

# Minutes of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2022 commencing at 3.00 pm

### **Present**

The Mayor N P Taylor (in the Chair), Clrs S R W Adams, J A Arbuckle, S J Arbuckle, A R Burgess, D A Dalliessi, B G Dawson, M R K Flight, G A Hope, R J Innes, B J Minehan and J C Rosene.

#### In Attendance

Mr M S Wheeler (Chief Executive), Mr M F Fletcher (Chief Financial Officer) and M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager).

#### Karakia

The meeting opened with a karakia.

The Mayor welcomed all to the meeting.

## **Apologies**

The Mayor/Clr J Arbuckle:

That the apologies for absence from CIrs J D N Croad, B A Faulls and T P Sowman be received and sustained.

Carried

## Cncl-1122-153 Declaration of Interests

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

## Cncl-1122-154 Statutory Declaration by Councillor D050-003-03

Councillor Dawson made and signed his Declaration under Schedule 7 Clause 14 of the Local Government Act 2002.

## Cncl-1122-155 Remuneration of Councillors H500-009-002-22

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to present background for the remuneration of Councillors to enable Council to formulate a proposal to the Remuneration Authority for the remuneration of Councillors for the period from the publication of official results of the 2022 Triennial Election to 30 June 2023.

Staff reported that the Remuneration Authority (Authority) have kept the "pool" approach for Councillors' remuneration post the 2022 Triennial Election. The Authority determined that the Incoming Council will decide on the distribution of the "pool" after the election. The Authority will still directly set the Mayor's remuneration – this does not affect the "pool".

The Authority determined that the minimum remuneration for a Councillor (with no added responsibility) will be \$38,306. The Authority further determined that the entire pool must be allocated; and that the base remuneration for a Councillor must not be set below the prescribed Councillor minimum allowable remuneration rate.

Staff provided options at the meeting. Members agreed to the following option.

### **CIrs Dawson/Flight:**

That Council present to the Remuneration Authority the following as its proposal for the 2022-23 remuneration of Councillors by Wednesday 16 November 2022:

Name of Position	Effective Date	Proposed Annual Total Remuneration	Number of Positions
Deputy Mayor Deputising for the Mayor at events, Chair of the Assets and Services Standing Committee [Standing Committee], Chair of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group [Statutory Committee] and other sub-committees/working groups, Council spokesperson on Assets and Services/CDEM matters including delegation to release public excluded content, input into and discussion on draft agendas, attend weekly meetings with Executive Management – up to 10 hours per week in addition to the base Councillor role	12 November 2022	\$55,583	1
Chairperson Standing Committee Occasional deputising for the Mayor at events, Chair of either the Economic, Finance and Community Standing Committee or Environment and Planning Standing Committee [Standing Committee], will also Chair the Joint Committee, Sub-Committees or Working Groups, Council spokesperson on either Economic, Finance and Community, or Environment and Planning matters including delegation to release public excluded content, input into and discussion on draft agendas – up to 5.5 hours per week in addition to the base Councillor role	12 November 2022	\$50,250	2
Chairperson Statutory/Joint Committee Chair of Statutory Committee or Chair of a Joint Committee, Council spokesperson on respective areas, input into and discussion on draft agendas – up to 2.5 hours per week in addition to the base Councillor role	12 November 2022	\$44,750	1
Deputy Chairperson Standing Committee Deputy Chair of a Standing Committee [only], deputising for Chair when required, input into and discussion on draft agendas – up to 1.5 hours per week in addition to the base Councillor role	12 November 2022	\$43,250	2
Councillor (with no additional responsibility) – base remuneration	15 October 2022	\$40,250	8

Carried

## Cncl-1122-156 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

**Cirs J Arbuckle/Hope:** 

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

## - Land Purchase

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
Land Purchase	To enable the Council, as holder of the information, to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) as 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 4.05 pm.	
Confirmed this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of December 2022	
N P TAYLOR MAYOR	
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