



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Annual Plan Hearings and Deliberations 20/21  
Ordinary Meeting  
Minutes from 11 June 2020**

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- Present:** Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard (via audio-visual link) until 3:00pm, Alistair Plimmer, Ross Vickery and Brenda West (from 11:55am).
- In Attendance:** Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor) and for part only Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Katrina Neems (Chief Financial Officer), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Amy Wharram (Communications Manager), Euan Stitt (Group Manager Partnerships and Operations) and Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9:00am and 4:43pm.
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Cr Plimmer read the affirmation.

**1 Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/49) to receive lateness apologies from Cr West.  
(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

**2 Conflicts of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**3 Submissions Hearings**

The Mayor and councillors heard submissions from delegations as follows. Members took the opportunity to ask questions of clarification from submitters.

- John Gilberthorpe (submission No. 922)
- Aidan Ellims (submission No. 879)
- Alistair Boyne (submission No. 268)
- Alistair Holmes and Frank Aldridge (submission No. 429)

The meeting adjourned at 9:45am.

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The meeting reconvened at 9:56am.

- Jack Shepperd (submission No. 42)
- Jack Shepperd for Wairarapa Moana Trail Group (submission No. 887)
- Karen Krogh (submission No. 852)

The meeting adjourned at 10:25am.

The meeting reconvened at 10:55am.

- Dan Riddiford (submission No. 954)
- Kim Hewson for Greytown Swimming Club (submission No. 829)
- Steve Carlin for Greytown NZ Football Skills Centre (submission No. 779)
- Rachel Gawith for Greytown Junior Football Club (submission No. 564)
- Sue Fox (submission No. 775)

The meeting adjourned at 11:43am.

The meeting reconvened at 11:55am.

Cr West joined the meeting.

- David Montgomerie (submission No. 748)
- Sid Kempton, Catherine Rossiter-Stead, Derek Wilson, Wayne Regnault, Matt Bell for Greytown Trust Lands Trust (submission No. 953)

The meeting adjourned at 12:16pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00pm.

- John Hayes, Gail Rapson for the Rates and Sports Hub Petitions (submission No. 959)
- John Hayes (submission No. 961)
- Gary Hewson (submission No. 477)

The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1:43pm.

## **4 Deliberations**

### **4.1 Annual Plan Report**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/50):*

1. To receive the Annual Plan 2020/21 Report.  
(Moved Cr Hay/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

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2. To note that Council will allocate the 2020/21 budget for grant funding and annual budgets for the Community Boards and Māori Standing Committee when it approves the Annual Plan 2020/21 and associated budget at its meeting of 30 June 2020.

*(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

3. To approve the release of up to \$100,000 for repairs and maintenance on the Pain Farm Estate in accordance with the Pain Farm Income Distribution Policy as per the Martinborough Community Board's request.

*(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Cr Fox)*

Carried

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/51)* that the draft Annual Plan 2020/21 submissions hearings and deliberations meeting on 11 June 2020 continue beyond the six-hour time limit on meetings prescribed by South Wairarapa District Council's Standing Orders.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

### **Deliberations – Three Waters**

Members noted overwhelming public support for water supply and water resilience being Council's main focus for 20/21, but requested additional financial information be provided to determine whether the full expenditure was required.

Councillors were in general agreement that a Water Conservation Plan should be developed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.

The meeting reconvened at 3:00pm.

### **Deliberations – Waste Minimisation**

Members noted overwhelming public support for development of a waste minimisation plan.

### **Deliberations – Land Transport**

Council officers advised that the cost of material and labour had been escalating and required additional funding in order to maintain the same level of service. An asset management plan was being developed. Less than half of the 19/20 budget for footpath maintenance had been spent due to COVID-19.

Members were in general support of the increase in funding for roading network maintenance and renewals noting that South Wairarapa was growing and had a vast network of metal roads. Members were in support of continuing the same level of funding for footpath maintenance provided Council had the ability to undertake the work.

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**Deliberations – Community and Recreation**

Members agreed that community buildings needed to be maintained and that Council had a legal obligation to ensure that minimum standards were met for Council owned senior housing. The community was in favour of continuing extended swimming pool hours for another 12 months and this was supported by councillors.

The meeting adjourned at 3:49pm.

The meeting reconvened at 3:58pm.

**Deliberations – Building Capability**

Members noted that the majority of submissions supported Council investing in people and building Council’s capability to deliver. Members were in general agreement for supporting this initiative.

**Deliberations – Community and Recreation (Sports Hub)**

Mr Wilson with support from Ms Yates advised that due diligence would be conducted prior to purchase but a decision to proceed was required. Members discussed various aspects of the proposal including that only one option was presented to the community for consideration, concern about the pressure placed on Council by Greytown Trust Lands Trust, the possibility that club buildings remained a club asset, that a decision to purchase could set a precedent for other organisations affected by the Trust’s decision, and whether advertising undertaken by Greytown Sports and Leisure changed consultation results. Members had differing views on whether Greytown needed more green space; this would also be addressed in the Spatial Plan.

Members discussed the Kuranui College gym replacement project including whether the Ministry of Education would fund a larger amount due to a growing roll, potential difficulties with a joint management model and community access, and whether the College had a role to raise public awareness of the project and fundraise, and the urgency for a decision.

Officers undertook to provide more financial and project detail at the next meeting. All elected members would be invited to attend the Assets and Services Committee meeting on the 17 June in order to hear updates on the three waters projects and future works.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43pm.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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