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COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 5 June 2018

Time: 9.00am (Submissions)

**Venue: Council Chamber
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

Council Members	Chair: Mayor Hazlehurst Councillors Barber, Dixon, Harvey, Heaps, Kerr, Lawson, Lyons, Nixon, O'Keefe, Poulain, Redstone, Schollum, Travers and Watkins
Officer Responsible	Chief Executive – Mr R McLeod
Council Secretary	Mrs C Hunt (Extn 5634)

HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

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TIME: 9.00am (Submissions)

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1. Prayer

2. Apologies & Leave of Absence

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

Leave of Absence had previously been granted to Councillor Harvey

3. Seal Register

4. Conflict of Interest

Members need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to scan the agenda and assess their own private interests and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be perceptions of conflict of interest.

If a Member feels they do have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the relevant item of business and withdraw from participating in the meeting. If a Member thinks they may have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the Chief Executive or Executive Advisor/Manager: Office of the Chief Executive (preferably before the meeting).

It is noted that while Members can seek advice and discuss these matters, the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the Council Meeting held Thursday 24 May 2018.

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REPORT TO: COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018

**FROM: STRATEGY MANAGER
LEX VERHOEVEN**

SUBJECT: LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSIONS 2018-2028

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Council on submissions received to the Draft Long Term Plan and to obtain decisions for incorporation into the final plan for Council adoption on 28 June 2018.
- 1.2 This issue arises from legislative provisions within the Local Government act 2002 requiring Council to have a Long term Plan adopted by 30 June 2018.
- 1.3 The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as prescribed by Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to meet the current and future needs of communities for good quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses. Good quality means infrastructure, services and performance that are efficient and effective and appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.
- 1.4 The objective of this decision relevant to the purpose of Local Government is to fulfil the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in regard to consultation and decision making.
- 1.5 This report concludes by making a number of recommendations in section 5.0 to enable the Long Term Plan to be completed for final Council adoption on 28 June 2018.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council's Draft Long Term Plan was adopted on 22 March 2018 and has been the subject of community consultation via the Council Consultation document. A total of 124 submissions have been received. In addition to these submissions, over 1,000 feedback responses (Citizens Panel 280, Website Survey 263, and Consultation Document Tear-off 600) have also been obtained.

3.0 CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 In addition to this covering report the agenda has the following attachments:
- Volume 1 Submissions
 - Volume 2 Submissions
 - Officer Comments (to be circulated separately)

3.2 **Community Views**

3.3 The feedback responses outlined in 2.1 above to the questions within the consultation process have been analysed and are outlined below.

3.4 **Key Issue 1 – Water for our future**

Source	It's about right	Pay faster	Pay slower
Citizens Panel	63%	3%	34%
Website Survey	53%	14%	33%
Consultation Document	54%	15%	31%

3.5 **Key Issue 2 – Upgrading our bridges**

Source	It's about right	Go faster	Go slower
Citizens Panel	70%	6%	24%
Website Survey	66%	6%	28%
Consultation Document	58%	10%	32%

3.6 **Key Issue 3 – Enjoying our city centre**

Source	It's about right	Go slower	No investment
Citizens Panel	48%	19%	33%
Website Survey	56%	19%	25%
Consultation Document	49%	21%	30%

In terms of the priorities of the various projects, there was a general preference in the following priority order (1. Central Mall, 2. East Block Entertainment Precinct 3. Civic Square.)

3.7 **Key Issue 4 – Homes for our people**

Source	It's about right	More options	No investment
Citizens Panel	43%	49%	8%
Website Survey	45%	41%	14%
Consultation Document	37%	46%	17%

3.8 **Key Issue 5 – Relaxing in our reserves**

Source	It's about right	Go faster	Go slower
Citizens Panel	57%	8%	35%
Website Survey	54%	11%	35%
Consultation Document	55%	8%	37%

In terms of the priorities of the various reserve enhancement projects, there was general support for the staging of projects as outlined in the consultation document.

Regional Sports Park Development

Support for proposed investment

Source	Yes	No
Citizens Panel	72%	28%
Consultation Document	55%	48%

3.9 Youth Council

- 3.10 A Long Term Plan focussed session was held with the Youth Council, where good discussion was held on a number of the consultation topics. The key themes will be circulated to relevant officers as appropriate, and will be particularly useful to inform the more detailed future planning in the CBD and in our parks and reserves.

4.0 RATING REMISSION SUMMARY

- 4.1 The purpose of this component of the report is to provide Council with a summary of the key submission themes in relation to the proposed changes to the Rate Remission and Postponement Policy, and to provide some commentary in relation to those themes.

