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**MARLBOROUGH
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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Notice of Council Meeting – Thursday, 26 June 2014

Notice of the Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on Thursday, 26 June 2014 to commence at 3.00 pm.

B U S I N E S S

As per the Order Paper attached.

**ANDREW BESLEY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Marlborough District Council

**Order Paper for the
COUNCIL MEETING**
to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 26 JUNE 2014 commencing at 3.00 pm

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1. Prayer

Almighty God,
Give your blessing to this District Council
And grant us such a measure of your wisdom
That we may have a right judgement in all things
And may worthily manage the affairs of this District.

Amen

2. Apologies

3. Minutes

- 3.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15 May 2014
(Minute Nos. C.13/14.408 to C.13/14.415)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the
MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL
held in the Council Chambers, Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 15 MAY 2014 commencing at 3.00 pm**

Present

The Mayor A T Sowman, Cllrs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, J P Bagge, G S Barsanti, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, G I T Evans, T E Hook, P J S Jerram, D D Oddie, L M Shenfield and T M Sloan.

In Attendance

Messrs A R Besley (Chief Executive), A P Quirk (District Secretary) and M J Porter (Democratic Support Manager).

Prayer

The meeting opened with a prayer.

Apology

Cllrs Barsanti/Hook:

That the apology for absence from Cllr J C Leggett be received and sustained.

Carried

C.13/14.408 Confirmation of Minutes -

Staff advised in response to a question on how they conveyed the request under Minute No. C.13/14.360 (Renwick Community Memorial Hall Committee) that this had been done by letter to the individuals concerned. Mr Quirk will confirm this with the Ward Councillors.

The Mayor/Cllr Sloan:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 3 April 2014 (Minute Nos. C.13/14.351 to C.13/14.363) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Committee Reports

C.13/14.409 Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions -

Cllrs Oddie/Arbuckle:

That the Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions as contained within the reports dated 5 to 6 March 2014 (U090660, U130743, U130781) and 26 March 2014 (U130727, U130728, DES0055) be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.410 Regional Planning & Development Committee -

Staff are to respond directly to a question on the Scout Jamboree planned for December 2016/January 2017 (Minute No. D.13/14.368 refers).

Cllrs Hook/Sloan:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. D.13/14.364 to D.13/14.372 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.411 Assets & Services Committee -

The Mayor and other Councillors responded to a question regarding the outcome of a meeting with Te Atiawa (Minute No. P.13/14.381 Picton Foreshore Reserve Management Plan) that good progress has been made and Appendix 1 has been signed off. Members were appreciative of Te Atiawa's input and noted that they wished to be involved at the beginning of the process.

It was pointed out to the meeting that in regard to Minute No. P.13/14.382 (Seddon Cemetery Headstones – Earthquake Damage) that it should be minuted that the earthquakes had also damaged Headstones at Ward Cemetery.

Cirs Sloan/Andrews:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. P.13/14.373 to P.13/14.384 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.412 Community & Finance Committee -

Cirs Arbuckle/Shenfield:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. A.13/14.385 to A.13/14.396 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.413 Environment Committee -

Cirs Jerram/Oddie:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. R.13/14.397 to R.13/14.407 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.414 Adoption of Plan Change 24: New Zealand King Salmon Co. Limited Plan Change Request

M135-15-24-16

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to recommend the adoption of Plan Change 24. Staff reported that New Zealand King Salmon Co. Ltd (NZKS) lodged a request with the Environmental Protection Authority on 15 August 2011 to change the Marlborough Sounds Resource Management Plan to enable the establishment of eight new salmon farms within Coastal Marine Zone 1 (Plan Change 24) by creating a specific salmon farming zone, Coastal Marine Zone 3, at each of the eight sites. The sites were in Waitata Reach of Pelorus Sound, Port Gore and in Queen Charlotte Sound/Tory Channel. NZKS subsequently applied for an additional site in Coastal Marine Zone 2 (White Horse Rock), and for coastal permits for salmon farming at the proposed sites, to be considered concurrently with the plan change request.

The Minister of Conservation directed that the applications be referred to a Board of Inquiry on 3 November 2011. A Board of Inquiry was subsequently appointed by the Minister and comprised Judge Gordon Whiting (chairperson), Helen Beaumont, Mark Farnsworth, Edward Ellison and Michael Briggs. The NZKS proposal was publicly notified on 31 March 2012 and 1271 submissions were received. The Council submitted in opposition to the plan change request and the nine resource consent applications. The reasons for opposition are set out in previous reports to the Environment Committee. The Board of Inquiry heard submissions during an eight week hearing from 27 August 2012 to 18 October 2012.

The Board on Inquiry issued its final decision on 22 February 2013. It determined to approve Plan Change 24 in part by allowing the plan change with respect to the proposed Papatua (Port Gore), Ngamahau (Tory Channel), Waitata and Richmond (both Waitata Reach, Pelorus Sound) Coastal Marine Zone 3 sites. It rejected Plan Change 24 in part by declining the proposed Kaitapeha, Ruaomoko (both Queen Charlotte

Sound), Kaitira and Tapipi (both Waitata Reach, Pelorus Sound) Coastal Marine Zone 3 sites. The resource consent application for White Horse Rock was also declined.

The Board on Inquiry's decision was appealed to the High Court and (on being unsuccessful) then to the Supreme Court by Sustain our Sounds Inc (for all four approved sites) and the Environmental Defence Society Inc (for the Papatua site). The Supreme Court issued its decision on each of the two appeals on 17 April 2014. The appeal by Sustain our Sounds Inc was unsuccessful, while the appeal by Environmental Defence Society Inc was successful. The Supreme Court press releases, which contain a summary of each decision, were attached separately to the agenda. The final outcome was that the plan change to rezone specific areas of coastal space currently zoned Coastal Marine Zone 1 to Coastal Marine Zone 3 was approved in respect of three of the eight sites proposed by NZKS: Ngamahau, Waitata and Richmond.

Staff further reported that clause 18 of the First Schedule of the RMA now requires the Council to adopt Plan Change 24 and then send it to the Minister of Conservation for his approval.

Cirs Hook/Jerram:

That Plan Change 24 be adopted and referred to the Minister of Conservation for his approval in accordance with Clause 18 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Carried

C.13/14.415 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Cirs Shenfield/Andrews:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes
- Committee Reports (Public Excluded Sections)
- Property Issue

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

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Minutes and Committee Reports	As set out in the Minutes	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.
Property Issue	To enable the Council, as holder of the information, to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) provided for under Section 7(2)(i)	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed at 3.50 pm.

Confirmed this 26th day of June 2014

A T SOWMAN
MAYOR

Record No. 14140279

3. Minutes

- 3.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9 June 2014
(Minute No. C.13/14.417)

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

5 - Ethan Marshall

Ethan Marshall supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan and advised that he was available to assist Council in formulating plans for the upgrade.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

6 - Tylre Auty

Tylre Auty supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

7 - Marlborough Cricket Association

The Marlborough Cricket Association requested that Council: cover the cost of replacement matting (\$22,481) as part of the upgrade to the practice nets at Horton Park; include the construction of practice nets at College Park in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan based on a 50/50 cost share basis with Marlborough Cricket; and prioritise the removal of the large tree standing to the east of the pavilion next to the practice nets on a cost share basis.

Cllrs Barsanti/Oddie:

That the funding request from the Marlborough Cricket Association for \$22,481 to cover the cost of replacement matting as part of the upgrade to the practice nets at Horton Park; and based on a cost share basis the construction of practice nets at College Park and tree removal at Horton Park be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from the Forestry and Assets Sales Reserve.

Carried

8 - Destination Marlborough

Destination Marlborough requested Council retain the Australia JV grant and CPI adjusted Tourism Targeted Rate funding for destination marketing; raise the core grant allocation of funds toward destination marketing per annum from 2014/15 from \$306,000 to \$506,000; and agree that this grant is CPI adjusted in future years.

A supplementary submission was also received at the Hearing of Submissions which proposed the formation of a new entity (called Smart and Connected Marlborough through the investigation stage) to provide a single focus for destination marketing, conference and event co-ordination and implementing the Smart and Connected Vision and related economic development work in Marlborough.

Following discussion on both the original and supplementary submissions a substantive motion was proposed. This provided for an increase in funding from General Works and Services Rates and Charges of an additional \$200,000 for the core grant allocation, plus some tagging and removal of a tag.

Further discussion preceded an amended motion being put to the meeting. This sought to increase the core grant allocation from General Works and Services Rates and Charges by \$100,000; with a deferral of the rest of the request (\$100,000) until Council had debated the issue further. A number of issues were raised including performance issues, the production of KPIs, how the targeted rate is split between Commercial/Industrial and Residential Ratepayers, portrayed public dissatisfaction in Destination Marlborough, the production of the Marlborough Story, and the Marlborough Convention Bureau.

The amended motion was voted on first.

Cllrs Jerram/Sloan:

- 1. That the funding request from Destination Marlborough to raise the core grant allocation of funds toward destination marketing be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan at the amount of \$100,000 per annum from General Works and Services Rates and Charges; and**

2. That an additional \$100,000 per annum from General Works and Services Rates and Charges be deferred until such time as Council has had robust discussion on this request.

Lost on a show of hands 4 to 10

Following the loss of that amended motion, the substantive motion was then put to the vote:

Clrs Arbuckle/Andrews:

That the funding request from Destination Marlborough to raise the core grant allocation of funds toward destination marketing by an additional \$200,000 per annum (bringing their core grant to a total of \$506,000) from General Works and Services Rates and Charges and to be CPI adjusted be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan, with \$50,000 tagged for the implementation and delivery of the Marlborough Story and with \$50,000 tagged for the operation of the Marlborough Convention Bureau, and that the currently tagged funding for the Australia JV grant be removed.

Lost on a show of hands 7 to 7 (The Mayor declined to use his casting vote and declared the motion lost)

NB: Clrs Bagge, Brooks, Dawson, Evans, Jerram, Shenfield and Sloan requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

Following the loss of that substantive motion and further discussion, another motion was then put to the vote:

Clrs Hook/Barsanti:

1. That the funding request from Destination Marlborough to raise the core grant allocation of funds toward destination marketing be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan at the amount of \$100,000 per annum from General Works and Services Rates and Charges ; and
2. That an additional one-off \$100,000 be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan from the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve with funding to be tagged for the implementation and delivery of the Marlborough Story, the operation of the Marlborough Convention Bureau and to participate in investigating and developing the concept of an overarching organisation to provide a single focus for destination marketing, conference and event co-ordination and implementing the Smart and Connected Vision and related economic development work in Marlborough.
3. That the \$120,000 tagged for the Australian Joint Marketing Campaign be incorporated into Destination Marlborough's core grant allocation.
4. That Destination Marlborough's core grant allocation be CPI adjusted in future years.

Carried on a show of hands 9 to 5

NB: Clrs Bagge, Dawson, Evans, and Shenfield requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

9 - Chris Faulls

Chris Faulls supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

10 - Marlborough Research Centre Trust

The Marlborough Research Centre Trust submitted in support of the funding from reserves of \$75,000 for the Marlborough Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster provided in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan which will ensure the continued success and growth of the cluster.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond advising that funding for the Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster is in the Smart and Connected budget for 2014-15.

11 - Barbara Faulls

Barbara Faulls supported the application for further funding of the Smart and Connected initiative in 2014/15 which includes the formation and facilitation of industry groups in Marlborough, the continued support of the Food and Beverage Cluster and the implementation of the Marlborough Story; and further supported the proposal to introduce a Commercial Events Fund of \$75,000.

Following discussion on the the funding of \$75,000 for the Commercial Events Fund the following motion was put to the vote:

Clrs Evans/Bagge:

That the Commercial Events Funding of \$75,000 per annum be removed from the 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Lost

Another motion was then put to the vote:

Cirs Arbuckle/Leggett:

1. That the funding of \$75,000 per annum for the Commercial Events Fund be reconfirmed and that a process for applications for funding be referred to the Regional Planning and Development Committee for consideration.
2. That Barbara Faulls be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the remainder of the submission.

Carried

NB: Cirs Bagge, Dawson, Evans, and Shenfield requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

12 - EcoWorld Picton Aquarium – John Reuhman

EcoWorld Picton Aquarium (John Reuhman) submitted on a Marlborough Regional Economic Development organisation modelled on other successful regional organisations in New Zealand.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

13 - Peter Chapman

Peter Chapman submitted on: Smart and Connected; Economic Development Agency; Food and Beverage Cluster; Destination Marlborough; event coordination; the Marlborough Story; Blenheim CBD - River area; blank walls; Wither Hills; and technology.

Cirs Bagge/Andrews:

1. That the issue of the use of the Wither Hills area for commercial activity be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.
2. That Peter Chapman be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the other issues raised in his submission, including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

Carried

14 - John Maffey

John Maffey submitted on major upgrades of State Highway entrances to Blenheim; and the Commercial Events Fund.

Members noted that the Landscape Group are dealing with plantings.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the comment regarding the Landscape Group and the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

15 - Top of the South Events Ltd

Top of the South Events Ltd submitted on the Commercial Events Fund.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

16 - The Garden Marlborough (2004) Inc Committee

The Garden Marlborough (2004) Inc Committee submitted on the Commercial Events Fund.

In regard to a comment in the submission regarding Council as an official sponsor, members noted that Council already does this, especially with in-kind sponsorship.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the comment regarding in-kind sponsorship and the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

17 - Festivals & Events Trust

The Festivals & Events Trust submitted on the Commercial Events Fund.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

18 - Graham H Brooks

Graham H Brooks submitted on a long term project to locate, collect, copy, repair as needed, Marlborough's past and present photographic images on an ongoing basis and made available to the public and learning institutions of Marlborough in both a digital and a hard copy format.

Clrs Jerram/Andrews:

That the submission from Graham H Brooks regarding archiving photographic images be referred to the Community and Finance Committee for consideration including meeting with the Marlborough Heritage Trust.

Carried

NB: Clr Brooks declared an interest in the above submission and did not take part in discussion nor vote on the matter.

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 10.38 am and reconvened at 10.52 am.

19 - The Marlborough Heritage Trust

The Marlborough Heritage Trust submitted on the reduction in the Culture and Heritage budget in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan as compared to the LTP for the same period. They also requested funding of: a one off grant of \$10,000 for legal advice to prepare a memorandum of transfer to allow the gift of assets from those organisations, that wish to do so, to the Marlborough Heritage Trust; \$20,000 per annum to the Marlborough Heritage Trust for the next three years and that in addition this is matched dollar for dollar for any other funds sourced by the Trust up to a maximum of \$50,000 per annum; and \$50,000 support for an ANZAC Anniversary Commemorations 2015-2018, for events and exhibitions in Marlborough.

A paper from The Trust giving more detail on their submission was tabled at the meeting.

The three funding requests were voted on separately.

Clrs Arbuckle/Shenfield:

That the funding request from The Marlborough Heritage Trust for a one-off grant of \$10,000 for legal advice to prepare a memorandum of transfer to allow the gift of assets to the Marlborough Heritage Trust be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from [general-rates the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve]. [refer to decision on page 45 of these minutes]

Carried

Clrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the funding request from The Marlborough Heritage Trust for \$20,000 per annum for the next three financial years (2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from general rates, subject to the Trust entering into a formal funding agreement with Council.

That the request from The Marlborough Heritage Trust that funding be matched \$ for \$ for any other funds sourced by the Trust up to a maximum of \$50,000 per annum be declined.

Carried

Clrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the funding request from The Marlborough Heritage Trust for a one-off \$50,000 for ANZAC Anniversary Commemorations in 2015-2018 be declined, but that the Trust be advised that Council are happy to discuss the co-ordination required.

Carried

Members requested that The Marlborough Heritage Trust be advised of these decisions along with appropriate comments on other points raised in their submission.

20 - Marlborough Historical Society Inc

Marlborough Historical Society Inc submitted on the Wairau Bar and Wine Exhibition Relocation to Blenheim CBD; Council support for the Riverlands Cob Cottage conservation; Council support for the Marlborough Story; Smart and Connected; Heritage Experience Strategy; and Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that there was no funding for the Cob Cottage work but that the Society needs to discuss this further with staff, and also including the decisions made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough) and submission 19 (The Marlborough Heritage Trust).

21 - The Picton Historical Society – Picton Heritage and Whaling Museum

The Picton Historical Society requested an increase of \$5,000 to its annual operating grant for the Picton Heritage and Whaling Museum; and acknowledged the support received by the Museum from the Council.

Clrs Oddie/Hook:

That the funding request from the Picton Historical Society to raise its annual operating grant for the Picton Heritage and Whaling Museum by an additional \$5,000 per annum (bringing their operating grant to a total of \$25,000 per annum) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding from general rates.

Carried

NB: Clr Dawson requested that his vote against the above motion be recorded.

22 - Picton Historical Society – Picton Museum

The Picton Historical Society (Picton Museum) requested a one-off grant of \$5,000 from Council's Heritage Grants Fund for the application of the museum cataloguing software programme known as PastPerfect to the Picton Heritage & Whaling Museum artefact collection.

Clrs Hook/Oddie:

That the funding request from the Picton Historical Society (Picton Museum) for a one-off grant of \$5,000 for the application of the museum cataloguing software programme known as PastPerfect be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding from the Heritage Grants Fund.

Carried

23 - Kaipupu Point Mainland Island Society Inc

Kaipupu Point Mainland Island Society Inc requested a grant of \$10,000 per annum for water transport noting that their goal is to show at least 1000 school children a year the special environment of Kaipupu.

Members requested that a tour of Kaipupu Point be arranged.

Clrs Oddie/Jerram:

That the funding request from the Kaipupu Point Mainland Island Society Inc for \$10,000 per annum be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from general rates.

Lost on a show of hands 7 to 7 (The Mayor declined to use his casting vote and declared the motion lost)

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting the request for a tour of Kaipupu Point.

24 - Sister City Sub-Committee

The Sister City Sub-Committee requested an increase in its annual operating budget of \$10,000 (bringing the total Sister City budget to \$30,000 per annum) for the building of new relationships whilst maintaining and building on the current relationships with Tendo and Otari.

Clrs Sloan/Hook:

That the funding request from the Sister City Sub-Committee for an increase in its annual operating budget of \$10,000 per annum (bringing its operating budget to a total of \$30,000 per annum) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding from general rates.

Carried

NB: Clrs Bagge, Dawson and Shenfield requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

25 - Picton Maritime Festival Trust

The Picton Maritime Festival Trust requested a grant of \$10,000 towards their logistics costs for 2014/2015.

Clrs Oddie/Barsanti:

That the funding request from the Picton Maritime Festival Trust for a one-off grant of \$10,000 towards their logistics costs for 2014/2015 be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from [general rates the Forestry and Assets Sales Reserve], with funding to be tagged that Council staff will assist the Trust. [refer to decision on page 45 of these minutes]

Carried

NB: Clrs Bagge and Dawson requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

26 - Marlborough Migrant Centre

The Marlborough Migrant Centre requested an increase of \$5,000 per annum to their annual grant bringing it to a total of \$15,000 per annum.

Clrs Dawson/Andrews:

That the funding request from the Marlborough Migrant Centre for an increase in its annual grant of \$5,000 per annum (bringing its annual grant to a total of \$15,000 per annum) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding from general rates.

Carried

27 - Rarangi District Residents Association

The Rarangi District Residents Association requested a \$15,000 grant towards the construction of the extension of the Walkway/Cycleway from Blue Gum corner to Pipitea Drive; and \$4,248.33 (GST incl) to repair the roof of the Rarangi Community Hall.

Clrs Jerram/Brooks:

- 1. That the funding request from the Rarangi District Residents Association for a one-off grant of \$15,000 towards the construction of the extension of the Walkway/Cycleway from Blue Gum corner to Pipitea Drive be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from the Forestry and Assets Sales Reserve.**
- 2. That the funding request from the Rarangi District Residents Association for a one-off grant of \$4,248.33 (GST inclusive) [\$3,694.20 (GST exclusive)] to repair the roof of the Rarangi Community Hall be funded from the existing maintenance budget.**

Carried

28 - TBfree New Zealand

TBfree New Zealand submitted on the funding contribution required towards TBfree New Zealand's pest management programme carried out as part of the National Bovine Tuberculosis Pest Management Plan (NPMP). The proposed vector control programme for 2014/15 in the Marlborough region will see anticipated total expenditure of \$2.51m on vector control and management which equates to a regional vector programme contribution of \$264,000.

Council has budgeted \$230,000 for 2014-15 financial year but this leaves a deficit of \$34,000. Council agreed that this is to be funded from.

Clrs Evans/Jerram:

That the deficit in funding of \$34,000 for the 2014-15 financial year for the TBfree New Zealand's regional vector programme contribution (totalling \$264,000) be funded from carry-overs from the 2013-14 financial year.

Carried

29 - The Link Pathway Trust

The Link Pathway Trust requested the provision of \$75,000 per annum over the next four years to complete the Link Pathway (a total over four financial years of \$300,000).

Clrs Sloan/Andrews:

That the funding request from The Link Pathway Trust for \$75,000 per annum for the next four financial years (2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from Forestry and Assets Sales Reserve, subject to the Trust entering into a formal funding agreement with Council.

Carried

30 - Marlborough Chamber of Commerce

The Marlborough Chamber of Commerce supported the submission from The Link Pathway Trust.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 29 (The Link Pathway Trust).

31 - Ron Frisken

Ron Frisken submitted on Council spending, and roads and footpaths.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

32 - Millennium Public Art Gallery

The Millennium Public Art Gallery submitted on the rejuvenation of downtown Blenheim.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

33 - Ross Inder

Ross Inder submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Cllrs Hook/Oddie:

1. That the issue of discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.
2. That Ross Inder be advised of this decision.

Carried

34 - Lindsay Dahlberg

Lindsay Dahlberg submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

35 - French Pass Roding Advisory Group

The French Pass Roding Advisory Group submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Cllrs Barsanti/Oddie:

1. That the French Pass Road Charge be reinstated from 1 July 2015 for a period of 10 financial years on a 1:1 share basis at the cost per annum of \$27,156 and included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan.
2. That the French Pass Roding Advisory Group be advised of this decision.

Carried

36 - Rossi King-Turner

Rossi King-Turner submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roding Advisory Group).

37 - Kenepuru and Central Sounds Residents' Association

The Kenepuru and Central Sounds Residents' Association requested funding for the placement, construction and maintenance of a public toilet on Department of Conservation land in reasonable proximity to the Torea Bay jetty.

Cllrs Hook/Oddie:

That the submission from the Kenepuru and Central Sounds Residents' Association for funding for the placement, construction and maintenance of a public toilet on Department of Conservation land in reasonable proximity to the Torea Bay jetty be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.

Carried

38 - Fluoride Action Network (NZ) Inc

Fluoride Action Network (NZ) Inc submitted that Council reject any suggestions to start fluoridation in any area of Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

39 - Motel Association of New Zealand

The Motel Association of New Zealand submitted that those that operate as commercial accommodation from residential premises should carry the same costs and be required to reach the same standards as those that operate commercial accommodation from commercial premises.

Cirs Leggett/Hook:

That the submission from the Motel Association of New Zealand be referred to the Environment Committee for further consideration.

Carried

40 - Marlborough Motel Association

The Marlborough Motel Association submitted that those that operate as commercial accommodation from residential premises should carry the same costs and be required to reach the same standards as those that operate commercial accommodation from commercial premises.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 39 (Motel Association of New Zealand).

41 - Atlantis Backpackers

Atlantis Backpackers submitted that the Draft Annual Plan should be far more tuned to Smart and Connected and its principles; the Picton Bus Shelter; the extension of the Picton Museum; the Picton foreshore; and Council's Customer Service staff.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

42 - Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Inc

Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Inc requested that Council make available a further \$140,000 to Marlborough Equestrian Park to enable completion of minimum Stage 1 development works.

Cirs Sloan/Oddie:

That the funding request from Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Inc for a one-off grant of \$140,000 to enable completion of minimum Stage 1 development works be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from Forestry and Assets Sales Reserve

Carried

43 - Darryn Thomas

Darryn Thomas submitted on the Grove Road Bridge; and overseas investment.

Cirs Sloan/Bagge:

- 1. That the issue of the Grove Road Bridge be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.**
- 2. That Darryn Thomas be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the rest of his submission.**

Carried

44 - The Awatere Branch of Marlborough RSA

The Awatere Branch of Marlborough RSA requested the reinstatement of the earthquake damaged entrance archway and gate to their previous condition before the quake and the area west of the Memorial be terraced.

Cirs Evans/Brooks:

That the request from the Awatere Branch of Marlborough RSA for the reinstatement of the earthquake damaged entrance archway and the terracing of the area west of the memorial be undertaken within existing budgets.

Carried

45 - Kevin (Willy) Wills

Kevin (Willy) Wills submitted on a bylaw for the tattoo and piercing industry in Marlborough for health issues.

Clrs Shenfield/Arbuckle:

That the submission from Kevin (Willy) Wills be referred to the Environment Committee for further consideration.

Carried

46 - Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association

Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association submitted on funding of coastal monitoring until more appropriate funding arrangements e.g. coastal charging, are in place; and its support of coastal monitoring for ecological reasons.

Clrs Jerram/Hook:

- 1. That the funding of \$337,000 per annum from general rates for coastal monitoring, as included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan, be reconfirmed.**
- 2. That the Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the rest of their submission.**

Carried

NB: Clrs Brooks and Dawson requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

47 - Margaret McHugh

Margaret McHugh submitted on Core Services; Coastal Monitoring; Commercial Events Fund; Smart and Connected; and Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough), submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]) and submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 12.44 pm and reconvened at 1.18 pm.

48 - Marlborough Grey Power Inc

Marlborough Grey Power Inc submitted on: the increase in the older population and what plans are in place to deal with this increase and how Grey Power is able to assist with providing the appropriate provisions to this community; the condition of footpaths and some roads in the area which create a safety issue for older persons; the transport of patients to Nelson Hospital from Wairau Hospital; concern that council is spending \$150,000 on Sheps Park in Lakings Road; and the Wairau Valley Town Water Supply.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

49 - Anthony van de Water

Anthony van de Water submitted on the Kobus Mentz urban plan for Renwick; and improvements to road safety within Renwick township.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

50 - Phil Brown Motors

Phil Brown Motors submitted on the naming of the Alfred Street Carpark Building to acknowledge Lucas Brothers Ford Dealership and the Lucas family.

Clrs Barsanti/Andrews:

That the submission from Phil Brown Motors regarding the naming of the Alfred Street Carpark Building be declined.

Carried

51 - Nelson/Marlborough Branch New Zealand Institute of Surveyors

The Nelson/Marlborough Branch New Zealand Institute of Surveyors submitted on development and rural reserve contributions.

Clrs Evans/Shenfield:

That the submission from the Nelson/Marlborough Branch New Zealand Institute of Surveyors regarding development and rural reserve contributions be referred to the Community and Finance Committee for further consideration.

Carried

52 - Marlborough Civic Theatre Trust Board

The Marlborough Civic Theatre Trust Board submitted on the concept of a public precinct on the Wynen/High Street block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

53 - Elspeth Wells

Elspeth Wells submitted on the future site of the Library and access to bus stops.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

54 - Mrs P Jungersen

Mrs P Jungersen submitted on a new library is needed; water in the Flaxbourne and Awatere areas; and core services.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

55 - Butt Drilling Ltd

Butt Drilling Ltd submitted on water quality.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

56 - Marlborough Province of Federated Farmers of New Zealand

The Marlborough Province of Federated Farmers of New Zealand submitted on: changes to rating policy; a shift to capital value rating; a new rates remission policy; increase the uniform annual general charge and other district wide uniform targeted rates to 30% of rates collected; district-wide targeted rate to support 20% of the cost of roads, streetlights and footpaths; provide more in-depth information on the rates database; rates database information; continue to exercise restraint with respect to use of debt; proceed with various projects that relate to the establishment or upgrading of community facilities; fund upgrades or renewals of community facilities through appropriate district-wide targeted rates; the Flaxbourne Irrigation Scheme; a targeted rate for 'land drainage and storm water'; and a reduction or preferably a removal of tourism services funding.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

57 - Grovetown Residents Association

The Grovetown Residents Association requested that the loan rates and charges paid by Grovetown ratepayers for Council owned sewerage infrastructure be reviewed and be more in line with what other ratepayers in the wider Marlborough community are paying by reducing the interest rate percentage on the internal loan or as with other sewerage connections and upgrade work include the costs in the combined Blenheim sewerage rating area of which Grovetown is part of; and storm water plan issues.

Clrs Jerram/Sloan:

That the submission from the Grovetown Residents Association be noted and that staff respond accordingly, advising that a change to the policy would be required and that that change be declined.

Carried

58 - Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc

The Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc outlined their vision for rebuilds and repairs to buildings due to the Seddon earthquake, to cater for sporting needs in the Awatere without creating duplication and unnecessary expenditure.

It was noted that certainty of a timeframe was needed to be given to the community to show that Council was taking action on issues arising from the earthquake. It was agreed that a reasonable timeframe would be two months.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that the Wairau/Awatere Ward Councillors are to organise a site visit to Seddon and Ward for all members.

59 - Johannes Mulder

Johannes Mulder submitted on the repairs needed to sporting facilities following the earthquakes.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, including the decision on sporting/community facilities made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust).

60 - Awatere Community Trust

The Awatere Community Trust: requested an increase of \$2,500 to their annual grant (to a total of \$47,500) for electricity, training staff for the pool and pool wages; requested funding of \$5,000 to reimburse individual trustees costs associated with administering the purposes of the Trust and in particular its contract with the Council; and the opportunity has arisen to create.

Cllrs Jerram/Brooks:

That the funding request from the Awatere Community Trust for an increase in its annual grant of \$2,500 per annum (bringing its annual grant to a total of \$47,500 per annum) be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding from general rates.

Carried

Members agreed that as a general principle volunteers from the community should not have to fund phone calls, vehicle running expenses or other occasional sundry expenses incurred during, and directly attributable to, approved Trust business. However, as this is public money Council needs to be very satisfied that any money claimed is administered to strict standards, therefore a number of conditions were attached to this funding.

Cllrs Jerram/Sloan:

That the funding request from the Awatere Community Trust for \$5,000 per annum to reimburse individual trustees costs associated with administering the purposes of the Trust be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from general rates with the following conditions:

1. That the Trust is restructured on a democratic and truly representative basis as required by Council;
2. That within the new Trust, governance and management systems are clearly separated, to the satisfaction of Council staff;
3. That an auditable and accountable system involving claim forms, submitted to the appropriate committee of the Trust for approval of every claim, is put in place;
4. That all these steps are in place to the satisfaction of Manager Support Services prior to any money being paid to the Trust.

Carried

Cllrs Jerram/Sloan:

That the submission from the Awatere Community Trust regarding a multi-purpose sports building for all sporting codes and community groups be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.

Carried

61 - Marlborough Softball Association

The Marlborough Softball Association submitted on the development of Lansdowne Park north for a dedicated softball park.

Cllrs Shenfield/Sloan:

1. That the funding of \$200,000 for Lansdowne Park softball diamonds, as included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan, be reconfirmed.

2. **That the Marlborough Softball Association be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the rest of their submission.**

Carried

62 - Ray Alexander

Ray Alexander submitted on research and planning of affordable housing.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

63 - Graeme Ward

Graeme Ward submitted on parking issues in Beach Road, Waikawa Bay.

Clrs Oddie/Barsanti:

That the submission from Graeme Ward regarding parking issues in Beach Road, Waikawa Bay be referred to Marlborough Roads and that Mr Ward be advised on this.

Carried

64 - Mick Norton

This submission was withdrawn by Mr Norton.

65 - Jim Newman

Jim Newman submitted on a Marlborough International visitor Centre which would be a community project incorporating the Blenheim railway station building with the current i-SITE to be controlled by the Council.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

66 - David Winstanley

David Winstanley submitted on: converting Market Street North into an area for pedestrians only thereby closing the street at Alfred Street to vehicles; sees having a library near the river at the end of High Street a good move which would draw more people to the north end of town; Council needs to help make it easier for someone to start up a business which will help fill the vacant shops; and parking issues.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that the CBD portfolio holders will be meeting with Mr Winstanley.

67 - Ross Flowerday

Ross Flowerday submitted on core services and Council living within their means.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

68 - Marlborough Road Safety Community Group

The Marlborough Road Safety Community Group submitted on the rights of mobility scooter users to be comfortable and safe when using the footpath and roading network within Marlborough.

Clrs Andrews/Sloan:

That the submission from the Marlborough Road Safety Community Group on mobility scooter issues be referred to the Access and Mobility Forum for further consideration.

Carried

69 - Marlborough TBfree Committee

The Marlborough TBfree Committee submitted on the TBfree New Zealand programme in the region.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, including the decision on sporting/community facilities made under submission 28 (TBfree New Zealand).

70 - Sustain Our Sounds

Sustain Our Sounds submitted on Coastal Monitoring and Coastal Occupancy Charges.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

71 - Stonewood Homes Marlborough Ltd

Stonewood Homes Marlborough Ltd opposed to the proposal to increase rates by 3%; and disapproves of the proposal to place the new library at 2 High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

72 - Cycling Marlborough Inc (Cuddon Cycling Marlborough)

Cycling Marlborough Inc (Cuddon Cycling Marlborough) requested funding in the region of \$50,000 (GST excl) for the resurfacing of the existing Velodrome surface at Athletic Park. They also sought funding in the region of \$20,000 (GST excl) to cover the full costs of commissioning an initial viability/feasibility report into the future development of Athletic Park.

Cirs Sloan/Hook:

- 1. That the funding request from Cycling Marlborough Inc (Cuddon Cycling Marlborough) for a one-off grant of \$50,000 (GST excl) for the resurfacing of the existing Velodrome surface at Athletic Park be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan with funding to come from the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve.**
- 2. That the funding request from Cycling Marlborough Inc (Cuddon Cycling Marlborough) for a one-off grant of \$20,000 (GST excl) for an initial viability/feasibility report into the future development of Athletic Park be declined.**

Carried

73 - Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Nelson Marlborough Area Inc

Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Nelson Marlborough Area Inc submitted on an upgrade of the fenced playground area of Oliver Park playground.

Cirs Shenfield/Andrews:

That the submission from Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Nelson Marlborough Area Inc for an upgrade of the fenced playground area of Oliver Park playground be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.

Carried

74 - Picton Business Group

The Picton Business Group submitted on. Foreshore Walkway Lighting Upper High Street, Picton Library and Council Service Centre Freedom Camping

Cirs Oddie/Hook:

- 1. That the funding of a one-off \$100,000 for the Picton Foreshore lighting upgrade from general rates, as included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan, be reconfirmed.**
- 2. That the Picton Business Group be advised of this decision along with appropriate comment on the rest of their submission.**

Carried

75 - Marlborough Netball

Marlborough Netball requested Council consider the improvement of the facilities at Horton Park in the 2014-15 Annual Plan by upgrading two court surfaces and some lighting.

Cirs Sloan/Bagge:

That the request from Marlborough Netball for the improvement of the facilities at Horton Park by upgrading two court surfaces and some lighting be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration, noting that Council has approved required funding from the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve.

Carried

76 - Ross Banbury

Ross Banbury submitted on economic development issues.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

77 - Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc

The Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Clrs Jerram/Evans:

That the proposal for the change in Geographic Rating Area of the Karaka Point area be removed from the 2014-15 Annual Plan and future Plans until such time as Council reviews the Geographic Rating Area Model.

Carried

78 - Khalid Suleiman

Khalid Suleiman submitted on coastal monitoring and the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]) and submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

79 - Alan and Ann Izard

Alan and Ann Izard submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

80 - Rebecca Woledge

Rebecca Woledge submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

81 - Geoff and Leonie Tyson

Geoff and Leonie Tyson submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

82 - Jeremy Hall

Jeremy Hall submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

83 - Ron Melton and Christine Beech

Ron Melton and Christine Beech submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

84 - Beech/Melton Families

Beech/Melton Families submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

85 - Philip Rose

Philip Rose submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

86 - Peter & Gillian Rothwell

Peter & Gillian Rothwell submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

87 - Dr Bill Brehaut

Dr Bill Brehaut submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

88 - Simon Chaffey

Simon Chaffey submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

89 - Helen Crowder

Helen Crowder submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

90 - P & N (Noel) Sutherland

P & N (Noel) Sutherland submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

91 - Tironui Trust – Hay Family

Tironui Trust (Hay Family) submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

92 - Palmbank No 2 Trust

Palmbank No 2 Trust submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

93 - Jennifer Cunningham

Jennifer Cunningham submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

94 - Gary Frost

Gary Frost submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

95 - Don Miller

Don Miller submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

96 - Gavin Bayliss

Gavin Bayliss submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

97 - Marlborough SPCA

Marlborough SPCA requested an operating grant of \$5,000 per annum to continue the work they do with animal welfare in the Marlborough region.

Cirs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the funding request from Marlborough SPCA for an operating grant of \$5,000 per annum to continue the work they do with animal welfare in the Marlborough region be funded from existing Animal Control budgets.

Carried

98 - Marlborough Falcon Trust

The Marlborough Falcon Trust requested a \$10,000 annual sponsorship of an aviary sign at the newly developed tourist destination "Falcon Valley".

Cirs Evans/Bagge:

That the funding request from the Marlborough Falcon Trust be declined.

Carried

99 - Dorothy Scott

Dorothy Scott submitted on an imbalance in the graph indicating Operating Expenditure 2014-2015 between the amount allowed or allocated for Culture and Heritage verses that of Community Safety.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

100 - Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui Trust

Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui Trust submitted on consultation issues.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

101 - Anne Brooks

Anne Brooks submitted on the restoration of Picton Cemetery.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

102 - Renwick Sports Centre Inc

Renwick Sports Centre Inc requested the one-off sum of \$30,000 granted to them through the 2013/14 Annual Plan continue as an annual grant to assist with the Centre's operating and maintenance costs .

Cirs Sloan/Brooks:

That the funding request from Renwick Sports Centre Inc be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan as a one-off grant of \$30,000 from [general-rates the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve], noting that a single central booking mechanism for all sports facilities be investigated. [refer to decision on page 45 of these minutes]

Carried

NB: Cirs Barsanti and Dawson requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sloan left the meeting at 2.07 pm during the above item.

103 - Awatere Christian Joint Venture Management Team

The Awatere Christian Joint Venture Management Team submitted on the possibility of purchasing the empty section in Foster Street Seddon next to the Catholic Church and on the site they would like to build a multipurpose building which could be used as a cultural centre for the RSE workers, a place for their children's church, a facility for drama groups, a place for some school events and a medium sized room for community meetings.

Cllrs Evans/Brooks:

That the submission from the Awatere Christian Joint Venture Management Team be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for ongoing discussions.

Carried

104 - Alysha Hutchison

Alysha Hutchison submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Cllrs Shenfield/Andrews:

That the submission from Alysha Hutchison be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration, noting that any potential funding should come from Reserves.

Carried

105 - Brenna Nation

Brenna Nation submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

106 - Denise Pincott

Denise Pincott submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

107 - Anthony Brooker

Anthony Brooker submitted on changes to the Dog Control Bylaw in the Marlborough Sounds Area.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the submission from Anthony Brooker regarding changes to the Dog Control Bylaw be referred to the Animal Control Sub-Committee for further consideration.

Carried

108 - Carmel Myers

Carmel Myers submitted on a safe off road cycle track from Riverlands Estate to Cloudy Bay Business Park as a continuation of the present cycle track that ends at Riverlands.

Cllrs Barsanti/Brooks:

That the submission from Carmel Myers regarding a safe off road cycle track from Riverlands Estate to Cloudy Bay Business Park as a continuation of the present cycle track that ends at Riverlands be referred to Bike/Walk Marlborough for their consideration.

Carried

109 - George Barrett

George Barrett submitted proposes that a local skid pan facility be built.

Cllrs Barsanti/Hook:

That the submission from George Barrett for a local skid pan facility be declined.

Carried

110 - Heather Hopkins

Heather Hopkins submitted that the Auckland Street (near Picton i-SITE) entrance to the Picton Foreshore is chaotic due to the Bus Stop and needs redesigning.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that Cllr Oddie will ring and discuss the issue with Ms Hopkins.

111 - Takiwa Broadhurst

Takiwa Broadhurst submitted on a BMX dirt jump track that is being progressed in Picton and the need for some funding assistance.

Cllrs Oddie/Arbuckle:

That the submission from Takiwa Broadhurst for assistance with the BMX dirt jump track in Picton be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for consideration from the Land Subdivision Account.

Carried

112 - Vanessa Watson

Vanessa Watson supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

113 - Oliver Vercoe

Oliver Vercoe submitted on a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

114 - John Wilson

The submitter could not be contacted using the contact details supplied. Council therefore declined to consider the submission.

115 - Robin Blackmore

Robin Blackmore submitted on rates, cycle ways and irrigation schemes.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to refer the cycle way submission to Bike/Walk Marlborough and to respond accordingly on the other points raised in the submission.

116 - Kirsty Chalmers

Kirsty Chalmers submitted on drinking water and the Grove Road Bridge.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, including the decision on sporting/community facilities made under submission 43 (Darryn Thomas [Grove Road Bridge]).

117 - Trustees of WH and HM van Velthooven Family Trust

The Trustees of WH and HM van Velthooven Family Trust submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

118 - Riet and Wim van Velthooven

Riet and Wim van Velthooven submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

119 - Noel Moleta

Noel Moleta submitted on Benchmark Properties.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

120 - Dr Andrew Packer

Dr Andrew Packer submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

121 - Ron Walker

Ron Walker submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

122 - Quentin & Glenda Earle

Quentin & Glenda Earle submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

123 - Richard Kearsley

Richard Kearsley submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

124 - Roger and Tina Restall

Roger and Tina Restall submitted on Wairau Valley water supply rating.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

125 - Gaynor Cotching

Gaynor Cotching submitted on the Awatere Water Supply, location of the Library, and coastal water monitoring.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

126 - Mr R Bright

Mr R Bright submitted on water and sewerage issues.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

127 - Jeanette Gillum

Jeanette Gillum submitted on spillages during the grape harvest.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

128 - Cherie Lothead

Cherie Lothead submitted on shade trees in the Forum.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

129 - Linkwater Settlers Hall Committee

Linkwater Settlers Hall Committee submitted on the Linkwater Pathway.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 29 (The Link Pathway Trust).

130 - Tirimoana and Anakiwa Residents Association

The Tirimoana and Anakiwa Residents Association submitted on the Linkwater Pathway.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 29 (The Link Pathway Trust).

131 - Nick Meeten

Nick Meeten submitted on doing up downtown Blenheim, Smart and Connected, and water quality for Renwick, Awatere, Havelock, Riverlands and Wairau Valley.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

132 - Anthony Winter

Anthony Winter submitted on replacing the High Street car park with cafes and restaurants for more night life.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

133 - Alison Fuller

Alison Fuller submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

134 - Roger and Elizabeth Winter

Roger and Elizabeth Winter submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

135 - The Friends of Marlborough District Libraries Committee

The Friends of Marlborough District Libraries Committee submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

136 - Mark Stevenson

Mark Stevenson submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

137 - Lois Lyall

Lois Lyall submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

138 - Margaret Gauden-Ing

Margaret Gauden-Ing submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

139 - Ray Gauden-Ing

Ray Gauden-Ing submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

140 - Alastair Elliott

Alastair Elliott submitted on the rejuvenation of downtown Blenheim.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

141 - Lynda Montgomery

Lynda Montgomery submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

142 - Miriam McNamara

Miriam McNamara submitted on the relocation of the library, and monitoring.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

143 - Peter & Janet Steggle

Peter & Janet Steggle submitted on broadband, water quality and the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

144 - Marlborough Hunting and Fishing (D Hansen)

Marlborough Hunting and Fishing (D Hansen) submitted that the area of B.O.C. Gases site need to be moved as it is both an eye sore and not well positioned for a commercial operation.

Cirs Hook/Oddie:

That the submission from Marlborough Hunting and Fishing (D Hansen) regarding the area of B.O.C. Gases site be referred to the Regional Planning and Development Committee for consideration of a zoning review.

Carried

145 - Bruce Petrie

Bruce Petrie submitted on Shelly Beach toilets, the relocation of the library, and a tidy up of the Spring Creek River from Spring Creek Holiday Park to the Wairau River

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

146 - Dick Rout

Dick Rout submitted on the relocation of the library, and Flaxbourne irrigation.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

147 - Maureen Stevens

Maureen Stevens submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

148 - Grant Bancroft

Grant Bancroft submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

149 - Douglas & Joyce Stafford

Douglas & Joyce Stafford submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

150 - Errol Hancock

Errol Hancock submitted on the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

151 - John Davis

John Davis submitted on business planning for the Town.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

152 - Jeff Fulton

Jeff Fulton submitted on a number of issues: doing up Downtown; signage at main entrances; Taylor River walkway; Regional Economic Development (Smart and Connected); the Commercial Events Fund; cycling including increased cycles lanes; and the Artisan and Farmers Markets.

Members discussed the signage of main entrances and a substantive motion was moved/seconded. An amended motion was also moved/seconded. This amended motion was put to the vote first:

Cirs Jerram/Andrews:

That a one-off amount of \$150,000 from the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve be included in the 2014-15 Annual Plan for signage for main entrances.

Lost on a show of hands 6 to 7.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote:

Clrs Barsanti/Leggett:

That the issue of signage for main entrances be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration and exploration of funding options.

Carried

Members requested that Jeff Fulton be advised of this decision along with appropriate comments on other points raised in his submission, including the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

153 - Roderick Heard

Roderick Heard submitted on the relocation of the library; Flaxbourne irrigation; Coastal Monitoring; Sewer repairs; Regional & Economic Development; Commercial Events Funding; and bug free water.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]) and submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sloan returned to the meeting at 2.58 pm at the conclusion of the above item.

154 - Evin Wood

Evin Wood submitted on Coastal Monitoring; the relocation of the library; Sewerage facilities; availability of potable water should be a priority for urban areas; Smart and Connected; Parks and Reserves; and Climate Change.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

155 - Alan & Esther Mallett

Alan & Esther Mallett submitted on vehicle access being made available to the Wither Hills Farm Park and Pollard Park, By-pass for SH1 and the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 13 (Peter Chapman [Wither Hills]).

156 - Anne Smith

Anne Smith submitted on the Taylor River area being sown/planted with herb plants, street lighting, walkers, buildings near rivers, and the relocation of the library.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that the point regarding the Taylor River area being sown/planted with herb plants is to be referred to the Landscape Group for further consideration, and the point regarding street lighting is to be referred to Marlborough Roads for further consideration.

157 - R F Coombs

R F Coombs submitted on rates issues, doing up downtown and.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

158 - Perry Gilbert

Perry Gilbert submitted on the relocation of the library and Wither Road East footpath.

Cllr Sloan/The Mayor:

That the content of the submission be noted and staff be requested to respond accordingly, advising that the issue of a footpath on Wither Road East will be considered during the Footpath Policy discussions.

Carried

159 - Julie Kennedy

Julie Kennedy submitted on a New Picton library, the relocation of the Blenheim library, a new Art Gallery, heritage panels for Picton; Smart and Connected, and the Marlborough Story.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

160 - Peter and Andrea Forrest

Peter and Andrea Forrest submitted on the relocation of the library and a linked multi-day cycle trail.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to refer the cycle trail submission to Bike/Walk Marlborough and to respond accordingly on the other point raised in the submission.

161 - Ben Moore

Ben Moore submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

162 - Marlborough Community Potters

The Marlborough Community Potters submitted on an Arts Centre at the Taylor River Precinct.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

163 - Tim Adams

Tim Adams submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

164 - Brian Palmer

Brian Palmer submitted on a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

165 - Edward Johnson

Edward Johnson submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

166 - Robyn and John Cuddon

Robyn and John Cuddon submitted on a public cultural precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

167 - Chris Borrie

Chris Borrie submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

168 - Chris and Julia Knowles

Chris and Julia Knowles submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

169 - Sharon Hill

Sharon Hill submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

170 - Roseanne Christie-Warner

Roseanne Christie-Warner submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

171 - Frances Chaytor

Frances Chaytor submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

172 - Kim Andrews

Kim Andrews submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

173 - Stephen Holtum

Stephen Holtum submitted on a public precinct in the Wynen/High Street Block.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

174 - Marlborough Camera Club

The Marlborough Camera Club submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

175 - Fran Maguire

Fran Maguire submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

176 - Garry and Sara Neill

Garry and Sara Neill submitted on establishing a combined art gallery/library in High Street.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

177 - Ken Roush

Ken Roush submitted on downtown projects, Coastal Monitoring, Sewer inflow/infiltration, and Smart and Connected

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

178 - Russell Grigg

Russell Grigg submitted on the Grove Road Bridge.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, including the decision on sporting/community facilities made under submission 43 (Darryn Thomas [Grove Road Bridge]).

179 - Nigel Fairweather

Nigel Fairweather submitted that it was time that his family name be considered for a street name. Fairweather Engineering was located in the Blenheim CBD for many many years.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

180 - Democrats for Social Credit Party

Democrats for Social Credit Party submitted that it is their duty to both challenge and influence central government policy.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

181 - William and Maidie Banks

William and Maidie Banks submitted on the Nursery Lane sewer proposal.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

182 - Anthony Adey

Anthony Adey submitted on rate increases.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

183 - Ben Minehan

Ben Minehan submitted on coastal monitoring.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

184 - Chris Simpson

Chris Simpson submitted on coastal monitoring, Regional Economic Development and bug-free water.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

185 - Kenepuru & Central Sounds Residents Association Inc

Kenepuru & Central Sounds Residents Association Inc submitted on mussel farming and coastal monitoring.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

186 - Susan Rapach

Susan Rapach submitted on rate increases, Smart and Connected and coastal monitoring.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

187 - Eileen Auld

Eileen Auld requested a rubbish bin in Memorial Park.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

188 - Frank Cartwright

Frank Cartwright submitted on street sweeping.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

189 - Esmai Pascoe

Esmai Pascoe submitted on a number of issues: coastal monitoring; Regional Economic Development (Marlborough Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster); water; sewage maintenance; sewage; Harbour Risk Management Plan; boating safety; Picton High Street upgrade; Picton community facilities; change in Geographic Rating Area; libraries; and Picton water meters.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 10 (Marlborough Research Centre Trust [Marlborough Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster]), submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]) and submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

190 - Ngakuta Bay Community Association

The Ngakuta Bay Community Association requested funding of \$132,000 to carry out pedestrian safety measures on Queen Charlotte Drive to be phased in over 3 years.

Clrs Barsanti/Hook:

That the submission from the Ngakuta Bay Community Association requesting funding for pedestrian safety measures on Queen Charlotte Drive be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration from within existing budgets.

Carried

191 - Murray Jones

Murray Jones submitted on Awatere and Renwick water upgrades.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

192 - Marlborough Chamber of Commerce

The Marlborough Chamber of Commerce submitted on funding of Picton foreshore lighting, directional tourism signage, directional signage to Blenheim CBD, funding of Picton directional tourism signage, beach re-sanding, clean beach policies, signage Picton Foreshore & Shelly Beach, and a CBD Coordinator.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

193 - Korina Murray

Korina Murray asked that Boyce Street Renwick be closed to heavy traffic or to all traffic completely.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

194 - Shirley Robinson

Shirley Robinson submitted on bus stop issues on Alabama Road, gutters, recycling bins, and footpaths.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

195 - Mary and Stephen Butler

Mary and Stephen Butler submitted on the relocation of the library and a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

196 - Stewart & Elizabeth Bashford

Stewart & Elizabeth Bashford submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

197 - Gary & Trina Norris

Gary & Trina Norris submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

198 - Charlene Anderson

Charlene Anderson submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

199 - Neil Davies

Neil Davies submitted on flood protection pertaining to the Taylor River.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

200 - Gendie Woods

Gendie Woods submitted on the state of the unsealed part of the road on the Tuamarina Track.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

201 - Cressida Bishop

Cressida Bishop submitted on the Commercial Events Fund.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]).

202 - Ralph Powlesland

Ralph Powlesland submitted on coastal monitoring and the Commercial Events Fund.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]) and submission 46 (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents' Association [Coastal Monitoring]).

203 - Jacquelyn McSkimming

Jacquelyn McSkimming submitted on grape spills on roads and a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

204 - Tom Jeffries

Tom Jeffries supported Awatere Rugby Club's submission on future building requirements.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

205 - Therese Hocquard

Therese Hocquard supported Awatere Rugby Club's submission on future building requirements.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

206 - Suzanne Jeffries

Suzanne Jeffries supported Awatere Rugby Club's submission on future building requirements.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

207 - Alan Pope

Alan Pope submitted on water in Seddon, Seddon Pavilion, rugby lights, and the Awatere Community Hall.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

208 - Colin Scott

Colin Scott submitted on Battys Road/Middle Renwick Road roundabout and a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

209 - Blenheim Residents & Ratepayers Association

The Blenheim Residents & Ratepayers Association submitted that toilets and drinkable water facilities be put on the Wither Hills walk ways where appropriate and some more tracks be established, they support the Seddon water being upgraded, they oppose the Commercial Events Fund funding, they support Christmas and CBD Co-ordinator submissions that have been submitted by residents of Marlborough (John Maffey and Phil Welch).

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decisions made under submission 11 (Barbara Faulls [Commercial Events Fund]) and submission 13 (Peter Chapman [Wither Hills]).

210 - Okaramio Residents Association

The Okaramio Residents Association requested that Council look into the levelling and repair of the Okaramio Hall car park.

It was reported that a quote had been received for \$2,829.

Cirs Barsanti/Brooks:

That the request from the Okaramio Residents Association for levelling and repair of the Okaramio Hall car park be undertaken from existing budgets at a cost of \$2,829.

Carried

211 - Margaret Leslie

Margaret Leslie submitted on the state of the Okaramio Hall car park.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 210 (Okaramio Residents Association).

212 - David and Gene Watson

David and Gene Watson submitted the state of the Okaramio Hall car park on.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 210 (Okaramio Residents Association).

213 - Helen & Ross McLean

Helen & Ross McLean submitted on the state of the Okaramio Hall car park.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 210 (Okaramio Residents Association).

214 - Adam Taylor

Adam Taylor supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

215 - Philip Murrin

Philip Murrin supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

216 - Aaron Barrett

Aaron Barrett supported the proposed budget of \$60,000 for the skate park development as included in the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan and advised that he was available to assist Council in formulating plans for the upgrade.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 1 (Marlborough Youth Council).

217 - Thomas Brake

Thomas Brake submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

218 - John Rodger

John Rodger submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

219 - Jeremy Jones & Suzanne Goulter

Jeremy Jones & Suzanne Goulter submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

220 - Richard Ham

Richard Ham submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

221 - Stefan Stewart

Stefan Stewart submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

222 - Stuart Trustrum and Alison Trustrum-Rainey

Stuart Trustrum and Alison Trustrum-Rainey submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

223 - Henny and Jeanette Vervaart

Henny and Jeanette Vervaart submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

224 - Fergus & Barbara Murray

Fergus & Barbara Murray submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

225 - Victoria Stewart

Victoria Stewart submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

226 - Jan and Len Fluerty

Jan and Len Fluerty submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

227 - John Miller & Pauline Davis

John Miller & Pauline Davis submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

228 - Yvonne & Neville Grant

Yvonne & Neville Grant submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

229 - Tim & Anna Gifford

Tim & Anna Gifford submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

230 - Graeme Irvin

Graeme Irvin submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek and seating/shelter at the Blenheim Railway Station.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

231 - Douglas and Clare Vallance

Douglas and Clare Vallance submitted on discharging further storm water down Murphy's Creek.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 33 (Ross Inder [Murphy's Creek]).

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 3.28 pm and reconvened at 3.42 pm.

232 - Jill Middlemiss

Jill Middlemiss submitted on the storm water strategy but is concerned about the severe flooding in the Cubitt Street area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

233 - Myles Smart

Myles Smart submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

234 - Colin Hall

Colin Hall submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

235 - Sandra Everest

Sandra Everest submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

236 - Linda Breach

Linda Breach submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

237 - Marlene Funnell

Marlene Funnell submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

238 - Betty Fong

Betty Fong submitted on a multi-purpose community facility in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

239 - Awatere Senior Rugby Players

Awatere Senior Rugby Players supported Awatere Rugby Club's submission on future building requirements.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

240 - Terry Renner

Terry Renner supported Awatere Rugby Club's submission on future building requirements. He also submitted on a bus shelter for college students and street flags.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 58 (Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc).

241 - Kelly Hocquard

Kelly Hocquard submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

242 - Geoff Hocquard

Geoff Hocquard submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

243 - Nadia Crighton

Nadia Crighton submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

244 - Justine Wilson

Justine Wilson submitted on facilities for the disabled.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 104 (Alysha Hutchison [facilities for the disabled]).

245 - Kees van der Linden

Kees van der Linden submitted on climate change risks and the need to include in the Annual Plan a separate activity and to allocate funding.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

246 - Havelock Museum Inc & Havelock Theatre Inc

Havelock Museum Inc & Havelock Theatre Inc submitted on community grant funding.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

247 - Gavin Kerr

Gavin Kerr submitted on Smart and Connected and wine producers.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that work in this direction is underway.

248 - Havelock Four Square

Havelock Four Square submitted on the need to correct signage in Havelock.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that correction work is underway.

249 - Christine Fisk

Christine Fisk submitted on the street sweeping contract, safety issues with car parking on Havelock's Cook Street, and the need to follow through on all contracts let.

Clr Barsanti is to help write this letter.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

250 - Grant Fisk

Grant Fisk submitted on reopening the Neil Street legal (paper) road on the west side of SH6.

Clrs Barsanti/Hook:

That the submission from Grant Fisk regarding the reopening of the Neil Street legal (paper) road on the west side of SH6 be referred to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.

Carried

251 - Craig & Maria Burnip

Craig & Maria Burnip submitted that the current recycling bins need to be replaced with wheelie bins.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

252 - Anna Senior

Anna Senior submitted on the need for a seat to be installed on the corner of Adams Lane and Roseneath Lane.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly, noting that Grey Power are undertaking a review of seating availability in Blenheim.

253 - Terry Ford

Terry Ford submitted on core services, a by-pass and climate change.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

254 - Ryan Lock

Ryan Lock submitted on a Riverside amphitheatre area redevelopment, cycling infrastructure, Market Street as a mall, and a gondola to Mt Vernon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

255 - Marlborough Football

Marlborough Football submitted that they are very much behind the plan to move softball from A & P Park to Lansdowne Park, and support the plan to demolish the grandstand at A & P Park and the development of a new grandstand/pavilion.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

256 - Rachael van Asch

Rachael van Asch submitted on her concerns that Seddon and the Awatere do not feature in the 2014-15 Draft Annual Plan Summary, the Awatere Memorial Hall is sadly lacking, and that all public facilities in Seddon be fitted with a particle and UV filter so they can safely drink the water and make ice in all public places in Seddon.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [multi-purpose Community Facility]).

257 - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority submitted on the "Home Insulation Scheme" and that Council should continue running this scheme in the coming year.

Cllrs Jerram/Brooks:

That the submission from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority regarding the continuation of the "Home Insulation Scheme" be referred to the Community and Finance Committee for further consideration.

Carried

258 - Nelson Marlborough District Health Board

The Nelson Marlborough District Health Board submitted on support for activities included in the Plan which will result in a good outcome for public health, issues Council does not have in its plan but from a public health planning perspective need to be kept on the Council agenda and considered when drafting the next Annual Plan, and recommended amendments to the plan that NMDHB wishes Council include in its plan.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

259 - The Enviroschools Foundation

The Enviroschools Foundation submitted on the Enviroschools Programme.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

260 - Raymond Norton Clark

Raymond Norton Clark submitted on a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

261 - Jean Broughan

Jean Broughan submitted on a by-pass.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

262 - Bernard Hadfield

Bernard Hadfield submitted on an early payment discount for rates.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

263 - Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc

Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc submitted on their ongoing grant for maintenance for the Flaxbourne and Ward Area.

Cllrs Evans/Brooks:

That the ongoing grant for Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc for maintenance of facilities in Flaxbourne and Ward be reconfirmed at \$22,430 per annum.

Carried

264 - Warwick Lissman

Warwick Lissman requested Council to stay focused and deliver what Marlborough actually needs, and also questioned the Awatere Community Trust's representation.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 60 (Awatere Community Trust [Awatere Community Trust]).

265 - Mathis Wey

Mathis Wey submitted on the condition of footpaths/crossings that cause problems with his mobility scooter.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 68 (Marlborough Road Safety Community Group [Mobility Scooters]).

266 - Andrew Lithgow

Andrew Lithgow submitted on monitoring of the seabed in the Sounds, and Rural Rates.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

267 - A T Mortiboy

A T Mortiboy submitted on a number of concerns relating to Picton.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

268 - Mary Ryan-Howan

Mary Ryan-Howan submitted that a meeting room is needed in the Picton Library for community groups.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

269 - John & Yvonne Best

John & Yvonne Best submitted on roading issues.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

270 - Phil Welch

Phil Welch submitted on Awatere water, public toilet for travellers, Pollard Park, Wither Hills, Taylor Dam, Wine Museum, Riverside Park, and the renaming of Sinclair Street and Grove Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 13 (Peter Chapman [Wither Hills]), and noting that the issue of the renaming of Sinclair Street/Grove Road is being brought back to the Assets and Services Committee for further consideration.

271 - Brian & Denise McNamara

Brian & Denise McNamara submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

272 - Cissy Bay Community Association

Cissy Bay Community Association submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

273 - Marian Ganzeveld

Marian Ganzeveld submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

274 - Deborah Frost

Deborah Frost submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

275 - Elizabeth Frost

Elizabeth Frost submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

276 - Bevan Frost

Bevan Frost submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

277 - Alan Young

Alan Young submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

278 - Clarrie & Syth Hoyle

Clarrie & Syth Hoyle submitted on extending the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 35 (French Pass Roading Advisory Group).

279 - St Leonards Vineyard Cottages - Paul Radmall

St Leonards Vineyard Cottages (Paul Radmall) supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

280 - Campbell Brown

Campbell Brown supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

281 - Pelorus eco adventures

Pelorus eco adventures supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

282 - Pernod Ricard Winemakers

Pernod Ricard Winemakers supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

283 - Bay of Many Coves Lodge – Philippa Goodhew

Bay of Many Coves Lodge (Philippa Goodhew) supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

284 - Wairau River Wines

Wairau River Wines supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

285 - Hamish Beard

Hamish Beard supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

286 - Putake Honey

Putake Honey supported an increase in funding for Destination Marlborough.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 8 (Destination Marlborough).

287 - Bruce Lock

Bruce Lock submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

288 - Marilyn Wallace

Marilyn Wallace submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

289 - Ann Hindmarsh

Ann Hindmarsh submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

290 - Tim Finch

Tim Finch submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

291 - The Penruddock Trust

The Penruddock Trust submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

292 - Nick Anderson

Nick Anderson submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

293 - Neroli Wagner

Neroli Wagner submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

294 - Neil and Diana Risk

Neil and Diana Risk submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

295 - Roger & Carol Rose

Roger & Carol Rose submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

296 - Mary Moorhouse

Mary Moorhouse submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

297 - David Greenslade

David Greenslade submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

298 - Terry & Jennifer Cosgrove

Terry & Jennifer Cosgrove submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

299 - Michal Wells

Michal Wells submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

300 - John Jackson

John Jackson submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

301 - Ted & Beverley Lucas

Ted & Beverley Lucas submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

302 - J M Prescott

J M Prescott submitted on the change in Geographic Rating Area from Picton Vicinity to Picton of the Karaka Point area.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly including the decision made under submission 77 (Karaka Point & Environs Residents Inc).

303 - Scott Adams

Scott Adams submitted on the maintenance of the Wairau Flood Plain above the Waihopai.

Members noted the content of the submission and requested staff to respond accordingly.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sloan left the meeting at 4.12 pm at the conclusion of the above item.

Following the decisions made above, an indicative general rates and charges increase of 3.35% was proposed. Members noted that as a consequence of decisions there was \$110,000 commitment of the Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve not taken up. Members then proposed

Cllrs Evans/Barsanti:

That \$50,000 of Forestry and Asset Sales Reserve be used to fund the following items (instead of the original funding source):

- **Submission 19 (The Marlborough Heritage Trust) – for a one-off grant of \$10,000 for legal advice to prepare a memorandum of transfer to allow the gift of assets to the Marlborough Heritage Trust.**
- **Submission 25 (Picton Maritime Festival Trust) – for a one-off grant of \$10,000 towards their logistics costs for 2014/2015.**
- **Submission 102 (Renwick Sports Centre Inc) or a one-off grant of \$30,000.**

Carried

The Mayor/Cllr Arbuckle:

That the 2014-15 Annual Plan be amended as appropriate to incorporate the decisions made by Council on submissions, and that the revised budgets and resultant rates and charges be adopted for inclusion in the 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Carried

NB: Cllr Dawson requested that his vote against the above motion be recorded.

The Mayor thanked all concerned for their input in this process. Following the decisions made above, an indicative general rates and charges increase of 3.26% was proposed.

The meeting closed at 4.20 pm.

Confirmed this 26th day of June 2014

A T SOWMAN
MAYOR

Record No. 14140223

4. Committee Reports

4.1 Community & Finance Committee

Community & Finance Committee Meeting held on 10 June 2014
(Minute Nos. A.13/14.418 to A.13/14.431)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
COMMUNITY & FINANCE COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, Seymour Street, Blenheim
on TUESDAY 10 JUNE 2014 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Cirs J C Leggett (Chairman), J A Arbuckle, J L Andrews, J P Bagge, G S Barsanti, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, D D Oddie, L M Shenfield, T M Sloan and Mayor A T Sowman.

In Attendance

Messrs M F Fletcher (Manager, Corporate Finance Department), D G Heiford (Manager, Support Services), M J South (Financial Services Manager), A R Besley (Chief Executive), and M J Porter (Democratic Support Manager).

Also Present

Cirs G I T Evans, T E Hook, P J S Jerram.

A.13/14.418 Wantwood Room Site

PN157235-01

The Manager, Support Services reported that the Wantwood Community Room Preservation Society wish to relocate the Wantwood Room (the former Wantwood School which replaced the Wairau Valley School whilst it was being rebuilt following a fire). The building would be relocated from that site to the Wairau Valley Sports Association site. This has been agreed to by the Wairau Valley Sports Association subject to certain provisos which can be met through consenting and lease provisions. The Wantwood Room has been in the Wairau Valley for almost 100 years. It is in good condition and will be relocated by the Ministry of Education.

Council can agree as landowner in principle to a lease over this area for the proposed relocation of the Wantwood Room subject to resource consent and building consent applications by the Wantwood Community Room Preservation Society being successful. Leasing issues can be clarified with the District Solicitor when the project is completed.

It was noted that the moving of this building qualifies for assistance from Council's Waiving of Fees Policies.

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

1. That Council as landowner agree in principle to the relocation of the Wantwood Room onto the Wairau Valley Sports Association site.
2. That agreement in principle is subject to resource consent and building consent applications being successful.
3. That a lease of the area to be occupied will be negotiated between Council and the Wantwood Community Room Preservation Society on completion of the project.

Carried

A.13/14.419 Youth Initiatives Plan 2014

C225-04

The Manager, Support Services, presented the Youth Initiatives Plan for 2014 as put forward by the Marlborough Youth Council.

The Plan forms the basis of decision making on requests for youth funding (\$60,000 per annum) as well as provide the basis for some youth led initiatives.

The areas of focus for the Youth Council in 2014 are to maintain and promote My Voice youth website, support for the activities of Students Against Driving Drunk regional group, and Peer Support programme in Colleges.

A.13/14.422 Land Value or Capital Value Based Rating Systems S300-000-01

The Manager, Corporate Finance, Martin Fletcher briefed the Committee on: the statutory valuation basis for setting a rate; the advantages and disadvantages of using different valuation approaches; which rating system favours which type of property; valuation approaches used by other Authorities; the 2007 Report on the Local Government Rates Inquiry; the results of previous rating reviews; informing Councillors of the potential rating impact on various rating areas should Capital Value rating be adopted; the Western Bay of Plenty District Council experience; Hamilton City Council experience; and Nelson City Council.

Mr Fletcher explained that there is no perfect rating system; there are advantages and disadvantages to both Land Value and Capital Value rating. He remarked that ratepayers have "got used" to the current system.

Other examples given in Mr Fletcher's report from a number of councils highlighted the challenges associated with changing a rating system and the likely level of opposition to such a change.

Members discussed the merits of both systems and it was generally accepted that if Council was starting from scratch Capital Value would probably win out. Cllr Evans tabled a paper which he hoped would start a debate. Following further discussion, the Chief Executive agreed to prepare a further report for the Committee following completion of the 2015-25 LTP.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:
That Council agree to retain Land Value rating for general rates.

Carried

NB: Cllr Bagge abstained from voting on the above motion.

A.13/14.423 Review of Six Geographic Rating Areas S300-000-01

The Manager, Corporate Finance, Martin Fletcher briefed the Committee on: current Rating Areas and their evolution; considerations and amendments that took place as part of Council's 2012-22 Long Term Plan; and reviewing the current geographic rating areas as part of the 2015-25 Long Term Plan process after considering reasons or drivers requiring changes to the current geographic rating areas.

