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**MARLBOROUGH
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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Notice of Council Meeting – Thursday, 10 August 2023

Notice of the Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim on Thursday, 10 August 2023 to commence at 9.00 am.

BUSINESS

As per Order Paper attached.

**MARK WHEELER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**



**Order Paper for the
COUNCIL MEETING
to be held in the Council Chambers, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 10 AUGUST 2023 commencing at 9.00 am**

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1. Karakia

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

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

2. Apologies

3. Declaration of Interests

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

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 June 2023
(Minute Nos. Cncl-0623-389 to Cncl-0623-398)



**Minutes of a Meeting of the
Marlborough District Council
held in the Council Chambers and via Teams, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY 29 JUNE 2023 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

The Mayor N P Taylor (in the Chair), Cllrs S R W Adams, J A Arbuckle, S J Arbuckle, A R Burgess, B G Dawson, B A Faulls, G A Hope, R J Innes, B J Minehan, J C Rosene and T P Sowman.

Present via Teams

Cllr D A Dalliessi.

In Attendance

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

Karakia

The meeting opened with a karakia.

Apology

Cllrs J Arbuckle/Dawson:

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

Carried

Cncl-0623-389 Declaration of Interests -

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

A number of declarations were noted in the agenda:

- The interests as declared under Minute Nos. Cncl-0523-362;
- The various interests as declared under Minute No. Cncl-0623-373; and
- The interest as declared under Minute No. EFC-0623-377 (Minute No. EFC-0623-e-79).

Cncl-0623-390 Confirmation of Minutes -

The Mayor/Cllr Hope:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 May 2023 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0523-362 to Cncl-0523-371) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Cncl-0623-391 Confirmation of Minutes -

The Mayor/Cllr J Arbuckle:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 June 2023 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0623-373 to Cncl-0623-376) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Cncl-0623-392 Confirmation of Minutes -

The Mayor/Clr Dawson:

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 16 June 2023 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0623-387 to Cncl-0623-388) be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

Committee Reports

Cncl-0623-393 Economic, Finance & Community Committee -

Cls J Arbuckle/Dawson:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. EFC-0623-377 to EFC-0623-386 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

NB: Clrs Arbuckle, Burgess and Sowman noted that since the Economic, Finance and Community Committee meeting a potential conflict as Resource Consent Hearing Commissioners with the business under Minute No. EFC-0623-381 resolution 2(b) had arisen, and therefore did not take any part in discussions nor vote on the issue at the Council meeting.

Cncl-0623-394 Special Hearing Committee to Hear Submissions on the 2023-24 Annual Plan Consultation Document -

The Mayor/Clr Dawson:

That the Special Hearing Committee to Hear Submissions on the 2023-24 Annual Plan Consultation Document report contained within Minute No. AP-0623-372 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

Cncl-0623-395 Adoption of the 2023-24 Annual Plan F230-A23-03

Mr Fletcher advised that the purpose of the report was to adopt the final Annual Plan document for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

The minutes of the Council meeting of 12 June 2023, generated from the deliberation on submissions on the Draft 2023-24 Annual Plan were confirmed earlier in the meeting (see Minute No. Cncl-0623-391 above).

Members noted that the 2023-24 Annual Plan document, as amended in terms of the decisions made, was separately attached to the agenda (filed in CM – Record No. 23133384).

The Mayor took this opportunity to thank all involved in the annual plan process for this year. Members also took the opportunity. Mr Fletcher was personally thanked by the Mayor, acknowledging that this was Mr Fletcher's last Annual Plan due to his upcoming retirement.

Cls J Arbuckle/Dawson:

That Council adopt the Annual Plan for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Carried

Cncl-0623-396 **Setting of Rates for the 2023-24 Financial Year** F270-24-01

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to set the rates and charges for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2023 and ending on 30 June 2024.

Clr Adams asked that in future if it was possible to include last year's rates and charges in the schedule as a comparative. Staff are to investigate and advise.

Cirs J Arbuckle/Fauls:

That the Marlborough District Council set the rates and charges, as set out in the schedule hereto, 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 2023 and ending on 30 June 2024:

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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)**
 - 1171 Blenheim rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.354053 cents in the dollar.
 - 1172 Blenheim rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 1.069335 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 – 0.532844 cents in the dollar.
- **Blenheim Vicinity Geographic Area (BV)**
 - 1191 Blenheim Vicinity rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.283375 cents in the dollar.

- 1192 Blenheim Vicinity rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.535362 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 – 0.346435 cents in the dollar.
- **Picton Geographic Area (PN)**

1211 Picton rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.447149 cents in the dollar.

1212 Picton rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.855511 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 – 0.549471 cents in the dollar.
 - **Picton Vicinity Geographic Area (PV)**

1231 Picton Vicinity rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.251197 cents in the dollar.

1232 Picton Vicinity rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.520496 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 – 0.318570 cents in the dollar.
 - **General Rural Geographic Area (GR)**

1251 General Rural rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.287838 cents in the dollar.

1252 General Rural rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.464206 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 – 0.331944 cents in the dollar.
 - **Sounds Admin Rural Geographic Area (AR)**

1271 Sounds Admin Rural rating units with a residential or rural land use – 0.147148 cents in the dollar.

1272 Sounds Admin Rural rating units with a commercial or industrial land use – 0.275265 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 – 0.179186 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	\$1,004
Blenheim Vicinity Geographic Area	\$915
Picton Geographic Area	\$1,015
Picton Vicinity Geographic Area	\$882
General Rural Geographic Area	\$666
Sounds Admin Rural Geographic Area	\$536
Infrastructural Utilities (not rated in areas above)	\$836

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 0.242685 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 0.034049 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 \$296.40 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 – Road Access, 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 French Pass Road Charge – No Road Access, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to be set on the basis of a fixed amount of \$25.00 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 0.009824 cents in the dollar on the capital value of every rating unit in the former Kenepuru Riding, for roading improvements in that area. This rate will be remitted for 2023-24.

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	0.065616 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural B	0.059710 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural C	0.044619 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Rural D	0.005906 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works – Blenheim Urban 1	0.048687 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 2	0.041654 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 3	0.036245 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Blenheim Urban 4	0.020557 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works – Other Urban 1 in Wairau Catchment	0.046528 cents in the dollar
Wairau Valley Rivers Works - Other Urban 2 in Wairau Catchment	0.031573 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	0.04215 cents in the dollar
Havelock	0.06449 cents in the dollar
Picton	0.04594 cents in the dollar
Seddon	0.07713 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 \$480 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 \$240 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	0.048486 cents in the dollar
Havelock	0.074184 cents in the dollar
Picton	0.052850 cents in the dollar
Koromiko	0.033456 cents in the dollar
Renwick	0.051881 cents in the dollar
Seddon	0.088730 cents in the dollar

11. Combined Water Scheme Charge

Pursuant to Sections 16 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 \$376 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 \$188 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 \$94.24 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 62 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$1.52 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 62 m³ 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 \$384 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Havelock Water Supply Area.
- A metered charge of \$2.30 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 \$642 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 \$321 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 \$158.46. per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 38m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$4.17 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 38 m³ 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 \$3.34 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 \$384 on every separately used or inhabited part of a serviced rating unit in the Renwick Water Supply Area.

A metered charge of \$1.28 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 \$576 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 \$2.18 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 \$257 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 \$2.90 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 \$54.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 50 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$1.09 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m³.

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 \$148.00 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 50 m³.

A metered charge of \$2.96 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m³.

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 \$172.00 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 50 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$3.44 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 50 m³.

- 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 \$170.55 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 45 m³.

A metered charge of \$3.79 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 45 m³.

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 \$111.00 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between
0 m³ and
50 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$2.22 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in
excess of 50 m³.

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 \$209.00 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between
0 m³ and 50 m³ and

A metered charge of 4.18 per cubic meter for the volume of water supplied in
excess of 50 m³.

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 \$214.00 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between
0 m³ and 50 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$4.28 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in
excess of 50 m³.

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 \$1,000.00 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 \$60.50 per quarter for the volume of any water supplied between 0 m³ and 40 m³ (and)

A metered charge of \$1.51 per cubic metre for the volume of water supplied in excess of 40 m³.

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 \$0.27 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 \$152.00 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 \$96.00 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 \$96.00 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 5	16.096598%
Energy Efficiency Rate 6	15.963864%
Energy Efficiency Rate 7	15.897569%
Energy Efficiency Rate 8	15.832943%
Energy Efficiency Rate 9	15.801902%
Energy Efficiency Rate 10	15.771579%
Energy Efficiency Rate 11	15.807701%
Energy Efficiency Rate 12	15.877303%
Energy Efficiency Rate 13	15.946051%

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 \$105 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 - \$255.

Commercial properties used for short term rental accommodation where less than 30 people can be accommodated - \$255.

Commercial properties used short term rental accommodation where 30 or more people can be accommodated - \$390.

Commercial properties used for Tourism Activities (excluding the groups above) - \$284.

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	\$45
Properties with Urban level 2 landscaping standards	\$57
Properties with Rural level 1 landscaping standards	\$63
Properties with Rural level 2 landscaping standards	\$192

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 2023-24 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
Interest rate		
2023-2024	5.0%	

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 2023 to 30 June 2024 and will become due and payable by four instalments as follows:

Instalment	Last date for payment before penalty is added
One	7 September 2023
Two	7 December 2023
Three	7 March 2024
Four	7 June 2024

Charges for Metered Water:

Meter reading date between	Last date for payment before penalty is added
1 Jul 2023 –30 Sept 2023	20 Oct 2023
1 Oct 2023 – 31 Dec 2023	20 Jan 2024
1 Jan 2024 - 31 Mar 2024	20 Apr 2024
1 Apr 2024 – 30 Jun 2024	20 Jul 2024

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)

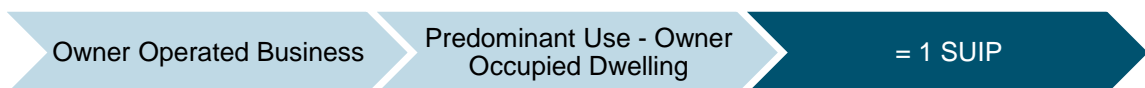
A SUIP includes any portion inhabited or used by the owner or a person other than the owner who has the right to use or inhabit that portion by virtue of a tenancy, lease, licence, or other agreement. It includes separately used parts, whether or not actually occupied at any particular time, which are 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.

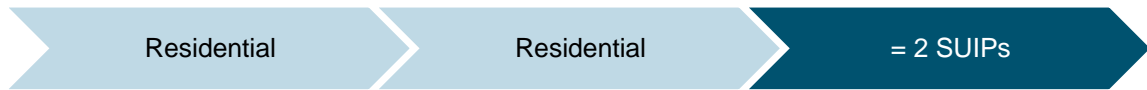


- Motels, and hotels used for commercial rental and dwellings used by owners or managers of a hotel or motel are treated as one business use even though each accommodation unit may be capable of separate use.

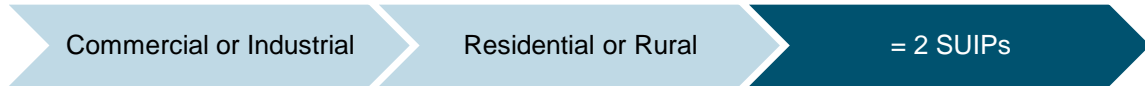


Examples of the application of the definition:

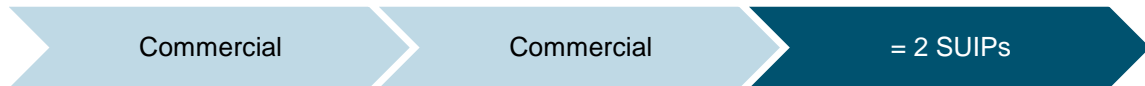
- Where a rating unit has two separately used parts, whether or not actually occupied at any particular time, they will be treated as two SUIPs.



- 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.

Carried

Cncl-0623-397 Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land Policy Update **F230-L21-06**

The Mayor moved that the item “lie on the table” until such time as a further review of the report takes place.

The Mayor/Clr Hope:

That the item lie on the table and not be further discussed at this meeting.

Carried

Cncl-0623-398 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

Cirs J Arbuckle/Dawson:

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

- Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes
- Committee Reports (Public Excluded Sections)

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Minutes and Committee Reports	As set out in the Minutes	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed with a karakia at 9.35 am.

Confirmed this 10th day of August 2023

**N P TAYLOR
MAYOR**

Record No. 23133646

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Assets & Services Committee

Assets & Services Committee Meeting held on 11 July 2023
(Minute Nos. A&S-0723-1 to A&S-0723-14)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
ASSETS & SERVICES COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers and via Teams, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Cirs J D N Croad (Chairperson), J C Rosene (Deputy), S R W Adams, S J Arbuckle, B G Dawson and M R L Flight

Present via Teams

Clr D A Dalliessi and J C Rosene (from 10. 37 am)

Also Present

Cirs J A Arbuckle, B A Faulls, G A Hope, B J Minehan and T P Sowman and R J Innes (from 9.05 am)

In Attendance

Messrs R Coningham (Manager – Assets & Services Department), J Lyall (Manager – Property and Community Facilities) and Ms N Chauval (Committee Secretary).

Apologies

Cirs Dawson/Flight:

That the apology for absence from Mayor N P Taylor be received and sustained.

Carried

Clr Croad presented Mike Davies (Treatment Operations Supervisor) and Robin Millard (Water Treatment Operator) with the NZ Diploma in Drinking-water Treatment certificate.

A&S-0723-1 Declaration of Interests -

Clr B A Faulls declared an interest in Item 13 – Self-contained Motor Vehicles Legislation Act.

ATTENDANCE: Brian Paton, Emergency Services Manager, was present for the following two items.

**A&S-0723-2 National Emergency Management Agency –
Update E210-003-04**

The new National Emergency Management Agency Deputy Chief Executive, John Price was introduced to members. Mr Price provided the Committee with information on the future of Emergency Management and updated members on lessons learnt over the past six months.

Cirs Rosene/Adams:

That the information be received.

Carried

A&S-0723-3 Alternate Controller Nomination E210-003-04

The purpose of the report was to seek approval from the Committee to appoint Richie Law as an Alternate Controller under the CDEM Act 2022.

Mr Paton provided members with details on Mr Law's extensive emergency management experience and credentials and noted that Mr Law is eager to use his skills and knowledge to benefit the community.

Cllrs Dawson/Rosene:

That the Committee approve the nomination to appoint Richie Law as an alternate Controller under the CDEM Act 2002.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr David Craig, Council's Management Accountant - Operations, was present for the following item.

A&S-0723-4 Financial Report for the year to 31 May 2023

F275-001-02

The Financial Report for the Assets and Services and Property and Community Facilities (including parking) Departments for the year to 31 May 2023 was presented to members.

It was noted that the total actual year to date surplus of \$10.6M has resulted through reduced revenues to budget of \$0.9M and reduced expenditure to budget of \$11.1M.

Mr Craig provided members with an update on the road expenditures for the year noting that a final roading subsidy claim was lodged on Friday 7 July 2023. The maintenance and operations renewals combined base programme of \$21.04M has expenditure for the year of \$18.2M which is 86% of the programme. An application for a carryover of the variance will be made and tabled at a future Committee meeting.

The major variances between year to date actual and budget were noted as: Roading emergency reinstatement costs for the July 2021 and August 2022 storm events are below budget by \$11.68M and are offset by unfavourable operational roading subsidies of \$7.36M. Other flood damage repair costs of \$2.15M have been incurred to date, mainly in the Flood Protection Activity, and are within budget at this time. There are also associated savings of \$578k for minor works contracts in the Flood Protection Activity.

Insurance claims/recoveries are unfavourable to budget by \$1.62M. The LAPP insurance claim for river damage repairs to 30 June 2022 is currently being assessed by Council's Insurers. It appears unlikely that any settlement will be made before year end.

Flood event welfare response and recovery costs total \$2.22M to date, including \$837k for the Sounds Future Roading Access Study. Most of these costs are eligible for subsidy from either National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) or Waka Kotahi (NZTA) and \$1.73M has been claimed to date.

Roading subsidy on capital expenditure is below budget by \$3.12M due to lower than anticipated renewals and minor improvements (low cost/low risk projects) expenditure.

Metered water sales are unfavourable to budget by \$417k. The final quarter water consumption will be invoiced in June. Consequently, we are expecting a small reduction in the unfavourable year to date variance.

Development contributions \$281k and Reserve fund contributions \$949k are both favourable to budget through levies charged on development. The main sources of revenue to date have been from the Rose Manor and Nikau Drive subdivisions.

Vested assets are favourable to budget by \$7.45M. Accounting entries have been completed for multiple stages of Rose Manor and Nikau Drive subdivisions, and for other smaller developments in Blenheim and Picton.

Trade waste revenue is unfavourable to budget by \$709k. The final quarterly instalment for high volume users will be invoiced in June. Revenue for disposal of winery liquid waste directly to the Hardings Road industrial ponds is favourable to budget by \$426k.

Dump fee revenue is unfavourable to budget by \$421k, in transfer stations (\$197k), the regional landfill (\$174k) and waste projects (\$50k). Dump fee revenue variations are expected to reduce marginally for the balance of the year.

The regional landfill emissions trading scheme payment is favourable to budget by \$611k. The surrender of carbon credits to meet our annual obligation was lower than expected due to legislated changes in the calculation process.

Grant income is favourable to budget by \$2.15M from 3Waters Stimulus Funding (eligibility period was extended) \$1.25M, 3Waters transitional funding \$442k, Tourism Infrastructure Funding (TIF) for public convenience upgrades \$118k and freedom camping \$62k, NZ Lottery grants for recovery navigator \$106k and DIA Better Off Funding \$181k.

Grant expenditure is favourable to budget by \$1.17M due to Marlborough Kaikōura Trail Trust (\$886k) and Flaxbourne Heritage Centre (\$250k) projects.

Depreciation charges are unfavourable to budget by \$2.20M.

Interest costs are favourable to budget by \$762k.

Mr Craig reported that today is the final day for signing off of invoices and over the next 10-12 days accruals will be processed. Once that is completed any surplus will be identified and a carryover schedule created and tabled at the next Committee meeting.

Members were advised that LTP Planning is underway. There is a lot of change in the industry at the moment, particularly with 3Waters, but the team are going through a robust process to see what can physically be delivered by the staff and resourcing that we have available in the region.

Additional information on variances at an activity level were detailed in the agenda item.

Cirs Dawson/S Arbuckle:

That the financial report for the period ended 31 May 2023 be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr Stephen Rooney, Council's Operations & Maintenance Engineer, was present for the following two items.

A&S-0723-5 Local Waste Minimisation Fund (WMF) Framework Development

C315-22-119-006

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to discuss the concept of a local waste minimisation fund (WMF) framework development.

It was reported that research was undertaken in response to enquiries from community groups and individuals about the availability of funding drawn from the waste disposal levy for waste minimisation activities. The report 'Enquiry into Local Waste Minimisation Fund Development' was attached to the agenda for members' information. The report sets out the findings from waste minimisation funds across the New Zealand local authority sector.

Mr Rooney reported that the principle of any waste minimisation fund is to trial ideas that support the waste management and minimisation plan. It was noted that the research enquiry indicates that councils across the country are giving away significant sums of waste disposal levy money via localised contestable funding systems but there is a lack of substantive evidence to convey any meaningful or long-term impact from the projects and activities undertaken. The research indicates that there is no evidence to confirm an enhanced audience reach as a result of a local waste minimisation fund. Larger organisations appear to derive benefit for their business while smaller organisations become reliant on the fund to maintain their core activities.

It was noted that funding would come from Council's current budget and would therefore need to be rate funded.

Members noted they did not support setting up a local waste minimisation fund and wished to retain the 2024/25 budget assumptions.

In response to a query on whether there was a Government contestable fund that Council could apply to assist in meeting our organic processing requirements by 2030, Mr Rooney advised that Council has applied to this fund and an application has recently been made for the optimisation of the greenwaste facilities and other improvements that we will make going forward with the new contract.

It was noted that Community groups can directly apply to the contestable fund. Council staff are available to provide assistance if required.

Cllrs Croad/Dawson:

1. **That Council does not set up a local waste minimisation fund based on a reallocation of waste disposal levy spending.**
2. **That Council retains the 2024/25 budget assumptions as set out in the 14 July 2022 Assets and Services agenda item 6 which was subsequently ratified by Full Council on 11 August 2022 - Minute No. Cncl-0822-42.**

Carried

A&S-0723-6 Tradewaste Charges Increase – Consultation

W420-004-01

Mr Rooney advised that the purpose of the report was to report on the consultation with tradewaste customers regarding proposed tradewaste charge increases and to consider approval for the recommended tradewaste charges, and for these to be effective from 1 July 2023.

Members were advised that consultation has been completed with one response received, a copy of those comments were contained in the agenda item. A further comment had been received noting they supported the increase but were critical of how long it had been since the fees had been reviewed and increased. It was reported that the recommendation to apply an inflationary increase annually will overcome this.

It was noted there were no other comments or objections received.

During discussion members agreed that an additional recommendation be added that adopts the increases which were contained in the consultation letter now that the consultation is complete.

Cllrs Dawson/Dalliessi:

1. **That following consultation and there being no objections to the increases proposed that the increases as outlined in the report to Council on 2 March 2023 be approved.**
2. **That the new tradewaste charges be effective from 1 July 2023, noting the first invoices will be sent out in September 2023.**
3. **That Council adopt the increases contained in the consultation letter to the industry and noted below:**
 - (a) **Increasing the flow charge (l/min) to \$290.00 (GST incl.) from \$183.50 (GST incl.).**
 - (b) **Increasing the strength charge (kg per day) to \$146.00 (GST incl.) from \$106.00 (GST incl.).**
 - (c) **Ceasing the DAF charge of \$170.00 BOD (kg per day).**
 - (d) **Increasing the Wetland Charge (l/min) to \$180.00 (GST incl.) from \$151.25 (GST incl.).**
 - (e) **Introducing a new Capital Loan funding charge of \$118.00 BOD (kg per day) applied to average annual BOD.**
 - (f) **Agreeing that all charges are adjusted for CPI changes annually.**
 - (g) **Continuing the practice of applying a rates credit for Blenheim's share of the wetland charge being met via rates.**

Note a further increase to the Capital Loan funding charge to \$232.00 BOD (kg/day) from 1 July 2026 is likely.

Carried

A&S-0723-7 Speed Management Plan Sub-Committee

R800-005-03

It was noted that Council is currently undertaking consultation on the Marlborough Regional Speed Management Plan, in particular the local roads. Waka Kotahi has undertaken an Interim Speed Management Plan and is in the process of preparing a full Speed Management Plan, which will be incorporated into the Regional Plan once complete.

Mr Coningham noted that Council requires a Sub-Committee to hear and make recommendations on any submissions made on the Marlborough Regional Speed Management Plan. It was noted that three Councillors would be required to hear the submissions but it was suggested that four be appointed to provide flexibility in regard to hearing dates which are proposed for September.

The following councillors accepted the nomination - Clrs Adams, Croad, Dawson and Rosene.

Clr Faulls advised that she received a written submission which was after submission closed and sought approval for it to be received as a late submission. Members approved receipt of the late submission.

Clr Croad supported the current members selected but noted there was no Sound Ward Councillor representation on the panel and suggested that a one be added to the panel. Following discussion members agreed to the further addition and Clr Faulls was nominated and indicated her willingness to join the panel.

Clrs Croad/Rosene:

That a Sub-Committee be made up of three members from the following Councillors – J D N Croad, S R W Adams, B G Dawson, J C Rosene and B A Faulls to hear and make recommendations on any submissions made on the Marlborough Regional Speed Management Plan and report back to the Assets & Services Committee.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Maighan Watson, Council's Projects & Contracts Manager, was present for the following item.

A&S-0723-8 Horton Park Pavilion – Comparative Assessment

D050-001-A03

Ms Watson advised that the purpose of the report was to present the results of a comparative exercise undertaken for the Horton Park pavilion, comparing the rebuild costs of a new facility to a redevelopment of the existing building.

Ms Watson provided members with background information on the Horton Park Pavilion and the Marlborough Cricket Association's desire to develop and expand the existing facilities.

It was noted that at the 2021-22 Annual Plan hearings, Marlborough Cricket presented a concept for Horton Park, which saw the development of a new indoor training facility, a rebuild of the pavilion and a new car park. The development was estimated to cost \$4.8 million. In 2022 staff engaged Arthouse Architecture to prepare a concept design, which was then cost estimated by an independent quantity surveyor. The quantity surveyor estimated that the cost to redevelop the Horton Park pavilion would be \$5.76 million.

It was reported that funding of \$2,000,000 has been approved through the 2021-31 LTP for budget year 2027-28 and it is proposed that the development continue to be assessed through the 2024-2034 LTP process.

Members were advised that the Marlborough Mountain Bike Club (Club) has secured a sponsorship package for funding to build the proposed skills park at the Wither Hills Farm Park. The sponsorship package includes naming rights, logos, branding, story boards and directional signage.

It was noted that the Club will need to lodge a resource consent application for the development of the skills park given this is not a permitted activity in the zone where the skills park is to be developed. Council approval is also required for the sponsorship signage, which is not a permitted activity in the Wither Hills Management Plan or the Marlborough Environment Plan.

It was noted there would be six signs in total, located at the beginning of each track.

Members were advised that all costs associated with the proposal would be met by the club and that as each sponsorship area is secured and final design, size and placement would be approved by the appropriate Council staff (Parks and Open Spaces Officer).

Cllrs Dawson/Flight:

That Council approve the use of sponsorship logos and naming rights on signage at the Wither Hills Farm Park Mountain Bike Skills Park, subject to:

- (i) Approval of design, size and placement by Council Officers; and**
- (ii) All costs to be met by the Marlborough Mountain Bike Club.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Linda Craighead, Council's Planner - Parks & Open Spaces, was present for the following item.

A&S-0723-12 Self-contained Motor Vehicles Legislation Act
R510-005-05

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to advise Councillors of recent changes to legislation regarding freedom camping and the need to review the Marlborough District Council Responsible Camping Control Bylaw 2022 to ensure consistency with the legislation.

Members were advised that Government has introduced a national rule that now requires all freedom camping vehicles to be self-contained. It was noted that the default position is that vehicles have to have the fixed toilet but if a Council has a bylaw with areas without self-contained, as Council have at Blarich Reserve, that is not inconsistent with the national rule.

Ms Craighead advised that we do need to review our Bylaw to determine whether there is any inconsistency in the bylaw compared to the national legislation.

It was reported that the Act introduces two changes related to homelessness in the context of freedom camping. The first is a new definition identifying that a person is not freedom camping if they are not in New Zealand on a visitor visa and are unable to live in appropriate residential accommodation. If a person satisfies both criteria then they cannot be liable for any offences for freedom camping.

The second change requires a review on the impact of the reforms on those experiencing homelessness to be started two years after commencement of the Act and to be completed within a further six months (30 months after enactment). The intent of this review is to ensure that there are no negative consequences for those experiencing homelessness arising from the legislation. The review is to be undertaken by the Minister of Tourism supported by other agencies.

The freedom camping transition period was attached the agenda for members' information.

Cllrs Croad/Dawson:

That the report be received.

Carried

NB: Cllr Faulls declared an interest in the above Self-Contained Motor Vehicles Legislation Act item and did not take part in discussions nor vote on the issue.

A&S-0723-13 Information Package -

Cllrs Dawson/S Arbuckle:

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

Carried

A&S-0723-14 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded -

Cllrs S Arbuckle/Dalliessi:

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

- Property Purchase
- Property Issue
- Property Issue

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Property Purchase Property Issue Property Issue	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 11.58 am.

Record No. 23151250

5. Committee Reports

5.2 Environment & Planning Committee

Environment & Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 July 2023
(Minute Nos. Env-0723-15 to Env-0723-30)

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers and via Teams, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on THURSDAY, 13 JULY 2023 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Clrs G A Hope (Chairperson), B A Faulls (Deputy), J A Arbuckle, R J Innes, B J Minehan, T P Sowman, and Mr S Harvey (Rural Representative)

Also Present

Councillors S R W Adams and J D N Croad

In Attendance

Mr H R Versteegh (Environmental Science and Policy Group Manager) and Nicole Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Attendance via Teams

Ms G Ferguson (Consents and Compliance Group Manager)

Apologies

Clrs Hope/Faulls:

That the apology for absence from Mayor N P Taylor be received and sustained and the apologies for non-attendance from Clrs J C Rosene and S J Arbuckle be noted.

Carried

E&P-0723-15 Declaration of Interests -

No interests with items on the agenda were declared.

ATTENDANCE: Mr Matt Oliver, Council's Environmental Scientist – Land Resources was present for the following two items. Brenda Rosser (GNS - Engineering Geomorphologist) and Andrea Wolter (GNS - Engineering Geologist) were present via Teams for the following item.

**E&P-0723-16 Mapping and Field Investigations of landslides
caused by July 2021 and August 2022 Storm
Events** **E385-002-002-07**

Mr Oliver noted that the purpose of the report was to receive information on landslides and their impacts following the July 2021 and August 2022 storm events. The Marlborough 2021 and 2022 Landslide report was available on Council's website for members' information. Two powerpoint presentations were shown (presentations filed in CM Record Nos. 23153036 and 23153060).

Mr Oliver introduced Brenda Rosser and Andrea Wolter and noted the report being presented today is an accumulation of two solid years of work by them and will be a valuable resource for how hazards from landslides are managed.

There were technical issues with Teams and showing the presentation. It was agreed to end the presentation and circulate the powerpoint for members.

Members were advised that the report provided clear identification of very large numbers of landslides across the Marlborough Sounds and identified some causal factors. Mr Oliver noted that the data produced by the creation of the report needs to be further analysed with some urgency.

Members noted that in light of the recent experiences of storms elsewhere in the country and the increased intensity and frequency of storms forecast under climate change, they supported further investigation of landslides as part of a natural hazards work programme.

Members asked a number of questions at the meeting and expressed their appreciation of the work that Mr Oliver and GNS Science have undertaken. In response to a query from members in regard to the resourcing required Mr Oliver advised that producing a paper on developing a programme for presentation to the LTP would be the first step but indicated some of the work does need to be done more urgently than that.

Clr J Arbuckle acknowledged the urgency expressed and suggested that a paper be presented sooner and include consideration of other ways for financing the work. It was raised whether given its relationship to the Marlborough Sounds Future Access Study there would be a means of additional work through recovery.

The Chair proposed an amendment to point 3 of the recommendation.

In response to a query on a possible timeline to provide a risk analysis that provided more definite outcomes from the preliminary report Andrea Wolter advised that taking a number of factors into consideration it could potentially take a year to complete.

Cirs Faults/Innes:

- 1. That the report be received.**
- 2. That Council adopt the report's recommendations to improve landslide hazard risk assessment.**
- 3. That staff develop a landslip hazards programme to be incorporated into the Long Term Plan and that the programme be referred to the Environment Committee with some urgency.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Jorgia McMillan, Council's Land Resource Scientist was present for the following item.

E&P-0723-17 Soil Quality Monitoring Annual Report 2022
E355-001-001-22

Members received the Soil Quality in the Marlborough Region 2022 report. The report is available on Council's website. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153035).

It was noted that 96 sites are monitored on a five year rotation. In this investigation, soils were sampled from 17 monitoring sites which included four pasture sites, four dairy sites, six vineyards and one each for cropping, native bush and one exotic forestry site.

Members were advised that this year's results are consistent with all previous 22 years' worth of results. While many sites show good soil quality, most soils show the effects of human land use. Soil compaction, excessive levels of nitrogen and phosphorus and loss of soil carbon remain the consistent theme of this work. It was noted that 70% of sites reported soil compaction measurements outside the target range in 2022.

Ms McMillan reported that the Soil Quality Monitoring programme review has been completed and results show there has been significant land use change since 2000 and more sites to account for this are required. It is proposed that five to six sites per year be added until 2029. Additional funding support would be required after 2027.

It was noted that staff are developing an education programme to help improve soil management which target industries and activities with documented soil quality issues. Delivery will be by small-scale practical workshops/discussion groups delivered by topic experts on farm. These workshops will partner with industry (viticulture, arable and dairy) to provide practical hands-on methods to reduce impacts on soil quality on-farm. Funding for such a programme is yet to be confirmed due to other funding priorities in the Land Resources programme.

Cirs Hope/Minehan:
That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr James Mills-Kelly, Council's Land Resources Advisor, was present for the following item.

E&P-0723-18 Taylor River Improvement Programme E375-017-001

Mr Mills-Kelly noted that the purpose of the report was to provide an update on the outcomes of the Taylor River Improvement Programme. The Freshwater Improvement Fund Annual Report 2022 was separately attached to the agenda. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153033).

By way of background it was noted that the Taylor River Improvement Programme is a joint programme between MDC and Ministry for the Environment aimed at improving water quality in the Taylor River system. The programme ran from July 2018 to December 2022 and final reporting and documentation has recently been completed.

Members were advised that the programme originally aimed to deliver 55,000m² of native riparian planting and by its conclusion a total of 58,848 native plants were planted over an area of 83,025m². The programme assisted in the fencing of 4.227km of riparian margin to exclude stock, improve water quality, and protect native plantings.

The success of the programme overall is the high survival rates of the plantings with some now well established. Community buy in was excellent and Mr Mills-Kelly acknowledge the landowners who were involved and their continued efforts to looking after the plantings post the programme.

Members were advised that the application to the Freshwater Improvement Fund for a second five years on the Taylor River was unsuccessful. Although unsuccessful it is expected that we will see water quality improve over time and this will be supported by the freshwater regulations and stock exclusion regulations.

Cir Hope/Mr Harvey:
That the information be received.

Carried

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

**E&P-0723-19 Riverlands Aquifer Combined Quality/Quantity
State of the Environment Report E345-007-001**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to present the 2023 Riverlands Aquifer SoE report. The report was separately attached to the agenda (filed in CM Record No. 23153353).

Mr Davidson noted that the State of the Environment Report reviews groundwater monitoring data from the Riverlands Aquifer area and compares it to the environmental limits and anticipated environmental results defined in the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan (pMEP), which are designed to ensure sustainable management of the resource, including the avoidance of sea-water intrusion effects.

The two key messages from the report are that the amount of water that we have allocated for this aquifer is getting very close to our cut offs in the pMEP.

Mr Davidson noted that the cut offs are to protect the ground water from sea water intrusion and there are no signs of seawater intrusion having occurred based on continuous observations of groundwater electrical conductivity and level at the MDC Lagoon monitoring sentinel wells since 2001.

The key message is that we do have unallocated groundwater and it is recommended is that we do further modelling to simulate the effect of actually taking the water and what the risks would be on those thresholds.

Cirs Hope/Minehan:

1. That the information be received.
2. That the effect on coastal aquifer levels of consenting and using the unallocated groundwater from the Riverlands FMU be modelled using a numerical aquifer model and the results reported back to this committee.

Carried

E&P-0723-20 Sounds Advisory Group Terms of Reference

C230-001-M02

Clr Faulls advised that the Marlborough Sounds Advisory Group (SAG) have worked on the Terms of Reference for some time with considerable discussion and have arrived at an agreed document. The draft Terms of Reference were attached to the agenda for members' information.

The membership of the group has been reviewed with a focus on core representatives of the resident associations, iwi partners and key stakeholders including crown and industry organisations.

Cirs Faulls/Innes:

That Council approve the Sounds Advisory Group Terms of Reference.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Steffi Henkel, Council's Environmental Scientist – Water Quality, was present for the following item.

E&P-0723-21 Recreational Water Quality Report 2022-2023

E370-007-001

The Recreational Water Quality Report 2022-2023 was presented and was separately attached to the agenda for members' information. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153032).

Ms Henkel noted that the recreational water quality programme evaluates the health risk to swimmers at 16 popular swimming locations (eight beaches and eight river swimming spots) within the region.

It was reported that at the majority of sites over 80% of samples taken during the 2022/23 summer season had indicator bacteria concentrations safe for recreational activities. At three of the coastal beaches and two of the river swimming sites all samples taken were in the green mode, indicating recreational water quality safe for swimming. These sites included the two sites on the East Coast, Pukatea/Whites Bay and Waikutakuta/Robin Hood Bay as well as the two monitoring sites located on the lower Wairau River.

Members were advised that unsafe bacteria levels were observed in a small number of samples at six of the sites monitored. Of the coastal sites Momorangi had the highest number of samples in the red mode, but Picton Foreshore had the largest number of samples with bacteria concentrations above at least one of the guidelines. Of the river swimming locations, the Taylor River and Rai River had the highest number of guideline exceedances

Cirs Hope/J Arbuckle:

That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: The meeting adjourned at 10.46 am and resumed at 11.00 am.

E&P-0723-22 Te Tau Ihu Kaiwhakatere

M100-01-01

Matt Hippolite recently appointed by the Ministry for the Environment as Kaiwhakatere, or Regional Navigator, for Te Tau Ihu o te Waka-a-Maui Top of the South provided members with a powerpoint presentation introducing himself and the role he has been appointed to. (The powerpoint presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153031).

Members thanked Mr Hippolite for taking the time to speak and look forward to working together.

Cirs Hope/Sowman:
That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Pere Hawes, (Council's Manager Environmental Policy) was present for the following three items.

E&P-0723-23 Appeals on the PMEP M100-09-01

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide information on the progress with resolving appeals made to the Environment Court on the PMEP.

Mr Hawes noted that 51 notices of appeal on the PMEP were lodged with the Environment Court.

It was reported that a further three consent orders have been received from the Court. A consent order has been filed and a second consent order is anticipated to be filed later this week.

Members were advised that a significant number of appeal points made by marine farmers were placed on hold during mediation pending the notification of a decision on Variation 1. This was especially the case for appeal points in Topic 3: Natural Character, Topic 4: Landscape and Topic 5: Indigenous Biodiversity.

Variation 1 has now closed with 31 notices of appeal received which are predominantly marine farming interests with many spatially based relating to the aquaculture management area that applies to the existing marine farm. It was noted that the team will work collaboratively with the Marine Farming Association to work out an efficient way to deal with those outstanding PMEP appeals, but also the variation 1 appeals.

Cirs Hope/J Arbuckle:
That the report be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Kim Lawson, Council's Strategic Planner, was present for the following item.

E&P-0723-24 EDS Legal proceedings – NES-PF L150-018-43

Ms Lawson noted that the purpose of the report was to update the Committee on the legal proceedings filed by the Environmental Defence Society (EDS) against the Marlborough District Council (Council).

It was reported that EDS filed proceedings against the Marlborough District Council (**Council**) seeking declarations in the Environment Court that the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry (**NES-PF**) breach the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**), or its statutory purpose, for permitting harvesting (and related earthworks) in high erosion risk areas of the Marlborough Sounds.

Ms Lawson advised that the Council opposed the declarations sought and following negotiations between the parties, EDS have agreed to withdraw the proceedings against the Council and applied for the Minister for the Environment to be substituted as Respondent. The Court granted the application. The Council is no longer a party to these proceedings.

Cirs J Arbuckle/Innes:
That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr Jamie Sigmund, Council's Strategic Planner, was present for the following item.

**E&P-0723-25 National Policy Statement – Urban Development
Indicator Monitoring 2021-2022 N100-001-06-01**

Mr Sigmund noted that the purpose of the report was to present the 2021-2022 National Policy Statement Urban Development monitoring report. The report was separately attached to the agenda and available on Council's website.

Members were advised that the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 (NPS-UD) sets out objectives and policies for urban development under the Resource Management Act 1991. Councils must give effect to these objectives and policies.

Mr Sigmund noted the Council is considered 'Tier 3' under the NPS-UD 2020 and is not required to complete the full 'monitoring requirements of a tier 1 or 2 council, instead we are strongly encouraged to monitor development within our urban environments.

Mr Sigmund advised that development is underway to streamline some of this reporting to make some of it more direct public facing by way of an online dashboarding system which will enable information to be available in near real time.

In response to a query in regard to there being sufficient land available in the future, Mr Hawes advised that there was sufficient land zoned to provide for demand out to 10 years but there was a shortage towards the 30 years. Mr Hawes noted that at a previous committee meeting there had been discussion regarding medium density development and this work is ongoing and will be reported to a future Committee meeting.

Correction to the separate attachment for Item 12 of the agenda: *Page 14 of the 2021-2022 National Policy Statement Urban Development monitoring report, paragraph four ... If Council takes ... 150ha should be 154ha.*

**Cllrs Hope/Fauls:
That the report be received.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Mr Brendon Robertson, Council's Building Control Group Manager, was present for the following two items.

**E&P-0723-26 Proposed Updated Policy for Dangerous,
Earthquake-prone and Flood-prone Dams R450-006-06**

Mr Robertson noted that the purpose of the report was to present the updated policy for "Dangerous, Earthquake-prone and Flood-prone Dams". The Policy was included in the agenda item for members' information. It was noted that the policy was first introduced in 2006 as a statutory requirement pursuant to the Building Act 2004 and is required to be reviewed at five yearly intervals.

Members were advised that this policy was developed with the Dams Steering Group which Council is part of and made up of a number of regional authorities. Marlborough has the highest percentage of the Dams in New Zealand. The policy was made in conjunction with these regional authorities so the policy can be rolled out and used throughout the country.

In response to a query on whether the number of dams is known within Marlborough Mr Robertson advised that through our GIS system 178 dams have been identified. This number may increase when the Building Dam Safety Regulations come into force as dam owners will have to provide potential impact classifications.

Clr Innes moved the recommendation and proposed that four councillors be appointed to provide flexibility in availability for any Hearing. The following Councillors were nominated - Cllrs Hope, Sowman, Innes and Adams.

Clr Adams declared a conflict of interest and withdrew his nomination from the Committee.

Clr Hope then proposed that the Sub-Committee be left at three and if necessary a councillor could be seconded if required. Clr Innes was supportive of the proposal.

Cirs Innes/Minehan:

1. **That Council approve consultation of the proposed Dangerous Dams Policy 2023 using special consultative procedures under s83 of the Local Government Act 2002.**
2. **That a Sub-Committee be made up of the following Councillors – Cirs G A Hope, T P Sowman, R J Innes to hear and make recommendations on any submissions made on the Proposed Updated Policy for Dangerous, Earthquake-prone and Flood-prone Dams and report back to the Environment & Planning Committee.**

Carried

E&P-0723-27 Building (Dam Safety) Regulations 2022

R450-026-01

Mr Robertson provided members with a background to the dam safety regulations and an overview of dam owners responsibilities. Included in the discussion was Council's role as a regional authority. The regulations are proposed to provide a nationally consistent approach to dam safety. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153025).

It was noted that the Building (Dam Safety) Regulations 2022 take effect from the 13 May 2024. From that date dam owners will need to assess their dams to determine whether they fall within the scope of the regulations. Dams that fit within the regulations will be categorised as a classifiable dam. There will be numerous guides for land and property owners to assist them but it will need to be signed off by a registered engineer.

It was noted that the next steps will be to continue educating dam owners of their roles and responsibilities through advertising and via a mail out. To develop a fee schedule for dams that aligns with other Regulatory Authorities. A special consultative fees paper will be presented when the proposed fees have been set.

The implementation timelines were attached to the agenda for members' information.

Cirs Innes/Hope:

That the information be received.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Ms Sasha Gardiner, Council's Environmental Health Technician and Ms Georgia Murrin, Council's Environmental Health Officer, were present for the following item.

E&P-0723-28 Markets/Events Inspections – Update

E350-004-009-02

It was noted that the purpose of the report was to provide an update to the Committee on the inspections undertaken by the Environmental Health Team of markets and events in Marlborough from 1 July 2022 to June 2023. To highlight this report a powerpoint presentation was shown (presentation filed in CM Record No. 23153024).

Ms Gardiner reported that Environmental Health Officers and Technicians continue to routinely inspect markets and events in Marlborough to ensure compliance with the legislative requirements of the Health Act 1956, the Food Act 2014 and the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. The purpose of these inspections is to ensure public safety, education and that these events and operators are meeting legislative requirements.

To date the Environment Health Team have inspected 14 Markets. Of the 14 markets inspected there have been no significant non-compliances noted.

Members were advised that before an event commences the team often works with the event organisers and provides educational pamphlets to stall holders detailing requirements such as handwashing, temperature controls and knowing allergens within the foods. An educative approach is usually the first step to resolve any minor issues or concerns.

Cirs Sowman/Hope:
That the information be received.

Carried

E&P-0723-29 Animal Control Sub-Committee D050-001-A04

The minutes of the Animal Control Sub-Committee meeting held on 23 April 2023 were presented for ratification by the Committee.

Cirs Fauls/Sowman:
That the minutes of the Animal Control Sub-Committee meeting held on 20 April 2023 be ratified.

Carried

E&P-0723-30 Information Package -

Cirs Hope/Sowman:
That the Regulatory Department Information Package dated be received and noted.

Carried

The meeting closed at 12.02 pm.

Record No: 23154202

5. Committee Reports

5.3 Economic, Finance & Community Committee

Economic, Finance & Community Committee Meeting held on 25 July 2023
(Minute Nos. EFC-0723-31 to EFC-0723-45)



**Report and Minutes of a Meeting of the
ECONOMIC, FINANCE & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
held in the Council Chambers and via Teams, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim
on TUESDAY 25 JULY 2023 commencing at 9.00 am**

Present

Clrs J A Arbuckle (Chairperson), S J Arbuckle, J D N Croad, R J Innes, M R K Flight, G A Hope, B J Minehan, J C Rosene, T P Sowman and S R W Adams (from 9.10am)

Present via Teams

Clr D A Dalliessi

In Attendance

Mr D G Heiford (Manager, Economic, Community & Support Services), Ms C Lakes, Council's Financial Services Manager and Ms N Chauval (Committee Secretary)

Apologies

Clrs Croad/J Arbuckle:

That the apologies for absence from Mayor Nadine Taylor, Clrs B G Dawson (Deputy), B A Faulks and A R Burgess, and the apology for lateness from Clr S R W Adams be received and sustained.

Carried

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting noting that the order of the agenda would be altered with Item 10 (Marlborough District Libraries – Looking Back at the Year Ended 30 June 2023) moved to be heard before Item 3 (Annual Workplan - Economic Development Team).

EFC-0723-31 Declaration of Interests -

No interests with items on the agenda were declared.

ATTENDANCE: Clr Adams joined the meeting at 9.10 am during the following item.

ATTENDANCE: Glenn Webster, Council's District Libraries Manager, was present for the following item.

**EFC-0723-32 Marlborough District Libraries – Looking Back
at the Year Ended 30 June 2023 L130-018-001-02**

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to provide members with an update on library services for the year ending 30 June 2023.

Mr Webster reported that the school holiday programmes have been well attended with a variety of activities offered at both libraries. Topics have included - A Code Cracker challenge; Scheduled story times with drop-in craft and activities; Colouring in; Lego in a cup challenge; Lego, Duplo and Games available to play.

The summer reading programme had 424 participants register for the programme across both libraries, with 224 children completing all four brief book reviews to claim their prizes. The emphasis this year has been on participation.

Noted that the two new programmes, LEOG Club and Fiero Coding Club, have been hugely successful with high numbers of participants. There is a large range of adult programme opportunities and services available including Book a Librarian which provides one on one device advice, family history research and assistance completing online forms, downloading apps etc.

programme to see how it might work for other sectors. It was noted there has been two new groups come on board - Aviation and Aerospace and Wine Waste and Viticulture Group.

It was noted that the economic development team also manages the Screen Marlborough Regional Film Office for the region. The plan for Screen Marlborough, including accountability and key performance indicators, will be presented separately to a future Committee meeting.

Cllrs Croad/Hope:

- 1. That Council approves and adopts the new way of work planning and reporting by the Economic Development Team.**
- 2. That Council approves the Economic Development draft Annual Workplan 2023/24.**

Carried

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

EFC-0723-34 Regional Events Update E100-002-011

Ms Young noted the contents of the report contained in the agenda and provided the following additional update.

Garden Marlborough tickets went on sale yesterday, this is the 30th anniversary of the event. There was a ticket waiting list and opening ticket day was very successful with some workshops sold out. Ticket sales have surpassed last years numbers.

South Island Master Games –this event was secured through the Bid Fund for 2021 and 2023; and has been secured for 2025. This year's event is scheduled for 10-23 October. Registrations are going well with 1200 registrations received to-date which is on par with last year and 2021. 1200 registrations have been received. It was noted that football and netball team numbers are slightly lower than previously although football has 40 teams registered so far. Registrations for individual sports are much higher than previously.

Members were advised that the FollowMe stats have not been included in the Information Package as an error in the reporting figures has been identified. Work is underway to resolve. Ms Young noted that Destination Marlborough's figures are also affected. Once resolved the reports will be included.

The Chair requested that for future reports on the Marlborough Events Centre that more detailed information on booking numbers and events be provided.

Cllrs Croad/Rosene:

That the information be received.

Carried

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

EFC-0723-35 MDC Youth Council Plan 2023 C150-002-018-01

Members noted that the purpose of the report was to advise the goals and objectives of the 2023 Youth Council.

It was noted that the Youth Council have signed off on the Marlborough Youth Council Action Plan 2023, the plan was included with the agenda item for members' information. Some of the previous objectives have been retained but the new Youth Council have included objectives they see as relevant for them. There is also space for new opportunities/ideas to be included as they come up.

Ms Griffiths advised that the highlights for the Youth Council are social media which is tracking really well and members are invited to 'follow' the Youth Council Facebook and Instagram page. Youth Council have set a goal to achieve 500 followers on Instagram. To encourage sign up a Cinema has been booked and double passes will be given away to celebrate reaching 500 followers.

The Youth Council are wanting to hear what Marlborough youth want and have created an online survey ad has been sent schools and student networks. To-date 108 responses have been received. The survey results will feed into a Youth Sector hui on Thursday. All of the youth sector have been invited and this supports the continuing mahi around youth organisations working together for the benefit of Marlborough's young people.

Cirs Rosene/Flight:

That Council approve and adopt the Youth Council Plan for 2023.

Carried

EFC-0723-36 Small Townships Programme Sub-Committee

D050-001-S03

The Minutes of the Small Townships Programme Sub-Committee meeting held on 26 June 2023 were attached for ratification by the Committee.

Cirs Adams/S Arbuckle:

That the Minutes of the Small Townships Programme Sub-Committee meeting held on 26 June 2023 be ratified.

Carried

EFC-0723-37 Housing for Seniors Sub-Committee

D050-001-H01

The Minutes of the Housing for Seniors Sub-Committee meeting held on 27 June 2023 were attached for ratification by the Committee.

Cirs Croad/J Arbuckle:

That the Minutes of the Housing for Seniors Sub-Committee meeting held on 27 June 2023 be ratified.

Carried

EFC-0723-38 Audit & Risk Sub-Committee

D050-001-A05

The Minutes of the Audit & Risk Sub-Committee meetings held on 28 June 2023 were attached for ratification by the Committee.

Cirs J Arbuckle/Adams:

That the Minutes of the Audit & Risk Sub-committee meeting held on 28 June 2023 be ratified.

Carried

EFC-0723-39 Long Term Plan Working Group

D050-001-L21

The Minutes of the Long Term Plan Working Group meeting held on 29 June 2023 were attached for ratification by the Committee.

Comment from or highlights at the meeting included:

* Communication work stream – A paper is being prepared for discussion at a future Council meeting.

Cirs Croad/Hope:

That the Minutes of the Long Term Plan Working Group meeting held on 29 June 2023 be ratified.

Carried

ATTENDANCE: Meeting adjourned at 10.07 am and resumed at 10.16 am

EFC-0723-42 Debtors Overdue Reports as at 30 June 2023

Ms Lake presented the Debtors Overdue Reports as at 30 June 2023 to members.

Members were advised that the Current and 30 – 90 Days balance includes a large Development Contribution invoice of \$800k which has been paid in May 2023. It also had a large government department invoice which was credited and recharged in May.

It was reported that the 90 Days balance includes several Development Contribution invoices that will be paid once the building project is near completion. It also includes a number of invoices that are in dispute.

The Property Leases and Licences Debtors Report as at 31 May 2023 was attached to the agenda for Councillors' information.

Cllrs Croad/J Arbuckle:
That the information be received.

Carried

EFC-0723-43 Rates Report as at 30 June 2023 F270-36-21

Ms Lake noted that the purpose of the report was to advise the Council of the rates position as at 30 June 2023.

The Rate Levies Status Report and Rate Arrears Aged Balance Report as at 30 June 2023 was attached to the agenda item for members' information.

Members were advised that as at 30 June 98.45% of the 2022-2023 rates had been collected which is comparable to last year's collection rate of 98.58%

The value of the penalty run on 7 July was \$93,408 and whilst the number of properties was lower than last year the total dollar amount in arrears was more than the \$72,489 for last year.

It was noted that the Rates Team are continuously working with ratepayers and working with them to provide suitable repayment options if required. Staff continue to promote direct debit as a preferred method of payment and rates on 13,510 properties are now paid this way. This equates to 50% of ratepayers choosing this method of payment. This is an increase from 13,003 last year.

Application for rates rebates open on 1 August and staff will specifically be available to answer inquiries and assist with completing applications.

Cllrs J Arbuckle/Adams:
That the information be received.

Carried

EFC-0723-44 Information Package -

Cllrs Minehan/Innes:
That the Economic, Finance & Community Information Package dated be received and noted.

Carried

EFC-0723-45 **Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded**

Cllrs J Arbuckle/Croad:

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

- Sub-Committee Minutes (Public Excluded Sections
- Debtors Report

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Debtors Report	In order to protect the privacy of natural persons, as provided for under Section 7(2)(a).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried

The meeting closed at 10.56 am.

