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# Council

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin on Thursday 16 December 2021 at 4.00pm.

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### PRESENT

<b>Mayor</b>	Mr Bernie Wanden	
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	Mrs Jo Mason	
<b>Councillors</b>	Mr David Allan	
	Mr Wayne Bishop	
	Mr Ross Brannigan	
	Mr Todd Isaacs	
	Mr Sam Jennings	
	Mrs Victoria Kaye-Simmons	
	Mr Robert Ketu	(From 5:35pm)
	Mrs Christine Mitchell	
	Ms Piri-Hira Tukapua	
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mr David Clapperton	(Chief Executive)
	Mr Grayson Rowse	(Principle Advisor - Democracy)
<b>Meeting Secretary</b>	Miss Jody Lygo	(Democracy Support Officer)

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs N Brady	(Deputy Chief Executive)
Mrs A Huria	(Business Performance Manager)
Mrs J Straker	(Chief Financial Officer)
Mr B Maguire	(Group Manager Infrastructure Development)
Mr B Harvey	(Group Manager Communities & Partnerships)
Mr D McCorkindale	(Group Manager Customer and Strategy)
Mrs L Slade	(Group Manager People and Culture)
Mr A Chamberlain	(Manager Financial Planning and Reporting)
Mr S Lucy	(Via ZOOM - Audit NZ)

Cr Tukapua opened the meeting with a Karakia.

## 1 Apologies

### Apology

MOVED by Cr Wanden, seconded Cr Brannigan:

That the apology for lateness from Councillor Ketu be accepted.

**CARRIED**

## 2 Public Participation

There were none.

## 3 Late Items

Notice of motion

## 4 Declaration of Interest

Cr Brannigan and Cr Jennings declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 8.1 and did not take part in debate or discussion of this item.

## 5 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Cr Kaye-Simmons, seconded Cr Bishop:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 8 December 2021, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

That the minutes of the meeting of the In Committee Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 8 December 2021, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

## 6 Announcements

There were none

## 7 Proceedings of Committees

There were none.

Item 9 Notice of Motion was brought forward in the agenda.

## 9 Notice of motion

Councillor Sam Jennings proposed a Notice of Motion:

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Cr Jennings:

*THAT Report 21/526 on Notice of Motion be received.*

**CARRIED**

The Chief Executive provided background to the issue and advised Councillors of the option for the forthcoming briefing. Subsequently Councillor Jennings amended his Notice of Motion as follows:

MOVED by Cr Jennings, seconded Cr Kaye-Simmons:

*THAT The Chief Executive arrange a briefing on 22 December 2021 at 3.00pm for all Elected Members with Council's legal counsel to inform members of progress and*

*discuss matters of substance relating to the Ashdale Litigation.*

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 4:24 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 5:35pm.

### 8.1 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021

The Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021 was presented to the Horowhenua District Council for adoption.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded Cr Mitchell:

*THAT Report 21/524 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021 be received.*

*THAT this matter or decision is recognised as significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.*

**CARRIED**

The Chief Financial Officer presented the report, the Auditor Mr S Lucy from Audit NZ attended via Zoom and provided his opinion on the Annual Report. Officers responded to questions from Elected Members.

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Cr Mitchell:

- 3.3 THAT the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021 is amended by adding the final Audit Opinion.
- 3.4 THAT the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021 be adopted as amended.
- 3.5 THAT the Chief executive be authorised to amend the final annual report for editorial amendments required or to reflect non material changes requested by Audit after the date of the report.
- 3.6 THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive be authorised to sign the Annual Report on behalf of Council, and the Mayor, Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer be authorised to sign the Letter of Representation addressed to the Council's Auditors for the year ended 30 June 2021.

**CARRIED**

6:35 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD  
AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

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**CHAIRPERSON:**.....