



**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

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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.

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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 (Grovetoyn Residents Association)*

Cllrs Taylor/Brooks:

That Yvonne Wratt (Grovetoyn Residents Association) be thanked for their submission. The letter sent to the Grovetoyn 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 Grovetoyn 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)*

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

5539 *Jane Buckman*

Cllrs 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)*

Cllrs Peters/Croad:

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

Carried

NB: Cllr 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)*

Cllrs 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)*

Cllrs 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)*

Cllrs 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 \$31,689 (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 Hebherd (Rangitāne o Wairau)*

Cirs Taylor/Oddie:

That Corey Hebherd (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*

Clrs Taylor/Maher:

That Lindsay Newdick be thanked for his submission.

Carried

5505 *Greg Billington*

Clrs Taylor/Brooks:

That Greg Billington be thanked for his submission.

Carried

5508 *Katie McNabb*

Clrs 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)*

Clrs 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)*

Clrs 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)*

Clrs 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)*

Clrs 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

Clrs 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 30th day of June 2022

J C LEGGETT
MAYOR

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