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Annexure


Public Forum

1. **Beth Tester** (Chief Executive – Kimi Hauora Wairau Marlborough Primary Health NZ) and **Mark Peters** (Chair – Board Marlborough Primary Health NZ). Attached as Appendix 1
2. **Annie Percy** (Greypower) **Neville White and Nicki Kitson** (Rotary) – Topic: Being prepared. Refer Appendix 2.
3. **Corey Heberd** – Topic: Matariki event. A video was shown and a Mānawatia a Matariki booklet and beanie were distributed to those present. Link to the video <https://f.io/Qiw1ehPt>

Action – Investigate future MBIE Mataraki Funding and submit a paper to an Economic, Finance & Community Committee meeting (Dean Heiford)

4. Kelvin Patterson - Topic: Democracy Issues. Mr Patterson was unable to attend and provided a written presentation. Attached as Appendix 3.

Appendix 1



Marlborough Primary Health
KIMI HAUORA WAIKAU · SEEKING WELLBEING IN MARLBOROUGH

KNOW THE RIGHT PROFESSIONAL

Patient resources

Local Pharmacies

Health Coaches

Health Improvement Practitioners

Clinical pharmacist

Nurse Prescribers


Nurse Practitioners

Registered Nurses

Practice Plus

GP – Family Doctor

Urgent Care



Health Navigator website is one place for New Zealanders to find health information and self-care resources. <https://www.healthnavigator.org.nz>

Pharmacists are qualified to provide advice and treatment for:

☞ Athletes Foot	☞ Covid vaccinations and antivirals	☞ Head lice	☞ Sore throats & earache for less than 3 days
☞ B12 injection	☞ Dry skin, nappy rash, small patches of impetigo (less than 3 areas), abrasions, bruises, insect bites & sunburn	☞ Mouth ulcers	☞ Smoking cessation
☞ Constipation	☞ Emergency contraception	☞ Pregnancy vaccinations	☞ Thrush (between ages 16 to 65)
☞ Cold Sores		☞ Pain relief	☞ UTI (between ages 16 - 65, not pregnant)
☞ Coughs and Colds		☞ Piles	☞ Warts & verruca's
☞ Conjunctivitis for those aged over 2 years		☞ Flu vaccinations	
☞ Contraceptive pill		☞ Hay-fever	

Our Health Coaches offer advice, support and help navigate you towards community support: (All consultations are free of charge)

☞ Quitting smoking	☞ Advice on benefits, housing, home care, children's and older people's services, family support.	☞ Help and advice on financial matters, benefits such as WINZ and job seeking
☞ Drugs & alcohol support	☞ Exercise tips and support	☞ Diet and lifestyle support
☞ Pre-Diabetes advice		
☞ Setting health goals		

Our Health Improvement Practitioners can help with: (All consultations are free of charge)

☞ Anxiety	☞ Lifestyle changes	☞ Social Isolation	☞ Stress/Burnout
☞ Mental Health	☞ Depression	☞ Sleep problems	

Clinical Pharmacists at your GP can:

☞ 3-6 monthly medication reviews	☞ Assist with patients wishing to potentially decrease their medication	☞ Offer education session for patients on their medication
☞ Offer advice on any medication problems/queries	☞ Blood pressure	☞ Long term conditions management

Our Nurse Prescribers and Community Nurse Prescribers can:

☞ Prescribe and treat minor ailments such as rash/spots, wound infections, eczema etc.	☞ Long term conditions	☞ Treat minor ear & eye infections
	☞ UTI & STI checks + treatment	☞ Blood pressure reviews
	☞ Diabetes check + treatment	

AND can help with multiple medical conditions including:

☞ 3-6 monthly med reviews	☞ Driver's licence medicals	☞ Long term conditions clinic – review conditions such as;
☞ ACC injury assessment + registration	☞ Women's health (contraception, menopause, breast concerns)	Asthma, COPD, Heart Failure, Gout, Cardiovascular disease
☞ Eczema + other skin conditions		

Our Registered Nurses are able to do:

☞ Blood pressure checks	☞ Contraception	☞ Travel consults + vaccination
☞ Wound management	☞ Spirometry	☞ Ear Suctioning
☞ Child Immunisations	☞ Infusions	☞ Other vaccinations
☞ Cervical Screening		

Practice Plus is:

☞ Same day clinical appointment	☞ Weekdays 5pm – 10pm	☞ You will be contacted about your results
☞ Prescriptions sent to your Pharmacy	☞ Public Holidays 8am – 8pm	

Our GP's can:

☞ Assess and treat all ailments, conditions and diseases.	☞ Steroid Injections	☞ Long-Acting Reversible Contraception removal + insertions, such as IUD's & Implants
☞ Minor surgeries etc.	☞ Sports medicine	
	☞ Medicals	

Urgent Care can:

☞ Urgent health care appointment	☞ Accident and injury treatment	☞ 8am to 8pm daily
☞ GP & Nurse visit	☞ X-Ray services	
☞ For patients who cannot see their GP	☞ Visitors to Marlborough needing treatment	

*Not available in all Practices

Credit: Civic Family Health Care

Appendix 2

BEING PREPARED – A Pilot Project Report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

‘Before anything else, preparation is the key to success’ Alexander Graham Bell

The threat of a natural disaster in New Zealand is ever present. Whether an earthquake, a resultant tsunami or adverse weather, these catastrophic events can wreak havoc on our landscapes, our own homes, and livelihoods. In our country, these events are not a case of if they will occur, but of when.

According to the National Emergency Management Agency, talking to others in our community is one of the best ways for us all to prepare for such emergencies. This was at the heart of the approach taken in a pilot project by Rotary Blenheim South and Grey Power Marlborough to ascertain the level of preparedness of the older members of our community. The pilot included the provision of a home visit to discuss and determine the level of preparation of the participants and to provide information to support their planning for an emergency.

Overall, the feedback from those visited was very positive. Many remarked how they had appreciated the reminder to review their emergency plan and that they felt reassured having had the conversation and receiving the information provided.

This pilot project over a period of two months in early 2023 determined that there is a need in our community for this service.

Almost two thirds of the people initially contacted agreed to participate. All people visited accepted the Easy as 1,2,3 handout which sets out basic concepts of planning for emergencies. Further, over 1 in 3 people visited accepted assistance with securing potentially dangerous objects in their homes. Of concern was that only 2 out of the 17 people visited knew of Brian FM and that it would be used by Emergency Management Marlborough to communicate warnings and advice to the community, in the event of a civil defence emergency.

While it was clearly evident that older people’s basic emergency planning could be greatly enhanced, further work and assistance is required to define the parameters of the service. Consultation within our community is required to avoid duplication of resources with other organisations who may be already providing a parallel or similar service.

BACKGROUND

Each year New Zealanders experience around 20,000 earthquakes¹ although the majority of these are of a magnitude 4.9 or less and so are not felt by the population. In addition, New Zealand by virtue of its latitude in the southern hemisphere and its relatively small land mass, is considered a windy country². This exposes us to extreme winds and flooding caused by heavy or prolonged rainfall.

Earthquakes, high winds, and flooding are not all the environmental risks that we face living in Marlborough

Recent weather-related events in our country and our own district have highlighted the need for all of us to ‘Get Ready’ to ensure we are best prepared for these and other causes of a national emergency.

¹ [GeoNet: Earthquake FAQ](#)

² [Extreme weather - winds and tornadoes | NIWA](#)

CURRENT SITUATION

Following the flooding that hit the town of Westport in 2022 and the involvement of Rotary Blenheim South in support the recovery of its residents, Rotary was approached by Grey Power Marlborough to support them in assisting their members on preparing for natural emergencies. Initial conversations included a representative of Emergency Management Marlborough, ensuring that discussions and planning were in line with the current thinking and ideas around emergency preparedness.

According to the National Emergency Management Agency, talking to others in our community is one of the best ways for us all to prepare for an emergency³.

THE PILOT PROJECT

The collaboration in a pilot project by Rotary Blenheim South and Grey Power was aimed at ascertaining the level of preparedness of the older members of our community. These potential participants would be identified through a search of the Grey Power membership database.

Agreement was reached between the two parties above on the way forward. As part of this process a number of consultation meetings were held with Marlborough's Emergency Services Team via Catherine Coates, Group Welfare Manager

Grey Power, as the holder of their member's information database, identified and made the initial contact to ascertain if the people they had identified met the criteria for the pilot, to invite them to participate in the pilot project. It was outlined that this initially would include a home visit by the pilot project team being representatives of Grey Power and Rotary Blenheim South.

The criteria for invitation to participate in the Being Prepared pilot project were:

- Living in their own home
- May be individuals or couples.
- Age 75 plus
- Living in the Blenheim township only

The pilot project ran from Friday 3 February 2023 to Friday 24 March 2023. For the purposes of the pilot project, visits were grouped in small groups largely centred on a geographical area i.e., a suburb of Blenheim. No visits were conducted outside of the Blenheim residential area.

Overall, 27 members of Grey Power were identified as meeting the project criteria and of these:

10 - people declined the invitation to participate as:

2 - didn't want anybody coming into their home

8 - felt they were well set up and in a lot of these family who would be available to offer direct support in the event of an emergency.

17 - people were visited in their homes by Annie Percy [Grey Power], Neville White and Nicki Kitson [Rotary Blenheim South] over the period of the pilot project.

In addition, four of the people that didn't require a visit did say they would appreciate the '123 Flyer & the Brian FM frequencies sticker delivered to their letter box – this was done by Annie Percy.

³ [Make a plan — Get Ready — Emergency preparedness in New Zealand](#)

Home Visits

The focus of the home visit was on how prepared people thought they were in the event of a natural emergency such as an earthquake or flood.

