

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL Annual Plan Deliberations 20/21 Extraordinary Meeting (Reconvened) Minutes from 23 June 2020

Present: Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam

Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard, Alistair Plimmer,

Ross Vickery and Brenda West.

In Attendance: Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Katrina Neems (Chief Financial Officer), Karen

Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Any Wharram (Communications Manager), Russell O'Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment)

Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor).

Conduct of Business:

The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Texas Street, Martinborough and

was conducted in public between 7:00pm and 9:42pm.

Cr Vickery read the affirmation.

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3 Deliberations

3.1 Annual Plan Report

Correspondence from Kuranui College, Greytown Trust Lands Trust and Greytown Sport and Leisure Society was tabled. Mr Wilson stated that the new information was relevant to deliberations so had been accepted. Mr Wilson advised councillors to make decisions based on evidence and not concerns or beliefs, and that anyone with an interest in a community was entitled to make a submission and have that submission considered.

Greytown Green Space

Councillors noted support from submitters, discussed planning where green spaces (e.g. Spatial Plan, Long Term Plan) should be located, that agreement was linked to further investigation but not necessarily to funding in this Annual Plan, and whether South Wairarapa had the right amount of public green space as a community.

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Councillors informally voted on the following draft resolution to be submitted to Council for adoption on the 30 June 2020.

To agree that Council should provide more green space for sports and recreation in Greytown.

Cr West indicated she would abstain from this vote.

Greytown Rugby Club land

Mr Wilson advised that agreement to purchase the land would be subject to due diligence but would signal intent, and Council would need a good reason not to go ahead.

Councillors noted majority support from submitters, the current economic climate, unknown ongoing operational costs, that purchase did not provide more green space for Greytown, the historical nature of the land, that moving to due diligence would allow the unknowns to be answered, lack of amenity parking on East Street, that the wider district appeared to already have enough green space, a preference to investigate all available options, that beneficiaries of the Greytown Trusts Land Trusts were Greytown residents, and concern about becoming entangled in a judicial review.

Councillors informally voted on a draft resolution to purchase the land. As the motion would fail, two further draft resolutions were informally voted on to be put forward on the 30 June 2020.

That Council does not proceed with Greytown Rugby Club land purchase of up to \$1.91m dollars.

Cr Plimmer indicated he would vote against this motion.

That Council enter into discussion with Greytown Trust Lands Trust to see if there are other ways for securing the Greytown Rugby Club land with a view to consulting on this and other options in the Long Term Plan.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41pm.

The meeting reconvened at 8:54pm.

Greytown Bowling Club land

Councillors saw the purchase as similar to the Rugby Club land but noted that purchase of the land would assist with community wellbeing for older people, and that the Bowling Club voice had not been heard throughout the process.

Councillors informally voted on two draft resolutions to be put forward on the 30 June 2020.

That Council does not proceed with Greytown Bowling Club land purchase of up to \$760,000 dollars.

Cr Plimmer indicated he would vote against this motion.

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That Council enter into discussion with Greytown Trust Lands Trust to see if there are other ways for securing the Greytown Bowling Club land with a view to consulting on this and other options in the Long Term Plan.

Kuranui College Gymnasium

Councillors discussed the change in funding proposal as offered by the College, the possibility of underwriting the full amount and requiring the College to fundraise to a target and to then reimburse Council, acknowledgement that the College had undertaken some fundraising, that Council was contributing for community use, the probable rating impact and potential use of reserves to fund Council's portion, that a method of joint operational management still needed to be agreed, and that internal fitout was not yet financed.

Councillors informally voted on the following draft resolution to be submitted to Council for adoption on the 30 June 2020.

That Council contribute up to \$1m towards the Kuranui College gym replacement, subject to finalising the detail of the proposal and completing due diligence to Council's satisfaction.

Confirmed as a true ar	nd correct record
	(Mayor)
	(Date)