



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**
Kia Reretahi Tātau

**South Wairarapa District Council
Financial Policies: Rating Review 2023 Hearings
Minutes from 26 October 2023**

Present:	Mayor Martin Connelly, Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter, Councillors Colin Olds, Alistair Plimmer, Rebecca Gray, Martin Bosley, Pip Maynard (from 10:18am) and Aaron Woodcock (from 9:06am).
Apologies:	Councillors Martin Bosley, Pip Maynard, Aidan Ellims and Kaye McAulay.
In Attendance:	Russell O’Leary (Acting Interim Chief Executive), Nicki Ansell (Lead Advisor Community Governance), Charly Clarke (Senior Financial Accountant) and Amy Andersen (Committee Advisor).
Submitters:	Louise Lyster, Quentin Wilson, Garrick Emms, Tim Smith, Daphne Geisler, Lisa and Frank Cornellison, Leah Hawkins, David Patten, Shane and Lynette McManaway, Elizabeth Creevey, Angela Brown, Storm Robertson, Karen Krogh (representing Martinborough Community Board), Jim Hedley, Elizabeth McGruddy, Dan Riddiford and Gary Dittmer.
Conduct of Business:	This meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, 62 Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference. The meeting was held in public from 9:01am to 2:12pm except where expressly noted.

1. Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Mayor Connelly opened the meeting.

2. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2023/161) to accept apologies from Cr McAulay, Cr Ellims and Cr Bosley for absence; and Cr Maynard for lateness.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Cr Woodcock joined the meeting at 9:06am.

4. Submissions hearings as per schedule

The following submitters spoke to Council:

- Louise Lyster
- Quentin Wilson
- Garrick Emms
- Tim Smith
- Daphne Geisler
- Lisa Cornellison, supported by Frank Cornellison

Cr Maynard arrived at 10:18am.

- Leah Hawkins

Mayor left at 10:30am.

Mayor returned at 10:34am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40am.

Meeting reconvened at 10:57am.

- David Patten
- Shane and Lynette McManaway
- Elizabeth Creevey
- Angela Brown
- Storm Robertson
- Martinborough Community Board – presented by Karen Krogh

Meeting adjourned at 11:51am.

Cr Maynard left the meeting during the break.

Meeting reconvened at 12:46pm.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2023/162) to accept apologies from Cr Maynard.

(Moved Mayor Connelly/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

- Jim Hedley (also presented on behalf of Pauline Hedley)
- Federated Farmers – represented by Elizabeth McGruddy
- Dan Riddiford
- Gary Dittmer

Meeting adjourned at 1:48pm.

Meeting reconvened at 2:04pm.

4.1 Financial Policies: Rating Review 2023 Hearings Report

Members acknowledged the time taken by the community to submit and engage better in future in the community, and also noted resourcing is required to enable engagement and efficiencies.

Members also commented that there was a high level of submissions and engagement from the community.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2023/163) to:

1. Receive the 'Financial Policies: Rating Review 2023 Hearings' Report.
2. Receive the 230 submissions made for the formal Financial Policies: Rating Review consultation (Appendix 2).
3. Note that there are 17 members of the public who spoke to their submissions at the Financial Policies: Rating Review hearing.

[Items 1-3 read together]

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Deputy Mayor Sadler-Futter)

Carried

5. Karakia Whakamutunga - Closing

Mayor Connelly closed the meeting.

The meeting closed at 2:12pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

.....(Chief Executive)

.....(Date)