



# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**26 August 2015**

**Present:** Mayor Adrienne Staples (chair), Councillors Margaret Craig, Dean Davies, Brian Jephson, David Montgomerie, Colin Olds, Julie Riddell, Solitaire Robertson and Max Stevens.

**In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Mark Allingham (Infrastructure and Services Group Manager), Murray Buchanan (Planning and Environment Group Manager), Kim Whiteman (Planning and Reporting Manager) and Jennifer Taylor (WaiConnect Project Manager).

**Also in Attendance:** Sue Fox, Ed Hudson (Featherston Ratepayers and Residents Association), Pete Roberts, and Hayley Gastmeier (Wairarapa Times Age).

**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 12:15pm except where expressly noted.

## **A Preliminary Matters**

### **A1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/127) to receive apologies from Cr Viv Napier.*

*(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

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

Cr Stevens declared a conflict of interest with agenda item C4 Proposed Temporary Liquor Ban.

### **A3. Public Participation**

Mr Roberts requested that Council not spend money on the Martinborough Town Hall as it was contradictory to spend money on an unneeded large events venue when essential services required funding.

Ms Fox and Mr Hudson requested Council withdraw support from any and further Council interest in the Martinborough Town Hall project and write off what has already been spent due to other expenditure priorities.

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

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/128) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 July 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.*

*(Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Craig)*

Carried

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**A5. Minutes for Confirmation**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/129) that the minutes of the extraordinary Council meeting held on 4 August 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.*

*(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Davies)*

Carried

**A6. District Council Actions**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/130) to receive the action items.*

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Riddell)*

Carried

**B Council Committee and Community Board Minutes**

**B1. Policy and Finance Committee**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/131) to receive the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee 15 July 2015.*

*(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

**B2. Martinborough Community Board**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/132) to receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board 3 August 2015.*

*(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Stevens)*

Carried

**B3. Featherston Community Board**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/133) to receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board 4 August 2015*

*(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Stevens)*

Carried

**B4. Greytown Community Board**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/134) to receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board 5 August 2015.*

*(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Stevens)*

Carried

**B5. Maori Standing Committee**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/135) to receive the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 27 July 2015.*

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Montgomerie)*

Carried

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## **C Decision Papers and Common Seal**

### **C1. Martinborough Town Hall**

Mayor Staples tabled correspondence from Featherston Ratepayers and Residents Association, Virginia Kunz, Mary Mason, Paul Mason, Rupert Watson, Barbara Page, Maria and Miles Fairburn, Ingrid Ward and Jade Holley.

Councillors noted:

- The rating area boundary would form part of the consultation with rural/urban options provided for consideration.
- The exact rating amount wouldn't be known until 2-3 months prior to 1 July 2016, but consultation would cover the entire anticipated shortfall.
- The cost of consultation would not affect approved budgets and was expected to be less than \$5,000.
- That the community had previously been told there would be no further impact to rates.
- That the Martinborough community have raised a considerable amount of money and they deserved an opportunity to provide input on whether the project would go ahead in its current form.

Mayor Staples commended the community on the fundraising efforts and work achieved to date noting that the targeted rate consultation and hearing process would provide councillors with enough evidence to enable them to make an informed decision about the future of the project.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/136):*

1. To receive the information.  
(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Montgomerie) Carried
2. To agree in principal next steps.
3. To agree to consult on setting up a targeted rate and note this will be an amendment to the 2015/25 Long Term Plan.
4. That if the community doesn't support a targeted rate the project wouldn't proceed in its current form.  
(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Jephson) Carried

Cr Davies voted against the motion.

### **C2. Report on Dog Control Policy and Practices**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/137):*

1. To receive the information.
2. That pursuant to Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996, the South Wairarapa District Council report on Dog Control Policy and Practices for 2014/15 be adopted, publicly notified, and forwarded to the Secretary for Local Government.  
(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Craig) Carried
3. Action 529: Undertake investigation of a fee structure that rewards good dog owners with discounted fees (for consideration within the 16/17 annual planning process); M Buchanan

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### **C3. Waiconnect**

Ms Taylor with support from Mrs Whiteman spoke to the report and answered questions about the application for digital funding to the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment, the proposed project manager position, financing of the position and the longevity of the steering group. Mr Crimp advised that there was no current budget available for this initiative.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/138):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To provide feedback on the plan.
3. To agree in principal with the actions, and review the delivery mechanisms once the level of spread of funding is known.
4. To write a letter of thanks to the South Wairarapa members of the WaiConnect Steering Group (Tim Lusk and Vicky Read) and contributors to WaiConnect Steering Group (Sam Cooke and Phillip Percy).

*(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

### **C4. Proposed Temporary Liquor Ban**

Mr Buchanan noted an error in the printed map shown in Appendix 1. The liquor ban should be shown to extend to the intersection of Cork, Naples and Kansas Streets.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/139):*

1. To receive the information.
2. That pursuant to Clause 3.2 of the South Wairarapa Liquor Control Bylaw 2011 order a prohibition of alcohol consumption or possession of alcohol for the public places as shown in Appendix 1 to the report as “Alcohol Prohibition Area” noting an amendment to the map is required to show the ban extending to the intersection of Cork, Naples and Kansas Streets.

*(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Olds)*

Carried

### **C5. Report on Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/140):*

1. To receive the report.
2. To amend the Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way as set out in section “2. Recommendations” of this report.

*(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Stevens)*

Carried

### **C6. Illegal Rubbish Dumping**

Mayor Staples updated councillors on the extent of clean-up being undertaken by Council on Bucks Road.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/141):*

1. To receive the information.

*(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Robertson)*

Carried

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**C7. Re-establish the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/142):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To reappoint the Joint Committee for the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan implementation.
3. To agree the Terms of Reference of the Joint Committee as set out in Appendix 1.
4. To confirm Cr Margaret Craig to the Joint Committee to represent the Council.  
(*Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Robertson*) Carried

**D Operational Reports**

**E1. Planning and Environment Group Report**

The Group Manager Planning and Environment discussed the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) proposed Natural Resources Plan, coastal land movement, wind zoning and additional capability for processing building consents with councillors. Mr Crimp undertook to review how Council's submission to the GWRC draft Natural Resources Plan could support external parties if time permitted but the highest priority was ensuring the submission covered areas that impacted Council business.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/143)* to receive the Planning and Environment Group Report.

(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried

**E2. Infrastructure and Services Group Report**

The Group Manager Infrastructure and Services discussed roading works, waste water blockages, Martinborough waste water consent delays and water supply KPI reporting with councillors.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/144):*

1. To receive the Infrastructure and Services Group Report.  
(*Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Riddell*) Carried
2. Action 530: Investigate why the Featherston Stadium barge boards weren't painted before new spouting was installed; M Allingham
3. Action 531: Review water leak mapping from the intersection of Cambridge Road and New York Street to Martinborough Square to determine whether there may be a problem with the pipe system; M Allingham

**E3. Chief Executive Officer Report**

Mr Crimp discussed rates arrear improvements and the bee aware month initiative with councillors.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/145):*

1. To receive the Chief Executive Officer Report.
2. To receive the financial statements for the 12 months ended 30 June 2015.  
(*Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Craig*) Carried

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## **F Representation Reports**

### **F1. Mayor's Report**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/146):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To reappoint Mr Crimp as Chief Executive Officer subject to an employment contract being negotiated that is satisfactory to both parties.
3. To allow Mayor Staples to appoint a nominated person to the Destination Wairarapa Board subject to Council signoff.
4. To support the Aratoi Board proposal to provide an additional member on the Board to allow for Iwi representation from Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Rangitane o Wairarapa.

*(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Riddell)*

Carried

5. To reduce the amount of the grant to the Martinborough Museum by \$1200 and remove the proviso that they install eftpos.

*(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Craig)*

Carried

### **F2. Reports from Councillors**

#### **Cr Craig**

##### **Wairarapa Road Safety Council, Wellington Region Waste Forum**

Cr Craig tabled and spoke to reports from a Wairarapa Road Safety Council meeting on the 20 August 2015 and a Wellington Regional Waste Forum on the 14 August 2015. Cr Craig undertook to seek clarification on financing of the JNL sustainability project.

#### **Cr Montgomerie**

##### **Cobblestones Museum, Economic Development Task Group**

Cr Montgomerie advised that Cobblestones Museum AGM was the 29 September 2015 and invited the Mayor and councillors to attend.

Minutes from the last Economic Development Task Group meeting had been forwarded to councillors.

#### **Cr Stevens**

##### **Wairarapa Rural Fire Board**

Cr Stevens tabled a report and highlighted a Department of Conservation request for adjoining land to be included in the Wairarapa rural fire district.

### **F3. Council Groups and Working Parties**

#### **Community Safety and Resilience Working Party**

Cr Riddell spoke to the report submitted to the meeting. Hope Sexton was representing the South Wairarapa in development of a youth strategy but Cr Riddell queried whether the project should wait until results information was available from the social sector trial.

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**Emergency Services Working Party**

Cr Riddell spoke to the report submitted to the meeting highlighting the request to have a south Wairarapa representative on the sub Co-ordinating Executive Group (sub-CEG) as opposed to one representative for the Wairarapa.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/147) to receive all councillor, Council groups and working parties reports.*

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Montgomerie)*

Carried

**F4. GWRC Advisory Committees**

**Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Co-ordinating Committee**

Minutes from the last meeting had been forwarded to councillors.

**Awhea Opouawe Scheme Committee**

Cr Jephson reported that the next meeting was scheduled for October 2015.

**Lower Valley Development Scheme Advisory Committee**

Cr Jephson tabled minutes from the last meeting.

**Whaitua Committee**

Cr Olds thanked Mayor Staples and Cr Robertson for attending a recent workshop in Featherston.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/148) to receive reports from GWRC advisory committees.*

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Davies)*

Carried

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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