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OPEN MINUTES

COUNCIL

Meeting Date: **Thursday, 10 October 2013**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on
10 October 2013 at 2.00pm**

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HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, GROUND FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LYNDON ROAD EAST, HASTINGS ON THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2013 AT 2.00PM

PRESENT: Mayor Yule (Chair)
Councillors Bowers (Deputy Mayor), Bradshaw, Collin,
Hazlehurst, Heaps, Henderson, Kerr, Lester, Nixon,
O'Keefe, Roil, Twigg and Watkins.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (Mr R McLeod)
Group Manager: Asset Management (Mr D Fraser)
Group Manager: Community Facilities & Programmes (Ms
A Heather)
Group Manager: Corporate and Customer Services (Mr M
Maguire)
Group Manager: Human Resources (Mrs B Bayliss)
Group Manager: Planning and Regulatory Services (Mr J
O'Shaughnessy)
Chief Financial Officer (Mr T Gray)
Democratic Support Manager (Mr R Palmer)

1. MINUTES SILENCE

The Council and members of the public stood and observed a minutes silence in support of the families involved in the horrific accident which occurred on Kirkpatrick Park on Tuesday.

2. APOLOGIES

Mayor Yule/Councillor Watkins

That the apologies for lateness from Councillor O'Keefe be received and accepted and the leave of absence previously granted to Councillor Poulain be noted.

CARRIED

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

4. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR CONFIRMATION

Document number CG-10-1-480

Councillor Lester/Councillor Twigg

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held Thursday 19 September 2013 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be adopted.

CARRIED 13/46

Councillor O'Keefe entered the meeting at 2.09 pm

5. REVALUATION OF THE HASTINGS DISTRICT AS AT 1 AUGUST 2013

Document number 13/486

Tony Gray, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the report, and David Nagel and Bevan Pickett from Quotable Value presented the results of the re-evaluation carried out effective 1 August 2013 (CG-10-1-501).

Councillor Watkins/Councillor Hazlehurst

- A) That the report of the Chief Financial Officer titled "Revaluation of the Hastings District as at 1 August 2013" dated 10/10/2013 be received.**
- B) That the presentation from Quotable Value Limited on the District Revaluation as at 1 August 2013 is received for information.**

CARRIED 13/47

6. ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT AND SUMMARY 2012/13

Document number 13/381

Tony Gray, Chief Financial Officer, presented the report.

Councillor Kerr/Mayor Yule

- A) That the report of the Accounting Manager titled "Adoption of the Annual Report and Summary 2012/13" dated 10/10/2013 be received.**
- B) That the 2012/13 Annual Report incorporating minor changes required by Audit New Zealand be adopted.**
- C) That the 2012/13 Summary Annual Report incorporating minor changes required by Audit New Zealand be adopted.**

CARRIED 13/48

7. INNER CITY SECURITY INITIATIVES

Document number 13/533

Phil Evans, Community Safety Manager presented the report.

Councillor Hazlehurst/Councillor Lester

- A) That subject to the word "Council" in paragraph 3.4.1 being amended to "and it" the report of the Community Safety Manager titled "Inner City Security Initiatives" dated 10/10/2013 be received.**
- B) That the Council confirm the additional \$40,000 funding for the expansion of the City Assist Project to 4 full time staff.**
- C) That the Council agree to fund an additional \$40,000 to employ a total of 6 "City Assist" staff for a 6 month period.**
- D) That the matter of developing an Anti-Social Behaviour Bylaw be**

referred to a Bylaws Working Party.

- E) That Council direct staff to further investigate development of an Inner City Charter, and to report back to Council on a possible format.
- F) That Council agree to provide \$18,545 of additional funding to employ Guardians for the skate park and night time security for a period of 5 months.

