



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

6 April 2016

- Present:** Mayor Adrienne Staples (Chair), Councillors Margaret Craig, Dean Davies, Brian Jephson, David Montgomerie, Viv Napier, Colin Olds, Julie Riddell, Solitaire Robertson and Max Stevens.
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer), Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services) and Murray Buchanan (Group Manager Planning and Environment).
- Also In Attendance:** Dayle Clarkson (Sport Wellington), Mark Hooker (Greater Wellington Regional Council) 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 12:40pm except where expressly noted.

Procedural Matters

Mayor Staples advised that Dayle Clarkson would be presenting the Sport Wellington report at 10:00am.

A. Public Business

A1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

A2. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

A3. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

A4. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/36) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 24 February 2016 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the following corrections:

Page 3 – All instances of ‘Mr Malcolm’ to be corrected to ‘Mr Alexander’.

Page 7 – The sentence beginning ‘Cr Riddell acknowledged the Steering Group’ be corrected to ‘Cr Robertson acknowledged the Steering Group’.

Page 7 – Correct the spelling of ‘David Boreman’ to David Borman’.

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Page 11 – Remove the sentence ‘A gambling venues policy hearing had been held and the Wairarapa Policies Working Group would be forwarding their decision to the next Council meeting for ratification’ and replace it with ‘A Wairarapa Policies Working Group meeting had been held and the Group would be forwarding their recommendation to the next Council meeting for ratification’.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

A5. District Council Actions

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/37) to receive the action items.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Montgomerie)

Carried

B Council Committee and Community Board Minutes

B1. Policy and Finance Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/38) to receive the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee 24 February 2016.

(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

B2. Martinborough Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/39) to receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board 14 March 2016.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

B3. Featherston Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/40) to receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board 15 March 2016.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

B4. Greytown Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/41) to receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board 16 March 2016.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

B5. Maori Standing Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/42) to receive the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 15 February 2016.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

B6. Maori Standing Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/43) to receive the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 21 March 2016.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

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C Decision Papers and Common Seal

C1. Proposed Gambling Venues Policy and Proposed TAB Venues Policy

The Wairarapa Policies Working Group had reviewed the policies as per the 3-yearly requirement. The key outcome was that the policies were working so no major changes were required. As a result of the sinking-lid policy, gaming machines and venues were dropping in the Wairarapa region and starting to align with other areas of NZ. It was noted that South Wairarapa still has one of the highest ratio of gaming machines/venues per head of population.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/44):

1. To receive the information.
(Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Jephson) Carried
2. Adopt the proposed draft Gambling Venues Policy (as reviewed 2016) for the purposes of consultation under the Local Government Acts “special consultative procedures”.
3. Adopt the proposed draft TAB Venues Policy (as reviewed 2016) for the purposes of consultation under the Local Government Acts “special consultative procedures”.
4. To delegate authority to the Policy Working Group to hear and consider any submissions; and make recommendations back to Council on the final policies for adoption.
(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Riddell) Carried
5. Action 189: Request that the Wairarapa Combined Policy Working Group review the wording, intent and meaning of paragraph 1.4 bullet point one of the Wairarapa TAB Board Venue Policy; Viv Napier

C2. Execution of Council Common Seal

The Group Manager Planning and Environment undertook to determine the purpose of the Kuratawhiti Street access.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/45):

1. To receive the information.
(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Jephson) Carried
2. To ratify the affixation of the Common Seal to an access strip easement agreement between Rannoch Limited and South Wairarapa District Council for property on Kuratawhiti Street, dated February 2016.
(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Napier) Carried

C3. Annual Plan Consultation

Mr Crimp tabled the draft Consultation Document, the Schedule of Fees and Charges 16/17, the Significant Activities Statements, the 16/17 Financial Information, proposed inclusions for the 16/17 Annual Plan and the draft South Wairarapa Cycling Strategy.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/46):

1. To receive the information.
(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Robertson) Carried

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2. To adopt the Draft Cycle Strategy for consultation.
3. To adopt the Revenue and Financing Policy for consultation.
4. To adopt the 2016/17 Financial Information for consultation.
5. To adopt the Significant Activities Statements for consultation.
6. To adopt the proposed fees and charges for consultation.
(*Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Napier*) Carried
7. To adopt the Consultative Document 2016/17 subject to minor nonmaterial amendments.
(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier*) Carried
8. Action 190: Consultation Document - Clarify and strengthen wording in the pensioner housing proposal, including the options wording; P Crimp
9. Action 191: Consultation Document - Clarify options under pensioner housing so that 'status quo' is worded to mean 'Council retains ownership' and clarify the difference between points two and four; P Crimp
10. Action 192: Consultation Document - Correct the survey section of fees and charges; P Crimp
11. Action 193: Consultation Document - Correct option 2 of the waste water section to reflect that it is Greytown not Featherston; P Crimp

