

Council

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin, on 24 October 2018 at 4.00 pm.

PRESENT

Mayor	
Deputy	Mayor
Counci	llors

Mr W E R Bishop Mr R J Brannigan Mr R H Campbell Mr N G Gimblett Mr B F Judd Mrs J F G Mason Mrs C B Mitchell Ms P Tukapua Mr B P Wanden

Mr M Feyen

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D M Clapperton Mr D Law Mr M J Lester	(Chief Executive) (Chief Financial Officer) (Group Manager – Corporate Services)
Mr D McCorkindale	(Group Manager – Strategy & Development)
Mrs N Brady	(General Manager Horowhenua 2040)
Mr J Paulin	(Finance Manager)
Mr A Chamberlain	(Financial Accountant)
Mrs K J Corkill	(Meeting Secretary)
Ms S Bowling	(Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs D Perera Ms F Elkington (Audit Director, Audit New Zealand) (Audit Manager, Audit New Zealand)

MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE

Mr G Heagney

("Manawatū Standard")

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were five members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

1 Apologies

An apology was recorded for Cr Kaye-Simmons.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Brannigan:

THAT the apology from Cr Kaye-Simmons be accepted.

2 Public Participation

None requested.

3 Late Items

There were no late items.

4 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Announcements

Whilst there were no announcements, Mayor Feyen advised he had received a request to film the meeting from Mr Ten Have.

With it confirmed that Standing Orders had been amended following a resolution at the previous Council meeting thus requiring recording of Council meetings to be resolved by Council on a case by case basis, it was:

MOVED Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Gimblett:

THAT Mr Ten Have be permitted to film the Extraordinary Council meeting.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

<u>For:</u>		<u>Against:</u>
Mayor:	Michael Feyen	Deputy Mayor: Wayne Bishop
Councillors:	Ross Campbell	Councillors: Ross Brannigan
	Neville Gimblett	Barry Judd
	Joanna Mason	Bernard Wanden
	Christine Mitchell	

Cr Tukapua abstained from voting.

The division was declared <u>CARRIED</u> by 5 votes to 4.

CARRIED

6 Finance

6.1 Adoption of Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2018

Purpose

To adopt the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2018.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Report 17/489 Adoption of Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2018 be received.

THAT this decision is recognised as significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

Mrs Perera, Audit Director, and Ms Elkington, Audit Manager, from Audit New Zealand joined the table to speak to this item and respond to any queries from Elected Members.

Mrs Perera said she was pleased to advise Audit New Zealand was in a position to issue an unmodified audit opinion for the Annual Report, which meant that Audit NZ believed the Annual Report fairly presented all the matters that were required to be disclosed around Council's financial performance, non-financial performance and meeting legislative requirements.

Responding to a query from Mayor Feyen as to whether Audit NZ was comfortable with Council's level of following up in a timely fashion on the recommendations made by Audit, Mrs Perera said that as well as the Audit Opinion there was also the Management Report. Audit NZ also reviewed the minutes of meetings held during the year and there was good follow up in terms of actions that Audit had put forward.

In terms of Council achieving mandatory prudential benchmarks, Mrs Perera said to put it in perspective with other Councils it was about normal. There were a lot of performance measures to achieve, but Audit NZ did not have any concerns in terms of Council's performance.

Mr Clapperton expressed his thanks to Audit NZ for the work they had done and the way they had worked with Council's team. It could be challenging, but the way the process had been worked through this year was a continuation of the positive achievements of the last few years.

Mayor Feyen reiterated those positive comments on behalf of Councillors.

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Gimblett:

THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive be authorised to sign the Annual Report on behalf of Council, and that 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 2018.

THAT the Annual Report 2017/2018 is amended by adding the final Audit Opinion.

THAT the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2018 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 Strategy and Development

7.1 Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 - Approval and Operative Date Purpose

To obtain approval of Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 for public notification as Operative Plan Changes to the Horowhenua District Plan. Mr Clapperton noted that this was a procedural matter seeking Council's approval to publicly notify Proposed Plan Changes 1 and 2.

With there being no queries or comments, it was:

MOVED by Cr Judd, seconded Cr Mason:

THAT Report 18/581 Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 - Approval and Operative Date be received.

THAT this decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

THAT the Horowhenua District Council formally approves Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 in accordance with Clause 17 of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991.

THAT the approved Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 be publicly notified in accordance with Clause 20 of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991 and that such notice contain the operative date for Proposed Plan Change 1 and 2 being not less than five (5) working days after the date of the public notification.

CARRIED

Mayor Feyen commented that this had involved a huge amount of work by Officers and he thanked all those who had been involved in the process.

4.25 pm

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

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<u>DATE</u>:.....

CHAIRPERSON: