
Thursday, 3 September 2020

Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga
Hastings District Council
Council Meeting

Additional Report Under Separate Cover

Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Thursday, 3 September 2020**

Te Wā:
Time: **1.00 pm**

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

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Te Āpiha Matua:
Responsible
Officer: **Chief Executive - Nigel Bickle**

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Kaupapataka

Open Agenda

Tiamana

Chair: Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst

Mematanga:

Membership:

Ngā KaiKaunihera

Councillors: Bayden Barber, Alwyn Corban, Malcolm Dixon, Damon Harvey, Tania Kerr (Deputy Chair), Eileen Lawson, Simon Nixon, Henare O’Keefe, Peleti Oli, Ann Redstone, Wendy Schollum, Sophie Siers, Geraldine Travers and Kevin Watkins

Tokamatua:

Quorum:

8 members

Apiha Matua

Officer Responsible:

Chief Executive – Nigel Bickle

*Te Rōpū Manapori me te
Kāwanatanga*

Democracy and

Governance Services:

Jackie Evans (Extn 5018)

Te Rārangī Take

Order of Business

8.0 Chief Executive Update

Report marked “to follow” on main Agenda

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17.0 Recommendation to Exclude the Public from Item 10

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18.0 CBD Development Update

Report to be addressed at this meeting following Council resolution to leave it to lie on the table at the meeting held on 25 August 2020

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Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

Item 8

Te Rārangi Take

Report to Council

Nā:
From: Nigel Bickle, Chief Executive

Te Take:
Subject: Chief Executive Update

1.0 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY - TE KAUPAPA ME TE WHAKARĀPOPOTOTANGA

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Council on key matters of interest since the last Council Meeting and provide executive context for the strategic items on this Council Meeting Agenda. The remaining items are important operational matters and are well traversed within the Officer Reports.

Chief Executive Update

- 1.2 Key areas of interest in the media have included the water treatment infrastructure projects in Frimley and Eastbourne. Pleasingly, the Frimley Park Resource Consent has been approved, subject to a 15 day (15 working days from Monday 24 August) appeals period. Works will commence on this key project in Councils Drinking Water Strategy as soon as possible in respect of consent process requirements. A communications plan will be delivered to keep the community informed around construction and timeframes once we have confirmed the dates relating to the programme of work.
- 1.3 The initial release of plans for Waiaroha has been well received. Engagement has begun with the immediate schools and (at the time of writing) 26 of the 34 directly impacted residents spoken to in person. Feedback has been very positive both from an educational asset perspective, and on the amenity value of the proposed concepts compared to the sites current state. Full community engagement is set for September.
- 1.4 The programme of works on small community water supplies is progressing well. A community update on Delivery of Councils Drinking Water Strategy is planned for the next month following completion of the Haumoana community water supply project.
- 1.5 The government announced \$16 million of funding for infrastructure to support development of new housing in Hastings. This funding allocation from Crown Infrastructure Partners (CIP) leverages \$12 million of Council funding already allocated for delivery of growth infrastructure for

residential housing. The CIP funding allows for land to be brought to market to enable social and affordable housing outcomes. Staff have worked for several months with CIP on the structuring of this agreement and the total of \$28million to be invested into infrastructure will result in a step change in the supply of housing for our community accommodation needs and substantial economic benefits from \$ hundreds of millions of residential construction.

- 1.6 The 'Jobs for Heretaunga' project which arose out of government funding to progress 'shovel ready' projects, with a focus on creating redeployment opportunities in partnership with contractors is delivering the sought after employment outcomes. Council officers through our recently adopted Procurement Strategy and Policy will be looking for opportunities in future tenders to continue to stimulate companies to invest in sustaining and increasing employment.
- 1.7 The Speed Bylaws Public Consultation is still open with 1,380 submissions as at the time of writing. Submissions remain open until 17 September 2020.
- 1.8 We continue to receive feedback from the community regarding the closure of the Martin Place recycling centre in Havelock North and the need for an alternative location. Staff are working to determine if there any alternate options for Council to consider.
- 1.9 Following a submission from the Hawke's Bay Mountain Bike Club, Council received a petition to preserve Eskdale Park as a natural park reserve. Council will be engaging with the community to gather feedback to inform a master plan for the future management of this community asset.
- 1.10 Finally it is pleasing to share the news that Hastings has been named a finalist in the 'Keep New Zealand Beautiful' (Large Town category) awards. This in large part reflects the ongoing excellent work being carried out by our Parks and Reserves teams.

Review of Gambling Act

- 1.11 The Gambling Act 2003 classifies Class 4 Gambling as high-risk, high-turnover gambling. Class 4 gambling may only be conducted by a corporate society and only to raise money for an authorised (e.g. community and non-commercial) purpose. Section 101 of the Gambling Act requires Council to have a Class 4 venue policy. Council's policy must have regard to the social impact of gambling within Hastings District.
- 1.12 Section 96 of The Racing Industry Act 2020 requires Council to have a TAB (NZ) venue policy on TAB venues. Council's TAB policy must have regard to the social impact of gambling within Hastings District. The policy must specify whether or not new TAB venues may be established in Hastings District and, if so, where they may be located.
- 1.13 Council is required to review its policies in the two previous paragraphs every three years. For our review, Council is required under The Local Government Act to use a Special Consultative Procedure where Council is required to prepare and adopt a Statement of Proposal.
- 1.14 The Statement of Proposal must be a fair representation of the major matters in Councils proposed Class4 Gambling Policy and TAB Venue Policy, explain the availability of the Statement of Proposal and Policies, and the period within which persons interested in the proposal may present their views to Council.
- 1.15 The officer's report recommends the adoption of The Statement of Proposal with any amendments that may be preferred by Council.

Hawkes Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust Lease Amendment

- 1.16 The Hawkes Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust (CFCT) and Hawkes Bay Regional Sports Park Trust (RSPT) currently lease the Hawkes Bay Regional Sports Park land from Council.
- 1.17 CFCT is currently in negotiation with Crown Infrastructure Partners to receive \$32m in announced government funding to construct new Aquatic Facilities.
- 1.18 CFCT is seeking an amendment to the existing lease to secure access to land to house the new Aquatic Facilities.

- 1.19 CFCT will also require Council approval to construct the new facilities and Council will need to be satisfied that CFCT has sufficient capacity to construct and operate the new Aquatic Facilities.
- 1.20 Any Council Approvals given for amendments to the Lease and construction of new buildings under the Lease are completely separate from and can't have any influence on Councils regulatory processes.

Conclusion

- 1.21 In my last report to Council in the meeting on 25 August 2020, Council amended my report recommendation from Receive my Report to 'That Council receives the report titled Chief Executive's Report to Council and acknowledges the hard work and successful advocacy of the Hastings District vision, to achieve significant government investment, by the Chief Executive and Council staff.
- 1.22 I have briefed Council Staff on the Council's appreciation for the hard and complex work that has gone into securing the Government Investment and the future work that will be involved in delivering the resultant additional capital works and social services.
- 1.23 I am pleased with the existing allocation of \$12m of Council funds that is now being matched by \$11.5m of Government funds to deliver infrastructure for social and affordable housing outcomes.
- 1.24 I appreciate that this Council meeting is the second meeting in a series of 3 Council meetings within 5 weeks. Some matters to be considered are again complex and I appreciate the ongoing large workload for Council to understand the matters at hand and consequences for decisions.
- 1.25 As a Council we remain fortunate to retain the high calibre of staff that we have.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS - NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA

- A) That Council receives the report titled Chief Executive's Report to Council.

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.

HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2020

Item 17

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:

10 CBD Development Update

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>
10 CBD Development Update	Section 7 (2) (b) (ii) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. To protect third party commercial interests and negotiations.	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.