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## **OPEN MINUTES**

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### **POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Date: **Thursday, 26 April 2012**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee held on  
26 April 2012 at 2.10pm**

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## HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, GROUND FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LYNDON ROAD EAST, HASTINGS ON THURSDAY, 26 APRIL 2012 AT 2.10PM

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**PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor Collin  
Mayor Yule  
Councillors Bowers, Bradshaw, Hazlehurst, Heaps, Henderson,  
Nixon, Poulain, O'Keefe, Twigg and Watkins.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive (Mr R McLeod)  
Group Manager: Asset Management (Mr D Fraser)  
Group Manager: Community Facilities & Programmes (Ms T Winter)  
Group Manager: Strategy and Development (Mr D Morgan)  
Chief Financial Officer (Mr T Gray)  
Business Analyst (Ms C Thomson) – Item 6  
Principal Advisor: Infrastructure (Mr C Thew) – Item 6  
Principal Advisor: District Development (Mr M Clews)  
Parks and Properties Asset Manager (Mr C Hosford)  
Transportation Manager (M J Pannu) – Item 9  
Committee Secretary (Mrs C Hunt)

**AS REQUIRED:** Mr Toby Mason, LHT Design Ltd - Item 5  
Mr Tony Loughnan, LHT Design Ltd – Items 5,6 & 7  
Mary Hannan, Clive Pool Trust - Item 7  
Mr Reese Kennedy, Heretaunga Pool Trust  
Mr David Cormack, Havelock North Pool Trust - Item 7  
Mr Murray Buchanan (Consultant, BSEL) - Item 9

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Collin/Councillor Watkins

**That apologies for absence from Councillor Roil and Councillor Kerr and apologies for lateness from Mayor Yule be accepted.**

**CARRIED**

Leave of Absence had previously been granted to Councillor Lester.

#### 2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Henderson declared a conflict of interest in Item 8 – “St Columba’s Gum Tree, Havelock North: Heritage and Protection Issues”.

#### 3. CONSIDERATION OF:

##### A) ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

**B) EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS ITEMS**

There were no Additional or Extraordinary Business Items.

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**4. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR CONFIRMATION**

Councillor Collin/Councillor Heaps

**That the minutes of the Policy and Strategy Committee meeting held 23 February 2012 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

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**5. WATERWORLD ROOF REMEDIAL WORK**

*Mayor Yule joined the meeting at 2.19pm.*

Mr Toby Mason, LHT Design Limited displayed drawings of strengthening the roof elevation of the Waterworld roof. Also displayed were photos of the beams which showed the 15-20mm wide cracks.

The Officer's recommendations A and B were moved Councillor Bowers, seconded Mayor Yule with an additional recommendation C.

**Amendment to Motion – to include (D)**

Councillor Nixon/Councillor Bradshaw

- D) That officers be instructed to investigate the cost of bringing the building up to 100% of the building code.

A hand vote was taken with 4 FOR and 8 AGAINST

The Motion was

**LOST**

Deputy Mayor Bowers/Mayor Yule

- A) That the report of the Group Manager: Community Facilities and Programmes titled "Waterworld Roof Remedial Work" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) That Council submits to and includes in the Long Term Plan 2012-22 funding of \$550,000 to repair the Waterworld roof.**
- C) That officers be instructed to delete at least \$358,000 of expenditure from the Aquatic Strategy in respect of the Waterworld Upgrade being:**
- **New start blocks (\$8,000.00)**
  - **Replace splash pool with zero depth play features (\$150,000.00)**
  - **Upgrade outdoor area (\$200,000.00)**

**With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will**

**contribute to the Council's Strategic Objectives by:**

- **Aquatic facilities that are safe, accessible, affordable, and meet the needs of the community now and in the future.**

**CARRIED**

## **6. AQUATIC FACILITY UPGRADES: VARIATION TO STRATEGY**

*Councillor Bowers left the meeting at 3.05pm.*

At this point in the meeting Mrs Hannan spoke on behalf of the Clive Pool Trust in relation to strategy variations to the Aquatic Facility Upgrades which may affect the Clive Pool.

*Councillor Bowers rejoined the meeting at 3.15pm.*

The Group Manager: Community Facilities and Programmes, Ms Winter advised that of the three tables in the agenda report the correct table and figures were on page 20 of the agenda in Attachment 1.

The Business Analyst, Ms Thomson displayed a powerpoint presentation providing an overview on "Net Present Value" in regard to assessing a project by looking at the projected cash inflows and outflows over time. It brings future cashflows into today's dollars to enable comparisons of options.

