

**MINUTES OF SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
STRATEGY WORKING COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE SUPPER ROOM, WAIHINGA CENTRE, TEXAS STREET, MARTINBOROUGH  
ON WEDNESDAY, 20 AUGUST 2025 AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter (Chair), Cr Alistair Plimmer (via MS Teams), Cr Aaron Woodcock, Cr Martin Bosley, Cr Colin Olds, Mayor Martin Connelly (from 9:02am), Cr Pip Maynard, Cr Rebecca Gray, , Cr Kaye McAulay

**APOLOGIES:** Cr Aidan Ellims, Ms Violet Edwards.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Janice Smith (Chief Executive Officer) James O'Connor (Group Manager, Infrastructure and Community Operations), Tim Langley, (Principal Advisor, Roding), Alex Pigou (Manager Communications) and Amy Andersen (Lead Advisor, Democracy and Committees).

**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 9:00am to 10:41am except where expressly noted.

**OPEN SECTION**

**1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA – OPENING**

All in attendance opened the meeting.

**2 APOLOGIES**

**2.1 APOLOGIES**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/120**

**Moved:** Cr C Olds

**Seconded:** Cr P Maynard

To accept apologies from Mayor Connelly for lateness; Cr Ellims and Ms Edwards

**.CARRIED**

Mayor Connelly arrived at 9:02am.

**3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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

## 4 DECISION REPORTS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

### 9.1 SPEED MANAGEMENT REVIEW DELIBERATIONS REPORT

Mr Langley spoke to the report and provided background regarding the previous plan which was put on hold due to change of government.

For this revised plan, Mr Langley noted that the focus has been on the following priorities: Peri Urban roads (these connect residential areas on the urban fringe), coastal settlement roads and unsealed roads.

Members queries included: changes to proposed speed management post-consultation and rules imposed by NZTA and compliance with them.

Mr Langley responded to queries regarding the proposal, including: making things simple and consistent in relation to speed users to support safe road use; balancing simplicity with safety; speeds either being too high or too low in specific areas/stretches including Moroa Rd, coastal settlements, outside schools and maraes; whether small rural bridges could be turned into one-lane only (e.g. Kokotau); proposed pilot for variable speed on Peri Urban roads and the reason behind it (refer to page 11-12 of the agenda); exploring a walking and cycling strategy for Martinborough; clarifications on Cape Palliser Road proposed speed; the costs of implementation; clarifications on Martinborough Square proposed speed, Pururuatanga Road/Shooting Butts/Regent Street speed clarifications, speed limits surrounding the Martinborough vineyards.

Members discussed whether the plan should be simplified further and officers to continue work and return to the table or to continue with deliberations.

Deputy Mayor Sadler-Futter summarised the process and emphasised the need to progress the deliberations.

Members queried whether there was budget for road education and signage. Mr Langley noted the proposal will need to go to NZTA for approval and budget will be approved in line with this for implementation. Noted that Council subsidise the Wairarapa Road Safety Council.

Members further discussed the potential of a walking and cycling strategy for Martinborough.

Members deliberated on the proposals as per officers' recommendations.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13am

The meeting was resumed at 10:18am

Cr Plimmer left at 10:25am

Ms Smith and Mr Langley responded to queries about a walking and cycling strategy for the Martinborough.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/121**

**Moved: Cr P Maynard**

**Seconded: Cr M Bosley**

The Strategy Working Committee resolved to receive Speed Management Review deliberations report.

**CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/122****Moved:** Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter**Seconded:** Cr M Bosley

The Strategy Working Committee resolved to:

1. Receive the draft Speed Management Plan.
2. Receive the full set of submissions on the 2025 Speed Review.
3. Note that there were 220 submissions received and that 15 submitters spoke to or provided a written statement to the Hearings Committee.

**CARRIED****AMENDMENT****Moved:** Mayor M Connelly**Seconded:** Cr A Plimmer

**Original Recommendation:** Deliberate on the proposed 60km/h speed limit on Peri Urban Roads and recommend any amendments to the draft Speed Management Plan.

**Amendment** – That all Peri Urban roads are assigned a 50km/h speed limit.

In Favour: Cr A Plimmer and Mayor M Connelly

Against: Cr M Bosley, Cr C Olds, Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter, Cr P Maynard and Cr K McAulay

Abstained: Cr A Woodcock

**LOST 2/5****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/123****Moved:** Cr C Olds**Seconded:** Cr M Bosley

**Amendment which became the substantive resolution:**

The Strategy Working Committee resolved that all peri urban roads are 60km/h speed limit, except for Regent Street which will become 50km/h for its full length.

In Favour: Cr M Bosley, Cr C Olds, Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter, Cr P Maynard and Cr K McAulay, Cr A Woodcock

Against: Cr A Plimmer and Mayor M Connelly

**CARRIED 6/2****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/124****Moved:** Cr C Olds**Seconded:** Cr M Bosley

The Strategy Working Committee resolved to approve 40km/h speed limit in the coastal

Settlements.	
<u>In Favour:</u>	Cr M Bosley, Cr C Olds, Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter, Cr P Maynard and Cr K McAulay
<u>Against:</u>	Cr A Plimmer, Cr A Woodcock and Mayor M Connelly
<b>CARRIED 5/3</b>	
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/125</b>	
<b>Moved: Cr C Olds</b>	
<b>Seconded: Cr A Plimmer</b>	
The Strategy Working Committee resolved to approve 80km/h speed limit on unsealed roads to be recommended to draft Speed Management Plan.	
<u>In Favour:</u>	Cr A Plimmer, Cr M Bosley, Cr C Olds, Mayor M Connelly, Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter, Cr P Maynard and Cr K McAulay
<u>Against:</u>	Cr A Woodcock
<b>CARRIED 7/1</b>	
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/126</b>	
<b>Moved: Cr C Olds</b>	
<b>Seconded: Cr K McAulay</b>	
The Strategy Working Committee resolved to approve proposed changes to the draft Speed Management Plan to remove the proposed 80km/h on Cape Palliser Road and leave at 100km/h.	
<b>CARRIED</b>	
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/127</b>	
<b>Moved: Cr C Olds</b>	
<b>Seconded: Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter</b>	
The Strategy Working Committee resolved to approve proposed change to the draft Speed Management Plan to increase the proposed speed on Whangaimoana Beach Road from 40km/h to 60km/h in terms of Peri Urban Roads.	
<b>CARRIED</b>	
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/128</b>	
<b>Moved: Deputy Mayor M Sadler-Futter</b>	
<b>Seconded: Cr M Bosley</b>	
The Strategy Working Committee resolved to approve the CE to investigate the option of implementing a pilot trail for variable speeds for Huangarua, Puruatanga Road, Martins Road and surrounds during peak periods of cycling and walking.	
<b>CARRIED</b>	

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/129****Moved: Cr M Bosley****Seconded: Cr P Maynard**

The Strategy Working Committee resolved:

1. To approve the CE to incorporate all proposed changes from the deliberations into the final Speed Management Plan.
2. That the Chief Executive Officer approves and certifies the final Speed Management Plan for submission to the Director of Land Transport.

[Items 1 &amp; 2 read together]

**CARRIED****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SWC2025/130****Moved: Cr P Maynard****Seconded: Cr M Bosley**

The Strategy Working Committee resolved to direct the CE to provide members with a report and further information regarding a walking and cycling strategy for Martinborough.

**CARRIED****5 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA – CLOSING**

All in attendance closed the meeting with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 10:41am.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record.**

..... (Chair)

..... (Date)

..... (Chief Executive)

..... (Date)