Council currently has six geographic rating areas: Blenheim, Blenheim Vicinity, Picton, Picton Vicinity, General Rural and Sounds Admin Rural (formerly Admin Rural). These rating areas were used to levy 2013/14 GST Inclusive General Works and Services rates (\$23,978,826) and charges (\$13,966,935). The report further covered the background to the Geographic Rating Areas, including more recent developments.

In summary it was reported that the current Geographic Rating Areas have evolved over many years, including the extensive review that took place as part of preparing the 2012-22 Long Term Plan. There do not appear to be any significant drivers for further changes to the Blenheim, Blenheim Vicinity, General Rural and Sounds Admin Rural geographic rating areas.

Members also discussed the Picton and Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Areas and noted that some changes could be made with the coastal ribbon areas as well as the western area of Picton Vicinity which could be moved to General Rural.

Cllrs Shenfield/Brooks:
That Council agrees to retain the current geographic rating areas to levy general rates and charges, for Blenheim, Blenheim Vicinity, General Rural and Sounds Admin Rural when preparing the 2015-25 Draft Long Term Plan.

Carried

A.13/14.424 Geographic Rating Allocations S300-000-01

The Manager, Corporate Finance, Martin Fletcher advised how the Geographic Rating Allocations came into being for each Rating Areas and to determine whether or not Council wishes to review them. This item builds on the previous item.

The Manager, Corporate Finance further reported that the proportionate impact of rates on each Geographic Rating Area has been in place for many years and that it is for Council to decide if it wants to embark on the process of reviewing the existing rating allocations. Changes to the rating system are likely to have a significant impact on rate payers, both positive and negative and require much Councillor led public consultation before Council makes its final decision. The experience of other Councils that have attempted to make significant change is that extensive education and publicity material will need to be prepared.

Following wide ranging discussion, members noted that they agree in principle with the existing geographic rating allocations with some changes to be promoted in the Picton and Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Areas.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Bagge:

That Council agrees in principle to the current Geographic Rating Areas and current Rooding Cost Allocations in the Draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan Review with a report to be provided on a possible change to Picton and Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Areas.

Carried

A.13/14.425 Rates and Debt CAPS S300-000-01

The Manager, Corporate Finance, Martin Fletcher reported that the purpose of the report was to obtain preliminary views on what are appropriate Rates and Debt Caps, so as to provide a key input into how Managers should approach the development of their Levels of Service Briefings.

The Local Government Act 2002 requires Councils to develop a Financial Strategy. Two of the key components of that Strategy are the determination of Rates and Debt Caps (the Act uses the term “quantified limits”) for the period of the Long Term Plan (LTP), i.e. 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2025. These “Caps” are not absolute limits, but it is expected that if a Council went outside them, then it would have sound reasoning to support that decision.

Members noted that the current Rates Cap is the BERL calculated total Local Government Index plus 2% (however this does not mean that Council will set rates at the maximum permitted level each year). Members discussed the merits or otherwise of lowering or increasing the 2% cap. Whilst a number of members supporting lowering the cap, the majority agreed that leaving the cap at 2% allowed for more responsible planning.

Cllrs Barsanti/Arbuckle:

That Council agree to retain the Rates Cap at the total Local Government Cost Index + 2% for planning purposes.

Carried

NB: Cllrs Bagge, Dawson and Shenfield requested that their vote against the above motion be recorded.

Cllrs Sloan/Barsanti:

That Council agree to retain the Debt Cap at \$100M.

Carried

A.13/14.426 Investments F045-00

The Corporate Finance Manager, Martin Fletcher, presented a report which examined whether or not Council should realise its investments and repay debt.

Mr Fletcher advised that as at 31 March 2013 Council had \$10.7M of investments in the form of either term deposits or bonds. To date Council has continued to maintain investments at this level, however a number of

those bonds have recently matured and funds are being reinvested in term deposits because New Zealand is currently in a rising interest rate environment and taking comparatively short-term deposits means that Council can take advantage of interest rate increases as they occur. Long term bond yields have not been attractive. This strategy is endorsed by Bancorp, Council's investment advisor.

The need for a review has been prompted because on face value the interest rates earned on short-term deposits are lower than the cost of debt.

The analysis undertaken supported the retention of Council's investment portfolio.

Members noted that it was important that facility contracts typically have a cancellation clause that can be exercised at the Bank's discretion if circumstances change.

Cirs Arbuckle/Dawson:

- 1. That Council agree to maintain its investment portfolio.**
- 2. That the Chief Executive be requested to review this strategy annually.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms K McIlveney, Council's Solicitor, was present for the following item.

A.13/14.427 Development Contributions Reconsideration and Objections Processes L225-01

Kaye McIlveney advised that the purpose of the report was to recommend that the Development Contributions Reconsideration process be adopted as part of Council's Development Contributions Policy; and the decision on a reconsideration request be made by the Chief Executive, Manager Assets and Services or Manager Corporate Finance.

The Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill No.3 requires Council to develop a reconsideration process for development contributions and amend Council's Development Contributions Policy to include the process. These actions must be undertaken by 1 July 2014. The adoption of the process and consequent amendment to the Policy do not have to go through the special consultative procedure or any other form of consultation. Developers and other interested parties will have the opportunity to present their views on the process in 2015 when Council is required to consult on a reviewed development contributions policy. The Bill requires Council to review the policy by 1 December 2014 to ensure it is consistent with the amendments made to the development contributions policy by the Amendment Bill. The consultation then must take place in early 2015 and adoption of the reviewed policy must occur by 1 July 2015. In the meantime, Council is obliged to adopt the reconsideration process and amend the existing policy, without consultation, to do so.

The Bill also establishes a formal objection process. The objection process must be administered by Council but the decision is made by an independent commissioner. Council must, for each objection, select a Commissioner from a panel appointed by the Minister of Internal Affairs. A report to Councillors on the new objection process will be made in the near future.

The Amendments to the Local Government Act 2002 by the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment 2014 require Council to establish a reconsideration process and to set that process out in Council's Development Contributions Policy. It is proposed that the process attached be adopted by Council.

Cirs Barsanti/Brooks:

- 1. That the Development Contributions Reconsideration process be adopted as part of Council's Development Contributions Policy; and**
- 2. That the decision on a reconsideration request be made by either the Chief Executive, Manager Assets and Services or Manager Corporate Finance; and**
- 3. That Council note it must implement the reconsideration process and administrative support for the objection process by 1 July 2014.**

Carried

A.13/14.428 Financial Report for Council – Period Ended 30 April 2014 F045-06

The Manager, Corporate Finance presented Council's financial report for the period ended 30 April 2014.

The Income and Expenditure Statement reported a surplus of \$4.07M for the year to date. This was a \$4.73M improvement on the \$0.66M budgeted deficit.

Total Income and Rates for the April year to date was ahead of budget by \$3.38M (5%). The major contributors to that result were forestry, rates and sewerage. Comments were provided in the report on variances greater than \$100,000.

Overall expenditure was slower than budgeted by \$1.35M (2%). Variances greater than \$100,000 were commented on.

Budgeted capital expenditure for the year was \$45.19M including \$19.1M of carryovers from the 2012/13 financial year.

Actual expenditure of \$21.16M to the end of April was \$1.21M ahead of the same period last year (\$19.95M) and \$11.06M less than budgeted for the year to date.

Early Indications are that there is likely to be deferrals and carryovers to 2014/15 of approximately \$11.63M relating to Commercial Property; Community Facilities; Flood Protection & Control Works; Roads; Sewerage; and Storm water. There is also expected to be capital savings of approximately \$4.49M relating to Sewerage; and Water.

In response to a question on what was the current level of debt (including Port Marlborough NZ), Mr Fletcher made a commitment to email that information out later in the day.

Clrs Arbuckle/Oddie:

That the financial report for the period ended 30 April 2014 be received.

Carried

A.13/14.429 Debtors Overdue Report as at 30 April 2014 F220- 002-020-13-14

The Debtors report as at 30 April 2014 was presented to the Committee for information.

The Property Leases and Licences Debtors' report as at 30 April 2014 was also presented to the Committee for information. Current and total balances fluctuate monthly depending on individual leases and invoicing periods e.g. monthly, quarterly, six monthly or annual.

Clrs Barsanti/Bagge:

That the information be received.

Carried

A.13/14.430 Rates Reports as at 30 April 2014 F270-28-13

The Rate Levies Status report, Rate Arrears Aged Balance report and Water Billing Debtors report as at 30 April 2014 were presented for councillors' information.

It was reported that Council has collected 73.92% of the overall rates levied for 2013-2014 (inclusive of arrears) compared with 73.70% at this time last year.

During April there were 257 (358 last year) follow up letters sent to those ratepayers who either did not clear the outstanding balance or who did not make an arrangement to do so.

It was reported that by the end of April 1,779 (1,793 last year) rates rebates had been granted. Although Council advertising and promotion of the scheme has continued the number is down slightly on last year.

The 30-90 days balance increase in the Water Billing Debtors report as at 30 April 2014 included outstanding March billings and was consistent with previous months following the quarterly billing. The 90 days balance

was in credit due to a number of accounts being prepaid; and accounts which have received credits for leaks subsequent to previous monthly reporting.

Cllrs Bagge/Brooks:

That the report be received.

Carried

A.13/14.431 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded -

Cllrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Debtors' Overdue Report
- Marlborough Community Centre Trust – Trustee Appointment

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

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Debtors' Overdue Report Marlborough Community Centre Trust – Trustee Appointment	In order to protect the privacy of natural persons, as provided for under Section 7(2)(a).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed at 11.55 am.

Record No: 14139766

4. Committee Reports

4.2 Regional Planning & Development Committee

Regional Planning & Development Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2014
(Minute Nos. A.13/14.432 to A.13/14.439)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE 2014 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Councillors T E Hook (Chairperson), Mayor Sowman, G I T Evans, P J S Jerram, J C Leggett, D D Oddie and T M Sloan.

In Attendance

Councillors J A Arbuckle, G S Barsanti, B G Dawson and L M Shenfield, Mr N Henry (Economic & Community Policy Manager), Mr H R Versteegh (Manager, Regulatory Department) and Kathy Payne (Committee Secretary).

D.13/14.432 Sounds Integrated Management Trust

C230-001-M03

Mr Eric Jorgensen and Mr Mark Batchelor spoke to the Committee on behalf of the Marlborough Sounds Integrated Management Trust (the Trust).

Mr Jorgensen provided a brief background as to the establishment of the Trust, following a series of public meetings in 2011 that led to a community based initiative to develop a plan for the integrated management of the natural resources of the Marlborough Sounds. A working group was established and the Trust was set up in 2012 to oversee the process. He advised it is planned to provide a mechanism that will enable a collaborative and cooperative approach by all users of the Sounds. Members were advised that the work will help to underpin the statutory plans, involve other agencies and create greater cooperation between agencies and springboard a collaborative approach to managing the resource.

Councillor Evans asked what had been done with the funding to date and said he would like to see some KPIs and performance standards for the funding.

Mr Jorgensen advised that when the funding was requested last year it was thought that expert help was required to lead the process but with the capabilities of a new team of 12 people they were able to manage for that period. They have been working on internal KPIs but are now at the stage of requiring someone responsible for facilitation and fund raising. The first stage will be to produce a web based tool for collection and use of information.

Mr Batchelor spoke to the progress report that had been circulated to Councillors. He advised that the purpose of the Trust is to prepare a non-regulatory plan. From early 2013 the Implementation Committee focussed on environmental and technical issues which have progressed to defining the project process and product. He advised there is now justification for use of the funding to produce the website which will always be up to date as it would not rely on or be restricted by a statutory process. Mr Batchelor advised the Councillors that it would be an independent website, not to produce policy, but to provide an environment of information. It will have a link to the Council website.

In respect of other similar projects, Mr Batchelor advised that the regional authorities are responsible for the Hauraki Gulf Forum. The Kaikoura Marine Strategy was prepared in a collaborative manner in the same way the Sounds Integrated Management Plan is proposed. Both are essentially run on contributions from government departments and local organisations. Mr Batchelor advised that the project would gain momentum from this point.

The Trustees were thanked for their report. The Councillors considered the plan complementary to Council's resource management plans and although a slow process could see it was coming together.

Cirs Sloan/Leggett:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr M Caldwell, Council's Planning Technician, was present for the following item.

D.13/14.433 Tremorne Avenue Rezoning Plan Change
W045-15-47-01

At its 5 February 2014 meeting the Committee discussed a plan change to the Wairau/Awatere Resource Management Plan to address issues that have arisen in respect of the Tremorne Avenue area. It was decided that a plan change was required to rezone the residentially developed areas of Tremorne Avenue, Algarve Close and Hilton Place including the undeveloped site of 3 Tremorne Avenue from Industrial One Zone to Urban Residential Two Zone.

A report prepared under Section 32 of the Resource Management Act had now been prepared for the proposed plan change and was included with the agenda for members' information. The assessment required under Section 32 considers whether the changes proposed will be effective and efficient in achieving the purpose of the Resource Management Act. The assessment has also taken into account the benefits and costs of the changes.

Mayor Sowman/Cir Oddie:

- 1. That the Section 32 report for Plan Change 47 to the Wairau/Awatere Resource Management Plan, as attached be adopted.**
- 2. That the Committee approve notification of the Plan change 47 – Tremorne Avenue Rezoning for notification as soon as practicable.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Witehira, Council's Regional Events Strategy Co-ordinator, was present for the following two items.

D.13/14.434 Marlborough Regional Events Strategy Update
E100-002-001-01

The report to the Committee provided an update on progress with the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy.

Mrs Witehira provided an update at the meeting. She advised that a detailed proposal was submitted to Scouts New Zealand in respect of hosting rights for the 2016/2017 Scout Jamboree and was now waiting on a decision. The Committee suggested that a proactive approach could be taken to present something further to the decision makers.

Bids for regional and niche events were outlined for Members' information. Support for niche events is mostly around the bid documents, general information about Marlborough accommodation options and support from the Mayor. Mrs Witehira then discussed regional event branding. A Marlborough Arts Month promotion inviting groups hosting events during July to join has been organised and will be highlighted on the Events Calendar. She advised it was hoped to do something similar in November and for the summer events.

A demonstration of the Events Calendar which will be ready to go live soon was provided at the meeting which members were impressed with. It is called Follow-Me (Marlborough Events) and is hosted on the Destination Marlborough website Love Marlborough, but is operated by the Events Coordinator. It will also have its own web address www.follow-me.co.nz and an event link to Council's website. A mobile app will be investigated. The Calendar will be promoted nationally, although there is currently no budget for this, and every person on the event planner list will be contacted.

Cirs Leggett/Sloan:
That the information be received.

Carried

**D.13/14.435 Marlborough Regional Events Strategy –
Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd E100-002-001-01**

Members were asked to consider a proposal from Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd to develop, manufacture, install and maintain poster sites, at their cost, around Marlborough to promote local and touring acts, events and community causes. As reported at the Committee's February meeting there are benefits to working with such a company for event promotion.

Mr Jamey Holloway of Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd was at the meeting to respond to questions from the Committee.

Members were advised that Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd is a well-established business operating in most cities and towns across New Zealand. It is a further tool in the promotion of events which will benefit local Event Managers and achieve goals in the Regional Events Strategy.

Phantom will pay the Council a nominal licence fee to ensure that there is no cost to ratepayers associated with the administration of the contract and the term of the licence will be for five years with a right to renew. Phantom will pay all applicable costs and fees. In the event of any default of the terms of the agreement the Council can terminate the licence.

It was initially anticipated that five sites will be installed within Blenheim with further sites to be added as and when both parties agree that they are needed. The proposed sites were the Convention Centre carpark, Blenheim library, i-site car park, Wynen Street carpark and the Stadium carpark. Other possible sites were discussed at the meeting.

The Councillors asked about the availability of poster sites for Picton and the townships and Mr Holloway advised it was workable from his point of view. He advised that the tri-bollards shown in the presentation will display 24 A3 size posters. Mr Holloway advised the pricing structure is \$12 per square metre and a total campaign for 30 A3 posters for example is \$45.00 + GST for a week. Posters will be prioritised for events, arts and community causes with priority given to local events and arts. To ensure access for all, placement of the first 10 A3 posters is free as of right for local bands, artists and events. Members were advised that the sites will be maintained daily.

Cirs Sloan/Jerram:

- 1. That the Council enters a contract with Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd to promote events, arts and community causes in Marlborough.**
- 2. That Council delegates authority to the Manager Support Services to negotiate with Phantom Bill Stickers Ltd appropriate sites on Council property, the licence fee and term.**

Carried

**D.13/14.436 Presentation of Marlborough Regional Policy
Statement Chapter Identifying Issues of
Significance to Marlborough's Tangata Whenua
Iwi R425-02-17-03**

The report to the Committee provided background to the establishment of the Iwi Working Group in 2007 which is comprised of a member of each of the eight iwi authorities being, Rangitāne; Ngāti Koata; Ngāti Kuia; Ngāti Toa; Ngāti Rārua; Te Ātiawa; Ngāti Apa; and Ngāi Tahu. The Iwi Working Group has held 27 hui

since it was created. The focus of the Iwi Working Group has been on the identification and expression of issues of significance to Marlborough's tangata whenua iwi.

The development of the draft Marlborough Regional Policy Statement Chapter 3: Marlborough's Tangata Whenua Iwi, and the Iwi Working Group's review of other chapters to assess the extent to which the issues they have identified are addressed were also outlined for members' information.

Appreciation for the considerable efforts that the representatives and past representatives have made over a sustained period of time was acknowledged by the Committee and staff.

The chapter was formally handed over at the meeting by Raymond Smith (Ngāti Kuia), Tracey Williams (Ngāti Toa) and Ian Shapcott (Te Ātiawa) who were welcomed to the meeting. Some other Iwi Working Group members were unable to attend due to the weather conditions. A presentation on the context for the chapter as well as the content was provided.

Mr Smith began his presentation with an introduction on Te Reo Maori followed by speaking about the Kaitiakitanga Marlborough District Council Iwi section of Regional Policy Statement. He spoke about Kaitiakitanga, the eight iwi for the region and that this is a time for future planning. Mr Smith then talked about Mauri – life force, the Māori World View/Papatūānuku and Tikanga. Mr Smith noted that taonga which is used in Section 6 of the Resource Management Act is what gives iwi the relationship with the Council which is so important. He said it is expected there will be eight iwi management plans plus an eel management plan. Mr Smith also spoke about issues of significance and appreciation of work Council has done in many areas. Te Tiriti o Waitangi was then discussed, the settlement and gifting back to New Zealand.

Mr Smith then explained The Journey, the past, the present and the future. This included Kaupapa Maori and western value systems, investing in now and the partnership.

Mr Smith then related many of the topics covered in his presentation to the draft Marlborough Regional Policy Statement: Marlborough's Tangata Whenua Iwi Chapter such as the Treaty of Waitangi, the Māori World View, Tikanga and waters. He said ngā wai means all of the water, including the receiving water for discharges. Mr Smith said te moana is such an important place and managing forestry is also important. He touched on the area around Marae and provision of papakāinga and that it is appropriate there is some policy and rules around that to be able to live communally.

The Councillors thanked Mr Smith for the comprehensive report. It was noted that the phrase that 'people move on and the land remains' was central about the discussion today.

In response to questions Mr Smith noted concerns about deforestation and the effects on the land, rivers and estuarine areas, also concerns about aquaculture if not done in the right way. Ms Williams noted that through the Treaty settlement iwi were gifted back Crown forestry rental leases, although they did not own the trees on the land. She advised that iwi have begun a programme of working with foresters on environmental management plans.

It was considered beneficial for the Iwi Working Group to retain the relationship with the Council as there are broader review matters that will necessitate their further involvement.

The Mayor responded to the iwi formally presenting their Chapter to the Council. He acknowledged it has been a significant journey for the Council and the iwi and he wanted to recognise iwi across the region for what has been achieved as it is an important moment in the history of the province. He congratulated everybody involved in the development of this important Chapter and thanked them for their time and involvement. He thanked iwi for their presence at the meeting and the collective effort in this process and looked forward to the iwi and the Council working together going forward.

Cirs Jerram/Oddie:

- 1. That the chapter "Chapter 3: Marlborough's Tangata Whenua Iwi" be received and adopted by the Committee for the purpose of the draft Marlborough Regional Policy Statement.**
- 2. That the Committee appropriately acknowledge the involvement of the Iwi Working Group representatives in preparing the chapter.**

3. **That the role of the Iwi Working Group continues in order to at least allow outstanding processes involved in the drafting of the Marlborough Regional Policy Statement/Resource Management Plan to be completed.**

Carried

A short recess was held.

D.13/14.437 Smart and Connected Project Update E100-010-01, E100-010-03, E100-010-07

An update was provided to the Committee on progress with the internal and external implementation of the Smart and Connected vision which Council has developed over the past three years in consultation with the local community and industry.

Members were advised that progress since the last Committee meeting on 17 April 2014 included the third meeting of the Wood Sector industry steering group on the 14 May. The relationship of this group to the Marlborough Forestry Industry Association, the Terms of Reference, make-up of the leadership group and potential early projects for the group to lead on were discussed. Arrangements for commencing a second industry group (visitor economy) are also underway.

Following the completion of the Havelock community implementation project in April, progress has been made in reviewing the governance structures of Havelock Community Association and Havelock Vision 20/20 which is proposed to be formalised at the upcoming AGM of the Community Association.

Mr Henry advised that there could be the possibility of implementation for other communities following the Annual Plan process. Picton already has some work underway and there is some work happening in Seddon and Renwick. This will be brought back to the Committee for further consideration.

Councillor Evans said it would be beneficial to have Smart and Connected assistance in Seddon and suggested keeping Seddon in mind for a community implementation project.

**Cllrs Leggett/Evans:
That the information be received.**

Carried

D.13/14.438 Economic Development Project Update E100-009-01, E100-005-02, E100-010-02

The report to the Committee provided an update on economic development projects since the last Committee meeting in respect of the Marlborough Story, the Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster, Smart Business Marlborough and Business Trust Marlborough.

Mr Henry provided a further update on the Marlborough Story at the meeting. He advised that the Marlborough Story will be presented next week to the wider Governance Groups comprised of the Council, the Chamber of Commerce, Destination Marlborough, Wine Marlborough and the Marlborough Research Centre and the Steering Group to which Councillors are invited. Councillor Hook and the Mayor advised it will be an opportunity to see the process involved as well as the end product, to express opinions on the day and have comments addressed by the presenters. It will be released to the media at a later stage.

Some Councillors thought the Marlborough Story and brand should be presented to Councillors on their own. It was clarified that although the Council might be the major funder it was not the main user, it belongs to the people of Marlborough. Also, it would not be signed off at this presentation. A lengthy debate was then held.

Some Councillors expressed concern that the presentation would be given with these other groups present.

Other Councillors said that Monday was not a public forum and it was beneficial to have a consistent presentation for all the governance groups as it needs to be championed by the industry. There would be an opportunity for Councillors to bring it back and discuss further if they wished.

Mr Henry also provided an update on the Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster, Smart Business Marlborough and Business Trust Marlborough.

Clr Leggett/Mayor:
That the information be received.

Carried

D.13/14.439 Information Package

Cirs Jerram/Evans:
That the Regional Planning and Development Information Package dated 11 June 2014 be received and noted.

Carried

The meeting closed at 11.50 am.

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4. Committee Reports

4.3 Assets & Services Committee

Assets & Services Committee Meeting held on 12 June 2014
(Minute Nos. P.13/14.440 to P.13/14.451)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
ASSETS & SERVICES COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 12 JUNE 2014 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Councillors T S Sloan (Chairman), G I T Evans, J L Andrews, J P Bagge, B G Dawson, T E Hook
J C Leggett, Mayor A T Sowman.

Also Present

Clrs J A Arbuckle, G S Barsanti, C J Brooks, P J S Jerram, D D Oddie.

In Attendance

Mr M S Wheeler, Manager – Assets and Services Department, Mr D A Craig, Finance and Information
Supervisor, Mr A R Besley, Chief Executive and Ms J R North, Support Services Administrator.

Apologies

Clrs Sloan/Bagge:

That the apology for lateness from Mayor Sowman be received and sustained.

Carried

NOTE: Council Treatment Plant Operator, Robin Millard, was presented with his National Certificate in
Water Treatment by the Chairman, Clr Sloan, and congratulated on his achievement.

**P.13/14.440 Financial Report for Period Ended
30 April 2014**

F045-07

The Finance and Information Supervisor, David Craig, presented the financial report for the Assets &
Services Department for the 10 month period ended 30 April 2014. Where possible, accrual entries had been
completed to account for April revenues and expenditures in that month.

For the reporting period, Departmental revenues were favourable to budget by \$1,138,991 and operating
expenditures were favourable to budget by \$1,665,903.

Total budgeted capital expenditure for 2013/14, including carryovers, was \$34.5 M with year to date actual
expenditure of \$19.0 M (55%). The most significant costs incurred to date are for Blenheim/Riverlands
Industrial sewer treatment upgrade (estuary discharge and wetland development) \$6.9 M, roading additions
and renewals \$6.3 M and vested assets from Council's Boulevard Park on Taylor development \$2.1 M.

Activity for the month of April was summarised in Mr Craig's report.

The forecast end of year operating surplus was \$1.9 M more than budgeted, through a combination of
increased revenue (\$0.9 M) and reduced operating costs (\$1 M).

It was noted that a number of capital projects which have been budgeted in 2013/14 have not been able to
be progressed or were not completed for a variety of reasons. A schedule of those works will be compiled for
presentation to the Committee at a later date and budget carryovers will be required to be approved to
enable these projects to be undertaken in 2014/15.

Information on the values and major reasons for variations within the various departmental activities was
summarised in the Finance and Information Supervisor's report.

Clrs Hook/Leggett:

That the financial report for the period ended 30 April 2014 be received.

Carried

P.13/14.441 Rubbish and Recycling Survey Results

W300-007-01

Alec McNeil, Solid Waste Manager presented the results of the rubbish and recycling survey carried out during April and May 2014 covering the communities of Renwick, Grovetown, Spring Creek, Tuamarina and Rarangi to ascertain what individual households did with their rubbish and recycling. The overall response rate was 48%.

Mr McNeil advised that a rural community recycling RCR project has been started and funded through the Coca Cola Foundation in association with Keep New Zealand Beautiful. A recycling container with four compartments for the collection of cans, glass and plastic bottles, is being trialled at Tuamarina, Spring Creek, Grovetown, Rapaura and Renwick between May and October 2014.

Information from this project combined with the rubbish and recycling survey responses will be brought back to the Committee by November 2014.

Cirs Bagge/Hook:

That the report be accepted and published on the Council website.

Carried

P.13/14.442 Awatere Community Pool Building Repair

C600-003-03

Reserves & Amenities Officer, Elisha Oldridge presented a report which requested a budget increase to meet the community requirements for the rebuild of the Awatere Community Pool buildings and the improvement of the concrete surrounds.

Following the Awatere Community Pool buildings and concrete surrounds sustaining significant damage in the Seddon earthquakes, Council's Property Manager obtained a detailed repair costing for insurance purposes. Subsequent to that tenders were sought for the Awatere Community Pool buildings rebuild and concrete replacement. The preferred tenderer was Jeremiah Homes with their proposal being at a cost of \$283,992.00, which was to be met from insurance and a reserve fund.

Additions to the rebuild, taking the opportunity to make further improvements to the Pool, have since been identified which require a budget increase of \$153,558.49. These are improved concrete pool surrounds, changing room, toilet and storage upgrades, and a much safer more easily operated pool cover (with attached seating).

Councillors were very supportive of the budget increase acknowledging the hardship of the community following the earthquakes.

Cirs Sloan/Andrews:

That approval is given to spend an additional \$153,558.49 funded from Forest Reserve for the rebuild of the Awatere Community Pool Facility.

Carried

P.13/14.443 Indoor Facility Preliminary Review R510-014-006

In the 2013 Annual Plan submission process Marlborough Cricket Association presented their Outdoor Facilities Plan to Council and requested that it was incorporated into the Marlborough Outdoor Sports Facilities Plan. They also requested that priority be given to exploring the best options for a new indoor sports facility at Horton Park. Marlborough Netball expressed concern that an indoor facility for cricket would not be compatible with netball and that the timelines Marlborough Cricket Association was aiming for would result in a loss of netball courts at Horton Park in the near future.

Reserves & Amenities Officer, Elisha Oldridge, presented to the Committee the Indoor Facility Preliminary review which staff had commissioned Parks and Recreation Infrastructure consultations to undertake.

The Indoor Facility Preliminary Review concluded that Marlborough Cricket Association's demand does not justify an indoor facility at Horton Park and a more feasible option would be a facility associated to a commercial provider. Council investment would be better spent on upgrading outdoor play and practice facilities at Horton and College Parks.

Marlborough Netball's demand and New Zealand Netball trends show that Marlborough Netball would benefit from a partially covered facility at Lansdowne Park. Horton Park netball courts require immediate work but investment in this must be looked at together with long term investment at Lansdowne Park. Possible opportunities to utilise Stadium 2000, to defer Horton Park surface upgrades will also be explored further.

Cirs Leggett/Evans:

That the Indoor facility Preliminary Review recommendations are adopted, being:

1. Demand does not warrant investment in an indoor cricket centre at this time.
2. The demand for improved cricket outdoor practice facilities is warranted and required at Horton and College Parks.
3. Investigation into the relocation of netball to Lansdowne Park and further use of Stadium 2000 should continue.
4. The Marlborough Indoor Facility Preliminary Review and Marlborough Cricket's Plan will be separate documents.

Carried

P.13/14.444 Horton Park – Tree Removal Request **R510-009-H07-01**

Reserves and Amenities Manager, Rosie Bartlett, presented a report in response to a request from the Horton Park Pavilion Committee for the removal of a plane tree overhanging the Horton Park Pavilion and cricket nets.

The reason for the request for this approximate 90 year old, safe and healthy tree to be removed is that the detritus it drops is causing problems for the Pavilion Committee and users. They are receptive to a 50/50 share of the \$6,820 (GST excl) cost to remove it.

Councillors were very supportive of the Chairman's suggestion that the timber from the tree be used for a seat in Horton Park.

It is Council policy that reserve tree removals be publicly consulted.

Cirs Hook/Andrews:

That staff proceed with the public notification process to gauge public opinion on the request to remove one plane tree from Horton Park.

Carried

P.13/14.445 Easter Storm Damage and Hodder Bridge Update **R700-003-04**

Steve Murrin of Marlborough Roads spoke to his report and showed photographs of the extent of damage caused by the Easter storm, which caused extensive damage to the roading network in particular in the Awatere Valley and Port Underwood. He found it opportune to give the councillors an update on the storm damage that had occurred in the last few days. Mr Murrin also gave a brief update on the Hodder Bridge.

The Easter storm damage claim submitted to NZTA was for \$815,000.00 and Marlborough Roads are confident work will be completed within the budget.

Restoration works are in progress.

The Hodder Bridge is a suspension bridge with a span of 64m located approximately 50 kilometres up the Awatere Valley.

Analysis of the bridge late in 2013 determined that the bridge was no longer capable of taking Class 1 loads and was to be posted to 70% of Class 1. This has meant that fully loaded trucks are no longer able to use this bridge. Since that time a bypass ford has been in operation for trucks, however during time of high flow in the river the ford is not usable.

Reliable livestock transport is particularly important to the farmers upstream.

Opus has been engaged to look at options for the bridge and these will be reported back to the next meeting.

Cirs Andrews/Evans:

That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Sowman (9.50 am) during the above presentation.

P.13/14.446 Flooding from Easter Storm of 17/18 April 2014 R700-003-04

Geoff Dick, Rivers and Drainage Engineering Manager presented his report, with the aid of photographs, showing how the floodways coped with the resulting flood flows due to the widespread heavy rainfall along coastal Marlborough from the Sounds, south to the Ure River.

The rainfall caused significant flood flows in the Waikawa, Waitohi and Tuamarina Rivers and a number of outer Sounds streams. The Waikawa and Waitohi River floodways performed to expectation although a build-up of gravel in the lower Waikawa will require attention to maintain flood capacity.

Near Blenheim the Taylor River was the waterway most affected by the storm. Lesser flows were recorded in the Wairau River, Omaka River and other tributaries.

Significant bed and bank edge erosion occurred in the upper Taylor River above the Burleigh Bridge with an initial phase of repair work estimated to cost \$150,000 proposed to be done over winter.

Cirs Andrews/Leggett:

That the Committee note the contents of the report including the immediate flood damage repair works proposed in the upper Taylor River to be funded from additional revenue in the Rivers and Drainage accounts.

Carried

P.13/14.447 Fabians Valley Cemetery L150-001-F44C

The District Secretary, Tony Quirk, reported back to the Committee on investigations undertaken following the previous Council decision on a proposal to close a cemetery known as the Fabians Valley Cemetery and to propose alternative action based on the outcomes of those investigations.

It was indicated the cemetery had been established many years ago, becoming a public cemetery by NZ Gazette in 1900 with the last burial in 1943. Following discussion with some residents whose forebears are buried in the cemetery, it was noted some current members of the families would like the opportunity to be buried in what they see as the family cemetery.

A decision needed to be made as to who should manage the cemetery. The last recorded appointment of Trustees held in the records, of what was then the Department of Health dates back to 21 November 1929. The view expressed was that Council should, in accordance with a 1934 Gazettal authority held, (NZ Gazette No. 30, 30 May 1934 page 127) 'clear the decks' and appoint new Trustees who would then manage the cemetery. The situation has been discussed with current trustees.

An indication has been given that it would be appropriate to continue the family connections and for that reason the proposal is that the Trustees' recommendation for appointment as Trustees would be Eric Warmouth (existing), Alex Macdonald (existing), Brian Powell (existing), Scott Adams (new) and Moston Wadsworth (new). The involvement of Scott Adams goes back to an original Trustee, Archibald Adams. It is also acknowledged the cemetery land was taken from the original Langley Dale property.

Consideration was given to Council managing the cemetery but the preference was that those with a direct family interest should manage it.

There are two distinct areas for the cemetery. There is what is called the 'burial area' where burials have taken place and there is an adjoining block which is currently grazed. The current occupier of that grazing block maintains the cemetery. The rental received covers outgoings such as rates, fencing, gate replacement and the like.

It is considered by Council officers that any party who leases the grazing block should have some tie to the cemetery since any lease should also carry an obligation to maintain the burial area.

Cirs Evans/Hook:

- 1. That the decision under Minute P12/13.370 be revoked.**
- 2. That Council in accordance with section 23 of the Burial and Cremations Act revoke the appointment of Eric Warmouth, Alex Macdonald and Brian Powell being those individuals it is understood may have been appointed in some way as Trustees and approve the appointment of Eric Warmouth, Moston Wadsworth, Brian Powell (Snr), Alex Macdonald and Scott Adams, such revocation and appointments to take effect following public notification as required by the Burial and Cremations Act 1964.**
- 3. That arrangements be approved for a registration to be called by the Trustees for occupation of the area known as the 'grazing block', some requirements being that the occupier of the grazing block should have some family tie to those buried in the Fabians Valley cemetery; must accept an obligation to continue maintenance of the burial area; must pay rates levied on the grazing block; must pay a rental to be negotiated for the occupation of that grazing block; must ensure fencing, electric or temporary, to demark the boundary between the current burial area and the grazing block; must acknowledge that the extent of the burial area could be adjusted at the discretion of Council and subject to any recommendations by the Trustees depending on any future need for burials; must allow access through the gate from the legal road adjacent to the two blocks and adequate parking in the event of any burial service in the burial area, with authority given for the Chairman of the Committee and the District Secretary to approve the final terms of any lease and to approve the grant of any lease, based on registrations received.**

NB

Since there is the possibility registrations may be received from families with whom some Trustees have an interest, approval of any registration should be by the Chairman of the Asset and Services Committee and Mr Francis Maher with the addition, if Council requires, of one Wairau member.

Carried

NB: Clr Bagge requested that her vote against the above motion be recorded.

P.13/14.448 Road Stopping Proposal – Off Northbank Road, Northbank, Blenheim R800-004-N13

Council's authorisation of the procedures associated with the stopping of a portion of legal (paper) road which adjoins property belonging to Alasdair Drew and Cherie Maffey at Northbank was sought.

The applicants recently applied to Council for building consent to extend their existing dwelling when it was discovered that the dwelling was located within legal road reserve, and to ensure that the dwelling is located on property owned by them so that their building consent application can be processed, they wish to purchase a portion of unformed road from Council.

The Committee was advised that access had been identified in the area.

Cirs Leggett/Evans:

- 1. That pursuant to Section 342 of the Local Government Act 1974, and subject to the prior consent of the Minister of Lands, Council authorise the procedures associated with the stopping of the road shown on the plan presented.**

2. That such approval be on the basis that the applicant be responsible for all survey, legal, administrative and other costs even if the road stopping does not proceed by reason of objection.
3. That when the road has been stopped Council shall sell the land to the applicant for a price to be fixed by a competent valuer to value that part; Council shall appoint the valuer and the valuation shall proceed in accordance with the 'protocols for the valuation of stopped road' adopted by Council.
4. That all valuation costs shall be payable by the applicant for the road stopping regardless of whether or not the stopping is finalised.
5. That the valuation be obtained when the road stopping has been finalised.
6. That it be acknowledged at this stage Council can give no commitment that the road stopping will be completed given the objection rights available under the said Section 342.
7. That a condition of the approval be that the land once stopped be amalgamated with the adjoining property so that both titles are held within the one title, this being in terms of Section 342 of the Local Government Act 1974.
8. That within 14 days of notice that the title is available, settlement is to be completed with interest charged at 14% for any delayed settlement.
9. That if the survey documentation to initiate the road stopping process is not completed within a year of Council consent then the application for road stopping lapses.

Carried

P.13/14.449 Out of District Water Connection, 198 Oakwood Lane, Blenheim PN535264#04, W450-004-004-03

Engineering Officer, Dianne Shearer, spoke to her report which sought approval for an out of district water connection for a future proposed subdivision at 198 Oakwood Lane, Blenheim.

The property is zoned Rural Residential and has been highlighted in the Marlborough Urban Growth Strategy as an area suitable to be changed to Urban Residential 2 zoning for residential growth.

Council has an existing reticulated water service within Oakwood Lane road reserve, with most of the properties in this area connected.

The existing Blenheim water supply system has the capacity to allow the property to connect; the water connection would be metered.

Cllrs Dawson/Evans:

That the proposed Out of District water connection be approved with the following conditions:

1. That the water supply only be used to supply domestic activities within the property i.e. irrigation of outside areas will not be permitted.
2. That a 20 mm diameter metered water supply and installation connection fee is to be paid for the new lot.
3. That water Development Contribution fees in accordance with Council's Development Contribution Policy be paid. (The calculation shall be based on one Household Equivalent Unit per additional Lot).
4. That the approved connection only be completed following a successful subdivision application. (Failure to obtain subdivision consent by November 2015 will result in a forfeit of the Out of District water approval).
5. That the site pay water rates as per Council's Out of District connections rating policy.
6. That the applicant be advised approval of the water connection does not imply that subdivision approval will be granted.

7. That the connection is granted on the basis that it will only serve a single house per lot; redevelopment of the property will require further out of district approval.

Carried

P.13/14.450 Information Package -

The Information Package for the Assets and Services Committee dated 12 June 2014 and circulated separately was received and noted.

Emergency Services Presentation

John Foley, Emergency Services Manager gave an overview of emergency services in Marlborough.

P.13/14.451 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded -

Cllrs Hook/Leggett:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Proposed Land Exchange – Charles Street and Aston Street

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

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Proposed Land Exchange – Charles Street and Aston Street	In order to protect the privacy of natural persons, as provided for under Section 7(2)(a).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed at 10.55 am.

Record No. 14132326

4. Committee Reports

4.4 Environment Committee

Environment Committee Meeting held on 12 June 2014
(Minute Nos. R.13/14.452 to R.13/14.468)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**
held in the Council Chambers, Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 12 JUNE 2014 commencing at 1.00 pm.

Present

Councillors P J S Jerram (Chairperson), J A Arbuckle, G S Barsanti, C J Brooks, D D Oddie, L M Shenfield, Mayor Sowman, Mr E R Beech (Rural representative) and Mr R Smith (Iwi representative).

In Attendance

Councillors J L Andrews, B G Dawson, G I T Evans, T E Hook and J C Leggett, Mr H R Versteegh (Manager, Regulatory Department), and Kathy Payne (Committee Secretary).

Apology

An apology for non-attendance from Councillor T M Sloan was received and sustained.

R.13/14.452 Confirmation of Sub-Committee Business

Cirs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the following approvals granted by the Swimming Pools Sub-Committee acting under delegated authority (Regulatory Committee Minute (R.13/14.166) be received and the recommendations adopted:

- **M Elston – 34 Beaver Road, Blenheim - exemption for doors opening into pool area (exemption pursuant to section 6 of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987).**
- **A Bahlsen – 157 Lindens Road, Koromiko - exemption to install an Infinity Safety Pool cover in lieu of a fence (exemption pursuant to section 6 of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987).**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr A Johnson, Council's Environmental Science & Monitoring Manager, was present for the following item.

**R.13/14.453 Wheel of Water Research Programme – Wairau
Valley Case Study 2013 E375-000-001**

The background on the Wheel of Water programme was outlined in the report to the Committee.

Mr Andrew Fenemor of Landcare Research attended the meeting to present the findings of the Wheel of Water research programme. He advised that the Wheel of Water is a 3-year government funded research programme to assist councils and communities to design collaborative processes for agreeing catchment limits for water allocation and water quality and to develop and trial tools to do this.

The Wairau Valley case study covering the catchment above the Waihopai was designed and led by Landcare Research in consultation with Council staff. The research included a collaborative group and four workshops at Wairau Valley.

The case study objective to pilot a collaborative water resource management process in which participants develop a common understanding of their catchment, the interconnections between their values, and the trade-offs between these values that might occur under different land and water management scenarios was described to the Committee. The utility of the WaterWheel diagram was tested as part of this process. The workshops discussed what values about the Wairau Valley catchment were most important to participants. Twelve draft indicators were agreed by the Wairau Valley group as shown in the agenda and on the draft WaterWheels. The WaterWheel is to support decision-making with the information shown in a visual way and can be compared across scenarios.

The project team thanked Council staff and Councillors for their time and insights.

Members were advised that the full report “Designing collaborative catchment decision-making processes using a WaterWheel – reflections from two case studies” is available from Council or the authors. Copies of the Executive Summary were tabled at the meeting.

Cllrs Barsanti/Shenfield:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr P Davidson, Council’s Groundwater Scientist, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.454 Rai-Pelorus River Catchment Groundwater Storage Report E345-007

The report “Rai-Pelorus Groundwater Baseline Study – Residence Time, Recharge Source, Rate and Volume, Resurgence into Rivers, and Impact of High Intensity Land Use Activities on Groundwater Quality” was attached to the agenda for the Committee’s information. The report quantified the proportion of freshwater in the Rai-Ronga-Tunakino-Opouri-Pelorus-Wakamarina River catchment stored as groundwater versus surface water channel flow.

Members were aware that Marlborough river catchments differ in their rainfall runoff characteristics depending on area, climate, vegetation, soils and geology and that for natural resources management purposes it is important for Council to know the proportion of water that runs off as quickflow versus the slower release baseflow. It was clarified that baseflow is that component of catchment water held up in groundwater storage and released slowly throughout the year.

Dr Uwe Morgenstern of GNS Science Limited attended the meeting to present the conclusions of the report. He advised that groundwater chemistry and isotope methods were used in the survey, the technicalities of which he demonstrated in his presentation. From the results the age of the water can be deduced and also the lag time of contaminants. The mean residence time of groundwater varied from one to 77 years, but most wells contained young water that had been underground for only two to four years and mirrored the age of river water. The oldest water was found beneath Havelock Harbour and at several sites near Rai Valley township. There is significant groundwater-surfacewater interaction in the upper Rai River, Ronga River and Opouri River at low flows, with a lessening influence in the Pelorus or Wakamarina Rivers, lower down in the catchment. The lower alluvial flats closer to Havelock were not surveyed.

Members were advised that the results of this investigation will be applied to inform local water users and landowners about the nature of the groundwater resource. The results confirm that the current Council water allocation approach based on observable surface flows and ignoring groundwater storage is valid and that the residence times of water transiting the catchment is needed for Council to model and account for the fate of nutrients, as required by central government.

Cllrs Barsanti/Oddie:
That the “Rai-Pelorus Groundwater Baseline Study – Residence Time, Recharge Source, Rate and Volume, Resurgence into Rivers, and Impact of High Intensity Land Use Activities on Groundwater Quality” report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr J Underwood, Council's Biosecurity Co-ordinator was present for the following two items.

R.13/14.455 Top of the South Marine Biosecurity Partnership E315-013-002

Mr Peter Lawless, Partnership Co-ordinator of the Top of the South Marine Biosecurity Partnership provided a presentation on the background, progress and potential future direction of the Partnership.

The Partnership was formed in recognition of the threat and uncertainties facing the Top of the South marine space from invasive marine pests. The Ministry for Primary Industries, Tasman District Council, Nelson City Council and Marlborough District Council and representation from Te Tau Ihu iwi form a Management Committee. A co-ordinator is contracted to oversee the functioning and projects for the Partnership. Funding is shared between the Ministry and the councils.

Mr Lawless advised that marine biosecurity is the exclusion, eradication or effective management of risks posed by pests and diseases to the economy, the environment and human health. Unlike "traditional" pollutants, marine pests and diseases can have irreversible national scale impacts. He noted the resources at risk in the Top of the South as being ecosystem services, regional reputation, marine farms, fisheries, cultural values, recreation and flood protection.

In his presentation Mr Lawless described previous and current incursions and also the five primary target pests not in New Zealand which are under six-monthly high risk site surveillance. Mr Lawless advised the focus is on regional pathways, commercial and recreational vessels, and a priority for the new financial year is to be able to report on the set up and costs of a regional pathway plan.

In response to questions from the Councillors, Mr Lawless advised that *Sabella* (fan worm) is a filter feeder and would compete with mussels for space and food. There are also several crabs of concern. He advised that harbourmasters' powers are limited to issues of navigation and safety. Mr Lawless noted that there are powers in the Biosecurity Act for councils to add pests into their biosecurity strategies. In respect of biofouling on vessels he advised that when vessels are slipped out of the sea they are fully compliant in terms of councils' discharge requirements. For in-water cleaning the ship is wrapped in plastic and marine pests are then taken to the landfill. The Ministry is looking at national projects.

While the partners have benefited immensely through the coordination and the development of policies, the challenge for the future rests with developing further policy in relation to managing national vector risk pathways. The Councillors noted the ongoing risks and that funding implications associated with localised incursion response would also be a key area of development.

C/rs Barsanti/Shenfield:
That the information be received.

Carried

R.13/14.456 Marine Biosecurity – Incursions Update and Future Direction E315-013-001

The Committee was brought up to date on the recent marine pest incursions in Marlborough, namely *Styela clava*, found in Picton Marina in June 2013 and Mediterranean fanworm (*Sabella*), discovered on a vessel moored in Waikawa Bay in February 2014.

Subsequent to the discovery of *Styela clava*, a Long Term Management Plan was set up by the Ministry for Primary Industries, the Council and other stakeholders with an objective to suppress the *Styela clava* population in Picton Marina by undertaking two dive surveys per year. The first survey was due this month, however, a recent find of *Styela* in Waikawa has put this plan on hold while the Management Plan leadership makes a decision on how to proceed.

A response was also initiated to remove Mediterranean fanworm from the hull of a vessel with 16 fanworm being removed. Four days of diving was carried out in Waikawa Bay and the Marina with no further fanworm discovered.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the fact that the Marlborough Sounds will constantly be at threat from the domestic arrival of marine pests that are well entrenched in other localities in New Zealand. A proposition has been put forward by the Nelson City Council to work together through the Top of the South Marine Biosecurity Partnership to develop a Joint Regional Pathway Plan. The Committee was advised that this is seen as the most desirable option to mitigate risk. It was also noted that the development of a Proposal for a Regional Pathway Plan does not constitute a commitment to proceed to the next step of implementation. Stakeholders and the funders of any such initiative would ultimately hold the decision to proceed or not. Members were advised that a Regional Pathway Plan is similar to a Regional Pest Management Plan in structure except that pathways are managed not the pests. The Ministry has commenced a project which may include a National Pathway Plan in the future.

While a Risk Pathway Plan is being considered, some form of localised intervention of individual species may be necessary depending upon risk and acceptance by stakeholders for funding.

Cirs Shenfield/Brooks:

- 1. That the information be received.**
- 2. That Council approve the development of options to manage domestic risk pathways of marine invasive species through the Top of the South the Marine Biosecurity Partnership.**
- 3. That Council continue to provide a leadership function for localised domestic incursions and that any decision to intervene is dependent upon a cost benefit and impact analysis, and agreed funding apportionment from the deemed exacerbaters and beneficiaries.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms S Henkel, Council's Water Quality Environmental Scientist, was present for the following item.

**R.13/14.457 Recreational Water Quality – Summer
2013/2014 E370-007-001**

Members were aware that the Microbial Water Quality Guidelines published by the Ministry for the Environment and the Ministry of Health in 2003 require that councils monitor the marine and freshwater recreational areas in their region for health risks associated with faecal contamination.

Ms Henkel provided a presentation on the monitoring carried out at 21 popular beaches and river sites during the summer months.

Samples were analysed for concentrations of faecal indicator bacteria in order to assess the risk to the health of recreational users in regard to water borne diseases. The concentration of the bacteria is then compared to guideline values for each site and classified into 'Modes' (Green, Alert, Action levels). She advised that two different indicator bacteria are used depending on the type of water sampled. Freshwater is analysed for the concentration of E.coli while Enterococci concentrations are used for coastal waters. Detailed information regarding the sites sampled was shown in the "Recreational Water Quality Report 2013-2014" which was included with the agenda.

Members were advised that except for the Taylor River at Riverside site, unsafe faecal bacteria concentrations were generally associated with rainfall or flood events. However, only one sample from this site had an unsafe faecal bacteria concentration. Apart from the two Pelorus River sites and the Opawa River at Elizabeth Street, all other sites also had one sample with E. coli concentrations in excess of the level considered safe for contact recreation.

Four coastal sites had bacteria concentrations below the guideline values during the whole of the season, while another four coastal beaches and six of the river sites had at least one sample with faecal bacteria levels considered unsafe for contact recreation. The remaining four coastal beaches had at least one

sample with Enterococci concentrations above the Action Guideline. Picton Foreshore had the worst microbial water quality, although Councillors noted this was trending down, while Marfells Beach had the lowest Enterococci concentrations.

Trend analysis using the seasonal Kendall Trend Test showed significant improvements in microbial water quality at a number of sites, particularly the Rai River at Rai Falls. Nevertheless, Suitability for Contact Recreation Grades (SFR Grades) for these sites were not revised as a review had been carried out for all sites in the programme last year. Ms Henkel suggested that if water quality remains at a better state in coming seasons some of the sites could be given a better SFR Grade. Ms Henkel explained the calculation of the 5-year-95%ile values used for establishing SFR Grades and that the SFR Grade is the combination of a catchment assessment and an assessment of the Microbiological Water Quality.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

That the “Recreational Water Quality Report 2013-2014” be received.

Carried

A short recess was held.

Mayor Sowman withdrew from the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Ms R Rait, Council’s Land and Air Environmental Scientist, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.458 Soil Quality Monitoring – Technical Report E355-001-001-08

To help meet its responsibility for promoting the sustainable management of the natural and physical resources of the region, the Council undertakes a soil quality monitoring programme. The resultant “Soil Quality in the Marlborough Region 2013” report was included with the agenda.

Between 2007-2012, 118 soil quality monitoring sites have been sampled representing four soil orders and six land use activities. Soils were sampled from the same sites that were established and sampled in 2008 with two exceptions. The site under exotic forestry was not sampled as it is only necessary to re-sample every 10 years and a drystock pasture site had been converted into vineyard. Members were advised that as only two sampling points had been done trends could not be determined.

The current state of soil quality in the Marlborough region as determined by the results of soil analysis for the most recent sampling across a range of land use activities and soil types was summarised for members’ information. The primary issue is high Olsen P values found at four sites across three different land uses. Low aggregate stability, high bulk density, along with organic matter concentrations at the lower end of the desired target range, is also a potential issue at the monitored cropping sites. Three of the dairy pasture sites showed signs of soil compaction, and soil Cadmium concentrations were significantly greater than other land use activities.

Members were advised that the report is available on Council’s website and there are also meetings held with dairy and industry representatives. Ms Rait advised that industry best practice guidelines would be the same as the recommendations in the report. The landowners from where the samples are taken receive the results from soil sampling and mapping.

Cllrs Oddie/Shenfield:

That the “Soil Quality in the Marlborough Region 2013” report be received.

Carried

Mayor Sowman re-joined the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Ms N Eade, Council's Land Resources Environmental Scientist, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.459 Results of a Long Term Investigation into Short Tussock Grassland Decline, Awatere Valley, Marlborough E355-008-001-01

The report to the Committee provided an overview of a long term monitoring investigation into vegetation change and *Hieracium* invasion in short tussock grasslands, which are inherently susceptible to highly invasive species like *Hieracium*, in the Awatere Valley, Marlborough. The latest report summarises 20 years of research effort which is the longest running monitoring project on *Hieracium*. To ensure that monitoring could continue long term the Council contributed to annual monitoring from 2001 to 2009, then reduced its contribution to five yearly monitoring with 2014 being the latest monitoring round.

Members were advised that this monitoring project confirms rapid change and decline in short tussock grasslands over time as *Hieracium* species continue to invade. The removal of grazing did not alter the direction of vegetation change and in fact seemed to increase the rate of *Hieracium* invasion, possibly because there is less trampling and grazing pressure inhibiting its spread. Removal of dung and urine (nutrient) inputs and periods of drought may also contribute to the rapid decline in tussocks and other species in the un-grazed plots.

The Committee considered options for the future as at this stage the Council has not committed to any future monitoring. Ms Eade advised she will prepare a report to bring back to the Committee on monitoring options and costings.

Cllrs Shenfield/Brooks:
That the information be received.

Carried

R.13/14.460 Harbour Fees and Charges H100-005-14

A recommendation that a levy be established on Port Marlborough New Zealand under section 33R Maritime Transport Act 1994 was put before the Committee for their consideration.

Members were aware that pursuant to the Maritime Transport Act 1994, the Council as the Harbour Authority is responsible for the management of maritime safety within the Marlborough Sounds harbour – an area of approximately 1800km².

In addition to the legislative requirements, the New Zealand Port and Harbour Marine Safety Code ('the Code') introduced in 2004, clarified formal duties and responsibilities in providing maritime safety. The Code identified Council as the 'duty holder' – the entity with ultimate responsibility for maritime safety, delivering this function through the office of the Harbour Master. Following completion of the risk assessment, a Safety Management System (SMS) was developed. The approved SMS provides for the delivery of activities in the expectation that these would provide the mitigation of the identified risks and envisages the availability of staff 24/7, 365 days a year. Full implementation of the SMS has been hindered by a budget shortfall of \$280,000. The Council has determined that it is no longer prepared to accept the risks associated with not having its SMS fully implemented.

Initially Council was prepared to meet the budget shortfall by the implementation of its 2009 Navigation Safety Bylaws. These Bylaws introduced and adopted a range of fees and charges, but following consultation there was strong reaction to the charges being implemented.

Following discussions and consultation with Port Marlborough New Zealand Limited it was recommended that the Council establish a Harbour Control Levy of \$280,000.

Cllrs Barsanti/Brooks:

That Council agree to the introduction of a Harbour Control Levy of \$280,000 on Port Marlborough New Zealand Limited for the 2014/2015 and subsequent financial years under section 33R Maritime Transport Act 1994.

Carried

Councillor Oddie withdrew from the meeting.

R.13/14.461 Aids to Navigation

H100-005-14

An update on the on-going management of Aids to Navigation was provided for members' information.

The Council is responsible for the provision and servicing of 98 AtoN in the region which includes, beacons, buoys, channel markers and leading lights. These AtoN are a critical component of the Harbour Safety Management System and their operation must comply with international standards as set by the International Light House Authority (IALA).

Members were advised that all lights are in good order for the winter season. Another round of six monthly checks is underway. The Motuara North Cardinal is ready to be installed in the next few weeks depending on weather and the blue light warning system to indicate ferries departing the berth will soon be operational. The reliability of Marlborough AtoN and the failure response times achieved for the preceding six weeks have exceeded IALA standards. Aside from the 'Blue Light' there have been no failures.

Mr Versteegh advised that there are more outages during the winter season and the East Head light failed last night.

Cllrs Barsanti/Brooks:

That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mrs A Eatherley, Council's Resource Consent Manager, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.462 Resource Management Fees and Charges

R425-002-R02, F045 07-01

The report to the Committee provided information to assist with deliberations on the Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for activities undertaken under the Resource Management Act 1991. This comprised background information, the financial context, a summary of submissions with Council comment and options and assessment.

One submission from the Nelson/Marlborough Branch New Zealand Institute of Surveyors was received to the publicly notified proposed amendments. The submission and the hearing evidence in support of the submission were heard at a special meeting of the Environment Committee on the 27 May 2014. A copy of the submission and hearing evidence in support of the submission was included with the order paper.

Members were advised the expectation is that 60% of the total expenditure, i.e. \$1,219,075 will be recovered from applicants through resource consent fees. The Council is able to achieve this with an hourly charge out rate of \$145.00 inclusive of GST for all planning staff processing applications.

The New Zealand Institute of Surveyors raised concerns over the proposed flat charge out rate. Mrs Eatherley advised that the intent of the proposed charge out rate is to improve efficiencies and ensure consistency with other top of the south councils.

Members were advised that the engineering fee is for Council engineers to evaluate all subdivision applications and also the engineering design. The cost breakdown is the time spent on minor or significant applications. Subdivisions involving only a few lots are relatively easy to process whilst larger subdivisions are much more complex in terms of engineering considerations, e.g. pipe sizes, locations and requirements for easements and such like.

In respect of the \$145.00 rate for administration officers, Mrs Eatherley advised this is required in order to have a modest increase in the planning officer rate. She noted that an administration officer does not have a big input into an application.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Barsanti:

1. That the report Resource Management Fees and Charges be received.
2. That the proposal for Resource Management Fees and Charges be adopted with an implementation date of 1 July 2014.
3. That the submitters be notified of the decision.

	Charge Type	
Minor Resource Consents		
Bore Construction		
Domestic	Flat	\$310
Irrigation	Flat	\$620
Notified Resource Consents		
All Applications (including subdivisions)	Base	\$5,200
Section 127, 128	Base	\$5,200
Non-Notified Resource Consents		
Subdivision (Flat plan/unit title engineering fees do not apply)	Base	Delete
All Applications but excluding subdivisions	Base	\$930
Subdivisions (Note: Engineering charges are additional)	Base	\$1,350
Registration service for lodgement of change/cancellation of consent notice (Note: This is a new fee in the schedule)	Flat	\$650
Section 37 extension of time for deposit of survey plans	Base	Delete
Section 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 136, 139, 139A, 221	Base	\$930

Land Registry Compliance (Certificates, Consents)	Base	\$310
Removal of Building Line Restriction	Flat	\$310
Section 348 LGA Right of Way applications (Note: This is a new fee in the schedule)	Base	\$930
Transfers		
Water, Coastal (Marine Farm)	Flat	\$310
Coastal (Other), Discharge, Land Use	Flat	\$100
Section 223, 224 - Approval of deposit of survey plans		
4 lots or less (each stage)	Actual	
5 or more lots (each stage)	Actual	
Outline Plan Approvals, Policy Statements, Plan Changes and Requirements		
Section 176A Approval of Outline Plan	Base	\$930
Outline Plan Waiver (Note: This is a new fee in the schedule)	Flat	\$100
Notice of Requirements or Alterations to Designations		
Non-Notified	Base	\$1,350
Notified	Base	\$5,200
Statements and Miscellaneous Certificates		
Provide required documentation	Base	\$310
Site Inspection		
Disbursements, e.g. boat hire	Actual	Actual
Engineering Charges - Subdivision and Land Use		
Engineering:		
Evaluation for 1-3 lots	Flat	\$541
Evaluation for 4-10 lots	Flat	\$1,395

Evaluation for 11-20 lots	Flat	\$2,351
Evaluation for 20+ lots	Flat	\$3,679
Engineering evaluation for each additional dwelling (Land Use Consent)	Flat	\$354
Consents - Administration, monitoring and Supervision		
Sampling including the contracting of an independent consultant	Variable Actual	Variable Actual
Laboratory Costs	Variable Actual	Variable Actual
Administration fee (monitoring)	Flat	\$40
Site Inspection	Variable Actual	Variable Actual
Environmental Protection Officer	Per hour	\$130
Assistant Environmental Protection Officer	Per hour	\$91
Student Environmental Protection Officer	Per hour	\$65
Other Rates and Charges		
Hearings Committee or Commissioner (Local Government (Local Authorities Salaries and Allowances) Determination 2001)	Variable	Variable Actual
Hearings Cancellation Fee	Flat	\$2,000
Resource Management Officer	Per Hour	\$145
Hearings Facilitator	Per Hour	\$145
Administration Officer	Per Hour	\$145
Senior Planner/Resource Consents Manager	Per Hour	\$145
Consultants (internal or external charges)	Variable Actual	Variable Actual

Carried

Councillor Shenfield withdrew from the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Mr I Sutherland, Council's Resource Management Officer, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.463 Wine Business Park Limited - Road Name Request U081014

Approval was sought from the Committee for the naming of a new road which is to be created by Wine Business Park Limited as part of a new subdivision off Liverpool Street in the Riverlands Industrial Estate. Copies of the locality plan and subdivision scheme plan were attached to the agenda.

Three road names were put forward for consideration, Sauvignon Street, Riverlands Row and Kendrick Crescent. The proposed names were circulated to all iwi, Marlborough Historical Society and Marlborough Roads for comment. Staff advised that to comply with the Road Naming Policy the road type should be either street or road and the name 'Riverlands' could cause some confusion as it is also used in the locality description of the wider area.

The Committee discussed the proposed road names and suggested Kendrick Road as being appropriate.

Clr Jerram/Mayor Sowman:

That the proposed new road as shown on proposed subdivision U081014, once vested in Council, be named Kendrick Road.

Carried

R.13/14.464 Appointment of Hearings Commissioner R450-004-02

The Committee was asked to consider a new person for inclusion on the list of Hearings Commissioners. The applicant was Julian Ironside (Environmental Law).

Further details regarding the applicant was included in the agenda.

Hearings Commissioners can be called on to hear and determine applications for resource consent pursuant to section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Clrs Barsanti/Arbuckle:

That Mr Julian Ironside be appointed to act as Hearings Commissioner as and when required and that he be advised accordingly.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms G Ferguson, Council's Environmental Health Officer, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.465 Food Bill Progress E350-004-009-02

Members were advised that the Food Bill has now received Royal Assent and is the Food Act 2014. This will replace the Food Act 1981, and over time also replace the Food Hygiene Regulations 1974 and Food (Safety) Regulations 2002. Changes to how the sale of food will be regulated were outlined in the presentation to the Committee.

Ms Ferguson advised that the Food Act 2014 is a risk based system consisting of Food Control Plans and then a national programme broken down into three levels. Some sections commence immediately and the Act fully comes into force on 1 March 2016, or earlier by regulation. New businesses will have to operate under the new food regime from when the Act fully comes into force and existing businesses have a three year transition period from that date. Regulations will be developed over the next

21 months. In her presentation Ms Ferguson discussed the regulations, functions and duties under the Act.

Councillors were advised that the Council will be the registration authority and responsible for verification of template Food Control Plans in the district but for other Food Control Plans and the National Programme the registration authority or responsibility for verification is not known.

It was noted that the Food Act will require changes in Council's Environmental Health Group's activities and resourcing to meet the functions and duties as set out in the Act. The Food Act provides for the setting of fees by resolution, to recover the direct and indirect costs of functions under the Act.

Ms Ferguson advised she would look at the Food Act in respect of exemptions for marae activities. It was noted auditing of premises would take longer but operators would be able to influence their costs by being compliant. Premises would need to be visited at least once a year. Ms Ferguson believed that educational resources for use within the district would be provided by the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Cirs Barsanti/Beech:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms S Lines, Council's Animal Control Contracts Manager, was present for the following item.

R.13/14.466 Dog Fees for the 2014/2015 Registration Year E305-001-001, F045-07-01

The proposed dog fees for the 2014/2015 registration year were put forward for the Committee's consideration as the Council is required under the Dog Control Act 1996 to set fees for dog registration on an annual basis. It was proposed that the fees for the 2014/2015 registration year remain the same as the last four financial years.

Members were aware that the Animal Control Sub-Committee had carried out a thorough review of the Animal Control function and concluded that there was an element of public good associated with the function and suggested an 80/20 allocation between dog owners and the community. It was resolved at the Committee meeting on the 20 March 2014 that the determination of how the costs of Animal Control are apportioned be introduced into the next Long Term Plan.

Cirs Arbuckle/Brooks:
That the proposed dog registration fees for 2014/2015 set out in the table below be accepted.

Dog and Pound Fees FEE TABLE: Dog Control	Fees 2013/2014	Proposed Fees 2014/2015
Dog registration - non-working (Category 1)	\$57.00	\$57.00
Dog registration - non-working (Category 2)	\$86.00	\$86.00
Dog registration - working	\$24.50	\$24.50
Dog registration - dangerous	\$129.00	\$129.00
Dog registration - duplicate tag	\$3.60	\$3.60
Property Licence - 3 or more dogs	\$77.00	\$77.00
Pound fee - first offence	\$102.00	\$102.00
Pound fee - second offence	\$153.00	\$153.00

Carried

R.13/14.467 Information Package

Clrs Barsanti/Arbuckle:

That the Regulatory Department Information Package dated 12 June 2014 be received and noted.

Carried

R.13/14.468 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Clrs Barsanti/Arbuckle:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Easter Storm Damage

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

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Easter Storm Damage	In order to protect the privacy of natural persons, as provided for under Section 7(2)(a).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed at 4.45 pm.

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4. Committee Reports

4.5 Special Committee to Hear Submissions on the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan

Special Committee to Hear Submissions on the Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan Meeting held on 3, 4 and 5 June 2014
(Minute No. C.13/14.416)



Report and Minutes of a Meeting of a SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL to hear submissions on the 2014-15 Draft Annual Plan held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on TUESDAY 3 JUNE, WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE, THURSDAY 5 JUNE 2014 commencing at 8.45 am

Present

Mayor A T Sowman (Chairman), Clrs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, J P Bagge, G S Barsanti, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, G I T Evans, T E Hook, P J S Jerram, J C Leggett, D D Oddie, L M Shenfield, T M Sloan.

In Attendance

Mr M F Fletcher (Manager, Corporate Finance), Mr M J South (Financial Services Manager) and Ms J R North (Support Services Administrator).

**C.13/14.416 2014-15 Draft Annual Plan Submissions
S300-A00-14**

The Mayor welcomed those present in particular the three new councillors.

There were 301 submissions received and of those 72 submitters spoke to their submission.

The following is a summary of those that spoke to their submissions.

Jonathan Cash, Rosie Argle and Tamsin Woolf presented a submission from the Marlborough Youth Council. They spoke in support of the proposed budget of \$60,000 in the Draft Annual Plan for the upgrade of the Blenheim skate park. Rosie said youth in Marlborough saw the upgrade as overdue and a high priority. The skate park provides a safe place to skate and scooter rather than less desirable places. Tamsin spoke on the implementation of the College Travel Plans which was a follow up on their submission to last year's plan. Queen Charlotte College would still like to have flashing lights installed, and the Youth Council would like to see other recommendations in the College Travel Plans considered and included in work plans for road safety.

There were a number of submissions from users of the skatepark supporting Council's proposal to provide funding for the upgrade. Chris Watson said the skate park is being used by a large variety of people, and the park is quite old and could do with some new features to help increase skill levels of the users. He does a lot with youth at the park and there was a group of them who would like to have a say in the design so that it benefits the users of the park. Stefan McBride, a long time user of the park and representing other BMX riders said it is a positive place for youth. He questions the proposed design and would like to see that users have input to improve it.

Matt Straker along with Club members, Lance Spencer and Zac Mortimer, presented Cycling Marlborough Inc's submission. Mr Straker gave background information regarding a new velodrome. He said that Cycling Marlborough is now committed to retaining, maintaining and enhancing Athletic Park as their track cycling facility for the long term. They believe there is an opportunity to bring together all of the cycling codes to share resources and facilities.

They sought \$50,000 towards the resurfacing (asphalt overlay) and associated line marking of the existing velodrome surface at Athletic Park as it is nearing the end of its life and \$20,000 (GST excl) for the commissioning of a viability/feasibility report into developing Athletic Park's existing facilities for the use of additional cycling and sporting codes.

Barry Maister, Board member of Destination Marlborough Trust, spoke to a tabled supplementary submission which proposed the formation of a new entity (called Smart and Connected Marlborough through the investigation stage) to provide a single focus for destination marketing, conference and event co-

ordination and implementing the Smart and Connected Vision and related economic development work in Marlborough. Mr Maister said that they would all be brought together with a new budget.

Destination Marlborough asked that Council ensure that adequate funding is provided to both Destination Marlborough and the Smart and Connected programmes and to that end asked Council to increase its core grant by an additional \$200,000 to \$506,000 per annum and that this be CPI adjusted from 2014/15 financial year, and asked that Council retain the Australia JV grant and CPI adjusted Tourism Targeted Rate funding for destination marketing.

Chris Faulls of Smiths Farm Holiday Park, in supporting Destination Marlborough Trust's request for an increase in funding of \$200,000, acknowledged that his wife was a Board member of the Trust. He submitted that with increased funding they can actively and cohesively market the province at a level which is credible and competitive both nationally and internationally whilst still carrying out their core functions and retaining key staff.

Barbara Faulls of Smiths Farm Holiday Park spoke in support of the funding allocation of \$290,000 in the Draft Annual Plan for Smart and Connected; and spoke in support of the proposal to introduce a Commercial Events Fund of \$75,000.

Melissa Sutherland, along with Rose Prendeville and Tim Smit in support, spoke to Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Inc's submission. Since their 2013 submission the project of establishing a national standard multi-discipline Equestrian Park has continued to advance to the point where site works are now well underway at Botham's Bend. They now sought further funding of \$140,000 to meet a short fall in funding for the proposed Stage 1 development requirements. Their objective is to provide a fully functional and fit-for-purpose equestrian park available for use by early September this year. In response to a question as to whether there will be any further approaches from them for funding from Council, Rose Prendeville said only landscaping.

Cressida Bishop, Millennium Art Gallery Manager, along with Nigel Taylor, Board member of the Millennium Art Gallery Trust, in support, gave a general overview of happenings at the Art Gallery and acknowledged the support of Council, the many businesses who give in kind support, and their volunteers. Mrs Bishop said they are running out of room and they would like to relocate with a new library in the central Blenheim Wynen/High Street block.

Peter Chapman said Marlborough being a geographically wide area with a small rateable population of 26,000 and low wage economy was a challenge but an exciting opportunity.

He suggested the establishment of an Economic Development Agency consisting of Destination Marlborough, Smart and Connected/Economic Development, Event Management, Marlborough Story, Regional Branding, Technology deployment. He would see the Agency being partially funded by Council through rates but would remain independent of Council.

Mr Chapman said he has taken a leading role in pushing Blenheim to participate in the race to determine which New Zealand town will win the fastest broadband speeds in the southern hemisphere in Chorus's Welcome to Gigatown competition.

Duncan MacKenzie presented a submission on behalf of John Maffey who was unable to attend the hearing. Mr Maffey had produced in his submission proposals for the upgrade of the three main road entrances to Blenheim i.e. west (to/from Nelson), north (to/from Picton and south (to/from Kaikoura and Christchurch. He had photographed the current state of the landscape at the southern point i.e. the part of SH 1 from Cob Cottage Road to the Alabama Road intersection, and finds this stretch of highway is by far the worst for being covered with overgrown weeds, poor signage and neglected plantings where they exist at all.

Mr Maffey had also submitted on his opposition to the funding of \$75,000 being allocated to a Commercial Events Fund from general rates. This is the responsibility of providers of festivals and events based organisations plus the hospitality sector. Council already provides the local infrastructure that supports these events.

Duncan MacKenzie spoke to a tabled submission on behalf of Peter Halligan of Top of the South Events Limited which related to the proposed Commercial Events Fund of \$75,000. Mr MacKenzie said there

should be a funding pool to tap into and gave examples of other places that have it. Mr Halligan submitted that the Fund has the ability to add value to existing iconic Marlborough events and offers the opportunity to assist new events. In response to questioning Mr MacKenzie said one third of the funding should go to existing events and two-thirds to new events.

The Garden Marlborough (2004) Inc Committee was represented by their Chair, Jeremy Jones, along with committee member, Keren Mitchell.

Mr Jones thanked Council for the in kind support that it currently provides e.g. the use of Seymour Square for the Stihl Shop Sunday Fête and the erection of street flags in the run up to the event.

They applaud the initiative of Council in instituting a Commercial Events Fund. Mr Jones spoke of what the proposed funding would do for their event; he said they will struggle without it and are happy to apply for \$6,500 - \$7,500.

Katrina Lange, Manager of Festivals & Events Trust spoke in support of the proposed Commercial Events Fund of \$75,000. Mrs Lange said businesses will be attracted to Marlborough; also it will be beneficial for local businesses in the off season. They would like to see comprehensive criteria that are then strictly adhered to, to ensure that the outcomes required are fully met. When questioned Mrs Lange agreed with Mr MacKenzie's observation that one-third of the Fund should go to existing events and two-thirds to new events.

Harry Leov of the French Pass Roding Advisory Group along with Michael Brennan, both long-time residents of the French Pass area, requested the continuation of the French Pass Rating Area charge for further sealing of the French Pass Road. Currently the charge is applied, until 30 June 2015, towards the cost of sealing between Matapehe Hill and French Pass.

They spoke of the potholes in the road and feel that a centre line would be a good idea. They said there needs to be a better road to French Pass citing more tourist vehicles using the road and service vehicles benefitting from a safer road. They have identified areas of road for sealing as a priority.

Ross Withell, President of Kenepuru and Central Sounds Residents' Association, requested funding from Council for the placement, construction and maintenance of a public toilet on Department of Conservation land in reasonable proximity to the Torea Bay jetty. The Association strongly believe that such a facility is long overdue given the significant year round flow of people, vessels and vehicles to and from this busy jetty.

Michael Baines Chief Executive of Motel Association of New Zealand said almost as many rooms are available to rent each night in private homes in Marlborough as there are in motels and they don't have to meet the same safety standards as commercial operators. They believe that the Council is exposing itself by operating two separate safety regimes for commercial accommodation.

They also believe that those that operate as commercial accommodation from residential premises should carry the same costs and be required to reach the same standards as those that operate commercial accommodation from commercial premises; and they further believe that the Council needs to look strenuously at the way it delivers its services and the charges for those services to the small and medium business sector in the greater Marlborough area.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 1.00pm and reconvened at 1.20pm.

Graham Brooks would like Council to give serious consideration to a long term project to locate, collect, copy, repair as needed, Marlborough's past and may be present photographic images on an ongoing basis and suggested that the images when in a finished state be made available to the public and learning institutions of Marlborough in both a digital and a hard copy format.

NOTE: Cllr Brooks withdrew from the table during the above presentation.

Francis Maher, Chair of the newly formed Marlborough Heritage Trust alongwith Trust members, Dale Webb and Judith MacDonald, advised that the Trust Deed has been registered and the parties to the Deed are Marlborough Historical Society, Edwin Fox Society, Marlborough Vintage Farm Machinery Society, Renwick Museum and Memorial Library, and Brayshaw Heritage Park Administrators. Mr Webb advised that the Edwin Fox Society is in difficulties and wants help from the Trust.

The Trust asked that Council continue to provide funding to Marlborough's heritage organisations as it currently does; provide a one off grant of \$10,000 for legal advice to prepare a memorandum of transfer to allow the gift of assets from those organisations that wish to do so, to the Marlborough Heritage Trust; provide \$20,000 per annum to the Marlborough Heritage Trust for the next three years and that in addition this is matched dollar for dollar for any other funds sourced by the Trust up to a maximum of \$50,000 per annum; and provide \$50,000 support for an ANZAC Anniversary Commemorations 2015-2018 for events and exhibitions in Marlborough. In response to questioning Dale Webb said that the Marlborough RSA was supportive of the project.

Steve Austin, Chief Executive, along with Dale Webb, President, spoke on behalf of the Marlborough Historical Society. Mr Austin put forward as an idea that museum exhibition space for two major exhibitions i.e. Wairau bar and Wine Exhibition be made available as part of a new library/art gallery development in the CBD. Cllr Andrews said that may be the exhibitions could tie in with the Aviation Centre and with cruise ship visits.

Council has provided funding towards the preservation of the Cob Cottage heritage building on Department of Conservation land at Riverlands. The Society invite Council to partner with them so that the necessary work can be completed.

The Steering Group has attracted high calibre participants for the Marlborough Story project which heritage is part of. They urge that this work continues with Council support in every possible way; they urge Council to ensure this work is developed properly and well resourced.

Mr Austin said they were delighted to participate in the Smart and Connected project. They commend the sponsors on their vision and urge that all of Marlborough support this work and submit that Council must lead on behalf of them all. Mr Austin gave an update on the Heritage Experience Strategy; and they asked that Council resource Destination Marlborough to be on par with the best of New Zealand.

Marnie Campbell of The Picton Historical Society asked that their operating grant of \$20,000 be increased to \$25,000 per annum in order to cover an increase in wages as they recently employed a manager, to attend personal development courses, cost increases resulting from increased summer opening hours when cruise ships come in, an increase to utilise costs over the last four year period and ongoing website maintenance. In response to a question, Mrs Campbell advised that they do have an entry charge to the museum when cruise ships are in.

Bill Brehaut of the Picton Historical Society requested a one off grant of \$5,000 from Council's Heritage Grants Fund for the application of the museum cataloguing software programme known as PastPerfect to the Picton Heritage & Whaling Museum artefact collection.

Peter Hamill a member of Kaipupu Point Mainland Society Inc requested a grant of \$10,000 per annum specifically to support the transport of 1000 school children to the Kaipupu Point Sanctuary. The only access to the Sanctuary is by sea; the entry is from the Kaipupu jetty in Shakespeare Bay. The schools in Marlborough are already engaged with Kaipupu Point Sanctuary through their visitations by their Education Volunteers. Cllr Oddie asked whether they could access the Sanctuary by using Port Marlborough land. Mr Hamill said that this was not possible.

Stephen Doecke representing the Sister City Sub-Committee requested an additional annual grant of \$10,000 bringing the total Sister City budget to \$30,000 per annum. Council has an annual education exchange with Tendo and Otari, Japan with four students and a teacher visiting Marlborough in March each year and a reciprocal group from Marlborough go to Japan in July/August.

The Sister City Sub-Committee feel they should focus on building new relationships whilst maintaining and building on the current relationships with Tendo and Otari. This focus will include building on the recent relationship with Marlborough UK, and investigating requests from manufacturers/exporters for sister city type relationships with China.

Beryl Bowers, the Chairperson of the Picton Maritime Festival Trust, along with Pauline Gregory invited Council to provide a grant of \$10,000 towards their logistic (includes rubbish removal, porta loos, security guard, road closure, marquees, fencing, lighting, stage, etc) costs for 2014/15. They thanked Council for the one off grant of \$10,000 in 2013 as a contribution towards their logistic costs.

Mrs Bowers said the purpose of the Maritime Festival Trust is to raise funds and create a fundraising platform for other non-profit organisations thereby providing support for the benefit of needy and deserving groups, individuals, community organisations and projects within the Marlborough community, particularly with the emphasis towards youth.

They have 70 odd sponsors and there is a small fee for stall holders including food and beverage. They have donation cans situated in the area.

Bev Moore, Chair and Neville White, Treasurer of the Marlborough Migrant Centre along with their Manager, Margaret Western gave a presentation on the Migrant Centre. They are increasing their staffing, support and overall capability to meet the increasing demand for services by migrants coming into Marlborough. Their expenses are forecast to increase by 28%. They receive Government funding, and their other funders are responding positively to their increased needs i.e. Lotteries, Canterbury Community Trust and COGS. Safer Communities gave them a one-off grant last year of \$10,000. They asked that Council increase their annual grant of \$10,000 to \$15,000 per annum to meet ongoing needs.

Sarah Gray and two young school pupils, Ella Schoni and Tane Anderson, spoke to Rarangi District Residents Association's submission. relating to the extension of the walkway/cycleway from Blue Gum corner to Pipitea Drive, Rarangi. Mrs Gray said that Marlborough Roads staff have visited the site and identified a possible access way along the eastern and southern side of the road and around Blue Gum corner. The cost of construction for this project has been estimated at between \$20,000 and \$25,000 depending on whether a separate culvert will need to be installed over the wetland stream. The Association requested funding of \$15,000 towards the construction of the path.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 3.25pm and reconvened at 3.40pm.

William McCook of TBfree New Zealand and Richard Tripe, Marlborough TBfree Committee appreciated Council's continued Bovine TB control funding support.

Graham Gosling, Chair of the Picton Business Group said they still have concerns with freedom camping at Koromiko. It was their understanding that any camper van that stayed in a Council designated site was to be self-contained. They believe that this does not appear to be happening. Mr Gosling remarked that the issue has become a 'thorn in the side'.

The Group also have concerns at the inadequacy of lighting on the walkway from the Interislander ferry terminal across the foreshore that is used by many users to access High Street or Wellington Street at night time. Mr Gosling was advised that money has been allocated in 2014/15 for the first stage of a lighting upgrade.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Leggett withdrew from the hearing at 4.00pm.

Hamish Macfarlane spoke on behalf of the Marlborough Chamber of Commerce on their support of The Link Pathway Trust's project and request for funding of \$75,000 per annum over the next four years in order to complete the pathway. Mr Macfarlane said the returns are way in excess of what it costs.

Friends of Murphys Creek, Ross Inder, spoke of their concerns with storm water being discharged down Murphys Creek. Mr Inder said it is not acceptable and is not any sort of solution to storm water disposal from further development. It would put properties at risk and degrade the ecosystems of Blenheim's urban waterways; the issue must be resolved urgently. Lindsay Dahlberg objected to Murphy's Creek being turned into a drain. He cannot find any plans in the Draft Annual Plan to address the requirements to deal appropriately with this issue. He would like to see Council making long term plans to provide for appropriate handling of storm water discharges from new developments. Mr Dahlberg said that people in the area do not agree with it.

They said there had not been communication from Council since October last year and even if there was nothing to report, they would welcome contact.

Mr Dahlberg was advised that the Long Term Plan 2015-2015 was the appropriate place to address the issue, not the Annual Plan.

Clr Jermyn asked Mr Inder whether he would be prepared to contribute more than average and he said he would be prepared to consider it.

The Mayor said that no one wanted to turn Murphy's Creek into a drain and told Mr Inder and Mr Dahlberg that they would be kept fully informed in the future.

Mark Wheeler, Manager, Assets and Services said several staff had spoken regularly to individual members of the Friends of Murphy's Creek but the message had obviously not got through about the work that staff had under way. No consent application would be made without Council approval. Staff were working on flood level analysis. Soils, groundwater levels and ecological factors were all being investigated in terms of discharge quality and volume. Urgency was not evident given current subdivision plans. Staff would communicate more regularly with the group.

The hearing adjourned at 4.50pm and reconvened on 4th June at 8.45 am.

Gerald Hope, Chief Executive of the Marlborough Research Centre along with Associate, John Patterson, tabled further information on the Food and Beverage Innovation Cluster. Mr Hope spoke in support of the funding from reserves of \$75,000 provided in the Draft Annual Plan for 2014-15. Mr Hope said that there was still a lot of work to be done yet and they would put effort into sourcing other funding.

Noel Noble spoke on behalf of the Marlborough Motel Association with regard to commercial accommodation. Mr Noble said that Council is allowing substandard accommodation for commercial purposes. Those that operate as commercial accommodation from residential premises should carry the same costs and be required to reach the same standards as those that operate commercial accommodation from commercial premises. He remarked that holiday homes mainly owned by outsiders are being subsidised by our ratepayers. Council needs to look strenuously at the way it delivers its services and the charges for those services to the small and medium business sector in the greater Marlborough area.

Sheira Hudson of Atlantis Backpackers spoke of the wonderful Council staff (Customer Services). Ms Hudson said there needs to be more communication with the Picton community. A number of people were not listened to with regard to the Picton bus shelter and the extension to the Picton Museum. Smart and Connected is not about money.

Darryn Thomas said more important things need to be built rather than spending money on roundabouts. He would like something done about the Grove Road Bridge; something will happen he said; it needs to be made wider to accommodate cars, trucks and buses.

Clr Barsanti said the bridge is on state highway; the issue needs to be pushed. Clr Leggett said the bridge has a low accident rate and it slows traffic down.

Ross Cooke, President of the Awatere Branch of Marlborough RSA asked for the reinstatement of the earthquake damaged Awatere War Memorial entrance archway and gate at Seddon to their previous condition before the earthquake, and the area west of the Memorial be terraced so that there is more flat standing ground for people to stand on during the Anzac Day service. Mr Cooke said the ANZAC Day service next year will be at Ward.

Mr Cooke was advised that the work will be carried out from existing budgets.

Willy Wills who has a tattoo and piercing studio said that people who tattooed or pierced in a shop or at home should have to abide by the regulations or face fines or closure. All tattooing and piercing areas should be up to health standards and the only way to keep the Tattoo, Piercing and Beauty industry professional is to regulate. He tabled a draft Bylaw he had prepared.

A number of questions were asked of Mr Wills.

Monyeen Wedge of Queen Charlotte Sound Residents Association supported temporary Council funding for coastal monitoring until more appropriate funding arrangements e.g. coastal charging, are in place. They support coastal monitoring for ecological reasons such as understanding and protecting water quality.

Mrs Wedge tabled further information and asked for more information on the increase in rates for the Sounds Admin Rural area.

Graeme Faulkner, Officer Manager, along with Gayle Chambers, Vice President, represented Marlborough Grey Power Inc's submission.

Mr Faulkner tabled further information. He said that Marlborough is already over represented by older people when compared with the rest of the country and they are concerned that this be taken seriously in future planning by Council as the numbers of their organisation will no doubt increase. Mr Faulkner spoke of the problems associated with older people not being so nimble on their feet and not having the ability to react so quickly to impediments around them. An example is the footpaths (rough surface), roads (surface and potholes) and kerbs (different heights). Clr Sloan encouraged members to contact Marlborough Roads when potholes became an issue.

Mr Faulkner said they had received two other matters that they wished to raise. Concern had been expressed from a member in Wairau Valley that was unhappy with the way that water is charged in that area. He felt it unfair that he should pay the same charge as a major industry would Mr Faulkner understood that some action has been taken on this matter. A Springlands member was unhappy at the amount of money being spent on Sheps Park to upgrade it to full park status. He considered it was suitable as it was and as there were already enough parks in town the money could be better spent elsewhere.

Members have expressed concern at the lack of access to toilets on the Taylor walkway. A possible solution would be the sign posting of adjacent facilities e.g. in Athletic Park and Brayshaw Park as facilities on the stream side of the stop bank are unlikely to be compatible with the floodplain.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 10.30am and reconvened at 10.45am.

Anthony van de Water said he is impressed with the Kobus Mentz Urban Plan but not one item in Renwick has been implemented. Mr van de Water also wants Council to take pro-active action to improve road safety within Renwick township i.e. Pak-Lims Road and Gee Street/SH6/Boyce Street/Terrace Road intersection; Boyce Street widening//kerbing/marking; and smooth road surfaces rather than cheap ineffective repairs.

Phil Brown of Phil Brown Motors would like to see the Alfred Street car park building which stands on the former site of Lucas Brothers Ford Dealership which operated for some 60 years (Mr Brown was a former employee), be named the 'Lucas Car park'. He showed a photograph which he is willing to donate of the Lucas Brothers site taken in 1930 to hang in the foyer of the building along with a short history of the site.

Vicky Nalder speaking to the Nelson/Marlborough Branch of New Zealand Institute of Surveyors' tabled information requested that the Council leave the Development Contributions at the level currently set and delete the remissions level. They also requested that Council look at the option to allow the Reserve Fund Contributions to be paid at Building Consent stage for rural subdivision where it is proposed in the application that no residential dwellings will be erected. Ms Nalder said they submitted to last year's annual plan on this same issue on Rural Reserve Fund and they understood this was to be referred to the Community and Financial Planning Committee for consideration; they were not aware that this had occurred to date. They asked that the Community and Finance Committee consider the request in 2014.

Elsbeth Wells, an elderly lady in her nineties said she strongly objects to the proposal to relocate the library near the river; she has issue with losing the bus stop. It is convenient for library users having a bus stop in close proximity. She suggested may be putting a new building where the current theatre is located as it is close to the bus stop. Mrs Wells suggested a new library could have a café upstairs along with other things including space for children to play.

Ninety-four year old Pam Jungersen would like to see a classic and gracious looking building housing a new library on the High Street site if there is enough land, however feels that the Civic Theatre site could also be good. She is for a new library having other things like a café. Mrs Jungersen said Blenheim is a small country town; it doesn't have to be modernised. People like the weather.

John Butt of Butt Drilling Ltd is disappointed that water quality in outlying communities is not being attended to. He had an experience regarding water quality in Seddon at Easter and found that it was not a good

advertisement for tourists when using facilities there. Cllr Evans told him that Council is going to do work on it.

Marlborough Provincial Past President, Gary Barnett, presented the submission of Marlborough Province Federated Farmers and in so doing firstly introduced the new President, Greg Harris. Mr Barnett presented a number of recommendations relating to changes to Land Value and resulting Volatility in Rates; Shift to Capital Value Rating; Rates Remission for Anomalous or Iniquitous Rates Increases; Uniform Annual Charges and District Wide Targeted Rates; Road Related Costs; Transparency; Use of Debt; Community Facilities; Flaxbourne Irrigation Scheme; Floodwater and Stormwater; and Tourist.

Mr Barnett said their submission on Road Related Costs needed more extensive discussion. In response to their recommendation with Council providing more in-depth information on the rates database, the Financial Services Manager, Murray South, advised Mr Barnett that the information is available on request.

Yvonne Wratt representing the Grovetown Residents' Association said it was unfair the rates being charged to Grovetown ratepayers. They request that the loan rates and charges paid by Grovetown ratepayers for Council owned sewerage infrastructure be reviewed and be more in line with what other ratepayers in the wider Marlborough community are paying. They say there is the option for councillors to reduce the interest rate percentage on the internal loan or as with other sewerage connections and upgrade work include the costs in the combined Blenheim sewerage rating area of which Grovetown is part of.

The Association also submits that since the sewerage scheme was installed there is the inability for many of the property owners subdividing their residential sections due to there being no storm water plan. Ratepayers who own bare sections are currently paying hundreds of dollars each year in sewerage rates and charges including interest along with other area rates with no prospect of being able to build. It was noted that there has been a lot of work already done on a storm water plan.

The Awatere Rugby Football Club Inc was represented by James Jermyn. He said that as a result of the recent earthquake when some buildings in Seddon were damaged, the Awatere Rugby Football Club outlined their vision for rebuilds and repairs to those buildings to cater for sporting needs in the Awatere for the future without creating duplication and unnecessary expenditure. In response to questioning he said that a shift of the changing rooms to the club rooms has not been discussed.

Margaret McHugh tabled further information on her submission. Ms McHugh said that they fully support core services in the Marlborough District having first priority from the rates i.e. sewerage, water supply, solid waste, storm water, flood protection, footpaths, roads and foreshore lighting. The proposed funding for Coastal Monitoring strategy implementation of \$337,000 should come from users of the resource e.g. fishing, coastal traders, ferries and the like, not from the ratepayers of Marlborough. Does not agree with the proposed Commercial Events Fund of \$75,000; believes that Council must work within the generous allocated funds so far. With regard to the proposed funding of \$290,000 for Smart and Connected, mentioned the \$120,000 shared promotion led by Wellington and suggested that the total of \$485,000 be retained by Council until it is proven that we are at least starting to be smart and connected.

Ms McHugh thinks the time is right for rental cars on the sea front area on Port Marlborough/Council land be made available in the busy summer season for public metered car parking. Rental firms will have to find alternative privately owned land. Mention was also made of finding a way to help Rainbow Ski Field build on the quiet winter and shoulder seasons; Picton spa hotel investment on the Picton foreshore; freedom camping, water collection tanks on site for new dwellings; and Picton High Street Development – asked that consideration of fruit tree planting be given in the Marlborough District; and Destination Marlborough - \$200,000 funding request.

Ms McHugh said that it is about time an investigation/strategy was undertaken making Picton and the Marlborough Sounds an entity on its own under the umbrella of Destination Marlborough based on the conception of the hugely successful Lake Wanaka Tourism Inc. The Destination Marlborough Trust receives the majority of its income by way of annual grant from the Council, some of which are a 'targeted rate'. Tourist businesses in Marlborough pay an additional amount through their rates and have to pay again to get any business plus pay a percentage if they get some business.

Lil Broadhurst of the Awatere Community Trust tabled information on the Awatere community pool building repair. Funding of \$153,558.49 was requested to provide additional works in conjunction with the reinstatement of the original pool facility (of which funding has previously been approved).

The Trust also requested an increase of \$2,500 in their annual facilities grant of \$45,000 for electricity, training staff for the pool and pool wages. They also requested a grant of \$5,000 to reimburse individual trustees' costs associated with administering the purposes of the Trust and in particular its contract with the Council.

The Trust support having a multi-purpose sports building constructed for all sporting codes and community groups as it should be more cost effective to have the one building.

Vicki Nalder on behalf of the Marlborough Softball Association tabled further information on the development of Lansdowne Park north for a dedicated softball park. The Committee will be working closely with the council Reserves Section with regard to the layout, infrastructure and financing of the venture to ensure that there is a positive outcome for all. Ms Nalder said that the Committee sees that if a plan can be agreed on then its members would get behind major fundraising and be actively involved with any shift.

Ray Alexander supports the Council's vision to be Smart and Connected with this region. His submission centred on concerns regarding the overall far reaching impact of the liability for social and revenue needs to cover the Government's transference of legalisational responsibilities on to the local bodies. His main focus was on the repercussions in relation of the unfair, unequal rating and housing costs to the ratepayers.

Graeme Ward spoke of the parking issues in Beach Road, Waikawa Bay and the solution of the road being widened. He feels a realistic short term only Council response could be for a yellow 'no stopping' line be painted the length of one side of the roadway. He said something has to be done now. Cllr Oddie said there needed to be interim measures undertaken and would be speaking with Marlborough Roads in the next few days.

Jim Newman gave a presentation on a concept i.e. the establishment of a Council controlled Marlborough International Visitor Centre incorporating the Blenheim railway station building. He is looking for support from a wide variety of potential stake holders to establish what he believes is a viable and unique tourism opportunity for Blenheim.

Council, through community grants and tourism and regional development funds would have to be the main funding source. Mr Newman was advised that KiwiRail who own the building are looking for tenants.

David Winstanley spoke of his concern at all the empty shops in the CBD – 21 and rising he said. Council needs to help make it easier for someone to start up a business which will help fill the vacant shops.

He spoke on converting Market Street North into an area for pedestrians only thereby closing the street at Alfred Street to vehicles. He suggested the area could be a mix of grass and pavings. Mr Winstanley feels that having a library near the river at the end of High Street would be a good move as it would draw more people to the north end of town.

Mr Winstanley acknowledged there is more than sufficient parking available and the Alfred Street car park building is good, however serious consideration needs to be given to the requirement of Council on businesses going into certain areas whereby they are required to provide parks or pay. He believes parking fees are cheap and could be increased however consideration could be given to installing meters which provide a time of so many minutes free before the cost cuts in - this could be considered when the existing meters are replaced.

Russell Hopkins presenting on behalf of the Marlborough Road Safety Community Group introduced mobility scooter riders Sir Robin Campbell and Barbara James who spoke to the Group's submission. Sir Campbell said they needed help with intersections particularly being able to tell where the bevelled edges were and he would like to see them marked with bright paint to make them stand out more; this has not been welcomed by NZTA said Mr Hopkins. Mrs James said there needed to be more signs on pedestrian crossings. Mr Hopkins said there are more than 500 mobility scooter users in Marlborough. The Group advocates to Council for the rights of mobility scooter users to be comfortable and safe when using the footpath and roading network within Marlborough. They ask for more emphasis be given to the needs of mobility scooter

users in the Annual Plan but within existing roading budgets. They submitted a number of recommendations. Mr Hopkins said they have developed a policy and they would like Council to advise Marlborough Roads that it supports the policy.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 3.10pm and reconvened at 3.20pm.

Clare Pinder speaking on behalf of Sustain Our Sounds said that users of coastal space should pay for coastal monitoring, such as the aquaculture industry, fisheries, ferry and tourism operators. Cllr Hook questioned whether there should be a charge on occupying a space such as moorings. Mrs Pinker said they are not a business and do not pollute as mussel farms.

Ed Gilhooly, supported by Geoff Barnett, presented Marlborough Cricket Association's submission. They requested that Council cover the cost of replacement matting as part of the upgrade to practice nets at Horton Park. The quote received for this work is \$22,481 which equates to nearly 50% of the total upgrade cost. They also requested the construction of practice nets at College Park be included in the draft Annual Plan 2014/15 based on a 50/50 cost share basis with Marlborough Cricket. Mr Gilhooly said the Horton Park Pavilion Committee has asked Council to prioritise the removal of the large tree standing to the east of the pavilion next to the practice nets on a cost share basis.

Representing the Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Nelson Marlborough Area Inc, Kerry Hamilton asked that the Oliver Park fenced playground area be upgraded. She advised that the playground is one of two playgrounds available in Marlborough focused on the under 5 age group.

Rick Edmond spoke to The Link Pathway Trust's submission which requested further funding of \$75,000 per annum over the next four years which will be the estimated time to complete the Link Pathway project - a pathway between Picton and Havelock with a link from Linkwater to Anakiwa which will enable walking/running/mountain-biking from Picton to Havelock or beyond, including Ship Cove. Rick Edmond, co-ordinator of the Pathway project was congratulated by the Mayor on a job well done as he said it wouldn't have happened otherwise. Mr Edmonds said there are no real physical challenges left in response to a question as to whether there are other things to solve over the next 4 years apart from funding. Another response with regard to what other funding had been sourced, was significant applications had been made to other sources. The first year's funding of \$75,000 would be used on a comprehensive plan.

Lynette Rayner speaking on behalf of Marlborough Netball said that remedial work of the facilities at Horton Park needed doing. They requested funding for the upgrade of two court surfaces (\$80,000 to \$130,000); some of the lighting (\$165,000) that will suffice until a definitive timeline is put on the relocation to Lansdowne Park (or the Stadium 2000 southern car park) and storm water upgrade.

Scott Adams, Coatbridge Limited asked that Council put money into control works of the Wairau Flood Plains above the Waihopai. He asked why Council did not do river protection in this area. Cllr Evans said the Rivers team will be reporting to the Assets and Services Committee on the current state of the river works above the Waihopai. Mr Adams was also advised that there were a lot of issues and was asked who would pay the rates. Other people in the area were not aware of his concerns.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 4.50pm and reconvened on 5th June at 8.45am.

A number of ratepayers spoke in objection to the proposal of transferring 58 properties from the eastern point of Waikawa Bay to Karaka Point and including 351 Port Underwood Road from the Picton vicinity geographic rating area to the Picton geographic rating area.

Richard Rose representing the Karaka Point and Environs Residents Inc spoke to tabled supplementary information. Mr Rose said they were shocked to learn of the proposal to move their properties back into Picton Geographic Rating Area so soon after the High Court decision quashing the previous attempt. They recommended that Council not adopt the proposal; any discussion around movement of rating areas needed full consultation with all property owners who receive the same or similar benefits within Picton Vicinity. They were willing to sit down and discuss in a broader sense. The Mayor said that Council was not attempting to railroad the issue through the Annual Plan process, it was a Long Term Plan issue and he said Council was happy to have dialogue with them.

Martin Hay on behalf of the Tironui Trust – Hay Family said they opposed the proposal to move their property to within the Picton Rating Boundary. The subject land values are disproportionate he said to Picton rating land values as land parcels in the area affected are generally much larger. The current rating system is based on land value whilst much of Council's justification to change rates is based on housing quality and is not relevant. They don't agree the predominant character of dwellings in the subject area can be determined by the value of improvements. Refuse aside roading is the single most direct benefit to Karaka Point residents; however roads provide a general benefit to all residents. The residents have roads at a lower standard relative to those within the Picton rating area and are regularly damaged by landslip and also by heavy duty truck movements. Mr Hay said that Council has disadvantaged residents by not allowing sufficient time for consultation and to adequately explain its position.

Rebecca Woledge, the secretary of the Karaka Point and Environs Incorporated Society, tabled extensive supplementary information which she read out in opposition to the proposal. Mrs Woledge said that whilst her views largely represented those of the society she made the submission on behalf of her family.

Mrs Woledge's submission discussed issues from a report on the Picton/Picton vicinity Geographic Area that the Council's Corporate Finance Manager put to Council's February 2014 Budget Meeting under the headings of Background; Contiguity; Intensity of Development; Character of Dwelling; Where to Stop; Services Provided and Comparative Rates with accurate statistics that looked at the whole of Picton Vicinity.

They believe they should remain in the Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Area as they find the analysis undertaken to inform them of the issues related to considering whether or not to move Karaka Point from its current Picton Vicinity to Picton Rating area are very one sided and do not accurately reflect the actual situation.

Khalid Suleiman, the treasurer of the Karaka Point and Environs Incorporated Society, also tabled extensive supplementary information which he read out; his views largely represented those of the society, however, made the submission on behalf of himself and his family. His parents own a property in Sunshine Bay which is affected by the proposal. He is disappointed that the Council is proposing the rating change again so soon after the same proposal was quashed in the High Court. Mr Suleiman's submission also related to Mr Fletcher's report to Council's Budget Meeting in February this year. He said that councillors should vote to remove the proposal from the Draft Annual Plan and forget the proposal or enter into negotiations with all of the Picton Vicinity ratepayers with properties smaller than 1ha in keeping with the Blenheim rating requirements.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 11.10am and reconvened at 11.30am. Cllr Leggett withdrew from the hearing at 11.10am.

Alan Izard spoke on behalf of himself and his wife and tabled supplementary information. He said they are very disappointed and disillusioned with Council relating to its repeated move to include properties from 79 to 351 Port Underwood Road into the PGRA and cannot follow any sound reasons why this should be. He enlarged on a number of points.

Geoff Tyson spoke to his and his wife's submission which detailed a number of reasons why they opposed the proposal.

Mr Tyson said there has been no information provided on how the Council has introduced contiguous boundary as a mechanism for defining rating boundaries. They would like clarified guidelines for setting rating areas. Council has not identified the areas of unoccupied and/or unstable land that cannot be developed even though it may have been subdivided from adjoining farmland.

Bill Brehaut said there are not a lot of permanent residents at Karaka Point. The submission questions the three reasons Council offers for the proposed zone change.

Dr Brehaut asked what they get for this massive hike in rates. They don't have footpaths, street lighting, kerb channelling; they don't usually have river floods along their road; and they don't have storm water problems. They should not be subsidising consents and compliance fees; and they don't enjoy reserves along their road other than those of the Department of Conservation.

Bruce Carey speaking on behalf of Palmbank no 1 Trust said there was no advice from Council of the change. They strongly oppose Council's current proposal. Surely Council must accept that the range and level of amenities available to them are in no way comparable to those provided for residents in the existing Picton Rating Area.

Don Miller said the argument that the affected ratepayers have full access to the services (other than water and sewerage) is not completely accurate. They do not have a footpath to their properties and the footpaths of Picton itself thus have less value to them than to residents of the Picton area. The road between Waikawa and Karaka Point is built on challenging terrain and is already not fit for purpose. The numerous truck and trailer units using this stretch of road are obliged to cross the centre line to negotiate a number of blind corners creating a very real hazard.

Mr Miller spoke to tabled supplementary information which concentrated on the need and the problems of providing a footpath along Port Underwood Road between 78 and 351 Port Underwood Road.

Gavin Bayliss spoke to tabled supplementary information in opposition to the proposal to transfer 58 properties at Karaka Point into the Picton Geographical Rating Area. Mr Bayliss said the judgement of Mr Justice France published on 21 October 2013 emphasised that there must be a significant change to justify the increase in rates for the affected area and he clearly demonstrated that such a change had not occurred. He does not accept paying a massive increase in rates to subsidise the existing Picton rating area which generally receives all services - sewer and water, stormwater drainage, kerbing, berms, footpaths, and street lighting. Also, he said, the new reasons stated in the Draft Annual Plan have no validity to support such an increase.

Mr Bayliss said it will cost Council more in Court costs if they do not drop the proposal.

The hearing concluded at 12.30pm.

Record No. 14139369

5. Adoption of the 2014-15 Annual Plan

(also refer to separately circulated attachment)

(The Mayor)

S360-02

Purpose

1. To adopt the final Annual Plan document for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.

Background

2. Council at its 9 June 2014 meeting made decisions on all matters raised in submissions on it Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan.
3. Council also resolved:
The Mayor/Clr Arbuckle:
That the 2014-15 Annual Plan be amended as appropriate to incorporate the decisions made by Council on submissions, and that the revised budgets and resultant rates and charges be adopted for inclusion in the 2014-15 Annual Plan.

Carried

4. The minutes of the 9 June 2014 Council meeting are on the Agenda for confirmation at this meeting with only issues of accuracy able to be raised.
5. The 2014-15 Annual Plan document, as amended in terms of the decisions made, will be **separately circulated**.

RECOMMENDED

That Council adopt the Annual Plan for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.

6. Setting of Rates for the 2014-15 Financial Year

(also refer to separate attachment)

(The Mayor) (Report prepared by M South)

R135-12

1. **Attached separately** is the schedule of rates and charges to be set for the 2014-15 financial year to give effect to the decisions made by Council on 9 June 2014.

RECOMMENDED

That the Marlborough District Council set the rates and charges, as set out in the schedule hereto, under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the District for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2014 and ending on 30 June 2015.

7. Building Control Fees

(Clr Oddie) (Report prepared by Bill East)

R450-002-B01, R450-002-G01

Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Council of the decision of the delegated sub-committee in respect of the proposed Building Control fees as **attached**.

Background

2. At the Environment Committee on 28 November 2013 delegation was given to a Sub-Committee of Clrs Oddie (Chair), Shenfield and Arbuckle to hear and determine submissions on the proposed Building Control fees.
3. The Sub-Committee have now completed their determination and this is **attached** below.

RECOMMENDED

That the report from the Sub-Committee appointed to hear and determine submissions on the proposed Building Control fees be received.

**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
BUILDING CONTROL FEES SUB-COMMITTEE
held in the Spring Creek Room, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 12 JUNE 2014 commencing at 12.30 pm**

Present

Councillors D D Oddie (Chairperson), J A Arbuckle and L M Shenfield.

In Attendance

Mr H Versteegh (Manager, Regulatory Department), Mr B East (Building Control Group Leader, Regulatory Department) and Sue Bulfield-Johnston (Committee Secretary).

Revision of Building Control Fees

R450-002-B01, R450-002-G01

Background

At the 28 November 2013 Environment Committee meeting the following proposal was brought before the Committee by Mr B East, Council's Building Control Group Leader:-

- *That the current Building Consent Fee structure be increased by 3% each year for each of the next three years, subject to the outcome of consultation.*
- *That additional fee ranges be created for Band B work. \$20,001.00 to \$50,000.00 and \$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00.*
- *The proposed fees to be publicly notified and the special consultative process commence.*

At the meeting, the Committee agreed this proposal should progress to notification and consultation.

At the same time, the Committee established a Building Control Fee Sub-Committee and provided it the ability to hear and determine any submissions arising from the notification of this proposed policy. The Sub-Committee comprised Cllr D D Oddie (Chairperson), Cllrs J A Arbuckle and Cllr L M Shenfield.

The proposal was notified on Thursday 6 March 2014 with the close of submission on Thursday 17 April 2014. The proposal attracted one submission in opposition from Mr David Campbell of Stonewood Homes. In his submission, Mr Campbell stated a wish to be heard so a hearing of his submission took place on Tuesday 27 May 2014.

One of the issues raised by Mr Campbell related to the use of a rounding mechanism when calculating the percentage of increase for each year of the term of the proposal. Specifically the difference between the percentage increase when calculated as a flat rate and when calculated using the rounding mechanism.

Deliberation on 12 June 2014

The Sub-Committee convened to consider the proposal and submission received. In its discussion the following matters were covered:

- The proposed fee structure incorporates a rounding mechanism that, if utilised, will result in the fees increasing for each of the next three years on average between 3% and 4%.

- Restricting the annual fee increase to a flat rate of 3% will result in a shortfall of \$21,605.00 for one year alone. The shortfall is estimated to exceed \$64,000.00 over the three year term of the proposal. The shortfall would have to be met by ratepayer funding.

The Sub-Committee reached the following decision.

Cllrs Oddie/Arbuckle:

- **That the current Building Consent Fee structure be increased by 3% each year for each of the next three years. The rounding mechanism be incorporated in the annual percentage calculation.**
- **That additional fee ranges be created for Band B work. \$20,001.00 to \$50,000.00 and \$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00.**

Carried

NB: Cllr Shenfield requested that her vote be recorded as supporting the proposal in part. She accepted the increase but held the view that the increase should be applied as a flat rate of 3% per year for the next three years, as notified.

Building Consent Fees 2014/2015

All fees are GST inclusive and rounded to the nearest \$50 for Bands A-B and to the nearest \$10 for Bands C-E.

Band	Consent Category	Value (\$)	Range	Current Fees 2013				3%	Fee increase 2014/15			
				Zone 1 (\$)	Zone 2 (\$)	Zone 3 (\$)	Zone 4 (\$)		Updated fee for each zone			
				Zone 1 (\$)	Zone 2 (\$)	Zone 3 (\$)	Zone 4 (\$)	Zone 1 (\$)	Zone 2 (\$)	Zone 3 (\$)	Zone 4 (\$)	
Band A	Commercial, Industrial, Communal res, Communal non res, New dwelling	Up to \$200,000	Single storey	3,500	3,700	3,900	5,500	3,650	3,850	4,050	5,700	
			With any part more than single storey	3,700	3,900	4,100	6,000	3,850	4,050	4,250	6,200	
		\$200,001 - \$400,000	Single storey	3,800	4,000	4,200	7,100	3,950	4,150	4,350	7,350	
			With any part more than single storey	4,400	4,600	4,900	7,800	4,550	4,750	5,050	8,050	
		\$400,001 - \$800,000	Single storey	4,500	4,800	5,000	7,900	4,650	4,950	5,150	8,150	
			With any part more than single storey	4,800	5,100	5,500	8,400	4,950	5,300	5,700	8,700	
\$800,001 - \$1,500,000	Single storey	5,300	5,500	5,700	8,600	5,500	5,700	5,900	8,900			
\$1,500,001 - \$4,000,000	With any part more than single storey	5,800	6,000	6,200	9,100	6,000	6,200	6,400	9,400			
\$4,000,001 upward	N/A	8,500	9,000	9,500	11,500	8,800	9,300	9,800	11,850			
				10,500	11,000	11,500	13,500	10,850	11,350	11,850	13,950	
Band B	Significant projects will be charged as new work Dwelling addn, Commercial addn, Industrial addn, Communal addn non res, Outbuildings, Removal and demolition, Relocated to this site, Ancillary buildings.	N/A	Minor works < \$5,000	350	400	550	1,150	400	450	600	1,200	
			\$5,001 - \$20,000	850	1,050	1,250	1,850	900	1,100	1,300	1,950	
			\$20,001 - \$50,000	1,450	1,590	1,730	3,760	1,500	1,650	1,800	3,900	
			\$50,001 - \$100,000	2,340	2,480	2,620	4,650	2,450	2,600	2,700	4,800	
			\$100,001 - \$400,000	3,200	3,280	3,420	5,450	3,300	3,400	3,550	5,650	
			\$400,001 - \$800,000	4,200	4,400	7,500	9,500	4,350	4,550	7,750	9,800	
Band C	Drainage, Sewer Scheme, Solid fuel heaters	N/A	Installation of new or existing	320	340	360	650	330	360	380	670	
Band D	Marquees		Standard Marquees	200	220	240	530	210	230	250	550	
Band E	Multi use approval applications	N/A	Up to \$5000	91	131	171	751	100	140	180	780	
			5001-20000	182	262	342	1,502	190	270	360	1,550	
			20001-100000	284	364	444	1,604	300	380	460	1,660	
			100000-500000	427	547	667	2,407	440	570	690	2,480	
			500001 and above	650	790	930	2,960	670	820	960	3,050	

Miscellaneous Building Consent Fees

To be charged when they apply:

- Structural component - consultants review fee Consultants Fee plus 15%
- Specialist advice - consultants review fee Consultants Fee plus 15%
- Recovery of charges by New Zealand Fire Service As Charged plus 15%

	Fee increase of:	
		3%
Miscellaneous Building Consent Fees (incl. of GST unless stated)	Current fees at 2013	2014/15 updated fees
To be charged when they apply:		
· Structural component - consultants review fee	Consultants Fee plus 15%	Consultants Fee plus 15%
· Specialist advice - consultants review fee	Consultants Fee plus 15%	Consultants Fee plus 15%
· Recovery of charges by New Zealand Fire Service	As Charged plus 15%	As Charged plus 15%
Other Agency Charges		
Levies (calculated exclusive (net) of GST)		
BRANZ Levy - collected on behalf by MDC		
· Less than \$20,000	No Charge	No Charge
· \$20,000 and greater	\$1.00 per \$1000	\$1.00 per \$1000
MBIE Levy - collected on behalf by MDC		
· Less than \$20,000	No Charge	No Charge
· \$20,000 and greater	\$2.01 per \$1000	\$2.01 per \$1000
Related Matters		
· S71 Building Act Title Notations	\$800.00	\$830.00
· S75 Building Act Title Notations	\$800.00	\$830.00
· Waivers from the NZ Building Code - Application fee	\$153.00	\$160.00
· Waivers from the NZ Building Code - Processing fee	\$102.00	\$110.00
· Exemptions from swimming pool fencing requirements	\$153.00	\$160.00
· Cancellation of building consent	\$51.00	\$60.00
· Processing of full Private BCA Applications	\$120.00	\$130.00
· Officer charge out rate for work not covered by the Fee Schedule (per hour)	\$106.00	\$110.00
· Inspection fees when not part of a consent application	\$123.00	\$130.00
Building Warrants of Fitness and Compliance Schedules		
· Annual charge for all premises with Compliance Schedules	\$31.00	\$40.00
· Compliance Schedules (for first system)	\$61.00	\$70.00
· Compliance Schedules (for each subsequent system)	\$31.00	\$40.00
· Inspections for Building Warrants of Fitness	\$123.00	\$130.00
· Amendments to Compliance Schedules	\$150.00	\$160.00
Certificate of Acceptance		
· Application fee	\$510.00	\$530.00
· Administration fee	\$26.00	\$30.00
· Processing fee (1% of the value of the work)	1%	1.2%
· Minor certificate of acceptance	\$300.00	\$310.00
Certificate for public use		
· Application fee	\$25.60	\$30.00
· Administration fee	\$102.00	\$110.00
· Each inspection	\$123.00	\$130.00
Notices to fix/Serving notices	\$153.00	\$160.00
Dam Safety Assurance Programmes		
· Reclassification of dam: Lodgement fee	\$51.00	\$60.00
· Logment of dam safety assurance programme	\$51.00	\$60.00
· Logment of dam safety compliance certificate	\$51.00	\$60.00
· Adm costs for transmitting reviews, clarifications or re-audit requirements	\$51.00	\$60.00
· Reviews, clarifications or re-audit by recognised engineer	As Charged plus 7.5%	As Charged plus 8%

8. Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Decided That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes
- Committee Reports (Public Excluded Sections)

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

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Minutes and Committee Reports	As set out in the Minutes and Reports	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.