Mayor Yule/Deputy Mayor Bowers

- A) That the report of the Group Manager: Community Facilities and Programmes titled "Aquatic Facility Upgrades: Variation to Strategy" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) That the variations to the Aquatic Facilities Strategy outlined in Appendix 1 in the agenda report of (A) above, be approved, noting the recommendations passed in agenda item 5 as below:**
- **That Council submits to and includes in the Long Term Plan 2012-22 funding of \$550,000 to repair the Waterworld roof.**
  - **That officers be instructed to delete at least \$358,000 of expenditure from the Aquatic Strategy in respect of the Waterworld Upgrade.**

**With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council's Strategic Objectives by:**

- **Providing aquatic facilities that are safe, accessible, affordable, and meet the needs of the community now and in the future**

**CARRIED**

**7. AQUATIC FACILITIES STRATEGY: REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT AND AQUATIC SERVICES PLAN**

Mayor Yule/Deputy Mayor Bowers

- A) That the report of the Group Manager: Community Facilities and Programmes titled “Aquatic Facilities Strategy: Review of Governance and Management and Aquatic Services Plan” dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) That the Review of Governance and Management report attached as Appendix 1 in the report of (A) above be received.**
- C) That the findings of the Aquatic Services Plan attached as Appendix 2 in the report of (A) above be adopted.**
- D) That an overarching aquatic governance group be established from 1 May 2012 – 30 April 2013.**
- E) That the draft Terms of Reference attached as Appendix 3 to the report in (A) above be adopted.**
- F) That membership of that group be confirmed as: the Chairs (or their nominees) of each pool trust; the three pool managers; the Group Manager: Community Facilities and Programmes.**
- G) That an elected member is not required to be appointed to the Aquatic Governance Working Group.**
- H) That this group be tasked with exploring the opportunities identified in the Service Plan and coming back to Council with business cases and recommendations.**

**With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council’s Strategic Objectives by:**

- Aquatic facilities that are safe, accessible, affordable and meet the needs of the community now and in the future.**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Heaps left the meeting at 4.00pm.*

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*The meeting adjourned at 4.00pm for afternoon tea  
and reconvened at 4.20pm*

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*With the agreement of the meeting Item 9 was taken out of order.*

## 9. HERETAUNGA PLAINS TRANSPORTATION STUDY 2012

*Councillor O'Keefe left the meeting at 4.40pm.*

The Transportation Manager, Mr Pannu together with Mr Buchanan, Consultant, BSEL displayed a powerpoint presentation providing an overview and background of the Heretaunga Plains Transportation Study and request that the Committee endorse the findings of the Study.

*Councillor Bowers left the meeting at 4.52pm.*

Councillor Watkins/Councillor Henderson

- A) That the report of the Transportation Manager titled the "Heretaunga Plains Transportation Study 2012 (HPTS)" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) The Committee endorsed the Heretaunga Plains Transportation Study (HPTS) 2012 findings and recommendations.**

**With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council's Strategic Objectives by:**

- i) Developing a transport model that takes into account the current and future land-use while minimising the transport costs to move people and goods safely and efficiently.**
- ii) Developing transport solutions that support economic growth and productivity while minimising adverse impacts on the environment.**

**CARRIED**

*At 4.55pm having previously declared a conflict of interest Councillor Henderson did not participate in the discussion or decision making of Item 8.*

## 8. ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH GUM TREE, HAVELOCK NORTH: HERITAGE AND PROTECTION ISSUES

Councillor Hazlehurst/Mayor Yule

- A) That the report of the Parks and Properties Asset Manager titled "St Columba's Church Gum Tree, Havelock North: Heritage and Protection Issues" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) That the Committee adopt Option 1 and Council contribute \$2000.00 per annum towards the annual cost of arboricultural care of St Columba Gum Tree for a period of up two years only.**
- C) That Council works with the owner of the tree (St Columba's Church) and the community of Havelock North to consult on the future of the Blue Gum tree and methods of management or otherwise based on safety concerns.**

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council's Strategic Objectives by:

- i) **Build a strong district identity**
- ii) **By ensuring a significant landmark tree is safely maintained for long term community enjoyment.**

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**CARRIED**

*Councillor Henderson rejoined the meeting at 5.45pm.  
Mayor Yule left the meeting at 5.45pm.*

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## **10. HPUDS MEDIUM DENSITY HOUSING STRATEGY STAGE 1**

Councillor Hazlehurst/Councillor Nixon

- A) **That the report of the Principal Advisor: District Development titled "HPUDS Medium Density Housing Strategy Stage 1" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**
- B) **That Stage 2 Medium Density Housing Strategy Development now be initiated.**

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council's Strategic Objectives by:

**Environmental Wellbeing:**

- **Protection of the productive capacity of the land resource by promoting housing options that support more compact communities rather than urban sprawl and integrating infrastructure by identifying medium density locations.**

**Economic Wellbeing:**

- **Develop safe transport networks integrated with land-use and moving the community away from car dependency by creating a more efficient urban form and integrating transportation planning by identifying medium density locations.**

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**CARRIED**

## **11. PROCUREMENT POLICY**

Circulated at the meeting were revised pages 7 and 25 of the draft procurement policy.

Councillor Twigg/Councillor Watkins

- A) **That the report of the Group Manager: Asset Management titled "Procurement Policy" dated 26/04/2012 be received.**



- B) The Procurement Manual circulated with the report referred to in “A” above be completed.
- C) The improvement plan be programmed and the Audit and Risk Subcommittee be updated as appropriate.

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the Council’s Strategic Objectives by ensuring responsive services are in place for procurement for Hastings District Council

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**CARRIED**

12. **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS**

13. **EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS ITEMS**

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The meeting closed at 6.05 pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: