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Notice of Council Meeting – Thursday, 24 June 2021

Notice of the Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on Thursday, 24 June 2021 to commence at 9.00 am.

BUSINESS

As per Order Paper attached.

**MARK WHEELER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**



**Order Paper for the
COUNCIL MEETING**
to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 24 JUNE 2021 commencing at 9.00 am

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1. Karakia

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa
E te Atua tō mātou Kai-hanga,
ka tiāho te maramatanga me te ora, i āu kupu kōrero,
ka tīmata āu mahi, ka mau te tika me te aroha;
meatia kia ū tonu ki a mātou
tōu aroha i roto i tēnei huihuinga.
Whakakī a matou whakaaro ā mātou mahi katoa,
e tōu Wairua Tapu.
Āmine.

(God our Creator,
when you speak there is light and life,
when you act there is justice and love;
grant that your love may be present in our meeting.
So that what we say and what we do may be filled with your Holy Spirit.
Amen.)

2. Apologies

3. Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13 May 2021
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0521-362 to Cncl-0521-369)

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
Marlborough District Council
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 13 MAY 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

The Mayor J C Leggett (in the Chair), Cirs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, B A Faulls (from 9.03 am), M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, F D Maher (from 9.10 am), M A Peters, T P Sowman and N P Taylor.

Present via Zoom

Cirs J D N Croad and D D Oddie.

In Attendance

Messrs M S Wheeler (Chief Executive), R Foitzik (General Counsel) and M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager).

Karakia

The meeting opened with a karakia.

Apology

The Mayor/Cir Taylor:

That the apology for lateness from Cir B A Faulls be received and sustained.

Carried

Mr Dan Roos (the new CEO of Clubs of Marlborough) was introduced to members.

Cncl-0521-362 Declaration of Interests -

Members were reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

A number of declarations were noted in the agenda:

- The various interests as declared under Minute Nos. Cncl-0421-322;
- The interest as declared under Minute No. A&S-0421-333 (Minute No. A&S-0421-338); and
- The interest as declared under Minute No. PF&C-0421-349 (Minute No. PF&C-0421-356).

Cncl-0521-363 Confirmation of Minutes -

The Mayor/Cir Taylor:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 1 April 2021 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0421-322 to Cncl-0421-330) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Cncl-0521-364 Confirmation of Minutes -

The Mayor/Cir Taylor:

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 9 April 2021 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0421-331 to Cncl-0421-332) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Committee Reports

Cncl-0521-365 Assets & Services Committee -

Following a question on Minute No. A&S-0421-336 (Trial Bus Service), Cllr Dawson advised that he is working with staff on setting measurable targets for each service.

Cllrs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. A&S-0421-333 to A&S-0421-339 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

Cncl-0521-366 Environment Committee -

The Mayor/Cllr Hope:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. Env-0421-340 to Env-0421-348 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

Cncl-0521-367 Planning, Finance & Community Committee -

Members discussed the concerns raised at the Planning, Finance & Community Committee meeting and the ensuing media and social media concerns regarding the installation of a lift at the initial stage of the George Street Development, rather than retrofitting at some later stage. Members noted that further work on the issue had been undertaken on the capital and operational costs of installing a lift in the proposed George Street Development. The following amending resolution was put to the meeting.

Cllrs Peters/Andrews:

That Minute Nos. PF&C-0421-354 be amended to read:

- 1. That Council notes its preference to install a lift in the proposed George Street Senior Housing Development to service the first floor units.**
- 2. That Council acknowledges the need for economy of scale for the Development to justify the cost of a lift.**
- 3. That consequently Council refers this back to the Housing for Seniors Sub-Committee to provide for installation of a lift which would be able to service the current planned development as well as a future second stage expansion of further units.**
- 4. That the Minutes of the Housing for Seniors Sub-Committee meeting held on 25 March 2021, and as amended above in resolutions 1 to 3, be ratified.**

Carried

The wording of the commentary under Minute No. PF&C-0421-350 (Destination Marlborough – Draft Annual Plan) was discussed and it was agreed that the words “and is not subject to funding from Council continuing” be added to the end of the fifth paragraph.

Cllrs Peters/Andrews:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. PF&C-0421-349 to PF&C-0421-361 be received and the recommendations, as amended above, adopted.

Carried

Cncl-0521-368 Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2021-27

W300-006-008-12

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to adopt the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) 2021-27. The report was separately attached to the Agenda (filed in CM as Record No. 2190526).

Staff reported that a Council Hearings Panel had reviewed submissions to the draft WMMP 2021-27. No substantive changes were made to the plan in response to the submissions.

Cllrs Fitzpatrick/Maher:

That Council adopt the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2021-27

Carried

Cncl-0521-369 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Clr Taylor/The Mayor:

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	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 9.36 am.

Confirmed this 24th day of June 2021

**J C LEGGETT
MAYOR**

Record No. 21118413

4. Minutes

- 4.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 21 May 2021
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0521-370 to Cncl-0521-371)

**Minutes of the
Extraordinary Meeting of the Marlborough District Council
held in the Marlborough Events Centre, 42A Alfred Street, Blenheim
on FRIDAY 21 MAY 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

The Mayor J C Leggett (in the Chair), Cirs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, B A Fauls, M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, F D Maher, M A Peters, T P Sowman and N P Taylor.

Present via Zoom

Clr D D Oddie.

In Attendance

Messrs M S Wheeler (Chief Executive), D G Heiford (Manager Economic, Community & Support Services) and M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager).

Karakia

The meeting opened with a karakia.

Apology

Cirs Taylor/Arbuckle:

That the apology for absence from Clr J D N Croad be received and sustained.

Carried

Cncl-0521-370 Declaration of Interests -

Members were reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

**Cncl-0521-371 Establishment of a Māori Ward for the 2022
Local Government Elections** -

Members noted the purpose of the report was to consider the establishment of a Māori Ward in Marlborough under the provisions of the Local Electoral (Māori Wards and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Act 2021 (the Māori Wards Act), which came into force on 02 March 2021.

Staff reported that under the provisions of the Māori Wards Act, Council is able to reconsider whether to establish a Māori Ward for the 2022 local government election, as long as any decision is made by 21 May 2021. When this matter was last considered in 2020, Council chose not to establish a Māori ward. At that time there was little interest expressed by the community and the process required to introduce a Māori ward was difficult and in other areas divisive.

Members were all given the opportunity to speak to this issue.

The Mayor/Clr Taylor:

1. **That Council establishes a Māori Ward in Marlborough for the 2022 local government election; and**
2. **That Council notes that a Māori ward must exist as an “at large” position for Marlborough.**
3. **That the analysis and options for the 2021 Representation Review include the Maori Ward and looks at options for the balance of the electoral area.**

Carried

NB: Clr Arbuckle voted against the above motion.

The meeting closed at 9.38 am.

Confirmed this day of 2021

J C LEGGETT
MAYOR

Record No. 21118417

4. Minutes

- 4.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 June 2021
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0621-375 to Cncl-0621-380)

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on TUESDAY 8 JUNE 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

The Mayor J C Leggett (in the Chair), Cllrs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, J D N Croad, B G Dawson, B A Faulls, M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, F D Maher, D D Oddie, M A Peters, T P Sowman and N P Taylor.

In Attendance

Mr M S Wheeler (Chief Executive); Mr M F Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer), Mr A J Lyall (Property & Community Facilities Manager), Mr D G Heiford (Manager Economic, Community & Support Services), Mrs C L Lake (Financial Services Manager), Mr M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager) and Ms N J Chauval (Support Services Administrator).

Karakia

The meeting opened with a karakia.

The Mayor welcomed all to the meeting.

Cncl-0621-375 Declaration of Interests

Members were reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

A number of declarations were noted in the agenda:

- The interests as declared by Cllr Taylor under submission 3549 (James Wilson [Picton Dawn Chorus]) and 3559 (Beryl Bowers [Picton Christmas Parade]);
- The interests as declared by Cllr Andrews under submissions 3610 (Jillian Trayling [Marlborough Heritage Trust]) and 3504 (Ian Simmons [NZMCA Marlborough]);
- The interests as declared by Cllr Dawson under submission 3622 (Nigel Muir [Sport Tasman]) and 3564 (Pete Coldwell [Marlborough Chamber of Commerce]);
- The interest as declared by Cllr Sowman under submission 3606 (Edward Gilhooly [Marlborough Cricket Association Incorporated]).
- The interest as declared by Cllr Hope under submission 3602 (Augusta van Wijk [Bragato Research Institute]).
- The interest as declared by Cllr Faulls under submissions 3607 (Rick Edmonds [Link Pathway Trust]);

Cncl-0621-376 Introduction of Additional Items

The Mayor/Cllr Arbuckle:

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

In Open Meeting:

Parking Update – May 2021 Financials.

Carried

Cncl-0621-377 Outcome of Consultation Summary F230-L21-09-03

Mr Fletcher advised that the purpose of the report was to provide Councillors with a summary of the submissions made on the proposals contained in Council's 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document.

Mr Fletcher advised that during this year's consultation process Council received 130 submissions. This number compares to the 193, 118, and 305 received over the past three years. Of the 130 submissions 86 indicated that they wished to speak which compares to the 60, 86 and 138 over the previous three years. For the majority of the questions asked, ratepayers have submitted in favour of Council's proposals. A graph taken from the submission database was attached to the report.

A number of the submitters also took the opportunity of making suggestions on areas outside the questions posed. On the graph, these are shown in the dark blue columns outside the large columns relating to the questions in the Consultation Document. These submissions were commented on individually by staff where appropriate.

Mr Fletcher summarised each of the question responses (1 to 12) and this is detailed in the report.

The Mayor/Clr Taylor:

That Council:

1. **Note that submitters are generally in favour of directions proposed by Council in its Consultation Document.**
2. **Agree to upgrading the Redwood Street/Town Branch Stormwater system and purchasing new weighbridges for waste management.**
3. **Agree to:**
 - **Continue current economic development activities and increase spending by \$100,000 per annum to foster growth in the technology, food and screen sectors;**
 - **Increase the printing of the Spring and Autumn events guides and distribute nationally at a cost of \$30,000 per annum;**
 - **Commission at a cost of \$20,000, an economic evaluation of Garden Marlborough to better understand its benefits;**
 - **Allocate \$1.05 million over three years from Reserves to the Marlborough Events Centre for deferred maintenance and fixed operating costs; and**
 - **Allocate \$30,000 per annum to assist the operation of the Blenheim Business Association from Blenheim Commercial and Industrial rates.**
4. **Agree to allocate:**
 - **\$1.2 million over the next three years, including \$197,000 for 2021-2022 to fulfil Council's obligations under the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020; and**
 - **\$1.2 million over the next six years to process remaining environmental data to realise the benefits from seabed mapping.**
5. **Approve the funding and projects contained in the "Investing in the Community" section of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document (pages 14-16 inclusive).**
6. **Agree to:**
 - **Create a Covid-19 Rates Relief Reserve to smooth rates increases over the first three years of this LTP;**
 - **Using surplus or unallocated funding from the Infrastructure Upgrade Reserve to fund this Reserve; and**
 - **Closing this Reserve upon it achieving a positive balance.**
7. **Agree to continue identifying and investigating options to improve the provision of housing in Marlborough.**
8. **Agree to continue its investment in Senior Housing as outlined in the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document (page 25).**
9. **Adopt the Development Contributions Policy as proposed, subject to possible slight modification following Council's consideration of Submission 2486 – Tony Hawke.**
10. **Adopt the 2021-51 Infrastructure Strategy.**
11. **Adopt the 2021-51 Financial Strategy.**

Carried

Cncl-0621-378 Parking Update - May 2021 Financials R800-002-01

Mr Lyall advised that the purpose of the report was to provide updated information on the parking finances as a result of introducing first hour free parking to Blenheim and Picton central business districts (CBD).

Mr Lyall reported in summary that 11 months of parking financial data projected that the collections income (parking fees) in the parking account would be \$461,000 down on budget. An increase in parking fees of 50% would be projected to provide additional income of \$215,000. An increase of 50% for leases and permits would be projected to provide additional income of \$85,500. Funding of \$160,000 would be required from general rates or another source to balance the loss of collections income. Mr Lyall suggested that Council may consider reviewing the parking account in seven months' time after a full year of data is available for review.

Mr Lyall noted that in the 2021-31 LTP Consultation Document 24 submitters supported "Option 1" of first hour free parking, funded by increasing parking fees with the remaining balance to be funded by rates. 7 submitters opposed or partially supported Option 1.

Recent Marketview data also suggests that 'Blenheim Central' electronic card spend was up 1.82% for the April 2020- March 2021 period (excluding international electronic card spend). A number of retailers have formed the view that Council's approach to free parking over the last 15 months has been extremely beneficial for sales.

Cllrs Peters/Brooks:

- 1. That Council agree that the "one-hour free parking" in Picton and Blenheim CBD areas on-street and off-street car parks be continued.**
- 2. That Council agree to offset in part the forecasted shortfall in the parking account by an overall increase of 20% in parking fees within the Picton and Blenheim CBD area (collectively across kerbside parking, off-street parking, leases, permits and the Parking Building).**
- 3. That Council agree that a review of the above resolutions is to be conducted in line with the Parking Review Plan.**

Carried

Cncl-0621-379 Rates Assistance for Low Income Households F230-L21-09-03

Clr Arbuckle advised that the purpose of the report was to review whether or not assistance should be provided to low income households to pay their rates; and if "yes" to propose a mechanism and funding source for implementing the above.

Mr Fletcher in his report advised that at Council's 25 February 2021 Budget Meeting, Clr Arbuckle asked if there was any way in which further rates relief could be provided to low income households over and above the relief provided from the COVID-19 Rate Relief Reserve. The additional relief would apply for the same three-year period as the COVID-19 Rates Relief proposal. Mr Fletcher's report covered arguments both for and against providing additional assistance.

Mr Fletcher further advised that to the end of April this year 1,579 Rate Rebates had been processed at a value of \$670,467.07, an average of \$429.61. If it is assumed that another 100 rebates are approved by 30 June 2021, based on a simple extrapolation, it would take the value to \$732,928.57 for the Government scheme.

Cllrs Arbuckle/Maher:

That Council:

- 1. Agree to provide additional support to low income households that receive the Government Rates Rebate.**
- 2. Agree that the additional support in 1. above will be 30% of the property's Rates Rebate in the 2021-22 Rating year.**
- 3. Agree that the additional support in 1. above will be 20% of the property's Rates Rebate in the 2022-23 Rating year.**

4. Agree that the additional support in 1. above will be 10% of the property's Rates Rebate in the 2023-24 Rating year.
5. Agree that no additional rating support will be provided in the 2024-25 Rating year.
6. Agree that any additional support for low income households be funded from the COVID-19 Rates Relief Reserve.

Lost

Cncl-0621-380 Deliberation on Submissions on the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document

F230-L21-09-03

Listed below are decisions on all issues raised in the submission process under headings of the relevant submitter (and numbered as per the submission order as attached to the Order Paper for the Council meeting of 1, 2 and 3 June 2021). Where funding has been allocated, the source of the funding has also been identified. Individual replies will be made to each submitter.

3538 John Reuhman (EcoWorld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre; EcoWorld Trust; Picton Cinemas)

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that EcoWorld is a private trust / business and has access to all relevant Council support on request. Council can provide information and advice as appropriate and consistent with other businesses.

3611 Margaret McHugh (Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc)

Cirs Taylor/Brooks:

1. **That the funding requests from Margaret McHugh (Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc) be declined.**
2. **That the submitter be advised that an avenue for funding for the Picton Greeters' uniforms is Council's Community Grants (open mid-August 2021).**
3. **That staff are to follow-up with the submitter on the issue of webcams.**
4. **That Council is prepared to help the submitter speak to media organisations regarding the Picton Weather Station data.**

Carried

3612 Jacqui Lloyd (Destination Marlborough)

Council requested that the submitter be advised that the current funding for Destination Marlborough is included in the 2021-31 Long Term Plan subject to the requirement for an annual business plan to be submitted to Council. Support for individual programmes or projects to improve the hospitality and tourism sectors can be considered on a case by case basis.

3505 Katrina Lange (Pure Events Marlborough)

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Cirs Peters/Taylor:

That the funding request from Katrina Lange (Pure Events Marlborough) for event funding be declined.

Carried

Council also requested that the applicant be congratulated for taking on these events.

Council further noted that a review of the mechanisms of funding community events should be undertaken with a report to the Planning, Finance and Community Committee in due course.

3521 Tracy Atkin (Feast Marlborough Charitable Trust)

Cirs Peters/Fitzpatrick:

That the funding request from Tracy Atkin (Feast Marlborough Charitable Trust) for events funding be declined.

Carried

Council noted that there is potential funding available over the next four years for the events element of this submission through the Regional Events Fund. Feast Marlborough is encouraged to engage with Council and Destination Marlborough staff to discuss this opportunity further.

2498 Robert Besaans (GeoInsight)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for his submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further noted that Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider distribution outside of Marlborough.

3543 Philip Vink

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for his submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council also requested that the submitter be advised that staff are happy to work with the submitter and Renwick Smart+Connected group on waste and recycling solutions as part of the options outlined in the waste management and minimisation plan 2021-27 which was adopted by Council on 13 May 2021. Any solution for the short-term (present-2024) and long-term (beyond 2024) would be subject to Council approval.

3549 James Wilson (Picton Dawn Chorus)

The Mayor/Cir Oddie:

That the funding request from James Wilson (Picton Dawn Chorus) for the cost of a full-time employee be referred to Working for Nature/Mahi mō te Taiao for further investigation and comment.

Carried

NB: Cir Taylor declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3559 Beryl Bowers (Picton Christmas Parade)

Cirs Oddie/Faulls:

That the funding request from Beryl Bowers (Picton Christmas Parade) for a Traffic Management Plan for the Picton Christmas Parade be approved by way of ongoing funding of up to \$1,500 per annum (to be funded from existing budgets).

Carried

NB: Cir Taylor declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

Council also requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

2493 Beryl Bowers (Picton Historical Society)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3610 Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust)

Cirs Brooks/Arbuckle:

1. **That the funding request from Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust) for a total of \$11,150 (replacement lights \$3,945, security lights \$1,864, passive infrared sensors \$991 and corrosion survey \$4,350) for the Edwin Fox site be approved for the 2021-22 financial year with funding from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve.**

2. **That the funding request from Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust) for fire suppression and security cameras at the Marlborough Museum be referred to the Planning, Finance and Community Committee for further discussion.**
3. **That the funding request from Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust) of up to \$12,000 for Heritage Plaques for the Blenheim CBD be approved for the 2021-22 financial year with funding from existing budgets.**

Carried

NB: Cllr Andrews declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council noted that staff will confirm to the Marlborough Heritage Trust the details around the current review (including but not limited to existing funding arrangements, structure review and trustee appointments). Cllrs Peters, Sowman and Andrews will be working with staff on this review.

Council further noted that once the review is complete Council will look at the capital expenditure items.

3585 Melissa Tripe (Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Ltd)

Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:

That the request from Melissa Tripe (Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Ltd) to release funding approved for the 2022-23 financial year to the 2021-22 financial year be approved (note funding is from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve).

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3627 Allan Gifford (Tuamarina Vintage Traction and Machinery Club)

Cllr Taylor/The Mayor:

That the funding request from Allan Gifford (Tuamarina Vintage Traction and Machinery Club) for a proposed new facility be declined; however the submission is to be referred back to staff to assist in progressing their request, including advice on funding opportunities from other organisations.

Carried

Council also requested that the submitter be advised that Council acknowledges the effort of this Club in their displays.

3560 Paul Davidson (Argosy Trust)

Following a motion being moved and seconded (Cllrs Hope/Arbuckle): That the funding request from Paul Davidson (Argosy Trust) for a contribution to the cost of completing the "Making Marlborough" film be approved with \$16,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve for the 2021-22 financial year only. An amendment was then put to the meeting:

Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:

That the funding request from Paul Davidson (Argosy Trust) for a contribution to the cost of completing the "Making Marlborough" film be approved with \$16,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve for the 2021-22 financial year only; subject to the applicant receiving the remainder of the funding from other sources.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

2412 Talia Burton-Walker (Pine Valley Outdoor Centre)

Cllrs Maher/Taylor:

That the submission from Talia Burton-Walker (Pine Valley Outdoor Centre) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

2481 *Valerie Seatter (Havelock Community Association)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

That the submission from Valerie Seatter (Havelock Community Association) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

2410 *Chloe Dixon*

Cirs Taylor/Oddie:

That the submission from Chloe Dixon be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion; with staff to look at the use of the reserve space.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that in April 2021 Council reviewed the local road speed limits for the top 10% of identified roads in Marlborough through its Bylaw review process. The remainder of the region's speed limits are expected to be reviewed in late 2021 once central Government has approved a new Setting of Speed Limits rule which Waka Kotahi (formerly NZTA) will enact. Dillons Point Road will be included in this review. Also it needs to be remembered Dillons Point Road is a Secondary Collector Road so it needs to be able to cater for Vineyard and agricultural traffic that uses it. The submitter is also to be advised that she is welcome to contact Council at any time to discuss this further with Richard Coningham and/or Braden Prideaux.

3620 *Kevin Prendergast*

Council requested that the submitter be advised that Taylor Pass Road is designated as a Primary Collector Road. Residential development has grown along a road designated for heavy traffic. There is no opportunity to create another road now as residential development stretches from the base of the hills to the Taylor River.

3628 *Penny Wardle (Walking and Access Commission)*

Council requested that the submitter be advised that the Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. In the Long Term Plan Council has set aside \$2M to the Whale Trail, \$1.27M to the Renwick Cycle Trail, and \$1.5M for other walking and cycling capital projects. This funding excludes low-cost low-risk funding that is included in Marlborough Roads budgets for urban cycle projects such as Stuart Street, Dublin Street and Beaver Road that has been included in the 2021-24 funding bid. In addition to these capital projects are Council's behaviour change programmes, such as cycle skills training, that aim to reduce crashes at our high crash intersections in Blenheim, as well as promote cycling as a viable mode of transport in our urban centres. The Regional Public Transport Plan sets out Council's intentions and policies regarding public transport in Marlborough, including the provision of the Blenheim service that includes the North and South bus routes. Council has also approved an extension of the bus trial services to both Renwick and Picton, beginning on 1 July 2021.

2485 *Anna Polson (Kaipupu Point Mainland Island Society)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that they will be able to apply to Council's newly established Environment Fund for financial support for its activities. Council noted that Clr Brooks has arranged a connection with the Grovetown Lagoon co-ordinator regarding their native plant nursery project.

3503 *Tamara Livingstone (Marlborough Youth Council)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission. Council agreed to continue Council input and support for youth.

Council also requested that the submitter be advised, in relation to their comment under the "EnviroPolicy" heading, that Council has removed refuse bins from some areas applying the "pack it in, pack it out" principle applied by DOC. In other high use areas this may not be appropriate. The Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (recently adopted) proposes future actions to reduce litter to guide the Assets and Services Committee in its future decision making.

3604 *Johanna Lane (Marlborough Youth Trust)*

Clrs Peters/Dawson:

That the funding request from Johanna Lane (Marlborough Youth Trust) for an increase in their operating grant be approved by increasing the funding by \$10,000 per annum (to be funded from general rates), taking the total operating grant to \$30,000.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 11.01 am and reconvened at 11.17 am

3524 *Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Clrs Peters/Sowman:

That the funding request from Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough) be declined.

Carried

3622 *Nigel Muir (Sport Tasman)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

NB: Clr Dawson declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3617 *Nigel Muir and Michelle Clark*

Clrs Taylor/Maher:

- 1. That the funding request from Nigel Muir and Michelle Clark for pest control be declined.**
- 2. That the funding request from Nigel Muir and Michelle Clark for Wilding Pine control be referred to the Environment Committee for further discussion.**

Carried

2408 *Jo Coughlan (New Zealand Chinese Language Week Charitable Trust)*

Clrs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:

That the funding request from Jo Coughlan (New Zealand Chinese Language Week Charitable Trust) be declined; however Council supports the initiative but considers that as this is a national initiative, this should be funded by taxpayers rather than ratepayers.

Carried

3554 *John Kershaw*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that the Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. The strategy identifies various off-road recreational and tourist opportunities, including the Wairau River stop banks, Renwick Cycle Trail and the Whale Trail. Council has committed: \$30,000 to the development of a Regional Park Management Plan for the Wairau River; \$1.27m to the Renwick Cycle Trail; and \$2m to the Whale Trail. Access issues specific to these projects are being worked through by both the Whale Trail and Renwick Cycle Trail working group.

Council also requested that the submitter be advised that the submission will be directed to the public consultation process to be undertaken as part of the Regional Park Management Plan.

3597 *Tom Pegler*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3616 *Greg Smith (Deluxe Property Group)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that Council will workshop these issues with the submitter once our feasibility work has been completed.

3520 *Phil Robinson (Robinson Construction Limited)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that Council will workshop these issues with the submitter once our feasibility work has been completed.

2411 *Andrew Whitt (Churchward Park Scout Group)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

1. That the submission from Andrew Whitt (Churchward Park Scout Group) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.
2. That the submitter be thanked for their contribution to the well-being of youth in the District.

Carried

2482 *Robert Boyes (Evolution Boxing Academy Marlborough)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

1. That the submission from Robert Boyes (Evolution Boxing Academy Marlborough) regarding the tenure of the vacant building at Churchward Park be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.
2. That the funding request from Robert Boyes (Evolution Boxing Academy Marlborough) for mats, bags, mitts and gloves be declined; however the submitter is to be advised that an avenue for funding is Council's Community Grants (open mid-August 2021).
3. That the submitter be thanked for their contribution to the well-being of youth in the District.

Carried

3595 *Lewis Boyles (Maataa Waka Ki Te Tau Ihu Trust)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

That the submission from Lewis Boyles (Maataa Waka Ki Te Tau Ihu Trust) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.

Carried

3598 *Robert Stillion (Blenheim Judo Club)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

1. That the submission from Robert Stillion (Blenheim Judo Club) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.
2. That the submitter be thanked for their contribution to the well-being of youth in the District.

Carried

3621 *Samantha Baxter (Marlborough Children's and Youth Theatre)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

1. That the submission from Samantha Baxter (Marlborough Children's and Youth Theatre) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.
2. That the submitter be thanked for their contribution to the well-being of youth in the District.

Carried

2477 *Mary Livingston (Marlborough Community Potters)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

That the submission from Mary Livingston (Marlborough Community Potters) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.

Carried

3518 *Victoria Templeton (Little Footsteps)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

That the submission from Victoria Templeton (Little Footsteps) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.

Carried

3615 *Debs Martin (Forest & Bird, Marlborough Branch and National Officer)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q11—Council's Asset Management Plans (AMP's) address the specific areas such as reducing water demand through water metering in the towns. There are plans in place to install water meters in all municipal water supply areas in the infrastructure strategy. Council also has its claw back provisions contained in the PMEPP in relation to resource consents for water takes as they come up for renewal.
- Other—The visions set out in paragraph 10 can be fully embraced and already underpin much of the directions set out in the MEP.
- Science—The PMEPP, Council's Infrastructure Strategy and AMP's all include details of how Council will address Climate change in relation to its infrastructure assets. Council also has its Climate Change Action Plan which provides details of the initiatives it is currently working on in relation to climate change. Included in the action plans are items such as an emissions inventory report for operations that Council has control over and recently a NIWA prepared report on likely effects of climate change to Marlborough specifically was presented to the Environment Committee. Council also already has a Walking and Cycling Strategy document which is available on the Council website which shows Council's plan for Cycling and Walking moving forward in Marlborough.
- Biosecurity—The submission and support from Forest and Bird is acknowledged. Council have allocated additional resources in the LTP to build capability and capacity in delivering biodiversity services. Funding provision has been made for an additional FTE and operational resources for management intervention. The Council has a new contestable Environmental Grant scheme that also targets and enables both community and land owner participation in achieving biodiversity outcomes. Resources that are focused on supporting and enabling community Trusts (eg SMLRT) are already existing resource commitments.

3599 *Jane Buckman*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—The weighbridge system installations proposed for the resource recovery centre and greenwaste site will not impact on current traffic flows. The waste management and minimisation plan 2021-27 adopted by Council on 13 May 2021 will consider the waste and recycling options for the wider Marlborough area, including Renwick.
- Biosecurity—Council's Regional Biosecurity function carries out invasive species management based on the internationally recognised principle of the invasive species curve. This principle indicates limited resource should be focussed on prevention and direct management interventions for invasive species that are limited in distribution but have a likely very high future impact. This principle has shaped Council's Regional Pest Management Plan programmes and invariably means widely established invasive species are not targeted by Council unless there are efficient and effective management tools and a feasible programme option available. This is not the case for the likes of old man's beard and banana passionfruit. This leaves an asset/site led protection approach, whereby areas of high biodiversity value (or other areas of value) are managed to protect it from all invasive species that may be causing impacts. The Department of Conservation takes this approach on public conservation land and Council does have support programmes for private landholders that have Significant Natural Areas on their own land. Council also has some programs targeting local reserves however resources

are always going to be a limiting factor. There is no doubt that widely established invasive species are causing ongoing impacts on biodiversity. However, to begin to address these widespread invasive species would require diverting effort and resource away from achievable programmes which are preventing future equivalent (or worse) problems. In addition, the level of resource required to be effective would also outstrip, many times over, the ability of the Marlborough community to resource such interventions. Council is still investing what it can into research opportunities seeking biological control agents for old man's beard. However, this is challenging given the presence of native Clematis species in New Zealand.

3539 Bruce Richards

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—Council is requiring on site stormwater retention and treatment systems for new development areas. An in-house Stormwater Action Group meets regularly and considers enhanced systems.
- Q2—Evaluation of Garden Marlborough 2022 is an action under Aim 2 of the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy 2020 - 2022. It would provide a more detailed overview of the visitor benefits of a multi-day event compared to the reports that can be run in-house through the Infometrics tool. The information captured would be useful when considering future applications for funding.
- Q3—Council has its Climate Change Action Plan which is available on the MDC website which lists the initiatives that MDC is working to in relation to Climate Change.
- Q4—Contracts are monitored regularly to ensure standards are being met.
- Q12—The setting of a rates cap is a statutory requirement.
- Roads & Footpaths—The Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. \$2.8m is set aside for cycling capital projects in the Long Term Plan, in addition to urban cycle projects that are funded through low-cost low-risk funding via Marlborough Roads. The Regional Public Transport Plan sets out Council's intentions and policies regarding public transport in Marlborough, including the provision of the Blenheim service that includes the North and South bus routes. Council has also approved an extension of the bus trial services to both Renwick and Picton, beginning on 1 July 2021.

3540 Budyong Hill (Climate Karanga Marlborough)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that there is \$483,000 budgeted for Climate Change investigations. The groups concerns are valid and are being taken account of in Councils planning, whether that be our resource management plan, infrastructure design or the broader planning issues involved in new development area considerations. There will be further work done on the benefits and costs of electric and hybrid vehicles to inform our next fleet renewal. The CE's Council vehicle is a hybrid.

3502 Richard Osmaston (Money Free Party NZ)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3623 Heather Davies (East Coast Protection Group)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—The submitter supports the increased expenditure and expresses support for increased infrastructure eg. toilets and carparks to deal with increasing pressure from demand for access to natural areas. There are no proposals to increase funding to support this kind of development in this part of the region. It is proposed in the near future to look at a preparing a management plan for the East Coast which would look at the need for such facilities.

- Q3—Submitter supports Council's proposed increase in spend for Environmental Protection but does note that there are currently no proposals to conduct more work on environmental outcomes for the South Marlborough Coastline.
- Environment Protection—The submitter's request should be considered by the Policy and Finance Committee as the matters more properly fall to be considered as part of the policy formulation function under statutes such as the RMA. Budgeting needs to follow a rigorous plan making process which involves consultation with stakeholders.

3608 Don Miller

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—Council's Biosecurity function carries out invasive species management based on the internationally recognised principle of the invasive species curve. This principle indicates limited resource should be focussed on prevention and direct management interventions for invasive species that are limited in distribution but have a likely very high future impact. This principle has shaped Council's Regional Pest Management Plan programmes and invariably means widely established invasive species (endemic) are not targeted by Council unless there are efficient and effective management tools and a feasible programme option available. This is not the case for the species such as old man's beard and banana passionfruit. The only sustainable approach to managing these endemic species is an asset/site led protection approach, whereby areas of high biodiversity value (or other areas of value) are managed to protect it from all invasive species that may be causing impacts. The Department of Conservation takes this approach on public conservation land and Council does have some support programmes for private landholders that have Significant Natural Areas on their own land. The Council also has targeted weed programmes directed to the protection of high value local reserves. With respect to ungulates, Council is making the Department of Conservation aware of the escalating ungulate issue in the Sounds given the Crown have ultimate oversight of ungulate management under the Wild Animal Control Act 1977. This does not preclude Council from intervening however the same principles outlined above would apply for ungulate management. To be effective, there would need to be a substantial and sustained investment from the Crown.
- Q11—LIDAR analysis is currently expected to be completed in June 2021, then discussions with coastal communities can take place about predicted sea level rise and its effects.
- Environment Protection—Budget provision has been approved for two additional Environmental Protection Officers, one commencing on 1 July 2021, the other 1 July 2022. Council has a monitoring strategy which identifies Forestry as a high priority. We take a risk based approach and identify blocks which may have adverse environmental effects including instability, erosion, sedimentation of fresh water and coastal water, amenity and visual effects and disturbance of waterways. A review of resourcing requirement to implement and deliver the new NES Freshwater Regulations and associated legislation has commenced.

3614 Moneyeen Wedge (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents Association)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3586 Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group)

Cirs Oddie/Taylor:

That the submission from Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group) on the Foreshore showers, drinking fountains and shading areas be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Lower High Street Refurbishment—Funding for Lower London Quay has been allocated through the LTP based on the unsuccessful innovative streets application. If this funding is approved then a

community consultation will commence. A new scrubber has been ordered but delayed in shipping because of COVID-19, but should be here within a month.

- Welcome to Picton Sign—Council will not be moving this from its current position.
- Picton Parking Strategy—The land identified is owned by Port Marlborough therefore Council has no control over the use of this land. The new Ferry development is looking at the best use of many of the Port Company's land holdings.
- Road and Footpath Repairs—Maintenance will be completed on Dublin St roundabout before the end of June. However, this is only a holding strategy as it is proposed the roundabout is to be upgraded as part of the Ferry Terminal upgrade.
- Ferry Terminal Redevelopment and Ferry Upgrades—Maintenance will be completed on Dublin St roundabout before the end of June. However only a holding strategy as it is proposed the roundabout is to be upgraded as part of the Ferry Terminal upgrade.
- Blenheim Traffic Bypass—Council has considered the By Pass option regularly. The integrated study will consider several options to address traffic growth along Grove Road which is predominantly local.

3542 Katherine Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Trust)

Cllrs Brooks/Maher:

That the submission and funding request from Katherine Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Trust) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3537 Chris Marshall (Endeavour Park Pavilion Society Inc - Port Marlborough Pavilion)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council also agreed that staff are to progress the feasibility study with the submitter.

3509 Ed Chapman-Cohen (Moutere Rugby Football Club)

Cllrs Hope/Peters:

That the funding request from Ed Chapman-Cohen (Moutere Rugby Football Club) for \$181,235 for the refurbishment of the Community Centre/Changing Sheds at Awarua Park be approved for the 2021-22 financial year with funding from the Blenheim Vicinity portion of the Rates Stabilisation Reserve.

Carried

3523 Christopher Young (Wairau Presbyterian Parish)

Cllrs Brooks/Peters:

That the funding request from Christopher Young (Wairau Presbyterian Parish) for an upgrade of the toilets at the WPP Community Hall be declined; however the submitter is to be advised that staff can offer advice on funding opportunities from other organisations.

Carried

3545 Donna Nepia (Omaka Marae Inc)

Cllrs Taylor/Maher:

That the submission from Donna Nepia (Omaka Marae Inc) for the development of a playground at Omaka Marae be referred to the Assets & Services Committee to measure against the playground policy and if appropriate referral to the 2021-22 Land Subdivision Account process.

Carried

3548 *Justine Johnson (Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon Inc)*

Cirs Maher/Taylor:

That the funding request from Justine Johnson (Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon Inc) for an independent review on the control of aquatic weed be declined; however the application is to be referred back to the Assets & Services Committee for further investigation and future direction.

Carried

3590 *Raymond Madsen (Marlborough Boxing Club)*

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

- 1. That the submission from Raymond Madsen (Marlborough Boxing Club) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for consideration of both Churchward Park and Taylor Pass Road properties; with a stocktake of Council facilities in the District to be included in that consideration.**
- 2. That the submitter be thanked for their contribution to the well-being of youth in the District.**

Carried

3606 *Edward Gilhooly (Marlborough Cricket Association Incorporated)*

Cirs Peters/Taylor:

That the submission from Edward Gilhooly (Marlborough Cricket Association Incorporated) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

NB: Clr Sowman declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3504 *Ian Simmons (NZMCA Marlborough)*

Council requested that the submitter be advised that their submission was declined. The status of the land will likely require resource consent for this activity (as is possible on any Council land), as well as permissions required under the Reserves Act to enable camping. There are also reverse sensitivity issues with the industrial activities located adjacent. Current use of the area involves basketball, netball, roller-skating, marching, fire service, users of the Horton Park Pavilion (yoga, Samoan Church youth group, Marlborough Cricket), teaching kids how to ride bikes, and currently the site is set up as a permanent COVID-19 testing station with port-a-coms on site. Staff have identified a number of other sites and it is suggested that the submitter work with staff to further a more suitable location.

NB: Clr Andrews declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3630 *Carey Huria (Principal Ward School)*

Cirs Taylor/Maher:

That the submission from Carey Huria (Principal Ward School) for the redevelopment of the playground at Ward School be referred to the Assets & Services Committee to measure against the playground policy and if appropriate referral to the 2021-22 Land Subdivision Account process.

Carried

3601 *Kiri McDermott (Awatere Pony Club)*

Cirs Hope/Dawson:

That the funding request from Kiri McDermott (Awatere Pony Club) for the installation of an all-weather arena at Flaxbourne Domain be declined.

Carried

3508 *Moira Conroy*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q6—Council in conjunction with local solar providers sought assistance from Central Government for solar installation on the George St complex. Unfortunately the application was unsuccessful. The pay-back period for the majority of solar installations is approximately 9 years. Solar panel performance degradation occurs at about 2% per year. The Internal Rate of Return is impacted by any buy back rates from the electricity providers.

- Q8—The design for the George Street development meets compliance with all aspects of the NZ Building code and associated legislation. The submitter has a view that Council should provide facilities that provide additional features to support the elderly in their day to day life. The payback period for Solar installation is approximately 9 years.

3522 Vyvienne Dunlop (Marlborough Stroke Club)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission.

3527 Kay Saville-Smith

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Evaluation of Garden Marlborough 2022 is an action under Aim 2 of the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy 2020 - 2022. It would provide a more detailed overview of the visitor benefits of a multi-day event compared to the reports that can be run in-house through the Infometrics tool. The information captured would be useful when considering future applications for funding. An economic development strategy is being developed in 2021 to support the proposed work programme. The issue of affordable housing, whilst relevant to the economy, is being responded to by multiple other parties. Council is very aware of the economic and social challenges housing presents. It is responding where it has the ability and funding mandate to do so. There are many stakeholders in housing and Council facilitates regularly discussion on the issues through the Marlborough Housing Group.
- Q4—Refer to February Housing paper and its recommendations. The submitters papers will be considered further as the Housing work programme progresses.
- Q5—The COVID-19 Rates Relief Reserve does need to be repaid and using Infrastructure Upgrade Reserve surpluses does this without impacting rates. Redirecting future Infrastructure Reserve surpluses, once the COVID-19 Relief Reserve is repaid, into affordable housing outcomes is possible. The outcome of the 3 Waters review will influence this.
- Q6—The submitter makes some interesting points and as stated there are a myriad of factors that impact on housing outcomes including central government, Council, the finance sector, households, landowners and the construction sector. Senior housing – Council’s goal is to ensure fit for purpose product for our seniors within the same supply parameters, i.e. replacing old stock with new. Value uplift/inclusionary zoning requires development parties to pay \$’s or provide land. Stock diversity - Developers advise that the extremely low marginal cost of an additional bedroom does not assist with promoting the two -bedroom model. Marlborough housing is no more expensive than other provincial regions - analysis of local income levels may need to be correlated.
- Q8—It is suggested that the Senior Housing Sub Committee address the submitters rent setting and design views.
- Q11&12—The submitter’s views on Inclusionary Zoning which requires developers to contribute some of the value uplift to affordable housing initiatives needs more detailed consideration. Staff will provide further analysis as the Housing work programme progresses.
- Senior Housing—Council uses the latest MBIE data as a guide to establishing local rents for our senior housing portfolio. The flow rents and stock rents are part of that picture. In recent times Council has adjusted its senior housing rents level as follows: 2017- \$132 2018 -\$160 2019 - no change 2020 - \$174. Over the last 5 years the rental market has increased annually by 5.5% (compounding average - Stats NZ - SI excluding CHCH). NZ superannuation (for a single person) is \$437 per week - 25% of that is \$109.25. Accommodation supplements range from 30% - 40% of rent for those on superannuation with a low level of assets and a rent range of \$174 - \$220 per week (subsidy of \$52 - \$84 / week).

3588 Margaret and Niel Sowry

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission.

3592 Bev James (Marlborough Sustainable Housing)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q6—Council understands the importance of housing and developed the Housing work programme to provide further guidance to our future actions. We will share the outcomes with the MHG and consider further strategies and responsibilities at that time.
- Q7—The Marlborough Housing Group has created a forum for discussion on housing matters across all of Marlborough. Up to 30 organisations attend the quarterly MHG meetings and share information and provide updates. Council provides administration services as part of its advocacy and facilitation role.
- Q8—Council is incorporating accessibility requirements into its design to ensure that the final building product is fit for purpose for the intended user.

3546 *Ross Beech*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q4—There is currently walking and cycling access along the Wairau River stop bank between SH1 and SH63. The exception to this is a 4.7km section between Giffords Road and Selmes Road, where there is a combination of private land and Council leased land. Previous attempts by Council staff and other members of the community have been made in discussing access options with the private landowners, including a proposal to take the track towards the river as suggested by the submitter. The landowner has continued to deny access, even with a suggestion of a land easement option towards the riverside of the property. Council staff understand the submitter has been in discussion with the private landowner directly.
- Q10—The carparking land at the rear of the Health hub was included in the lease with the DHB/PHO for customers and staff associated with that activity. Similarly Noel Leeming also have carparks included in their lease for their customers. This is standard commercial practice.

3514 *Neil Charles-Jones (Ara Wairau Cycle Trust)*

Cirs Taylor/Croad:

That the submission from Neil Charles-Jones (Ara Wairau Cycle Trust) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.

Carried

2413 *Neil Charles-Jones*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that this new remission was brought about due to the rating of the property at 30 Maxwell Road. A paper regarding this went to the LTP Working Group on 6 August 2020 and the rates remission was recommended to Council to introduce this rates remission. This was agreed at the subsequent meetings. This policy was based on one of the Nelson City Council's that is working well. Having a m² remission allows the Council rates staff to agree if the remission is relevant without the outcome being subjective. As this remission is 'where the extra charges assessed would economically disadvantage the ratepayer' then the 'financial hardship' clause is required.

2478 *David Dew (Blenheim Club Incorporated)*

Cirs Peters/Taylor:

That the submission from David Dew (Blenheim Club Incorporated) be referred to LTP Working Group for further consideration.

Carried

3501 *Paul Frost (Roofline Marlborough)*

Clr Taylor/The Mayor:

That the submission from Paul Frost (Roofline Marlborough) to expand the Voluntary Targeted Rates Scheme to include re-roofing be declined; noting that Council will not be expanding the targeted rates scheme to include this proposal.

Carried

3526 *Yvonne Wratt (Grovetown Residents' Association)*

Clr Peters/The Mayor:

That Council thank Yvonne Wratt (Grovetown Residents' Association) for the submission.

Carried

3515 Josh Marshall (*Gascoigne Wicks Lawyers*)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission. This submission relates to a MEP appeal on zoning, which is scheduled to be heard in Group 8 of appeals. The MEP appeal process will consider various matters relevant to the zoning of this land, including infrastructure provision and cost.

3530 Ross Cooke (*Marlborough Vintage & Farm Machinery Society Incorporated*)

Cirs Taylor/Peters:

That the submission and funding request from Ross Cooke (Marlborough Vintage & Farm Machinery Society Incorporated) be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further consideration; including a conversation with Marlborough Lines.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

2484 Leeson Baldey (*Warmer Healthier Homes Te Tau Ihu Charitable Trust*)

Cirs Croad/Hope:

That the funding request from Leeson Baldey (Warmer Healthier Homes Te Tau Ihu Charitable Trust) for the Warmer Healthier Homes Project be approved by way of up to \$30,000 per annum for three financial years (2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years), to be funded from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

2494 BJ Clark (*CCS Disability Action*)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that Universal Design, also called barrier-free design, focuses on making the house safe and accessible for everyone, regardless of age, physical ability, or stature. Lifemark certification focuses on usability, adaptability, accessibility, safety and lifetime value. The Senior Housing Sub-Committee is considering options for installation of a lift.

3536 Joanne Brady (*Citizens Advice Bureau Marlborough*)

Cirs Peters/Dawson:

That the funding request from Joanne Brady (Citizens Advice Bureau Marlborough) for an increase in their operating grant be approved by increasing the funding by \$5,000 per annum (to be funded from general rates), taking the total operating grant to \$12,100; noting that a separate contract for the administration of the Community Database will be investigated.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 12.46 pm and reconvened at 1.44 pm

3564 Pete Coldwell (*Marlborough Chamber of Commerce*)

Cirs Peters/Oddie:

That the funding request from Pete Coldwell (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce) be declined.

Carried

NB: Clr Dawson declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3602 Augusta van Wijk (*on behalf of Bragato Research Institute*)

Cirs Dawson/Taylor:

That the funding request from Augusta van Wijk (on behalf of Bragato Research Institute) be declined.

