



**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Marlborough District Council  
held in the Council Chambers and via Zoom, 15 Seymour Street, Blenheim  
on THURSDAY 28 OCTOBER 2021 commencing at 9.00 am**

### **Present in Council Chambers**

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

### **Present by Zoom**

Clr M J Fitzpatrick.

### **In Attendance**

Messrs M S Wheeler (Chief Executive) and M J Porter (Democratic Services Manager).

### **Karakia**

The meeting opened with a karakia.

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

### **Apology**

**Cirs Taylor/Brooks:**

**That the apology for absence from Clr T P Sowman be received and sustained.**

**Carried**

## **Cncl-1021-119 Declaration of Interests** -

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

A number of declarations were noted in the agenda:

- The various interests as declared under Minute Nos. Cncl-0921-73;
- The various interests as declared under Minute No. PF&C-1021-105 (refer Minute Nos. PF&C-1021-109, PF&C-1021-111 and PF&C-1021-e-20); and
- The interests as declared by Clr Taylor at the meeting (Minute Nos. PF&C-1021-115 and PF&C-1021-116).

## **Cncl-1021-120 Confirmation of Minutes** -

Mr Wheeler was asked if there had been a response to the letter sent to the Minister of Local Government (refer Minute No. Cncl-0921-79 – Three Waters Reform). Mr Wheeler advised that the letter had been acknowledged but not responded to.

**The Mayor/Clr Arbuckle:**

**That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16 September 2021 (Minute Nos. Cncl-0921-73 to Cncl-0921-80) be taken as read and confirmed.**

**Carried**

## Committee Reports

### Cncl-1021-121 Assets & Services Committee -

Clrs Taylor/Fitzpatrick:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. A&S-0921-81 to A&S-0921-88 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

### Cncl-1021-122 Environment Committee -

Clr Hope refuted the comments attributed to him in the Stuff article "Plant rediscovered in lagoon decades after last sighting" (Minute No. Env-1021-97 – Wairau Lagoon State of the Environment Monitoring refers).

The Mayor/Clr Oddie:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. Env-1021-93 to Env-1021-105 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

### Cncl-1021-123 Planning, Finance & Community Committee -

Clrs Croad/Peters:

That the Committee report contained within Minute Nos. PF&C-1021-105 to PF&C-1021-118 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

### Cncl-1021-124 Grants Sub-Committee -

Clrs Andrews/Brooks:

That the Sub-Committee report contained within Minute Nos. Grnt-1021-89 to Grnt-1021-92 be received and the recommendations adopted.

Carried

### Cncl-1021-125 2022 Council Meeting Schedule D050-001-01

Attached to the Agenda for consideration was the draft schedule of meetings for 2022. At the meeting it was requested that the election date be inserted.

The Mayor/Clr Taylor:

That the meeting schedule for 2022 be approved.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9.10 am to allow Council to discuss, with the media present, the recent announcements in regard to Three Waters. The meeting resumed at 10.12 am

## Cncl-1021-126 Decision to Conduct Business with the Public Excluded

The Mayor/Clr Croad:

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

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

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

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

Carried

The meeting closed at 10.13 am.

Confirmed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021

J C LEGGETT  
MAYOR

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