BACKGROUND

- 4.2 Council has historically applied the majority of its uniform and targeted rates on a per *'separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit' (SUIP)*, which is consistent with the majority of councils in New Zealand. In the case of residential properties, a rate is therefore applied per dwelling, unit, flat or cottage.
- 4.3 In April 2014, as part of a data integrity review, officers noted a significant number of properties contained additional SUIP's that were not being rated in accordance with council's rating policy. Officers wrote to these properties advising of council's intention to update its records from 01 July 2014.
- 4.4 A number of submissions were made as part of the 2014/15 Draft Annual Plan. Council considered those submissions and agreed to amend the *'Sundry Remission'* component of the Rate Remission and Postponement Policy to include the following:
- *To remit fixed charges on any additional dwelling, unit, flat or cottage that is being occupied by a direct family member (i.e Parent / Daughter or Son)*
 - *To remit charges on any additional dwelling, unit, flat, cottage, workers accommodation or visitor accommodation unit that is unable or incapable of being occupied.*

- *To remit charges on any additional dwelling, unit, flat, cottage, workers accommodation or visitor accommodation unit that is provided to an employee because it's essential in the opinion of Council they must reside on the rating unit for the on-going running of the business.*
- 4.5 We currently have 83 properties that have made an application and meet the above criteria for remission, of which 58 meet the criteria required under the 'direct family member' component.
- 4.6 Officers were concerned that some of those ratepayers did not meet the essence of what council intended to provide rating relief for, and sought direction from the Rating Review Working Party (RRWP). Following discussion, the RRWP supported a change from 'direct family member' to 'dependent member' ensuring there was more of a dependency (medical, health, financial or other) relationship between the ratepayer and the person occupying the additional SUIP.
- 4.7 The proposed change was supported by Council and the proposed change was consulted upon as part of the 2018-28 Draft Long Term Plan.

CURRENT SITUATION

- 4.8 Council wrote to all ratepayers who currently receive a remission under the 'direct family member' component of the remission policy advising them of the proposed change, some of whom may be affected by the proposed change depending on their individual circumstances.
- 4.9 Submissions closed with Council receiving 9 submissions in relation to the proposed change. Officers have provided commentary in relation to each submission under the Public Excluded Report.
- 4.10 In summary, the main underlying themes coming through the submissions were:
- *The current remission policy is appropriate.*
 - *The additional rates are disproportionate to the impact on council services. A fairer approach would be a charge based on the number of persons occupying the property.*
 - *The additional dwelling is used on an ad hoc basis by visiting family members.*
 - *The additional dwelling receives no additional services.*
 - *The 'dwelling' should not be classified as a 'separately inhabited part of a rating unit'.*
 - *The additional rates discourages the provision of "visitor accommodation".*
 - *Council should consider applying a partial charge.*
 - *The total number of persons (6) living on the property (across the three units) is no greater than other households.*
 - *The increase in rates would put a financial burden on the family.*

- 4.11 Some of the ratepayers that submitted against the proposed change are likely to meet the proposed criteria as there appears to be a 'dependency' relationship between the ratepayer and the persons occupying the additional unit.
- 4.12 It is acknowledged that rates are a blunt tool and with over 30,000 differing rating units, it is inevitable that some perceptions of inequity exist. For example: a pensioner living in a dwelling on their own in Hastings will pay the same level of uniform and targeted rates as a dwelling occupied by a family of 5 living in Flaxmere.
- 4.13 Applying uniform and targeted rates on a SUIP basis is a common approach by other councils in New Zealand, particularly those that use land value to determine a properties share of the general rate. Whilst it is acknowledged there will always be some exceptions, the basic premise of applying charges in this manner, is that in most cases additional rating units will equate to additional persons who will impact and have access to council services.
- 4.14 Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Rating) Act prescribes the factors that can be used by council for calculating the liability for targeted rates. Applying a partial SUIP charge is not permitted, although Council could achieve that outcome by amending its Remission Policy, by setting out the specific circumstances where a partial remission is applied.
- 4.15 The general objectives of the policy is to provide the ratepayer with some financial assistance where they might otherwise have difficulty paying their rates, to address instances where the rating system results in anomalies in the incidence of rates, and to support Council's broader policy objectives.
- 4.16 If council were of a view that there were specific anomalies it wishes to address, raised through the submissions or otherwise, it could consider amending its remission policy where it considers appropriate. The objectives, parameters and criteria for remission would need to be clearly set out to ensure staff are not making subjective judgements. This could be a matter for the RRWP to consider.
- 4.17 It should be noted that any remission of rates, will be spread across the rest of the rating community.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS AND REASONS

- A) That the report of the Strategy Manager titled "Long Term Plan Submissions 2018-2028" dated 5/06/2018 be received.**
- B) That the written and verbal submissions and officer comments attached be received.**
- C) That the decisions and amendments made at this meeting be**

incorporated into the Long Term Plan 2018 – 2028.

- D) That officers forward replies to all submitters that thank them for their submissions, advise of any Council decisions in response to the submissions and offers explanation based on the officer comments as amended by the Council at this meeting.**
- E) That the issues raised in submissions that require further action by Council through the Committee structure be noted and brought forward by officers as appropriate.**
- F) That the Council resolves, in terms of Section 82 (3) of the Local Government Act 2002, that the principles set out in that section have been observed in such a manner that the Hastings District Council considers, in its discretion, is appropriate for the decisions made during the course of this meeting.**

Attachments:

1	Submission #1 - Environmental Protection Agency	CP-10-2-18-1	Vol 1 of 3
2	Submission #2 - Jane Mackersey (Havelock North Business Association)	CP-10-2-18-2	Vol 1 of 3
3	Submission #3 - Phillip Stubbs	CP-10-2-18-3	Vol 1 of 3
4	Submission #4 - Joy Mundy	CP-10-2-18-4	Vol 1 of 3
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7	Submission #7 - Simon Shaw	CP-10-2-18-7	Vol 1 of 3
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REPORT TO: COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018

**FROM: DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT MANAGER
JACKIE EVANS**

**SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HASTINGS
DISTRICT RURAL COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON 28 MAY
2018**

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise that the recommendations from the Hastings District Rural Community Board held on 28 May 2018 require ratification by Council.
- 1.2 The relevant Hastings District Rural Community Board recommendations to be ratified are set out below.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- A) That the report of the Democratic Support Manager titled “Summary of Recommendations of the Hastings District Rural Community Board held on 28 May 2018” be received.**
- B) The following recommendations of the Hastings District Rural Community Board meeting held 28 May 2018 be ratified:**

“6 LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSIONS 2018 – 2028

A) That the report of the Strategy Manager titled “Annual Plan Submissions 2018 – 2018” dated 28 May be received.

B) That the officer comments (Attachment 1) on the submissions be supported subject to the addition of the following recommendations:

- **Submission 77 Marei Apatu (Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga)**
That the Rural Community Board supports improved communication with Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga and Marae and advocates further discussion to establish an appropriate level of formal interaction.
- **Submission 78 Shayne Walker (Maungaharuru Tangitu Trust)**
That the resourcing component of this submission be referred to Council for determination.
- **Submission 94 Genevieve Bennett (Biodiversity Strategy)**
The Rural Community Board strongly support the Hawke’s

Bay Biodiversity Strategy and recommends to Council that officers be instructed to identify the pockets of Council owned rural land for potential inclusion in future biodiversity projects. The identification of the council-owned land be undertaken on a phased basis by subdivision or ward and reported back to future meetings of the Board.

C) That the following eleven submissions on rural matters be received:

***Tony Lane (6)
Huib Selderbeek (11)
Paul Harris (13)
Marei Apatu (77)
Shayne Walker (78)
David Thompson (86)''***

***James Laver (87)
Genevieve Bennet (94)
Jim Galloway (99)
Rosalind Muir (105)
Wi Huata (108)***

Attachments:

- 1 Hastings District RURAL COMMUNITY BOARD CP-10-1-18-61
OFFICER COMMENTS LTP Submissions - 28 May
2018

RURAL COMMUNITY BOARD

Officer Comments – Long Term Plan 2018-28

Submission 6 Tony Lane

CCTV in Waimarama

The submitter requests Council support for CCTV installation in Waimarama.

Officers are in generally in support of the proposed installation of a CCTV camera at Waimarama. It is noted that the key aim of the proposed positioning of the camera near the entrance to the township will enable footage to be reviewed of vehicles entering and leaving the area at high activity times. This is seen as a potential crime fighting resource should illegal activities occur in the township. The group are in the process of fundraising and now seek an additional \$5000 to complete the project. It is also important to note that this proposed project is a standalone system and any future maintenance, upgrades or integration into Council’s system have not been considered and have not been contemplated or funded. There is growing number of community led installations that fit into this category of locally operated and funded.

Submission 11 Huib Selderbeek

The submitter supports the bridge strengthening programme as did the wider community as follows:

Key Issue 2 – Upgrading our bridges

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Submission 13 Paul Harris

Rural road sealing

The submitter calls for more focus on the rural road sealing programme.

