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**MARLBOROUGH  
DISTRICT COUNCIL**



23 June 2022

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Ask For: Mike Porter

## **Notice of Council Meeting – Thursday, 30 June 2022**

Notice of the Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on Thursday, 30 June 2022 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 and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim**  
**on THURSDAY, 30 JUNE 2022 commencing at 9.00 am**

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### 1. Karakia

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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

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### 3. Declaration of Interests

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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**

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- 4.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 May 2022  
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0522-336 to Cncl-0522-340)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Marlborough District Council  
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on THURSDAY 19 MAY 2022 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, G A Hope, F D Maher, D D Oddie, M A Peters, T P Sowman and N P Taylor.

**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/Cllr Oddie:**

**That the apology for absence from Cllr M J Fitzpatrick be received and sustained.**

**Carried**

**Cncl-0522-336 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:

1. The various interests declared under Minute Nos. Cncl-0422-304, Cncl-0422-308 and Cncl-0422-309; and;
2. The interest declared under Minute No. PF&C-0522-328.

**Cncl-0522-337 Confirmation of Minutes** -

Members asked for an update on the number of submissions received on the 2022-23 Annual Plan Update and the number wishing to speak to their submissions. At that time there were 77 submissions and 59 wished to speak.

**The Mayor/Cllr Taylor:**

**That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7 April 2022 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0422-304 to Cncl-0422-313) be taken as read and confirmed.**

**Carried**

**Committee Reports**

**Cncl-0522-338 Environment Committee** -

**The Mayor/Cllr Arbuckle:**

**That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. Env-0422-314 to Env-0422-324 be received and the recommendations adopted.**

**Carried**

## **Cncl-0522-339 Planning, Finance & Community Committee -**

Cllrs Peters/Croad:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. PF&C-0522-325 to PF&C-0522-335 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

## **Cncl-0522-340 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded -**

The Mayor/Cllr Taylor:

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

5. Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes
6. Committee Reports (Public Excluded Sections)
7. Legal Agreements
8. Development

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.
Legal Agreements Development	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 10.27 am.

Confirmed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022

J C LEGGETT  
MAYOR

Record No. 22117985



## **4. Minutes**

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- 4.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13 June 2022  
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0622-342 to Cncl-0622-345)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on MONDAY 13 JUNE 2022 commencing at 9.00 am**

### **Present**

Deputy Mayor Cllr N P Taylor (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, and M A Peters.

### **Present via Zoom**

The Mayor J C Leggett and Cllr T P Sowman.

### **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/Zoom Management).

### **Karakia**

The meeting opened with a karakia.

The Deputy Mayor welcomed all to the meeting, whether present in the Council Chambers or via Audio Visual link (Zoom) as per Standing Orders and the *COVID-19 Response (Urgent Management Measures) Legislation Act 2020*. The Deputy Mayor advised the meeting was being recorded and that a link to the recording would be loaded to Council's website as soon as practicable following the meeting in accordance with the *COVID-19 Response (Urgent Management Measures) Legislation Act 2020*.

The Deputy Mayor also introduced the purpose of the meeting. It was noted that additional information had been circulated to members prior to the meeting.

## **Cncl-0622-342 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 interest as declared by Cllr Taylor under submission 5552 (*Bryn Evans [Picton Dawn Chorus]*);
- The interest as declared by Mayor Leggett under submission 5520 (*Susan Ross [Marlborough Community Gardens]*);
- The interests as declared by Cllr Dawson under submissions 5554 (*Sue Avery [Business Trust Marlborough]*) and 5551 (*Nigel Muir [Tasman Regional Sports Trust]*);
- The interest as declared by Cllr Oddie under submission 5506 (*Jo Grigg [Marlborough Environment Awards Trust]*);
- The interests as declared by Cllr Arbuckle under submissions 5562 (*Kim Odendaal [Hospitality New Zealand]*) and 5574 (*Rob Harrison [Marlborough Farmers Market]*); and
- The interest as declared by Cllr Brooks under submission 5571 (*Ray Welburn [Renwick Museum]*).

## **Cncl-0622-343**

## **Consultation Summary**

**F230-A22-09-03**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide Councillors with a summary of the consultation process.

Mr Fletcher advised that this year's consultation process yielded 75 submissions. This number is slightly down on previous years and most likely reflects the direction taken by Council over recent years and suggested increased levels of service. This is reinforced by the responses to the questions posed in the Consultation Document whereby far the biggest number of responses were "NA", followed by "yes", with the biggest number

of “no” answers to any question being 2. Also as has been the case in the past, submissions have been made on a very wide range of topics. While many of the issues raised do not have budgetary impacts, the submission process is a very important way for the community to engage with Council.

A presentation on Reserve Balances and Levels of Service Increases was given at the meeting (filed in CM: Record No. 22118028). Members discussed both topics noting the Reserve balances. Members expressly discussed the Picton Foreshore Maintenance and following this discussion an amended resolution to that included in the agenda was put to the vote.

**Cllrs Taylor/Peters:**

**1. That:**

- (a) Council notes the community support for Picton Foreshore and Shelley Beach being developed and managed as Marlborough's third premier park:**
- (b) Council Garden staff undertake landscape design work under current budgets, and then confirm the costings needed to achieve such improvements; and**
- (c) the additional \$100,000 budget increase be withdrawn until the landscape design work is completed and costed and the optimum ongoing maintenance delivery model can be determined.**

**2. That Council agrees to confirm the other decisions it made as part of the February 2022 Budget Meeting regarding increased levels of service.**

**Carried**

## **Cncl-0622-344 Deliberation on Submissions on the 2022-23 Annual Plan Consultation Document**

**F230-A22-09-03**

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 7 and 8 June 2022). Where funding has been allocated, the source of the funding has also been identified. Individual replies will be made to each submitter. Each reply will include advice of the decisions made in the “Consultation Summary” above.

*5510 Margaret McHugh (Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc)*

It was noted that the submitter withdrew the funding request for Greeters Uniforms at the hearing.

**Cllrs Peters/Brooks:**

**That the funding request from Margaret McHugh (Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc) be declined.**

**Carried**

*5511 John Reuhman (EcoWorld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Arbuckle:**

**That John Reuhman (EcoWorld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre) be thanked for their submission.**

**Carried**

*5545 Jacqui Lloyd (Destination Marlborough)*

**Cllrs Peters/Croad:**

**That the funding request from Jacqui Lloyd (Destination Marlborough) for support in marketing offshore travel trade promotion in partnership with Tourism New Zealand be approved with \$30,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve for the 2022-23 financial year only; and that the funding requests for ongoing implementation of the Destination Plan (and the first four key priorities), and ongoing domestic destination promotion of Marlborough be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further discussion.**

**Carried**

5563 *Chris Shaw (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce)*

**Cls Brooks/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Chris Shaw (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce) be declined noting that Council has requested Council's Economic Development Team to take a strong lead in developing this commendable project further.**

**Carried**

5550 *Cathie Bell (Feast Marlborough)*

**Cls Peters/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Cathie Bell (Feast Marlborough) be declined noting that Council's Economic Development Team has budgeted for food sector support, including development of an industry plan; Feast Marlborough will be included in any work that will be carried out. Council have requested that this project be accelerated and Clr Peters will be meeting with Neil Henry to prioritise this.**

**Carried**

5554 *Sue Avery (Business Trust Marlborough)*

**Cls Peters/Maher:**

**That the funding request from Sue Avery (Business Trust Marlborough) for an annual CPI increase to their annual grant from general rates be approved; noting that the increase will be \$2,748 for the 2022-23 financial year.**

**Carried**

NB: Clr Dawson declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

5549 *Sue Avery (Connect and Connect Marlborough Trust)*

**Cls Taylor/Andrews:**

**That Sue Avery (Connect and Connect Marlborough Trust) be thanked for their submission and commended for their professionalism and diversity of work undertaken.**

**Carried**

5525 *James McKenzie-Wiley (Marlborough Christmas In The Park)*

**Cls Taylor/Fauls:**

**That the funding request from James McKenzie-Wiley (Marlborough Christmas In The Park) be declined.**

**Carried**

5576 *Gary Brown (Canvastown Community Association)*

**Cls Brooks/Andrews:**

**That the submission from Gary Brown (Canvastown Community Association) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration.**

**Carried**

5559 *Tania Billingsley (Rai Valley Area School Board of Trustees)*

**Cls Brooks/Peters:**

**That the funding request from Tania Billingsley (Rai Valley Area School Board of Trustees) be declined; however, the submitter is asked to develop the submission more including canvassing community support and other co-funding arrangements, and how it fits within Council's Sports Facility Plan and present again to a future Annual/Long Term Plan.**

**Carried**

5566 *Russell Hopkins*

**Cls Oddie/Taylor:**

**That Russell Hopkins be thanked for his submission noting that Council is working towards a revision of its current housing settings and policy.**

**Carried**

5565 *Andrea Goodman (Christchurch Methodist Mission)*

**Cls Brooks/Oddie:**

**That Andrea Goodman (Christchurch Methodist Mission) be thanked for their submission noting that waiving or a reduction of development contributions will create a financial shortfall that will need to be funded by Marlborough ratepayers.**

**Carried**

5541 *Kay Saville-Smith (CRESA)*

**Cls Taylor/Brooks:**

**That Kay Saville-Smith (CRESA) be thanked for their submission noting that Residential 1 (high density) and Residential 2 zones are to be reviewed next financial year.**

**Carried**

5526 *Bev James (Marlborough Sustainable Housing Trust)*

**Cls Taylor/Hope:**

**That Bev James (Marlborough Sustainable Housing Trust) be thanked for their submission noting that (numbered the same as the submission):**

1. **The cost of developing a coherent Housing Strategy and Action Plan is estimated at \$30,000-\$40,000.**
2. **Council's Policy team has a programme of work (2022/23) aimed at reviewing the current controls within Residential 1 and 2 zoned areas.**
3. **Staff understanding is that there is high demand for Industrial and Commercial land for industrial and commercial purposes.**
4. **Any reduction in development contributions will fall on the rate payer to fund the shortfall.**
5. **Council does not have areas of land suitable for affordable and social housing developments that are not already occupied.**
6. **This is not a local government issue and Council declines to take this further.**

**Carried**

5538 *Gayle Chambers (Grey Power Marlborough)*

**Cls Andrews/Croad:**

**That the funding request from Gayle Chambers (Grey Power Marlborough) be declined; however, Council supports the concept and will continue to work with the Older Persons Forum on what form this could take.**

**Carried**

5575 *Kate Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Board)*

**Cls Maher/Peters:**

**That the submission from Kate Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Board) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration.**

**Carried**

5506 *Jo Grigg (Marlborough Environment Awards Trust)*

**Cls Arbuckle/Hope:**

1. **That the funding request from Jo Grigg (Marlborough Environment Awards Trust) for an increase in their annual funding be approved by increasing the funding by \$5,000 per annum (to be funded from existing budgets), taking the total annual funding to \$20,000.**
2. **That the request from Jo Grigg (Marlborough Environment Awards Trust) for future CPI increases be approved.**

**Carried**

NB: Clr Oddie declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

5537 Jodie Kuntzsch (*Businesses for Climate Action Trust*)

**Cllrs Taylor/Maher:**

**That the funding request from Jodie Kuntzsch (Businesses for Climate Action Trust) be declined noting that the Climate Change Action Plan for Council focuses on Council operations and reporting, and not on mentoring small businesses in the community.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 10.32am and resumed at 10.48 am

5555 Andrew Caddie (*Kenepuru & Central Sounds Residents Association Inc*)

**Cllrs Taylor/Arbuckle:**

**That Andrew Caddie (Kenepuru & Central Sounds Residents Association Inc) be thanked for their submission.**

**Carried**

5546 Kathryn Omond (*Moetapu Bay Community Jetty Society Inc*)

**Cllrs Oddie/Fitzpatrick:**

**That the request from Kathryn Omond (Moetapu Bay Community Jetty Society Inc) for sealing the Moetapu Bay boat launching ramp be declined; noting that Cllr Faulls has undertaken to discuss Council's decision with the submitter and Marlborough Roads.**

**Carried**

5529 John Kershaw

**Cllrs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:**

**That John Kershaw be thanked appropriately for his positive submission, noting that he will be added as a recognised stakeholder to the Wairau River Regional Park process.**

**Carried**

Note to staff – Members raised an issue regarding improving the surface of the stopbank from Giffords Road to State Highway 6 so it is suitable for cycle access. Staff to provide a response to all members.

Note to staff – The Mayor/Deputy Mayor to review the response to Mr Kershaw.

5540 Tim Newsham (*Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc*)

**Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:**

**That the Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc be thanked for their submission and that the Small Townships Programme Sub-Committee will come and meet with the Association. It is to be noted that Marlborough Roads have also been requested to meet with the Association.**

**Carried**

5517 Tim Newsham (*Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc*)

**Cllrs Peters/Brooks:**

**That the funding request from Tim Newsham (Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc) for the care and maintenance of the Spring Creek Community Hall of \$3,000 per annum (to be funded from general rates) be approved.**

**Carried**

5561 Nicci Armour (*Wine Marlborough*)

**Cllrs Taylor/Faulls:**

**That Nicci Armour (Wine Marlborough) be thanked for their submission.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Dawson withdrew from the meeting at 11.16 am during the below discussion.

5535 *Tim Newsham*

**Cllrs Oddie/Fitzpatrick:**

**That Tim Newsham and Jan Johns be thanked for their submission, noting that Council have requested Parks and Open Spaces staff to continue to reduce their use of glyphosate and that staff will report back during the next Levels of Service process.**

**Carried**

5523 *Robyn Richards*

**Cllrs Taylor/Arbuckle:**

**That Robyn Richards be thanked for her submission.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Dawson re-joined the meeting at 11.26am during the below discussion.

5514 *Bruce Richards (Picton Smart + Connected)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:**

**That the submission from Bruce Richards (Picton Smart + Connected) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion, also including a report on the viability of upgrading the Marina-to-Marina track for commuter cycling.**

**Carried**

5573 *Scott Adams/Mike Campbell (Federated Farmers of New Zealand)*

**Cllrs Maher/Hope:**

**That Scott Adams/Mike Campbell (Federated Farmers of New Zealand) be thanked for their positive submission noting that (numbered the same as the submission):**

**5.4 The recent flood damage (July 2021) has resulted in a significant investment into the reinstating of roads that were damaged by the floods, however, these roads will only be repaired to pre flood levels of service. However, all new culverts and water channels are being constructed to cater for Climate Change and the anticipated more frequent high intensity rainfall events. This decision was not Council's, but Waka Kotahi as Council has received a substantial subsidy from them for the works. Separately Council is undertaking a study of its rural roads maintenance costs to see where improvements can be made. The result of this study is not likely to be available before early 2023.**

**5.5}**

**5.7}**

**5.8}**

**5.9} Council currently works directly with Agrecovery. Triple rinsed Agrecovery plastic containers can be dropped at the Resource Recovery Centre in Blenheim where they are then baled before onward shipment to a processing centre set by Agrecovery. Chemical events are also organised with Agrecovery, and any material received and processed at the Hazardous Waste Centre in Blenheim. The farm plastics proposal submitted by Agrecovery to the Ministry for the Environment is still under consideration. Once Agrecovery confirm the status of this scheme Council will then be in a position to determine what actions are required. Council currently has a staff member serving as a trustee on the Agrecovery Board and are fully informed of how the various stewardship programmes are tracking. The Ministry for the Environment are currently consulting on Organics waste.**

**5.6 The Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2022 has been approved by the Minister of Transport and comes into force on 19 May 2022. The Rule requires all road controlling authorities to prepare and consult on a Speed Management Plan. This will bring together investment decisions on speed management with the three yearly National Land Transport Plan. The Rule also requires speed limits to be reduced around all schools by the end of 2027. The maximum open road speed limit for all heavy vehicles, except school buses, is 90 km/h, so any reductions in speed from 100 km/h to 90 km/h will not affect freight travel times.**

**2.1}**

**2.2} The proposed rates increase compares well with other Territorial Local Authorities and very well with the proposed rates increases of Regional Councils. It is important to compare with both types of Local Authority with Council being a Unitary Council. Every attempt is made to minimise**

rates increases, while at the same time maintaining financial prudence. Farmers inflationary pressures are also experienced by Council.

5.1}

5.2} Council continues to express its reservations regarding 3 Waters, despite Government mandating its implementation. However, Council is also aware that if it does not have agreements in place for additional government funding that ratepayers could very possibly lose any uncontracted Tranche 1 funding if a change of Government occurs in October 2023. 3 Waters funding will be applied to worthwhile projects which Council is likely to be required to fund in future. \$23M of free funding.

**Carried**

Note to staff – The Mayor/Deputy Mayor to review the response to Federated Farmers of New Zealand.

Note to staff – Also send out Martin Fletcher's information on capital and land value.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Arbuckle declared a conflict of interest.

5562 Kim Odendaal (*Hospitality New Zealand*)

**Cllrs Brooks/Oddie:**

That Kim Odendaal (*Hospitality New Zealand*) be thanked for their submission, noting that depending on the nature of the Airbnb operations this activity often falls within the definition of Homestay under the Plan. Homestay is a permitted activity in a number of zones with permitted activity standards. If the activity complies with these standards and definition a resource consent is not required. A Tourism levy is applied to properties undertaking a Homestay activity.

**Carried**

NB: Cllr Arbuckle declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

5560 Yvonne Wratt (*Grovetown Residents Association*)

**Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:**

That Yvonne Wratt (*Grovetown Residents Association*) be thanked for their submission. The letter sent to the Grovetown Residents Association (dated 17 June 2019) is also to be included along with Mr Wheeler's recent LGOIMA response. The Association is to be advised that work on the Grovetown stormwater is continuing and that stormwater staff will be in contact with the Association. The Association is also to be advised that Marlborough Roads will be reporting to the Assets & Services Committee on Humphrey Street.

**Carried**

5572 Heather Smith (*Top-of-the-South Region, Social Credit NZ*)

**Cllrs Maher/Fitzpatrick:**

That the submission from Heather Smith (*Top-of-the-South Region, Social Credit NZ*) be received and that the submitter be thanked for their submission.

**Carried**

5507 Constance Phua/Jo Coughlan (*New Zealand Chinese Language Week*)

**Cllrs Fitzpatrick/Taylor:**

That the funding request from Constance Phua/Jo Coughlan (*New Zealand Chinese Language Week*) be declined.

**Carried**

5520 Susan Ross (*Marlborough Community Gardens*)

**Cllrs Croad/Maher:**

That Susan Ross (*Marlborough Community Gardens*) be advised that an avenue for funding for their request is Council's Community Grants (open mid-August 2022).

