



## **PLANNING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes from 1 July 2020**

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<b>Present:</b>	Councillors Ross Vickery (Chair), Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox (from 11:31am), Leigh Hay (from 11:35am), Alistair Plimmer, Brenda West and Mayor Beijen (until 1:38pm).
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Godwell Mahowa (Planning Manager), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Rick Meads (Manager Environmental Services), Melanie Barthe (Climate Change Advisor) 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 11:30am and 1:50pm.
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	Daphne Geisler and Colin Wright (Council appointment to Waiohine Floodplain Management Steering Group).

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#### **Open Section**

##### **A1. Apologies**

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE RESOLVED (P&R2020/06) to accept lateness apologies from Cr Hay.*

*(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Mayor Beijen)*

Carried

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

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

##### **A3. Public Participation**

Mrs Geisler queried why the Committee was considering proceeding with a joint pound at a cost of \$300,000 plus operating costs, especially given the low number of impounded dogs. Mrs Geisler requested the Committee investigate commercial partnerships as an alternative.

##### **A4. Actions from Public Participation**

Discussion was deferred to agenda item ‘B2 Proposed Combined Dog Pound Facility’.

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**A5. Minutes for Confirmation**

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE RESOLVED (P&R2020/07)* that the minutes of the Planning and Regulatory Committee meeting held on 26 February 2020 are a true and correct record.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

**A6. Extraordinary Business**

There was no extraordinary business.

**A7. Notices of motion**

There were no notices of motion.

**B Decision Reports**

**B1. Wairarapa Combined District Plan Review – Joint Committee and Consultancy Appointment**

Mr O’Leary discussed the report with members and answered questions about how topics of concern were being captured for the review, keeping the Committee appraised on progress, and Joint Committee member appointments.

Members noted the importance of ensuring the quorum of the new Joint Committee included at least one member from each district.

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/08):*

1. To receive the Wairarapa Combined District Plan Review – Joint Committee and Consultancy Appointment report dated 16 June 2020.

*(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Colenso)*

Carried

2. To recommend to Council to approve the appointment of Boffa Miskell as the consultancy firm to provide support for the Wairarapa Combined District Plan review.

*(Moved Mayor Alex Beijen/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

3. In accordance with sections 34(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 (“RMA”) and clause 30 of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002, the South Wairarapa District Council: Recommends to Council

- a. to unite with the Carterton District Council and Masterton District Council in appointing a joint committee, to be known as the Wairarapa Combined District Plan Joint Committee to exercise the functions, duties and powers of the Council under the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991 which are delegated to the Joint Committee; and
- b. to agree that each council will appoint two members to the joint committee with the ability to appoint alternate members to cover absences; and
- c. to agree that the joint committee will appoint an appropriately qualified commissioner as an independent chair and the Joint Committee will appoint one of its members as the Deputy Chair;

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- d. to agree that the removal of the office of Chair and Deputy Chair is within the powers of the Joint Committee; and
- e. To agree that the quorum of the Joint Committee will be four members and include at least one member of each territorial authority; and
- f. To appoint Cr Brian Jephson and Cr Alistair Plimmer as the South Wairarapa District Council members to the Joint Committee.
- g. To appoint Cr Rebecca Fox as the alternate member of the Joint Committee to cover the absence of one of the appointed members.

*(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Mayor Alex Beijen)* Carried

- 4. To recommend to Council that in accordance with Section 34 of the Resource Management 1991 the South Wairarapa District Council delegates to the Wairarapa Combined District Plan Joint Committee all its functions, powers and duties under the First Schedule to the Act.

*(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Colenso)* Carried

## **B2. Proposed Combined Dog Pound Facility**

Mr Mead gave a presentation on animal control and answered councillors' questions on registrations and incentives.

Members discussed implications of contracting out pound services to private organisations and the potential to have a contract for service agreement with Masterton District Council, the Ministry for Primary Industry's standards for dog pounds, the need to move quickly to meet legal requirements, and that approved budget would not cover the full cost of a joint pound.

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/09):*

- 1. To receive the Proposed Combined Dog Pound Facility Report.

*(Moved Cr Hay/Seconded Cr Plimmer)* Carried

- 2. To receive the Armstrong Dixon Limited April 2020 Report.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)* Carried

- 3. That officers should continue negotiations with Masterton District Council to receive a quote for services, and to continue working with Carterton District Council for a combined facility and to present back to the Planning and Regulatory Committee the detailed alternatives.

*(Moved Cr Vickery/Seconded Mayor Beijen)* Carried

## **C. Information and Verbal Reports from Chief Executive and Staff**

### **C1. Progress of the Wairarapa International Dark Sky – Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change**

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/10)* to receive the Progress of the Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change Report.

*(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Fox)* Carried

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The meeting adjourned at 12:43pm.

The meeting reconvened at 12:51pm.

## **C2. Climate Change Report**

Ms Barthe tabled the South Wairarapa District Council 2018 Greenhouse Gas Inventory and answered members' questions on the Wairarapa emissions from waste, and potential consequences of land use changes in the Wairarapa.

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/11):*

1. To receive the Climate Change Report.  
*(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Mayor Beijen)* Carried
2. To receive the finalised version of the Ruamahanga Strategy and Implementation plan.
3. To receive the 2018 Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report for SWDC.
4. To receive the Wairarapa Combined District Greenhouse Gas Inventory.  
*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Colenso)* Carried
5. Action 307: Review the benefits and disadvantages for Wairarapa for the conversion of land from one use to another (agricultural land being converted to forestry) and what future affect this could have on the Wairarapa; K Yates

## **C3. Planning and Environment Group Report**

Mr O'Leary with support from Mr Mahowa answered questions on a request to remove a notable tree, subdivision options for people living in the Martinborough Southeast Development area, the Featherston Brookside development, protection of productive land immediately surrounding the district's towns, noncompliance and impacts for not meeting statutory timeframes for resource consents.

Officers undertook to provide further reporting information to the Committee.

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/12):*

1. To receive the Planning and Environment Group Report.  
*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)* Carried
2. Action 308: Develop reporting by exception across each topic (including graphs), with a short narrative to indicate changes; R O'Leary

## **D. Member and Appointment Reports**

### **D1. GWRC – Waiohine Floodplain Management Steering Group**

Mr Wright updated the Committee on the work Undertaken by the Waiohine Action Group/Waiohine Floodplain Management Steering Group in developing the draft Waiohine River Plan.

Mr Wright encouraged Council to make a submission on the draft Plan.

Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 1:38pm.

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*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/14) to receive members' reports.*

*(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Fox)*

Carried

**C4. Action Items Reporting**

Cr Fox left the meeting at 1:48pm.

Cr Vickery left the meeting at 1:48pm.

Cr Vickery returned to the meeting at 1:49pm.

*PLANNING AND REGULATORY RESOLVED (P&R2020/13) to receive the Action Items Report.*

*(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....(Chair)

.....(Date)

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