



6 August 2020

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the **Ordinary Meeting of Council** will be held in the **Council Chambers, Stratford District Council, Miranda Street, Stratford** on **Tuesday 11 August 2020** at **4.00pm**.

Timetable for 11 August 2020 as follows:

1.00pm	Tikanga Training
2.45pm	Workshop for Councillors - 3 Waters Reforms
3.45pm	Afternoon tea for Councillors
4.00pm	Ordinary Meeting

Yours faithfully



Sven Hanne
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

2020 - Agenda - Ordinary - August (11/08/2020)

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ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY 11 AUGUST 2020 AT 4.00 PM

A G E N D A

1. **WELCOME**
2. **APOLOGIES**
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
4. **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTEREST**
Elected members to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.
5. **ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE**
Attendance schedule for Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings.
6. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**
 - 6.1 **Policy & Services Committee Meeting – 14 July 2020 – Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy Hearing**
D20/18857 (Pages 7-11)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the confirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee, to hear and consider submissions to the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy, held on Tuesday 14 July 2020 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee, to hear and consider submissions to the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy, held on Tuesday 14 July 2020 be adopted.

Moved/Seconded

- 6.2 **Ordinary Meeting – 14 July 2020**
D20/18831 (Pages 12-16)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 14 July 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved/Seconded

6.3 **Audit & Risk Committee Meeting –21 July 2020**
D20/20660 (Pages 17-25)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 July 2020 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 July 2020 be adopted.

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Moved/Seconded

6.4 **Policy and Services Committee Meeting – 28 July 2020**
D20/12016 (Pages 26-35)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy and Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 28 July 2020 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee meeting, including those in the public excluded section, held on Tuesday 28 July 2020 be adopted.

_____/_____
Moved/Seconded

7. **DISTRICT MAYOR'S REPORT**
D20/20917 (Pages 36-39)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the District Mayor's report be received.
2. THAT Council approves that an Extraordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday 25 August 2020 at 2.00pm.

_____/_____
Moved/Seconded

8. **INFORMATION REPORT – FARM AND AERODROME
COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

D20/20224 (Pages 40-45)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the amended Farm and Aerodrome Committee Terms of Reference be received and noted.

Recommended Reason

This report is to formalise the final updated Terms of Reference for the Farm and Aerodrome Committee, recommended by the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting in June 2020, and approved by Council at the Ordinary meeting on 14 August 2020.

_____/_____
Moved/Seconded

9. **DECISION REPORT – PROPOSED LOCATION OF NEW AQUATIC
CENTRE**

D20/20224 (Pages 46-78)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.
- 2a. THAT Council reiterate its earlier decision to co-locate the new aquatic centre with the TET Multi Sport Centre and instruct staff to proceed with seeking the Minister of Conservation’s consent pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977,

OR

- 2b. THAT Council take public feedback into consideration as well as the pros and cons of the various site options and instruct staff to bring back a further report in order to reconsider the location of the new aquatic centre.

Recommended Reason

In view of the majority of the small number of submitters to the request for public feedback, Council may wish to reconsider its earlier decision to co-locate the new aquatic centre with the TET Multi Sport Centre.

_____/_____
Moved/Seconded

10. **QUESTIONS**



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5. Attendance schedule for 2019-2020 Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings.

Date	29/10/19	12/11/19	10/12/19	11/02/20	10/03/20	14/04/20	12/05/20	09/06/20	14/07/20	11/08/20	08/09/20	13/10/20	10/11/20
Meeting	I	O	O	O	O	O (AV)	O (AV)	O	O	O	O	O	O
Neil Volzke	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Grant Boyde	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Rick Coplestone	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Peter Dalziel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Jono Erwood	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Amanda Harris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Alan Jamieson	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Vaughan Jones	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Min McKay	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
John Sandford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Gloria Webby	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				

Key	
O	Ordinary Meeting
E	Extraordinary Meeting
I	Inaugural Meeting
✓	Attended
A	Apology/Leave of Absence
AB	Absent
S	Sick
(AV)	Meeting held by Audio Visual Link

MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL, MIRANDA STREET, STRATFORD ON TUESDAY 14 JULY 2020 AT 3.02PM TO HEAR AND CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS TO THE CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW AND DOG CONTROL POLICY

6.1

PRESENT

The Deputy Mayor A L Jamieson (the Chairman), the District Mayor N C Volzke, Councillors M McKay, V R Jones, R W Coplestone, P S Dalziel, G W Boyde, W J Sandford, A K Harris, J M S Erwood, and G M Webby.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Acting Chief Executive and Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Executive Administration Officer – Mrs E Bishop, the Environmental Health Manager – Ms R Otter, the Environmental Compliance Officer – Mr K Best, the Special Projects Manager – Mr N Cooper, two members of the media (Stratford Press and the Taranaki Daily News) and two members of the public

1. WELCOME

The Deputy Mayor welcomed the District Mayor, the Acting Chief Executive, Councillors, staff, the media and members of the public. He reminded Councillors to familiarise themselves with the Health and Safety message at the start of the agenda.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were noted from the Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director – Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich and the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Policy and Services Committee meeting. It was reinforced to Councillors that the purpose of this meeting is to consider submissions on the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy.

4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTEREST

The Deputy Mayor requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SUBMISSIONS

Submissions pages 5-54

Attached are the twenty five (25) submissions received.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT each of the twenty five (25) submissions to the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy be received.

BOYDE/DALZIEL
Carried
P&S/20/88

2. THAT it is acknowledged that, due to the public consultation of the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy occurring simultaneously, each submission is to be considered for both documents.