The format of the visit with each participant was based on conversational style and participants were not pressured or obliged to accept the information or assistance that was on offer.

If the offer of practical assistance, for example securing bookcases, cabinets, and televisions to the wall, was accepted by participants, this was provided by a member of Rotary Blenheim South. This required a follow-up home visit later.

For the purposes of the pilot and given the low numbers, materials, i.e., brackets, ties and screws, and labour were provided free of charge by Rotary.

In some instances, the occurrence of these home visits was timely for some participants as emergency preparedness was top of mind, with the recent occurrence of cyclones Hale and Gabrielle and their impact on North Island's east coast.

Pilot Project Outcomes

On average the length of time for each visit was around 40 minutes.

All participants visited were offered the following written materials:

- **'123 Flyer'** - was accepted by **all** participants.
- **Brian FM frequency sticker** - was accepted by **15** participants.
- **'Emergency Plan'** document **10** people visited were given.
- **'What would you do'** booklet – was accepted by **1** participant

Of note, apart from 2 participants, there was no knowledge of Brian FM let alone that it is the station that Emergency Management Marlborough utilizes for its communication in a local emergency event.

There were 8 people that required follow up assistance with securing items such as Televisions, bookcases, or cabinets to walls.

Overall, the feedback from the people who were visited was very positive. Many remarked how they had appreciated the reminder and assistance in reviewing their level of preparedness and that they felt reassured having had that conversation.

Beyond those conversation, the opportunity for participants, especially those with no family living locally, to access the practical support from the members of Rotary Blenheim South to secure cabinets, bookshelves, and televisions from falling on them in the event of an earthquake was welcomed with a sense of relief. In these instances, they understood what needed to be done but did not have the access to the resources or ability to undertake these tasks themselves

Recommendation

Although the pilot project by its very nature, was limited in the number of people reached, it undoubtedly proved that there is a need for this service within at least our Blenheim community.

Therefore, further work needs to be undertaken to define the parameters of this service and to widely consult within the community to avoid duplication of resources and time of other organizations who may be already providing a parallel service.

Next Steps

- 1. Pilot Project Sign-Off:** the governance arms of the two organisations involved in the Pilot Project, Grey Power Marlborough, and Rotary Blenheim South, need to receive, and accept the outcomes of the pilot project and confirm the commitment of their organisation's ongoing involvement.
Following the sign-off by these two organisations, discussions will be had with Emergency Management Marlborough as the expert leaders of emergency management in our region.
- 2. Consultation:** if ongoing involvement is confirmed wider consultation is required with key stakeholders and other organizations who are already working in similar roles in our community. It is envisaged that this consultation will be ongoing.
- 3. Collaboration:** if similar services are already available in our community, to meet and explore with them the opportunities to work together and thereby limit the numbers of people visiting the people receiving the service.
- 4. Service Outline:** following the above steps and on the premise that this service is to continue in some format, a service outline of how it will operate to ensure its effectiveness and sustainability will be formulated and include a period of consultation.

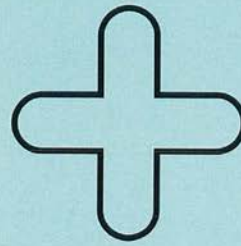
Pilot Project Team:

Annie Percy
Vice President
Grey Power
June 2023

Neville White
President
Rotary Blenheim South

Nicki Kitson
Director
Rotary Blenheim South

MORE IDEAS



+ STAY INFORMED

In an emergency listen to your radio, at home or in your car.

We know that Brian FM is not to everyone's taste, but it's worth knowing how to tune in for important local news, broadcast live from Marlborough Emergency Management in an emergency. Put this sticker on your radio so you know how to tune in.

Radio station frequencies

- 100.9 - Blenheim
- 105.9 - Picton & Awatere Valley
- 104.3 - Seddon
- 105.9 - Ward
- 100.1 - Havelock
- 105.9 - Okiwi Bay & French Pass
- 100.3 - Kaikoura



+ DON'T HAVE A SPARE TORCH OR A BATTERY RADIO?

If family or friends are asking what you'd like for a birthday or Christmas present, suggest a torch or a radio, or even a 'gift' of time to help you put together your emergency plan.

+ TALK ABOUT IT!

Emergencies can be just another thing to worry about. Like anything else, it's good to talk with other people about the things you could do to make your planning easier.

And if you can plan, then you're going to do a whole lot better in an emergency.

There's more information in the attached brochure. Take a look through and talk it over with your friends, family or whānau and neighbours.



Being ready for an emergency doesn't have to be over-whelming. Here's some quick tips to start with.

EASY AS 1 2 3



RESEARCH

Find out what emergencies could affect you and know what to do.

How? Ask the friendly staff at Marlborough Emergency Management (we used to be called Civil Defence). Contact us by ringing Marlborough District Council on 03 520 7400.

PLAN

Plan for what you can do in an emergency.

Have some emergency supplies of food, water a torch and a radio with spare batteries.

Hint: Don't try to do it all at once! Think about what you already have in your pantry before you start buying supplies.

PROTECT

Make your home safe by securing items that could fall.

Need help? Contact the Grey Power office on 03 578 4950 and we can send someone to assess what needs to be done.

Appendix 3

Good morning to you all.

It is an honour to speak here. I come, unknown to all of you, and I speak to you whilst holding an awareness that you all put your names forward for your roles in the council with the express intention of doing all you can for your fellow citizen. This, I feel, offers an expression of integrity.

Thankyou.

I appreciate a moment to speak here and will cover the subject of democracy. Apart from the obvious breach of this important part of New Zealand politics in the last three years, this has been happening for some time before what has now become obvious.

There is a group called the Committee of 300. The members of this group, who seek fervently to remain anonymous, also refer to themselves as, 'The Olympians.' It is this group who have an agenda which they seek to fulfil, and are using stealth as a means of enacting this. The methods applied use entities they have created, which appear to the layperson as appropriate to the community. One such tool is the United Nations. Environmentalist groups are also included, where the perpetual fear generated in proposing the climate catastrophe, keeps the populous in a state of psychological disarray, never knowing when the planet will change catastrophically.

Much of this distraction is driven by the Tavistock Institute of Human Relations, which is the main manipulation tool of the Committee of 300. The Tavistock Institute and its ability to influence vast numbers of populations in all countries in a short space of time, and the psychological persuasion they offer, is being embraced by the UN. This filters through their subsidiaries like the World Health Organization (WHO), UN, Governments and on down to local councils, globally.

What is not seen is another form of influence, the International Council on Local Environmental Initiatives. (ICLEI). ICLEI has been engaged by the UN to enact Agenda's 21 and 2030. Many would rather not speak on the subject of the two Agenda's, and politicians shy quickly away from, or dismiss the subject as something that is helpful for you and I. The Agenda's are for real and offer massive levels of control and no longevity, to you and I alike.

Where the breach of the democratic process comes into effect, is the work put into making everything appear as if it comes directly from you, the council. Because this appears as such to the citizens of each community, it is accepted, by default, that the democratic process is in good health. This is not so. The Committee of 300 do put into political positions those who are important to the fulfilment of their agenda. This has been done on numerous occasions, which poses the question, 'Is this happening in New Zealand?'

There is a book written by Dr. John Coleman, who, in his working life was a Professional Intelligence Officer in the USA. The positions he held and links to sources many will not reach, made it possible to gain access to many classified documents and put together coverage of a snippet of the Committee of 300, their intentions, and many who are responsible for heinous criminal activity. With a view to New Zealand remaining a democratic country, or working our way back to one, I have a link to the content of the book as a pdf, or should you prefer to read a hard copy, a different link, where you can read for yourselves the truth behind the democratic downfall in many countries, and those who are creating this. This is a book which has been compiled from legal documents, thus is not an opinion piece. I suggest this with the express intention that those in positions of influence read it and are thus informed to make decisions that come directly from a democratic standpoint, rather than a political narrative where the source is never known.

Rosa Koire has also spoken about the intent of UN Agenda's 21 and 2030, since 1992. Rosa became aware of the emerging threat when she was working in the real estate field, and noticed changes in the rights people had with their properties. This created the need to dig deeper and find the true intent of those documents. As she uncovered more, she worked tirelessly speaking to as many agencies and community groups across the USA as she could, and was on a New Zealand radio interview at one time. A book she wrote covering her findings is,

[*Behind the Green Mask.*](#)

Again, if her knowledge is not known to you, this is another source from which to draw and become enabled with another level of awareness from which you can offer truth to the community.

Agenda 21 was signed by Jim Bolger and Agenda 2030 by John Key, both from the National Party, and both signed without a public referendum or offering awareness to the people the detrimental effect the two Agenda's will have on this country. On account the intent in the Agenda's, the signing of them, outside of letting the people know the intent, was undemocratic.

Thankyou.

Links:

Conspirators' Hierarchy

Book:

<https://www.fishpond.co.nz/Books/Conspirators-Hierarchy-Coleman-John/9780922356577>

Online: <https://www.cia.gov/library/abbottabad-compound/>

Rosa Koire

[Rosa Koire - Part 1](#)

[Rosa Koire - Part 2](#)

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[Rosa Koire - Part 4](#)

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