The seal extension programme is tightly connected with the funding approach of the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) which sets out the rules to obtain subsidy funding for this type of work. The Council’s current position is to support seal extension work where subsidy for the work can be obtained.

The seal extension programme has been debated by both the Rural Community Board and Council as part of the current Long Term Plan and previous long term planning processes.

There are no roads in the Hastings District that currently attract NZTA subsidy. Under the NZTA economic evaluation procedures, seal extension projects tend to become economically beneficial when traffic volumes exceed 200 to 250 vehicles per day.

The traffic volumes on the submitter’s road is estimated at 40 vehicles per day.

Council does have a dust mitigation policy. This policy sets out the framework for sealing outside properties where dust nuisance is prevalent. The framework requires each applicant to apply for up to 200m of sealing, of which the applicant pays for 46% of the cost to do the work.

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Submission 77 Marei Apatu (Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga)

The submitter comments on a number of matters of importance to Māori:

- HDC Mana whenua staff
- Marae Communities
- Wai and Whenua
- Marae Hapu capability
- Other Topical Issues

HDC are working closely with Marei Apatu on a number of kaupapa (issues / projects) where Marei is not the sole representative of mana whenua but a representative with community standing and mana. Marei is currently part of a couple of working groups / parties with HDC. Marei along with Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga are important allies and networks that the Council needs to work with and support.

Submission 78 Shayne Walker (Maungaharuru Tangitu Trust)

The submitter comments on a number of matters of importance to Māori:

- Council obligations to Treaty of Waitangi
- Resource Management, Environmental and Taonga provisions
- Consultation and engagement with Treaty Partners

Maungaharuru Tangitū Trust are a major mana whenua stakeholder of HDC and one (1) of five (5) PSGEs in the Hastings District. It will be important moving forward to continue to develop and nurture our relationship with Maungaharuru Tangitū Trust where an Iwi / Hapū Environmental Management Plan will provide a lot of guidance for the entity as well as for HDC moving forward too; especially with regard to our other PSGE stakeholders. A plan will provide clarity with regards to the entity's aspirations and to their total notion of being, which will have significant benefit too for planning and regulatory at HDC. This work will commence in 2018/19.

Submission 86 David Thompson

The submitter highlights the turning lane on Fernhill side of bridge.

This matter has been forwarded to NZTA for a response and follow up as the issue is located on the SH50.

Submission 87 James Laver

Waimarama Domain

The submitter calls for a master plan for the Waimarama domain including the provision of community and club facilities.

The Waimarama Surf Club (Surf Club) submit that they would like to work with Council on the future use and development of two of its buildings in Windsor Park and Waimarama Domain, with a view to establishing an overall Master Plan for the provision of community and club facilities in the Waimarama Domain, including clubrooms, community hall and toilet. They specifically request the

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allocation of funding towards the development of a Master Plan for the Waimarama Domain site, to include community consultation.

The Surf Club own two buildings located on Council reserve land at: (1) Waimarama Domain; and (2) Windsor Park. The two storey building at Windsor Park is currently used for club meetings.

During consultation for the preparation of the Windsor Park Reserve Management Plan, Officers approached the Surf Club to ascertain their long term requirements for their building, in order to consider future potential use of the building or land.

The Surf Club expressed their interest in centralising the location of their operations to one site at Waimarama should Council require additional land for park facilities at Windsor Park.

It is the long term plan of the Surf Club to extend their existing building at Waimarama, to include additional club and community facilities; and the sale of the building at Windsor Park would provide funding to facilitate this process.

Officers are supportive of the concept in principle. A partnership with the Surf Club may (1) free up land at Windsor Park for future Council requirements; and (2) enable the integration of Council facilities at Waimarama (toilets) in a new centralised facility. In particular a partnership may assist the club to provide a centralised community facility in Waimarama to the benefit of both the local community, and wider visitor base. It may also resolve issues surrounding the location of the community hall and the recycling stations, both of which are passionate issues of the local community.

Since the adoption of the Waimarama Reserves Management Plan a number of issues have arisen at the Domain that are not now adequately addressed in the Plan, including the new direction of the Surf Club; location of new toilet facilities; increase in use and impact of recycling stations in the Domain; and issues surrounding the playground and local hall.

Officers therefore consider it timely and appropriate to prepare a new Master Plan for the Waimarama Domain, as requested by the submitter. The planning work can be undertaken within existing resources.

Submission 94 Genevieve Bennett

Biodiversity Strategy

The submitter outlines the objectives of the HB Biodiversity Strategy and requests Council funding support toward the strategy implementation.