C4. Waiohine Floodplain Management Plan for Consultation

The Waiohine Floodplain Management Planning Advisory Committee had endorsed the document for public consultation release subject to minor amendments. Mr Hooker discussed the potential rating impact, timeframe for the public release of the draft Plan and the potential flooding impact to the Carterton district with councillors.
COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/47):

1. To receive the report and tabled draft Waiohine Floodplain Management Plan.
(*Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried
2. To support the public release of the draft Waiohine Floodplain Management Plan by the Wellington Regional Council for public consultation.
3. To recognise that there are greater benefits on the true right bank and greater impacts on the true left bank in a 1:100 year flood event that may need mitigating.
(*Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Jephson*) Carried

D Operational Reports

D1. Planning and Environment Group Report

The Group Manager Planning and Environment discussed the status of Council's submission to the GWRC draft Natural Resources Plan, identification of earthquake fault lines/zones on LIM reports and animal control matters with councillors.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/48) to receive the Planning and Environment Group Report.

(*Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried

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D2. Infrastructure and Services Group Report

The Group Manager Infrastructure and Services answered councillor queries on potential NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) funding for the western Lake Wairarapa cycleway, recent audits undertaken by NZTA and Office of the Auditor General, water supply key performance indicators (KPIs), testing of fire hydrants, an increase in solid waste and recycling over the summer months, the recycling contract, and progress on the water race survey.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/49):

1. To receive the Infrastructure and Services Group Report.
(*Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Riddell*) Carried
2. Action 194: Organise a Wairarapa Library Service Committee meeting; M Allingham

D3. Chief Executive Officer Report

Mr Crimp reported that the number of ratepayers in arrears was at a record low.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/50):

1. To receive the Chief Executive Officer Report.
(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Robertson*) Carried
2. To receive the financial statements for the period ended 31 January 2016.
(*Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried
3. Action 195: Circulate the corrected arrears analysis to councillors; P Crimp

E Representation Reports

E1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Staples reported on work currently being undertaken by Local Government (LGNZ). An excellence programme was being developed which would see councils rated against best practice, climate change mitigation strategies were being developed, and potential gaps in councils depreciation allowances compared to the amount spent on infrastructure were being reviewed in order to help councils understand the value of underground assets and replacement costs. Mr Crimp advised that work was being undertaken by SWDC to ensure underground assets were adequately insured.

Mayor Staples had attended the Greytown Soaring Centre opening. Councillors noted the foresight and vision of Mr Crimp that enabled the venture as well as the potential for partnerships between the Centre and the community.

Mayor Staples reported that Bruce Pepperell, Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM), had committed a resource to the South Wairarapa to complete the community response plans.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/51) to receive the Mayor's Report.

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

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E2. Reports from Councillors

Cr Craig

Wairarapa Road Safety Council, Wellington Region Waste Forum

Cr Craig reported on discussions about variable speed zoning around schools and discussed possible options for implementation.

Cr Napier

SportNZ Rural Travel Fund, Wairarapa Safer Community Trust

Cr Napier reported that the Wairarapa Safer Community Trust were preparing budgets and funding applications for the 16/17 year to ensure programmes of work could be carried out.

Cr Robertson

South Wairarapa Arts Council

Creative Communities Scheme Assessment Committee minutes were included in Council papers.

Cr Stevens

Wairarapa Rural Fire Board

A presentation had been made at the Wairarapa combined council forum. The total fire ban had been lifted to a restricted season.

Cr Montgomerie

Economic Development Task Force, Cobblestones Museum

A memorial for Graham Croton had been unveiled at Cobblestones, new lighting had been installed in the entrance building and a new fence was being installed on the East Street boundary. Sales of good quality local souvenirs were doing well.

E3. Council Groups and Working Parties

Emergency Services Working Party, Community Safety and Resilience Working Party

A report from the Community Safety and Resilience Working Party had been included in Council papers.

The Martinborough Community Centre Steering Group was being replaced by another group that would report to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/52) to receive councillor reports.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Montgomerie)

Carried

E4. GWRC Advisory Committees

Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Co-ordinating Committee

Cr Olds reported that Mr Ian Gunn, GWRC, had retired.

Whaitua Committee

Workload of the Committee remained high and meetings would be held every two weeks until February 2017. The Committee aimed to have something to present by

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November 2016 and would make press releases on key items separately from GWRC.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/53) to receive reports from the GWRC advisory committees.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

E5. Economic, Cultural and Community Development Reports

Sport Wellington

Ms Clarkson presented the Sport Wellington 6-monthly report and answered councillors' questions on work activity and focus.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/54) to receive the report and tabled information from Sport Wellington.

(Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

F Public Excluded

F1. Crown Redress Proposal for Wairarapa with Ngati Kahungunu Rangitane

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/55): That the public be excluded from the following part of the meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Report/General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
Crown Redress Proposal for Wairarapa with Ngati Kahungunu Rangitane	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(2)(i)	Section 48(1)(a)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 7(2)(i)

(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier)

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2016/57) to move out of the public excluded section of the meeting

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....**(Mayor)**

.....**(Date)**

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