Carried

NB: Clr Hope declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3587 Phillip Neal (*Federated Farmers of New Zealand*)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—4.5&4.6-Council does have the ability to implement a targeted rate for Forestry. This will require considerable consultation and substantive research for the discussions with the forestry industry on this matter. There will be significant future issues from log cartage in some areas of Marlborough (e.g. Kenepuru). Before a targeted rate funding method can be considered and consulted on Council needs to fully understand forecast volumes, routes and expected road maintenance consequences. It will then need to consider options to deal with it which could include barging, controlled extract volumes, resource management controls to mitigate the maintenance and amenity effects before it develops a targeted rate proposal. A significant staff, Marlborough Roads and consultant resource will be required for this. These matters require further analysis and then consideration through Assets & Services; 4.7-This would take significant engagement and consultation with the industry. Northland has managed to implement a forestry rate, but it took three LTPs to do so. Also including this in the Asset Management Plan is not appropriate; 4.8-This would require a change to Council's Revenue and Financing Policy.
- Q2—4.15-Farmers can make enquiries on line to our duty planning service to clarify any operating permissions they may be concerned about. Many will be permitted activities; 4.16-This is regulated through the Traffic Bylaw 2017. Provision is made for stock movement. We can assist with specific enquiries/concerns; 4.17-Terminology is considered during preparation of our different planning documents. We note the request; 4.18-Council has a formal, structured allocation system within its MEP. Aspects of the system are subject to appeal and will be considered through that process; 4.19&4.20-Council is happy to advocate for further connectivity improvements but is no longer investing in systems other than for its own use. Private sector companies are specialists and do receive government funding for upgrades. Several further upgrades have been funded and are being timetabled in Marlborough.
- Q3—4.22-Council continually looks to reduce rates while at the same looking to meet the needs of all ratepayers; 4.23-No comment; 4.24-See earlier comment; 4.25-See earlier comment; 4.26-This would require a change to Council's Revenue and Financing Policy; 4.27-No Comment; 4.28-This would require a change to Council's Revenue and Financing Policy. When taken cumulatively all the suggested funding from UAGC would result in Council breaching the maximum 30% permitted by statute for UAGCs; 4.29-This would require a change to Council's Revenue and Financing Policy. When taken cumulatively all the suggested funding from UAGC would result in Council breaching the maximum 30% permitted by statute for UAGCs.
- Q5—3.1-See earlier comment; 3.2-See earlier comment; 3.3-See earlier comment; 3.5-See earlier comment; 3.6-See earlier comment especially the observation from the Productivity Commission; 3.7-See earlier comment; 3.8-Council is continually looking for ways to reduce rates, but Government requirements are beyond Council's control; 3.11-No comment; 3.12-See earlier comment; 3.13-See earlier comment; 3.14-See earlier comment; 3.15-See earlier comment; 3.16-See earlier comment; 3.17-No comment.
- Q6—5.2-No Comment; 5.3-See earlier comment, this recommendation relates to the Marlborough Environment Plan; 5.4-No Comment.
- Q9—5.5-No Comment.
- Q10—5.6-The impact on Rates has been included in the "Benchmark Property" information. The rating component of the town centre parking proposals is applied across the district using the same weightings which are used for road rating except for the Sounds Admin area; 5.7-No Comment; 5.8-No Comment.
- Q11—5.9-See earlier comment; 5.10-No Comment; 5.11-Council already acknowledges the importance of water to Marlborough and continual measures, monitors and reports on its availability; 5.12-See earlier comment.
- Q12—5.13-No Comment; 5.14-No Comment; 5.15-No Comment; 5.16-No Comment; 5.17-No Comment; 5.18-No Comment; 5.19-No Comment; 5.20-No Comment; 5.21-No Comment; 5.22-Agreed, the latest Department of Statistics growth projections were not available when the Consultation Document was being prepared; 5.23-A significant amount of work is being undertaken on understanding the impacts of climate change; 5.24-Any reduction in fees would require a Rates

increase to compensate for the loss in Council Revenue; 5.25-No Comment; 5.26-No Comment; 8.2-No Comment; 8.3-Agreed, the latest Department of Statistics' growth projections were not available when the Consultation Document was being prepared; 8.4-Agreed, the latest Department of Statistics growth projections were not available when the Consultation Document was being prepared.

- Other—6.1-See earlier comment; 6.2-See earlier comment; 6.3-Noted; 6.4-No comment; 6.5-See earlier comment; 6.6-Noted; 6.7-A little confused with this suggestion as Council has Geographic Area General Works and Services Rate and a Geographic Area General Works and Services Charge; 6.8-This is contained in Council's "Rate Funding Allocations" document.
- Sewerage—7.3-See earlier comment; 7.4-The more specific the definition becomes the less flexibility Council has to respond to particular events. No change is recommended; 7.5-Council is already using residential or rural, however this often gets abbreviated in use.
- Other—9.2-Noted, although fees and charges are usually separately consulted upon and they are all listed on Council's website as compared to supporting documentation; 9.3-Noted; 9.4-Schedule of fees and charges are provided by activity type on Councils website. Proposals of regulatory fees and charges are undertaken individually using the special consultative procedures under s83 of the Local Government Act 2002. As such the schedule of charges is not consulted on in annual plan consultation.

3541 John Cretney (Cissy Bay Community Association)

Council requested that the submission on upgrading and sealing of two roads in the locale of Cissy Bay from John Cretney (Cissy Bay Community Association) be referred to Marlborough Roads for further consideration; and the submission on a helipad be referred to the Small Townships programme for consideration.

Council also requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

3603 Joe Keighley (Renwick Smart + Connected)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that staff are happy to work with the Renwick Smart+Connected group on waste and recycling solutions as part of the options outlined in the waste management and minimisation plan 2021-27 which was adopted by Council on 13 May 2021. Any solution for the short-term (present-2024) and long-term (beyond 2024) would be subject to Council approval.

2491 Andrew Caddie (President KCSRA)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the submitter is to be advised that \$800,000 is budgeted for Kenepuru Log Barging and that Council's Climate Change Working Group is making good progress.

3605 Corey Heberd (Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust)

Cllrs Taylor/Oddie:

- 1. That the funding request from Corey Heberd (Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust) for \$25,000 for iwi capability funding be declined as Council needs to continue discussions with the other Te Taihū Councils and iwi before making any decision.**
- 2. That the funding request from Corey Heberd (Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust) for \$50,000 (increasing by \$5,000 per annum for the remaining nine financial years) for a Māori Cultural Initiatives Fund be declined, as there are already grant funding mechanisms available and significant projects have been funded on a case by case basis outside of these cycles. Council has recently funded the development of marae based emergency management plans as we recognise the importance of marae in our emergency management frameworks.**
- 3. That the submission from Corey Heberd (Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust) for the correction of Māori Road names be referred to the Road Naming Sub-Committee for further discussion.**

Carried

3544 Jane Murray (Nelson Marlborough Health)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—A Waste Management and Minimisation Plan has just been adopted by Council.
- Q4—Council is committed to supporting the International Safe Communities initiative.
- Q6—The NMH submitter supports Council involvement but does not provide any thoughts on how to make social housing developments sustainable from a financial perspective. They support Council developing its own land through infill and CBD developments but there is no mention of NMDHB owned Hospital Road land. The term Universal design is about making buildings accessible to all people of all abilities at any stage of life. Universal design, also called barrier-free design, focuses on making the house safe and accessible for everyone, regardless of age, physical ability, or stature. These discussions are best progressed through the Senior Housing sub Committee.
- Q11—Infrastructure is addressed specifically further into this submission with points on each area.
- Democratic Process—Where no change is contemplated on Community Outcomes, there is no requirement for them to be included in the Consultation Document. Community Outcomes will of course be included in the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.
- Community—Council values the working relationship with the NMDHB and will continue to support mutual projects and programmes.
- Roads and Footpaths—The Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. The strategy supports the development of Bikes In Schools and Council has assisted other schools such as Springlands School, Mayfield School and Redwoodtown School in developing their own bike tracks. School playground maintenance funding can be applied for from Council that can assist in meeting the project costs for the school. Council has 19 bike stand locations throughout Blenheim CBD for people to use, many of which were recently upgraded last year as part of the street furniture upgrade. There are several older style stands such as those outside the library that are planned to be replaced as part of the new library project. People are encouraged to use their own locks to ensure their bike is securely fastened to the bike stand, as further explained on the Council website. Currently the only covered bike stands in Blenheim CBD are at the Alfred Street carpark. The Regional Public Transport Plan (RPTP) sets out Council's intentions and policies regarding public transport in Marlborough, including the provision of the Blenheim service that includes the North and South bus routes. Council has also approved an extension of the bus trial services to both Renwick and Picton, beginning on 1 July 2021. The RPTP specifies that poor performing bus services, such as the West and East Commuter bus routes, can be reduced in an effort to reduce costs and thus increase fare-box recovery rates.
- Environment Health—This would be best as a community led project with support from all parties to ensure that Marlborough could be food resilient following a natural disaster and to provide ongoing healthy food options for the community. Environmental Health would be happy to work with the community, NMH and local Iwi in looking to develop a food resilience action plan.
- Water—This is largely a supportive submission. The criticism about non-compliance being an option is possibly a misunderstanding. Non-compliance is an option but not one which Council can sensibly take up given the potential health risks and Taumata Arowai proposed regulatory penalties.
- Community—Council started the LAP process back in 2017 but has not finalised that draft LAP. This process is being reviewed in 2021 with an aim to have a new LAP drafted (in conjunction with the Agencies) and out for public consultation by the end of the year. Council does have a longstanding policy on licensing hours etc that we still abide by. The DLC places appropriate conditions on individual licences as is relevant to that licence in any event.

3626 Rangitopeora Wiremu (Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—Council is working with Nelson City and Tasman District to develop options to give effect to Te Mana O Te Wai and the partnership with iwi. We do undertake comprehensive infrastructure planning and would be happy to explain that in more detail with the submitter. The 3 Waters review may change the delivery mechanism for this.

- Q2—Council is always looking at ways to improve relationships with and involvement of mana whenua in Council and community decision making. Staff intend to include Mana Whenua iwi in the development of the proposed Regional economic Development Strategy.
- Q3—The submitter supports the Council's additional expenditure on the Environment and also outlines a desire to see greater transparency on how the costs were arrived at. The costs are entirely attributable to the monitoring requirements of the National Freshwater Policy Statement. The full costs of implementation are still being worked on. Council does have a Climate Change Work Programme and is making good progress with that. Staff would be happy to explain that programme to the submitter.
- Q6—Council's Housing Work Programme is guiding our short term response to housing challenges.
- Q7—The diagram in the Housing paper was intended to demonstrate that there are multiple groups with a key role in Housing planning and provision. We are happy to engage with the submitter around Housing issues.
- Culture & Heritage—Council is always looking at ways to improve relationships with and involvement of mana whenua in Council and community decision making. The pending appointment of a Kaihautū, establishment of a Maori Ward and the Mana o te Wai project are current initiatives which will all contribute to the development of a closer partnership.

3631 Shane Graham (Ngati Rarua)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council may wish to consider a culturally appropriate name alongside the current Marlborough Events Centre name.
- Q4—The CCTV network is placed in areas of high concern in liaison with NZ Police. There are strict protocols on how any footage is accessed and utilised via Police. Small Townships Programme encompasses the following townships: Anakiwa/Tirimoana, Canvastown/Wakamarina Valley, Grovetown, Havelock, Linkwater/the Grove, Momorangi Bay, Ngakuta Bay, Ohingarua Bay, Okiwi Bay, Rai Valley Township, Rarangi, Renwick, Seddon, Spring Creek, Tuamarina, Wairau Valley and Ward. The township plan process is well underway in Spring Creek and a number of improvements are proposed.
- Q6—Council does and is willing to provide support to all parties in the development community. A good example of this is staff working with Rangitane representatives on the infrastructure requirements for the potential Hospital Road development.
- Q10—The one - hour free parking proposal is aimed at encouraging CBD shopping as a Covid-19 recovery action.
- Environmental Policy—This is not a matter that need be pursued through the Long Term Plan process. The submission has been forwarded to the RMA Policy Team to follow up on. It should be noted however that the complexity of these plans in many ways is a reflection of the nature of the legislation behind them. All stakeholders/partners in RMA planning are finding complexity and pace of change a challenge. That also impacts on Council staff.
- Emergency Management—50% of the funding referred to has already been allocated to 3 marae to develop their individual Emergency Preparedness Plans as per Council's decision in February 2021. Brian Paton expects to allocate the remainder to the remaining 3 marae by the end of the June 2021 financial year.

2479 Kim Odeendall

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q5—A study was undertaken some years ago regarding the rating cost per unit of motel verses homestay/Airbnb accommodation providers. The result did not favour homestay/Airbnb accommodation providers because of the number of the comparative density on each site, i.e. a motel will have many units whereas homestay/Airbnb accommodation providers have one. With the recent

increase in residential property values findings of the earlier study are likely to remain valid. Regulatory requirements are set by central government.

- Q6—There are some controls over short term rental accommodation already in place through the MEP and the Building Act. Rating policy for separately used or inhabited parts of a rating unit (SUIP) may also provide a disincentive. A change in our treatment of Air BNB would require a variation to the PMP definitions (and potentially rules and standards). With respect to wider matters of health and safety these are matters that are outside Council's jurisdiction.
- Other—Council started the Local Alcohol Policy (LAP) process back in 2017 but has not finalised that draft LAP. This process is being reviewed in 2021 with an aim to have a new LAP drafted (in conjunction with the Agencies) and out for public consultation by the end of the year. Council does have a longstanding policy on licensing hours etc that we still abide by. The DLC places appropriate conditions on individual licences as is relevant to that licence in any event.
- Other—The Council has recently reviewed its bylaw resulting in fewer responsible camping sites to manage. Management has also been supported by Government funding for monitoring over the summer period. Proposals for redevelopment of the Wairau Diversion in particular will help management of this site. The Government is also consulting currently on changes to the freedom camping legislation to improve management in relation to effects on the environment from this activity. However, that review does not cover substantive issues such as raised by the submitter to introduce new reasons to prevent freedom camping i.e. the impact on other accommodation providers. Government has indicated they are not considering changing the enabling presumption of the Freedom Camping Act. A review of the Council's current bylaw will be undertaken in response to concerns raised by the NZMCA in relation to process issues.
- Other—The Council has recently reviewed its bylaw resulting in fewer responsible camping sites to manage. Management has also been supported by Government funding for monitoring over the summer period. Proposals for redevelopment of the Wairau Diversion in particular will help management of this site. The Government is also consulting currently on changes to the freedom camping legislation to improve management in relation to effects on the environment from this activity. However, that review does not cover substantive issues such as raised by the submitter to introduce new reasons to prevent freedom camping i.e. the impact on other accommodation providers. Government has indicated they are not considering changing the enabling presumption of the Freedom Camping Act. A review of the Council's current bylaw will be undertaken in response to concerns raised by the NZMCA in relation to process issues.

2499 Henry Dowler

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that Council were aware that Mr Dowler had extensive discussions with the rates staff regarding his house and Airbnb. After pointing out the Airbnb site showed a SUIP for guests he decided to stop his Airbnb presence to enable his property to be rated with one SUIP. Mr Dowler has now sold this property. Comments regarding the decisions Mr Dowler seeks from Council are: Firstly: The SUIP definition is used widely by a number of councils. No matter what system is used there can be examples of perceived inequitable calculations. Secondly: Water rates by quantity. Various areas in Marlborough have water rates per quantity, but not Blenheim. Alternatively: •>50% habitation: This would require proof of habitation from our rate payers, and possibly a monitoring regime, which is almost impossible to administer and yield an inefficient means of collecting rates. It is also questionable whether this is Council's role. •40% habitable space: If a portion of habitable space (eg 40%) is used this would trigger many of the same issues as the above.

3594 Aaron Smail (Summerset Group Holdings Limited)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that It is not possible or practical to have individual demand weightings for every industry. However, the Summerset development is sufficiently unique in both size and activity to warrant a private development agreement to be entered as permitted by the current and proposed Development Contribution Policy. Council is working with Summerset to that end. Council has already negotiated some important cost share arrangements for major infrastructure progressing out of sequence to enable Summerset's development. We are considering Summerset's arguments as expressed in this submission (especially demand factors) through a private development agreement as provided for in the policy. Summerset have been fully engaged in these negotiations and provided the initial draft development agreement. We are expecting to finalise the agreement soon. If agreement cannot be reached I am happy to be further involved. We can escalate from there to Council if required.

2407 Brett Allan

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Any additional staff costs will incur a rate increase.
- Q8—Recent amendments to the RMA have removed parking requirements from all District Plans. This decision will lead to on-street parking in residential areas as a solution to the issue.
- Q9—Only 18% of the cost of the roundabout is being included in the Burleigh Zone Levy. This percentage was decided following an assessment of the benefit to the newly zoned land compared to that of the wider District.
- Q10—The average parking time in the CBD is 53 minutes.
- Q12—Inflation forecasts are made by BERL, a nationally recognised economic forecasting agency for most Councils in NZ.

2409 Rt Hon Sir Don McKinnon ONZ GCVO (New Zealand Memorial Museum Trust - Le Quesnoy, France)
Clsr Peters/Hope:

That the funding request from Rt Hon Sir Don McKinnon ONZ GCVO (New Zealand Memorial Museum Trust - Le Quesnoy, France) for a funding commitment to the Le Quesnoy Museum & Visitor Centre be declined; as Council considers that this is a national initiative and therefore should be funded by taxpayers rather than ratepayers.

Carried

2475 Allan Udy

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider distribution outside of Marlborough.

2476 Sarah Cross

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—The monitoring requirements are being set by the Government through its National Policy Statements and are mandatory. The giving effect to those Policy Statements is also mandatory. Implementation of the policies is through The Marlborough Resource Management Plan and direct administration of Environmental Standards. Ultimately the visions for these Environmental outcomes are set out in these instruments rather than the long term plan which has its focus for these purposes on the budgetary implications of these Policies.
- Q6—Residential property development is subject to market forces and risk and reward. The higher the risk the greater reward. Developers need to make a profit to remain sustainable. The market determines where the margins are highest and the risk the lowest. This determines the areas that developers focus on ie. 2 bedroom or 3 and 4 bedroom houses. Covenants are introduced by developers to protect property owners' rights and property values. Council has no jurisdiction over covenants. The Marlborough Environment Plan allows for small lot development. The Marlborough Housing Group provides a voice for organisations to share their issues and concerns relating to the housing sector. Zero Carbon Aotearoa is an aspirational goal of having all buildings zero carbon by 2050 and all new buildings zero carbon by 2030. It is in early stages and will be channelled into the sector via the NZ Building code. The Council budget meeting supported 13 recommendations which staff are working on to address some aspects of this submission. In particular a Housing Demand Survey will provide information which the private and public sector can use to guide their decisions on

house sizes and cost points. The LTP Consultation Document proposes reductions in development contributions for small houses.

- Q7—The NZ zero carbon policy for new and existing building is still being developed. If and when it does meet the legislative requirements then it will be promoted and regulated through the NZ Building Code.
- Q9—Development Contributions are based on demand generated by the average dwelling occupancy in Marlborough. Typically this is assumed at 2.7 people. A 150m² dwelling typically has three bedrooms which will accommodate 2.7 occupants. We cannot vary levies for every individual circumstance. Regarding water consumption, the installation of meters in Renwick and Havelock will encourage residents to be more conscious of their water use.
- Q11—The PMEP has requirements around sustainability moving forward and specific Asset Management Plan's for the infrastructure area also give consideration for sustainability as well.
- Environment Policy—The PMEP has requirements around sustainability moving forward and specific Asset Management Plan's for the infrastructure area also give consideration for sustainability as well. Council is also working through the action points listed in its Climate Change Action plan currently.

2480 Cliff Smith

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that this is being considered as part of the Blenheim Integrated Transport Study. Some modelling has already been done on the effects of the new bridge construction. Not programmed until 2026/27. Very likely a temporary river crossing will be required while the new bridge is being constructed.

2486 Tony Hawke (Gilbert Haymes and Associates Limited)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that staff suggest the following wording change to address the submitter's concerns. "In the case of subdivisions where one or more of the resulting allotments are over 20ha, no Reserves levy will be required on those 20ha plus allotments. Where the subdivision results in a mix of over and under 20ha allotments, the developer can decide the allotment to which any pre-existing credit applies." There is no change in the way the Development Contribution Policy was intended to operate.

2487 Mark Davis

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—Agree with the Submitter about the lack of choice, largely due to landowners in zoned areas being slow to look to redevelopment. The issue for Council is to maintain some degree of priority over the implementation of Government requirements given the significant impacts these expenditures have on the community. We are of the view that we are striking the balance in a responsible way.
- Q5—Council's action to reduce rates by using this new reserve is a response to the adverse effects on our local economy of COVID-19.
- Q6—Council staff meet regularly with the development community to discuss options/alternatives for making land available for development. The meetings are usually in confidence at the developer's request. The LTP Budget Meeting (February 2021) supported 13 recommendations. Investigation of the feasibility of Council buying and developing land was recommended - no decisions have been made.
- Emergency Management—No detail has been provided to support the submitter's request.

2488 Christine Hutchison

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council's current position is that it does provide useful contributions to Marlborough's economy as a whole through these activities.

- Q3—There is no intention to become involved in Port Operations from an Environmental Policy point of view, other than in our normal regulatory compliance role. Seabed mapping benefits environmental management and navigation safety which are Council responsibilities.
- Q5—Council's action to reduce rates by using this new reserve is a response to the adverse effects on our local economy of COVID-19.

2489 Heather Whiting (Marlborough Ridge Residents)

Clr Hope moved a motion to fund the request from Heather Whiting (Marlborough Ridge Residents) with one-off funding of \$28,100 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve, but this motion lapsed for want of a seconder.

Cirs Dawson/Brooks:

That the funding request from Heather Whiting (Marlborough Ridge Residents) be declined; however it is encouraged that the submitter continue to work with staff.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

2490 Russ Bonanza

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—The intention is to use private providers and university collaborations to process the data. The collection of the science data is only made possible with some Council input as it is an opportunistic leveraging off the back of Government's program (LINZ) which is undertaking the bathymetric survey of depth for the new marine charts.
- Q6—Through development contributions Council is effectively already doing what Mr Bonanza suggests.

2492 Julia Brown

Cirs Taylor/Andrews:

That the submission from Julia Brown for permanent signage on Colemans Road be referred to Marlborough Roads for further consideration.

Carried

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

2495 Karen Tilley

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q6—Council's MEP does allow for smaller lots sizes in line with the submitter's view.
- Q7—Central Government has recently amended legislation to remove parking requirements from developments. Unfortunately no solutions have been provided on managing street parking, access and all of the issues created by roadside vehicles and parking.
- Q10—The Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. Roads will be assessed on a project-by-project basis as it relates to removing car parking in order to accommodate cycle facilities, which includes undertaking car park demand surveys on each road. Council has 19 bike stand locations throughout Blenheim CBD for people to use, many of which were recently upgraded last year as part of the CBD street furniture upgrade. People are encouraged to use their own locks to ensure their bike is securely

fastened to the bike stand. The Bike Walk Strategy includes progressive addition of cycle lanes around Blenheim. The BBA trialled the closure of Market St in December- January 2019-20. The response from the retailers was that it had impacted substantially on their business returns.

2496 Sue Duckworth

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that by 1 July 2021 all of Councils 170 senior Housing units will be certified and comply with the Healthy Homes standard.

2497 Tim Newsham (Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and noted that the request has already been funded from Halls R&M budget.

2500 L Doyle

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider distribution outside of Marlborough. Evaluation of Garden Marlborough 2022 is an action under Aim 2 of the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy 2020 - 2022. It would provide a more detailed overview of the visitor benefits of a multi-day event compared to the reports that can be run in-house through the Infometrics tool. The information captured would be useful when considering future applications for funding.
- Q8—The Senior Housing Sub Committee is considering options for inclusion of a lift.

2501 Brian Ross (Grey Power Marlborough)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

3506 Leigh Andrews (Renwick Tennis Club)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Cllrs Brooks/Maher:

That the funding request from the Leigh Andrews (Renwick Tennis Club) for the 4th Court and Resurfacing project be referred to the 2021-22 Land Subdivision Account process for funding consideration.

Carried

3507 Bruce Youngman

Council requested that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that the Senior Housing Sub Committee is considering lift options.

3513 Gayle Chambers (Grey Power)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that the Marlborough Housing Group has existed since 2017. Its purpose/Kaupapa is to bring together organisations with an interest in housing provision to scope current housing needs for Marlborough and explore opportunities for housing supply in Marlborough; and to promote the availability of affordable, secure, well-performing housing which meets the changing needs of people in Marlborough and supports Marlborough’s economic and social vibrancy.

3516 Nicola Neilson (Marlborough Events Ltd)

Cirs Taylor/Andrews:

That the submission from Nicola Neilson (Marlborough Events Ltd) for funding for an Events Co-ordinator in Picton be referred to the review of the mechanisms of funding community events.

Carried

3517 Judy Bennison

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q6—Council has an Asset Management plan for all of its 170 Senior Housing units. By 1 July 2021 all occupied units will comply with the recently introduced Health Homes Standards.
- Q8—The Senior Housing Sub Committee is considering options for inclusion of a lift.

3525 Philip Sim

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q10—Parking speeds within CBD's are very low due to the interaction of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists. Safety and courtesy are an important aspect for all CBD users to ensure an interactive environment.
- Community Facilities—Refer Link Pathway Trust Plan – at this point for pathway users there are public toilets either side at the Linkwater Hall and Havelock Township. The toilets at Linkwater are less than 4 km away and then also at Cullen Point, there is a Doc toilet. This is 5 km west of Mahakipawa and this toilet can be signposted for Link Pathway users. As such, a toilet at Mahakipawa is not seen as necessary at present. Parks and Open Spaces have a programme for toilet upgrades/additions.
- Other—Acquisition of this land would be beneficial to further enhance biodiversity and recreational values and the stream environment. Initial weed control will be required if purchase took place as the area currently has a number of invasive weed species present. Natural regeneration is occurring and this would take place rapidly with only weed control required. The cost of purchase may be significant as zoned rural/residential. Staff have had conversations with a developers representative, of a possible subdivision with Lot 2. The lot runs north along the Victoria Domain east boundary with its southern boundary connecting with Endeavour Park. These boundary connections allow the possibility of public linkages/connections thru the subdivision to Victoria Domain. These linkages will provide a more direct route to Victoria Domain for dog walkers. Note that the numbers referred to in the LTP submission are to a map included within the draft Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan - the same submitter had also requested that Council acquire this land in their submission made to the draft Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan. It is legally described as Lot 2 DP 317380 and is some 6.43 hectares in area. Although decisions have not yet been confirmed on the draft Plan the draft decision records that while the land may fulfil the policy criteria for acquisition there is a question of funding such a purchase and this is likely to be significant given the current residential zoning of the land. (Staff have previously considered draft subdivision proposals for this land although to date no application has been lodged.) The Hearings Panel considering submissions did not consider there was a driving need to pursue acquisition of this parcel of land. The draft Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan also identifies the importance of enhancing biodiversity including along the streams identified in the submission.
- Culture & Heritage—Seating, an appropriate structure and heritage interpretation panels can be collaboratively designed with submitter, local iwi and community and incorporated to enhance the visitor experience to Victoria Domain and acknowledge local whanau and former land use. As a visitor facility enhancement, a small structure at this key entrance point to 'house' interpretative signage with heritage information and including such as seating, drinking fountain and perhaps carved panels etc. could likely be accommodated at this popular entry point to the tracks and trails network of the bush parkland of Victoria Domain. Refer Victoria Domain and Associated Reserves, Reserve Management Plan (RMP draft). The land was also identified as being of cultural significance to the submitter in his submission to the draft Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan. The land has been gazetted as recreation reserve, which is consistent with most parcels of land making up Victoria Domain. It is not

proposed to change the reserve status of the land. However, the Council can manage the land for cultural values in terms of the provisions of the Reserves Act. In order to protect the cultural values identified by the submitter and others, it is proposed that tracks will be avoided over this parcel of land.

- Animal Control—Council will be considering the Bylaw and Policy relating to Animal Control at its meeting on 24 June (the Environment Committee at its meeting on 10 June recommended that Council adopt). New signs and areas identified as prohibited, on and off leash have been considered and a decision is pending. There is a Sign Project Budget which has been granted which will be used to replace and upgrade damaged, missing and new signs in areas which are required. The Contractor has a patrolling plan which includes Picton and upon receipt of complaints of dogs in prohibited areas they will respond. The contractor's performance is audited each year in relation to response to complaints and there patrolling plans.
- Community Facilities—A picnic table and seating area can be incorporated at the Snout Track carpark.

3528 Linda Le Sueur (Retired)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked and that the submitter be advised that the New Renwick Road route is not included in the Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) network maps as a proposed cycle route. However, the strategy has identified that widening of rural road shoulders such as New Renwick Road does improve cyclist safety. Marlborough Roads has no budget scheduled for this project over the next 3-year period. In the previous 5 years there have been four cycle crashes along New Renwick Road, all of which have been of minor injury. There is no funding allocated within current budgets for this. It is not simply widening the shoulder as new drainage channels will need to be constructed as part of the construction. The cost is likely to be around \$300,000.

3529 D.N. Laing

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—The submitter has not provided any reason for the cut nor any suggestion as to how the proposed cut should be allocated/prioritised across the increased activities proposed in the budget.
- Q4—Council needs to consider Marlborough's future standard of living in the wider sense if an austerity regime were to be implemented - including its ability to attract future labour and tourists.
- Q6—The assumption is that the submitter is referring to a Central Government responsibility rather than Local Government.
- Q9—Having a Development Contribution Policy reduces the need for rates.
- Q11—Infrastructural needs may not match income increases.

3531 Nicola Neilson (Picton Smart + Connected)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and be advised that Council is continuing funding the Smart+Connected programme.

3532 Elena Smith (Individual)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that the submission will be referred to Marlborough Roads for them to undertake a pedestrian safety review of Colemans Road. There is budget of \$80,000 a year to provide safe pedestrian crossing places under the Low Cost Low Risk programme. Improvements recommended could be implemented from this budget. It should also be noted that speed limits will be reviewed as part of the district wide speed limit review.

3533 Rob(ert) McCaw

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that Council has a facility and advocacy role and administers the Marlborough Housing Group.

3534 Nicola Neilson (Marlborough Events Ltd)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the submitter be advised that the submission on the funding for a Marlborough wide Matariki Festival co-ordination will be referred to the review of the mechanisms of funding community events.

3535 Juliane Merz

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q4—Council needs to consider Marlborough's future standard of living in the wider sense if an austerity regime were to be implemented including its ability to attract future labour and tourists.
- Q5—Consultation on rates increases takes place every year.

3547 Chris Beech

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Community Facilities—Should be considered as part of a district wide Public Toilets policy and Asset Management Plan, which is still to be developed.
- Roads & Footpaths—This route is not included in the Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) network maps as a proposed cycle route however the strategy has identified that widening of rural road shoulders such as New Renwick Road does improve cyclist safety. Marlborough Roads has no budget scheduled for this project over the next 3-year period. In the previous 5 years there have been four cycle crashes along New Renwick Road, all of which have been of minor injury. There is no funding allocated within current budgets for this. It is not simply widening the shoulder as new drainage channels will need to be constructed as part of the construction. The cost is likely to be around \$300,000. There are significant practical and funding challenges in upgrading New Renwick Road.

3558 Paul Irwin (Antipode Ltd)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council's approach to economic development is facilitation and partnership to enable the private sector to invest in opportunities, and to mitigate the impacts of their industry on the environmental, workforce etc. An example of this is the Smart+Connected programme where groups address labour issues, social licence, innovation and environmental issues. Council's proposed activities in technology relates to agri-tech where environmental impacts, productivity and new products can be progressed. Investment in physical spaces such as co-working spaces, incubators would require a rates increase.
- Q3—The submitter supports Council's proposed spending to improve the Environment. Comments on the need to understand the full effects of the vineyard industry are self-explanatory.
- Q4—Council has been encouraging local iwi partner and to invest in this area of Marlborough's heritage. Council would not pursue this investment without full iwi direction and participation.
- Q6—Council regularly reviews population projections and household and urban development assumptions in reviewing its zoning needs and associated infrastructure. A review is being undertaken now of these factors contributing to the National Policy Statement on Urban Development projections.
- Q8—It would appear that the submitter is not aware of Council's strategy to do with maintaining the existing stock and keeping the number of units in line with current levels.
- Q11—Analysis is carried out as part of the Asset Management Plan (AMP) reviews on the effects of industry on infrastructure. Council has also analysed the next two forecast harvest cycles as part of investigations into effects on the roads from forestry. This information was reviewed by the roading

contractors who tendered for the recently awarded NOC contract for Marlborough. Council has been very active in advocating for improved broadband connectivity. We have not been successful in obtaining funding for Council owned and managed systems and now consider service provision is best left to the private sector.

3589 Paul Veric (Water Safety New Zealand)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and be advised that the issues raised on water safety and drowning prevention are self-explanatory and commendable. The matters raised can be addressed without further budgetary provision needed. The submission has been forwarded through to the Harbours Unit for their consideration as part of their work planning.

3591 John Bond (Road Transport Association)

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and be advised that Marlborough Roads will consult with the RTA as we develop any Roading projects. The RTA are also invited to Regional Transport Committee meetings when they are held and are also part of the group developing the Blenheim Integrated Transport Study (BITS) currently.

3593 Peter Stubbs

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and be advised that over the last 20 years Council has developed Forest Park and Boulevard Park on Taylor residential subdivisions. Final concept and scheme plans were provided for both of these developments at the early stages so that flows could be assessed and pipes sized accordingly. Concept plans and consenting requirements set the scene for the shape of the development and developers that move away from those concepts are likely to end up with issues from purchasers. Covenants were established to protect property owners' investment in both developments. Council assessed the market conditions and developed accordingly based on market demand and feedback. Council's developments have been successful by listening to the market and adjusting accordingly. Council development continued during the GFC when purchasers were few and far between and adjusted its offering accordingly. Council has delivered on its concept and scheme plans successfully for the Marlborough Community. Rezoning of land in Blenheim's East has a number of constraints that need to be worked through to ensure development is cost effective and sustainable. There is little point in reviewing past decisions made in very different economic and social times. Council has no further land to develop in the medium term at BOT so has no control over current housing development covenants. Past decisions on the rezoning of eastern Blenheim land took into account many factors - not just seismic risk. Council is expecting new approaches to rezone parts of the area and will consider these with an open mind.

3596 Stephanie Flores

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for her submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider distribution outside of Marlborough.
- Q4—Speaking with the Building Consents department, Green Star is just a rating system on how efficient a house is with warmth etc, there is nothing in Council plans stopping green star builds in Marlborough.
- Q7—Council currently has no plans to become a banker but is open to new ideas which can be considered once our Housing work programme is completed.
- Q9—Development Contributions greatly reduce impacts on ratepayers.

3600 Rebecca Wledge

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider

distribution outside of Marlborough. The Blenheim Business Association is an excellent vehicle to provide feedback from our business and retail community. They survey members and provided feedback to Council on COVID-19 related matters, CBD upgrades and parking.

- Q8—The Senior Housing Sub-Committee is now considering options for a lift.

3607 *Rick Edmonds (Link Pathway Trust)*

Cirs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:

That the funding request from Rick Edmonds (Link Pathway Trust) be declined; however Council will refer the request to Marlborough Roads for further consideration.

Carried

NB: Clr Fauls declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions on the issue.

3609 *Peter Maxwell*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and be advised that the Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. Marlborough Roads has an annual budget for cycle path related maintenance; as such any public feedback on any specific areas will be directed to Marlborough Roads so these can be addressed. The current cycle path maintenance budget is \$37,000 per annum; this will be going to \$63,000 per annum for maintenance and \$40,000 per annum for renewals from July 2021.

3613 *Peter Johnstone*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Council will maintain the additional printed event guides for the Marlborough audience as it is the preferred method of communication locally. Digital options are being investigated for a wider distribution outside of Marlborough. Evaluation of Garden Marlborough 2022 is an action under Aim 2 of the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy 2020 - 2022. It would provide a more detailed overview of the visitor benefits of a multi-day event compared to the reports that can be run in-house through the Infometrics tool. The information captured would be useful when considering future applications for funding.
- Q3—The PMEP, Infrastructure Strategy and AMP documents already factor in Climate Change initiatives for the region, on top of this Council also has its own Climate Change Action Plan which lists a number of initiatives that Council is focusing on for the years ahead to address Climate Change in the region.
- Q11—The PMEP and the RMA address matters relating to resources which then flows through to projects listed in the Infrastructure Strategy.
- Roads & Footpaths—The Marlborough Walking and Cycling Strategy (2019-29) establishes a strategic framework for developing a safe, convenient and connected travel network for walking and cycling. Council is working closely with Marlborough Roads and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to implement the action plan contained in this strategy document. Roads will be assessed on a project-by-project basis as it relates to removing car parking in order to accommodate cycle facilities, which includes undertaking car park demand surveys on each road. Council has 19 bike stand locations throughout Blenheim CBD for people to use, many of which were recently upgraded last year as part of the street furniture upgrade. People are encouraged to use their own locks to ensure their bike is securely fastened to the bike stand, as further explained on the Council website. Currently the only covered bike stands in Blenheim CBD are at the Alfred Street carpark.
- Resource Consents—The National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 has removed the ability of objectives, policies and rules to require minimum car park numbers (except for accessible car parks). Requirements to provide facilities for cycles or alternate vehicles would require a change to the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan.

3618 *Greg Colquhoun*

Cllrs Taylor/Croad:

That the submission from Greg Colquhoun be referred to the LTP working group for further consideration.

Carried

3619 *Judy Claasen*

Clr Arbuckle acknowledged that staff have done as much as they can with this idea and it is now up to the submitter to take it further.

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission.

3624 *Nicci Armour (Wine Marlborough)*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q1—Marlborough Roads did consult with the wine industry prior to the 2021 harvest in relation to road works that were scheduled to occur. The development of a QR code that the industry could use to check where any works were scheduled was received well by the industry. Not all road works can be just stopped during harvest as there are health and safety for the community in general that need to be addressed if a road is deemed unsafe.
- Q2—Points 15-16: Council is proposing to develop an economic development strategy this year, and has had preliminary discussions with the wine sector. Council works in partnership with the Chamber, BBA, BTM to ensure there is complementarity, not overlap. Point 17: Council investigated service delivery models and accepted the recommendation of 'enhanced status quo'. The next S17A type review is due for consideration by 2024 alongside other Council functions. Points 18-21: Council's proposed approach retains the existing programmes (eg. Smart+Connected) that supports existing sectors, and it proposed technology activities includes agri-tech which would also support existing sectors. The wine sector has been offered the opportunity to undertake the Smart+Connected process but it has not yet agreed to do so. Point 22: The proposed investment in screen sector builds upon work over the last three years, rather than being a new proposed area of work. Point 23: The Regional Events Strategy 2020 - 2022 does not recommend another economic impact report is carried out for the Marlborough Wine & Food Festival as one was undertaken in 2015. There is currently no budget for this and would require funding from reserves or rates.
- Q3—Council meets regularly with Wine Marlborough and will continue to do so.
- Q4—As above - we will continue to engage.
- Q6—Once our work on the Housing work programme has sufficiently progressed and staff resource allows we will consider further work.
- Q11—Staff are currently engaging with Iwi first in relation to the BSTP discharge consent renewal and then will engage with the wider community. We intend to consult.
- Other—We are grateful for Wine Marlborough's input.

3625 *Alain Bassin*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the "Outcome of Consultation Summary" and the "Parking Update - May 2021 Financials" be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q2—Economic development and tourism activities are largely funded by Commercial Industrial ratepayers. The spend generated by visitors generates activity and employment. The Council activities are predominantly funded by Commercial/Industrial ratepayers.
- Q5—COVID-19 has impacted our economy and we can smooth rates to assist ratepayers cope.
- Q8—80% of market is current policy but the Senior Housing Committee will be considering future rental review methods.

- Q11—Options for targeted rating of forestry to help recover the costs of damage are available to Council if there is the political will to implement them. An extensive consultation process will be required to implement such a charge
- Roads & Footpaths—These are interesting ideas but are outside Councils mandate sitting with central government.

3629 *Gordon Ferguson*

Council requested that the submitter be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to the “Outcome of Consultation Summary” and the “Parking Update - May 2021 Financials” be sent to the submitter.

Council further requested that the following specific comments to the points made in the submission be sent to the submitter:

- Q3—The submitter supports the proposed expenditure on increasing its expenditure to protect the Environment. Does not support the use of 1080 in the Environment. Council is not currently using 1080 in any of its operations and does not have any future plans to do so. The submitter’s comments should be directed at the users. Council is not a user of 1080. The banning of 1080 is a matter for Government to address.
- Environmental Health—1080 approval and use is regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency. The EPA has the legal authority to grant permission for the use of 1080, which they have delegated to the Department of Conservation and the Ministry of Health.

The Mayor/Clr Taylor:

That the 2021-31 Long Term 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 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

Carried

Staff reported that following the above decisions Council is proposing a 5.2% (approximately) rates increase.

The meeting closed at 3.18 pm.

Confirmed this 24th day of June 2021

J C LEGGETT
MAYOR

Record No. 21121735

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Assets & Services Committee

Assets & Services Committee Meeting held on 9 June 2021
(Minute Nos. A&S-0621-381 to A&S-0621-392)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
ASSETS & SERVICES COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on WEDNESDAY 9 JUNE 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Clrs N P Taylor (Chairperson), M J Fitzpatrick (Deputy), J L Andrews, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, F D Maher, M A Peters, Mayor J C Leggett, Mr R Hunter (iwi representative)

Also Present

Clrs J D N Croad and T P Sowman

Also Present Via Zoom

Clrs J A Arbuckle and D D Oddie

In Attendance

Mr Richard Coningham (Manager – Assets & Services Department) Jamie Lyall (Manager – Property and Community Facilities) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Apology

Clrs Fitzpatrick/Andrews:

That the apology for non-attendance from Clr B A Faulls be noted.

Carried

Clr Taylor presented Andy Christie, Council's Operation Staff, with the New Zealand Certificate in Infrastructure Works Level 3 – Plant Operation Specialising in Pipe Construction.

A&S-0621-381 Declaration of Interests -

No interests with items on the agenda were declared.

A&S-0621-382 Introduction of Additional Items -

Clr Taylor/The Mayor:

That the following additional item be considered (under Standing Order 9.12) 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 Open Meeting:

- **Waka Kotahi – Indicative Funding Levels**

Carried

A&S-0621-383 Confirmation of Sub-Committee Business
U200690M, U200158M, U200786M, U051282M

Cirs Taylor/Brooks:

That the following approvals granted by the Road Naming Sub-Committee under delegated authority (Council Minute Cncl-0221-279) be confirmed:

- **Evana Limited (U200690) – That the road name Raukura Rise be given for the right-of-way being created to take effect upon the vesting of the road in Council ownership.**
- **Nikau Drive Limited (U200158) – That the following road names be given to take effect upon the vesting of the roads in Council ownership.**
 - **Road 1 – Wai Iti Avenue**
 - **Road 2 – Whareātea Road**
 - **Road 3 – Ketu Lane**
- **349 Anakiwa Road (U200786) – That the road name Beauchamp Lane be approved as per the application.**
- **712 Queen Charlotte Drive (U051282) – That the road name Korimako Rise be approved as per the application.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr Steve Murrin, Marlborough Roads Manager, was present for the following two items.

A&S-0621-384 Waka Kotahi – Indicative Funding Levels
R800-004-06

The purpose of the report was to advise Councillors that Waka Kotahi's indicative funding levels for Council's Maintenance and Renewals Programme has been cut by approximately \$5.1M over the next three years. (A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21116724).

Members were advised that a programme that fits within this restrained funding allocation with as little impact as possible on Levels of Service has been developed by Marlborough Roads. It was noted that budgets will be tight which will mean that extra funding will be required after the three years. The schedule of the programme was attached to the agenda for members' information.

It was noted that the main risk with this restrained programme is that there could be failures across the network where there is insufficient funding to put things right. It will also mean that there will be cuts made to some of the activities, such as verge mowing and application of dust suppressants.

It was noted that the restrained programme does mean that there will be \$4.9M of Council share which could be held in a reserve in case funding is required to deal with a major issue.

As a consequence of the working within the reduced budget there will be no bridge and structure renewals funded over the next three years, however, there will be the opportunity to put a business case application to Waka Kotahi.

Members acknowledged the effort undertaken by the Marlborough Roads Team, under urgency, to provide Council with a way to work within the budget constraints as a result of the reduction in funding levels.

Clrs Maher/Peters:

1. That Council confirms a Maintenance and Renewals Programme that fits within the constrained funding announced by Waka Kotahi, outlined in Schedule 1 attached. (Refer *Schedule 1*)
2. That the \$4.9M of Council funding that has been budgeted in the LTP based on the original local roading programme, be held in reserve to be used to deal with any major issues that arise across the Network over the 2021-24 LTP period.

Carried

A&S-0621-385 Elmslie Bay (French Pass) Jetty R800-001-E02

The report to the Committee identified the current issues with the Elmslie Bay Jetty. A series of photos were shown highlighting the current state of the jetty. (Filed in CM Record No. 2117599)

It was noted that jetty has been booked in for repairs next week and will take approximately 10 days to complete. The jetty can continue to be repaired but the advice is that it has come to the end of its life and it would be more economical to totally replace the structure.

Members were advised that WSP have completed a design for a replacement jetty. The proposed jetty replacement plan was attached to the agenda for members' information. The new design is smaller than the current, but it will cater for the types of boats that use the jetty. Plans are currently being circulated amongst the users of the jetty with feedback being requested as soon as possible.

It was reported that it is likely to take some time to complete the detailed design for the jetty and obtain the required consents. WSP have completed a design to repair the current broken pile. This repair would form part of the new jetty if it were to be replaced.

Members were advised that the estimate for a replacement jetty is \$650,000 and the repair is around \$60,000. It was reported that the jetty is considered part of the roading network and in light of the funding reduction to Council's Maintenance Renewals Programme for the 2021-24 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) it was proposed that a business case be applied to Waka Kotahi for funding the jetty replacement.

Clrs Peters/Fitzpatrick:

1. That approval be given to undertake repairs to the current jetty and to open it up to vehicles as soon as possible.
2. That consultation be completed with local users, a design finalised and consents applied for with replacement construction to follow.
3. That a business case be prepared to Waka Kotahi for funding the jetty replacement.

Carried

A&S-0621-386 Regional Transport Committee (RTC) D050-001-R01

The minutes of the RTC meeting held on 19 February 2021 were presented for ratification by the Committee.

Clrs Maher/Fitzpatrick:

That the Minutes of the Regional Transport Sub-committee meeting held on 19 February 2021 be ratified.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Tessa Dever, Council's Management Accountant - Operations, was present for the following item.

A&S-0621-387 Financial Report for the year to 30 April 2021

F275-001-02

The Financial Report for the Assets and Services and Community Facilities (including parking) Departments for the year to 30 April 2021 was presented to members.

It was noted that there have been further format changes. This means each significant activity has a section on their revenue, operating costs and capital expenditure. There is no new information just a reconfiguration of information.

It was reported that Capital expenditure is currently at 76% of the funded amount and is forecast to be 103% at year end. This means a small catch up on prior year capital expenditure which was delayed due to Covid-19.

The following major variances were noted - unbudgeted grant revenue of \$6.3M from the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) for projects in wastewater, water and stormwater and \$0.6M from the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE) for flood protection work at Southern Valleys and Upper Conders.

Roading revenue is behind budget by \$3.4M due to lower NZTA roading subsidies. These subsidies are directly correlated to lower roading capital expenditure.

Council has purchased 120,000 New Zealand Units for \$4.5M. This will meet Council's expected emission trading obligations for the next three years.

Capital expenditure is behind budget in all activities due to timing of projects which have been impacted for many reasons including finalising community consultation, obtaining land access, obtaining resource consents, the availability of external professional expertise and receiving an acceptable contract price and contractor availability.

Members were advised that entries have been completed to account for April revenues and expenditures in that month, including outstanding retention values of \$1.5M for 43 separate construction contracts.

Cirs Peters/Maher:

That the financial report for the period ended 30 April 2021 be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: The Mayor withdrew from the meeting at 9.40 am during the following item.

ATTENDANCE: Mr Duncan Coates, Council's Engineering Officer – Services Infrastructure, was present for the following item.

A&S-0621-388 Out of District Water and Wastewater Connection Application for 171 Battys Road – Additional Connections for Subdivision

W440-003-002-01, W450-004-004-03, PN163686#04

The purpose of the report was to consider an Out of District Water and Wastewater connection application.

Members were advised that Council has received a request for additional water and wastewater connections to supply a proposed four lot subdivision. The existing house on the property is not currently connected to the Blenheim water or wastewater reticulation. The applicant is proposing to subdivide the property to create four allotments. The proposed water and wastewater connections will be for domestic type use.

It was noted that Waters Avenue is reticulated, the southern side is zoned Urban Residential 3 under the MEP and properties on the southern side may connect to Council water and wastewater reticulation. The north side is zoned Rural Living.

The property is addressed as 171 Battys Road and is on the northern side. Waters Avenue is recognised within Council as an area that can be served via Blenheim water and wastewater reticulation, it is allowed for in network modelling.

It was noted that four Out of District water and wastewater connections are required to serve the proposed subdivision at 171 Battys Road. Council infrastructure has the capacity to serve these additional allotments. Conditions and limitations of water use and wastewater discharge will be required.

Cirs Fitzpatrick/Dawson:

That approval be given for the following out of district water and wastewater connection applications for 171 Battys Road subject to the following:

- a) **That a metered water connection be installed for each lot.**
 - i. **That a water connection fee be paid for Council to supply and install four 20mm diameter metered water connections to each lot. Each connection will include a Reduced Pressure Zone (RPZ) backflow prevention device.**
 - ii. **That a water Development Contribution be paid for one Household Equivalent Units, and applied as per the Development Contributions policy for each lot.**
 - iii. **That any future activity on each lot shall not exceed one household equivalent unit, i.e. the water demand for each lot shall not exceed 4,000 litres per day**
 - iv. **That property owners' limit water use to the immediate vicinity of the dwelling/office.**
 - v. **That the proposed lots pay water rates as per Council's Out of District connections rating policy. That a Blenheim metered water charge be applied for the new connections. This charge is set by the MDC Rating Policy and is subject to the standard minimum quarterly charge.**
- b) **That a wastewater connection be installed for each lot**
 - i. **That a wastewater connection fee be paid for Council to supply and install a 100mm diameter wastewater connection.**
 - ii. **That a wastewater Development Contribution be paid for 4.11 Household Equivalent Units and applied as per the Development Contributions policy.**
 - iii. **That a Zone Development Contribution be paid for 4.11 Household Equivalent Units and applied as per the Development Contributions policy.**
 - iv. **That the proposed lots pay wastewater rates as per Council's Out of District connections rating policy.**
- c) **That the applicant be advised approval of these service connections does not imply that subdivision approval will be granted.**
- d) **That the approved connections to this property only be completed following a successful subdivision application. Failure to obtain Subdivision consent within one year of this approval will result in forfeit of this Out of District water and wastewater approval.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Linda Craighead, Council's Planner – Parks and Open Spaces and Jane Tito, Manager Parks and Open Spaces were present for the following two items.

A&S-0621-389 Permit System for Long Stay Camping at Wairau Diversion R510-014-001-01

The report to the Committee sought approval to remove the current permit system that enables long stay camping at the Wairau Diversion for the purposes of whitebait fishing.

It was noted that a permit system to enable long stay camping at the Wairau Diversion responsible camping site for those undertaking whitebait fishing has been in place for some time. The normal rule restricting campers to a two night stay does not apply to permit holders, who can potentially stay for the duration of the whitebait season, nearly four months. Over the past three years an average of 78 permits have been issued each year.

Members were advised that the whitebait fishing is managed by DOC and this has recently been reviewed. Information on the changes to be circulated to members.

It was noted that during the review of the Freedom Camping Control Bylaw 2012 carried out in 2020, a number of submitters raised concerns about the permit system. The Hearings Panel recommended the matter be referred to the Council's Assets & Services Committee for review so an assessment of the appropriateness of the system could occur.

It was reported that decisions on the review of the Freedom Camping Control Bylaw 2012 resulted in a much reduced area available for responsible camping at the Wairau Diversion as well as restrictions on the total number of vehicles allowed. Proposals for redevelopment of the site will make management and monitoring easier, will have improved health and safety outcomes and result in an enhanced stay for campers.

It was noted whitebait fishers will still have the opportunity to access other areas of the Diversion for fishing during the day as they do currently and also fish within the responsible camping area provided the two day stay limit is observed.

A letter will be sent to previous permit holders advising of the Council's decision and the reasons for the decision. Information will also be placed on the Council's website and through social media.

Cirs Brooks/Andrews:

That Council discontinue the permit system enabling long stay camping at the Wairau Diversion for the purposes of whitebait fishing.

Carried

Postscript:

The following link to the Department of Conservation website setting out the new whitebaiting regulations for the 2021 season. <https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/things-to-do/fishing/whitebaiting/> was circulated to members following the meeting.

A&S-0621-390 Approval of Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan

R510-014-017-06

The Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan was submitted for approval.

By way of background members were advised that the Council commenced a review of the 1995 reserve management plan in late 2017 and contracted Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust to partner in preparing a new plan. An invitation to the public to provide suggestions/feedback to the Council on the review was made in July 2018. A draft plan was approved by the Council for public submission in September 2020. A Background Information report accompanied notification of the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan. 39 submissions were received. A hearing was held at the Endeavour Park Pavilion with 11 submitters appearing before the Hearing Panel of Councillors Brooks (chair), Taylor and Fitzpatrick.

The Panel made a number of changes to the draft plan as a result of the hearing and in considering evidence presented by submitters. A copy of the Decision Report on submissions and a copy of the Plan as amended by decisions of the Hearing Panel are available on Council's website (via the following link <https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/your-council/meetings>). A copy of the notes from the hearing and subsequent deliberations were attached to the agenda item.

It was noted that Section 41 of the Reserves Act provides for the approval of a reserve management plan. The Council acting under a delegation from the Minister of Conservation is able to approve the reserve management plan.

The final version of the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan will be circulated to members.

Cirs Brooks/Fitzpatrick:

- 1. That the Decision Report of the Hearing Panel convened to consider submissions received on the draft Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan be confirmed.**

2. In accordance with Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977, the Council approves the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Brian Paton, Manager Emergency Operations Centre and were present for the following item.

A&S-0621-391 Changes to the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) E200-001-003-04

A presentation was given by Jenna Rogers (Manager, Analysis and Planning) on the significant changes that NEMA is undergoing to make a better fit with the Government's direction for emergency management. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118411).

It was noted that the changes proposed will involve a change in structure as well as significantly increased staff numbers across the organisation, enabling it to implement a wide-ranging work programme with more focus on resilience and readiness. An overview of the strategic framework for NEMA was attached to the agenda for members' information.

Closely aligned to the changes within NEMA, is the Regulatory Framework Review 'Trifecta' Programme which is Amendments to the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002; Review of the National CDEM Plan Order 2015 and accompanying Guide and Development of the National Disaster Resilience Strategy (NDRS) Roadmap.

Members were advised that the Programme will ensure the Plan, Act and NDRS roadmap are aligned in content and outcomes. As there is significant overlap, and to reduce disruption to stakeholders, the Programme will coordinate stakeholder engagement and communications across the three projects.

The amendments to the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act are part of the response to the TAG's recommendations in its report "Delivering Better Responses to Natural Disasters and Other Emergencies." Since the Government response to the TAG there have been a number of emergencies, such as the Pigeon Fires and COVID-19 that have also provided lessons that will inform this work. Subject to Ministerial and Cabinet decisions, a Bill will be introduced to the House by the end of 2021.

The Plan/Guide and Roadmap will be developed in parallel to the policy work on the Bill, with final consultation and publication following the passage of the Bill.

Members were advised on the priority workstreams for NEMA. This does include recognising Iwi / Māori perspectives, legal framework, lead agency, housing recovery, government funding, people with disabilities and critical infrastructure. The work being done will take a broader focus on resilience as well as the ways in which we prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies.

It was reported that both the 'Trifecta' Programme and the individual workstreams will place increased demand on CDEM Groups, more so as NEMA has signalled that it will take a closer interest in monitoring, compliance and evaluation of the sector.

Cirs Andrews/Brooks:
That the information be received.

Carried

A&S-0621-392 Information Package -

Cirs Taylor/Brooks:
That the Assets and Services Information Package dated be received and noted.

Carried

The meeting closed at 10.46 am.

Record No. 21118455

Schedule 1

Network Outcome Area:		Marlborough Local Roads						
Year:		2021/2022						
Activity	WC No.	Work Category & Description	2020/21 Budgets	Funding Request 2021/2022	2021/22 Revised Programme	2022/23 Revised Programme	2023/24 Revised Programme	
Maintenance	111	Sealed Pavement Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$1,345,000	\$ 1,345,000	\$ 1,371,900	\$ 1,399,338	
	112	Unsealed Pavement Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 640,000.00	\$640,000	\$ 640,000	\$ 652,800	\$ 665,856	
	113	Routine Drainage Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 459,080.00	\$500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 510,000	\$ 520,200	
	114	Structures Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 338,400.00	\$346,130	\$ 250,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 260,100	
	124	Cycle Path Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 37,140.00	\$62,953	\$ 65,000	\$ 66,300	\$ 67,626	
	125	Footpath Mtce - Subsidised						
	59172-22600	TIO - MDC local	\$ 627,000.00	\$172,000	\$ 172,000	\$ 175,440	\$ 178,949	
	140	Minor Event						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 500,000.00	\$500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	
Operations	121	Environmental Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 1,091,400.00	\$975,000	\$ 850,000	\$ 867,000	\$ 884,340	
	122	Network Service Maintenance - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 1,161,130.00	\$1,102,270	\$ 1,102,270	\$ 1,124,315	\$ 1,146,802	
	123	Network Operations - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 60,000.00	\$280,000	\$ 280,000	\$ 285,600	\$ 291,312	
	131	Level Crossing Warning Devices - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 34,610.00	\$40,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,700	\$ 36,414	
	151	Network and Asset Management NOC - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 980,410.00	\$2,479,000	\$ 2,820,000	\$ 2,876,400	\$ 2,933,928	
		Major Event						
		TIO - MDC local						
		SUB TOTAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE (Excluding Major Events)	\$7,129,170	\$8,442,353	\$ 8,559,270	\$ 8,720,455	\$ 8,884,865	
Renewals	211	Unsealed Road Metalling - Subsidised - 506971						
		NOC - provisional sums in contract - could move to other category	\$ 800,000.00	\$1,295,000	\$ 1,056,000	\$ 1,077,120	\$ 1,098,662	
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 2,781,610.00	\$4,080,000	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,856,000	\$ 2,913,120	
	213	Drainage Renewals - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 655,270.00	\$651,820	\$ 550,000	\$ 561,000	\$ 572,220	
	214	Pavement Rehabilitation - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 1,220,300.00	\$1,340,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 612,000	\$ 624,240	
	215	Structures Component Replacements - Subsidised - 506971						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 330,000.00	\$330,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 260,100	
	216	Bridge and Structures Renewals						
		TIO - MDC local		\$500,000	\$ -			
	221	Environmental Renewals - 60027071						
		TIO - MDC local		\$ -	\$ -			
	222	Traffic Services Renewals - 60027072						
		TIO - MDC local	\$ 329,107.00	\$260,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 153,000	\$ 156,060	
	224	Cycle Path Renewal						
		TIO - MDC local		\$40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,800	\$ 41,616	
	225	Footpath Renewal						
				\$427,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 260,100	
		Total Renewals	\$6,116,287	\$8,923,820	\$ 5,696,000	\$ 5,809,920	\$ 5,926,118	
		Total annual budget (renewals and maintenance)	\$13,245,457	\$17,366,173	\$ 14,255,270	\$ 14,530,375	\$ 14,810,983	

5. Committee Reports

5.2 Environment Committee

Environment Committee Meeting held on 10 June 2021
(Minute Nos. Env-0621-393 to Env-0621-405)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 10 JUNE 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Mayor J C Leggett (Chairperson), Councillors G A Hope (Deputy), J A Arbuckle, J D N Croad, B A Faulls, T P Sowman and Mr E R Beech (Rural representative)

Present via Zoom

Councillor D D Oddie (Deputy)

Also Present

Councillors J L Andrews, C J Brooks, and N P Taylor

In Attendance

Ms G Ferguson (Consents and Compliance Group Manager), Mr H R Versteegh (Environmental Science and Policy Group Manager) (withdrew from the meeting at 11.03am) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Apology

The Mayor/Clr Croad:

That the apology for non-attendance from Clr M A Peters be noted.

Carried

Env-0621-393 Declaration of Interests -

The Mayor noted a conflict of interest in Item 9 – Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw Review.

ATTENDANCE: Mr Peter Hamill, Council's Environmental Scientist – Aquatic Ecosystems, was present for the following two items.

Env-0621-394 Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon

C230-001-G01-02

The purpose of the report was to provide an update on Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon Incorporation restoration work at the Grovetown Lagoon.

It was noted that following the installation of a toilet and car park visitor numbers have increased to 150 people per weekend day. The facilities were funded from the Long Term Plan 2018.

Members were advised that volunteers work at the Lagoon every week, both on site and at the shade house situated at Grovetown School. There are Sunday working bees every six weeks. Corporate planting days have been popular with wine companies, Outward Bound and RNZAF volunteering, although these days have since been impacted by Covid. School groups come to the lagoon for education or to volunteer; 11 classes in 2020.

Blenheim Lions have funded and built a noticeboard at the corner of Steam Wharf Road. It was noted that Te Whanau Hou is a registered charity and receives donations of goods and services or through the 'Give a Little' page.

The plants for the project are propagated by volunteers from seed collection in the ecological district. In addition to the school shade house, an additional shade house was built and then extended in 2021 to house the plants. 975 trees were planted in 2020. The land area of the project has extended over time and the Society now manages approximately 40 hectares. Weed control works are undertaken by a combination of volunteers and contractors dependant on the species and control method.

The society started a predator control programme in 2017. There are 80 traps at the lagoon which are monitored weekly by volunteers.

It was noted that there is an increase in the number of swans at the lagoon and Mr Hamill advised there has been discussion with Fish and Game NZ on their management.

Members were advised that although there have been other work plans created the Community Management Plan for the Lagoon has not been updated since 2003. Work has now begun with the Foundation members of Te Whanau Hou in conjunction with Council to write a new management plan under the Reserves Act 1977.

Cirs Hope/Mr Beech:
That the information be received.

Carried

Env-0621-395 Catchment Care Funding Principles E355-021-03-001

The report sought approval from the Committee to ratify the funding principles for landowner support for the Catchment Care Programme. The guiding principles for funding assistance were detailed in the agenda item.

It was noted that the Catchment Care Programme is designed to develop collaborative catchment enhancement plans in degraded catchments to help protect or improve water quality outcomes.

Catchment Conditions Surveys have been completed in a number of designated catchments and key priority areas have been identified where fencing, planting and other mitigation methods will provide environmental enhancements.

It was noted that priority areas will be eligible for funding assistance from the government grants of up to \$6.00 per metre for fencing materials, the provision of maintenance of wetland and riparian plantings for two years following planting and a grant of \$2000 per farm pack of Dung Beetles. The overarching funding principles require funding to be targeted to at risk and degraded catchments as defined in the PMEP with priority action determined by the outcomes of the Catchment Conditions Surveys.

The funding principles were detailed in the agenda item.

Members were advised that a number of Dung Beetle packs have been sold into Linkwater and Are Are Creek. Uptake from farmers is positive with reports of noticeable increases in pasture productivity as a result of the dung beetles.

Members were advised that the Council is well through the survey. The survey is voluntary and there is still some suspicion in the farming community and this is being worked through. It was emphasised that the funding available isn't enough to do everything so priorities are being established.

It was noted that the key aspect of the programme is the GIS system which has been developed in-house and allows Council to prioritise waterways to determine the biggest threats.

Cirs Faulls/Hope:

- 1. That the report be received.**
- 2. That the Funding Principles are accepted and incorporated into the Catchment Care programme.**

Carried

Nitrate-N concentrations at all SoE sites are currently well below the maximum allowable value for human consumption in the Drinking Water Standards for New Zealand (2005/2018). The highest measured Nitrate-N levels in Marlborough water resources are found in groundwater and mimicked in connected springs or aquifer fed streams. Levels of Nitrate-N in groundwater are primarily driven by land use activities, particularly artificial fertiliser use and stocking rates. Soil type, climate and irrigation rates influence Nitrate-N leaching rates and their timing, but are not the prime drivers of excessive Nitrate-N levels in Marlborough groundwater.

It was noted that managing excessive levels of Nitrate-N in groundwater can only be effectively achieved by managing land use and limiting nutrient limits. Members were advised that Nitrate-N enters groundwater in a diffuse manner meaning it can't be intercepted by riparian management tools like fencing or planting channels.

The current MEP permitted activity Nitrate-N application rate of 200 kg/ha/year is an order of magnitude higher than current usage and probably historical Wairau Plain loadings averaged over the Wairau Plain land area. For those Wairau Plain aquifer SoE sites where sufficient length of record (30 years or more) exists, there is generally a long-term declining trend in groundwater Nitrate-N levels and those of connected streams. It was noted that the decline is consistent with the dominant Wairau Plain agricultural land-use changing from mixed farming (sheep and arable) to vineyard from the mid-1980s onwards.

It was reported that the recent Nitrate-N concentrations since 2014 have tended to be lower for the Wairau Plain and this is likely due to the drier climatic conditions experienced leading to reduced rainfall leaching.

Members were advised that climate change predictions are still too vague to translate into implications for Nitrate-N leaching to aquifers 60 years out.

Cirs Hope/Croad:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr Oliver Wade, Council's Environmental Scientist – Coastal and Dr Hilke Giles, Pisces Consulting were present for the following item.

**Env-0621-398 The Marlborough Coastal Marine Area:
Environmental Issues and Scientific Information
Needs for Environmental Management E325-003-005**

The report to the Committee provided an update on the findings of a report describing environmental issues in the Marlborough Coastal Marine Area (CMA) and the scientific information needs for environmental management. The report was available on Council's website and a link was included in the agenda item. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118614).

The presentation provided context of how this report aligned to the existing broader coastal management programmes and plans.

It was noted that the report provides an informative step and lays out the current state of knowledge about what we know and what we've done. It also highlights the complexity of the situation and the work done to date in terms of monitoring and research by Council and others. It also highlights the challenges that we face in managing the coastal marine area.

The report highlighted that we do need to do things better particularly in regards to integrated management. It would be ideal to get all stakeholders around the table but this is not an easy thing to do due to agencies workloads and the lack of resources.

Cirs Hope/Sowman:
That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Sarah Brand, Environmental Scientist; Shelley Lines, Senior Environmental Protection Officer, and Grace Tocker, Environmental Protection Officer, were present for the following item.

Env-0621-399 New Burning Guides Heading Into Winter

E360-006-02

The following updated burning guides under the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan were tabled for members' information and will be available on Council's website and circulated to the public – Outdoor Burning Good Practice Guide, Marlborough Environment Plan Rules for Small Scale Fuel Burning Appliances and pellet Fires, Domestic Woodburning Burn Righ and Outdoor Burning Fact Sheet.

Information on regulatory changes and options for non-regulatory programmes to address air quality issues and complaints were discussed. A powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118618).

Members were advised that the main air contaminant of concern for New Zealand is particulate matter (PM). The NES currently focuses on PM₁₀ with a standard of 50µg/m³ 24 hr average (1 allowable exceedance per year) and an annual average of 20µg/m³. The Ministry for the Environment is currently refining proposed amendments to the NES to move the focus to PM_{2.5}. MfE has indicated that amendments are likely to take effect in the second half of 2021.

It was reported that both PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} are monitored at the Redwoodtown Bowling Club site. Blenheim was required to be compliant with the NES by September 2016. Historically, Blenheim has been non-compliant with the NES for PM₁₀.

Management measures to reduce PM₁₀ concentrations to meet the NESAQ have been included in the PMEP. The major regulatory changes from the WARMP & MSRMP to PMEP focus on whether burning is occurring within or outside the Blenheim Airshed.

It was reported that outdoor burning within the Blenheim Airshed is now a prohibited activity unless the fire is used exclusively for the cooking or smoking of food for non-commercial purposes (all year), or is a brazier but is not used during the months of May, June, July or August, and does not involve the burning of any prohibited fuels/materials. This applies to all zones within the Airshed.

Members were advised on the avenues that Council staff will use to widely distribute the updated information to. Councillors are welcome to make contact with staff with further suggestions on distribution.

Cirs Arbuckle/Hope:
That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Clr Andrews withdrew from the meeting at 11.03 am.

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 11.03 am and resumed at 11.20 am.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Brooks withdrew from the meeting at 11.03 am and rejoined the meeting at 11.28 am during the following item.

ATTENDANCE: The Mayor declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the following item and Clr Hope assumed the chair.

ATTENDANCE: Ms Jane Robertson, Council's Animal Control Contract Manager, was present for the following item.

Env-0621-400 Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw Review

E305-003-001-01

The purpose of the report was to seek adoption of the draft Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Bylaw 2021 with effect from 1 August 2021. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118627).

The Recommendation Report of the Hearings Panel to the Marlborough District Council and Submitters in respect of the proposed Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw 2020 were attached to the agenda for members' information.

It was reported that 679 submissions on the proposed Policy and proposed Bylaw including a petition with 699 signatures opposing dogs being on-leash on the Taylor River were received. Of the submissions received, 72 submitters indicated that they wished to speak to their submissions.

It was noted that a full list of the recommendations and consideration of all topics and location were detailed in the Recommendation Report.

It was reported once the bylaw is adopted at the next Full Council meeting media releases will be prepared with key messages about the decisions from the Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw review.

It is also proposed that the bylaw will come into effect on 1 August 2021. This will allow time to ensure correct signage is place, Council's Smart Maps is updated and public are informed of changes.

Members were advised that matters were raised through the submission process that were outside the scope of the Dog Control Policy and Bylaw review, these will be collated and referred to Council's Parks and Open Spaces Section.

Clr Arbuckle thanked the panel, staff and especially Clr Taylor for their support and expertise in assisting with the bylaw review noting that it is all about being a responsible dog owner and keeping your dog under control.

Clrs Arbuckle/Sowman:

- 1. That it is recommended that Council adopt the Recommendation Report of the Hearings Panel to the Marlborough District Council and Submitters in respect of the proposed Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw 2020 (including Appendix One).**
- 2. That it is recommended that Council adopt the Marlborough District Council Dog Control Dog Policy May 2021 effective 1 August 2021.**
- 3. That it is recommended that Council adopt the Marlborough District Council Dog Control Bylaw May 2021 effective 1 August 2021.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Victoria Rhind, Environmental Planner and Chanelle Seabrook, Environmental Protection Officer, were present for the following item.

Env-0621-401 Efficient Use of Water in Marlborough E360-006-01

The report to the Committee provided an update on addressing efficient use of water in the region through resource consenting and monitoring. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118628).

It was reported that inefficient allocation and use of water is potentially a significant issue in Marlborough, given that many water resources are at or are approaching full allocation. The main efficient use model used by applicants in Marlborough is IrriCalc which uses existing soils information and modelled climate data to provide estimates of water use for a list of different crop types and provides a reasonable use volume at daily, monthly and yearly rates.

It was noted that to ensure efficient use of water for irrigation, the Council will generally not grant water permits to use water for irrigation purposes at a rate that exceeds the reasonable use calculation provided by IrriCalc. All water take meters provide data via telemetry, manual submissions or on request. These meters should be verified every five years.

Members were advised that the "Resource Management (measurement and Report of Water Takes) Regulations 2010" has had two significant amendments. The first took effect in 2016 which required all water consent holders for every water take over 5 litres per second to have a measuring device installed, provide

continuous records of water use annually and have the device independently verified by an accredited company. The most recent amendment to these regulations took effect on 3 September 2020. These amendments include recording water take data at 15 minute intervals and providing this data daily. The roll out of implementing these newly added regulations is staged over 6 years (2020 - 2026), with larger takes being prioritised first.

It was noted that there are minimum flow requirements for many Marlborough Rivers, with restriction and rationing provisions included in consents to protect these minimum flows.

Cirs Hope/Faults:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Gina Ferguson withdrew from the meeting at 12.00 pm and Alan Johnson joined the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Ms Sue Bulfield-Johnston, Administrator and Hearing facilitator, Advocacy and Practice Integration, was present for the following three items.

Env-0621-402 Resource Consent Hearings Update R450-004-22

Ms Bulfield-Johnston advised that the purpose of the report was to provide the Committee a summary of the hearings undertaken since the previous report was provided, together with an update as to changes in practice following COVID-19.

Members were aware that the report provides a rolling summary of hearings scheduled and completed for applications for resource consent. Since the onset of COVID-19 and the Level 4 lockdown a practice has been implemented to consider extension of timeframe and online hearings where appropriate.

It was noted that twenty hearings have been completed and the decision issued in the year commencing 1 July 2020. A further four hearings have taken place as scheduled and are in adjournment pending receipt of further information. A table listing these hearings was attached to the agenda item.

Cirs Arbuckle/Faults:
That the report be received.

Carried

Env-0621-403 Appointment of Hearings Commissioners R450-004-02

Ms Bulfield-Johnston advised that the purpose of the report was to present David McMahon, Liz Burge and Rob Lieffering for inclusion on the list of Hearings Commissioners. Summary CVs for all three proposed commissioners were attached to the item for members' information.

It was noted that one of the commissioners had been omitted from the recommendation provided in the agenda.

Council is not bound to employ the services of a Commissioner once they are appointed.

- Cirs Croad/Faults:**
- 1. That the report be received.**
 - 2. That David McMahon, Liz Burge, Andrew Fenemor and Rob Lieffering are appointed to act as a Hearings Commissioner as and when required and that they be advised accordingly.**

Carried

Env-0621-404 Appeals Update

R450-004-22

Members noted that the purpose of report was to provide an update as to the current Appeals/Judicial Review caseload in Regulatory Services as at 26 May 2021.

Members were advised that Council is engaged in eight appeals - four relate to resource consents decisions, one relates to policy case law, one relates to building compliance and two relate to RMA compliance.

Cllrs Sowman/Croad:
That the information be received.

Carried

Env-0621-405 Information Package

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Clr Croad/The Mayor:
That the Regulatory Department Information Package dated be received and noted.

Carried

The meeting closed at 12.16 pm.

Record No: 21118990

5. Committee Reports

5.3 Planning, Finance & Community Committee

Planning, Finance & Community Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2021
(Minute Nos. PF&C-0621-406 to PF&C-0621-414)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
PLANNING, FINANCE & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on FRIDAY 11 JUNE 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Cirs M A Peters (Chairperson), J D N Croad, J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, B A Faulls, M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, T P Sowman, N P Taylor and Mayor J C Leggett

Present via Zoom

Clr D D Oddie

In Attendance

Messrs M F Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer), D G Heiford (Manager, Economic, Community & Support Services), and N Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Apology

Cirs Arbuckle/Andrews:

That the apology for absence from Clr F D Maher be received and sustained.

Carried

Jacqui Lloyd, General Manager Destination Marlborough, introduced Tim Fulton the recently appointed Chair Destination Marlborough. The Destination Marlborough Annual Plan 2021/2022 was tabled at this time. The Annual Plan will be uploaded to Destination Marlborough's website today and formally presented to Council at the July Planning, Finance and Community Committee meeting.

PF&C-0621-406 Declaration of Interests -

Clr Fitzpatrick declared a conflict of interest in Item 10 – Property Matters.

Item 3, Essential Freshwater – Implementation was heard later in the agenda due to the arrival time of the presenter.

ATTENDANCE: Mr Neil Henry, Council's Manager, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, was present for the following three items.

PF&C-0621-407 Commercial Events Fund Sub-Committee

E100-002-006-23

The minutes of the Commercial Events Fund Sub-Committee meeting held on 9 April 2021 were presented for ratification by the Committee.

Cirs Fitzpatrick/Sowman:

That the Minutes of the Commercial Events Fund Sub-Committee meeting held on 9 April 2021 be ratified.

Carried

PF&C-0621-408 Regional Events Update

E100-002-011

The purpose of the report was to provide an update on the activities of Council's Regional Events Advisor and Marlborough's events sector.

Members were advised that the 'Spirited Women - All Women's Adventure Race', secured through Council's Bid Fund, brought an estimated total economic impact to the Marlborough region of \$803,130.

The Te Tauihu Regional Events Fund opened on 10 May and to date eight EOIs have been received with discussions underway with organisers for a number of other events. An initial review meeting has been held and more information has been requested.

Marlborough's Winter Events Guide (1 June and 31 August 2021) has been printed and circulated.

Round 2 of the 2020/2021 Commercial Events Fund is complete. Seven applications were considered with Marina 2 Marina 2021, South Island Cheese Festival 2022 and Bloom in the Boom 2021 (Garden Marlborough) being successful funding recipients. It was noted that Bloom in the Boom 2021 has reverted back to its original name of 'Garden Marlborough'.

The 2020/2021 Sport & Recreation Community Activity Fund received seven applications with Marlborough Mount Everest Challenge 2021, Kids' Activity Trail - Garden Marlborough Garden Fete, Give Dressage A Go Pathway (Fun Days), Marlborough Duathlon Series 2021 and Waikawa Tri Series 2022 being successful funding recipients.

It was reported that the opening night of the Marlborough Book Festival 2021 scheduled for July has sold out. This year's sessions are all based at the ASB Theatre Marlborough.

The South Island Masters Games 2021 are tracking well with a 35% increase in the entries compared to the same time last year. The majority of events to be held in Marlborough however Archery will be outside the region in Nelson due to venue suitability.

Members were advised that there was a very good conversion rate of tickets for the Classic Fighters Airshow following its postponement. Ticket sales have slowed but it was noted that the majority of tickets tend to be sold in the two months prior to the event. A major advertising campaign will commence in July.

Clrs Croad/Fitzpatrick:
That the information be received.

Carried

PF&C-0621-409 TEAM COVID-19 Economic Recovery Group Update

C500-005-010-03

The purpose of the report was to update the Committee on the activities of the TEAM COVID-19 Economic Recovery Group.

Members were advised that point 3 in the Executive Summary, survey of businesses, had been included in error. This had been covered off at the 29 April 2021 meeting.

Members were advised that TEAM Governance and working groups continue to meet monthly to discuss and address the impact of Covid-19 on the local economy.

The current expenditure for TEAM was discussed and further detailed in the agenda item. No applications for new funding have been received. At the next governance meeting members will discuss the future of TEAM and the unallocated funding which is approximately \$150k.

It was noted that the tourism and retail sector continue to be the most affected by Covid, other industries have fared better. TEAM will liaise with businesses to determine what the future may hold and this is proposed for early July.

PF&C-0621-411 Information Package -

Clrs Brooks/Sowman:

That the Planning, Finance & Community Information Package dated be received and noted.

Carried

PF&C-0621-412 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded -

Clrs Hope/Fitzpatrick:

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

- Property Matters

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
Property Matters	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

ATTENDANCE: Mr Pere Hawes, Council's Manager Environmental Policy and Christina Robb, Happen Consulting, were present for the following item.

PF&C-0621-413 Essential Freshwater - Implementation

L225-09-04-01

The purpose of the report was to provide information to the Committee on the implications of the Essential Freshwater package of national direction for the Council's current management of freshwater. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 21118603).

The report, Marlborough District Council Essential Freshwater Audit, was available on Council's website and a link to the report was included in the agenda item.

Members were advised that the audit report has found that the current PMEP provides a good platform to give effect to the NPSFM. However, there is a substantial body of work to establish a community vision with respect to freshwater and to implement Te Mana o te Wai. This includes documenting cultural values with respect to fresh water bodies. It was reported that outcomes need to be established for both these values, but also the freshwater values already identified in the PMEP. It was proposed that this work be prioritised as a first stage of any work programme and that a second stage of policy work be undertaken to establish the extent to which the management in the NPSFM achieves the community vision and outcomes.

Members were advised that in respect of the NESF and Section 360 regulations the Council is engaging with various primary production sectors and is sharing information with respect to the way in which the regulations will be implemented locally.

It was noted that it is important that the rules of the PMEP are aligned with the NESF and Section 360 regulations to avoid duplication and conflict or, where it is considered necessary, the Council continues to exercise stringency.

It was reported that the Essential Freshwater package substantially increases the Council's data management function. The audit report recommends that the Council consider the creation of a specific and dedicated role for data management.

The Work Programme Priorities 2021-2024 and beyond was contained within the report. Members were advised that the work programme brings together all the component parts of implementing Essential Freshwater with a proposed timeline. It was noted that the workstreams will be led by different teams which will need to be co-ordinated as the programme rolls out. A more detailed work programme could be developed from these priorities.

Cllrs Croad/Peters:

1. That the report "Marlborough District Council Essential Freshwater Audit" be received.
2. That a detailed work programme be developed for giving effect to the NPSFM, and implementing the NESF and Section 360 regulations, that reflects the recommendations contained in the report.
3. That the work programme be reported back to the Committee, including relative priorities, timeframes and resourcing implications.
4. That the Committee note that an assessment of the conflict and duplication between the NPSFM, NESF and Section 360 regulations, and the provisions of the PMP, will be commissioned in order to align the PMP with the Essential Freshwater package or, where necessary, continue to exercise stringency.

Carried

Postscript: The powerpoint presentation by Happen Consulting was circulated to members following the meeting.

PF&C-0621-414 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Cllrs Andrews/Croad:

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

- Boundary Adjustment

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
Boundary Adjustment	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 10.51 am.

Record No: 21118604

5. Committee Reports

5.4 Regional Transport Committee

Regional Transport Committee held on 27 May 2021
(Minute No. RTC-0521-372 to RTC-0521-373)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE
held in the Marlborough Roads Office, Level 1, The Forum, Market Place, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 27 MAY 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Councillors F D Maher (Chairperson), B G Dawson, M J Fitzpatrick and N P Taylor, and Ms E Speight (Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency).

In Attendance

Mayor J C Leggett, Mr M S Wheeler (Chief Executive), Mr R P Coningham (Manager, Assets and Services Department), Mr S J Murrin (Marlborough Roads Manager), Mr B J Prideaux (Sustainable Transport Manager), Inspector S J Feltham (NZ Police), Mr H M Meyers (NZ Automobile Association), Mr P G Heagney (Road Transport Association), Ms L Skilton (Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency), Ms J A Gibbons (Communications Advisor) and Mr M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager).

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting,

Apology

The apology for absence from Mr A James (Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency) was noted.

RTC-0521-372 Declaration of Interests

No interests with items on the agenda were declared.

RTC-0521-373 Adoption of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021-31 and Regional Passenger Transport Plan R800-007-16

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to adopt the draft Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) and the draft Regional Passenger Transport Plan (RPTP).

Mr Murrin spoke to the report, as attached to the agenda, advising that the Regional Land Transport Plan as well as the Regional Passenger Transport Plan have been through the special consultative procedures. Submissions have been heard, deliberations completed, and minor edits have been made to the documents. The Regional Transport Committee are required to adopt the Regional Land Transport Plan so that it can be submitted to Waka Kotahi prior to the end of June.

The report provided further detailed background.

Cirs Taylor/Dawson:

1. **That the Regional Transport Committee (RTC) adopt the Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) 2021-31.**
2. **That the Regional Land Transport Plan be submitted to Waka Kotahi.**
3. **That the Regional Transport Committee adopt the draft Regional Passenger Transport Plan (RPTP).**

Carried

The meeting closed at 9.07 am.

Record No: 21110374

5. Committee Reports

5.5 Special Hearing Committee to Hear Submissions on the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document

Special Hearing Committee to Hear Submissions on the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document held on 1, 2 & 3 June 2021
(Minute No. LTP-0621-374)

**Report of a Meeting of a Special Hearing Committee to Hear Submissions
on the 2021-31 Long Term Plan Consultation Document
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on TUESDAY 1 JUNE 2021, WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2021 and THURSDAY 3 JUNE 2021
commencing each day at 8.30 am**

Present

The Mayor J C Leggett (in the Chair), Clrs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, J D N Croad, B G Dawson, B A Faulls, M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, F D Maher, D D Oddie, M A Peters, T P Sowman and N P Taylor

In Attendance

Ms N J Chauval (Committee Secretary), Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) and Chris Lake (Financial Manager)

Apologies

No apologies for absence were received.

LTP-0621-374 **Long Term Plan Update 2021-31** F230-L21-11-03

For each of the days the Mayor welcomed those present and explained the proceedings that would be undertaken for the hearings.

There were 131 submissions received and of those 86 submitters wanted to speak to their submission.

The following speakers had indicated they would speak to their submission but either withdrew prior to the Hearings date or did not appear at their allotted time.

- 2479 *Kim Odendaal (Hospitality New Zealand)*
- 3620 *Kevin Prendergast*
- 3628 *Penny Wardle (Walking and Access Commission)*
- 3595 *Lewis Boyles (Maataa Waka Ki Te Tau Ihu Trust)*
- 3608 *Don Miller*
- 3594 *Aaron Smail (Summerset Group Holdings Limited)*
- 2499 *Henry Dowler Withdrawn*
- 2494 *BJ Clark (CCS Disability Auction)*
- 3631 *Shane Graham (Ngati Rarua)*

The following is a list of those that spoke to their submission, a note of any presentations and information circulated to Councillors. All submitters were present in the room or otherwise noted as attending via Zoom.

Tuesday, 1 June 2021

3538 *John Reuhman (Ecoworld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre; EcoWorld Trust; Picton Cinemas)*

A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21119828.

Decision Sought: Marlborough District Council acknowledges, consults with, supports and includes the EcoWorld. Identities in future relevant Annual Planning and Long Term Planning recognising that: EcoWorld is Marlborough's unique social enterprise making very significant positive impacts locally, regionally and nationally.

3611 *Margaret McHugh (Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc)*

John Reuhman spoke to the submission also. A powerpoint was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21119847.

Budget Requested: \$6000

Decision Sought: The Marlborough District Council's support, resources, and non-financial support which might include assistance of staff with any or all of the items via the Annual and Long Term Plan.

NB: It was suggested that the submitter consider making an application to the Community Grants Fund.

3612 Jacqui Lloyd (Destination Marlborough)

A powerpoint was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21119870.

Decision Sought: That the Marlborough District Council include in the Long Term Plan to:

1. Maintain current funding levels for Destination Marlborough supporting marketing, product development, capability building, and visitor information provision (i-SITEs) for the Marlborough region.
2. Make provision to allow Destination Marlborough the opportunity to approach Marlborough District Council on a case-by-case basis for support as borders reopen and/or qualified unbudgeted tourism opportunities arise that support our highly vulnerable and impacted tourism and hospitality sector.

3505 Katrina Lange (Pure Events Marlborough)

A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21119872.

Budget Requested: \$244,750

Decision Sought: To support the events as outlined in the submission and identified proposed budgets.

3521 Tracy Atkin (Feast Marlborough Charitable Trust)

Budget Requested: \$200,000 annually

Decision Sought: Funding for Feast Marlborough to help deliver and grow Food, Technology and Screen sectors through establishment of a lean, annually funded model similar to that of 'Marlborough for Fun'.

NB: Financial information and budget projections for the Trust were requested.

2498 Robert Besaans (GeoInsight)

Decision Sought: Supports Council's proposal to increase funding to protect the Environment. Continue current economic development activities and increase spending by \$100,000 per annum. Increase skilled IT personnel in the region. Stop printing the Spring and Autumn events guide and disseminate the events online through a social media campaign.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sowman withdrew from the meeting at 9.51 am during the following submitter's presentation.

3543 Philip Vink

Submission notes were circulated to members and filed in CM Record No: 21108349

Decision Sought: That the Council consider the feasibility of installing a new Regional Transfer Station located on the outskirts of Renwick to better manage the local environment and waste dumping problems.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Taylor declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Picton Dawn Chorus submission.

3549 James Wilson (Picton Dawn Chorus)

An image was shown which identified all traps that are currently within the Picton region and the future area that Picton Dawn Chorus would like to trap. The image is filed in CM Record No: 21110786. Additional Information from the submitter was circulated to members and is filed in CM Record No: 21109270.

Decision Sought: That the cost of a full-time employee be covered by Council for three years, to ensure that our volunteering work, in building a better environment and a cohesive community, can continue.

NB: Financial information and budget projections were requested.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Oddie withdrew from the meeting at 10.05 am during the above item and rejoined the meeting at 10.45am at the start of the second session.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 10.10 am and reconvened at 10.45 am.

3610 Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust)

Cathie Bell spoke to the submission. A presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No: 21111112.

Budget Requested: \$190,731

Decision Sought:

1. Ongoing attention to assist with the development of heritage infrastructure in Marlborough as The Trust reviews its position and core funding requirements.
2. Fire Suppression Systems at Marlborough Museum: topping up available funds to \$450,000.
3. Assistance with assessing the usable life of the Marlborough Museum building.
4. Assistance with security cameras and lighting, dry dock steel wall corrosion survey funding at the Edwin Fox site: \$11,150.54.
5. External security cameras for Marlborough Museum: \$17,581.08.
6. Funding for heritage plaques for Blenheim CBD: \$12,000.00 for 10 plaques.
7. Giving the name of Mary Muller prominence in the new Library to raise awareness of her legacy.
8. Support in principle for the completion of the Making Marlborough documentary which focuses on migration and will be part of Marlborough Museum's permanent exhibitions.

NB: Check capital funding in the 2021 Annual Plan - core funding is available.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Sowman rejoined the Hearings at 11.00 am.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Taylor declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Picton Christmas Parade submission.

3559 Beryl Bowers (Picton Christmas Parade)

A copy of the presentation was circulated and is filed in CM Record No. 21111117.

Budget Requested: \$5,000

Decision Sought: That funding be provided to cover the ongoing costs of the road interruption approximately \$5k annually.

NB: As requested two quotes were supplied following the meeting and filed in CM Record Nos: 21115790, 21116494.

2493 Beryl Bowers Picton Historical Society

Phillipa Turley, Curator, was present and introduced to members.

Additional information was circulated to members and filed in CM Record No. 21111164.

Decision Sought: Continued support for the operation of the museum.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher withdrew from the Hearings at 11.35 am during the following item.

3585 Melissa Tripe (Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ Ltd)

Melissa spoke to their submission and introduced the following people who were present in the public gallery - Tim Smit, Anna Gale, Lisa Ellis (Chairperson), Tracy Rose and Lisa Herkt (Secretary)

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No: 21110802.

Budget Requested: \$598,900 (excl GST)

Decision Sought: To assist with funding the Marlborough Equestrian Park NZ to enable it to complete its second stage of development.

NB: In the recent funding round 50% of the project cost has been approved under Sports and Recreation Facilities (Feb 2021).

3627 Allan Gifford (Tuamarina Vintage Traction and Machinery Club)

Additional information was circulated to members and filed in CM Record No. 21120162

Decision Sought: Seeks advice and assistance for funding, consenting and servicing for the proposed new facility to an approved site as offered to the Club at Brayshaw Park by Mr John Larcome of Park Administrators.

NB: A copy of the second quote for members' information was provided and filed in CM Record No. 21116272.

3560 Paul Davidson (Argosy Trust)

Sarah Wheldale (Chair, Marlborough Multicultural Centre) also spoke to the submission. A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21110840.

Budget Requested: \$2M per three years over 10 years

Decision Sought: Support local film producers with local productions and the TOTS Film Festival. Finish "Making Marlborough" thereby completing the Only Marlborough Story; Fund this film from Screen Marlborough and EDU budgets; Support local art, culture and heritage.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 12.22 pm and reconvened at 1.25 pm.

ATTENDANCE: The Mayor withdrew from the Hearings at 12.22 pm and Clr Taylor assumed the chair.

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lake joined the Hearings at 1.25 pm.

2412 *Talia Burton-Walker (Pine Valley Outdoor Centre)*

Graham Ellis and one other, both Trustees from Pine valley Outdoor Centre, spoke to the submission.

Budget Requested: \$86,000

Decision Sought: Funding to seal Pine Valley Road from the intersection of North Bank Rd and Pine Valley Rd to 50m beyond the Pine Valley Outdoor Centre to improve health and safety outcomes for centre users.

NB: Further information from Marlborough Roads on road maintenance costs was requested.

2485 *Anna Polson (Kaipupu Point Mainland Island Society)*

The submitter had a powerpoint presentation but it didn't display properly so wasn't used. The presentation is saved in CM Record No: 21109195. Additional notes were circulated and these are saved under the same record number.

Decision Sought: Council's ongoing support of Kaipupu Wildlife Sanctuary.

2481 *Valerie Seatter (Havelock Community Association)*

Ian Cameron spoke to the submission and had a powerpoint presentation, filed in CM Record No. 21109280.

Budget Requested: \$15,640

Decision Sought: Additional funding from MDC to cover the cost of interior painting at the Pavilion \$6,390 (excl GST). Additional funding to cover the balance of the cost of vinyl floor coverings at Havelock Town Hall \$9,250 (excl GST).

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 1.56 pm and reconvened at 2.33 pm.

The Hearings were adjourned at this time to enable staff to contact submitters to confirm their attendance and whether they were able to appear earlier than scheduled.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Oddie withdrew from the Hearings at 1.56 pm.

2410 *Chloe Dixon*

Decision Sought: Traffic calming on Dillons Point Road. Establish a multiuse urban green space including an accessible playground for children and outdoor exercise area for seniors in the small reserve off Snowden Crescent.

NB: Suggested that the submitter discuss the idea with surrounding residents.

3620 *Kevin Prendergast*

Withdrew from speaking prior to the Hearings but provided his notes that he would have presented on the day which are filed in CM Record No. 21110909.

3524 *Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough)*

A brochure was circulated to members and is filed in CM Record No. 21120312. A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No: 21120314.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Dawson withdrew from the Hearings at 3.09 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Hearings adjourned at 3.09 pm and reconvened at 3.30 pm.

3554 *John Kershaw*

Decision Sought: Adopt the proposals and strategies listed as 'yes' in the submission. Undertake consultation, provide support and funding for a Wairau River Regional Park. Restrictions on access into the river reserve be implemented while at the same time allocating areas for specific activities. Support continued investment in shared paths in the Wairau Plans. To leverage the benefit of the Whale Trail – we need both a North and South link into the Whale Trail. Supports the first wave of speed limit reductions on our local rural roads. Asks that all local rural roads be reduced from 100 to 80km/h. Supports more council resources going into recycling soft plastics.

3503 Tamara Livingstone (Marlborough Youth Council)

Representatives from MBC, MGC and QCC spoke - Molly Glover, Charlotte McLean, Tamara Livingstone, Lachlan McNabb and Jarrah Timms (QCC) and Ethan Patrick (MBC).

A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21111625.

Decision Sought: Environment - Clean oceans and rivers are important to us. We would like to see Council supporting clean-up efforts. Promotion about sensible waste disposal in the Sounds, more rubbish bins provided around Picton marina. Raise awareness on the impact of rubbish and waste in the Sounds. Youth Council is in favour of ideas such as the Envirohub waste free trailer for events. Any new building near the sea, such as marinas, needs to consider how they manage waste and any other environmental impact. Youth Council encourage ongoing monitoring of air pollution, keeping public informed and taking steps to reduce this.

Submitters spoke on the current bus service, timetabling and frequency of service.

NB: Suggested that the submission be presented to other groups ie; Rotary. Students will discuss at a future Youth Council meeting.

ATTENDANCE Martin Fletcher joined the Hearings and Chris Lake withdrew from the Hearings at 4.02 pm during the Marlborough Youth Trust submission.

3604 Johanna Lane (Marlborough Youth Trust)

Russell Smith and a Lakshay Negi spoke to the submission. A handout on Myspace was circulated and is filed in CM Record No. 21120419. Lakshay Negi spoke on the Cactus programme.

Budget Requested: \$250,000 pa x 10 years.

