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# Council

## OPEN MINUTES

## CONFIRMED

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Minutes of a meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin on Wednesday 1 February 2023 at 1:00 pm.

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### PRESENT

<b>Mayor</b>	His Worship The Mayor Bernie Wanden
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	Councillor David Allan
<b>Councillors</b>	Councillor Mike Barker
	Councillor Rogan Boyle
	Councillor Ross Brannigan
	Councillor Clint Grimstone
	Councillor Nina Hori Te Pa
	Councillor Sam Jennings
	Councillor Paul Olsen
	Councillor Jonathan Procter
	Councillor Justin Tamihana
	Councillor Piri-Hira Tukapua
	Councillor Alan Young

### IN ATTENDANCE

<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Monique Davidson	Chief Executive
	Daniel Haigh	Group Manager - Community Infrastructure
	Jacinta Straker	Group Manager - Organisation Performance
	Brent Harvey	Group Manager - Community Experience and Services
	David McCorkindale	Group Manager – Community Vision and Delivery
	Blair Spencer	Group Manager – Housing & Business Development
	Ashley Huria	Business Performance Manager
	Grayson Rowse	Principal Advisor – Democracy
<b>Meeting Secretary</b>	Jody Lygo	Democracy Support Officer
	Lauren Baddock	District Plan Lead
	James Wallace	Land Transport Manager

Cr Hori Te Pa opened the meeting with a Karakia.

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**1 Apologies**

There were none.

**2 Public Participation**

There was none.

**3 Late Items**

There were none.

**4 Declaration of Interest**

There were none.

**5 Confirmation of Minutes**

**Resolution Number CO/2023/1**

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Horī Te Pa:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 14 December 2022, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

That the minutes of the meeting of the In Committee Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 14 December 2022, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

**6 Reports for Decision**

**6.1 Adoption of Elected Members Training and Development Policy, and Approval of Training Programme**

This report asks Council to adopt the Elected Members Training and Development Policy and approve the associated programme for elected members training and development for the rest of the triennium.

**Resolution Number CO/2023/2**

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Brannigan:

That Report 23/1 Adoption of Elected Members Training and Development Policy, and Approval of Training Programme be received.

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

**CARRIED**

The Chief Executive provided some background information on how this policy came to fruition acknowledging this is the first Elected Members Training and Development Policy that this Council has adopted.

**Resolution Number CO/2023/3**

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Tukapua:

That Council adopts the Elected Members Training and Development Policy.

**CARRIED**

Discussion was held surrounding how the training funds would be allocated across elected members in the training programme for 2023-2025. It was determined that further information and investigation of options was required before a decision could be made on the programme. Recommendation 3.4 was consequently withdrawn.

**Resolution Number CO/2023/4**

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Tukapua:

That Council approves the attendance of Cr Tamihana at the New Zealand Planning Institute Conference April 2023.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution Number CO/2023/5**

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Brannigan:

That Council refers this paper and the Policy to the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board for their information.

**CARRIED**

Recommendation 3.7 was withdrawn, pending further investigation into options for the training programme.

**6.2 Adoption of External Appointments Policy**

To present for adoption a policy on the appointment of external members to Council committees and subcommittees.

**Resolution Number CO/2023/6**

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Olsen:

That Report 23/4 Adoption of External Appointments Policy be received.

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

**CARRIED**

It was noted that this is the first External Appointments Policy that Council has adopted.

**Resolution Number CO/2023/7**

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Boyle:

That Council adopts the External Appointments Policy.

That Council reviews this policy three years after its adoption.

**CARRIED**

### 6.3 Adoption of Triennial Agreement

The purpose of this item is to present the Triennial Agreement for endorsement.

#### **Resolution Number CO/2023/8**

MOVED by Cr Boyle, seconded Cr Olsen:

That Report 23/6 Adoption of Triennial Agreement be received.

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

**CARRIED**

It was noted that this agreement is a legal requirement of the Local Government Act 2002.

#### **Resolution Number CO/2023/9**

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Cr Young:

That Council:

- a. notes that all the signatory councils have been asked to sign the new Triennial Agreement by 1 March 2023;
- b. endorses the Triennial Agreement attached at Annex A;
- c. agrees to review the agreement annually in regard to its effectiveness;
- d. supports the establishment of a Manawatū-Whanganui Mayoral Forum and confirms Mayor Bernie Wanden as its formal representative on that Forum;
- e. agrees to adopt the Manawatū-Whanganui Mayoral Forum's Terms of Reference;
- f. appoints a Joint Committee (with the Region's Territorial Authorities) to be called the Climate Action Joint Committee, pursuant to clause 30(1)(b) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002;
- g. agrees to adopt the Climate Action Joint Committee's Terms of Reference;
- h. appoints Mayor Bernie Wanden as its representative on the Climate Action Joint Committee.

