/PPL/037**                      **File Ref**                      1-CO-4

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – April 2016' be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Ash. Carried

## 13 Late items

Nil

## **14 Future items for the agenda**

External risk to roading – reflections on response from Roading team

## **15 Next meeting**

16 June 2016, 1.00 pm.

Council has scheduled Monday 16 May 2016 (replacing Thursday 12 May 2016) for oral hearings of submissions to the Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan and other proposals being consulted on simultaneously.

## **16 Meeting closed – 3.31 pm**

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_