

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
Marlborough District Council
held in the Council Chambers, Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 3 APRIL 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, J C Leggett, D D Oddie, L M Shenfield and T M Sloan.

In Attendance

Messrs M S Wheeler (Deputy Chief Executive), A P Quirk (District Secretary) and M J Porter (Democratic Support Manager).

Prayer

The meeting opened with a prayer.

C.13/14.351 Introduction of Additional Item -

The Mayor/Cllr Arbuckle:

That the following additional item be considered for reason of the urgent nature of the business and insufficient time being available to include the item on the original Agenda and Meeting Notice.

In Public Excluded:

- **Destination Marlborough Trust – Appointment of Trustee**

Carried

C.13/14.352 Confirmation of Minutes -

Concern was raised with the absence in the commentary of comments made in relation to Minute No. C.13/14.291 (Harbour Function – Budget Increase) on the charging of fees for cruise ships. The Mayor ruled that those comments are not to be included in the commentary.

The Mayor/Cllr Barsanti:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 February 2014 (Minute Nos. C.13/14.272 to C.13/14.307) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

NB: Cllr Sloan declared an interest in Minute No. C.13/14.306 above and did not take part nor vote on the issue.

Committee Reports**C.13/14.353 Resource Hearing Committee Decision -**

Cllrs Oddie/Arbuckle:

That the Resource Hearing Committee Decision as contained within the report dated 19 December 2013 (U110328) be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.354 Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions -

Clrs Oddie/Arbuckle:

That the Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions as contained within the reports dated 6 November 2013 (U130217), 12 November 2013 (U130376 & U100687), 20 November 2013 (U130046), 22 November 2013 (U130035), 25 November 2013 (U130538), 27 November 2013 (U130589), 16 December 2013 (U130474), 17 December 2013 (U130422) and 23 January 2014 (U130125) be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.355 Community & Financial Planning Committee -

The Committee Chairperson spoke on a Marlborough Youth Trust meeting held last night (refer Minute No. A.13/14.309 (Marlborough Youth Trust – Youth Hub Feasibility Study Report)). The Committee Chair advised that the Trust had given its reassurance that Council would not be a major funder of the proposed Youth Hub. Minutes of the meeting are available from the Committee Chair.

It was noted that Clr Bagge had voted against Minute No. A.13/14.311 (2014-15 Statement of Intent – MDC Holdings Limited), but that the minutes of the meeting do not reflect that. The minutes of the meeting are to be amended accordingly. Concern was also raised with the absence in the commentary of concerns raised by some Councillors over the performance measures. The Mayor ruled that those concerns are not to be included in the commentary.

Clrs Leggett/Brooks:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. A.13/14.308 to A.13/14.316 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

NB: Clr Barsanti declared an interest in Minute No. A.13/14.309 above and did not take part nor vote on the issue.

NB: Clr Bagge voted against Minute No. A.13/14.311.

C.13/14.356 Assets & Services Committee -

The Committee Chairperson advised that a number of Councillors and staff had met with Waikakaho Residents last night (Minute No. P.13/14.331 (Waikakaho Road Dust) refers) regarding the dust problems. He advised that the Waikakaho Residents' group will be coming back with a firm option on what they want to happen.

In relation to Minute No. P.13/14.335 (Kerbside Collection Expansion to Renwick, Grovetown, Spring Creek, Tuamarina and Rarangi) it was acknowledged that the portfolio holder had included the Wairau/Awatere Councillors in the consultation process and especially the Soapbox article in the Saturday Express of 29 March 2014.

Clrs Sloan/Bagge:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. P.13/14.330 to P.13/14.338 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.357 Environment Committee -

Clrs Jerram/Barsanti:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. R.13/14.339 to R.13/14.350 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.358 Regional Transport Committee -

The Committee Chairperson pointed out that in relation to Minute No. X.13/14.323 (Transport Generated Dust – Monitoring – Inclusion in the RLTP) that the funding assistance rate was 56%, however special reserve funding could increase that assistance and was being lobbied for.

Cirs Sloan/Leggett:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. X.13/14.317 to X.13/14.323 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

C.13/14.359 Grants Sub-Committee -

Cirs Bagge/Shenfield:

That the Sub-Committee report contained within Minute Nos. X.13/14.324 to X.13/14.329 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

NB: Cllr Andrews declared an interest in the Marlborough Historical Society application (Minute No. X.13/14.328) above and did not take part nor vote on the issue.

C.13/14.360 Renwick Community Memorial Hall Committee **L150-001-R04C**

Members noted that the constitution for the Hall Committee provides for Council to appoint three community representatives. The request was that the existing appointees of Antony van de Water, Margaret Gage and Jeff Hammond be reappointed.

A second motion was moved at the meeting to request that the Council representatives be requested to provide to Council a quarterly report on the Renwick Community Hall Committee activities.

The Mayor/Cllr Evans:

- 1. That the Council representatives be Anthony van de Water, Margaret Gage and Jeff Hammond.**
- 2. That the Council representatives on the Renwick Community Hall Committee be requested to provide to Council a quarterly report on the Renwick Community Hall Committee activities.**

Carried

C.13/14.361 Adoption of *Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan* S360-03

Staff reported that the purpose of the report was for Council to formally adopt the *Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan* (Draft Plan) as the Statement of Proposal, including the Long Term Plan variation to move 58 Karaka Point properties from the Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Area to the Picton Geographic Rating Area, for consultation with the public. The Draft Plan document, along with a Draft Plan Summary document, was circulated separately to the Agenda.

Members noted that Council at its 27 February 2014 meeting approved the draft budget for the 2014-15 financial year. The Draft Plan will be available to the public from 3 April 2014. Submissions on the Draft Plan close at 5.00 pm on Thursday 8 May 2014.

Some Councillors were against the inclusion of the Long Term Plan variation to move 58 Karaka Point properties from the Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Area to the Picton Geographic Rating Area in the Draft Plan document, citing that the consultation should not be rushed as the consultation needed to be robust, thorough and complete, it would be hard to explain and that there were several alternatives to the proposal in any event. It was reiterated that the consultation would be thorough and that Council still would need to debate the issue in June as to whether to include the variation in the 2014-15 Annual Plan or not.

Levels of service and savings were briefly touched on with the Mayor reminding councillors of the proposed discussion coming up. It was also noted that the big items of expenditure had already been through the Committee process.

The consultation process was briefly discussed with some Councillors enthusiastic about working out ways in which to engage the public.

It was agreed that the questions on the front page of the Summary document should also be included on the front page of the Draft Plan document.

The Mayor/Clr Sloan:

1. That Council adopt the *Draft 2014-15 Annual Plan* document as the Statement of Proposal for consultation purposes which includes the Statement of Proposal for the Long Term Plan variation of moving 58 Karaka Point properties from the Picton Vicinity Geographic Rating Area to the Picton Geographic Rating Area.
2. That Council adopt the Summary document of the information contained in the Statement of Proposal for consultation purposes.

Carried

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

C.13/14.362 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

The Mayor/Clr Barsanti:

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)
- Destination Marlborough Trust – Appointment of Trustee

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.
Destination Marlborough Trust – Appointment of Trustee	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