Officers acknowledge the development of the strategy and action plan and the contribution this will make to enhanced environmental outcomes. The matter of financial support is a matter for council to consider alongside its other priorities.

Submission 99 Jim Galloway (Federated Farmers)

Transparency, UAGC, Civil Defence, General Rate

The submitter comments on a number of matters in regard to rating and funding policy.

Officers acknowledge the comments regarding increasing transparency by showing more details as to where rates are spent, and support more information being provided in the next Annual Plan / Long Term Plan. Officers however do not believe it is practical to show individual property rate

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changes over the lifetime over the Long Term Plan as the 3 yearly revaluation will alter the level of rates required from any property.

Council is able to recover up to 30% of its rates revenue through uniform and targeted rates (excluding Water & Sewage Disposal) that are set on a uniform basis. Whilst the Community Management and Resource Rate is technically differentially set in Rating Area 1, it is applied uniformly across Rating Area 2 on a per 'separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit (SUIP)'. Council has historically urged on the side of caution by including the rate as part of those rates that form the 30% cap to avoid any potential breach.

Including this rate, based on the 2018/19 rating requirement, the level of uniform and targeted rates under this cap stands at 25%, reducing to 22% by 2028. This reduction is due to non-uniform charges (particularly Water and Sewage) increasing at a greater rate than those than form the above calculation.

Council could consider increasing the level of its uniform charges by shifting costs from the general rate to the UAGC or Community Resource and Management Rate. It should be noted that a higher level of uniform charges would shift the incidence of rates from high land value / high differential properties to other rating groups, particularly low land value properties.

Whilst the costs associated with providing the regional Civil Defence activity are now part of the Hawkes Bay Regional Council, HDC still maintains and rates for the localised incident management response at a reduced level. Regional Civil Defence is not responsible or able to respond to all incidences and it is prudent for Local Authorities to maintain some incident response capability for smaller events and to support larger Regional response efforts. Those costs continue to be rated through the Uniform Annual General Charge equally on a 'SUIP' basis. Council ceased rating for Rural Fire in 2017/18.

Funding for the bridge upgrades will fall on the respective rating areas based on the location of the bridges, in line with all other Transportation costs.

The costs associated with City Centres are funded 6.72% by Rating Area 2, based on a 'weighted discounted population' formula, which is discounted by 50% to reflect proximity and access to these urban based facilities.

Council recovers the costs of growth infrastructure through development contributions. Council amended its policy in 2016 from a single 'urban rate' to Infill, Medium Density and Greenfield rates. Whilst this may indirectly incentivise Infill and Medium Density development over Greenfield, the primary purpose of the amendment was to ensure a fairer allocation of cost to the beneficiaries of that infrastructure. Officers are not aware of any council proposal for rate holidays or discounted consent fees to support housing developments at this stage.

Submission 105 Rosalind Muir

Horse riding access

The submitter comments on the need for recreational areas to include horse ride access.

While officers are understanding of the desire to allow increased access for equestrian activities in the district, it is difficult to safely provide such areas.

Currently most horse riding opportunities centre on HBRC land on river berms and trails where there tends to be more room to safely accommodate walkers, horses and dogs. In contrast, Hasting reserves are multi use parks with higher levels of activity where the presence of horses would be

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problematic. The key issues revolve around public safety, public health and damage to park surfaces. For this reason Council's By-Laws typically ban horses from public spaces.

These concerns are also echoed by HBRC staff. Looking forward it is suggested that HDC work closely with HBRC to see if more opportunities for horse activities can be considered as a regional initiative where we share reserves that might be linked and could jointly offer opportunities. For example Puketapu Reserve and river reserves.

Submission 108 Wi Huata

Bridge Pa Development Plan:

- *The submitter informs Council of intentions to develop a ten year development plan for the Bridge Pā area.*

Officers acknowledge the opportunity for HDC to support a part of our diverse community to undertake the development of a community plan. Bridge Pā are an important part of our community for a number of reasons and as such with economic and commercial development in their community in a post-settlement era (Treaty of Waitangi), socio-cultural, economic, and community development moving forward will be important. The Māori community, the viticulturist community and the agricultural community all overlap and so the development of a community plan is endorsed. Funding to advance this planning work is already provided for within LTP budgets.

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HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, 5 JUNE 2018

RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

THAT the public now be excluded from the following part of the meeting, namely:

11 LTP - Rate Remission Submissions

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>
11 LTP - Rate Remission Submissions	<p>Section 7 (2) (a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person. To protect the private details of the submitters.</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>