
Council

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a reconvened meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin, on Thursday 24 May 2018 at 12.05 pm.

PRESENT

Mayor	Mr M Feyen	
Deputy Mayor	Mr W E R Bishop	
Councillors	Cr R H Campbell	
	Cr N G Gimblett	
	Cr B F Judd	
	Cr V M Kaye-Simmons	(from 12.25 pm)
	Cr J F G Mason	
	Cr C B Mitchell	
	Cr P Tukapua	(to 4.00 pm)
	Cr B P Wanden	

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D M Clapperton	(Chief Executive)
Mr D Law	(Chief Financial Officer)
Mr D McCorkindale	(Group Manager – Strategy & Development)
Mrs N Brady	(Group Manager – Customer & Regulatory Services)
Mr M Lester	(Group Manager – Corporate Services)
Ms S Grant	(Group Manager – People and Community)
Mr A Nelson	(Property & Parks Manager)
Mr K Peel	(Roading Manager)
Mr D Haigh	(Growth Response Manager)
Mr V Geldenhuys	(Aquatics Manager)
Mrs S Hutchinson	(Community & Youth Development Lead)
Mr I McLachlan	(Risk Management Lead)
Ms C O'Shea	(Strategic Planner)
Mrs L Baddock	(Strategic Planner)
Ms T Hayward	(Communications Advisor)
Mrs K J Corkill	(Meeting Secretary)
Ms S Bowling	(Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D J Roache	(Chair, Foxton Community Board)
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PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There was one member of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

1 Apologies

The apology from Cr Brannigan from yesterday's meeting subsisted.

An apology for lateness was recorded for Cr Kaye-Simmons.

MOVED by Cr Judd, seconded Deputy Mayor Bishop:

THAT the apology for lateness from Councillor Kaye-Simmons be accepted.

CARRIED

2 Public Participation

Public Participation had occurred at the commencement of yesterday's meeting.

3 Late Items

Under "Community Outcomes – Stunning Environments" Cr Tukapua brought to the table as a late item two resolutions, being:

"That Council undertakes feasibility studies in the first three years of the LTP 2018-2038 for stormwater to Lake Horowhenua. The feasibility studies will cover (amongst other things) affordability, and technical and environmental issue" and
"That an 'indicative' amount of \$9m be added to the LTP 2018-2038 subject to meeting legislative requirements".

giving her reasons for what she proposed.

Cr Campbell indicated he would second the motions.

The Chief Executive spoke in some detail with regard to process and how this might be moved forward should the resolutions be adopted. He noted particularly the need to have consistency between the LTP, Council's 30 year Infrastructure Strategy and Asset Management Plans, which would be audited by Audit New Zealand.

Cr Kaye-Simmons joined the meeting (12.25 pm).

MOVED by Cr Tukapua, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Council undertakes feasibility studies in the first three years of the LTP 2018-2038 for stormwater to Lake Horowhenua with the feasibility studies to cover (amongst other things) affordability, and technical and environmental issue"

CARRIED

Cr Tukapua spoke to the second resolution explaining how she arrived at the suggested indicative amount of \$9m, which was 20% of the savings achieved during last evening's deliberations.

After discussion the indicative amount in the resolution was amended to \$5.5m with the words "..over the years 4-7 of the LTP...." also added.

MOVED by Cr Tukapua, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT an 'indicative' amount of \$5.5m be added over the years 4-7 of the LTP 2018-2038 subject to meeting legislative requirements.

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

For:

Against:

Mayor: Michael Feyen Deputy Mayor: Wayne Bishop
Councillors: Ross Campbell Councillors: Neville Gimblett
Victoria Kaye-Simmons Barry Judd
Joanna Mason Christine Mitchell
Piri-Hira Tukapua
Bernard Wanden

The division was declared CARRIED by 6 votes to 4.

Councillors expressed their views on the various topics within following reports, with the Chief Executive and Council Officers responding to queries as required.

7.14 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Community Facilities and Services

Purpose

To present to Council for deliberation, the submissions received on the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 in relation to Council's Community Facilities and Services Activity Group.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT Report 18/236 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Community Facilities and Services be received.

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

THAT Council acknowledges, with thanks, all who have submitted on the Community Facilities and Services activity.

CARRIED

Following discussion, and with the following amendments:

- in Recommendation 2.4 - the proposed amount to be \$15,000 not \$60,000
- in Recommendation 2.6 - the word 'should' to be replaced by the word 'could' and "pending the outcome of the feasibility study" to be added;

it was:

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT Council allocates \$60,000 in year 2 of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to complete a feasibility study for a Shannon Community Centre, including as a first step an investigation of community demand to assess the need for, and anticipated use of a community centre in Shannon.

THAT Council undertakes further engagement with the Shannon community as part of the feasibility study, including with local Iwi and Hapu, to fully understand their needs and aspirations regarding the development of a Community Centre in Shannon.

THAT in considering its decision in relation to Challenge 1: Property of the 2018-2038 Draft Long Term Plan, Council takes into account submissions made to this topic which suggest that Shannon Memorial Hall could be retained to be used as Shannon's Community Centre pending the outcome of the feasibility study.

CARRIED

After discussion Recommendation 2.7 was also amended.

MOVED by Cr Mitchell, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Council provides support to rural schools, particularly Opiki and Tokomaru Schools, towards swimming programmes, or for the maintenance and enhancement of the school pool facilities.

CARRIED

A point of order was raised by Deputy Mayor Bishop when Mr Roache raised Topic 4 – Marketing of Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom as that matter had already been discussed.

The meeting adjourned briefly (2.10-2.25 pm).

7.15 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Challenge 2: Foxton Pool

Purpose

To present to Council for deliberation, the submissions received during consultation on the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 in relation to Challenge 2: Foxton Pool.

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Report 18/232 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Challenge 2: Foxton Pool be received.

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

THAT Council acknowledges, with thanks, all who have submitted on the Challenge 2: Foxton Pool consultation topic.

CARRIED

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Kaye-Simmons:

THAT Council resolves to increase the season length at the Foxton Pool from five months to eight months (with the new season running from September of any one year to April the following year, and with the pool being closed in May, June, July and August of each year).

CARRIED

7.16 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Challenge 1: Property

Purpose

To present to Council for deliberation, the submissions received during consultation on the Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2038 in relation to Challenge 1: Property.

MOVED by Cr Mitchell, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Report 18/287 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Challenge 1: Property be received.

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

THAT Council acknowledges, with thanks, all who have submitted on the 'Challenge 1: Property' consultation topic.

CARRIED

Following a request, each hall was considered and responded to individually, with Councillors expressing their views.

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT the decision to retain/or not to retain the Levin Memorial Hall be deferred until

the Taitoko/Levin Town Centre Strategy is completed.

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT the decision to retain/or not retain the Courthouse Museum in Foxton be deferred until 30 September 2018 pending a report to Council that identifies the means of retaining the heritage and character of the building through a sale or transfer process.

CARRIED

Cr Tukapua **ABSTAINED** from voting.

An amended resolution was proposed for the Foxton Memorial Hall, with the mover being Cr Gimblett and seconder Mayor Feyen.

“That given the significance of the Foxton Memorial Hall to the community, no further action be taken on the disposal of the Hall until a full consultation process has been undertaken with the community

And further

That a detailed analysis of options be provided to the community prior to a final decision being taken.

On being put, there were three in favour and four against the resolution: The motion was, therefore, **LOST**.

A further resolution was proposed:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT Council does not retain the Foxton Memorial Hall in the final Long Term Plan 2018-2038.

On being put there were eight for the motion, with Mayor Feyen recording his vote against and Cr Campbell abstaining. The motion was, therefore, **CARRIED**.

Cr Tukapua left the meeting (4.00 pm)

Coronation Hall, Foxton, was the next Hall to be considered and after discussion it was:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Kaye-Simmons:

THAT Council does not retain the Coronation Hall, Foxton; with no action being undertaken until a feasibility study on the future use of the facility is presented to Council by 30 December 2018

AND FURTHER

THAT Council agrees to the Terms of Reference for the feasibility study with the MAVTech Trust and Foxton Community Board.

