



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Minutes from 7 April 2021**

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<b>Present:</b>	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair from 11:00am), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms (Chair until 11:00am), Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard, Alistair Plimmer, Ross Vickery and Brenda West (from 10:05am).
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Euan Stitt (Group Manager Partnerships and Operations), Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Rick Mead (Manager Environmental Services), Bryce Neems (Waste and Amenities Manager), and Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor).
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 10:00am and 1:03pm except where expressly noted.
<b>Public Forum:</b>	Perry Cameron, Prue Vincent, and Peter Bennett (Greytown Menz Shed).

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**Open Section**

Cr Colenso read the Council affirmation.

**A1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/16) to accept lateness apologies from Mayor Beijen.  
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

**A2. Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

**A3. Acknowledgements and Tributes**

Cr Maynard acknowledged the passing of whaea Lola Kiel. Lola and her husband played a large role in getting Hau Ariki Marae up and running.

**A4. Public Participation**

Mr Cameron was concerned about pedestrian safety in Featherston and advocated for a heavy traffic bypass and common and lower speeds for all the Wairarapa towns.

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Cr West joined the meeting at 10:05am.

Ms Vincent spoke against selling the central Greytown Council owned property. Ms Vincent wanted the property to be retained for the future, for Greytown to retain its rural feeling and for commercial development to be balanced.

Mr Bennett spoke against relocating the Menz Shed but was open to some of the central Greytown property being sold, and for the Menz Shed to retain the lease of the remaining portion of land. Mr Bennett believed the success of the Greytown Menz Shed was due to its central Greytown location and noted the recently renewed license to occupy.

**A5. Actions from public participation**

There were no actions from public participation, however Mayor Beijen had undertaken to raise pedestrian safety concerns and a further request for a Featherston bypass at the Regional Transport Committee.

**A6. Community Board/Māori Standing Committee Report from Meetings**

There was no community board or Māori Standing Committee participation.

**A7. Extraordinary Business**

Deputy Mayor Emms noted that water reforms would be discussed under E1 Mayors Report.

**A8. Minutes for Confirmation**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/17)* that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 10 February 2020 are a true and correct record.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

*COUNCIL NOTED:*

1. Action 88: Review how elected member attendance at Committee meetings they are not members of is recorded in the minutes; K Yates

**A9. Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion.

**B Recommendations from Committees and Community Boards**

**B1. Minutes of Council Committees and Community Boards**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/18):*

1. To receive the information.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Plimmer)*

Carried

2. To receive the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting 16 February 2021.

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3. To receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board meeting 17 February 2021.
4. To receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting 23 February 2021.
5. To receive the minutes of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee meeting 24 February 2021.
6. To receive the minutes of the Wairarapa Combined District Plan Joint Committee meeting 25 February 2021.
7. To receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board meeting 25 February 2021.
8. To receive the minutes of the Assets and Services Committee meeting 11 March 2021.
9. To receive the minutes of the Planning and Regulatory Committee meeting 17 March 2021.
10. To receive the tabled minutes of the Wairarapa Library Service Joint Committee meeting 24 March 2021.

*(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Cr Colenso)*

Carried

Cr Plimmer left the meeting at 10:29am.

Cr Plimmer returned the meeting at 10:32am.

## **B2. Recommendations from Planning and Regulatory Committee**

Mayor Beijen joined the meeting at 10:34am.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/19):*

1. To receive the Recommendations from Planning and Regulatory Committee Report.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

2. To adopt the proposed Dog Control Fees for 2021/22 and authorise Council officers to give public notice of fees.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

3. To adopt the submission to the He Pou a Rangi Climate Change Commission.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Colenso)*

Carried

## **C Decision Reports from Chief Executive and Staff**

### **C1. Māori Standing Committee Appointments**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/20):*

1. To receive the Māori Standing Committee Appointments Report.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Maynard)*

Carried

2. To appoint Gillies Baker and Michele Elliott as members on the Māori Standing Committee to represent Pāpāwai Marae.

*(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Fox)*

Carried

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**C2. Action Items Report**

Members discussed library cash donations and recycling glass within the Wairarapa.  
*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/21):*

- 1. To receive the Action Items Report.  
*(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Plimmer)* Carried
- 2. Action 89: Relook at options, including the waste management contract, to determine whether there is an opportunity for local glass recycling initiatives to be implemented in the Wairarapa (i.e. reducing the carbon footprint) as opposed to the current out-of-town destination (transfer action to A&S); E Stitt

The meeting adjourned at 10:44am.

Deputy Mayor Emms retired from the Chair.

Mayor Beijen assumed the Chair.

The meeting reconvened at 11:00am.

**E1. Mayor’s Report**

Water Reform

Mayor Beijen tabled a proposed combined regional response to the governments water reforms. Members agreed to provide comments to the Mayor via email and the Mayor would summarise and respond. The Mayoral forum had agreed to commission work to explore what changes to the three waters reform would mean for local government with the work scheduled for delivery in August.

Members discussed options for a Cobblestones Museum appointment and noted that a councillor appointment could lead to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Beijen discussed the Uber Uban Ltd concept, Mayor’s Taskforce for Jobs and rural banking with members.

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/22):*

- 1. To receive the Report from His Worship the Mayor.  
*(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr West)* Carried
- 2. That the Mayor canvasses councillors for suitable people to be appointed to the Cobblestones Museum Trust and is delegated authority to appoint a suitable candidate subject to confirmation at a subsequent Council meeting.  
*(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Plimmer)* Carried

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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