**Carried**

NB: The Mayor declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.



5574 *Rob Harrison (Marlborough Farmers Market)*

**Cirs Maher/Hope:**

**That the submission from Rob Harrison (Marlborough Farmers Market) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration in relation to an overall plan for the whole of the A&P Park.**

**Carried**

NB: Clr Arbuckle declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

5539 *Jane Buckman*

**Cirs Brooks/Andrews:**

**That Jane Buckman be thanked for her positive submission especially the information on EV charging stations. The submitter is to be sent a copy of the Taylor Pass Recreation Space Reserve Design.**

**Carried**

5571 *Ray Welburn (Renwick Museum)*

**Cirs Peters/Croad:**

**That the submission from Ray Welburn (Renwick Museum) be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further consideration.**

**Carried**

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

5524 *Chris Marshall (Endeavour Park Pavilion Society trading as Port Marlborough Pavilion)*

**Cirs Taylor/Oddie:**

**That Chris Marshall (Endeavour Park Pavilion Society trading as Port Marlborough Pavilion) be thanked for their submission, especially noting their proactive progress on the Stage 2 Feasibility Study, the feedback from Council is looking forward to receiving.**

**Carried**

5519 *Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Heritage Trust)*

**Cirs Peters/Maher:**

**That the funding request from Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Heritage Trust) for the Flaxbourne Heritage Centre at Ward be approved by way of underwriting the total project up to \$250,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve; subject to all other funds required being raised by the Flaxbourne Heritage Trust and final project costings.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 12.28 pm and resumed at 1.02 pm

5569 *Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association)*

**Cirs Peters/Hope:**

- 1. That the funding request from Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association) for upgrades to toilet and septic tank facilities in Ward be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration.**
- 2. That the funding request from Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association) for four specific items (safety rail, painting of Domain sheds, building renovations, and waterpipe supply and install,) totalling \$9,735 be referred to the Small Townships Programme for further consideration.**
- 3. That the funding request from Dave Lohead (Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association) for an increase in their annual operating grant to \$27,500 (to be funded from general rates) be approved.**

**Carried**

5557 *John Hickman (Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc)*

Council requested that John Hickman (Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc) be thanked for their submission and that the decisions in relation to submission 5569 be sent to the submitter

5556 *Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Faulks:**

**That the submission from Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration, highlighting the shade sails (height and water park area), freshwater shower, landscaping, and hooks/rails in public toilets requests.**

**Carried**

5530 *Brian Henstock (Marlborough Community Vehicle Trust)*

**Cllrs Andrews/Brooks:**

**That the funding request from Brian Henstock (Marlborough Community Vehicle Trust) for an operating grant be approved by way of a one-off \$20,000 grant towards operating expenses for a three year period (to be funded from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve) in the 2022-23 financial year.**

**Carried**

**Cllrs Croad/Taylor:**

**That Brian Henstock (Marlborough Community Vehicle Trust) be requested to provide to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for the next three years their annual report showing how the annual operating grant is spent and the service provided.**

**Carried**

Cllr Hope advised that the NMDHB have been requested to contact the submitter direct on the “discharging of patients” issue raised by the submitter.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Taylor declared an interest in the following submission and Cllr Peters assumed the chair.

5552 *Bryn Evans (Picton Dawn Chorus Inc)*

**Cllrs Peters/Croad:**

- 1. That Council encourage Bryn Evans (Picton Dawn Chorus Inc) to discuss with the Department of Conservation options to change the scope of their Jobs for Nature funding agreement to enable the partial purchasing of predator traps and equipment.**
- 2. If resolution 1 fails, the funding request from Bryn Evans (Picton Dawn Chorus Inc) be approved with a one-off grant of up to \$100,000 from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve for the 2022-23 financial year only; tagged for traps and equipment on Council land only.**

**Carried**

NB: Cllr Taylor declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Taylor assumed the Chair.

5512 *Beryl Bowers (Picton Historical Society Inc)*

**Cllrs Peters/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Beryl Bowers (Picton Historical Society Inc) for an increase in their annual operating grant be approved by increasing the funding by \$4,000 per annum (to be funded from general rates), taking the total operating grant to \$34,000.**

**Carried**

5513 *Linda Thompson*

**Cllrs Taylor/Oddie:**

**That Linda Thompson be thanked for her submission and be advised that Council resolved under submission 5514 the following:**

**That the submission from Bruce Richards (Picton Smart + Connected) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion, also including a report on the viability of upgrading the Marina-to-Marina track for commuter cycling.**

**Carried**

5568 *Rosemary Jorgensen*

**Cls Taylor/Brooks:**

**That Rosemary Jorgensen be thanked for her submission and be advised that Council resolved under submission 5514 the following:**

**That the submission from Bruce Richards (Picton Smart + Connected) be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion, also including a report on the viability of upgrading the Marina-to-Marina track for commuter cycling.**

**Carried**

5551 *Nigel Muir (Tasman Regional Sports Trust)*

**Cls Peters/Brooks:**

**That the funding request from Nigel Muir (Tasman Regional Sports Trust) be declined; noting that whilst Council acknowledges the work of the Tasman Regional Sports Trust, Council provides the use of facilities at low lease value.**

**Carried**

NB: Clr Dawson declared an interest in the above and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the matter.

Note for staff – the position of Council Trustee is no longer valid under the Trust Deed, and Clr Dawson is now a Community Trustee.

5548 *Nigel Muir/Michelle Clark (Project Boons Valley, Waikawa)*

**Cls Taylor/Croad:**

**That Nigel Muir/Michelle Clark (Project Boons Valley, Waikawa) be thanked for their submission and commended for their selfless work for their project and the environment.**

**Carried**

5553 *Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough)*

**Cls Peters/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough) for the Career Navigator Programme be approved by way of a one-off \$13,000 (to be funded from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve) in the 2022-23 financial year, with a report back through the Planning, Finance & Community Committee.**

**Carried**

**Cls Brooks/Hope:**

**That the funding request from Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough) for the "Thriving Young People; Thriving Marlborough" Research Initiative be declined; noting that Council will undertake to get Youth Agencies together to scope what is required and bring this back through the Planning, Finance & Community Committee.**

**Carried**

5532 *Meg Martin (Volunteer Marlborough Charitable Trust)*

**Cls Brooks/Hope:**

**That the funding request from Meg Martin (Volunteer Marlborough Charitable Trust) be declined; noting that Council will undertake to get Youth Agencies together to scope what is required and bring this back through the Planning, Finance & Community Committee.**

**Carried**

5544 *Maree Dunlop (Te Kōpuni Kāinga o Te Tau Ihu - Top of the South Neighbourhood Support Charitable Trust)*

**Cls Taylor/Andrews:**

**That the funding request from Maree Dunlop (Te Kōpuni Kāinga o Te Tau Ihu - Top of the South Neighbourhood Support Charitable Trust) be declined.**

**Carried**

5509 *Stuart Petersen (Blenheim Community Patrol Charitable Trust)*

**Cls Peters/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Stuart Petersen (Blenheim Community Patrol Charitable Trust) for an increase in their annual operating grant be approved by increasing the funding by \$1,000 per annum**

(to be funded from general rates), taking the total operating grant to \$5,000. Staff are to convey Council's appreciation for their well organised, community focused service and responsiveness across Marlborough.

**Carried**

5558 *Russell Smith (Marlborough Youth Trust Incorporated)*

**Cirs Brooks/Fitzpatrick:**

That Russell Smith (Marlborough Youth Trust Incorporated) are to be congratulated on their commitment to the youth of the district. However, the funding request from the Marlborough Youth Trust Incorporated be declined noting that Council already provides funding via an annual operating grant and rent subsidy (Marlborough Youth Trust Incorporated budget \$30,000 for rent whereas the market rent should be somewhere in the range of \$145,000), and Council spent approximately \$400,000 on the fitout of the Centre.

**Carried**

5528 *Lachlan McNabb (Youth Council)*

**Cirs Taylor/Andrews:**

That Lachlan McNabb (Youth Council) be thanked for their submission.

**Carried**

Note to staff – The Mayor is to write the letter.

Note to staff – For next year's LTP all youth related submissions are to be referred to the Youth Council for comment prior to the hearings/deliberation.

5567 *Cathie Bell/Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust)*

**Cirs Taylor/Brooks:**

That the funding request from Cathie Bell/Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust) for insurance be declined as this is already funded by Council.

**Carried**

**Cirs Peters/Hope:**

That the funding request from Cathie Bell/Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust) for the Edwin Fox be approved by way of a one-off \$31,688 (to be funded from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve) in the 2022-23 financial year; subject to the Marlborough Heritage Trust receiving all other funding.

**Carried**

5518 *Joe Keighley (Renwick Smart + Connected)*

**Cirs Taylor/Maher:**

That the submission from Joe Keighley (Renwick Smart + Connected) regarding Pioneer Park and Kowhai Drive be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration.

That the submission from Joe Keighley (Renwick Smart + Connected) regarding the Renwick Heritage Trail be referred to the Small Townships Programme for further consideration.

**Carried**

5564 *Corey Hebberd (Rangitāne o Wairau)*

**Cirs Taylor/Oddie:**

That Corey Hebberd (Rangitāne o Wairau) be thanked for their submission noting that (numbered the same as the submission):

1. Iwi Capability Funding – Council acknowledges Iwi capacity challenges to contribute to Council public service and regulatory functions, there is currently no budget allocated for funding Iwi in this capacity. This issue is to be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further consideration.
2. Blenheim Sewerage Treatment Plant (BSTP) – Assets and Services staff are working with a cultural consultant and Iwi on the preparing the Cultural Impact Assessment document. This will feed through to the review of technical options and the consent application.

3. Iwi Mapping Project – This issue is to be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further consideration.
4. Resolving misappropriated spelling of Māori Street Names and Catchments – Currently Richard Hunter sits on the Road Naming Sub-Committee. No budget is allocated to fund the attendance of a Rangitāne representative on the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee has approved the addition of macrons to various road names identified last year in Rangitāne's submission. Changing the spelling of existing road names will be very difficult, given a large number of organisations will need to be notified and landowners on these roads will also require consultation.
5. Kaihautū (Manager Māori Partnerships) Role – Council recognises the importance of this role to help build better relationships between iwi and Council. Council is actively recruiting for this role with input from iwi representatives.
6. Ngā Wairau o Ruatere – This issue is to be referred to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for further consideration.
7. Te Mana o Te Wai Funding – The support from Rangitāne is noted.
8. Horahora Kāhahu Lookout – Te Whanganui/Te Whanganui/Port Underwood – This issue is to be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further consideration.
9. Council Staff Training and Cultural Capability – Council is actively encouraging staff to participate in Te Reo classes and with the appointment of a Kaihautū cultural and awareness training will be improved and further investments made.

**Carried**

5497 Yvonne Sprey

**Clrs Arbuckle/Oddie:**

That Yvonne Sprey be thanked for her submission and that she be advised that the Long Term Plan Working Group, at its meeting on 23 May 2022, made the following recommendation to Council:

*That the LTP Working Group recommends:*

1. *That the weighting for the French Pass Road Charge and the Kenepuru Road Rate be reduced to 25 for those properties which have no road access.*
2. *That the change take affect from the 1 July 2023.*

**Carried**

5501 Robert Harrison Jones/David McLuckie (Renwick Sports and Events Centre)

**Clrs Brooks/Fitzpatrick:**

That the request from Robert Harrison Jones/David McLuckie (Renwick Sports and Events Centre) be declined and they be advised that an internal review is to be carried out by Council's Sports Hub Facilitator to understand the opportunities and provide forward direction before any engagement of consultants.

**Carried**

5502 Robert Harrison Jones/David McLuckie (Renwick Sports and Events Centre)

**Clrs Brooks/Maher:**

That the request from Robert Harrison Jones/David McLuckie (Renwick Sports and Events Centre) be declined and they be advised that an internal review is to be carried out by Council's Sports Hub Facilitator to understand the opportunities and provide forward direction before any engagement of consultants.

**Carried**

5503 Robert Harrison Jones/David McLuckie (Renwick Sports and Events Centre)

**Clrs Maher/Brooks:**

That the Renwick Sports and Events Centre be advised that staff will continue to work with the Centre to finalise requirements and bring the findings back through the Assets and Services Committee.

**Carried**

5504 *Lindsay Newdick*

**Cls Taylor/Maher:**

**That Lindsay Newdick be thanked for his submission.**

**Carried**

5505 *Greg Billington*

**Cls Taylor/Brooks:**

**That Greg Billington be thanked for his submission.**

**Carried**

5508 *Katie McNabb*

**Cls Taylor/Arbuckle:**

**That Katie McNabb be advised that the libraries current Rental and Overdue Fines system will be reviewed as part of the Fees and Charges Review that will be undertaken in the coming months as part of the overall review of Library Service Levels and reported back to Council through the Planning, Finance and Community Committee.**

**Carried**

5515 *Nicci Neilson/Richard Briggs (Picton Smart + Connected)*

**Cls Taylor/Oddie:**

**That Nicci Neilson/Richard Briggs (Picton Smart + Connected) be thanked for their submission and the submitter is to note the decisions made in the "Consultation Summary" regarding the Picton Foreshore and Shelley Beach. The submitter should also note that the Picton Foreshore has been audited by the Council inhouse Parks and Open Spaces' Garden Team quarterly since June 2021. The Foreshore audits have shown an improvement in the maintenance of the grounds. The Parks and Open Spaces Team have sat on the Think Tank since that time. Most feedback on the state of the reserve has been positive, particularly over the summer period. There is support for a new approach to improving the style of the grounds with more colour to be added. These discussions have been had with the Parks and Open Spaces Team/Garden Team.**

**Carried**

5516 *Nicci Neilson/Richard Briggs (Picton Smart + Connected)*

**Cls Oddie/Fitzpatrick:**

**That Nicci Neilson/Richard Briggs (Picton Smart + Connected) be thanked for their submission and that they be advised that Freedom Camping issues are being dealt with in the Responsible Camping Bylaw Review.**

**Carried**

5521 *Valerie Seatter (Havelock Community Association)*

**Cls Taylor/Oddie:**

**That Valerie Seatter (Havelock Community Association) be advised that an avenue for funding for their request is Council's Community Grants (open mid-August 2022).**

**Carried**

5527 *Emily Greenhough (Okiwi Bay Ratepayers Assn)*

**Cls Peters/Taylor:**

**That the submission from Emily Greenhough (Okiwi Bay Ratepayers Assn) on the bridge over the Ruataniwha Stream at Okiwi Bay be referred to the Assets & Services Committee for further discussion.**

**Carried**

**Cls Peters/Oddie:**

**That the funding request from Emily Greenhough (Okiwi Bay Ratepayers Assn) for an increase in their Reserve Maintenance grant be approved by increasing the funding by 15% (\$1,540.44), to be funded by general rates, taking their total Reserve Maintenance grant to \$11,810.06.**

**Carried**

**Cllrs Taylor/Arbuckle:**

That the funding requests from Emily Greenhough (Okiwi Bay Ratepayers Assn) for public space upgrades be referred to the Small Townships Programme for consideration.

**Carried**

5533 *Bronwen Frazer (Blenheim Roller Skating Club)*

**Cllrs Arbuckle/Andrews:**

That Bronwen Frazer (Blenheim Roller Skating Club) be thanked for their submission and advised that staff will continue to work closely with the Blenheim Roller Skating Club regarding the relocation from College Park.

**Carried**

5534 *Pete Coldwell (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Croad:**

That Pete Coldwell (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce) be thanked for their submission and support.

**Carried**

5536 *Jodie Griffiths (Staff Submission)*

**Cllrs Maher/Fitzpatrick:**

That the staff submission for funding for 'Community Days' be funded for the 2022-23 financial year at \$20,000, from the Forestry and Land Development Reserve, as a trial to determine the need for such funding in future years.

**Carried**

5542 *Glenda Robb*

**Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:**

That Glenda Robb be thanked for her submission and advised that Council is currently installing a public convenience at the Renwick Dog Park at Foxs Island.

**Carried**

5543 *Kathryn Walker (Marlborough Vintners)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:**

That Kathryn Walker (Marlborough Vintners) be thanked for their submission and advised that Cllr Brooks will connect the submitter with the Renwick Group (Steve Hill). The submitter is also to be advised that Cycling Groups within Marlborough have an existing forum in which to meet to discuss cycling matters, this being the Bike Walk Marlborough Advisory Group which is chaired by Councillor Fitzpatrick and normally meets twice yearly in February and October. COVID-19 and then Braden Prideaux's departure have delayed this year's meeting while recruitment for a replacement for Braden is being carried out. Over time connections will be made.

**Carried**

5547 *Peter Chapman*

**Cllrs Taylor/Dawson:**

That the submission from Peter Chapman be acknowledged.

**Carried**

5570 *Jane Murray (NMDHB Public Health Service)*

**Cllrs Taylor/Arbuckle:**

That Jane Murray (NMDHB Public Health Service) be thanked for their submission.

**Carried**

**Cllrs Taylor/Peters:**

That the 2022-23 Annual Plan be amended as appropriate to incorporate the decisions made by Council on submissions, and that the revised budgets and resultant rates and charges be adopted for inclusion in the 2022-23 Annual Plan.

**Carried**

## **Cncl-0622-345      Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded**

Cllrs Taylor/Oddie:

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

- Lease

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
Lease	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 4.00 pm.

Confirmed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022

J C LEGGETT  
**MAYOR**

Record No. 22121415



## **5. Committee Reports**

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### **5.1 Environment Committee**

Environment Committee Meeting held on 15 June 2022  
(Minute Nos. Env-0622-346 to Env-0622-361)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on WEDNESDAY, 15 JUNE 2022 commencing at 9.00 am**

**Present**

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

**Also Present**

Councillors C J Brooks and F D Maher

**Also Present via Zoom**

Cllrs N P Taylor and B G Dawson

**In Attendance**

Mr H R Versteegh (Environmental Science and Policy Group Manager) and Ms G Ferguson (Consents and Compliance Group Manager), Mike Porter (Democratic Services Manager/Zoom Management) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

**Apologies**

Cllrs Croad/Faulls:

That the apology for non-attendance from Cllrs J L Andrews and M A Peters be noted.

**Carried**

**Env-0622-346**

**Declaration of Interests**

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Clr Oddie declared a conflict of interest with Item 11 – New Zealand King Salmon Compliance Monitoring 2020/2021.

**Env-0622-347**

**Resource Hearing Sub-Committee Decisions**

Cllrs Arbuckle/Sowman:

That the Resource Hearing Sub-Committee Decision as contained within the report dated 16 February 2022 (U210437) be received and the recommendation adopted.

**Carried**

**Env-0622-348**

**Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions**

Cllrs Arbuckle/Sowman:

That the Resource Hearing Commissioner Decisions as contained within the reports dated 9 February 2022 (am) (U200673), 9 February 2022 (pm) (U200816), 23 February 2022 (U210362) and 15 March 2022 (U200493) be received and the recommendations adopted.

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Brett Cowan, and Rawinia Thomas, Ngāti Kurī, Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Ltd, were present via Zoom for the following item.

**Env-0622-349**

**Ngāti Kurī, Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Led  
Biosecurity programme**

**C230-001-N02**

Members noted that the purpose of the presentation was to provide the Committee with an update on the Jobs for Nature Predator Control Project being delivered by Ngāti Kurī in collaboration with the Marlborough District Council, Kaikōura District Council, Hurunui District Council, Environment Canterbury and the Department of Conservation. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22122498).

On Behalf of Ngati Kuri Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Rawinia Thomas passed on their ngā mihi nui to Alan Johnson, Mike Aviss and the Council's Communications Team for their help with supporting the engagement plan.

Members were advised that the project is a three year trapping and bird monitoring project along a large portion of the East Coast of the Ngāti Kurī takiwā. The area is in between the Awatere and Oaro rivers.

The project is aimed at restoring the balance to nature by initiating programmes that focus on invasive species that are causing unbalance to nature and impacting on its values.

To do this the group will set around 1500 traps. To date 1100 have been purpose built by project members.

The traps will be set along 130k of coastline. 40km of the coastline will have intensive trapping in hotspots for feral Cats, hedgehogs, mustelids, rats/mice. So far 700 traps have been sent in Marukaitatea section 1 and Tuteurutira Section 2. It was noted that section 2 is still to be completed due to seasonal/weather challenges.

In response to a query on why possums were not included in the target pest species, Brett advised that possums are located inland and the group is currently focusing on coastal areas. Possum traps are also a completely different design to what is required for the current pest targets. It is intended to tackle possums in the future.

Four trap checks have been completed with 250 predators caught to date.

In respect of bird monitoring project members have worked with ecologist/wildlife specialists to complete monitoring biodiversity hotspots. Training has been completed and are able to continue to carry out Coastal Surveys and Pre-Dawn Bird Monitoring with the next one beginning later in the year.

Raw data has been collected and have started to translate this into graphs, this will be ongoing as more bird monitoring is completed.

It was noted that monitoring of the banded dotterel had been undertaken over the breeding season which at its conclusion identified significant nest failures due nests/chicks being destroyed by vehicles on the beach.

Training has been undertaken in a number of areas and this will continue as the kaupapa continues to ensure all kaimahi have the skills, experience and qualifications to complete all tasks required. All kaimahi have been enrolled into a level 3 Pest Operations Certificate that will be completed by the end of the year.

Members were advised that Te Reo and Tikanga have been imbedded in the Kaupapa and weaved through daily activities and with many culturally significant sites and wāhi tapu along this coast tikanga is used for spiritual safety when conducting activities out in the field and following the whakaaro that all life is precious.

It was noted that work is being undertaken to engage with other JFN projects to plan work exchange visits to learn from each other's Kaupapa and build on relationships.

Members were advised that to celebrate the kaimahi achievements a graduation night will be held to acknowledge their success and the hard work they have put into the project. A hui will also be held to go over the annual report and project milestones.

**The Mayor/Clr Faults:  
That the information be received.**

**Carried**

NB: The following Item 6 in the agenda was heard ahead of Item 5.

ATTENDANCE: Peter Davidson, Council's Environmental Scientist, Groundwater was present for the following item.

**Env-0622-350                      2022 MDC Groundwater Quantity State of  
the Environment (SoE) Report                      E345-007-001**

The purpose of the report was to present the annual groundwater quantity state of the environment report entitled: *2022 MDC Groundwater Quantity State of the Environment (SoE) Report* to the Committee. The report was available on Council's website for members' information. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22122057).

Members were advised that the state and presence of trends varies significantly between aquifer systems reflecting differences in levels of consented abstraction.

It was reported that the western areas of the Wairau Aquifer are low relative to the Wairau River channel which is the main recharge source. Riverlands Aquifer levels are defined as low because they approach MEP sea-level thresholds each summer due to high consented demand. Benmorven Aquifer levels have not recovered to the same extent as other Southern Valley Aquifer from high demand in the 1990s and its current state is low.

In contrast, levels of the Taylor River Fan Aquifer and most deep Southern Valleys Aquifers are high due to the Southern Valleys Irrigation Scheme (SVIS) reducing demand on local groundwater with their state classified as high. The state of all other aquifers systems monitoring by MDC as part of the SoE monitoring programme are rated normal.

It was reported that in terms of aquifer trends, the decline in Wairau Aquifer levels continues across all FMU sectors but is affecting inland areas more than coastal areas. The trend is mimicked in the groundwater fed springs with a significant decline in Spring Creek flow since gauging began in 1996.

Members were advised that the reasons for low Wairau Aquifer levels in the Recharge Sector are more complex with multiple drivers which are currently being investigated by the national Gravel Bed Rivers (GBR) project in conjunction with MDC hydrology staff.

Spring Creek flow at the Motorcamp recorder site has declined significantly since regular gauging started in 1996, mimicking the trend in the associated groundwater levels of the Wairau Aquifer. It was noted that if the trend continues the belt of mid plains groundwater fed springs are predicted to recede as far east as the CBD area of Blenheim by about the year 2100.

Rarangi Shallow Aquifer (RSA) levels are showing a statistically significant increasing trend, but at a higher rate than sea-level rise, implying impeded aquifer drainage processes or higher recharge rates are responsible.

Coastal Riverlands Aquifer levels are declining due to high consented demand and decreasing recharge from the Wairau River. The largest decreasing rate of groundwater level is inland where most abstraction occurs with minor falls closer to the coastal saltwater boundary.

It was noted that the Riverlands Aquifer levels are approaching MEP cut-off elevations in most summer seasons and the aquifer state was rated low. While unexercised consented demand exists, any increase in actual demand is expected to be unsustainable, especially near the coast.

The Riverlands Aquifer was the only FMU where verified, summed actual groundwater use was available in the preparation of this SoE report for comparing with groundwater level change. It was noted that to allow for consents that are unmetered, or the data is not available, summed actual use was increased by a nominal 20%.

**Cllrs Oddie/Fauls**  
**That the report be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Peter Davidson, Council's Groundwater Scientist, Val Wadsworth, Council's Environmental Scientist – Hydrology, and Scott Wilson, Lincoln Agritech were present for the following item.

## **Env-0622-351                      2022 Progress Update on Gravel Bed Rivers (GBR) Project Research Findings    E345-007-001**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide an update to the Committee on research results from the national Gravel Bed Rivers project investigating the hydraulic connection between braided gravel rivers and alluvial aquifers.

Council's Environmental Scientist – Hydrology Val Wadsworth and Scott Wilson, from Lincoln Agritech spoke to the report. A powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22122064).

Members were advised that the prime reasons for the ongoing decline in Wairau Aquifer well levels is less Wairau River water available for recharge and a reduction in the capacity of the natural pathways to move water from the river into the aquifer. This is compounded by demand in some drier seasons.

It was noted that these are the only influences that have not become static over time and explain the ongoing, unidirectional declining trend in Wairau Aquifer levels observed since 1974 at the MDC Condors monitoring well.

It was reported that having established a conceptual model of how the river-groundwater system work, the river-groundwater system will be modelled more accurately than previously. A model will be used to test the sensitivity of the river-groundwater water balance to riverbed elevation, scouring, and floodway width. The results will be used as a basis for a cost-benefit analysis to see how changes to current river management would impact the local economy.

Members were advised that the decline in Wairau Aquifer levels is consistent with widespread deepening of wells over the past 35 years at least. Deepening wells improves individuals access to groundwater but will not prevent aquifer fed springs from drying up as they rely on shallow groundwater breaking the surface for their existence.

The next steps identified were to undertake a workshop on specific river management scenarios with Council.

In the Chambers' Public Gallery Budyong Hill and two other members of the Climate Karanga Marlborough group were present. They posed two questions which were answered by Gina Ferguson, Council's Consents and Compliance Group Manager.

**Cllrs Oddie/Fauls:**

- 1.     That the report be received.**
- 2.     That the river-groundwater model be further developed and tested to enable and inform future water management.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Victoria Rhind, Senior Environmental Planner, was present for the following item.

**Env-0622-352      Water Allocation Status – Wairau Aquifer  
FMU, Riverlands FMU and Wairau River FMU  
R450-018-04**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide an update on the allocation status of the Wairau Aquifer FMU, Riverlands FMU and the Wairau River FMU for the Committee.

It was reported that the allocation status of these water resources has changed from over-allocated (Wairau Aquifer and Riverlands FMU's) or fully allocated (Wairau River FMU A Class) to under- allocated. This means that water from these resources is now available for the public to apply for.

The change in status of these resources is due to the application of reasonable demand calculations during the reconsenting process, surrender of portions or all of existing water permits, or expiring (and not being re-applied for) water permits.

It was noted that once over-allocation in an FMU is resolved, applications for water takes from these FMU's will be accepted with applications processed on a first in first served basis. Allocated volumes are not static and on any day the allocated volume changes with surrender, expiries, and granted water take permits.

Members were advised that the processing officer will not grant water that would result in over allocation of the FMU. Localised impacts of any water take application are also considered, including impacts on the aquifer and saltwater intrusion.

It was noted that to assist applicants Council is developing a webpage to display FMU allocation status at the time of publishing, with regular updates. As a result of applications in processing, expiries and surrenders FMU allocation status will frequently change.

Council's Compliance team will continue to resolve non-compliance where crop type has changed without the necessary permits and pursue surrenders and lapse of water take permit to improve the availability of water in the region.

**Clrs Hope/Croad:**  
**That the information be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Steffi Henkel, Environmental Scientist, Water Quality, was present for the following item.

Env-0622-353      **Recreational Water Quality Report**  
**2021-2022**      E370-007-001

The annual Recreational Water Quality Report was presented to members. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22122056).

Members were advised that the recreational water quality at eight beaches and eight river swimming spots was monitored during the summer months of 2021/2022. Weekly samples were analysed for indicator bacteria concentrations to assess the health risk to swimmers.

The assessment results for the individual samples taken during the 2021/22 summer season, with the exemption of the Rai River at Rai Falls, identified 80% of samples taken from each site had indicator bacteria concentrations in the Green Mode which is considered safe for swimming.

Members were advised that although the Rai River at Rai Falls often had the highest bacteria levels of the sites monitored, an assessment of changes over the last 10 years showed significant reductions in bacteria concentrations. The Te Hoiere Catchment Restoration Project aims to improve water quality further.

Trend analysis also showed a significant reduction in bacteria concentrations in the Taylor River at Riverside, which had been the site with the poorest recreational water quality in the past. The improvements are the results of repairs to sewerage infrastructure damaged by earthquakes.

For Ngakuta Bay and the Waihopai River at Craiglochart #2, comparison with earlier years showed notable increases in bacteria concentrations. Monitoring of additional sites as well as investigation by the compliance department (for Ngakuta Bay) will allow sources of contamination to be identified. Once sources are known targeted actions to improve water quality will be possible.

It was reported that sites will be monitored again in the next summer season (2022/23) with inclusion of Okiwi Bay and Mistletoe Bay, which could not be monitored this season due to access restrictions as a result of road slips.

**Cirs Hope/Oddie:**  
**That the report be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Clr Dawson withdrew from the meeting at 11.22 am.

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 11.22 am and resumed at 11.35 am.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Taylor withdrew from the meeting at 11.51 am during the following item.

ATTENDANCE: Jono Underwood, Council's Biosecurity Manager, John Hellstrom, Marlborough Sounds Restoration Trust, Ket Bradshaw, South Marlborough Landscape Restoration Trust were present for the following item.

**Env-0622-354                      Update – Community-Led Biosecurity  
Programmes                      C230-001-M07, E315-003-023-03**

The purpose of the report was to provide the Committee with an update on the work being delivered by two active community trusts undertaking community-led biosecurity programmes, Marlborough Sounds Restoration Trust (MSRT) and the South Marlborough Landscape Restoration Trust (SMLRT). To highlight these reports two powerpoint presentations were shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. MSRT 22122051 and SMLRT 22122048).

Mr Hellstrom spoke to the presentation and noted that the MSRT was established in 2003. The group's initial project was wilding pine control in Inner Queen Charlotte Sound, Marlborough District Council contributed to the initial project which facilitated lotteries funding also. There was considerable success right from the beginning and the Trust remains strong and well support.

It was reported that in addition to Council funding Trust has received financial contributions from a number of funding agencies, landowners, local business, boating clubs and public donations totalling more than \$3M over the last 14 years.

There continues to be strong community support and clear outcomes with an estimated 60% of the job done. It was noted that the future challenge is in funding maintenance this is to protect areas from the regeneration.

It was noted that in 2022 the MSRT started to facilitate community pest control programmes and in 2022 first major ungulate control ie; deer, goats commenced.

Ket Bradshaw representing the South Marlborough Landscape Restoration Trust also provided a presentation noting their group was established to help stop the invasion of wilding pines and to protect the iconic South Marlborough hill and high country landscapes.

The Trust covers over 870,000 ha from the Wairau River and the foothills of Blenheim to the Clarence/Waiau-toa and Molesworth/Rangitahi. There are over 40 contorta sites in the Awatere Ferny Gair Blackbirch areas.

It was reported that in January DOC funded the Trust's contorta aerial boom spray trial with volunteers camped in the Lost and undertaking ground control in December 2021. The Rātā Foundation has granted the Trust \$450,000 to continue this work along the Raglan Range.

Ms Bradshaw noted that the Trust's efforts benefit Marlborough by restoring natural landscapes and protecting biodiversity, South Marlborough rivers and productive and cultural landscapes. This also reduces the risk and impact of wild fires.

**Cirs Croad/Oddie:**

**That the information be received.**

**Carried**

## **Env-0622-355                      Significant Marine Site Survey Number 7 and the Expert Panel Review (2020-2021)**

**E325-002-004-01**

Clr Hope noted that Oliver Wade, Council's Environmental Scientist – Coastal Role, was unable to attend the meeting today to present an update on monitoring of marine ecology in the Marlborough Sounds.

Members agreed to accept the report and noted that Mr Wade will reschedule the presentation to a future Environment Committee meeting.

**Cirs Hope/Oddie:**

**That the information be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Clr Oddie declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the following item.

## **Env-0622-356                      New Zealand King Salmon Compliance Monitoring 2020/2021    U140294, U140295, U140296, U160675, U150081, U040217, U040412, U021247, MFL456**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide an overview of the compliance levels achieved by the New Zealand King Salmon (NZKS) Marine Farms in the Marlborough Sounds following monitoring conducted by Cawthron Institute and SLR in 2020/2021. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22122034).

Ms Ferguson noted that nine salmon farms were monitored and were operating during the 2020/21 season, four of the farms were on low flow sites and five on high flow sites. All nine farms have resource consents for their operations, but not all have conditions which require monitoring. NZKS voluntarily monitor resource consents without monitoring conditions.

Members were advised that the overall compliance assessment of all nine farms generated three non-compliant and two technically non-compliant marine farms. These assessments were reviewed by Council's Compliance QA Peer Panel where formal warnings were recommended for all three marine farms which had been assessed as non-compliant.

It was reported that the formal warning has been issued to the New Zealand King Salmon Company and they are working to resolve these matters by reviewing some of their practices.

NZKS have advised that they intend to make application to review their resource consent conditions.

Members were advised that Council will continue to monitor the relevant, applicable conditions and work with New Zealand King Salmon, while taking appropriate levels of enforcement action in response to non-compliance and to mitigate adverse effects.

**Cirs Hope/Croad:**

**That the information be received.**

**Carried**



ATTENDANCE: Sue Bulfield-Johnston, Council's Administrator and Hearing facilitator, Advocacy and Practice Integration, was present for the following item.

## **Env-0622-357                      Resource Consent Hearings Update**

**R450-004-22**

The report to the Committee provided a rolling summary of hearings scheduled and completed for applications for resource consent.

It was noted that 13 hearings have been completed in the year commencing 1 July 2021. Decisions have been issued for all but one of the applications, the remaining decision is pending. A table listing the hearings was attached to the agenda item for members' information.

One hearing has been set down in June and this was detailed in the agenda.

**Clsr Oddie/Arbuckle:**  
**That the report be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Clrs Arbuckle and Oddie declared a conflict of interest in the following three items and withdrew and did not take part in the discussion.

ATTENDANCE: Louise Walker, Council's Strategic Planner was present for the following three items.

## **Env-0622-358                      Variation 2 to the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan – Ecologically Significant Marine Sites**

**M100-11-07**

Following a brief discussion members agreed to deal with the three variation reports as one.

Ms Walker noted that the reports seek approval to initiate three variations to the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan. The three variations were Ecologically Significant Marine Sites for new sites and amendments to existing sites; the inclusion of Meretoto/Ships Cove and the Island of Motuara as a Heritage Resource listing and rezoning of sites due to the road stopping process.

Members were advised that for the three variations the next steps will be drafting a Section 32 report which will determine the most appropriate method to achieve the purpose of the RMA for each variation. Engagement and consultation will be undertaken and a final form of the variation will be provided to the Planning, Finance & Community Committee for approval on the content and to commence the next phase which is the Schedule 1 process.

**Clsr Croad/Fauls:**  
**That Council approve the preparation and consultation on a variation to the ESMS Overlay Maps in Volume 4 and Appendix 27 in Volume 3 of the PMEP, as follows –**

- a)     Adjustments to the spatial boundaries of approximately 19 ecologically significant marine sites currently identified in the PMEP;**
- b)     The inclusion of approximately 26 new ecologically significant marine sites and 45 new sub sites;**
- c)     Category changes to 8 ecologically significant marine sites currently identified in the PMEP;**
- d)     Consideration of the inclusion of new sites and amendments to existing sites identified in the 2020-2021 survey and confirmed by the Expert Panel, if they have progressed fully through the ordinary ESMS process.**

**Carried**

**Env-0622-359**                      **Variation 3 to the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan – Meretoto/Ship Cove Heritage Resource**                      **M100-11-07**

Members noted the report and the recommendation was put.

**Cllrs Hope/Sowman:**

**That Council approve the preparation and consultation on a variation to the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan seeking the inclusion of Meretoto/Ship Cove and the Island of Motuara as a heritage resource.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Brooks withdrew from the meeting at 12.34 pm during the following item.

**Env-0622-360**                      **Variation 4 to the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan – Road stopping rezoning of land**                      **M100-11-11**

Members noted the report and the recommendation was put.

**Cllrs Sowman/Croad:**

**That Council approve the preparation and consultation on a variation to the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan proposing the zoning of land where road stopping has left it without a regulatory framework to manage activities at the sites.**

**Carried**

**Env-0622-361**                      **Information Package**                      **-**

Ross Beech sought clarification on whether the 'Hawthorn' noted in the presentation to the Marlborough Landscape Group is the same species or a subspecies of Hawthorn which is a significant pest and distributed widely through South Valleys and much of the Awatere. Staff to provide a response to Mr Beech.

Cllr Maher noted image 5 on page 9 is of his family's property as they are involved in the wetland management programme.

**Cllr Croad/Mr R Beech:**

**That the Regulatory Department Information Package dated be received and noted.**

**Carried**

The meeting closed at 12.38 pm.

Record No: 22122590

## **5. Committee Reports**

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### **5.2 Planning, Finance & Community Committee**

Planning, Finance & Community Committee Meeting held on 16 June 2022  
(Minute Nos. PF&C-0622-362 to PF&C-0622-372)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the  
PLANNING, FINANCE & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE  
held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on THURSDAY 16 JUNE 2022 commencing at 9.00 am**

### **Present**

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

### **Present via Zoom**

Cls M J Fitzpatrick and D D Oddie

### **In Attendance**

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

### **Apologies**

Cls Arbuckle/Croad:

**That the apology for absence from Clr B G Dawson be received and sustained.**

### **Carried**

## **PF&C-0622-362 Declaration of Interests**

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Cls J L Andrews and F D Maher declared an interest in Item 4 – Brayshaw Heritage Park – Land Rationalisation.

ATTENDANCE: Jacqui Lloyd, Manager Destination Marlborough, was present for the following item.

## **PF&C-0622-363 Destination Marlborough – 2022/23 Draft Business Plan**

**E100-004-01**

Jacqui Lloyd, General Manager Destination Marlborough presented the Draft Business Plan 2022/23 by way of a powerpoint presentation (presentation filed in CM Record No. 22118698).

Members were advised that it is intended that the Destination Marlborough Annual Plan 2021/22 will be presented at the next Planning, Finance & Community Committee meeting along with the Audited Accounts.

Cls Croad/Faulls:

**That Destination Marlborough Trust's draft business plan for 2022/23 be received.**

### **Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Cls Andrews and Maher declared a conflict of interest in the following item.

## **PF&C-0622-364 Brayshaw Heritage Park – Land Rationalisation**

**A200-002-03**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to review and approve the future management of the Brayshaw Heritage Park site. An aerial identifying the parcels of reserves was shown and filed in CM Record No. 22120258.

It was noted that the Brayshaw Heritage Park site (BHP) is made up of a number of parcels of reserves and the Brayshaw Heritage Park Administrators (BHPA) hold a control and manage appointment by section 29 of the Reserves Act 1977 over these parcels, while Council has a control and manage appointment over the adjoining DOC's Taylor River Protection Reserve. Members were advised that Churchwood Park is a reserve vested in Council.

It was reported that there has been an inequity between various groups that occupy the site in terms of their access to Council subsidies, only those organisations on the land leased from Council by the BHPA can access the rates and insurance subsidies. Due to the status of the various parcels Council has not progressed the potential upgrade of services into the BHP nor has there been an overall grounds maintenance contract in place.

Members were advised that by rationalising the reserves and appointment status this will enable the entire site to be managed and funded in a consistent manner by Council and the proposal to transfer the management and administration of the current BHP site (DOC reserve) to Council will achieve this.

It was reported that there will be some increased costs to Council as the community groups on the site can apply for the Council subsidies. These will be included in the budget proposals for the increased Heritage Funding in the 2023/24 Annual Plan. There will also be future funding support required by Council to bring the site up to a suitable state for ease of maintenance, services and public safety.

The rationalisation of the management and administration of the BHP site will allow Council to maintain and develop the site in conjunction with the BHPA and current occupiers. A relationship agreement with the BHPA to assist in managing the site will be developed by Council.

Members noted that they supported the proposal to delegate authority to the Manager, Economic, Community and Support Services to finalise all other aspects of the proposal.

**Cllrs Arbuckle/Taylor:**

**That Council:**

- 1. Agree to accept a control and management appointment of the Department of Conservation parcels on the Brayshaw Heritage Park site.**
- 2. Approve the transfer of the leases between the occupiers and the Brayshaw Heritage Park Administrators, to Council on the same terms and conditions.**
- 3. Agree to delegate authority for the Manager, Economic, Community and Support Services to finalise all other aspects of the proposal.**

**Carried**

## **PF&C-0622-365      Waitohi / Picton Tourism Opportunities – Preliminary Feasibility Study      C315-20-181**

Members noted the purpose of the report was to receive the final report on the Picton Tourism Opportunities as completed by Visitor Solutions Limited (VSL). The report was available on Council's website for members' information.

It was noted that the engagement period had been extended to accommodate the request from the consultants, who were based in Auckland and unable to travel due to covid travel restrictions, to enable them to undertake face to face meetings with the groups they had engaged with. Councillors had been kept informed during these discussions.

Mr Heiford noted a comprehensive consultation process was undertaken on the proposals which included partnering with Te Ātiawa during the consultation for a Te Ao Māori perspective on the proposals. The initial findings were presented to a public meeting which was well attended.

It was reported that there are several detailed conclusions and recommendations overall and for each of the proposals in Part 9 of the report. The conclusions and recommendations were attached to the agenda item for members information.

Members noted that this preliminary high-level feasibility analysis is seen as a first sieve of assessment and is timed to contribute to the proposed review of the 2010 Urban Growth and Development Strategy.

Members went on to discuss whether to progress to the next stage and concluded that any further feasibility or business case investigations not be undertaken for the current proposals and that terms of reference and scope for the Waitohi / Picton Development Study be drafted and brought back to the Committee for consideration.

In response to a query regarding budget for the project Mr Heiford noted that there is \$130,000 available but depending on how things develop this may need to be topped up.

**Cllrs Hope/Fauls:**

**That Council:**

- 1. Receive the Waitohi / Picton Tourism Opportunities – Preliminary Feasibility Study completed by Visitor Solutions Limited.**
- 2. Note the conclusions and recommendations in the report and that no further feasibility work be done on the three opportunities at this stage.**
- 3. Request that terms of reference and a scope for the wider Waitohi / Picton Development Study be drafted and brought back to the Committee for consideration.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Neil Henry, Council's Manager, Strategic Planning & Economic Development and Dorien Vermaas, Council's Economic Portfolio Manager and Mark Unwin, Economic Development Programmes Manager were present for the following item.

**PF&C-0622-366    Marlborough Economic Wellbeing Strategy  
2022-32 submissions and proposed final  
changes**

**E101-001-001-02**

The purpose of the report was to present a summary of the key submission points received from the public consultation on the draft Marlborough Economic Wellbeing Strategy (MEWS), to recommend changes to the final document resulting from the submissions and to approve the final MEWS 2022-2032 once the agreed changes have been made.

Before Mr Henry and Ms Vermaas spoke to the report Cllr Peters proposed the following amendment to Recommendation 2. 'Delegate authority to the Chair of Planning, Finance & Community and Cllr Croad to approve the final Marlborough Economic Wellbeing Strategy 2022-2032 once final amendments and editing are complete'. This was not voted on at this point.

Mr Henry noted, as per an email sent to members prior to the meeting, that some additional changes to the strategy are proposed as a result of a late submission received from Sanfords. There were also two other items that have had slight wording changes to what was attached to the agenda item. A supplementary table of the new changes (CM Record No. 22120355), and a copy of the Sanford submission had been circulated in the email to members.

Following considerable discussion and clarification from staff it was suggested that though there has been considerable progress and a number of groups are on board that further work and discussion is required from the Aquaculture sector and submitters.

Cllr Peters noted that he attends the Aquaculture Smart+Connected group and requested that Mark Unwin, who provides Council management support to the group, liaise with the Chair, Brendon Burns, to provide a presentation on the group's activities to a future Planning, Finance and Community Committee meeting.

Members discussed the recommendations at length with a number of proposals suggested. At the completion of discussion Cllr Taylor moved to accept recommendation 1 and proposed an amendment to recommendation 2 which was seconded by Cllr Croad.

Members noted the summary of submissions, staff comments and recommended changes and made no amendments.

**Cllrs Taylor/Croad:**

1. That Council approve the recommended changes to the Marlborough Economic Wellbeing Strategy, as set out in the Summary of Submission Points.
2. That staff continue working with the Aquaculture sector and complete discussions with all 26 submitters and present the updated Marlborough Economic Wellbeing Strategy to a Planning, Finance & Community Committee meeting for final approval.

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Sam Young, Council's Regional Events Advisor, was present for the following item.

**PF&C-0622-367 Regional Events Update**

**E100-002-011**

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

Sam Young noted that it was positive to not have a long list of cancellations to note this time around and that those that had been postponed have now scheduled new dates.

It was reported that the Saint Clair Vineyard Half Marathon went ahead with 1300 participants. A large proportion of those were from outside of Marlborough. It was noted that the information to date is that it had approximately \$650,000 worth of economic benefit to Marlborough.

The next big event is the Marlborough Book Festival from 7-10 July. Tickets went on sale end of May and numbers are on par with last year. The event received funding from the Commercial Events Fund to enable the event to grow from three to four days. This aims to encourage attendees from out of town to increase the number of nights they stay in the region.

Garden Marlborough is scheduled for the end of November, tickets on sale from 25 July.

Ms Young noted the National Artistic Skating Championship is being held at Stadium 2000 from 18 – 23 July, 200 skaters plus supporters. This is a new event and if successful there is the potential to open the door for putting in a bid for the Oceania Champs for 2023. Council will work with the Skating Club and Stadium 2000 with a view to submitting a bid for the event.

Savour in the Park is an event celebrating Marlborough's food and beverages scheduled for 26 November. The event has received funding through the Commercial Events Fund and MBIEs Regional Events Fund. Ticket sales are going really well with considerable promotion being undertaken through EventFinda. The event has the potential to become one of Marlborough's Premier events.

The Winter Events guide has been published and circulated. It was noted that it is the biggest event guide Council has had for winter to date, lots going on. Ms Young acknowledged Council's graphic designer Natalie Cellie who produced the guide.

Members were advised that the Audio Visual upgrade for the Events Centre has been completed. The Events Centre Management Team have advised that the upgrade has made a significant difference for them and pass on their thanks to Council for approving funding for the upgrade.

Members noted that Joseph Casalme, the new Chief Executive for the ASB Theatre has commenced and suggested that he be invited to attend a Planning, Finance & community Committee meeting.

**Cllrs Croad/Fauls:**

**That the information be received.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Fitzpatrick withdrew from the meeting at 10.37am.

ATTENDANCE: Meeting adjourned at 10.37 am and reconvened at 10.55am.

ATTENDANCE: Jodie Griffiths, Council's Community Partnerships Advisor, was present for the following two items.

## **PF&C-0622-368 Adoption of the Age Friendly Strategy**

**C150-002-012-10**

Ms Griffiths presented the Age Friendly Strategy for Marlborough to the Committee. The strategy was available on Council's website for members' information. It was noted that all the photos contained within the strategy are of Marlborough people.

Members were advised that the strategy is designed to support Marlborough in being an age-friendly community which will enable people to age in the right place with dignity, respect, and independence. The strategy acknowledges work that has been completed to date and presents a set of actions that respond to the community's current and future needs. The strategy is for a five year period, with a review after the first twelve months.

It was noted that the actions identified within the strategy are a manageable starting point and several projects have already commenced. Additional action points will be developed across the five years.

Ms Griffiths noted there is great energy within the community and connections have been made with other councils who have made progress in this space. It was noted that NMIT have come on board also.

It was noted that once adopted the strategy document will be widely distributed to encourage Government and community organisations to become more Age Friendly in strategic decision making as well as everyday work.

Members were advised that once adopted Marlborough will apply to become recognised as an Age Friendly Community.

It was noted that Council has sufficient Positive Ageing budget to undertake this work.

**Cllrs Andrews/Sowman:**

- 1. That the Marlborough Age Friendly Strategy be accepted and adopted by Council.**
- 2. That Council staff seek accreditation as a recognised Age Friendly Community in New Zealand.**

**Carried**

## **PF&C-0622-369 MDC Youth Council Plan 2022**

**C150-002-018-01**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to receive the 2022 Youth Council plan. The Plan was attached to the agenda for members' information.

Ms Griffiths noted that the objectives and goals for this year have been discussed by Youth Council over the previous two months. As a result of these discussions the Plan has been reduced to fewer points resulting in a more readable and relevant document.

Members were advised that the Youth Council appreciate the budget provided by Council and take the allocation of those funds seriously. This year they have agreed to consider youth event requests on a 'case by case' basis rather than contracting one organisation to deliver all events. To date DOC and Sport Tasman are interested in pitching their ideas for youth events and the Youth Trust have been advised that they are welcome to submit ideas also. The change is to encourage greater diversity and flexibility with events as times change.

It was noted that the Youth Council have started on their goals for this year, in particular leadership opportunities such as attending the Youth Declaration with United Nations online. Students are continuing to be involved with this event. It is hoped to take some Youth Council to the Festival for Future in Wellington at the end of July. The Youth Council are undertaking surveys to gather information on what youth want.

The Youth Council has contributed and provided support to the 2022 Future of Work Conference held on 2 June. They are also continuing to utilise the social media platforms and are exploring setting up a TikTok account.

It was noted that the Youth Council are interested in engaging in wider Council matters and appreciate the Mayor, Councillors and Council staff reporting on the key areas affecting Council at each meeting.

Members noted the discussions regarding seeking input from the Youth Council on submissions to the Annual and Long Term Plans that have a Youth focus.



Ms Griffith noted that there has been some discussion and a possible process was outlined. It was also noted that groups need to be encourage to given an indication earlier on what they are doing so when their submission comes in it is not a complete surprise.

In response to a query regarding ongoing funding for Cactus and PT programmes Ms Griffiths advised that they are not part of the contestable fund and will continue to receive annual funding.

**Cllrs Andrews/Sowman:**

**That Council approve and adopt the Youth Council Plan for 2022.**

**Carried**

## **PF&C-0622-370 Long Term Plan Working Group**

**D050-001-L21**

The Minutes of the Long Term Plan Working Group meeting held on 23 May 2022 were attached for ratification by the Committee.

Cllr Peters reminded members that the meeting is open to all Councillors and he encouraged attendance as it is part of the ongoing planning for the LTP.

**Cllrs Peters/Arbuckle:**

**That the Minutes of the Long Term Plan Working Group meeting held on 23 May 2022 be ratified.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Tessa Dever, Council's Financial Accountant, was present for the following item.

## **PF&C-0622-371 Financial Report for Council – Period Ended 30 April 2022**

**F275-001-01**

Martin Fletcher, Chief Financial Officer and Tessa Dever, Council's Financial Accountant presented Council's financial report for the period ended 30 April 2022.

Mr Fletcher advised members of the following amendment to the table for Revenue and Operational Expenditure. To assist in the explanation an image, (refer below) of the amended table was shown. (Image filed in CM Record No. 22118448)

	1 July to 30 April 2022			Whole year		
(in millions)	Actual	Budget		Forecast	Budget	
<b>Old</b>						
Surplus/Deficit	\$5.3	(\$2.5)	✓ \$ 7.8	\$22.8	(\$2.6)	✓ \$25.4
Income	\$123.9	\$92.3	✓ \$ 31.6	\$152.9	\$109.9	✓ \$ 43.0
Expenditure	\$118.6	\$94.8	✗ \$23.8	\$130.1	\$112.5	✗ \$ 17.6
	1 July to 30 April 2022			Whole year		
(in millions)	Actual	Budget		Forecast	Budget	
<b>New</b>						
Surplus/Deficit	\$5.3	(\$2.5)	✓ \$ 7.8	\$5.4	(\$2.6)	✓ \$8.0
Income	\$123.9	\$92.3	✓ \$ 31.6	\$152.9	\$109.9	✓ \$ 43.0
Expenditure	\$118.6	\$94.8	✗ \$23.8	\$147.5	\$112.5	✗ \$ 35.0

Ms Dever, Council's Management Accountant – Operations noted that the major variances actual and budget were Sale of stage 7 of Boulevard Park on Taylor (BPOT). This item was budgeted in last financial year (Gain on Sale of \$7.5M). Vested assets and development contributions are ahead of budget due to contributions for Rose Manor subdivision, Westwood, Wai-iti and Patchett Way developments. Government funding for the following projects Catchment Care, Hillside Erosion and Te Hoiere. Lower than anticipated grants uplifted by community-based organisations. Lower external interest costs due to the low interest rates and lower capital expenditure in previous years. Internal interest costs are less due to lower capital expenditure last year.

Receipt of an insurance claim for damage from the 2016 Kaikoura Earthquake and 2021 July flood event. (\$1.8M). Waka Kotahi emergency funding for the flood damage sustained in the July flood event.

Waka Kotahi has approved a 95% subsidy rate on emergency works up to \$20M and has subsequently approved a further \$21.5M at this enhanced subsidy rate for 2021/22. To date \$25.8M has been claimed in addition to \$0.9M received at the standard funding assistance rate.

Members acknowledged the significant amount of work undertaken by Council and Marlborough Roads on the successful submission to Waka Kotahi seeking funding for the July flood event works.

Comments were provided in the report on variances greater than \$100,000.

**Cllrs Peters/Croad:**

**That the financial report for the period ending 30 April 2022 be received.**

**Carried**

## **PF&C-0622-372 Information Package**

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**Cllrs Croad/Andrews:**

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

**Carried**

The meeting closed at 11.31 pm.

Record No: 22120751

## **5. Committee Reports**

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### **5.3 Assets & Services Committee**

Assets & Services Committee Meeting held on 16 June 2022  
(Minute Nos. A&S-0622-373 to A&S-0622-379)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the  
ASSETS & SERVICES COMMITTEE  
held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on THURSDAY 16 JUNE 2022 commencing at 9.00 am**

**Present**

Clrs N P Taylor (in the Chair), J L Andrews, C J Brooks, B G Dawson, M A Peters, Mayor J C Leggett, Mr R Hunter (iwi representative)

**Present via Zoom**

Clr M J Fitzpatrick (Deputy)

**Also Present**

Clrs G A Hope, J D N Croad, B A Fauls and T P Sowman

**Also Present via Zoom**

Clrs J A Arbuckle and D D Oddie

**In Attendance**

Jamie Lyall (Manager – Property and Community Facilities), Mike Porter (Democratic Services Manager/Zoom Management) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

**In Attendance via Zoom**

Mr Richard Coningham (Manager – Assets & Services Department)

**Apologies**

**Clrs Taylor/Dawson:**

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

**Carried**

**A&S-0622-373 Declaration of Interests**

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Clr Andrews declared an interest in Item 6 – Kensington Place Reserve Tree Transfer.

At this point Clr Taylor drew members' attention to the Information Package noting that Waka Kotahi has approved funding of \$85.3M for the storm recovery across the Marlborough roading network resultant of last July's storm. The funding is at a Funding Assistance Rate (FAR) of 95%. This is extremely positive for Marlborough and the 95% FAR is one of the highest FAR rates Waka Kotahi has given and is the largest single budget for a region for a storm recovery event since the Kaikōura earthquake.

Clr Taylor acknowledged the significant level of support Marlborough has received from Waka Kotahi and Government Ministers following the July storm event.

ATTENDANCE: David Craig, Management Accountant – Operations, was present for the following item.

**A&S-0622-374 Financial Report for the year to 30 April 2022  
F275-001-02**

The Financial Report for the Assets and Services and Property and Community Facilities (including parking) Departments for the year to 30 April 2022 was presented to members.

Mr Craig noted for the reporting period there is a surplus of \$6.4M. Income is favourable to budget by \$35.3M, expenditure is unfavourable to budget by \$28.9M and Capex is unfavourable to budget by \$39.4M.

The major variances between year to date actual and budget were noted as: Roothing emergency reinstatement costs following the July 2021 storm event are above budget by \$26.9M and are offset by increased roading subsidies of \$25.6M. Other flood damage repair costs of \$2.1M have been incurred to date, mainly within the Flood Protection Activity, and will be subject to an insurance claim. Any resulting shortfall will be funded from Emergency Reserves. There are associated savings of \$0.6M in minor works contracts.

Roothing subsidy for capital expenditure is below budget by \$2.9M due to challenges in resourcing the renewals programme in conjunction with emergency works.

Network and Asset Management costs are unfavourable to budget by \$1.4M. Council budgets for 60% of this cost under its roading renewal activities.

Development contributions (\$0.8M) and Reserve fund contributions (\$0.9M) are both favourable to budget because of levies charged for the latest stages of the Rose Manor, Wai Iti and Patchett Way subdivisions and Duncannon worker accommodation.

Vested assets are favourable to budget by \$8.3M. Accounting entries have been completed for vested assets of \$8.8 million including stages 7C-E of the Rose Manor subdivision, Westwood stage 2, Wai Iti stage 1 and Patchett Way developments.

Trade waste revenue is unfavourable to budget by \$782,000. Charges are based on the volume of water used through the metered connections of commercial and industrial properties that have a sewer flow greater than the average domestic property.

Dump fee revenue is favourable to budget by \$792,000 reflecting the fee increase implemented to recover the \$10 per tonne Waste Levy increase imposed by Central Government. The associated Waste Levy payments are unfavourable to budget by \$507,000.

The Regional Landfill ETS obligation is unfavourable to budget by \$844,000 due to the increased NZ Unit (Carbon Credit) pricing.

Grant expenditure is favourable to budget by \$455,000. Approval has been given to make quarterly advance payments to Marlborough Kaikōura Trail Trust for Whale Trail funding. Work on the Wairau bridge clip on cycle lanes is progressing.

It was noted that capital expenditure is behind budget in most 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. Other projects have been deferred with resources being diverted to flood damage repairs. These were further detailed, including an update on key projects, in the agenda item.

Year to date capital expenditure of \$50.4M remains well ahead of the comparative period for last year at \$43.6M.

Members were advised that the forecast values have been updated to reflect the best estimate of expected year end results. Further work is continuing to improve the accuracy of the forecast values with a particular focus on capital expenditure.

**Cirs Peters/Dawson:**

**That the financial report for the period ended 30 April 2022 be received.**

**Carried**

## **A&S-0622-375     SH 6 Wairau River Bridge – Land Disposal**

**PN538480#08**

Jamie Lyall, Council's Manager – Property and Community Facilities noted that the purpose of the report was to gain the Committee's approval for the disposal of Council land occupied by the State Highway 6 River bridge. An aerial depicting the land for disposal was attached to the agenda item for members' information.

It was noted that the Land is 3500 square metres and is valued at \$1,500 plus GST. NZTA will cover all costs, including Council's, for the acquisition and transfer of the Land.

Members were advised that it is an historical occupation of low value floodway land and disposal to the Crown would not change or affect Council's practical use or access over it.

**Cllrs Taylor/Peters:**

**That Council approve the disposal of 3500m<sup>2</sup> more or less being part of Lot 1 DP 416034 contained in part of Record of Title 462252.**

**Carried**

## **A&S-0622-376      Review of Memorial Park - Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan      R510-00-V01-04**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to seek Committee approval to review the objectives and policies of vehicle and boat trailer parking on Memorial Park within the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan (Plan).

Members were aware that Council had approved the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan (Plan) in June 2021.

The Plan included a defined temporary parking area on Memorial Park of approximately 5,000 square metres. The demand for trailer and vehicle parking over the December 2021 and January 2022 holiday period substantially exceeded the temporary parking area available and resulted in overflow parking issues in surrounding streets creating potential safety and traffic management issues.

As a consequence, a high number of complaints were received by Council over the Christmas/New Year period. Council staff have been working with Port Marlborough to find solutions for peak boating periods where parking demand is extremely high such as Easter, Labour/Anniversary weekends and the Christmas/New Year period.

Members discussed the proposal and noted that it is important that any proposed changes to the current Plan are consulted on publicly and that the community views and inputs are considered.

It was proposed that the Hearings committee that heard the original submissions to the Plan be reformed to hear any submissions on the proposed changes. The hearings panel was Councillors Cynthia Brooks (Chair) Nadine Taylor and Michael Fitzpatrick.

It was noted that a schedule including submission timeframes and hearing dates will be prepared with the aim that the process be completed prior to the upcoming 2022/23 Christmas/New Year period.

During discussion it was noted that along with publicly advertising any changes that all past submitters on the Plan be informed of the proposed changes and advised that they are able to make a submission.

Cllr Taylor noted that the consultation is limited to the Plan change to increase the size of the parking area on Memorial Park only.

**The Mayor/Cllr Andrews**

**That Councillors Brooks, Taylor and Fitzpatrick be appointed to hear submissions and make decisions on the review of Memorial Park as part of the Victoria Domain Reserves Management Plan.**

**Carried**

ATTENDANCE: Jane Tito, Council's Manager, Parks and Open Spaces, was present for the following two items. Robert Hutchinson, Council's Parks & Open Spaces Officer was present via Zoom for the following two items.

## **A&S-0622-377      Kensington Place Reserve Tree Transfer**

**R510-009-K03-03**

Ms Tito noted that the purpose of the report was to consider a staff request to transplant three juvenile Oak trees from Kensington Place Reserve for replanting in other reserves in Blenheim.

It was reported that following recent pruning works on the trees, it was identified that there is significant competition amongst the trees in the small space they are growing in, and they are now starting to show effects of this competition. The transplanting of three selected trees will allow the other trees to grow and expand in a more-healthy manner.

Members were advised in accordance with the Council's Tree Policy a mail out survey of around 84 homes within Nottinghill subdivision was undertaken and wider community feedback was also sought via media coverage.

There were 11 responses received, all from residents, with all 11 supporting the removal of the trees. Submission comments were included in the agenda item.

Members discussed the proposal, noting community support, and agreed that transplanting the trees is a good option and could possibly be considered for other tree issues in future. It was noted that it does come at an increased cost to Council but is a good alternative in this instance.

It was requested that a report be provided in a future Information Package on the outcome of the tree transplant.

**Clrs Brooks/Dawson:**

**That Council confirm the removal and transplanting of three Oak trees from Kensington Place Reserve to be replanted in other Reserves in Blenheim.**

**Carried**

NB: Cllr Andrews declared an interest in the above item and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the issue.

## **A&S-0622-378      Tree Removal Request - Kart Raceway Recreation Reserve**

**R510-009-B02-03**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to consider a request from the Marlborough Karting Association for the removal of seven Eucalyptus trees growing in two groups on the Kart Raceway Recreation Reserve, in Wither Road, Blenheim.

Members were advised that the reason for the request from Karting Association is that trees are of such a size there is a significant increase in shading of the track and increased loading of detritus material on the track.

An arboriculture assessment has been undertaken of the trees highlighting that the western group of trees was in healthier condition than the eastern group of trees. The arborists report was attached to the item in the agenda for members' information.

In accordance with the Council's Tree Policy a media survey of the wider community has occurred. There were seven responses received with one person supporting the removal of the trees and six seeking retention of the trees.

During discussion it was noted that there is merit in the request for removing some of the Eucalyptus trees, specifically the eastern grouping, given they are only in fair health as assessed by the arborist. The removal of the western group is inconsistent with the provisions of the Tree Policy as they are in a healthy condition.

It was noted that the trees provide character and amenity to the surrounding area but this will decrease as the eastern group declines in health.

Clr Brooks noted the bird life currently benefiting from the trees and proposed that the Kart Club be required to develop and implement a planting plan in collaboration with Council staff for their lease area. This could compensate for the loss of trees as well as help achieve the policies of the reserve management plan.

Members agreed to add 'in collaboration with Council Parks & Open Spaces staff' to recommendation 2.

Clr Arbuckle requested that the planting plan be circulated to the Marlborough Landscape Group for consideration.

This request generated some discussion and it was noted that the final decision on the request rests with Council but Clr Arbuckle is welcome to follow-up the work and report back to the Landscape Group. It was noted that the Parks and Open Spaces team do engage with the Landscape Group as and when required.

**Cirs Brooks/The Mayor:**

1. **That Council confirm removal of the eastern group of Eucalyptus trees and pruning of the western group of trees as outlined in the Arboriculture assessment undertaken by David James Tree Services (dated 1 March 2022);**
2. **That conditional to approval being given in Recommendation 1, the Kart Club shall develop and implement a planting plan in collaboration with Council's Parks & Open Spaces staff within the land area the Kart Club leases from Council.**
3. **That the costs associated with removal and pruning of the trees should fall 50/50 between Council and the Kart Club.**

**Carried**

## **A&S-0622-379 Information Package**

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**Cirs Andrews/Brooks:**

**That the Assets and Services Information Package dated be received and noted.**

**Carried**

The meeting closed at 1.40 pm.

Record No. 22118265



## **5. Committee Reports**

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### **5.4 Special Hearing Committee to hear submissions on the 2022-23 Annual Plan Consultation Document**

Special Hearing Committee to hear submissions on the 2022-23 Annual Plan Consultation Document  
Meeting held on 7 & 8 June 2022  
(Minute No. AP-0622-341)



**Report of a Meeting of a Special Hearing Committee to hear submissions  
on the 2022-23 Annual Plan Consultation Document  
held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2022 and WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE 2022  
commencing each day at 8.30 am**

## **Present**

Clr N P Taylor (in the Chair), Clrs J L Andrews, J A Arbuckle, C J Brooks, B A Faulls, M J Fitzpatrick, G A Hope, M A Peters, T P Sowman and B G Dawson (from 8.36am)

## **Present via Zoom**

The Mayor J C Leggett, Clrs J D N Croad, F D Maher and D D Oddie,

## **In Attendance**

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

The Hearing departed from the schedule to acknowledge Clr Andrews being awarded the Queen's Services medal for her services to seniors and local government.

## **Apologies**

No apologies for absence were received.

## **AP-0622-341**

## **Annual Plan Update 2022-23**

**F230-A22-09-03**

For each of the Hearing days the Deputy Mayor Taylor welcomed those present and explained the proceedings that would be undertaken for the hearings and noted those members attending by Zoom.

There were 75 submissions received and of those 57 submitters wanted to speak to their submission.

The following speakers had indicated they would speak to their submission but withdrew prior to the Hearings date.

3. 5561 Nicci Armour (*Wine Marlborough*)

4. 5562 Kim Odendaal (*Hospitality New Zealand*)

5. 5546 Kathryn Omond (*Moetapu Bay Community Jetty Society Inc*)

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.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) was present for this session.

## **Tuesday, 7 June 2022**

Those present were advised that permission had been granted for Tyler Redmond to film Margaret McHugh and John Reuhman's presentation.

5510 Margaret McHugh (*Picton Marlborough Sounds Tourism Inc.*)

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109767 NB: Only the cover page of the presentation was used.  
Budget Request: \$7,000

Decision Sought: 1. Picton Wellness & Pools Centre ("hot pools & spa") - VSL report published & detailed feasibility 2. Picton Waitohi Ferry Precinct Development - Independent Risk Analysis Mitigation & Compensation 3. Picton Groups Facilitation - \$2,000 4. Picton Weather station - get the job finished - \$1,000 5. Picton webcams - 3 to be installed - \$2,000 6. Picton Greeters - uniforms - \$2,000 7. Fruit Trees for Growing Communities.

**5511 John Reuhman (EcoWorld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre)**

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109775.

Decision Sought: EcoWorld - Marlborough's leading thriving unique regenerative social enterprise In Nature  
The decision we seek from Council is: (1) Acknowledgement (2) Consultation with (3) Support & (4) Inclusion in all future relevant Planning recognising: 1. EcoWorld is Marlborough's leading tourism attraction, a thriving unique regenerative social enterprise In Nature 2. EcoWorld makes very significant positive impacts locally, regionally & nationally EcoWorld is: (1) EcoWorld Aquarium & Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre (2) EcoWorld Science Heritage & Education Charitable Trust (# CC10212) (3) Picton Cinemas (emphasis on community art house cinema)

**5545 Jacqui Lloyd (Destination Marlborough)**

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22107424.

Budget Request: \$120,000

Topic: Regional

Decision Sought: To provide a one-time provision in the budget of \$120,000 to bridge the shortfall of industry partnership support to resource international travel trade promotion, and ongoing destination marketing and management, while Marlborough's visitor industry recovers.

NB: Requested the current financial position/updated financial budget to end of April or end of March if possible.

**5563 Chris Shaw (Marlborough Chamber of Commerce)**

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109937

Budget Requested: \$40,000

Topic: Regional Development

Betty White, Queen Charlotte College, was with Chris Shaw for his presentation.

A budget request of \$40,000 was noted at the hearing, it had not been included with their submission.

NB: Further written information on any other funding contributions confirmed or provisional and a first-year budget or some financial information to assist with deliberations was requested.

**5550 Cathie Bell (Feast Marlborough)**

Budget Request: \$15,000

Topic: Regional Development

Angelia Clifford, Chief Executive from Eat New Zealand, spoke to the submission via Zoom.

NB: A request for Council staff to advise whether there is a food sector budget for the development of an industry plan? Staff to provide a summary of what the budget is to enable Councillors to understand Council's food sector work plan for 2022/23 and beyond. To be available for decision day.

**5554 Sue Avery (Business Trust Marlborough)**

Topic: Regional

Decision Sought: Seek a CPI increase.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Dawson declared a conflict of interest and withdrew for the Business Trust Marlborough submission.

**5549 Sue Avery (Connect and Connect Marlborough Trust)**

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: We would like to thank the MDC for the financial and advisory support and request that the Council keeps all these social support services in front of mind during Annual Planning process as we feel the ongoing benefits to the wider Marlborough community both socially and financially far outweigh the cost.

**5525 James McKenzie-Wiley (Marlborough Christmas In The Park)**

Submitter was present via Zoom.

Budget Request: \$3,000

Decision Sought: We seek an increase in the operating grant from MDC from \$2,000 pa to \$5000 pa and/or we propose that MDC considers underwriting a wet weather venue for Marlborough Christmas In The Park.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearing adjourned at 10.35 am and reconnect at 10.47 am.

**5576 Gary Brown (Canvastown Community Association)**

Alan Rees was unable to speak to the submission, Gary Brown presented on his behalf. A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109742.

**5559 Tania Billingsley / Tony O'Donnell (Rai Valley Area School Board of Trustees)**

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119327

Budget Request: \$300,000

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: To support the business case and its objectives for Rai Valley and the wider community by funding the provision of multipurpose sports field lighting at the Rai Valley Area School.

**5566 Russell Hopkins**

Decision Sought: I want the Council to help the Community Housing Providers find and fund the purchase of land for new social housing. The 17th of February 2022 Council "Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment" Report highlighted a potential shortfall of land zoned for residential purposes. The 25th of February 2021 paper: U045-04-03 on "Level of Services Challenges"; Recommendation 2 said: "That discussion with landowners and developers continue to encourage and support residential subdivision and development". Another option could be for the Council to lease land to CHP's for the building of social and affordable housing. The land would remain in Council ownership and Council could gain rent from the land. If the CHP's in the Housing Group could collectively plan ahead their new builds and thus land requirements, these could be included in the discussions above with landowners and developers. Thus, a start can be made on increasing the number of social houses in Marlborough.

**5565 Andrea Goodman (Christchurch Methodist Mission)**

Submitter was present via Zoom.

Decision Sought: 1) In consultation with stakeholders, prepare and implement a Housing Action Plan for Marlborough that directly addresses the undersupply of affordable and public/social housing. 2) Waive or reduce development fees for not-for-profit organisations building affordable or public/social housing. 3) Create specific provision for social/public housing to allow for greater density of same, in current zoning 4) Re-zone under-utilised commercial and industrial land in urban areas to enable residential development that includes affordable and public/social housing. 5) Identify partnerships and models that support supply of affordable and public/social housing, which may include provision of council land or other resources at reduced rates for not-for-profit organisations.

**5541 Kay Saville-Smith (CRESA)**

Submitter was present via Zoom.

Topics: MEP Rezoning and Senior Housing

Decision Sought: Funding to support potential rezoning - 1. Stimulate affordable housing provision; 2. Ensures windfall increases in land prices associated with investment in infrastructure or zoning changes are: a) realized for the community good; and b) redirected to investing in community-based non-profit provision of affordable housing. 3. Ensure residential covenants on its own developments are not exclusionary to the building of housing affordable to low and modest income households; 4. Extend zone 1 residential rules to the Hospital land and to the area within Blenheim with 15 minutes walk to the Blenheim town centre in combination with 2-above; 5. Identify under-utilised land in non-residential uses in Blenheim's current zone 1 and change zoning to allow for residential development in combination with 2-above; 6. Facilitate mixed typology, mixed tenure master plan development of the hospital land to generate affordable housing for the modest and low income households; 7. Identify Council land suitable for residential purposes and facilitate its contribution to affordable housing development which will be retained as affordable housing for low and modest income households into the future; 8. Work with the iwi, community housing providers, workforce planning and training agencies and industry sectors to develop an integrated workforce and housing strategy; 9. Commit to Council housing rents set at affordable rates.

Senior Housing - Council housing rents for seniors should be set to maintain the affordability and well-being of senior tenants. It is desirable that seniors' rents are set to be affordable – that is, 25% of gross income. 2. If MDC insists on calibrating its rents to the market through a so-called discounted rate, market rate estimates should be calculated more robustly: • Using actual rents – ie., the stock rent; • Calculated on that latest census data with CPU based annual reviews.

**5526 Bev James (Marlborough Sustainable Housing Trust)**

Decision Sought: 1) In consultation with stakeholders, prepare a housing strategy and action plan for Marlborough that sets out practical pathways to increase the supply of affordable and suitable housing. 2)

Create an intensification zone in appropriate parts of zones 1 and 2 to support the development of medium density housing. 3) Re-zone under-utilised commercial and industrial land in urban areas to enable its use for residential development. This action would not only enable the development of affordable housing, but also help revitalize Blenheim town centre. 4) Discount development fees for not-for-profit housing providers of affordable and social housing. 5) Provide land for development of affordable and social housing by not-for-profit housing providers at a discounted rent. 6) Introduce tools to realise a proportion of the value uplift that private landowners gain from the community's investment in infrastructure development and changes in zoning, and establish mechanisms to direct that value, in funds and/or in land, to enable affordable and social housing developed by not-for profit housing providers.

At this point Cllr Taylor acknowledged Dr Beverley James becoming a member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for service to senior citizens.

*5538 Gayle Chambers (Grey Power Marlborough)*

Budget Request: \$44,000

Decision Sought: Permission Publishers produce a quarterly magazine at the cost of \$11,000.00 per quarter. Some of the costs are covered by advertising and I would like to encourage Marlborough District Council to finance a similar magazine.

A copy of the magazine mudcakes & roses (the Magazine for Nelson Tasman Seniors) was circulated to members.

NB: Further Information requested on costs – estimates of how much is generated from advertising. How is/will the magazine be physically managed/distributed? What does the \$44k cover?

*5575 Kate Horrey (Wairau Valley Community Hall Board)*

Submitter was present via Zoom. There were technical difficulties at the beginning of the presentation and the Zoom recording was paused. The issue was on Kate's side which was sorted to enable sound but no picture. A presentation was unable to be shown. It was requested that Kate forward the powerpoint to Councillors for their information. No presentation was received.

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: We seek assistance from the Council in resolving the roofing problem to safeguard this important community asset. As the quotes vary considerably, more work will be required to find out of the scope of the problem and the best way forward. We would appreciate being able to draw on some Council technical support if needed. One option would be to combine any MDC financial support with a grant application to the Community Lotteries Facilities Fund or similar large funding organisation. Lottery Community Facilities provides grants: • to improve or build new community facilities, or • for feasibility studies to work out if plans to improve or build community facilities can be achieved and will benefit the community. Funding starts from \$30,000. Given that the Board has only just realised the extent of the problem, we have not investigated this option closely but it may have merit particularly if the Council was to dedicate funds to the project.

NB: Latest financial report and the third quote if it comes in on time.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearing adjourned at 12.47 pm and reconvened at 1.31 pm

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) withdrew from the Hearing at 12.47 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lake (Financial Services Manager) joined the Hearing at 1.31 pm.

*5506 Jo Grigg (Marlborough Environment Awards Trust)*

A video was shown CM Record No. 22107408

Budget Request: \$5,000

Decision Sought: \$5k increase in annual funding for the Cawthron Marlborough Environment Awards.

Several trustees were in Chambers to support the submitter.

NB: A response from the Trust on whether they wanted a CPI adjustment to their grant. This request was put to Jo who advised that she would discuss with the Trust and provide a response.

*5537 Jodie Kuntzsch / Katrina Kidson (Businesses for Climate Action Trust)*

Submitters were present via Zoom. A powerpoint was shown CM Record No. 22109757

Budget Request: \$50,000

Decision Sought: To approve funding for Businesses for Climate Action for \$50,000 over two years to enable 'carbon coaching' and a Climate Leaders Programme unique to businesses in the Marlborough region.

5540/ 5517 *Tim Newsham (Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc)*

A powerpoint was shown CM Record No. 22119360

Topic: Roads Footpaths

Decision Sought: The Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc. requests the Council to discuss the proposed plan mentioned with Marlborough Roads and proceed with costing, consultation with the community, and implementation of the proposed calming measures. This process should be started immediately once the draft budget is approved so that work on this important project can be completed in this financial year, as the safety and amenity values of our community are being continuously eroded.

Budget Request: \$3,000

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: To approve this grant to our association on an ongoing annual basis.

Mr Newsham advised that Fletcher Kidd, President Spring Creek Residents and Ratepayers Assn was in Chambers in support of the submission.

NB: Association to provide a balance sheet and last year's financial statement for the Spring Creek Community Hall preferably in time for deliberation day. The Association to advise when they are next to meet. Council staff to provide the formulated Ferry Bridge plan of the area and timeline to present to the Spring Creek's Residents Association.

5529 *John Kershaw*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109124.

Decision Sought: Adopt the proposals to expand the cycle path network and add EV charge stations to all CBDs in region.

NB: Council's Rivers staff to provide comment regarding closing the stop back (1H).

5535 *Tim Newsham (Marlborough Landscape Group)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119372

Topic: Enviro Health

Decision Sought: We seek MDC to approve finances to engage a consultant to audit existing requirements for weed control and to develop a plan/strategy using a combination of controls that would be cost effective and less harmful to both residents and the natural environment than is currently achieved with the use of herbicides.

NB: The herbicide powerpoint to be circulated to Parks and Open Spaces for comment on contractor guidelines when using glysophate around playgrounds and trees for deliberation meeting on Monday.

5543 *Kathryn Walker (Marlborough Vintners)*

Marlborough Vintners had originally not wanted to speak to their submission. Prior to Hearing day they sought approval to speak, this was granted by Deputy Mayor Taylor.

Topic: Roads Footpaths

Decision Sought: To have a specific, significant cycle way plan and spend for 2022 - 2023 and onwards, starting with the plan to connect current cycle paths together. There are many groups in Marlborough supporting cycle ways and I would like a forum to see them all come together. I have business and wine industry support to form a cycle trust if necessary that can work with Council to achieve funding and goals in this area.

5555 *Andrew Caddie (Kenepuru & Central Sounds Residents Association Inc)*

Submitter was present via Zoom.

Topic: Roads Footpaths

Decision Sought: Today the Association is submitting on three roading infrastructure related matters. Namely: \* to ensure Council funds allocated for a vital piece of local infrastructure to reduce pressure on a stressed roading network continues to be ring fenced; \* seeking an update on the Council's obligations under the Marlborough Environment Plan to implement a plan of action to assess Climate Change risk on existing Council infrastructure such as the roading network; and \* what we see as the pressing need for Council to fund and recruit a suitably qualified and experienced in-house roading engineer to more effectively monitor and improve the outcomes from its current contractual arrangements, particularly in relation to rural roads.

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Dawson withdrew from the Hearing at 3.45 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lake (Financial Services Manager) withdrew from the Hearing at 3.45 pm.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 3.45 pm and reconvened at 3.58 pm.

5523 *Robyn Richards*

Decision Sought: Consideration to facilitating/funding/partly funding a public EV charger in Picton. Suggested location: the MDC carpark between Wellington and High Streets.

Additional information: Circulated to Councillors CM Record no. 22119429.

NB: Council staff to seek a response from Port Marlborough on what is happening with the iRex development in regard to new charging stations in the car parks and on ferries.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) joined the Hearing at 4.09 am during the following submission.

5514 *Bruce Richards (Picton Smart + Connected)*

Topic: Roads Footpaths

Decision Sought: Make a decision about infrastructure for cycling in Picton.

5573 *Scott Adams (Federated Farmers of New Zealand)*

Decision Sought: Federated Farmers opposes the purported rates increase of 5.37% and recommends MDC undertake a comprehensive review of how rates in the district are levied.

5560 *Yvonne Wratt (Grovetoyn Residents Association)*

Anne, President of the Grovetoyn Residents and Ratepayers Association, was present with Yvonne Wratt.

Topic: Sewerage

Decision Sought: That all residential ratepayers that are connected to the Blenheim Sewerage Ponds pay the same amount of sewerage rates. Change the way Council charge the Grovetoyn ratepayer for its sewerage scheme, to be the same formula that Council uses to charge the Seddon ratepayer for its water scheme. That is, spread the costs over all users of the service. Don't just dismiss our request without looking into the actual financial impact of what we are suggesting. Take a serious look at how stormwater can be cost effectively dealt with in Grovetoyn.

5572 *Heather Smith (Top-of-the-South Region, Social Credit NZ)*

Additional information: Circulated to Councillors CM Record No. 22119436

ATTENDANCE: Hearing adjourned at 5.00 pm to contact Constance Phua as she had not shown for the allotted speaking time. Contact was made and Hearing reconvened at 5.06pm.

5507 *Constance Phua (Jo Coughlan) (New Zealand Chinese Language Week)*

Submitter was present via Zoom and a YouTube video was shown CM Record No. 22119452.

Budget Request: \$2,000

Topic: Culture Heritage

Decision Sought: We wish to apply for a \$2,000 grant to fund activities for New Zealand Chinese Language Week in your region.

The Tuesday, 7 June 2022 Hearing adjourned at 5.16 pm and reconvened on Wednesday, 8 June 2022 at 8.30 am.

## **Wednesday, 8 June 2022**

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) was present at the commencement of the Hearing.

At the beginning of the session the following Conflicts of Interests were noted:

- Cllr Brooks for submission 5571 Renwick Museum
- The Mayor for submission 5520 Marlborough Community Gardens
- Cllr Taylor for submission 5552 Picton Dawn Chorus

5520 Susan Ross (*Marlborough Community Gardens*)

Submitter was present via Zoom.

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: We would like to be able to bring a trailer load once per month to the land fill for either green waste or land fill.

Additional information was circulated to Councillors prior to the commencement of the Hearing. CM Record No. 22119492.

NB: Council staff to provide an estimate of likely green waste charges for a ute plus full trailer load to the green waste centre.

5574 Rob Harrison (*Marlborough Farmers Market*)

Decision Sought: To assist in funding by building a toilet block near the existing sheds and assist in funding the maintenance of the sheep sheds. Approve extension of our lease to include one way traffic system and facilitate parking.

Additional information was circulated to councillors prior to the commencement of the Hearing. CM Record No. 22119542.

NB: Request for a copy of their Incorporated Societies Annual Financial Report by Monday.

5539 Jane Buckman

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22110823.

Decision Sought: To financially support the establishment of a quality built and resourced Dog Park in Blenheim as per recent community consultations.

5571 Ray Welburn (*Renwick Museum*)

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119577

Budget Request: \$10,000

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: That Council continues its support of the Renwick Museum with the annual financial support of ongoing running costs of \$7500, and additional annual financial support of \$10,000 towards funding a Community Hub Coordinator.

An aerial and floor plan were circulated to Councillors in Chambers and emailed to Councillors on Zoom. CM Record 22119569.

5524 Chris Marshall (*Endeavour Park Pavilion Society trading as Port Marlborough Pavilion*)

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22109741

5519 Dave Lohead (*On behalf of the Flaxbourne Heritage Trust*)

Budget Request: \$250,000

Topic: Culture Heritage

Decision Sought: The Flaxbourne Heritage Trust would seek a funding grant of \$250,000 as part of the Marlborough District Council Annual plan for funding under the Community Facilities and Culture and Heritage areas. This funding will enable the Trust to complete the building construction phase, and engage a museum display professional (Sally Papps, Nelson) to complete the museum fitout along with other internal fitout as required, including, but not limited to, office spaces, tables, chairs and sundry furniture, computer systems etc.

Plans for the Flaxbourne Heritage Centre were circulated to Councillors in Chambers and emailed to those on Zoom. CM Record No. 22119603.

NB: They will advise Council if they receive the other funding of \$1.4M.

5569 Dave Lohead (*on behalf of the Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association, Ward*)

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: Support for important upgrades to facilities in Ward – Ward hall septic system; This submission covers several important upgrades to facilities in Ward as follows: Urgent: Upgrade of the Ward hall septic system, Provision of a safety rail at the Ward hall. Painting and renovation of the Weld Park Domain Sheds and buildings as required. Water pipe installation at the A & P grounds (Weld Park) to the Horse pen area. Explore options for public access toilets at the hall. Improvements to the Ward hall kitchen



to cater for larger groups. Installation of I.T. and a sound system in the Ward Hall. Support Flaxbourne Early Settlers Association: Increase in operational grant funding.

*5557 John Hickman (Flaxbourne Settlers Association Inc)*

Budget Request: \$21,739

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: 1. Council has already allocated \$170,000 in a previous budget to spend on community toilet facilities in Ward. On behalf of both the FSA and the FHT I would like to apply for the use of this money, to build a new single septic system that would cater for both buildings. (Urgent Priority) 2. We wish to seek MDC support to investigate potential options and determine a possible cost for future Plan submissions. This priority is for a 2-3 year period. Funds not utilised on the septic system project could be held for this. It will most likely need another similar amount or more to the \$170,000 already available. (Short-Medium Term Priority) 3. Provision of a safety rail from the car park to the Hall entrance. To be carried out by Council. (Urgent Priority) 4. Additional improvements to the Community Hall - improved kitchen facilities to adequately cater for larger groups. Add IT and sound system to the hall. These items will be quoted in time and applied for in future Plan submissions. (Medium Priority) 5. Painting of the Domain sheds. Request a budget of \$2000. 6. Building Renovations. Request a budget of \$5000 to tidy/upgrade one of the buildings that has a small office in it. No quotes have been sought. Buildings owned by Marlborough District Council. (Urgent Priority) 7. Waterpipe supply and install to the horse pen area. \$550inc GST for 200m of 25mm pipe plus \$300 of fittings. Volunteers will use a tractor to rip/bury this pipe from the supply at the southern end of the Domain to the horse area for water troughs and a wash hose. The domain is frequently used for horse events and overnight stays and there are large horse events planned this year which requires a water supply. 8. Water pipe supply and install to the horse pen area. \$550 incl GST for 200 m of 25mm pipe plus \$300 of fittings. (Urgent Priority) 9. We seek an increase in the yearly operational grant from \$21,000 per year to \$35,000 per year.

ATTENDANCE: The Hearing adjourned at 10.37 am and reconvened at 10.50 am.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) withdrew from the meeting at 10.37 am and Chris Lake (Financial Services Manager) joined the meeting at 10.50 am.

*5556 Graham Gosling (Picton Business Group)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119635.

Decision Sought: Picton Business Group support the development and refresh of Picton foreshore, London Quay and lower High Street. PBG request consultation and collaboration with the project manager and contracts. Allocated budget for this project. Increased ongoing maintenance budgets for the Picton Foreshore.

*5530 Brian Henstock (Marlborough Community Vehicle Trust)*

Budget Request: \$8,000

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: To provide funding for operational expenses to the amount of \$8000 per annum for three (3) financial years

ATTENDANCE: The Deputy Mayor declared a conflict of interest for the Picton Dawn Chorus submission and withdrew from the meeting, Cllr Peters assumed the chair.

*5552 Bryn Evans (Picton Dawn Chorus Inc.)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119649.

Also present were Edwin Pitts (Board Member), Lee (Bush Trapping Manager), Pip (General Manager). James Wilson (Founder and Board Member) and Zoey in Chambers Public Gallery.

Budget Request: \$100,000

Topic: Biosecurity

Decision Sought: A commitment to provide PDC with \$90,000 for traps and equipment, and separately a further \$10,000 for the administration of that operating expenditure, to enable us to carry out that portion of our 22/23 operational plan that applies to Council-owned land. Speaking Opportunity when we speak to Council, we shall demonstrate, via a Google Earth presentation, the terrain we are working in, and the respective land ownership areas and planned traplines, to give Council a clear picture of our operational zone and of our needs. We shall share our vision to restore Picton's dawn chorus.

*5512 Beryl Bowers (Picton Historical Society Inc.)*

Philippa Turley assisted with the presentation. A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22111260

Budget Request: \$4,000

Topic: Culture Heritage

Decision Sought: An increase to \$34,000 + GST and ask that this value be CPI adjusted annually, so that going forward the grant keeps pace with inflation.

*5513 Linda Thompson*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119673.

Topic: Enviro Health

Decision Sought: To look at the big picture and the long term benefits of this project. To consider the benefits of a project that improves air quality and our health. To bring the people of Picton together as we did when we built our beautiful new library which stands out as a project that benefits our community in many ways.

*5568 Rosemary Jorgensen*

Topic: Cycleways on Waikawa Road.

ATTENDANCE: The hearing adjourned at 12.41 pm and reconvened at 1.30 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lake (Financial Services Manager) withdrew from the Hearing at 12.41 pm and Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) joined the meeting at 1.30 pm.

*5551 Nigel Muir (Tasman Regional Sports Trust)*

Mahina Henry-Campbell was also present and a powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22110920.

Budget Request: \$35,000

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: Sport Tasman has identified an opportunity to increase service and support provision for local communities and would welcome the opportunity to engage with Council on a joint funded partnership model to best support community wellbeing through physical activity. Sport Tasman is keen to create a 50/50 partnership funded role with Council to make this happen. We would like to work alongside Council staff to explore this partnership.

*5548 Nigel Muir (Project Boons Valley, Waikawa)*

Michelle Clark supported Nigel Muir for the presentation and a powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119677.

Topic: Biosecurity

Decision Sought: To achieve the above, we need Council to have equal ambitions with its own land that borders us on both sides. Community volunteers are already engaged but we also would really love any additional support from Council in materials, labour and infrastructure for predator control and weed management. Three specifics we seek are: 1. That Council rapidly heightens the priority of its environmental work across all aspects of its mahi and in doing so send a leadership mandate to the wider Marlborough community about the critical importance of preserving species, plants and rare taonga that we are at high risk of losing forever for the sake of the generation that follows. 2. For Council to increase its awareness and investment in predator and pest control around its own pockets of land across Marlborough. 3. For Council to increase the size of annual grants and partnership support budgets for environmental projects of high importance around our region.

*5553 Kelvin Watt (Graeme Dingle Foundation Marlborough)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22119693.

Budget Request: \$63,000

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: We seek to expand the reach of our programmes and propose an additional initiative in order to make an even greater impact in delivering solutions to the region's most pressing problems. We ask for additional funding to support these efforts.

*5532 Meg Martin (Volunteer Marlborough Charitable Trust)*

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 22110802.

Budget Request: \$22,000

Decision Sought: We seek an increase in the contract funding from MDC to a total of \$30,000 + GST that we might be able to employ a Youth Worker to facilitate our youth engagement services in the schools and wider community, whilst also delivering our contracted services of providing training to the NFP sector.

NB: Request for their latest financial information/budget.

*5544 Maree Dunlop / Charlotte Wood (Te Kōpuni Kāinga o Te Tau Ihu - Top of the South Neighbourhood Support Charitable Trust)*

Charlotte Wood spoke to the submission and was present in Chambers. Lys Bradley also spoke to the submission via Zoom.

Budget Request: \$140,400

Topic: Community

Decision Sought: To fund 1.5 FTE within Te Kōpuni Kāinga o Te Tau Ihu - Top of the South Neighbourhood Support to deliver community support services aligned to the MDC Long Term plan across the Marlborough District.

NB: Requested that they email confirmation of the budget amount requested, their last year's financial statement and their strategic plan.

*5509 Stuart Petersen and Brent Laurenson (Blenheim Community Patrol Charitable Trust No 2683291)*

Budget Request: \$5,000

Decision Sought: We are seeking funding assistance from the Marlborough District Council to provide funding to Blenheim Community Patrol by way of an Ongoing Annual Operating Grant of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per year to be utilized for vehicle running costs, uniforms and administration.

*5558 Russell Smith (Marlborough Youth Trust Incorporated)*

Jo Lane represented Marlborough Youth Trust along with Ruby, Taylah and Dion. A YouTube video and powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 2211483.

Budget Request: \$90,000

Decision Sought: This submission is requesting that MDC provision a manager's salary of \$90,000 per annum, providing prudent business oversight, sustainability and continued growth to the organisation. The Council's support of the Trust will also stimulate private sector funding, as they see the recognition and advocacy of the organisation by Council, further contributing to positive community outcomes for young people in the Marlborough district.

NB: Requested a copy of last year's financial statements and this year's budget for deliberation day, a list of current users and what they use the space for.

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 3.35 pm and reconvened at 3.51 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Martin Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) withdraw from the hearing at 3.35 pm and re-joined the Hearing at 4.00 pm

*5528 Lachlan McNabb (Youth Council)*

Lachlan, Zoe, Alex and Chloe spoke to the submission.

Decision Sought: We seek continuation of funding for youth initiatives, supported by Council policy. To have continued support from MDC to fund sports and arts & cultural activities which are in the minority. Good to see activities reaching our youth in outlying areas such as Renwick. To have more career/education based opportunities and programmes would be beneficial especially for those young people who perhaps are chosen to follow non-traditional career paths usual for their gender or ethnicity. For Council to increase and continue support of mental health services which help to benefit the mental health of youth in Marlborough.

NB: It was suggested that staff send all youth submissions to the Youth Council for their review next Annual Plan as part of submission process.

*5567 Jillian Trayling (Marlborough Heritage Trust)*

Cathie Bell spoke to the Marlborough Heritage Trust submission.

Budget Request: \$90,339

Topic: Culture Heritage

Decision Sought: Support for Marlborough Heritage Trust insurance of \$90,339.12.

Budget Request: \$31,688

Topic: Culture Heritage

Decision Sought: Financial support totalling \$31,688.80 for maintenance and repairs.

5518 Joe Keighley (*Renwick Smart + Connected*)

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 2211181.

5533 Bronwen Frazer (*Blenheim Roller Skating Club*)

Blenheim Roller Skating Club had originally not wanted to speak. Prior to Hearing day they sought approval to speak, this was granted by Deputy Mayor Taylor

Three videos were shown CM Record Nos. 2110827, 22119696, 22110828.

Topic: Community Facilities

Decision Sought: The Club would like Council to continue to provide support in both the securing of a suitable site and the establishment and maintenance of a new facility should College Park be confirmed as the site for Bohally Intermediate. The Club would like these matters to be taken into consideration by Council in the future planning of multiple use sports hubs and community sport facilities. This will ensure that the Blenheim Roller Skating Club can continue to provide both recreational and competitive skating opportunities maintaining the diverse range of activities available to the Marlborough community.

Additional information was circulated to Councillors and emailed to those Councillors on Zoom. CM Record No. 22119694 and 22110827.

The following was part of what was circulated to members and is noted as the decision in the documents: The Blenheim Rollerskating Club has a long history of cooperation with Marlborough District Council (Council) in building and maintaining facilities. The existing facilities were built with significant volunteer hours from club members, local business and funds received from the Stadium 2000 Trust. The Club would like Council to continue to provide support with securing a suitable relocation site and the establishment and maintenance of a new facility. The Club would like these matters to be taken into consideration in Council decision making and future planning of multiple use sports hubs.

5564 Corey Hebbard (*Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau*)

A powerpoint presentation was shown CM Record No. 2211165.

Budget Request: \$100,000 and \$20,000

Decision Sought: **Iwi Capability Funding** - To address this issue and inequity, we propose that Council provide iwi capability funding of \$20,000 each year to Rangitāne (and other iwi) in recognition of the work undertaken in the Taiao space in relation to consent processing, with funding from general rates. This approach is not inconsistent with how other councils operate and support iwi capability in resource management issues.

**Blenheim Sewerage Treatment Plant (BSTP)** - We request that Council include provision in its planning processes 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** - Rangitāne propose 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** - We continue to recommend that Council takes steps to address misspelling of Te Reo Māori words and phrases and propose that a resourced Working Group (comprising of Council, Marlborough Roads staff and iwi partners) be established to appoint suitably experienced Te Reo Māori practitioner(s) to support the correction process. In addition to the above, we expect Council to make provision on the Street Naming Subcommittee for Rangitāne representation and for this representation to be resourced.

**Kaihautū (Manager Māori Partnerships) Role** - We encourage Council to ensure this role remains strategically focussed.

**Ngā Wairau o Ruatere** - To enable this to proceed, we are seeking a contribution from Council of \$100,000 towards the feasibility works.

**Horahora Kākahu Lookout – Port Underwood** - We would welcome the opportunity to work with Council and other interested stakeholders on the development of a lookout and storyboards to tell the unique history of our region. Horahora Kākahu is now jointly vested in Rangitāne, Ngāti Toa and Ngāti Rārua. We encourage you to direct staff and/or the relevant subcommittee to pursue this project.

**Council Staff Training and Cultural Capability** - We encourage you to make provision for further staff training in relation to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and cultural capability.

NB: Cllr Brook to follow-up with Corey Hebbard regarding Small Townships funding in respect of the Horahora Kākahu Lookout.

The Hearing closed at 5.32 pm.

Members and staff discussed the process and distributing the additional information requested of staff and submitters for the Council (Decision) meeting on Monday 13 June 2021.

There being no further business the Hearing closed at 5.40 pm.

*Postscript: All submitter, Council staff responses and additional information were collated into one document and circulated to Councillors prior to the Council (Decision) meeting on Monday 13 June 2022. CM Record No. 22119960*

Record No. 22119992

## 6. Adoption of the 2022-23 Annual Plan

(also refer to separately circulated attachment)

(The Mayor) (Report prepared by M Fletcher)

F230-A22-03

### Purpose of report

1. To adopt the final Annual Plan document for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

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### RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the Annual Plan for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

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### Comments

2. Council at its 13 June 2022 meeting made decisions on all matters raised in submissions on its Draft 2022-23 Annual Plan.
3. Council also resolved:  
*Cllrs Taylor/Peters:*  
*That the 2022-23 Annual Plan be amended as appropriate to incorporate the decisions made by Council on submissions, and that the revised budgets and resultant rates and charges be adopted for inclusion in the 2022-23 Annual Plan.*  
Carried
4. At the conclusion of the 13 June 2022 meeting, Council was advised that the indicative rates increase was 5.39%.
5. The minutes of the 13 June 2022 Council meeting are on the Agenda for confirmation at this meeting with only issues of accuracy able to be raised.
6. The 2022-23 Annual Plan document, as amended in terms of the decisions made, will be **separately attached**. Council has already seen and discussed the majority of this document at previous meetings, except for changes made as a result of decisions at the Council meeting on 13 June 2020.

Author	Martin Fletcher, Chief Financial Officer
Authoriser	Mark Wheeler, Chief Executive

## 7. Setting of Rates for the 2022-23 Financial Year

(also refer to Attachment 7.1)

(The Mayor) (Report prepared by C Lake)

F270-23-01

### Purpose of report

1. To set the rates and charges for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2022 and ending on 30 June 2023.

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### RECOMMENDATION

That the Marlborough District Council set the rates and charges, as set out in the schedule hereto (Attachment 7.1), under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the District for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2022 and ending on 30 June 2023.

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### Background

2. **Attached** (as Attachment 7.1) is the schedule of rates and charges to be set for the 2022-23 financial year to give effect to the decisions made by Council on 13 June 2022.

### Attachment

Attachment 7.1 - Setting of Rates for the 2022-23 Financial Year

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Author	Chris Lake, Financial Services Manager
Authoriser	Martin Fletcher, Chief Financial Officer

## Marlborough District Council

### Setting of Rates for the 2022-23 Financial Year

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That the Marlborough District Council set the following rates under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the district for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2022 and ending on 30 June 2023.

## Marlborough District Council

GST has been calculated on the basis of 15% for the year. The rates below are GST inclusive.

### TARGETED GENERAL TYPE RATES

#### 1. *Geographic Area General Works and Services Rates*

General Works and Services Rates are set differentially for six geographic areas, depending on where the land is situated.

Within each geographic area, the rating units are further differentiated into categories of rateable land in accordance with the use to which the land is put i.e. Residential or rural, commercial or industrial and homestay or farmstay.

Rating units may be partitioned by Council where there are two or more land uses that fit into different differential rating categories.

These rates fund the "Geographic Area's Rate Component" of the net cost of operations, capital expenditure and debt servicing cost, after making provision for targeted rates and charges, general revenue, and utilisation of various reserves.

A Geographic Area General Works and Services Rate pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and Schedule 2 of that Act, based on the rateable land value of all rating units in the District, to be set and assessed differentially for one or more of the following categories of rateable land -

- ***Blenheim Geographic Area (BM)***

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| 1171 | Blenheim rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.327037 cents in the dollar.   |
| 1172 | Blenheim rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 1.000784 cents in the dollar.   |
| 1173 | Blenheim rating units with a homestay or farmstay type land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.495431 cents in the dollar. |

- ***Blenheim Vicinity Geographic Area (BV)***

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| 1191 | Blenheim Vicinity rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.262285 cents in the dollar.   |
| 1192 | Blenheim Vicinity rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.528584 cents in the dollar.   |
| 1193 | Blenheim Vicinity rating units with a homestay or farmstay type land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.328396 cents in the dollar. |



- **Picton Geographic Area (PN)**

- 1211 Picton rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.420619 cents in the dollar.
- 1212 Picton rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.835717 cents in the dollar.
- 1213 Picton rating units with a homestay or farmstay type land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.524605 cents in the dollar.

- **Picton Vicinity Geographic Area (PV)**

- 1231 Picton Vicinity rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.234382 cents in the dollar.
- 1232 Picton Vicinity rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.513292 cents in the dollar.
- 1233 Picton Vicinity rating units with a homestay or farmstay type land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.304133 cents in the dollar.

- **General Rural Geographic Area (GR)**

- 1251 General Rural rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.267932 cents in the dollar.
- 1252 General Rural rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.452186 cents in the dollar.
- 1253 General Rural rating units with a homestay or farmstay type land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.314003 cents in the dollar.

- **Sounds Admin Rural Geographic Area (AR)**

- 1271 Sounds Admin Rural rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.139057 cents in the dollar.
- 1272 Sounds Admin Rural rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.271746 cents in the dollar.
- 1273 Sounds Admin Rural rating units with a homestay or farmstay land use occurring on a residential or rural rating unit where a Building Act consent and/or Resource consent is required – 0.172238 cents in the dollar.

## 2. **Geographic Area General Works and Services Charges**

A targeted Geographic Area General Works and Services Charge on the basis of a fixed amount on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit ensures that rating units contribute on a uniform basis to fund the "Geographic Area's Uniform Charge Component" of the net cost of operations, capital expenditure and debt servicing charges, after making provision for targeted rates and charges, general revenue and utilisation of various reserves.

These charges are to be set differentially for six geographic areas, depending on where the land is situated; on the same basis as for the Geographic Area General Works and Services Rates.

A Geographic Area General Works and Services Charge to be set on the basis of a fixed amount on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 in the following geographic areas, or on infrastructural utilities that are not rated under the geographic areas:

Blenheim Geographic Area	\$893
Blenheim Vicinity Geographic Area	\$802
Picton Geographic Area	\$912
Picton Vicinity Geographic Area	\$782
General Rural Geographic Area	\$807
Sounds Admin Rural Geographic Area	\$484
Infrastructural Utilities (not rated in areas above)	\$747

### 3. Targeted Debt Servicing Rates

A Grovetown Sewerage Loan Rate pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to be set at 0.225572 cents in the dollar on the land value of every rating unit in the Grovetown Sewerage Special Rating Area in respect of which no contribution to the lump sum scheme was chosen to fund debt servicing costs on Grovetown Sewerage Loans.

A Renwick Sewerage Loan Rate pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to be set at 0.034124 cents in the dollar on the land value of every rating unit in the Renwick Sewerage Special Rating Area in respect of which no contribution to the lump sum scheme was chosen, such rate to be applied towards debt servicing costs on the Renwick Sewerage Loan.

A Southern Valleys' Irrigation Loan Rate, pursuant to section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount per irrigable hectare of \$289.50 on every rating unit in the Southern Valleys' Special Rating Area in respect of which no contribution to the lump sum scheme was chosen to fund debt servicing costs on Southern Valleys' Irrigation Loans.

A Flaxbourne Community Irrigation Loan Rate, pursuant to section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount per hectare of \$1 on all land committed to receive a base allocation of water on every rating unit in the Flaxbourne Special Rating Area. The quantum of the loan rate will alter as the proposal is progressed and will be used to either fund investigation costs incurred should the scheme not proceed or the total cost of the scheme should construction contracts be awarded.

### 4. Targeted Roading Rates and Charges

A French Pass Road Charge, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$99.00 on every rating unit in the French Pass Rating Area, such rate to be applied towards the cost of seal extension in the targeted area.

A Kenepuru Road Rate, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set at 0.009771 cents in the dollar on the capital value of every rating unit in the former Kenepuru Riding, for roading improvements in that area.

### 5. Targeted Rivers Rates

A Wairau Valley Rivers Works Rate, being a targeted rate pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the Capital Value of every rating unit situated in the Wairau Valley Rivers Rating Area classified in one or more of the following categories to fund the Cost of Operations, Capital Expenditure, etc of River Planning, Control and Flood Protection, in the above Rating Area:

– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural A	0.061646 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural B	0.056098 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural C	0.041919 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural D	0.005549 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works – Blenheim Urban 1	0.045852 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 2	0.039229 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 3	0.034135 cents in the dollar

– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 4	0.019380 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works – Other Urban 1 in Wairau Catchment	0.043608 cents in the dollar
– Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Other Urban 2 in Wairau Catchment	0.029591 cents in the dollar

## 6. Targeted Sewerage Rates

### Definitions:

For the purposes of this section –

"Connected" refers to any separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit that is connected, either directly or indirectly, through a private drain to a public drain. "Serviced" has the same meaning.

"Serviceable" refers to any separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit situated within 30 metres of a public sewerage or stormwater drain to which it is capable of being effectively connected, either directly or through a private drain, but which is not so connected.

"Combined sewerage rates and charges" do not include the initial debt servicing requirements for any new schemes not paid by lump sum contributions.

## 7. Combined Sewerage Scheme Capital Works Rate

A combined Sewerage Capital Works Rate, pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to be set and assessed differentially on the land value of every rating unit in the Combined Sewerage Rating Area, classified in the following areas, to meet capital expenditure and debt servicing costs of the combined sewerage scheme:

Blenheim Group	0.042850 cents in the dollar
Havelock	0.065255 cents in the dollar
Picton	0.046489 cents in the dollar
Seddon	0.078050 cents in the dollar

## 8. Combined Sewerage Scheme Charge

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 the following Rates are to meet expenditure of the combined sewerage scheme other than capital and debt servicing costs:

- A Sewerage User Charge to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$444 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit connected to the Combined Sewerage Scheme.
- A Sewerage Non-User Charge to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$222 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviceable rating unit within the Combined Sewerage Rating Area.

## 9. Targeted Water Supply Rates

### Definitions:

For the purposes of this Section –

"Serviced" or "Connected" refers to any separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit to which water is supplied.

"Serviceable" refers to any separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit to which water can be but is not supplied (being property situated within 100 metres from any part of the waterworks).

## **10. Combined Water Scheme Capital Works Rate**

A combined Water Capital Works Rate, pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to be set and assessed differentially on the land value of every rating unit in the Combined Water Rating Area, classified in the following areas, to meet capital expenditure and debt servicing costs of the combined water scheme:

Blenheim	0.046828 cents in the dollar
Havelock	0.071800 cents in the dollar
Picton	0.051151 cents in the dollar
Koromiko	0.032380 cents in the dollar
Renwick	0.050214 cents in the dollar
Seddon	0.085878 cents in the dollar

## **11. Combined Water Scheme Charge**

Pursuant to Sections 18 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 the following Rates are to meet expenditure of the combined water scheme other than capital and debt servicing costs:

## **12. Blenheim Water Supply**

- A Blenheim Water User Charge for non-metered rating units, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$352 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Blenheim Water Supply Area [including the Burleigh Extension].
- A Blenheim Water Non User Charge for non-metered rating units, being a targeted rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$178 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviceable rating unit in the Blenheim Water Supply Area [including the Burleigh Extension].
- A Blenheim Metered Water Charge, for metered rating units [including the Burleigh Extension], being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to residential metered connections according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$88 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 62 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$1.41 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 62 m<sup>3</sup> per quarter.

## **13. Havelock Water Supply**

- A Havelock Water User Charge, for residential units, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$255 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Havelock Water Supply Area.
- A metered charge of \$2.05 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 200 cubic metres per annum.

## **14. Picton Water Supply**

- A Picton Water User Charge, for non-metered rating units, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$597 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Picton Water Supply Area.
- A Picton Water Non User Charge, for non-metered rating units, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$299 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviceable rating unit in the Picton Water Supply Area.
- A Picton Metered Water Ordinary Charge, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to residential metered connections (excluding "Koromiko Special Pipe-



line Agreement" consumers) according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$149.25 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 39 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$3.87 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 39 m<sup>3</sup> per quarter.

- A Picton Metered Water Koromiko Charge, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to all "Koromiko Special Pipe-line Agreement" consumers of \$3.10 per cubic metre.

#### **15. Renwick Water Supply**

- A Renwick Water User Charge, for residential units, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$255 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Renwick Water Supply Area.

A metered charge of \$1.14 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 200 cubic metres per annum.

#### **16. Seddon Water Supply**

A Seddon Water Charge, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$549 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit within the Seddon Water Supply Area (excluding all commercial consumers) and any new lots created by subdivision of such rating units whether connected or not.

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a Seddon Metered Water Charge being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided for all residential consumers on the Seddon Water Supply of \$2.02 per cubic metre for all usage in excess of 275 cubic metres per annum.

#### **17. Wairau Valley Water Supply**

A Wairau Valley Water Charge, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$240 for each water meter, excluding all commercial water meters, connected to a rating unit within the Wairau Valley Water Supply Area.

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a Wairau Valley Metered Water Charge being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided for each residential water meter connected to a rating unit within the Wairau Valley Water Supply Area of \$2.69 per cubic metre for all usage in excess of 350 cubic metres per annum.

These two rates are set to recover the net cost of operations, capital expenditure and debt servicing costs.

#### **18. Commercial Metered Water Charges**

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the following rates to recover the net cost of operations.

#### **19. Blenheim Commercial Metered Water Charge**

- A Blenheim Metered Water Charge for metered rating units [including the Burleigh Extension], being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to commercial metered connections according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$48.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$0.97 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **20. Havelock Commercial Metered Water Charge**

- A Havelock Metered Water Charge to be set for metered rating units, being a rate for the quantity of water provided to commercial metered connections according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$131.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

A metered charge of \$2.63 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **21. Picton Commercial Metered Water Charge**

- A Picton Metered Water Ordinary Charge, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to commercial metered connections (excluding connections where water is Onsold) according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$152.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$3.06 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

- A Picton metered Water Onsold Rate, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to commercial metered connections that is subsequently Onsold according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$152.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 45 m<sup>3</sup>.

A metered charge of \$3.37 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 45 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **22. Renwick Commercial Metered Water Charge**

- A Renwick Metered Water Charge, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to commercial metered connections according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$98.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$1.97 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **23. Seddon Commercial Metered Water Charge**

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a Seddon Metered Water Charge for metered rating units being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided for all commercial metered connections on the Seddon Water Supply according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$185.75 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup> and

A metered charge of 3.72 per cubic meter for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **24. Wairau Valley Commercial Metered Water Charge**

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a Wairau Valley Metered Water Charge being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided for each commercial

water meter connected to a rating unit within the Wairau Valley Water Supply Area according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$190.25 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 50 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$3.81 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup>.

This rate is set to recover the net cost of operations, capital expenditure, and debt servicing costs.

## **25. Rural Awatere Water Supply**

A Rural Awatere Water Charge, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$990 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit within the Rural Awatere Water Supply Area and any new lots created by subdivision of such rating units whether connected or not.

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a Rural Awatere Metered Water Charge being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided for all consumers on the Rural Awatere Water Supply of \$2.43 per cubic metre for all usage in excess of 275 cubic metres per annum.

These two rates are set to recover the net cost of operations, capital expenditure, and debt servicing costs.

## **26. Riverlands Water Supply**

Water Rates, pursuant to Sections 16 and 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to recover the costs of operations, capital expenditure and debt servicing.

A Riverlands Metered Water Charge, for metered rating units, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to all consumers according to the following scale of charges:

A charge of \$49.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m<sup>3</sup> and 40 m<sup>3</sup> (and)

A metered charge of \$1.24 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 40 m<sup>3</sup>.

## **27. Southern Valleys' Irrigation Scheme**

A Southern Valleys' Metered Irrigation Charge, pursuant to Section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, being a rate to be set for the quantity of water provided to metered connections of \$0.25 per cubic metre.

The metered irrigation rate is set to recover the scheme's net operating costs.

# **TARGETED REFUSE AND RECYCLING CHARGES**

## **28. Blenheim/Picton (Residential) Refuse and Kerbside Recycling Collection**

A Blenheim/Picton (Residential) Refuse and Kerbside Recycling Collection Rate, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$134 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the collection rating area, in respect of which Council is prepared to provide a refuse and kerbside recycling collection service.

## **29. Blenheim/Picton (Residential) Refuse Collection**

A Blenheim/Picton (Residential) Refuse Collection Rate, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$84 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the collection rating area, in respect of which Council provides or is prepared to provide a refuse collection service only.

### **30. Blenheim/Picton (Commercial/Industrial) Refuse Collection**

A Blenheim/Picton (Commercial/Industrial) Refuse Collection Rate, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$84 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the collection rating area, in respect of which Council provides or is prepared to provide a refuse collection service.

## **OTHER TARGETED RATES**

### **31. Energy Efficiency Rates**

A Targeted Energy Efficiency Rate, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a calculation on the extent of energy efficiency services provided to a rating unit as a percentage of the service amount (inclusive of associated costs including both interest and principal) until the service amount is recovered as follows:

Energy Efficiency Rate 4	16.213457%
Energy Efficiency Rate 5	15.997973%
Energy Efficiency Rate 6	15.789545%
Energy Efficiency Rate 7	15.649303%
Energy Efficiency Rate 8	15.512816%
Energy Efficiency Rate 9	15.411147%
Energy Efficiency Rate 10	15.311906%
Energy Efficiency Rate 11	15.278583%
Energy Efficiency Rate 12	15.278583%

### **32. Residential Pool Inspections**

A Targeted Residential Pool Inspections Rate pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$98 on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit with a residential pool, such rate to be used to fund the costs associated with carrying out residential pool inspections in Marlborough under the Building (Pools) Amendment Act 2016.

### **33. Tourism Rates**

A Targeted Tourism Rate, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit, set differentially for the following land uses, to enable Destination Marlborough to promote Marlborough as a tourist destination:

Residential or rural properties that are advertised for short term rental accommodation - \$237.

Commercial properties used for short term rental accommodation where less than 30 people can be accommodated - \$237.

Commercial properties used short term rental accommodation where 30 or more people can be accommodated - \$363.

Commercial properties used for Tourism Activities (excluding the groups above) - \$264.

Where a tourism operator operates in two or more of the groups above from the same rating unit, only the highest applicable group charge will be assessed.



### 34. *Landscape Rates*

A Targeted Landscape Rate, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit with higher landscaping standards for new subdivisions (and existing subdivisions following consultation) to fund the resulting additional maintenance costs, according to the following scale of charges:

Properties with Urban level 1 landscaping standards	\$42
Properties with Urban level 2 landscaping standards	\$53
Properties with Rural level 1 landscaping standards	\$59
Properties with Rural level 2 landscaping standards	\$179

### 35. *Tuamarina/Waikakaho Hall Rate*

A Tuamarina/Waikakaho Hall Rate, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, being a rate to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$18.45 on every rating unit in the Tuamarina/Waikakaho Rating Area, towards to upkeep of the Tuamarina/Waikakaho Hall.

### 36. *Residential Rates Postponement Scheme*

To cover costs for this scheme, the following fees and charges are set for the 2021-22 rating year. All fees and charges will be added as either a one-off or annual charge as the case may be, to the approved applicant's rate account.

Initial charges	Fees and charges
Application fee	\$50.00
Contribution to the decision facilitation process	\$300.00
Annual charges	
Administration fee	\$50.00
Reserve fund levy	0.25%
Interest rate	
2022-2023	4.0%

Property insurance: a ratepayer must submit a current certificate annually.

**37. Due Dates For Payment**

The above rates and charges are for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and will become due and payable by four instalments as follows:

Instalment	Last date for payment before penalty is added
One	8 September 2022
Two	8 December 2022
Three	8 March 2023
Four	8 June 2023

Charges for Metered Water:

Meter reading date between	Last date for payment before penalty is added
1 Jul 2022 – 30 Sept 2022	20 Oct 2022
1 Oct 2022 – 31 Dec 2022	20 Jan 2023
1 Jan 2023 – 31 Mar 2023	20 Apr 2023
1 Apr 2023 – 30 Jun 2023	20 Jul 2023

**38. Penalty Provisions (Additional Charges on Unpaid Rates)**

A penalty, equivalent in amount to 10% of the instalment amount remaining unpaid at the close of day on the "Last Date for Payment", shall on the next day be added to that amount of unpaid rates.

Pursuant to sections 57/58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a further penalty of 10% will be added to all rates and charges that remain unpaid on 30 June 2023.

**39. Penalty Provisions (Unpaid Metered Water)**

A penalty, equivalent in amount to 10% of the metered water amount remaining unpaid at the close of day on the "Last Date for Payment", shall on the next day be added to that amount which remains unpaid.

Pursuant to sections 57/58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a further penalty of 10% will be added to any unpaid amount from the third quarter or earlier that remain unpaid on 30 June 2023.

**40. A Separately Used or Inhabited Part of a Rating Unit (SUIP)**

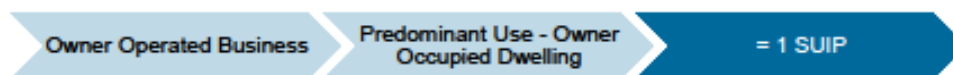
A SUIP includes any portion inhabited or used by the owner or a person other than the owner who has the right to use or inhabit that portion by virtue of a tenancy, lease, licence, or other agreement. It includes separately used parts, whether or not actually occupied at any particular time, which are used by the owner for rental (or other form of occupation) on an occasional or long term basis by someone other than the owner.

A rating unit that has a single use or occupation is treated as having one separately used or inhabited part.

Vacant land and vacant premises offered or intended for use or habitation by a person other than the owner and usually used as such are defined as 'used'.

Exceptions to the definition:

- Predominantly residential rating units where the owner of the unit resides and operates a business (including a homestay or farmstay activity) from the same rating unit will be charged as being one SUIP.

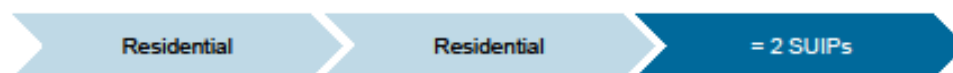


- Motels, and hotels used for commercial rental and dwellings used by owners or managers of a hotel or motel are treated as one business use even though each accommodation unit may be capable of separate use.

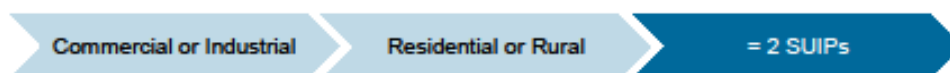


Examples of the application of the definition:

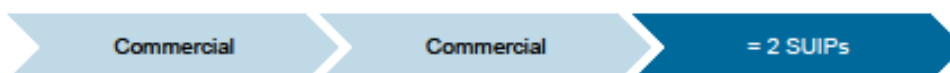
- Where a rating unit has two separately used parts, whether or not actually occupied at any particular time, they will be treated as two SUIPs.



- Where a rating unit contains both a commercial or industrial type use, and a residential or rural type use they will be treated as two SUIPs.



- Where a number of different businesses are located on one rating unit, each separate business will be assessed as a SUIP.



## 41. Rating Categories

It shall be at the sole discretion of the Council to determine the use or predominant use of any property in the district. The Council has adopted the following rating categories:

### Residential or rural

All land used for a private residence and all land used for rural purposes. This excludes rest homes and residential establishments that provide residential care. It also excludes all forms of commercial accommodation.

Rural purpose means any agricultural, horticultural or pastoral purpose and includes the keeping of bees, poultry or livestock. This group will include all rating units not otherwise categorised within a specified category.

Forestry is included in this category for the purposes of the General Works and Services Rate.

### Commercial or industrial

All land used for a commercial or industrial purpose. It includes but is not limited to, any trade or service or activity undertaken or provision of facilities, by any person with a view to making a profit or charging any fee or deriving any other consideration in relation to the trade or service or activity or provision.

Industrial includes a business, manufacturer, undertaking, or service associated with the production of any type of goods.

For the purposes of the general works and services rate, this category includes residential rest homes and residential establishments that provide residential care and all forms of commercial accommodation as well as rating units otherwise assessed as utilities.

Commercial accommodation includes but is not limited to the provision of accommodation for a fee or other consideration but does not include:

- Properties where the principal purpose is the provision of long stay accommodation ie: 28 days or more.
- Properties that provide accommodation for five or less people.
- Properties that were originally constructed as residential properties that provide accommodation for six or more, which are included in the homestay or farm stay category.

#### **Homestay or farm stay**

Includes all rating units that are used for a homestay or farm stay activity on land predominantly used for residential or rural purposes, where a Building Act or resource consent was required for homestay or farm stay use (i.e. for six or more persons).

#### **Infrastructural utilities**

Land used for an essential service such as water, electricity, gas, telecommunications or sewerage.

## **42. Geographic Areas**

The geographic areas can generally be described as follows:

### **Blenheim Area (BM)**

All of that area encompassed by the former Blenheim Borough Council together with those properties within a 1.5 km radius of that area which have a zoning of Residential or Industrial in the Wairau/Awatere Resource Management Plan (eg: includes, Burleigh, Hammerichs Road, Riverlands and Waipuna Street); as well as any properties that are connected to (or are able to be connected to) either the Blenheim Water or Blenheim Group Sewerage Schemes, but excluding properties in the Renwick, Spring Creek and Grovetown Sewerage Rating Areas; and residential or rural properties and properties in the Riverlands Industrial Estate and Cloudy Bay Business Park that have an area of greater than one hectare.

Also included in the Blenheim area are a number of properties where it was an express condition of subdivisional resource consent.

Growth areas rezoned Urban Residential 2 Greenfields will be excluded from the Blenheim Area until granting of subdivision title.

Other land rezoned Urban Residential 2 or 3 as a result of the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan will be similarly excluded from the Blenheim Area until granting of subdivision title.

### **Blenheim Vicinity Area (BV)**

All of that area encompassed within the following general description, but excluding the Blenheim areas described above:

From just north of the Rarangi Settlement following around the foothills in a south-westerly direction; taking in the Tuamarina Settlement; to the south bank of the Wairau River and then up the Wairau south bank to the Waihopai River; up the east bank of the Waihopai River to just north of Omaka Downs; and then generally following the base of the foothills; around to include the Taylors Pass in a south easterly direction as far as the Branch River; following the boundaries of properties on the south east side of the Taylor River; then around the base of the foothills to include land between SH 1 and both sides of Redwood Pass Road to and including 393 Redwood Pass Road; then to the coast on the south of the Vernon Lagoons.



### **Picton Area (PN)**

All of that area encompassed by the former Picton Borough Council; together with the area of those properties serviced by the Picton Water or Sewerage Schemes (excluding those properties listed in the schedule below).

### **Schedule**

Pt Lot 1 DP 6881, Pt DP 467 Waitohi Valley Blk XI Linkwater SD, Lot 1 DP 303616 Lot 1 DP 8240, Pt Sec 41 District of Waitohi, Lot 2 DP 3716, Lot 1 DP 3716, Lot 1 DP 9175, Lot 2 DP 9175, Lot 1 DP 10989, Lot 2 DP 10989, Lots 1 2 DP 1353 Lot 1 DP 1148 Pt Sec 37 Waitohi Reg Dist, Lots 2 5 DP 3183, Pt Sec 103 Waitohi Valley District Blk XV Linkwater SD, Lot 1 DP 402932 Lot 1 DP 5595 Lot 2 DP 5660 Sec 38 Pt Sec 37 Waitohi Dist, Lot 1 DP 9268, Pt Lot 1 DP 7160, Lot 1 DP 12294, Lot 2 DP 10225 Lot 1 DP 10476, Lot 1 DP 10882, Lot 2 DP 434941 Pt DP 747 Pt Sec 25 Wairau Dist Pt Lots 1-3 DP 693 Pt Sec 12 Pt Sec 13 Blk XV Linkwater SD, Secs 105 106 Pts Sec 36 104 Waitohi Valley Dist, Lot 1 DP 6397, Lots 1 2 DP 303945, Lots 3 4 DP 303945 Sec 129 Pt 159 Picton Subn Sec 18 Blk XV Linkwater SD, Lot 1 DP 302741, Lot 1 DP 10871, Lot 1 DP 6129, Lot 1 DP 759 Lot 2 Pt Lot 1 DP 1594, Pt Sec 63-65 Picton Subn. Lots 1-9 12 DP 1086, Sec 1 SO 429571 Lot 10 DP 1086, Lot 11 DP 1086, Lot 13 DP 1086, Lot 14 DP 1086, Lot 2 DP 3080, Sec 1 SO 416848 Lot 1 DP 3080, Sec 2 SO 416848 Lot 16 DP 1086, Lot 18 DP 1086, Pt Waikawa 2C2, Lot 4 DP 11736, Lot 1 DP 335692, Lot 2 DP 344933, Lot 3 DP 11736, Lot 1 DP 11736, Lot 1 DP 344933, Lot 2 DP 404985, Lot 1 DP 424360, Lot 2 DP 424360, Lot 3 DP 424360, Lot 4 DP 424360, Lot 5 DP 424360, Waikawa 3B Blk XII Linkwater SD Blk XI Arapawa SD, Lot 1 DP 9994, Lot 1 DP 10354, Waikawa Sec A2 Waikawa West Blk XII Linkwater SD Blk XI Arapawa SD, Waikawa Sec 4B2 Waikawa West Blk XII Linkwater SD Blk XI Arapawa SD, Lot 2 DP 7961 Pts Sec 10 & Pt Sec 11 Waitohi Dist Pts Sec 100 Waitohi Dist, lot 3 DP 8884.

Also included in the Picton area are a number of properties where it was an express condition of subdivisional resource consent.

### **Picton Vicinity Area (PV)**

All of that area from the western point of Ngakuta Bay to the former Picton Borough boundary; plus all of that area from the eastern point of Waikawa Bay to Whatamongo Bay; plus a corridor area from the southern boundary of the former Picton Borough to Speeds Road; excluding properties serviced by the Picton Water or Sewerage Schemes, but including the properties listed in the Schedule above.

### **General Rural Area (GR)**

All of that area administered by the former Marlborough County and excluding that part of the former County's area which has been included in either the Blenheim, Blenheim Vicinity, Picton, Picton Vicinity or Sounds Admin Rural areas.

### **Sounds Admin Rural Area (AR)**

All of that area with basically sea access only, which was subject to the former Marlborough County Council Empowering Act 1965.

## 8. 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
- Performance Agreement

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	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.
Performance Agreement	In order to protect the privacy of natural persons, as provided for under Section 7(2)(a).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.