Rangitikei District Council



Policy and Planning Committee Meeting Agenda – Thursday 9 November 2017 – 1:00 PM

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The quorum for the Policy/Planning Committee is 5.

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 Apologies/Leave of Absence

3 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.

4 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.

5 Chair's Report

A report will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation:

That the Chair's Report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting on 9 November 2017 be received.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting from 12 October 2017 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-2

Recommendation:

That the [amended] Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 October 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Progress with strategic issues – Update

With priority 4 projects (Earthquake-Prone buildings), Council agreed to undertake consultation on the location of priority areas in the urban centres over the period 7 October to 7 November 2017, with oral submissions being heard by this Committee at its meeting on 9 November 2017. As well as advising the Bulls, Marton and Hunterville Community Committees and the Taihape Community Board and making letter drops to all potentially affected businesses and property owners, there were public meetings held in Taihape and Marton.

A feasibility study on establishing the Marton Heritage Precinct Project as a collaborative initiative between private building owners and the Council with funding from the Lottery Heritage and Environment Fund is under consideration.

Further work to safeguard water and wastewater treatment plants was included in the 2017/18 Annual Plan programme.

A draft agreement for the continued delivery of Infrastructure Services by Manawatu District Council has been prepared, and is currently being finalised between the Chief Executives of both councils. The draft agreement builds on the original foundation of collaboration, but introduces a more structured arrangement and explicit performance framework.

A member of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa was appointed to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee (from its February 2017 meeting) with full speaking and voting rights.

8 Oral submissions to Priority areas for earthquake-prone buildings consultation

Written submissions close on Tuesday 7 November 2017 and will be circulated to Committee members later that day. As at close of business 2 November 2017, Council had received 8 written submissions, with none of these submitters requesting to speak at the oral hearing. Oral hearings (if required) will be scheduled from 1.15pm. Deliberations on all submissions is scheduled for Council's meeting on 30 November 2017.

9 Increasing Delegations to Community Committees/Boards

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-PY-1-1

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Increasing Delegations to Community Committees/Boards' to the Policy/Planning Committee's 9 November 2017 meeting be received.
- 2 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the following matters are delegated to community committees/boards:
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10 Traffic and Parking Bylaw – reconsideration of section 16

At its meeting on 26 October 2017, Council resolved to bring the Traffic and Parking Bylaw into effect with the exception of section 16 (relating to heavy vehicles) where further work was requested.

A presentation will be provided to the meeting on this issue, with the intention of establishing the Committee's preferred wording to be conveyed to Council's meeting on 30 November 2017.

11 Youth Transitional Blueprint 2017/2018

A report is attached.

File ref: 4-EN-12-4

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Youth Transitional Blueprint 2017/2018' to the Policy/Planning Committee's 9 November 2017 meeting be received.
- 2 That the position and direction taken in this report be endorsed by the Policy/Planning Committee; being in agreement that this direction acts an effective a pathway for the Youth Development programme.

12 Update on Communications Strategy

An update is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation

That the 'Communication Update' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 9 November 2017 be received.

13 Legislation and Governance Update

Parliament rose on 22 August 2017. The commission opening of the new Parliament will occur on Tuesday 7 November 2017. This is the day when Members take their Oath of Allegiance and elect the Speaker. The state opening of Parliament takes place the following day, when Members hear the Speech from the Throne by Governor General Dame Patsy Reddy.

14 MinTAS Youth Festival

A report is attached

File ref: 4-EN-12-1

Recommendation:

That the report 'MinTAS Youth festival 2017' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 9 November 2017 be received.

15 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 1-CO-4

Recommendation:

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – November 2017' be received.

16 Questions put at previous meetings for Council advice or action:

To advertise on the Rangitikei District website the non-fluoridation of Rangitikei drinking water supply.

A fact sheet is being prepared for wide distribution and posting on the website during November.

Staff to investigate the accountability and current state of the \$120,000 of funding from MSD sitting with Taihape Community Development Trust.

The application was to develop more, and more accessible, health and social welfare services through collaboration between agencies in Taihape. It included a salary for 18 months, but the appointee left early and was not fully replaced. The accountable body was the Taihape Community Development Trust; they provided a report after twelve months and MSD did not require further reports after that. However, the Trust subsequently undertook a range of activities relating to the programme. It has been deleted from the grants schedule as no longer relevant to Council.

17 Activity management

The Activity Management Templates (project reporting) for the following non-asset based groups of activities are attached:

- Community leadership
- Environmental services
- Community well-being

In accordance with Council resolution 17/RDC/055 which amended Standing Order 20.3 'Questions to staff', the following arrangement applies:

In the email advising Elected Members that the Committee Order Papers have been uploaded, they will be asked to email questions before the meeting to the relevant Group Manager (and copied to the Governance Administrator). The answers will be copied to all Elected Members, the Chief Executive and the Governance Administrator. The full email exchange will be tabled at the meeting. Outstanding questions will be noted in this document. Questions may still be asked at the meeting. The minutes will record those which require further clarification or actions by staff and note whether this is to be by email before the next meeting (in which case it will be included as a document in the Order Paper) or through a report or agenda note at the next meeting.

Recommendations:

- 1 That the activity management templates for October 2017 for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being be received.
- 2 That the memorandum 'Questions of Activity Management Templates' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 9 November 2017 be received.

18 Late items

19 Future items for the agenda

20 Next meeting

Thursday 8 February 2018, 1.00 pm.

Note: Activity and compliance reports for November will be uploaded on 15 December 2017; those for December will be uploaded on 12 January 2018.

21 Meeting closed