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the provision of good quality local infrastructure and local public by:

- i) Providing an active presence in the Hastings CBD
- ii) Providing Council Officers and Police a tool to assist in dealing with Anti-Social Behaviour
- iii) Proactively promoting an expectation of positive behaviour
- iv) Preventing problems occurring at the skate park during its initial period

CARRIED 13/49

8. FEEDBACK FROM MEETING WITH NZTA BOARD AND ISSUES RELATING TO NZTA BOARD PAPERS.

Document number 13/544

David Fraser, Group Manager Asset Management, presented the report.

Councillors were unanimous in their concerns regarding the comments made by the NZTA reporting officer which indicated that the Board had no interest in assisting the Council to maintain the higher levels of service which it had provided in respect of its network.

Councillor Lester/Councillor Kerr

- A) That subject to the word “three” in paragraph 3.1 of the report being changed to “four”, the report of the Group Manager: Asset Management titled “Feedback from meeting with NZTA Board and issues relating to NZTA Board Papers.” dated 10/10/2013 be received.
- B) That Council officers inform NZTA of the contents of this report.
- C) That Council officers discuss with NZTA the options of reinstating the bridge strengthening works.

With the reasons for this decision being that the objective of the decision will contribute to the provision of good quality local infrastructure in a way that is most cost-effective for households and business by seeking to ensure appropriate investment occurs that enables the best whole of life performance of Council’s transportation infrastructure.

CARRIED 13/50

The Council adjourned at 3.35 for afternoon tea and resumed at 3.55 pm.

9. VALEDICTION

His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive expressed their thanks to Councillor Margaret Twigg who was not standing for re-election but was retiring from Council after 12 years' service. They acknowledged the outstanding contribution which she had made to the Council during that time and the great support and generosity which she had displayed in respect of her community. Her support for the Mayor and the Chief Executive in their respective roles was also acknowledged as was her contribution to the District as Chairperson of the Works & Services Committee and a member of the Hearings Committee.

Cr Lester voiced his appreciation of the work which Councillor Twigg had put in as a member of the Hearings Committee which he chaired, and appreciation for her constructive involvement in the business of the Council was endorsed by all.

His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive also expressed their thanks to Councillor Collin who was also not seeking re-election but leaving Council and the District to pursue other opportunities in Nelson. It was acknowledged that although Councillor Collin had only served one term with the Council his business sense and his ability to think strategically had been of great benefit to the Council in general and to the District Development portfolio in particular.

His Worship the Mayor thanked the Chief Executive, staff and Councillors for the work which they had all done for the benefit of the District. He expressed the opinion that the Council had achieved a great deal over the last term and everyone could be pleased with the results, and he wished those Councillors who were standing for re-election all the best.

In particular he drew attention to the work of the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Bowers, thanking her for the support and advice which she had given him during the term. Councillor Bowers responded on behalf of all the Council, thanking His Worship for the leadership which he had provided for the Council and the way in which he had worked to better the District.

10. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no additional business items.

11. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no extraordinary business items.

12. RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM ITEMS 13 AND 14

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

Councillor Roil/Councillor Watkins

THAT the public now be excluded from the following parts of the meeting, namely;

13 Confirmation of the Minutes of Council held 19 September 2013 while the Public were Excluded

14 CBD Linkage

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this Resolution in relation to the 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 is as follows:

<i>GENERAL SUBJECT OF EACH MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED</i>	<i>REASON FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO EACH MATTER, AND PARTICULAR INTERESTS PROTECTED</i>	<i>GROUND(S) UNDER SECTION 48(1) FOR THE PASSING OF EACH RESOLUTION</i>
<p>13 Confirmation of the Minutes of Council held 19 September 2013 while the Public were Excluded</p>	<p>As stated in the minutes</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i) Where the Local Authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act under Section 6 or 7 (except Section 7(2)(f)(i)) of this Act.</p>
<p>14 CBD Linkage</p>	<p>Section 7 (2) (h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. Public Excluded - Commercial sensitivity with financial negotiations.</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i) Where the Local Authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act under Section 6 or 7 (except Section 7(2)(f)(i)) of this Act.</p>

CARRIED 13/51

The meeting closed at 5.20 pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date:

Chief Executive, Mr R McLeod