Decision Sought: Support for MYSPACE to be a sustainable youth centre for all youth in Marlborough. Marlborough Youth Trust would like to have the resources to keep running the Myspace youth centre. The trust seeks funding support for the building, and operational support. Operational support of at least two trained youth workers, a trust manager, OPEX, power and insurance covered by MDC to the value of \$250,000 per annum. We currently receive \$20,000 from MDC for operational support which only covers the OPEX (building property manager's fees) of \$1,500 per month. We are a not for profit, charitable trust, not a commercial enterprise, and we are struggling to pay OPEX. The Trust would like MDC to remove this expense from the MYT's monthly payments as this could be funding going to youth development.

NB: Councillors requested a copy of the Trust's financials and budget projections, these were supplied and circulated. Filed in CM Record No: 21115491.

2408 Jo Coughlan (New Zealand Chinese Language Week Charitable Trust)

Jo Coughlan was present via Zoom. A video was shown and filed in CM Record No: 21111144.

Budget Requested: \$5000

Decision Sought: Funding to assist with delivery of the New Zealand Chinese Language Week (NZCLW) being held across New Zealand 26 September to 2 October 2021.

3622 Nigel Muir (Sport Tasman)

Rory Crawford was also present and spoke to submission. A powerpoint presentation was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21111095.

Rory provided a summary to the Councillors on what they have been undertaking in the sporting space.

Decision Sought: Investment in infrastructure - supports the Council's proposed additional investment for significant projects related to the provision of sport and recreation facilities, in line with the Regional Sport and Active Recreation Spaces and Places Strategy for the Top of the South Island. Supports the Council's loan guarantee proposal for the Stadium 2000 Trust to assist with its delivery of physical activity opportunities, in line with our support of and belief in, fit for purpose sport facilities. Sport Tasman advocates that Council continues to develop all opportunities possible for walkways and cycleways, as they encourage an improvement in our environment through lower greenhouse gas emissions, and their encouragement of healthier, more active communities.

2. Investment in the Environment - Sport Tasman strongly supports the connection and education opportunities for rangatahi to engage with the environment, partnering with groups such as DoC and the Marlborough Youth Trust. We would ask the Council to continue to support these initiatives. We support the development of active transport because of the benefits to the environment and opportunities for healthier, more active communities.

3. Investment in the Community - Sport Tasman encourages the Council to continue to invest grant dollars into general community wellbeing and physical activity opportunities as part of creating a healthy, vibrant

community. We encourage 50% of any such grants be aimed at encouraging more activity for our youth, in particular those who are missing out. We support Council investment in community led initiatives, particularly involving young people. We offer our support to Council in working with us around learnings and opportunities for rangatahi to be active.

3617 *Nigel Muir and Michelle Clark*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21111647.

Budget Requested: \$30,000

Decision Sought: That Council join in Nigel and Michelle's battle against wilding pines and controlling the many pests on their land, simultaneous to their work, so a total solution for the valley can be found.

3597 *Tom Pegler*

A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21111945

The submission process concluded at 5.37 pm and the Hearings adjourned at this time.

Wednesday, 2 June 2021

ATTENDANCE Martin Fletcher joined the Hearings at 8.30 am.

3616 *Greg Smith (Deluxe Property Group)*

Decision Sought: Council should rezone more land for future requirements out to 25 – 30 years and supply infrastructure 5 – 10 years in advance so that developers know what land is next in the pipeline. This is the only way that supply will finally exceed demand. Council should not be afraid to use legislation to progress the development of land if this is what's required. Residents in the North/West who are sitting on rural land yet to be developed should not be charged a higher rate as suggested, when they were promised otherwise. There is no justification to increase the Reserve Fund Contributions when Council effectively collects 3 – 4 times the amount in Contributions to what it actually spends in that immediate area.

3520 *Phil Robinson (Robinson Construction Limited)*

Decision Sought: Council to focus on enabling land subdivision, by zoning land for residential purposes and installing services to support the zoning. Keeping in mind that landowners will decide to sell or develop when they are ready, and it is unlikely that land owners will do this sequentially. Further Council funded priorities to increase supply.

2411 *Andrew Whitt (Churchward Park Scout Group)*

A YouTube video was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21112311.

Decision Sought: Permission given to the Churchward Park Scout Group to use the building formally used by the Girl Guides on the Churchward Park reserve to run its Scouting programme from.

2482 *Robert Boyes (Evolution Boxing Academy Marlborough)*

Terry Agent and Eddie O'Brien also spoke to the submission.

Budget Requested: \$4,000

Decision Sought: Tenure of the vacant Guide buildings at Churchward Park. A grant of \$4,000 for set up costs - mats, bags, mitts and gloves.

3598 *Robert Stillion (Blenheim Judo Club)*

Anaru also spoke to the submission.

Decision Sought: That the Blenheim Judo Club is able to lease the vacated building at 2 Taylor Pass Road, Blenheim for use as their permanent dojo.

3621 *Samantha Baxter (Marlborough Children's and Youth Theatre)*

Simon Clark spoke to the submission on behalf of Samantha.

Additional information was circulated and filed in CM Record No. 21120979

Decision Sought: Looking for a premises to start a 'Theatre Hub' to house and support multiple performing arts groups, training for Youth and Adult Combined Performances.

2477 *Mary Livingston (Marlborough Community Potters)*

Fran Maguire spoke to the submission. A powerpoint was shown filed in CM Record No. 21108671 and additional information filed in CM Record No. 21120994.

Decision Sought: To transfer its lease with Marlborough District from the shed it currently occupies on the Bright Reserve at 2 Dillons Point Road to the building owned by Council located at 49 Taylor Pass Road.

NB: Following the hearings additional information on the kilns used by the group was circulated via email to Councillors and Executive for their information (Filed in CM Record No. 21114328)

3518 *Victoria Templeton (Little Footsteps)*

Decision Sought: To extend the lease of 49 Taylor Pass Road.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 10.25 am and reconvened at 10.45 am.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher withdrew from the Hearings at 10.25 am and Chris Lake joined the Hearings at 10.45 am.

3615 *Debs Martin (Forest & Bird, Marlborough Branch and National Officer)*

Spoke to the submission, no presentation.

3599 *Jane Buckman*

Decision Sought: Continue to actively encourage the pest Free Aotearoa 2050 goal and specifically target Old Man's Beard here in Marlborough. Continue working on development of the Regional Park Concept along the south bank of the Wairau River.

3539 *Bruce Richards*

Spoke to the submission, no presentation.

3540 *Budyong Hill (Climate Karanga Marlborough)*

Submitter's notes were circulated to members and filed in CM Record No: 21112280.

Decision Sought: We request councillors to always take the "precautionary approach" when making decisions that have the potential to impact the Wairau River and aquifer. We request that Council systematically review the LTP, taking a perspective of urgent climate action in the current decade and recognising the need to reduce net GHG emissions by half by 2030. We ask you to keep this "provision for uncertainty" foremost in your minds when finalising the LTP. We ask Council to reassess funding commitments in the Climate Action Plan and ensure adequate resourcing is allocated, if not already done so. We request Councillors to take the long view when considering development of any further housing east of the existing town boundary.

3502 *Richard Osmaston (Money Free Party NZ)*

Submitter was present via zoom.

Decision Sought: To be sufficiently bold to acknowledge our current fatal trajectory and to look at 'outside the box' alternatives to capitalism. For example, the money free 'Resource Based Economy'.

3623 *Heather Davies (East Coast Protection Group)*

Rick Stolwerk was present via Zoom and speaking on behalf of the East Coast Protection Group / Heather Davies.

Decision Sought: Include the area from the Awatere River to the south of Marlborough as an area of environmental focus in the Long Term Plan. Include in this: 1. Update and continue the established timeline to achieve outcomes that will ensure the landscape, natural features and biodiversity are managed, protected, enhanced and valued. 2. Utilise the appropriate legislation and consulting processes to establish rules based order, public access, and protection. 3. Ensure there are resources budgeted to achieve scientific research into the biodiversity, ecosystems and natural processes of the coastline, along with research into the impacts people are having on this area to aid the democratic processes and provide the base for an education programme for the public.

3614 *Monyeen Wedge (Queen Charlotte Sound Residents Association)*

Decision Sought: To accept that the Sounds Admin Rural Rating area needs exclusion from many proposed increases.

3586 *Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21121142.

Decision Sought: Beautification of foreshore. Provision of showers and changing facilities for bathers and picnickers. Sensible shade areas with seating underneath. Reinstate the PBG welcome sign to Picton. A parking plan for Picton. Replacement of paving Lower High Street. Use of sweeper/vac regularly. Lower London Quay – the gutters require covering and coloured sun chairs need removing. Repair of Kent Street - Dublin Street roundabout.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 12.46 pm and reconvened at 1.30 pm.

3542 *Katherine Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Trust)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21110548.

Decision Sought: Assistance to fund a commercial kitchen facility and financial help to preserve the roof.

3537 *Chris Marshall (Endeavour Park Pavilion Society Inc - Port Marlborough Pavilion)*

Regan Russell and one other were present in support of the submission. A powerpoint was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21110158.

Decision Sought: Request continuance of Council funding current Facilities Manager. In 2023/24 building will need repainting inside and out to prevent major deterioration. Outdoor Sport Training equipment be installed at NE end of current building cost approx. \$500,000. Recommend that the "Feasibility Report, Endeavour Park Pavilion, Endeavour Park, Picton Stage Two Development (Draft, 2016)" quoted in the "Sports Facilities Strategic Plan 2021-2031" ref 11.3.2 be rejected by Council. EPPS is prepared to fund a new Feasibility study to be undertaken during 2021/2 estimated cost \$30,000 and request Council support by way of recommending a suitable independent party to carry out the study. Council appoint a manager to be a member of a three person Project Steering Committee. Subject to the outcome of the feasibility report. Concept plans be developed 2023. Fundraising up to 30% of new building be undertaken by EPPS during 2024/5. Build commence 2026 based on maximum space available between existing building and carpark 1000 sm total cost estimated to be approx. \$5M.

3509 *Ed Chapman-Cohen (Moutere Rugby Football Club)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21121193. One other person spoke in support of the presentation.

Budget Requested: \$181,235

Decision Sought: Approve an additional \$181,235.85 of Council funding for the proposed refurbishment of the Community Centre / Changing Sheds at Awarua Park, Spring Creek.

3523 *Christopher Young (Wairau Presbyterian Parish)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21121196. Robert Burr who chairs their Finance Committee was present in the gallery.

Budget Requested: \$40,000

Decision Sought: To financially support the upgrade of toilet facilities at the WPP Community Hall, 1 Riley Crescent, Redwoodtown.

3545 *Donna Nepia (Omaka Marae Inc)*

Kiley Nepia spoke to the submission and the tamariki from Omaka performed a waiata at the end of the presentation.

Decision Sought: Seeks Council's support of Omaka Marae in the development of a playground for Te Pā Wānanga o Omaka Marae.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Brooks declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon Inc submission.

3548 *Justine Johnson (Te Whanau Hou Grovetown Lagoon Inc)*

Tim Barton (Chair), Doug Hislop member of the Executive Wairau Lagoon spoke to the report. A powerpoint presentation was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21111411.

Budget Requested: \$20,000

Decision Sought: Spend \$20,000 on an independent review on how the aquatic weed can be controlled upstream of the Grovetown Lagoon pump stations to enhance flood flows, maintain the ecological and aesthetic values of the area in a sustainable way.

3590 *Raymond Madsen (Marlborough Boxing Club)*

A copy of the submitter's notes were circulated to members and is filed in CM Record No. 21121247.

Decision Sought: Council to invest in more community buildings to provide venues for the youth of Marlborough to help them in their sporting activities.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sowman declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Marlborough Cricket Association Incorporated submission.

3606 *Edward Gilhooly (Marlborough Cricket Association Incorporated)*

Decision Sought: Marlborough Cricket supports the recommendations set out in the LTP for facility development at Horton Park and ask that Council prioritise the cost comparison report on the best option for the Horton Park Pavilion; Consider bringing forward funding allocated for this in the LTP depending on the report findings; Consider the amount of funding allocated in the LTP depending on the report findings; Allocate funding in the next financial year towards costs of upgrades to the outdoor practice nets at Horton Park and to provide support if required towards the main no1 wicket block replacement.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Andrews declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the NZMCA Marlborough submission.

3504 *Ian Simmons (NZMCA Marlborough)*

Don Mathews was present and spoke to the submission. The notes were circulated and are filed in CM Record No. 21110821.

Decision Sought: Lease of Horton Park netball courts.

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Dawson and Oddie and Chris Lake withdrew from the meeting at 3.28 pm.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 3.28 pm and resumed at 3.44 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher joined the Hearings at 3.44 pm.

3630 *Carey Huria (Principal Ward School)*

A powerpoint was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21112808. A copy of the powerpoint was distributed by two students (Jonty and one other). Jonty spoke to the submission. The Ward School principal, Hannah and one other adult was present in the gallery.

Budget Requested: \$75,042

Decision Sought: Funding to design and build a new playground for the benefit of the children of the Ward Community and visitors to the school.

3605 *Corey Hebbard (Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21121279. Three Rangitane representatives present performed a waiata for Councillors.

Decision Sought: Iwi Capability Funding - That Council provide iwi capability funding of \$25,000 each year to Rangitāne in recognition of the work undertaken in the Taiao space in relation to consent processing, with funding from general rates. Māori Cultural Initiatives Fund - That the Marlborough District Council establish a Māori Cultural Initiatives Fund, of \$50,000 per annum (increasing by \$5,000 per annum for each of the next ten years) and that the Fund be targeted at supporting - Marae and papakāinga development and maintenance; Māori cultural programmes, such as wananga, whakapapa research and tribal activities; Māori artwork and design across the Marlborough region. Blenheim Sewerage Treatment Plant (BSTP) - That Council include provision in its Long Term Plan to meet the aspirations of iwi in terms of the discharge options. Rangitāne records that it does not support the status quo discharge option, which sees treated effluent enter the Wairau River adjacent to Te Pokohiwi. Iwi Mapping Project - That Council provide support (both financially and operationally) to iwi to map our sites of significance on a platform suitable for our needs. Resolving misappropriated spelling of Māori street names and catchments - Rangitāne proposes that Council establish an eighteen-month project to work with iwi on reviewing all Māori street and catchment names across the region, with a view to rectifying these.

3508 *Moira Parry*

Decision Sought: Supports Council expanding its core role in housing matters as long as in the building process the Council include solar power in the building/construction process.

3522 Vyvienne Dunlop (Marlborough Stroke Club)

Carol Simpson (President) and Vyvienne Dunlop (Secretary) spoke to the submission and are pleased that Council has changed its decision on the installation of a lift in the new senior housing development.

3527 Kay Saville-Smith

Submitter spoke to her submission via Zoom.

Decision Sought: Develop a seniors housing strategy within a more comprehensive regional housing strategy with clear goals and action pathways for council and other actors; 2. Adopt LifeMark 4 for all council new builds and independently accredit; 3. Incentivise new builds to be independently accredited through either small increases in site coverage or when intensification is delivered some development levy relief; 4. Set affordable rents for MDC senior housing or use prevailing rents (stock rents) rather than 'flow' rents to represent 'market rents'.

3601 Kiri McDermott (Awatere Pony Club)

Indi Payne, Sophie Oswald and Hamish Oswald spoke to the submission and a powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21110340.

Budget Requested: \$110,700

Decision Sought: Funding for the installation of an all-weather arena at Flaxbourne Domain.

3588 Margaret and Niel Sowry

An image was displayed during the submission and filed in CM Record No. 21121311.

Decision Sought: We ask that Council reverse their decision and follow "Lifemark advice and process" and, indeed, make these valuable units "fit for purpose" with the installation of a lift included at the time of construction.

That from the date of the adoption of 2021-31 LTP and thereafter, rentals for pensioner flats owned by MDC shall only increase in rent by either: a. No more than the percentage increase in Government Superannuation b. No more than the annual increase in the Consumer Price Index whichever is the lesser.

2. That Councillors consider replacing the Chairperson of Committee.

3592 Bev James (Marlborough Sustainable Housing)

Spoke to the submission and also used the above submitters image while she spoke to the submission. Bev noted that Russel Hopkins was in the public gallery.

Decision Sought: That the provision of infrastructure and the regulatory requirements to enable appropriate housing on zoned land to continue to be given high priority. That discussions with land owners and developers continue to encourage and support residential subdivision and development. That impediments to sequential infrastructure development for residential zones be addressed and the use of designations under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) and other powers under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Public Works Act are considered where negotiated settlements cannot be reached. That Council considers the rationale for any Council intervention in housing matters being considered beyond its mandated role and what outcomes it is seeking to achieve. That the feasibility of Council purchasing zoned but undeveloped residential land and subdividing it be explored and a report to Council outlining feasibility and funding options be prepared. That Council-led development of "affordable" housing or apartments on Council-owned land be investigated and a feasibility and funding options report be prepared. That Council continues to monitor and report on housing data and information according to the National Policy Statement on Urban Development (NPS-UD) methodology utilising updated Statistics NZ information when it is available and that this work informs planning for new residential zoning capacity requirements. That a housing preferences survey of our community be commissioned looking at style, location and cost aspirations and the survey outcomes be discussed with the Marlborough and Central Government housing stakeholders to inform action plans. That Council work with the Ministry of Education and KiwiRail to assist the understanding and possible solutions to housing supply challenges related to the Combined Colleges and iReX projects. That the current rating policy for rezoned but undeveloped rural land be reviewed for consultation in the 2022/23 Annual Plan with progress in the development of that land being a key consideration. That further strategic planning work be undertaken through the Senior Housing Sub Committee on the Senior Housing Unit Renewal Plans. That a budget of up to \$100,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve be provided to assist with any planning and analysis work required to implement these recommendations.

The submission process concluded at 5.30 pm and the Hearings adjourned at this time.

Thursday, 3 June 2021

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lake joined the Hearings at 8.30 am.

3546 *Ross Beech*

An aerial of the proposed route was display and is filed in CM Record No. 21121367.

Decision Sought: Sought to draw Council's attention to the following area of high priority for walking/biking access from SH63 to the sea on the true right of the Wairau River. Of particular concern: The stopbank stretch between Giffords Road and Selmes Road has restricted or no access for biking/walking.

3514 *Neil Charles-Jones (Ara Wairau Cycle Trust (not yet incorporated))*

A presentation was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21114026.

Decision Sought: Financial support for suspension bridges across the Ōpaoa and Wairau Rivers.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Maher declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Blenheim Club Incorporated submission.

2478 *David Dew (Blenheim Club Incorporated)*

Helen Pauley (President) and Jarrod Midgley spoke to the submission.

Decision Sought: That a fund is established to assist with the maintenance of historic buildings as outlined in the submission and policies put in place for administration of such a fund. The rates issue is under separate consideration but the Club is happy to discuss that at any hearing.

3501 *Paul Frost (Roofline Marlborough)*

Decision Sought: Seeks support from Council to expand the Voluntary Targeted Rates Scheme further to include the re-roofing of existing Marlborough dwellings by offering a funding service to ratepayers.

Postscript: An email was received from Georgina Cooper and Paul Frost Roofline Marlborough Ltd and circulated to Councillors for their information (filed in CM Record No. 21114702)

3526 *Yvonne Wratt (Grovetown Residents' Association)*

Decision Sought: Install stormwater infrastructure in Grovetown to enable already zoned residential sections to be built on larger sections to be sub-divided. Stop using Targeted Loan Rates as the largest source of funds for the General Revenue Accounts. Targeted Loan Rates should only be used for their targeted purpose, not as a profit making activity for other Council spending.

NB: A letter that was sent to the residents of Grovetown in 2019 was attached to the submission by mistake, it was part of the staff information for Councillors.

ATTENDANCE: Clrs Peters, Oddie and Arbuckle declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Levide Capital Limited submission.

3515 *Josh Marshall (Gascoigne Wicks Lawyers)*

Decision Sought: That the Council should be planning in its LTP to provide infrastructure for industrial development in 15th Valley and rural living development in 16th Valley.

3530 *Ross Cooke (Marlborough Vintage & Farm Machinery Society Incorporated)*

John Neal (Secretary) and Ross Cooke (President) of the vintage society talked to their submission and were supported by a powerpoint presentation filed in CM Record No. 21121454. Summary information of the submission was circulated and filed in CM Record No. 21113542.

Budget Requested: \$60,000

Decision Sought: An initial grant of \$60,000 to have the building brought up to current seismic strength so that it may be opened to the public, and the air receivers surveyed; and an annual grant of \$6,300 to cover the annual operating costs, this amount reducing \$3,300 pa if MDC would be willing to consider the station as an extension of Brayshaw Heritage Park where it already insures the buildings and waives the Rates.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Fauls and Chris Lake withdrew from the Hearings at 10.29 am.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 10.29 am and reconvened at 10.46 am.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher joined the Hearings at 10.46 am.

3544 Jane Murray (Nelson Marlborough Health)

Jane Murray was present via Zoom and Karen McIntosh was present in Chambers. A powerpoint presentation was shown and filed in CM Record No. 21112302.

Decision Sought: That MDC works closely with NMH to develop a broader smokefree policy. That MDC develops a Local Alcohol Policy, under S75-97 of the Sale of Alcohol Act 2021. That the Plan outlines MDC's commitments in relation to working in partnership with local iwi.

NB: Follow-up information regards Bikes in Schools was circulated to Councillors and filed in CM Record no. 21113634.

2484 Leeson Baldey (Warmer Healthier Homes Te Tau Ihu Charitable Trust)

Leeson Baldey spoke to the submission via Zoom.

Budget Requested: \$30,000 x 3 years

Decision Sought: Seeking approval for the continuation of our programme's funding for the next three years at a reduced amount of \$30,000 per annum.

3536 Joanne Brady (Citizens Advice Bureau Marlborough)

Tiffany Cross and Joanne Brady spoke to the submission.

Budget Requested: \$10,000 x 10 years

Decision Sought: Approval for an additional \$10,000 Council funding per annum (total \$17,100 pa) which will enable us to develop and continue our in-demand service.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Dawson declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Marlborough Chamber of Commerce's submission.

3564 Pete Coldwell (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce)

The supporting notes for the submission were circulated to members and filed in CM Record No. 21113348.

Budget Requested: \$30,000 x 10 years

Decision Sought: Funding to support the Marlborough Chamber of Commerce.

3602 Augusta van Wijk (On behalf of Bragato Research Institute Bragato Research Institute)

Jeffrey Clarke, Interim CEO spoke to the submission and was supported by a powerpoint presentation filed in CM Record No. 21121475.

Budget Requested: \$150,000

Decision Sought: Bragato Research Institute proposes an MDC investment of \$150,000 per year, over the next 10 years, to grow and foster agritech innovation in Marlborough for the wine industry, as detailed in the submission.

NB: Requested financial reports and budgets were received and circulated and are filed in CM Record No. 21116638.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Faulls rejoined the meeting at 11.40 am.

3587 Phillip Neal (Federated Farmers of New Zealand)

A large number of recommendations were noted by Federated Farmers.

3541 John Cretney (Cissy Bay Community Association)

A powerpoint was shown and is filed in CM Record No. 21112930. Dick Kearsley and one other member of the Cissy Bay Community Association was present.

Decision Sought: To agree on action necessary to address the issues in the submission, namely the upgrading and sealing of two road sections in the Cissy Bay locale.

Noted that Marlborough Roads had provided a quote of \$70,000 for the heli pad area and the road.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearings adjourned at 12.00 pm and reconvened at 1.30 pm.

3603 Joe Keighley (Renwick Smart + Connected)

Decision Sought: To work with the Renwick community to arrange both immediate short term, and long term solutions for waste management and recycling.

2491 *Andrew Caddie (President KCSRA)*

Decision Sought: To ensure Council funds allocated for a vital piece of local infrastructure continue to be ring fenced; and the Council's obligations under the Marlborough Environment Plan to implement a plan of action to assess Climate Change risk on existing Council infrastructure.

