



## **ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE Minutes from 20 April 2022**

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<b>Member's Present:</b>	Councillors Brian Jephson (Chair), Garrick Emms, Alistair Plimmer and Mayor Alex Beijen.
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	Councillors Colin Olds and Brenda West; and Ann Rainford (Greytown Community Board)
<b>Staff In Attendance:</b>	Harry Wilson (Chief Executive Officer), Siv Fjaerestad (Community Development Co-ordinator) and Amy Andersen (Committee Advisor). Wellington Water: Tonia Haskell, Linda Fairbrother, Gary O'Meara. Southern Cross Consultants Ltd: Simon Cartwright. Greater Wellington Regional Council: Josie Winters and David Boone.
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	This meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, 62 Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference. All members participating via audio-visual conference will count for the purpose of the meeting quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002. This meeting was live-streamed and is available to view on our <a href="#">YouTube channel</a> . The meeting was held in public under the above provisions from 12:31pm to 3:08pm except where expressly noted.

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### **Open Section**

- A1. Apologies**  
*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/13) to accept apologies from Cr Fox and Cr Maynard.  
(Moved Mayor Beijen / Seconded Cr Emms)* Carried
- A2. Conflicts of Interest**  
There were no conflicts of interest declared.
- A3. Public Participation**  
There was no public participation.

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**A4. Actions from Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

**A5. Extraordinary Business**

There was no extraordinary business.

**A6. Minutes for Confirmation**

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/14)* that the minutes of the Assets and Services Committee meeting held on 9 March 2022 are a true and correct record.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen /Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

**B Decision Reports**

**B1. Revised Wairarapa Rangatahi Strategy Review Approach**

Mr Wilson gave an overview of the report; Ms Fjaerestad provided further background and detail on the revised approach, the vision and priorities of this strategy which is scheduled for completion by March 2023.

Ms Fjaerestad responded to members questions regarding co-design, funding, deliverables and timeframes.

Next steps were noted to be subject to the Council's approach, and a Terms of Reference is yet to be completed.

Mr Wilson clarified that no extra funding is required to support the proposed changes.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/15)* to:

1. Receive the Revised Wairarapa Rangatahi Strategy Review Approach Report.

*(Moved Cr Plimmer /Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

2. Approve revised approach to review and develop the Wairarapa Rangatahi Development Strategy.

*(Moved Cr Emms /Seconded Mayor Beijen)*

Carried

**C Information and Verbal Reports from Chief Executive and Staff**

**C1. Partnership and Operations Roding and Amenities**

Mr Wilson provided an overview of the report.

Following feedback from members regarding the content of past reports, split into two sections and the Water Report is now separate.

Mr Wilson noted work on roading is being impacted by COVID-19, however, despite these issues, overall the team are making good progress on the work programme for the year.

In the Amenities space, Mr Wilson highlighted stock exclusion in relation to water races, to consider the approach to Council owned properties and how this will be managed in future. This would be further discussed in item C3.

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Mr Wilson responded to members' questions regarding the roading budget, risk ratings and road safety, and progress on projects. Members also queried provisions for the safety of cyclists using Tauherenikau Bridge – Mr Wilson stated funding application to *Waka Kotahi* was made in March to support this work; awaiting decision.

There were also queries on funding for cycle path maintenance, emergency funding for minor events.

Mr Wilson provided update on the review of leases, the Greytown Pavillion upgrade and members sought clarification on roles and responsibilities for the Carkeek Observatory - Council are the lead agency.

Mr Wilson provided an update on the Greytown Wheels park. Members noted that engagement is underway and feedback from the community closes in May. Members queried whether a consent required for the park and if a public notification would be required. Mr Wilson clarified this would be known when further assessments have been carried out, completed on a case-by-case basis.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/15) to receive the Partnership and Operations Amenities and Roading Officers' Report.*

*(Moved Cr Plimmer /Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

Action 161: Provide Greytown Community Board with progress update on changing facilities for sports teams – Mr Bryce Neems

Action 162: Provide Greytown Community Board with progress update on Bidwill's Cutting Road pedestrian crossing – Mr Tim Langley

## **C2. Partnership and Operations Water Report**

Mr Wilson provided an overview of the report and made a correction on pg. 44 – costs of Featherston wastewater; land purchase, figure should read \$5,961,674. Mr Wilson commended Wellington Water Limited (WWL) on their contributions to the report.

Mr Wilson responded to queries in the report, supported by the WWL Team, including pipe repairs, budget updates and key projects.

Discussion held on Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant (FWWTP) Disposal, the proposed options and trials; the short/long term consents which Council is working with WWL to obtain from Greater Wellington Regional Council (GRWC) to be compliant in operations.

Members expressed concerns about costs and timeframes to complete the work required; a need for further information before concepts were finalised, more transparency in discussions around the consents.

Mr Wilson clarified the risks, process for seeking/being granted consents from GRWC and options previously proposed to Council to address the issues at the

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FWWTP. The WWL Team provided further info about the trial, what can and cannot be achieved using the land, working to maximise the assets already there.

Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 2:05pm

The lack of water standards were queried and discussed. Members requested more consultation and transparency around the work being completed.

Mayor Beijen returned to the meeting at 2:09pm

Mr Cartwright presented a video showing an *MBBR - Moving Bed Bioreactor*. Members queried inflow and infiltration (I&I) and requested continued updates on the progress of the trials from WWL.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/16)* to receive the Water Report.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen /Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

### **C3. Water Races – Emerging Issues Report**

Mr Boone provided background and overview of the report, outlining the key issues in relation to local water races and introduced Ms Winters who delivered the presentation.

Mr Boone responded to members questions on costs, grants/funding and offered to host a workshop to support further members understanding of the roll-out.

He also noted that GWRC will remain in touch with Mr Wilson and they are “raising the bar” in terms of expectations for farmers; landowners are responsible for their own land - the GWRC are there to help through the changes.

Cr Olds queried whether subcommittee members had been invited/informed of the presentation; it was confirmed this request had been actioned.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/17)* to:

1. Receive the Water Races – Emerging Issues Report.

*(Moved Cr Emms /Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

2. Note the emerging regulatory requirements and potential change of ownership under the proposed three waters reform.

3. Agree to work with GWRC and stakeholders to implement the Water Races stock exclusion requirements.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen / Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

### **C4. ECOREEF Cape Palliser Road Report**

Mr Wilson responded to queries in report.

Members discussed the use of plants and trees at the site.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/18)* to receive the ECOREEF Cape Palliser Road Report.

*(Moved Cr Emms /Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

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**C5. Action Items Report**

Members discussed updates to open action items.

Mayor Beijen requested an update on action 484; information report to be provided at next meeting – Mr Wilson.

*ASSETS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLVED (A&S2022/19) to receive the Action Items Report.*

*(Moved Cr Emms /Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

Cr Jephson noted General Manager Finance, Katrina Neems is leaving the Council this week. He conveyed his thanks for her hard work at SWDC and best wishes for her new role.

The meeting closed at 3:08pm.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Chair)

.....(Date)

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