



# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**24 June 2015**

- Present:** Mayor Adrienne Staples (chair), Councillors Margaret Craig, Dean Davies, Brian Jephson, Viv Napier, Colin Olds, Solitaire Robertson and Max Stevens.
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer), Kyra Low (Finance Team Leader) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Also in Attendance:** Sue Fox (Featherston Ratepayers and Residents Association) and Phil Kennerley (Audit NZ).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9:30am and 9:55am except where expressly noted.

## **A Preliminary Matters**

Mayor Staples welcomed the public participant and Audit NZ's auditor to the meeting.

### **A1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/100)* to receive apologies from Cr Julie Riddell and Cr David Montgomerie.

*(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

### **A2. Conflicts of Interest**

Cr Solitaire Robertson declared a conflict of interest with any matter relating to the Rimutaka Crossing Group as she was assisting with organisation of the event.

Mayor Adrienne Staples declared a conflict of interest with any matter relating to the Rimutaka Crossing Group as she was assisting with organisation of the event.

Cr Max Stevens declared a conflict of interest with any matter relating to the library budgets as his spouse was employed at Martinborough Library.

### **A3. Public Participation**

On behalf of the Featherston Ratepayers and Residents Association Ms Fox asked Council to delay adoption of the LTP until the 15 July 2015 due to insufficient information. Concern was expressed about funding of the war memorial sculpture planned for Featherston Town Square, that no budget had been allocated to developing a cycle strategy and trails and the continuation of the Waihinga Centre project.

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#### **A4. Minutes for Confirmation**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/101)* that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 10 and 11 June 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the removal of Cr David Montgomerie from the attendance record of the minutes from the 11 June 2015.

*(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Olds)*

Carried

### **B Decision Papers**

#### **B1. Adoption of 2015/2025 Long Term Plan Supporting Documents**

Mr Kennerley noted mandatory performance measures that were required in the Plan and advised Council to look at processes during the year to ensure the information could be retrieved. Provided Council were prepared to adopt the Plan, Audit NZ were prepared to issue a clean audit opinion. Councillors discussed consistency reporting of new measures by all councils with Mr Kennerley.

Mr Crimp stated that the ten year and 15/16 year average rates increases were less than 3%. Council was in a good position as asset condition and key projects moving forward had been identified. Mr Crimp thanked Kyra Low and Kim Whiteman for their input into the development of the Plan.

Mayor Staples noted the legal requirement to adopt the LTP by the 30 June, that the cycling strategy would be funded from existing budgets and that the Waihinga Centre next stage development trigger was the decision from the Lotteries Commission.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/102):*

1. To receive the information.

*(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier)*

Carried

2. To accept the modified Revenue and Finance Policy.

*(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Craig)*

Carried

3. To adopt the 2015/2016 rates.

*(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Napier)*

Carried

4. To accept option three for the waste water proposal.

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

5. To accept option one for the seal extension works programme.

*(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Davies)*

Carried

6. To accept option one following the establishment of a cycle strategy.

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Mayor Staples)*

Carried

7. To maintain current levels of service.

*(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Napier)*

Carried

8. To accept option one for the urban footpath works programme following the review of the footpath policy (officers are to review options to increase maintenance funding).

*(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Olds)*

Carried

9. To accept option two of the rural footpath works programme following the development of the cycle strategy.

*(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

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10. To continue discussions and investigations regarding community housing to ascertain direction.  
(*Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Jephson*) Carried  
Cr Solitaire Robertson voted against this resolution.
  
11. To advocate for improved ultra-fast and rural broadband and black spot cell coverage.  
(*Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried
12. To accept option one for the coastal reserve work plan, noting that the amount put aside for spending was \$75,000 not \$875,000.  
(*Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Davies*) Carried
13. To setup a \$200,000 rural road emergency fund.  
(*Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried
14. To complete a lime path on Oxford Street, Martinborough and widen Oxford Street between Suez and Regent Streets out of reserves.  
(*Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Craig*) Carried

**B2. Adoption of 2015/2025 Long Term Plan**

Mr Crimp tabled Appendix 1, the Rates Resolution for 15/16, including “Part B” notice, and the 2015/25 Long Term Plan.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/103):*

1. To receive the information.  
(*Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried
2. To adopt the tabled 2015/25 Long Term Plan covering the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2025 in accordance with the Local Government Act.  
(*Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Napier*) Carried
3. To adopt the tabled rates resolution for 2015/16 in accordance with the Local Government Rating Act 2002, including the “Part B” notice.  
(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier*) Carried
4. To note that the updated fees and charges schedule is included in the adopted Long Term Plan.  
(*Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Davies*) Carried

Mr Crimp and Mayor Staples signed the letter of representation.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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