**CARRIED**

## 7 Reports for Noting

### 7.1 Endorsement of Council Plan on a Page

The purpose of this report is for Council to note the priorities and direction of Horowhenua District Council.

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/10

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Young:

That Report 23/20 Endorsement of Council Plan on a Page be received.

That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

**CARRIED**

It was noted that this is a living document that will be changed and updated as required.

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/11

MOVED by Cr Tukapua, seconded Cr Tamihana:

That Council endorses the Council Plan on a Page, noting it sets out Council's key priorities and focus areas.

**CARRIED**

### 7.2 Organisation Performance Report - February 2023

To present the Organisation Performance Report for February 2023

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/12

MOVED by Cr Grimstone, seconded Cr Allan:

That Report 23/16 Organisation Performance Report - February 2023 be received.

That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

That having considered all matters raised in the Organisation Performance Report February 2022 report be noted.

**CARRIED**

The Group Manager to Organisation Performance joined the table to speak to this report providing further details around the Capital and spending summaries. Clarification was sort on a number of matters by members.

### 7.3 Submission on the Natural and Built Environment Bill and Spatial Planning Bill

The purpose of this report is to seek Elected Member endorsement of the submission on the Natural and Built Environment Bill (NBE) and the Spatial Planning Bill (SP). These two Bills are two of the three pieces of legislation proposed to replace to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). The third piece of legislation, the Climate Change Adaptation Act, is not yet available.

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/13

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Olsen:

That Report 23/25 Submission on the Natural and Built Environment Bill and Spatial Planning Bill be received.

That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

**CARRIED**

The District Plan Lead joined the table to speak to this report, noting updates from other Councils due to changes of their views. It was noted that reference to the amount of power the minister now has will be included in the submission, including strengthening the wording around highlighting the worry shared about the loss of local voice.

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/14

MOVED by Cr Young, seconded Cr Allan:

The Council approve the Submission on the Natural and Built Environment Bill and Spatial Planning Bill.

**CARRIED**

### 7.4 Council Resolution and Actions Monitoring Report January 2023

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the updated monitoring report covering resolutions and requested actions from previous meetings of Council.

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/15

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Cr Hori Te Pa:

That Report, Council Resolution and Actions Monitoring Report January 2023 be received.

That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

**CARRIED**

## 8 Petitions

### 8.1 Receipt of Petition - Bob and Ruth Ward and 239 others

To receive the petition of Bob and Ruth Ward and 239 others requesting “*that the Horowhenua District Council join with cycle clubs and other interested parties, to plan, develop and build safe, linked cycle ways within the township and its surrounds as part of the next Annual Plan.*”

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/16

MOVED by Cr Grimstone, seconded Cr Barker:

That Report 23/3 Receipt of Petition - Bob and Ruth Ward and 239 others be received.

That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

**CARRIED**

The Land Transport Manager joined the table to speak to this petition and mentioned that they are looking into a cycle ways strategy and will seek the communities direction of priorities. That will then go out for public engagement around May/June 2023. It was noted that the areas of concern with overgrowth at the south end of town are being investigated as they need to confirm the ownership of this with Waka Kotahi.

## 9 Proceedings of Committees

### 10 Procedural motion to exclude the public

#### Resolution Number CO/2023/17

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Tukapua:

That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject 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(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

#### C1 Appointment of External Members to Risk and Assurance Committee

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

The text of these resolutions is made available to the public who are present at the meeting and form part of the minutes of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

2.38 pm The public were excluded.

Resolutions in relation to the confidential items are recorded in the confidential section of these minutes and are not publicly available.

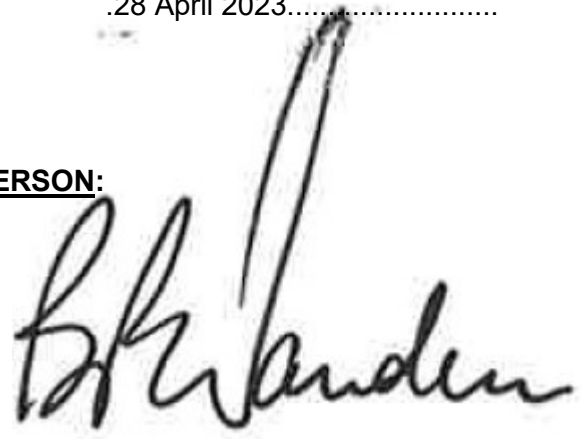
2.55 pm

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:** .28 April 2023.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Warden', is written over the 'CHAIRPERSON:' label. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.