

MINUTES

POLICY/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 10 April 2025

Time: 1.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Jeff Wong
Cr Paul Sharland
Cr Richard Lambert
Cr Simon Loudon
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Mr Johan Cullis, Group Manager – Regulatory and Emergency Management
Mrs Janna Harris, Corporate Planner
Ms Tiffany Gower, Strategy Manager
Mr Jarrod Calkin, Economic Wellbeing Lead
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The Mayor opened the meeting at 1.00pm and chaired the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **25/PPL/012**

That the apologies from Cr Hiroa, Cr Duncan and Cr Maughan be received.

The committee noted the resignation from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā member Chris Shenton.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Sharland. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **25/PPL/013**

That the minutes of Policy/Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 February 2025 **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.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number **25/PPL/014**

That the minutes of Policy/Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 March 2025 **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.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

7 Follow-up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Policy/Planning Committee Meetings

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/015

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Policy/Planning Committee Meetings' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report- April 2025

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/016

That the Chair's Report - April 2025 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Sharland. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Gambling Venues (Class 4) Policy and TAB Venues Policy Deliberations Report

Mrs Harris highlighted the consultation that there were fourteen submissions received and five speakers at the hearing.

Gambling Policy and TAB Venues Policy

The committee noted the harm of gambling and the sensitive subject in the community. Majority of the committee supported a cap approach.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/017

That the report 'Gambling Venues (Class 4) Policy and TAB Venues Policy Deliberations Report' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/018

That the Policy/Planning Committee receive all submissions, including the late submission made as part of consultation on the Gambling Venues (Class 4) Policy and the TAB Venues Policy.

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/019

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the Gambling Venues (Class 4) Policy is adopted as consulted on without amendment.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried Cr Loudon voted against.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/020

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the TAB Venues Policy is adopted as consulted on without amendment.

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

9.2 Water Related Services Bylaw Findings and Options

Mrs Harris highlighted that the deadline to review the bylaw is the 30 April, and therefore this is on time.

Officers responded to questions that there are improvements that can be made on the policy.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/021

That the report 'Water Related Services Bylaw Findings and Options' is received.

Cr J Wong/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/022

That the Policy/Planning Committee agree that the on-time statutory review of the Water Related Services Bylaw 2020 is complete, and that:

- i. A bylaw is still the most appropriate way to regulate water related services in the Rangitikei District; and
- ii. The current bylaw could be improved in line with the findings in the findings report; and
- iii. The current bylaw does not give rise to any implications and is not inconsistent with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/023

That the Policy/Planning Committee direct officers to make amendments to the Water Related Services Bylaw and to bring a draft bylaw and consultation material back to the Committee for its consideration at a later date.

HWTM A Watson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Policy and Bylaw Work Programme Update

Mokai Bridge Bungy Jumping Bylaw

The Mayor asked about the removal of materials on the site once the bylaw is revoked. Officers undertook to confirm this.

Disposal of Surplus Lands and Buildings

Officers responded to questions that there is a desire to review the policy, but key staff involved with the policy have had other priorities at this stage.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/024

That the report 'Policy and Bylaw Work Programme Update' be received.

Cr P Sharland/Cr D Wilson. Carried

10.2 Strategy/Plan Development and Review Update

The Committee noted concerns with the Resource Management Act reform and other central government changes that may impact on the planned work.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/025

That the report 'Strategy/Plan Development and Review Update' be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

10.3 Economic Update

Local Insights and Update

Mr Calkin highlighted the quarterly update and that the district is performing strong, and this is likely due to the primary industries in the district. The Committee noted that globally with the impacts on tariffs may have future impacts.

Mayors Taskforce for Jobs

The Mayor noted that discussions about the contract with Mayors Taskforce for Jobs is still ongoing.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/026

That the report 'Economic Update' be received.

Cr R Lambert/Cr J Wong. Carried

10.4 Regulatory Update

Mr Cullis noted that the determination is that tiny homes are buildings and not vehicles. There is a difference between granny flats and tiny homes, a granny flat must be associated with a dwelling or contain other facilities such as kitchen and water.

Mr Cullis responded to questions around the IANZ audit. It was requested the outcome come back to Council or the Committee.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/027

That the Regulatory Update report be received

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

10.5 Huriwaka Windfarm Update

Officers undertook to update the 123 kilometres as a typo.

Officers highlighted that project was under the fast-track process and there is different engagement process due to this.

Resolved minute number 25/PPL/028

That the 'Huriwaka Windfarm Update' report is received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

The meeting closed at 2.10pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Policy/Planning Committee held on 12 June 2025.

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Chairperson