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Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

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Minutes

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Meeting date: **Thursday, 9 December 2021**

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

Time start - end **1.00pm – 4.32pm**

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Kua Tae ā-tinana: **Chair - Tiamana:** Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst
Present: **Councillors - Ngā KaiKaunihera:** Councillors Bayden Barber, Alwyn Corban, Malcolm Dixon, Damon Harvey, Eileen Lawson, Simon Nixon, Henare O’Keefe, Peleti Oli, Ann Redstone, Wendy Schollum, Sophie Siers, Geraldine Travers and Kevin Watkins

Kua Tatū:
In attendance: Chief Executive - Nigel Bickle
Group Manager: Asset Management - Craig Thew
Group Manager: Planning & Regulatory Services - John O’Shaughnessy
Group Manager: Strategy & Development – Craig Cameron
Group Manager: Corporate - Bruce Allan
Group Manager: Community Wellbeing & Services – Rebekah Dinwoodie
Group Manager: Marketing & Communications – Naomi Fergusson
Project Manager, Richard Hooper (Items 9 & 18)
3 Waters Manager – Brett Chapman (Item 11)
Director of Strategic Projects, Key Account Services & Council Investment Partnerships – Raoul Oosterkamp (Items 13, 17 & 18)
Project Manager, Dean Ferguson (Item 18)
Manager: Democracy & Governance Services – Louise Stettner
Senior Advisor: Democracy & Governance Services – Vicki Rusbatch

Kei Konei:
Also present: Save Our Fertile Soils Society Inc, Richard Gaddum & Mike Donnelly (Item 5)
Traverse Environmental, Simon Bendall (Item 7)
RTA Studio, Casey Anderson & David Wright (Item 8)
Director MTG, Laura Vodanovich (Item 8)
Chair HB Museums Trust, Dick Grant (Item 8)
Gus Charteris Consulting, Sarah Tully and Gus Charteris (Item 10)
Contextus Solutions, Consultant Ross McLeod (Item 18)

1. OPENING PRAYER - KARAKIA

The opening karakia was given by Councillor Barber.

2. APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE - NGĀ WHAKAPĀHATANGA ME TE WEHENGĀ Ā-HUI

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Dixon

That an apology for absence from Councillor Kerr be accepted.

CARRIED

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - HE NGĀKAU KŌNATUNATU

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - TE WHAKAMANA I NGĀ MINITI

Councillor Watkins/Councillor Travers

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 14 October 2021; Thursday 28 October 2021 and Tuesday 30 November 2021 be confirmed as accurate records.

CARRIED

5. DEPUTATION - SAVE OUR FERTILE SOILS SOCIETY INCORPORATED

(Document ref 21/652)

Richard Gaddum and Mike Donnelly presented on behalf of Save Our Fertile Soils Society Incorporated (Doc ref CG-16-2-00960).

Councillor Watkins/Councillor Harvey

A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Deputation - Save Our Fertile Soils Society Incorporated dated 9 December 2021.

B) That the Council receive the presentation from Save Our Fertile Soils Society Incorporated.

CARRIED

6. ALLOCATION OF FUNDING TO PROGRESS PLANNING FOR GROWTH

(Document ref 21/600)

The Chief Executive, Nigel Bickle introduced the item and explained that the purpose of the report was to obtain a decision on funding; it was not to seek a decision on where growth would occur in the future.

Officers responded to questions from the meeting.

At the request of the meeting, parts F) and G) were added to the recommendations.

Councillor Barber/Councillor Redstone

- A) That the Council receive the report titled 'Allocation of Funding to Progress Planning for Growth' dated 9 December 2021.
- B) That Council approve the budget allocation of \$1.99m from the Landfill Development Reserve to commission (as required) Structure Planning and other necessary precursor planning works for residential zoned developments. Noting that the funding in this reserve was an allocation from Hastings District Council's share of the 2020/21 Ōmarunui Landfill Surplus.
- C) That a new Growth and Urban Planning reserve be established for these allocated funds.
- D) That the purpose of the new Growth and Urban Planning reserve is to provide funding to support spatial and growth related planning activities.
- E) That Council notes that this budget allocation is to ensure Council's planning and infrastructure decisions enable at least sufficient development capacity to meet expected demand for housing and to assess the impact of those decisions on the affordability and competitiveness of the local housing market.
- F) That Council notes that officers will bring back a scope of Growth Planning Works to Council by 31 March 2022 for Council decisions on prioritisation of planning works.
- G) That Council notes that officers will report quarterly to Council from 31 March 2022 based on the best quality available data on the levels of affordability for new houses coming to market.

