

Tuesday, 13 May 2025

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Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

Ngā Minitī

Minutes

Te Rā Hui:

Meeting date:

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Venue

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

Time start - end

1.00pm – 2.41pm

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Kua Tae ā-tinana: **Chair - Tiamana:** Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst
Present: **Councillors - Ngā KaiKaunihera:**
Councillors Ana Apatu, Marcus Buddo, Alwyn Corban, Malcolm Dixon, Michael Fowler, Damon Harvey, Tania Kerr (Deputy Mayor), Simon Nixon, Wendy Schollum, Heather Te Au-Skipworth and one councillor vacancy

Kua Tatū:
In attendance: Chief Executive - Nigel Bickle
Deputy Chief Executive - Bruce Allan
Group Manager: Infrastructure - Craig Thew
Group Manager: Planning and Regulatory Services - John O'Shaughnessy
Group Manager: Democracy and Emergency Management – Craig Cameron
Group Manager: Community Wellbeing and Services – Rebekah Dinwoodie
Group Manager: Marketing and Communications – Naomi Fergusson
Interim Group Manager: Strategy – Gus Charteris
Chief Financial Officer – Graham Watson
General Counsel – Scott Smith
POU AHUREA MATUA: Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage – Petera Hakiwai
Environmental Policy Manager – Anna Summerfield
Manager: Democracy and Governance Services – Louise Stettner
Senior Advisor, Democracy and Governance Services – Lynne Cox
Democracy and Governance Advisor – Caitlyn Dine

1. OPENING PRAYER - KARAKIA

The opening prayer was given by POU AHUREA MATUA: Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness and Heritage, Petera Hakiwai.

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

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Apatu

That apologies for absence from Councillor Jessup be accepted.

That leave of absence be granted to:

Councillor Schollum for 17 – 24 June 2025.

Councillor Te Au-Skipworth for 15 May 2025.

CARRIED

Leave of Absence had previously been granted to Councillor Heke and Councillor Watkins. Councillor Montaperto-Hendry was away on Council related business which had previously been granted.

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - HE NGĀKAU KŌNATUNATU

Councillor Te Au-Skipworth and Councillor Fowler declared a conflict in relation to item 6.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - TE WHAKAMANA I NGĀ MINITI

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Schollum

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held Thursday 10 April 2025 be confirmed as an accurate record.

CARRIED

5. MAYOR'S VERBAL UPDATE

(Document ref 25/23)

Mayor Hazlehurst gave a verbal overview of the events and activities in the Hastings District over the past month.

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Kerr

That Council receive the report titled Mayor's Verbal Update dated 13 May 2025.

CARRIED

6. APPOINTMENT OF HEARINGS PANEL - PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 7 - GOLF SPORT DEVELOPMENT LTD - HASTINGS GOLF COURSE - RMA20230336 AND PROPOSED

AMENDMENT TO TOR FOR HEARINGS COMMITTEE REGARDING A CASTING VOTE FOR CHAIR

(Document ref 25/139)

Councillor Te Au-Skipworth and Councillor Fowler declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 6 and took no part in discussion or voting on this item.

Environmental Policy Manager, Anna Summerfield, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Schollum/Councillor Buddo

- A) That Council receive the report titled Appointment of Hearings Panel - Private Plan Change 7 - Golf Sport Development Ltd - Hastings Golf Course - RMA20230336 and proposed amendment to TOR for Hearings Committee regarding a casting vote for Chair dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That Council approve the appointment of two external independent commissioners to the Hearings Committee who, together with two accredited members of the committee, would form a panel of four to consider and decide on the private plan change request (PPC7) for the Hastings Golf Course (RMA20230336) - with the two external commissioners being:
 - Kitt Littlejohn (acting as the Chair for this hearing); and
 - Bill Wasley.
- C) That Council approve an amendment to the Hearings Committee Terms of Reference, to provide a Casting Vote to the Chair;

Casting Vote

- (a) *In line with Council's Standing Orders (19.3) the Chair would have a casting vote at all hearings, in the event that the vote of the panel was tied.*

CARRIED

7. DRAFT WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION BYLAW AND STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL

(Document ref 25/47)

Waste Manager, Angela Atkins, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Kerr/Councillor Schollum

- A) That Council receive the report titled Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw and Statement of Proposal dated 13 May 2025.
- B) For the purposes of Section 155 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council resolve that;
 - i. A bylaw is the most appropriate way of addressing the perceived problems covered by the proposed bylaw;
 - ii. The proposed bylaw is the most appropriate form of bylaw; and

- iii. The proposed bylaw does not give rise to any implications under the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.
- C) That Council adopt the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw 2025 (Attachment 1) and Statement of Proposal (Attachment 2) documents, for consultation in accordance with Section 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

8. PARKING CONTROLS

(Document ref 25/159)

Group Manager: Planning and Regulatory Services, John O'Shaughnessy, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Buddo/Councillor Dixon

- A) That Council receive the report titled Parking Controls dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That Council resolve the existing 14 metered parking spaces located in the Northern Carpark be revoked and replaced with leased parking.
- C) That Council resolve the two existing all day parking spaces located 16 metres from the intersecting kerb point of Hastings Street North and Avenue Road East and extending 10.45 metres west on the northern side of Avenue Road East become P60 time restriction parking.

