



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

3 April 2019

- Present:** Mayor Viv Napier (Chair), Deputy Mayor Brian Jephson, Councillors Pam Colenso, Margaret Craig, Mike Gray, Pip Maynard, Colin Olds, Colin Wright, Ross Vickery and Michael Roera (Deputy Chair Māori Standing Committee).
- In Attendance:** Jennie Mitchell (Acting Chief Executive Officer) Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment) and for part only Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the WBS Room, Greytown Town Centre, Greytown and was conducted in public between 9:00am and 12:30pm.
- Forum and Other Presenters:** Leigh Hay (Greytown Community Board Chair), Robyn Ramsden (Featherston Community Board Char) and Michael Roera (Deputy Chair Māori Standing Committee).

Open Section

Cr Colenso read the Council affirmation.

A1. Karakia

Mr Roera said a karakia.

A2. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/42) to accept apologies from Councillor Lee Carter and Raihānia Tipoki (Māori Standing Committee Chair).

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

A3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

A4. Acknowledgements and Tributes

There were no acknowledgements or tributes.

A5. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

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A6. Actions from Public Participation

There were no actions from public participation.

A7. Community Board/Māori Standing Committee participation

Mrs Hay outlined current Greytown Community Board projects and initiatives and reported that following a resident survey most residents wanted the duck sign to stay remain in Udy Street.

Mrs Ramsden reported on a Featherston vigil held for Christchurch victims and requested Council to act swiftly once a decision on the Featherston vacant land had been made.

Mr Roera reported that the Māori Standing Committee had concerns with the Rapa Valley subdivision and possible development on wahi tapu sites. Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office had spoken to the Committee about financially assisting selected marae that may open in an emergency.

A8. Extraordinary Business

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/43) to consider the Report on the Proposed Wairarapa Council's Gambling and Stand Alone TAB Venues Policy as agenda item C6.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

A9. Minutes for Confirmation: Council Public Excluded Minutes of 12 December 2018

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/62) that the public excluded minutes of the Council meeting held on 12 December 2018, approved for release to this meeting on the 18 March 2019, are a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

A10. Minutes for Confirmation: Council Minutes of 20 February 2019

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/63) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 February 2019 are a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr Wright)

Carried

A11. Minutes for Confirmation: Council Minutes of 18 March 2019

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/64) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 18 March 2019 are a true and correct record subject to the venue being corrected from 'Council Chambers, 19 Kitchener Street' to 'Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street'.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

A12. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

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B Reports of Committees and Community Boards

B1. Minutes of Council Committees and Community Boards

Councillors noted that Cr Colenso was in attendance at the Planning and Regulatory Committee meeting.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/44):

1. To receive information.
2. To receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting 12 March 2019.
3. To receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board meeting 13 March 2019.
4. To receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board meeting 14 March 2019.
5. To receive the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting 25 March 2019.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

6. To receive the minutes of the Planning and Regulatory Committee meeting 20 March 2019.
7. To receive the minutes of the Assets and Services Committee meeting 20 March 2019.
8. To receive the tabled minutes of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee meeting 27 March 2019.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

B2. Recommendations from Committees

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/45) to receive the Recommendations from Other Committees Report.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Wright)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/46):

1. To approve the Compliments, Complaints and Feedback Policy N800.
2. To agree that the next review date should be April 2020.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/47) to become a guarantor member of the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA).

(Moved Cr Wright/Seconded Cr Vickery)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/48):

1. To agree to changes to the Information and Technology (IT) Policy N600.
2. To agree that the next review date of the policy is April 2020.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

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C Decision Reports

C1. Featherston Vacant Lot

Ms Mitchell advised that Council policy did not allow proceeds from land sales to be administered by community boards, but could be tagged for Featherston specific use.

Councillors ruled out endorsing resolution DC2015/90, as leasing the land was not a preferred option.

Mrs Ramsden believed that 'what's best for Featherston' had been adequately defined within the documentation.

The Featherston Community Board's recommendations were noted.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/49):

1. To receive the Featherston Vacant Lot Report.
(*Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Jephson*) Carried
2. To resolve to sell the land for commercial use.
3. That a subcommittee of Council, called the 57 Fitzherbert Street Featherston Subcommittee, be setup to oversee the sale process with full delegation to act within the bounds of the Delegations Policy and the Acquisitions and Disposal of Land and Buildings Policy.
4. To appoint the three Featherston ward councillors and the Chair of the Featherston Community Board to the Subcommittee.
5. That funds from the sale of the Featherston vacant land be held in the district property reserve and ring-fenced for a significant project or projects within the Featherston ward boundary.
6. To invite the Featherston Community Board to recommend initiatives that could be funded from this source.
7. To note that the Subcommittee will work through the proposal to work out the right of first refusal by Council proposition should the land be subsequently offered for sale.
(*Moved Cr Wright/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried

C2. Adoption of 2019-20 Annual Plan Supporting Documentation and Consultation Document

Ms Mitchell tabled an updated version of the consultation document, highlighted the consultation proposals, and requested that recommendations two and three be amended to include 'subject to small changes as approved by the CEO and Mayor'. Mayor Napier thanked everyone who had taken part in the annual planning workshops.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/50):

1. To receive the Adoption of 2019/20 Annual Plan Supporting Documentation and Consultation Document.
(*Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Maynard*) Carried
2. To adopt the 2019/20 Annual Plan supporting Documentation to the Consultation Document including the Fees and Charges Schedule 2019/20 for consultation subject to minor changes to be approved by the CEO and Mayor.
(*Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Craig*) Carried

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3. To adopt the 2019/20 Annual Plan Consultation Document for consultation subject to minor changes to be approved by the CEO and Mayor.

(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

C3. Adoption of Positive Ageing Strategy

Ms Mitchell requested an amendment to recommendation two from 'adopt' to 'endorse' as community groups needed further opportunities to review the Strategy.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/51):

1. To receive the Positive Ageing Strategy Report.

(Moved Mayor Napier/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

2. To endorse the draft Positive Ageing Strategy.

(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

C4. 2019 Local Authority Elections

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/52):

1. To receive the 2019 Local Authority Elections Report.

2. To approve the candidates be listed on voting papers in random order.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

C5. Contract Renewal

Mr Allingham discussed the report with councillors noting that a section 17a review of options would be prepared, including the option for working with neighbouring Councils, and the interim recommendation was to ensure a continuity of service.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/53):

1. To receive the Contract Renewal Report.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Vickery)

Carried

2. To grant officers the right to extend the Amenities contract by 12 months under negotiation.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

C6. Report on Proposed Wairarapa Class 4 Gambling and Standalone TAB Venues Policy

The proposed policy was a continuation of the status quo which balanced the benefit of community funding against the need for a reduction of social harm. Mayor Napier noted the specific social impact benefits the policy had provided for the South Wairarapa.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/54):

1. To receive the tabled report on the Proposed Wairarapa Class 4 Gambling and Standalone TAB Venues Policy.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

2. To receive the Social Impact Assessment of gambling in the Wairarapa.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Vickery)

Carried

3. To adopt the Wairarapa Class 4 Gambling and Standalone TAB Venues Policy Statement of Proposal in Attachment 1 (including the proposed policy) for

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consultation, using the Special Consultative Procedure, as identified in Section 83 of the Local Government Act 202.

4. To approve the consultation approach described in this report under Significance and Engagement, noting dates are to be confirmed in consultation with Carterton District Council and Masterton District Council.
5. To delegate authority to the Wairarapa Policy Working Group to hear and consider submissions and make recommendations back to the three Councils on the final policy.
6. To note that Carterton District Council and Masterton District Council are considering the same Statement of Proposal for adoption on 3 April 2019 and resolutions (3), (4) and (5) require agreement from all three Councils before consultation can proceed.

(Moved Mayor Napier/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

7. Action 210: Request that the South Wairarapa District Council logo be updated to the new logo; R O'Leary

D Information Reports from Chief Executive and Staff

D1. Proposed Plan Change to Establish a Dark Sky Reserve in South Wairarapa

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/55) to receive the Proposed Plan Change to Establish a Dark Sky Reserve in South Wairarapa Report.

(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

D2. Action items

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/56):

1. To receive the District Council Action Items Report.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

2. Action 211: Create a publicly excluded set of actions and resolutions for tracking; J Mitchell

D3. Hart Street, Featherston

Mr Allingham discussed the Hart Street property and flooding events with councillors.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/57):

1. To receive the Hart Street, Featherston Report.

(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

2. Action 212: Discuss the public release (or availability to councillors) of the Featherston flooding event spreadsheet of damage and action taken with the Acting CE; M Allingham

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D4. Financial Report

Ms Mitchell discussed rates arrears, including arrears from multiple owner sections, with councillors.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/58):

1. To receive the Financial Report.
2. To receive the financial statements and report for the period ended 31 January 2019.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

E Chairperson's Report

E1. Report from Her Worship the Mayor

Councillors noted that paragraph one should thank 'Ann Rainford' not 'Ann Randle'. Mayor Napier thanked the community for organising events to recognise the Christchurch attacks, recognised the winners of the recent Civic Awards and spoke about the Tuia Programme.

Cr Maynard left the meeting at 11:58am.

Cr Maynard returned to the meeting at 12:00pm.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/59):

1. To receive the Mayor's Report.
2. To note that a recruitment process was underway to appoint a new CEO, applicant interviews had been undertaken.

(Moved Mayor Napier/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/60): to hold the Civic Awards every second year in future, in the opposite year from the Rotary Club awards.

(Moved Mayor Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

F Members' Reports

F1. Reports from Councillors

Cr Olds

Wairarapa Road Safety Council

Cr Olds had attended a meeting of the Wairarapa Road Safety Council.

Cr Wright

Cobblestones Museum

Cr Wright reported that Cobblestones new display was well received and outlined a change to the Greytown Trustlands Trust grant funding policy. Cr Gray advised that the Trust would hold a public meeting on the 16 April to explain the Trusts financial situation.

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F2. Reports from Appointments to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) Committees

Cr Olds

Wairarapa Moana Governance Group, Ruamāhanga Whaitua Committee, Lower Valley Development Scheme Advisory Committee, Wairarapa Trails Advisory Group

Minutes from a meeting of the Wairarapa Trails Advisory Group held on the 21 February 2019 were included in Council papers. Cr Olds reported that the Wairarapa Moana Governance Group had combined with the Wairarapa Moana Coordination Group and that minutes from a recent meeting would be circulated.

Cr Wright

Wairarapa Committee, Waiohine Floodplain Management Plan Steering Group

The Wairarapa Committee had met, and the Wairarapa train stock and track was scheduled for improvement across a five year time frame.

Cr Wright gave an update from the Waiohine Action Group.

Cr Jephson

Awhea Scheme Advisory Committee, Wellington Region Climate Change Working Group

Cr Jephson reported that climate change mapping was being undertaken and was expecting a Working Group to be made at the Wairarapa Combined Council meeting.

F Reports from Appointments and Economic, Cultural & Community Development

G1. Appointments

Pukaha 2 Palliser had presented at the Wairarapa Combined Council meeting.

H Consideration of Public Excluded Business

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/61) that the public be excluded from the following part of the meeting, namely:

H1. Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes from 20 February 2019

H2. Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes from 18 March 2019

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Report/General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
Public excluded Council minutes from 20 February 2019	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(2)(a)	Section 48(1)(a)
Public excluded Council minutes from 18 March 2019	Good reason to withhold exists under section 6(a)	Section 48(1)(a)

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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons	Section 7(2)(a)
Making the information available would be likely - a) to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial; or	Section 6(a)

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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