



**South Wairarapa District Council
Extraordinary Meeting
Minutes from 17 July 2024**

Present:	Mayor Martin Connelly (Chair), Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter, Councillors, Colin Olds, Alistair Plimmer, Rebecca Gray, Martin Bosley, Pip Maynard and Kaye McAulay (until 9:22am).
Apologies:	Councillors Aaron Woodcock and Aidan Ellims.
In Attendance:	Janice Smith (Chief Executive Officer), Paul Gardner (Group Manager, Corporate Services), Russell OLeary (Group Manager, Planning & Regulatory), Rob Thomas (Manager, Stakeholder Relationships), and Robyn Ramsden (Community Governance Advisor).
Conduct of Business:	This meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, 62 Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference. This meeting was live-streamed is available to view on our YouTube channel. The meeting was held in public under the above provisions from 9:00am to 9:33 am.

Open Section

A1. Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Mayor Connelly opened the meeting.

A2. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2024/45) to accept apologies from Cr Woodcock, Cr Aidan Ellims and early departure for Cr McAulay.

(Move Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

A3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

A4. Acknowledgements and Tributes

There were no acknowledgements and tributes.

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A5. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

A6. Extraordinary business

Cr Plimmer was given leave to supply a verbal report from the Regional Land Transport Committee deliberations and highlighted the following points:

- The Regional Land Transport plan is a 6 yearly plan with a three yearly review and SWDC, CDC and MDC all submitted to the Committee together, however, the issues submitted by the three Councils did not make the top 30.
- Key issue raised: Remutaka hill, and economic impact on agricultural drivers, (i.e. if the hill closes there is no way for our produce to get to port).
This is supported by Porirua, Upper Hutt and Lower Hutt District Councils. Road user groups acknowledge the improvements on south side but corners on north side are dangerous as trucks cannot pass. This issue is not on the list for the next three years.

Members queried whether SWDC had submitted on the Waihinga Bridge (this was done), whether there are minutes of the forum available to view, links between the Waihinga Bridge and the Remutaka Hill, and prioritisation of issues, roads of significance and Waka Kotahi planning.

B. Decision Reports from the Chief Executive and Staff

B1. Remission of Uniform Annual General Charge and Uniform Targeted Rates in Certain Circumstances

Ms Smith spoke to matters included in the report and provided clarification to Council on the need for this consultation.

Cr McAulay left the meeting at 9:22am.

Members discussed the requirements of the consultation and previous hearings in relation to the policies; the expense of consultation; and the benefits of consultation in this matter.

Mr Thomas noted that an engagement plan has been sent through to members.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2024/46) to:

1. receive the 'Remission of Uniform Annual General Charge and Uniform Target Rates in Certain Circumstances Report.

(Moved Cr. Grey/Seconded Cr. Maynard)

Carried

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2. rescind Resolution DC2024/41 parts 2 and 3 and policy 4.5 included in the Remission of Rates Policy (page 7) – Remission of Uniform Annual General Charge and Uniform Targeted Rates on Residential Properties in Certain Circumstances.
 3. adopt Appendix 1: Statement of Proposal and Draft Consultation for: Remission of Uniform Annual General Charge and Uniform Targeted Rates in Certain Circumstances.
 4. note that consultation will run 22 July 24 – 5 August 24.
[Items 2-4 read together]
(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Gray)
- Carried

B2. Local Government New Zealand Annual Meeting 2024

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2024/47) to:

1. receive the Local Government NZ Annual General Meeting 2024 report.
2. that Deputy Mayor Sadler-Futter attend the LGNZ AGM 21 August 2024 as the presiding delegate from SWDC.
3. that Cr. Martin Bosley and CEO Janice Smith attend the LGNZ AGM 21 August 2024 as the delegate from SWDC.

[items 1-3 read together]
(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

C. Karakia whakamutunga

Mayor Connelly closed the meeting.

The meeting was closed at 9:33 am.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)(Chief Executive)
.....(Date)(Date)

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