Both resolutions B) & C) as above, are pursuant to Clause 5.3.1 (a)(i) of Chapter 5 (Parking and Traffic) of the Hastings District Council Consolidated Bylaw 2021.

CARRIED

With the agreement of the meeting item 10 was taken out of order.

10. COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION

(Document ref 25/189)

Mayor Hazlehurst acknowledged Eileen Lawson's contributions during her time as a councillor.

Councillor Schollum/Councillor Nixon

- A) That Council receive the report titled Councillor Resignation dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That Council notes Councillor Eileen Lawson resigned as an elected member of Hastings District Council in the Hastings – Havelock North Ward with effect on Friday 2 May 2025.
- C) That Council in accordance with Section 117(3) of the Local Electoral Act 2001 resolve;
 - II. That the Councillor vacancy is not filled.
- D) If Council resolves C II that Council direct the Chief Executive to obtain a Determination (remuneration decision) from the Remuneration Authority to;
 - II. Retain the resigning Councillors remuneration.

CARRIED

9. HAWKE'S BAY TONGAN LANGOFOUNUA SOCIETY - REQUEST TO EXTEND APPROVED LEASE AREA ON CHATHAM PARK.

(Document ref 25/162)

Group Manager: Infrastructure, Craig Thew, spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

Councillor Buddo/Councillor Schollum

- A) That Council receive the report titled Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofounua Society - Request to extend approved lease area on Chatham Park. dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That Council approve the request of the Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofonua Community Incorporated to an extend the lease area to establish a Community Centre and ancillary activities on a portion of Chatham Park as per Attachment 1.
- C) That Council authorise the Chief Executive to enter into a conditional agreement to lease to the Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofounua Society Incorporated an area of approximately 2500m² of Chatham Park to establish and operate a community centre, at a location in the park acceptable to the Chief Executive, for a total term (original and any renewal periods) of not more than 33 years, at an annual rent determined in accordance with Council's policy, with additional conditions being:
 - i. The Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofounua Society obtain at their cost, a landscape plan, all planning and building consents for a building of a design approved by Council as landowner (Council's granting of a building consent in a regulatory capacity is not deemed approval of the building design for the purposes of this agreement to lease).
 - ii. That the funding of the new community centre shall be wholly the responsibility of the Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofounua Society Incorporated.
 - iii. That the lease shall include a condition that if the Hawke's Bay Tongan Langofounua Society has failed to raise the necessary funds and not started construction within five years of the lease commencement, Council may terminate the lease.

CARRIED

11. REQUESTS RECEIVED UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987 (LGOIMA) UPDATE

(Document ref 25/181)

Councillor Nixon/Councillor Apatu

- A) That Council receive the report titled Requests Received Under The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) Update dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That the LGOIMA requests received from 22 February 2025 to 20 April 2025, as set out in **Attachment 1** of the Report be noted.

CARRIED

12. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

(Document ref 25/188)

Councillor Buddo/Councillor Fowler

- A) That Council receive the report titled Proposed Amendments To Schedule Of Meetings dated 13 May 2025.
- B) That Council adopt changes to the 2025 Schedule of Meetings as follows:

8 July, 9am Council Chamber	New Meeting (LWDW Hearing)	Council
10 July, 9am	New Meeting LWDW Hearing Day 2, if required	Council
31 July, 1pm Council Chamber	New Meeting (LWDW Decision)	Council

CARRIED

13. MINOR ITEMS - *NGĀ TAKE ITI*

There were no additional business items.

14. URGENT ITEMS - *NGĀ TAKE WHAKAHIHIRI*

There were no extraordinary business items.

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

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

Councillor Te Au-Skipworth/Councillor Dixon

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

16 Commercial Transaction

17 Road Maintenance Contracts Procurement Method and Model Review

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
16 Commercial Transaction	<p>Section 7 (2) (i)</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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).</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.
17 Road Maintenance Contracts Procurement Method and Model Review	<p>Section 7 (2) (h)</p> <p>The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>To enable the Council to carry out commercial activities..</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.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 2.41pm

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: