

**MINUTES OF SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT SUPPER ROOM, WAIHINGA CENTRE, TEXAS STREET, MARTINBOROUGH
ON THURSDAY, 20 AUGUST 2026 AT 1:30 PM**

PRESENT: Mayor Fran Wilde (Chair), Cr Martin Bosley, Cr Aidan Ellims, Cr Chris Archer, Cr Andrea Rutene (from 1:35pm), Cr Simone Baker, Cr Rachel Clarke, Cr Collier Isaacs, Cr Rupert Watson, Cr Rob Taylor.

IN ATTENDANCE: Janice Smith (Chief Executive Officer), James O'Connor (Group Manager, Infrastructure and Community Operations), Charly Clarke (Chief Financial Officer), Mandy De Ritter (Lead Advisor, Resource Recovery & Waste), Dani Armstrong (Executive Assistant to CEO & Mayor) and Amy Andersen (Lead Advisor, Democracy and Committees).

PUBLIC FORUM: Garry Dittmer.

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS: This meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference. This meeting was live-streamed is available to view on our YouTube channel. The meeting was held in public under the above provisions from 1:30pm to 2:00pm except where expressly noted.

OPEN SECTION

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA – OPENING

All in attendance opened the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No interests were disclosed relating to items on the agenda or interests not already recorded on a relevant register.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Cr Bosley acknowledged The Offering, Greytown for being named the supreme winner of this year's Great NZ Toastie Takeover.

Cr Ellims acknowledged the Rapid Relief Team's recent Farmers Community Connect event in Martinborough.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Garry Dittmer – General performance of Council / Rates

Mr Dittmer spoke to Council about his concerns regarding rates, the use of 1080 and water supply.

Cr Rutene arrived online at 1:35pm.

6 URGENT BUSINESS

There was no formal urgent business, however, Deputy Mayor Taylor requested whether there were any lessons learned following the report released on the Mount Maunganui landslide which could be relevant to South Wairarapa. Ms Smith noted this would be followed up and brought to the Risk and Assurance Committee.

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2026

RESOLUTION DC2026/57

Moved: Mayor Wilde

Seconded: Cr Archer

Council resolved:

1. That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 July 2026 are confirmed as a true and correct record.
2. That the public excluded minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 July 2026 are confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7.2 MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5 AUGUST 2026

RESOLUTION DC2026/58

Moved: Mayor Wilde

Seconded: Cr Archer

Council resolved that the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 5 August 2026 are confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

8 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no matters arising.

9 PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS**RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC****RESOLUTION DC2026/59****Moved: Mayor Wilde****Seconded: Cr Clarke**

Council resolved that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter 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 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution	Plain English reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter
9.1 - Wairarapa Waste Management and Minimisation Contract	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7	The withholding of information is needed to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

CARRIED

Public excluded was entered into at 1:49pm.

10 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA – CLOSING

All in attendance closed the meeting with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 2:00pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

..... (Mayor) (Chief Executive)

..... (Date) (Date)