



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
Extraordinary Meeting
Minutes from 19 August 2020**

Present:	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Alistair Plimmer, Ross Vickery, Brenda West and MSC Chair Narida Hooper.
In Attendance:	Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Euan Stitt (Group Manager Partnerships and Operations), Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Katrina Neems (Chief Financial Officer), Amy Wharram (Communications Manager) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor). Wellington Water: Ian McSherry.
Conduct of Business:	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 3:30pm and 3:55pm except where expressly noted.

Open Section

Cr Fox read the Council affirmation.

A1. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/88) to accept apologies from Cr Leigh Hay, Cr Pip Maynard and Cr Brian Jephson.

(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr West)

Carried

A2. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

A3. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

A4. Actions from public participation

There were no actions from public participation.

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A5. Extraordinary Business

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/89) to consider the report from His Worship the Mayor on LGNZ remits delegations.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

B Decision Reports from Chief Executive and Staff

B1. Three Waters Services Reform, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Crown

Mr Wilson with support from Mr Stitt and Mr McSherry outlined the background to the three water reforms proposed by central government, the policy objectives they wanted to achieve, and the nature of the two tranches.

Members discussed delivery plan flexibility, that the money needed to be spent by March 2022, that requirements for tranche two still needed clarification, that the tranche one MoU would not bind Council to progress to tranche two, the ability of Wellington Water to deliver to their six member councils, Council's cash flow and the need to create a plan to manage payments and central government receipts.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/90):

1. To receive the Three Waters Service Delivery Reform Programme Report.
(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Cr Vickery) Carried
2. Agree to enter into the MoU at Appendix A and Funding Agreement at Appendix B and authorise the Mayor to sign these documents on behalf of Council.
(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Plimmer) Carried
3. Agree to nominate the Chief Executive as the primary point of communication for the purposes of the MoU and reform programme – as referred to on page 6 of the MoU.
4. Notes legal advice commissioned by the Society of Local Government Managers (SOLGM) confirms the MoU does not contain any explicit triggers for consultation under the Local Government Act, that there are no further consultation requirements under Council's policies and plans in this initial stage and that a phase of Iwi/Maori engagement in the programme is planned.
5. Note that the MoU and Funding Agreement cannot be amended or modified by either party, and doing so would void these documents.
6. Note that participation in this initial stage is to be undertaken in good faith, but this is a non-binding approach, and the Council can opt out of the reform process at the end of the term of the agreement.
7. Note that the Council has been allocated a total of \$2.84m of funding, which will be received as a grant as soon as practicable once the signed MoU and Funding Agreement are returned to the Department of Internal Affairs, and a Delivery Plan has been finalised and approved.

(Moved Cr West/Seconded Cr Vickery)

Carried

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C Chairperson Report

C1. Report from His Worship the Mayor on LGNZ Remits Delegations (extraordinary)

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2020/91):

1. To receive the Report from His Worship the Mayor.
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Fox) Carried

2. To delegate to the Mayor to vote on the eleven LGNZ remits on behalf of Council.
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Fox) Carried

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.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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