CARRIED

7. CLIFTON TO TANGOIO COASTAL HAZARDS STRATEGY MEMORANDUM OF TRANSITION FOR COASTAL HAZARDS SERVICE DELIVERY

(Document ref 21/644) (CG-16-2-00918)

Group Manager: Corporate, Bruce Allan introduced the report and advised that a further recommendation D) had been added to the report.

Consultant Simon Bendall and Bruce Allan responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Dixon/Councillor Redstone

- A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Clifton to Tangoio Coastal Hazards Strategy Memorandum of Transition for Coastal Hazards Service Delivery dated 9 December 2021.
- B) That the Council endorses the Memorandum of Transition.
- C) That the Council instructs the Chief Executive to execute the Memorandum of Transition on behalf of the Hastings District Council following satisfaction of consultation requirements under Clause 7 of the Hawke's Bay Region's Triennial Agreement for the Triennium October 2019 – 2022.
- D) That the Chief Executive be delegated authority to approve changes to the Memorandum of Transition should they be required by the Hawke's Bay Regional Council and Napier City

Council in consultation with the Hastings District Council members of the Clifton to Tangoio Coastal Hazards Strategy Joint Committee.

CARRIED

Subsequent agenda items were addressed out of order in order to comply with the maximum number of people permitted in the Council Chamber under the current Covid level.

9. HAWKE'S BAY MUSEUM RESEARCH AND ARCHIVES CENTRE - PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND PROJECT UPDATE

(Document ref 21/549) (CG-16-2-00920)

Group Manager: Corporate, Bruce Allan spoke to the report and introduced MTG Director, Laura Vodanovich and Collections Coordinator, Sara Perrett; HB Museums Trust Chair, Dick Grant; and Casey Anderson & David Wright from RTA Studio.

Casey Anderson gave a powerpoint presentation (ref CG-16-2-00983) of the Preliminary Design Report, and responded to questions from the meeting.

Laura Vodanovich and Bruce Allan responded to further questions from the meeting.

With the agreement of the meeting, the recommendations were amended to include reference to engagement with mana whenua and incorporation of Te Aranga Design Principles.

Chair of the Joint Working Group, Councillor Dixon acknowledged the members of the Joint Working Group which included representatives of Napier City Council, Hastings District Council and the HB Museums Trust including mana whenua representation.

Councillor Dixon/Councillor Redstone

- A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Hawke's Bay Museum Research and Archives Centre - Preliminary Design and Project Update dated 9 December 2021.
- B) That the Council approve the preliminary design for the Hawke's Bay Museum Research and Archives Centre.
- C) That the Joint Working Group be delegated authority to approve the developed design and detailed design phases.
- D) That Council notes that there will be engagement with mana whenua as the design progresses and incorporating the Te Aranga Design Principles.
- E) That the above resolutions are subject to Napier City Council approving the Preliminary Design and delegation to the Joint Working Group as detailed in C above.

CARRIED

11. WHAKATŪ STORMWATER SCHEME - STAGE 2 PROPOSAL

(Document ref 21/592)

3 Waters Manager, Brett Chapman spoke to the report and powerpoint presentation (ref CG-16-2-00984) and responded to questions from the meeting.

With the agreement of the meeting, a further recommendation was added with regard to engagement with mana whenua/Kohupātiki Marae.

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor O'Keefe

- A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Whakatū Stormwater Scheme - Stage 2 Proposal dated 9 December 2021.
- B) That the Council adopt the recommended pump station solution and that funding of this work is via a targeted rate against contributing properties.
- C) That Council resolve to undertake consultation with landowners on the same conditions and arrangements as agreed in Stage 1.
- D) That Council notes that officers will engage with mana whenua/Kohupātiki Marae advising of proposed plans for the Whakatū West Stormwater scheme.
- E) That officers will report back to Council by 30 June 2022 on the result of the consultation and recommended way forward for progressing the project.

CARRIED

10. STAGE 2 REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT IN BUSINESS & INDUSTRY SUPPORT ACROSS THE HAWKE'S BAY REGION

(Document ref 21/646) (CG-16-2-00919)

The Mayor welcomed Gus Charteris and Sarah Tully.

Chief Executive, Nigel Bickle, introduced the item and referred to the amended recommendations and additional recommendation vii). The other 4 participating councils had approved the proposal including the levels of funding. Hastings District Council would be making the same contribution as Napier City and HB Regional Councils.

Councillor Schollum/Councillor Lawson

- A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Stage 2 Review of Local Government Investment in Business & Industry Support across the Hawke's Bay Region dated 9 December 2021 and accompanying Gus Charteris Consulting report dated November 2021.
- B) That the Hastings District Council:
 - i) Supports the Stage 2 Review recommendations for priority activities/services and the focus for ratepayer investment in business and industry support.
 - ii) Supports the establishment of a regional development entity in Hawke's Bay.

- iii) Supports the recommended funding split and notes the financial implications for Hastings District Council.
- iv) Endorses a partnership approach with Hawke's Bay iwi/hapū.
- v) Agrees to accommodate Council's funding contribution for the new entity from a combination of additional rates and operational budget savings.
- vi) Notes that formal decisions of Council would be subject to the other four councils' joint support and endorsement and consultation in the 2022/23 Annual Plan.
- vii) Have active participation in the transition process, the development of governance arrangements and the outcomes framework to ensure benefit for the Hastings community.

CARRIED

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.35pm
And reconvened at 3.56pm*

13. FLAXMERE LAND DIVESTING PROCESS

(Document ref 21/648)

Director of Strategic Projects, Key Account Services & Council Investment Partnerships, Raoul Oosterkamp presented the report. He and the Chief Executive, Nigel Bickle responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor O'Keefe/Councillor Oli

That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Flaxmere Land Divesting Process dated 9 December 2021.

CARRIED

12. REQUEST FOR EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

(Document ref 21/655)

Councillor Dixon/Councillor Travers

- A) The Council receive the report titled Request for Extraordinary Council Meeting dated 9 December 2021.
- B) That Council authorise an Extraordinary Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 1pm.

CARRIED

8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S UPDATE

Chief Executive, Nigel Bickle, presented the Chief Executive's Update video.

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Schollum

- A) That the report of the Chief Executive titled Chief Executive's Update dated 9 December 2021 be received.
- B) That the Council receive the Chief Executive's Update.

CARRIED

14. MINOR ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE ITI

There were no additional business items.

15. URGENT ITEMS - NGĀ TAKE WHAKAHIHIRI

There were no extraordinary business items.

16. RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM ITEMS 17 AND 18

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

Procedural Motion

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Dixon

That public excluded agenda item 19 Chief Executive Matters be left to lie on the table and be considered at the Extraordinary Council Meeting to be held on 14 December 2021.

CARRIED

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Schollum

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

- 17 Flaxmere Land Development Update
- 18 Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Application

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:

GENERAL SUBJECT OF EACH MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED

REASON FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO EACH MATTER, AND PARTICULAR INTERESTS PROTECTED

GROUND(S) UNDER SECTION 48(1) FOR THE PASSING OF EACH RESOLUTION

17 Flaxmere Land Development Update

Section 7 (2) (b) (i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would disclose a trade secret.

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.

Section 7 (2) (i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

To ensure the commercial position of the submitters is protected, and future negotiations to be able to proceed.

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.

18 Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Application

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.

Section 7 (2) (i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

Contains commercially sensitive information.

Protecting the Council's negotiating position in likely subsequent 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.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 4.32pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: