

Rangitīkei District Council

Policy and Planning Committee Meeting

Agenda – Thursday 10 May 2018 – 1:00 PM



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The quorum for the Policy and 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

That the apology for the absence of Cr Platt be received.

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 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting from 12 April 2018 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-2

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 April 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

6 Chair's Report

A report will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation:

That the Chair's Reports for May 2018 to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 10 May 2018 be received.

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. At its meeting on 30 November 2017, Council resolved not to adopt any priority

areas under section 133AF of the Building Act 2004 and to send a strong message to Government about the severe impacts of the legislation on the viability of many businesses and sustainability of the District's towns.

An application has been submitted to the Lotteries Heritage and Environment Fund for a grant towards a feasibility study on establishing the Marton Heritage Precinct Project as a collaborative initiative between private building owners and the Council. Funding of up to \$100,000 has been agreed to. Outcome of the application is expected in June.

Further work to safeguard water and wastewater treatment plants was included in the 2017/18 Annual Plan programme, and is continued in the draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan.

Regarding priority 5 projects, a new agreement for the continued delivery of Infrastructure Services by Manawatū District Council has been finalised between the Chief Executives of both councils. It builds on the original foundation of collaboration, but introduces a more structured arrangement and explicit performance framework. Quarterly reporting is provided to the Finance/Performance Committee, starting April 2018.

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. Discussions last year with the Komiti showed interest in this being extended to other Council Committees. At its meeting on 1 March 2018 Council resolved to formally extend the invitation to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa offering them a seat as contributing members to the Policy/Planning and Finance/Performance Council committees. New members were nominated (and subsequently accepted by Council) for Assets/Infrastructure and Policy/Planning Committees.

The Policy/Planning Committee recommended to Council that the Significance and engagement policy be adopted for consultation at the same time as the Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan. At its meeting on 1 March, Council decided to defer that consideration until its meeting on 29 March, which it did.

A new Council brand is being implemented.

8 Update on Communications Strategy

An update is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation:

That the 'Communications Strategy Update' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 10 May 2018 be received.

9 Legislation and Governance Update

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations:

- 1 That the report 'Legislation and Governance Update – May 2018' be received.
- 2 That the operative District Plan be amended to align with the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry by removing all references to forestry and substituting the advisory note "notwithstanding any other rules in this plan, all plantation forestry activities regulated under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Planation Forestry) Regulations 2017 must comply with those regulations. Where there is conflict or duplication between a rule in this plan and those regulations, the regulations prevail".
- 3 That the draft submission to the Fire and Emergency New Zealand consultation paper on Local Advisory Committees boundaries be approved for consideration by the Mayor, deputy Mayor and Chief Executive.

10 Representation review – pre-consultation Consideration of submissions

A report will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-OR-3-8

11 Actioning the Māori Responsiveness Framework

A presentation will be given around suggested performance measures and targets, the integration of this framework within existing policies, and the options for funding reallocation. The draft 'Māori Responsiveness Framework' is attached.

File ref: 4-EN-8-3

Recommendation:

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council the adoption of the Māori Responsiveness Framework [as amended/without amendment].

12 Considerations for the Community Housing Policy

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 6-CF-1-14

Recommendations:

- 1 That the memorandum 'Considerations for the Community Housing Policy' be received.
- 2 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that a market rate rent should be set for Community Housing; doing so at the Property Brokers figure of \$150:

EITHER

- Expecting the additional rental contribution (\$15) to be borne by the tenant.

OR

- The additional rental contribution (\$15) should be absorbed through the provision of power to tenants.

3 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following tenancy prioritisation provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- Those who are 65 years or more;
- Those who already live within the Rangitikei District;
- Those who meet the financial benchmarks set by the Ministry of Social Development to receive an Accommodation Supplement;
- Those who have close relatives in the area;
- Those who have been referred by a medical professional;
- Those who have been referred by the Ministry of Social Development.

4 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following rental limit provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, consider a rent reduction for any tenant whose rent exceeds 35% of the NZ Superannuation and Veterans Pension (not including the disability allowance) after tax and after Accommodation Supplement entitlement has been received.

AND/OR

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, set a present day maximum rental rate in perpetuity for those over 80 years of age.

13 Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill

A draft submission is attached. At its meeting on 26 April 2018, Council resolved (18/RDC/120) to delegate to the Policy/Planning Committee, at its meeting on 10 May 2018, to authorise the Mayor to sign submissions to the Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill and the Privacy Bill (so that they are made by the due date), with copies of any submission so authorised included in the Order Paper for Council's meeting on 31 May 2018.

File: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations

1. That the draft submission on the Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill be received.
2. That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission {without amendment/as amended} to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee on the Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill.

14 Privacy Bill

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File: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations

- 1 That the draft submission on the Privacy Bill be received.
- 2 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission {without amendment/as amended} to the Parliamentary Justice Committee on the Privacy Bill.

15 Draft submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency's Draft Investment Assessment Framework for the 2018-21 National Land Transport Programme

A draft submission is attached. It will also be considered by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee. Submissions are due on 18 May 2018.

The framework document can be found at <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/planning-and-investment/national-land-transport-programme/draft-investment-assessment-framework-2018-21-nltp/>

File ref: 3-EP-3-7

Recommendation:

That the Policy/Planning Committee, taking into account the recommendation from the Assets/Infrastructure Committee, approves [without amendment/as amended] the New Zealand Transport Agency's Draft Investment Assessment Framework for the 2018-21 National Land Transport Programme, and authorises His Worship the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Council.

16 Low emissions economy – draft report from the Productivity Commission

A presentation will be provided to the meeting on the draft report and suggested points for Council's submission (which will be prepared for Council's meeting on 31 May 2018). Submissions close on 8 June 2018.

Council has previously provided comments on the Low Emissions Economy Issues Paper.

A four page 'At a glance' summary prepared by the Commission and Council's previous submission are attached.

17 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 1-CO-4-8

Recommendations:

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March 2018' be received.

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

Legal Compliance Project - future planned work 'Finalise outstanding issues'

The following updated modules in the Society of Local Government Managers' legal compliance toolkit will be reviewed against Council's analysis over the coming months:

- Building consents
- Enforcement
- Health and Safety
- Resource consents

The modules on bylaw making, dog control, LIMs, LGOIMA, liquor licensing, property sales, leases and acquisitions, and rates billing, collection and rates rebates align with Council's analysis.

19 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 March 2018 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 10 May 2018 be received.

20 Late items

21 Future items for the agenda

22 Next meeting

Thursday 14 June 2018, 1.00 pm.

23 Meeting closed