3626 *Rangitopeora Wiremu (Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira)*

Tracey Williams spoke to the submission.

The Hearings closed at 2.10 pm.

Members and staff discussed the process and whether any additional information was required for deliberations on Tuesday 8 June 2021.

There being no further business the Hearings closed at 2.34 pm.

Record No: 21121620

6. Proposed East Coast Beach Vehicle Bylaw

(also refer to the four separate attachments)

(The Mayor)

L225-16-04

Purpose of Report

1. To seek approval to release a Statement of Proposal containing a draft Bylaw to regulate motor vehicles on the east coast of Marlborough using the special consultative procedures of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA 2002).

Executive Summary

2. A Sub-Committee of Council was established in December 2020 to finalise a draft Bylaw and other documentation to be able to commence the special consultative process before Council reconvened in 2021. Notification of a proposal was not achieved before Council reconvened in 2021.
3. The notification material for a Proposed East Coast Beach Vehicle Bylaw has now been prepared and is ready to be released for public consultation using the special consultative procedure under the LGA.
4. A Statement of Proposal has been prepared that confirms the perceived problem, assesses the options that Council considered to address the perceived problem and includes a draft Bylaw prepared using the provisions of the Land Transport Act 1998 and Local Government Act 2002.
5. The draft Bylaw attempts to resolve the identified public health, safety and nuisance issues and to provide protection of the environment and ecosystems on Marlborough's east coast in a way that is no more than reasonably necessary.
6. Notification of the Statement of Proposal provides the opportunity for the public to provide their views in a submission to Council about the proposal.
7. A hearings panel needs to be convened to hear submitter's views at a hearing, deliberate on all submissions and then make recommendations to Council on whether to make a Bylaw.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council:

1. **Receives the information.**
2. **Approves for release a Statement of Proposal containing a draft Bylaw, Summary and Technical Report (v4, 2021) to commence public consultation.**
3. **Determines the period for making a submission will open on 1 July 2021 and close at 5pm on 26 August 2021 (40 working days).**
4. **Delegates authority to the East Coast Beach Vehicle Bylaw Sub-Committee to appoint a hearings panel consisting of at least one Councillor and two Commissioners to hold hearings, to hear submissions on this proposal and make recommendations to Council following deliberation on the submissions received.**
5. **Approves the proposed timeline for the making of a Bylaw.**

Background/Context

8. On 12 December 2019, Council decided in principle to progress a Bylaw that would control vehicle access to and along the east coast beach of Marlborough in order to protect public safety and east coast ecosystems following the 2016 earthquake. An updated Technical Report that compiled information from a Technical Advice Workshop held in July 2018 was released in December 2019.
9. A sub-committee was established in December 2020 with delegated powers under the LGA to finalise the material for notification and to commence public consultation before Council reconvened in 2021. This was not able to be achieved.

10. This item seeks approval from Council to commence public consultation by releasing a Statement of Proposal containing a draft Bylaw to regulate motor vehicles on Marlborough's east coast beaches.

Assessment/Analysis

11. Section 22AD of the Land Transport Act 1998 (LTA 1998) provides that s156 of the LGA 2002 applies to a Bylaw made under s22AB of the LTA 1998. Section 156 of the LGA 2002 requires a local authority to use the special consultative procedure (as modified by s86 of the LGA 2002).
12. The special consultative procedure requires preparation and adoption of a Statement of Proposal including a draft Bylaw and a summary of information and that this is made publicly available before holding a hearing and making a decision.
13. A Statement of Proposal containing a draft Bylaw and a Summary of the Proposal has been prepared for public consultation. The Statement of Proposal provides reasons for the proposal, includes an assessment of the options considered by Council to address the perceived problem, an analysis of the extent of restrictions necessary to address the perceived problem and a draft Bylaw.
14. Council has updated the Technical Report to add additional information about cultural values and coastal history along the coast, as well as findings from research and surveys that have been undertaken by Council, the University of Canterbury and others following the Technical Advice Workshop in 2018. This fourth version of the report will be released as part of the notification material.
15. The public will be encouraged to complete a submission online on Council's website. A hard copy form will also be available from Council offices in Blenheim and Picton.
16. The period for receiving submissions is recommended to be a period of not less than one month from the date the Statement of Proposal is issued. The LTA 1998 specifies that a "reasonable time" must be provided for people to be able to make submissions on the proposal. It is recommended that Council issues the proposal on 1 July 2021, with submissions closing on 26 August 2021 (40 working days). An alternative could be for the closing date to be 12 August 2021 (30 working days).
17. It is recommended that a hearings panel be appointed to hold hearings to allow submitters to present their views to Council. The hearings panel will make recommendations to Council following deliberations of the submissions received.
18. It is recommended that the membership of the hearings panel consists of one Councillor and two Commissioners.

Next Steps

19. Subject to the adoption of the recommendations, that public consultation will commence on 1 July 2021 asking for submissions on the draft Bylaw.
20. After the consultation period closes on 26 August 2021, a hearing will be held for those submitters that wish to be heard (September 2021).
21. The hearings panel will deliberate and make recommendations to Council (September 2021).
22. Council will decide whether to make a bylaw (December 2021).

Attachments

Attachment 6.1 - Summary factsheet – separately attached

Attachment 6.2 - Statement of Proposal (Draft Bylaw) – separately attached

Attachment 6.3 - Technical Report (Version 4, June 2021) – separately attached

Attachment 6.4 - Submission form – separately attached

Author	Sarah Edmonds, Strategic Planner
Authoriser	Hans Versteegh, Environmental Science and Policy Group Manager; Alan Johnson, Environmental Science and Monitoring Manager; Pere Hawes, Environmental Policy Manager.

Summary of decision-making considerations			
Fit with purpose of local government			
The proposal enables democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of communities and relates to providing a public service.			
Fit with Council policies and strategies			
	<i>Contributes</i>	<i>Detracts</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
LTP / Annual Plan			✓
Financial Strategy			✓
Infrastructure Strategy			✓
Social well-being	✓	✓	
Economic development			✓
Environment & RMA Plans	✓		
Arts & Culture	✓		
3 Waters			✓
Land transport		✓	
Parks and reserves	✓		
Public access is retained for passive recreation opportunities along the East Coast. Long standing vehicle users will be affected.			
Sites of significance to tangata whenua are protected under Section 6(e) and Section 8 of the RMA.			
This proposal will restrict vehicle access to the beach and unformed legal road between the Awatere River and the District Boundary for the purposes of addressing the identified issues for public health and safety and nuisance issues and for protection of the environment and ecosystems on Marlborough's east coast.			
Nature of the decision to be made			
As documented in the Statement of Proposal attached to this item.			
Financial considerations			
There will be potential financial costs to administering, implementing and enforcing the proposed Bylaw if made. There may also be potential costs for physical methods to be installed at the eight access points, including signs, bollards and or fencing to prevent vehicle access as necessary. These costs have not been calculated.			
Significance			
The decision is considered significant under Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. When making a bylaw under the Local Government Act 2002 a local authority must use the special consultative procedure where there is, or is or likely to be a significant impact on the public due to the proposed bylaw.			

Summary of decision-making considerations

Engagement

Following the November 2019 meeting of the Planning, Finance and Community Committee (PFCC) meeting, discussions continued with iwi and interested and affected stakeholders to inform the drafting of a proposed bylaw. A Technical Report, Issues and Options Paper and the agenda item from the PFCC on 28 November 2019 were used as a basis for discussion.

Council has engaged with Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura, Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau, Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira and Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua. Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura is the modern assemblage and representative of the hapū, Ngāti Kurī, one of the 18 Papatipu Rūnanga of Ngāitahu who are statutorily acknowledged under the Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu act 1996. Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau, Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira and Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua have historic interests in the area.

Letters were emailed to statutory bodies (NZ Transport Agency, NZ Police, Department of Conservation, Ministry for Primary Industries) and representatives of the commercial pāua and lobster industries. Letters were also sent to landowners adjoining the focus area with an offer to meet as required in the New Year 2020.

Interested parties were able to provide feedback to Council from March 2020.

Risks: Legal / Health & Safety etc

The proposed bylaw will reduce the risk to public safety from the use of motor vehicles on the coast.

Climate Change Implications

The prohibition on motor vehicles will have a negligible impact on climate change.

7. Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw Review

(Please refer to and bring the Environment Committee Agenda of 10 June 2021)

(Cllr Arbuckle) (Report prepared by Jane Robertson)

E305-003-001-01

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the draft Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Bylaw 2021 with effect from 1 August 2021.

Executive Summary

2. The Environment Committee at its meeting on Thursday 10 June recommended that Council adopt the draft Marlborough District Council Dog Control Policy and Bylaw 2021 with effect from 1 August 2021.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council approve the Recommendation Report of the Hearings Panel to the Marlborough District Council and Submitters in respect of the proposed Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw 2020 (including Appendix One) – as reported to the Environment Committee on 10 June 2021.
2. That the draft Marlborough District Council Dog Control Dog Policy May 2021 is adopted as the Marlborough District Council Dog Control Dog Policy May 2021 effective 1 August 2021 – as reported to the Environment Committee on 10 June 2021.
3. That the draft Marlborough District Council Dog Control Bylaw May 2021 is adopted as the Marlborough District Council Dog Control Bylaw May 2021 effective 1 August 2021 – as reported to the Environment Committee on 10 June 2021.

Background/Context

3. Item 9 (and associated attachments) of the Environment Committee agenda dated Thursday 10 June 2021 refers.
4. Please refer to this report and bring the papers to this meeting.

Author	Mike Porter, Democratic Services Manager
Authoriser	Mark Wheeler, Chief Executive

8. Monitoring Fees & Charges - Resource Management Act 1991 - NES Fresh Water

(includes Attachment 8.1)

(Clr Hope) (Report prepared by Jamie Clark)

E360-003-001

Purpose of Report

1. To adopt the proposed schedules of charges for monitoring permitted activities under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Fresh Water) Regulations 2020.

Executive Summary

2. This report details the background and consultation process for proposed charges for monitoring permitted activities under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Fresh Water) Regulations 2020.
3. It also sets out the submissions received and the recommendations which have been made by the Hearings Panel.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the recommendation of the hearing panel to introduce the following permitted activity monitoring charge for NES-Freshwater Activities from 1 July 2021:

NES Freshwater Activities – Administration, Monitoring and Supervision	Charge Type	Charge \$ (incl GST)
Environmental Protection Officer	Per Hour	\$155
Sampling including the contracting of Consultant	Variable	Actual
Administration fee	Fixed Annual or One off	\$42.00

Background/Context

4. The Environment Committee, at its meeting on 4 February 2021, considered the proposed amendment to the existing fees and charges and recommended that consultation be undertaken using the special consultation procedure under section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.
5. Council endorsed the Committee's decision on 25 February 2021.
6. A Statement of Proposal was published on the Council website, the Marlborough Express and the Christchurch Press with a submission period ending on 29 March 2021.
7. A Hearings Panel consisting of Councillors Hope (Chair), Faulls and Croad were appointed to hear submissions and make recommendations to Council on the proposed charges following deliberations on any submissions.

Submissions and hearings

8. Council received 23 submissions on the proposed schedule of charges for monitoring permitted activity under the NES – Freshwater regulations.
9. Of the submissions received 10 submitters indicated they wished to speak to their submissions.
10. The hearing was held on 4 May 2021 in Council Chambers, where nine submitters were heard with one withdrawing prior to the hearing.

Recommendations of Panel

- 11. At the completion of the hearings, the Hearings Panel retired to deliberate on the written and verbal submissions.
- 12. A copy of the Hearings Panel's record of deliberation is **attached** (as **Attachment 8.1**).

Attachment

Attachment 1 – NES Freshwater Hearings 4 May 2021 Notes - Decision

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Author	Jamie Clark, Compliance Manager
Authoriser	Gina Ferguson, Consents and Compliance Group Manager

Summary of decision-making considerations			
Fit with purpose of local government			
The proposal enables [e.g. <i>democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of communities and relates to providing a public service and it is considered good-quality and cost effective</i>].			
Fit with Council policies and strategies			
	<i>Contributes</i>	<i>Detracts</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
LTP / Annual Plan	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infrastructure Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X
Social well-being	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Economic development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Environment & RMA Plans	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arts & Culture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X
3 Waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X
Land transport	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X
Parks and reserves	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X
Nature of the decision to be made			
The options do not involve a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water.			
Financial considerations			
Will avoid additional burden on Councils rate payer's fees.			
Significance			
The decision is considered of low significance under Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.			
Engagement			
Has taken place during the consultation process.			
Risks: Legal / Health & Safety etc			
There are no known significant risks or legal implications.			
Climate Change Implications			
There are no known climate change implications to this decision.			



**Notes from a Hearing on
PROPOSED MONITORING FEES & CHARGES –
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 - NES FRESHWATER
held in Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on TUESDAY, 4 MAY 2021
commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Councillors G A Hope (Chair), J D N Croad and B A Falls

In Attendance

Jamie Clark (Compliance Manager) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Apologies

No apologies were received.

Proposed Monitoring Fees & Charges – Resource Management Act 1991 – NES Freshwater E360-001-004

At the beginning of each session Cllr Hope welcomed those present and explained the proceedings that would be undertaken for the hearings.

There were 23 submissions received and of those 10 submitters wished to speak to their submission.

Prior to the hearings the following reports were circulated to the Hearings panel:

1. Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020
2. Context – Clarification relating to: Proposed Monitoring Fees & Charges – Resource Management Act 1991 – NES Freshwater
3. Proposed Monitoring Fees & Charges – Resource Management Act 1991 – NES Freshwater - Submission Summary

The following speaker had indicated they would speak to their submission but did not appear at the allotted time.

- William Cowie

The following are those submitters that spoke to their submission.

1. Herb Thomson

A copy of Herb's submission was circulated to the panel and staff.

Topic: Wetlands coastal environment, significant ecological areas.

Decision: Need consultation with farmers and Council as the cost to farmers is far too high. Management as catchment modules may help to keep costs down.

2. Shanan Wellman

Topic: Charging of an exorbitant fee to monitor rules that have been forced upon us.

Decision: Removal of any fee.

Submitter does not want permitted monitoring being undertaken. He has a fully implemented farm environment plan and a lot of things in the plan have already been implemented or are in the process of being implemented.

3. Phil Neal/Glenda Robb (Federated Farmers of New Zealand)

They advised that they were also speaking on behalf of Richard Dawkins

Decision: Federated Farmers does not agree that this monitoring benefits the farmer concerned, and therefore, oppose the Proposed Monitoring Charges as detailed in their submission.

Submitters wanted to know whether due diligence on the charging of monitoring fees on permitted activities had been undertaken. They ask that there be more clarity, more consultation and clearer documentation on what is being charged and why eg; fees not just headed up travel, admin costs and staff time.

The submitters had sought further clarification and had received some information but felt this wasn't really satisfactory.

The submitter did not agree with people just coming onto his property.

Mr Neal noted that he has a vineyard.

4. *Philip Neal on behalf of Richard Dawkins*

Topic: 100% of the costs are met by the affected individual rather than some of the costs being apportioned to the general ratepayer.

Decision: That the cost of monitoring should be borne by the public and the government, to which farmers contribute anyway through their rates.

In his absence Mr Dawkins had provided a written copy of what he would have conveyed at today's hearing. A copy of this was circulated to the panel and staff and is filed in CM Record No. 21119187

5. *Glenda Robb:*

Topic: Charging of monitoring fees

Decision: Opposes the proposed monitoring charge of \$155.00 per hour for an environmental officer and also disbursements from Council.

Supports the Marlborough Federated Farmers submission.

6. *Lynne Small*

Topic: The Environmental Protection Officer charges

Decision: Opposes the monitoring charges of \$155.00 per hour for an Environmental Officer and also disbursements from Council.

Submitter considers the monitoring a public service and should be covered by rates.

Would like to see a breakdown of what the actual costs are.

7. *Gary Barnett*

Topic: Community benefits from proposed monitoring. Level of monitoring proposed.

Decision: Opposes monitoring charges being paid for by the consent holder. Believes the benefit of the monitoring is to satisfy the whole community that the permitted activities are lawful, therefore the whole community should contribute to the cost.

Note in his presentation that he is concerned with the level of monitoring that is required.

He does have a farm plan in his head and if he's doing things correctly it is no one's business how he is doing it.

8. *Scott Adams (Coalbridge Limited)*

The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 was circulated to the panel and staff (filed in CM Record No. 21119252)

Topic: Dates, costs and privacy/confidential nature of information provided.

Decision: Take into account when the rules come into effect. No costs around the monitoring of permitted activities. Provide a broad yearly summary of collected and provided data that can be made publicly available without going into individual farmer/landowner specifics.

Supports the Marlborough Federated Farmers submission.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearing adjourned at 10.35 and resumed at 11.11 am.

9. *Warwick Lissaman*
Opposes in full

Decision: That there is transparency around what and whom the benefit of the monitoring is for. Competitive service provider opportunity.

Queried why you would monitor for a permitted activity, and what is a permitted activity. He provided members with what he considered is a permitted activity and noted that he considered there was a lack of clarity in respect of monitoring a permitted activity. Why do we need a consent to do what is permitted?

Submitter noted they had a farm plan and considers it is a living document which should be refreshed annually but in reality it's more likely biannually.

The Hearing closed at 11.30 am and deliberations commenced.

Deliberations for Proposed Monitoring Fees & Charges – Resource Management Act 1991 – NES Freshwater commenced at 11.35 am

Present:

Ctrs G A Hope (Chair), B A Faulls, and J D N Croad

Also present:

Gina Ferguson (Consents & Compliance Group Manager), Jamie Clark (Compliance Manager) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Process scope of deliberations was discussed.

ATTENDANCE: Gina Ferguson and Jamie Clark withdrew from deliberations at 12.14 pm.

Deliberations adjourned at 12.14 pm and resumed at 1.03 pm.

Present

Ctr G A Hope (Chair), B A Faulls and J D N Croad

Members discussed and reviewed the submissions received and noted what had been highlighted by the submitters that had spoken to their submission.

It was noted that in fixing fees under section 36 of the RMA, Council is required to have regard to the following:

- That the sole purpose of the charge is to recover reasonable costs incurred by the local authority in respect of the activity to which the charge relates.
- A particular person or persons should only be required to pay a charge to the extent that;
 - the benefit of the local authority's actions to which the charge relates is obtained by those persons as distinct from the community or the local authority as a whole; or
 - where the need for the local authority's actions to which the charge relates is caused by the actions of those persons; or
 - in a case where the charge is in respect of the local authority's monitoring functions under section 35(2)(a) (which relates to monitoring the state of the whole or part of the environment), to the extent that the monitoring relates to the likely effects on the environment of those

persons' activities, or to the extent that the likely benefit to those persons of the monitoring exceeds the likely benefit of the monitoring to the community of the local authority as a whole.

ATTENDANCE: Gina Ferguson joined the meeting 1.59 pm to assist the panel in deliberations.

The panel considered:

1) The base of the charge is the one-off or annual consent monitoring charge which includes an administration charge (\$42 per annum), and a compliance monitoring charge which is variable depending on the consent and compliance if applicable.

2) A fixed charge – and how that would be applied.

The fixed charge is the annual compliance monitoring charge such as the administration charge.

3) A Variable charge- this is based on an hourly rate for the time spent by a Council monitoring officer in monitoring the activity. If monitoring is initiated by complaint, no variable charge is applied for a compliant activity.

4) Transition period to enable the templates to be implemented and time cost analysis for the receipt and assessment of notifications under the NES for Freshwater.

It was noted that the sole purpose of a charge is to recover the reasonable costs incurred by Council in respect of the activity to which the charge relates.

Members accepted the policy but acknowledged that it does need to be based on quantifiable data and suggest that the fees be reviewed at the end of the financial year ending 2022.

Members referred to the Resource Management Consent Monitoring Charging Policy January 2020 and the Statement of Proposal.

Refer to staff Gina/Jamie not comfortable with the need to establish a fee for monitoring a permitted activity because the cost is not established. Time and frequency of monitoring and that implies a cost.

Referred to the Policy Resource Management Consent Monitoring Charging Policy. Of particular note was 1.3.4.3 on self-monitoring and auditing.

Members noted that when it is appropriate, some activities will be monitored using self-monitoring which is where consent holders provide Council with information or data on how their activity is meeting the consent conditions. Council audits the information or data and charge for this time on an actual and reasonable basis. The charge only covers the work Council staff do to assess the data provided and then report to the consent holder any compliance outcomes. This means savings can be passed on to the consent holder.

In regards to the fixed fee members noted that it does need to be fair and transparent but it is a new charge so there is no data to confidently determine a figure therefore members can only go on what has been fair and reasonably charged for other activities.

It was noted that there is no way to accurately calculate a fixed fee therefore variable charge has been proposed.

The decision:

1. **That Council adopt the introduction of a new permitted activity monitoring charge for NES-Freshwater Activities with an implementation date of 1 July 2021.**

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2. That the hourly rate for an Environmental Protection Officer of \$155.00 be reviewed annually.
3. That the fixed annual or one off Administration fee be reviewed as per the Council's Revenue and Financing Policy.
4. That all sampling/laboratory/contractors and disbursements to be charged out at actual cost to Council.
5. That submitters be notified of the decision.

Next Steps

1. Decision to be ratified at the Council meeting scheduled for 24 June 2021.
2. New fees implemented by 1 July 2021.
3. Good messaging and education to ensure people understand what is required.
4. That the administration cost of \$42 to hold and administer the information received to be reviewed within a year when there is sufficient data to determine that it is a fair and reasonable charge.

The deliberations concluded at 3.03 pm.

Non speaking submissions

Andrea Pilcher
Oppose in full

Decision: Agrees and supports Federated Farmers Submission.

Craig Robinson
Oppose in full.

Decision: That these costs are not charged to a complying farmer and are funded by Council and are covered by all ratepayers from their rates.

Geoff Hayes

Decision: Council will charge for costs incurred when there is likely to be an issue.

Kit Sandal

Decision: Consultation will help

Melva Robb

Oppose the proposed monitoring charges of \$155.00 per hour for an environmental officer and also disbursements from Council.

Supports Federated Farmers NZ Submission

Nicci Armour (Wine Marlborough)

Oppose in full

Decision:

1. That Council complete their review of the compliance monitoring programme to align with the NES-FW and consult with the affected stakeholders as a minimum before introducing compliance monitoring fees.
2. A clear distinction is made in the Statement of Proposal between resource consent and compliance monitoring and a transparent rationale is provided for this.
3. Charges must be fair.
4. Comply with "Resource Management Consent Monitoring Charging Policy" section 1.2.8 **Charges must be transparent**

Tony & Catherine Turnbull - Oppose

Decision: To abolish any idea of charging farmers to monitor permitted activity.

Joanna Grigg - Oppose

Decision: I seek fees/costs to be shared 50:50 for monitoring, lab costs, consultants, and inspections disbursements. The additional monitoring charge, due to non-compliance, should be 100% charged to the landowner.

Geoffrey Wiffe - Oppose

Decision: That 100% of the costs of monitoring charges are apportioned to the general ratepayer, ie, an itemised rating levy on everybody's rate demand. So that all rate payers are treated equally and become part of the solution for the benefit of the community.

Phillip Neal - Oppose

Decision: I seek council to cover monitoring costs within their own budgets and push back against central Government and seek reparation from Government for this cost.

Frederick Sorensen - Oppose

Decision: That Council do not go ahead with the proposed changes in charging a monitoring fee.

Maureen Cowie- Oppose

Decision: I hope the Council will take a fair and equitable approach to the apportionment of water monitoring costs across the community and not blunder on with a knee jerk reaction to penalize the people who are already actively working to maintain and or improve water quality in the region.

Guy Bell - Oppose

Decision: All I seek is a fair charge related to any work of this nature.

Record No. 21119771

9. Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

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.