CARRIED

The meeting took a brief recess (4.15-4.25 pm)

7.17 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Parks and Property

Purpose

To present to Council for deliberation, the submissions received on the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 in relation to Council's Parks and Property Activity.

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Gimblett:

THAT Report 18/237 Long Term Plan 2018-2038 Deliberations - Parks and Property be received.

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

CARRIED

Councillors considered and discussed the topics within the report, with minor amendments made to recommendations as required.

MOVED by Cr Mason, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Council allocates an operational budget of \$10,000 per year for the first three years of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to install benches in Levin.

CARRIED

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT Council allocates a budget of \$50,000 in the first year of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to undertake a review of the current reserve management plan, facility provision and user needs at Donnelly Park.

CARRIED

Cr Campbell recorded his abstention from voting.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT Council allocates a capital budget of \$150,000 in the second year of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to develop a longer term strategic concept plan and detailed design for Donnelly Park.

CARRIED

Cr Campbell abstained from voting.

MOVED by Cr Mason, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council approves a lease to the Tokomaru Early Childhood Centre on the Tokomaru Hall carpark reserve to develop a new pre-school child care facility.

CARRIED

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT Council allocates a capital budget of \$335,000 in year 2 of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to develop changing room and toilet facilities, improve drainage on Field 2 and add lighting for a new designated training ground at Playford Park.

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT Council allocates a capital budget of \$125,000 to install a toilet; shade provisions; and a BBQ at Hyde Park, and the installation of signage and benches/picnic tables at Te Maire Park in year 1 of the Long Term Plan

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council allocates a budget of \$80,000 in year 1 of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 to reduce sand dune height to the rear and sides of the Foxton Beach car-park to enable safe access for pedestrians.

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council allocates a capital budget of \$267,000 over the first four years of the Long Term Plan 2018-2038 (\$66,750 per year) to contribute to the development of improved cricket facilities on Donnelly Park.

CARRIED

Cr Campbell abstained from voting.

After discussion and the Chief Executive providing some background, the recommendation with regard to the Wildlife Foxton Trust's request to lease Holben Reserve was amended.

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT the Foxton Community Board considered the development of a Reserve Management Plan for Holben Reserve and Foxton Beach, taking into account the request for the Wildlife Foxton Trust to develop a wildlife centre within the reserve.

CARRIED

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Council provides the Horowhenua Lake Domain Board with an amount of up to \$10,000 to develop a Reserve Management Plan for Lake Domain/Muaūpoko Park subject to negotiation with other stakeholders for joint funding.

CARRIED

The Foxton Community Board's submission, Topic 22, was raised particularly in relation to funding sought for Save Our River Trust (SORT) and the provision of public toilets. After discussion it was:

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council provides funding to Save Our River Trust (SORT) of \$10,000 a year for the next three years.

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council investigates the development of a 24 hour toilet in Foxton, with an intention of exploring the opportunity to attract funding from The Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

CARRIED

Also raised and discussed was Topic 26: Coastal Erosion and Stream Management, and addressing any future resource consenting issues that may arise.

MOVED by Cr Mitchell, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Council allocates \$50,000 in year 2 of the LTP for the renewal of the coastal management resource consent for Waikawa Beach.

CARRIED

At 6.00 pm, with the meeting drawing to a close but to keep within Standing Orders, it was::

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT the Horowhenua District Council resolves that today's Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2038 deliberations meeting will continue passed the meeting duration of six hours set in Standing Order 4.2

CARRIED

Mr Clapperton outlined the process now required which included the draft LTP being audited before adoption. He said he thought it was important for Officers to now to model what had actually been resolved and to get some guidance from Council as to where it sat terms of the proposed 6.35% rates increase in year one. Discussions would be held with the Chief Executive Relationship Committee and a paper would be prepared and circulated to Councillors on rating requirements for years 1-3 of the LTP and information with regard to the capital programme for Councillors to provide feedback.

6.22 pm

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

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AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....