HARRIS/McKAY
Carried
P&S/20/89

3. THAT each submitter be individually thanked for their submission, and a copy of the minutes of this Policy & Services Committee Meeting and subsequent meetings be provided to each submitter.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
P&S/20/90

Recommended Reason

Each submission is formally received and the submitter provided with information on decisions made.

The Environmental Health Manager noted the following points:

- Both the policy and bylaw have now completed the public consultation process which was extended due to the COVID-19 and subsequent lockdown.
- 25 submissions were received with the majority objecting to dogs being permitted on Broadway and in Prospero Place.
- It is a requirement under legislation that Council has a policy but the bylaw is optional. However, the bylaw gives the ability to enforce the policy.
- A new map has been included in both documents as a result of the submission noting the former maps were not clear.
- It was noted that there was an error on page 76 of the Control of Dogs Bylaw 2020. Within clause 14 of the bylaw, clauses from the current bylaw are noted. These will be amended to clause 1003 to the number 7 and clause 1006 to 10.

6. DECISION REPORT - ADOPTION OF THE CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW 2020

D20/8981 (Pages 55-80)

Discussion

Council needs to consider submissions to the Control of Dogs Bylaw as part of the consultation process.

6.1

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.

HARRIS/ERWOOD
Carried
P&S/20/91
2. THAT The Committee considers submissions received as part of the public consultation process of the bylaw and the subsequent adoption of the Control of Dogs Bylaw 2020 (attached).
3. THAT the commencement date of the Control of Dogs Bylaw be Monday 17 August 2020.

COPLESTONE/HARRIS
Carried
1 against
P&S/20/92

Recommended Reason

The *draft* Control of Dogs Bylaw 2020 has gone through the public consultation process, required by Sections 82 and 83 of the Local Government Act 2002. 25 submissions were received during the public consultation and submissions period.

The Special Project Manager joined the meeting at 3.12pm.

Points noted in discussion:

- Councillor McKay noted the consistent views across the submissions specifically in regards to dogs being permitted along Broadway and in Prospero Place. She noted urination, faeces, and concern around hygiene was important as was the genuine fear of dogs by some people. She also noted that there was also a huge love for dogs and that allowing dogs in Broadway would add to the vibrancy of the town and encourage those driving through to stop if they see a vibrant CBD. She noted she had been many places over seas where dogs were allowed in most places. It was also noted that she felt any improvements should not be at the cost of ratepayers and should be funded through the dog registrations. If Council votes to not permit dogs on Broadway then better education is required as dogs are seen along Broadway on a daily basis.
- Councillor Dalziel noted his initial support of allowing dogs along Broadway but had changed his mind after reading the submissions. He noted this was due to hygiene, dogs being tied up outside shops and the fear factor. He questioned if the bylaw gave enough authority to enforce the rules for those who do not comply.
- Councillor Boyde noted he had surveyed business owners along Broadway with 6 against, 2 were unsure and rest supported dogs being permitted along Broadway. Common issues raised were concern around faeces but most concerns raised were around mobility scooters and speeding vehicles. He noted his disappointment that the Stratford Business Association had not submitted. However, he was not supporting permitting dogs along Broadway and Prospero

Place due to the mature demographics of Stratford the genuine fear of dogs with safety being paramount.

- It was clarified that the definition of a leash and the length could be included but would require further research to what was usually documented at other councils.
- Councillor Erwood noted his opposition to allowing dogs along Broadway or Prospero Place due to the number of submissions outlining concerns from our residents with hygiene, perception of dogs and nuisance of dogs highlighted. He noted there were several other areas in Stratford that dogs were permitted.
- Councillor Sandford noted his opposition to allowing dogs in Broadway and Prospero Place due to the number of residents who had approached him against the suggestion. He noted that a fear of dogs is a genuine concern.
- Councillor Webby noted she had spoken to many senior residents who were all opposed to dogs being permitted along Broadway and in Prospero Place, and also noted her concern with dogs being around the food outlets.
- The District Mayor noted the balance of the bylaw was good for the community at large and that Stratford had good access to almost the entire District to walk their dogs, the bit in question is a very small area. He noted there were limited places to tie dogs up if visiting a shop, the points raised regarding urination and faeces were valid concerns. He requested that disability assist dogs be exempted and this be noted in the bylaw as it is specifically noted in other council's bylaws as well as a clause to exempt dogs in, or secured to, vehicles. The Compliance Officer noted that disability service dogs and police dogs were automatically exempt.

One member of the public joined the meeting at 3.24pm.

Amendments to be made to the bylaw following debate and consideration of submissions:

- Page 78 (of the agenda), schedule 8 be amended to “*Te Papakura O Taranaki*”
- An addition to the maps be included showing blown up areas clearly showcasing the areas dogs can run with, and without, a leash.
- An amendment to the legend of the map showing the boundary demarcation line for urban and rural dogs be clearly explained.
- Page 78 (of the agenda) – “*Broadway, including the footpaths, between the northern roundabout, at the intersection of Broadway and Regan Street, and the Southern roundabout, at the intersection of Broadway and Fenton Street*” and “*Prospero Place*” be moved into prohibited public places.
- A clause to be added to exempt disability service dogs from the prohibited places this would include a definition for a disability service dog.
- A clause to be added to allow dogs along Broadway if they are secured within a vehicle or tethered to the back of a vehicle.

The Director – Environmental Services clarified that any changes made to the Control of Dogs bylaw would be reciprocated in the Dog Control Policy.

7. DECISION REPORT - ADOPTION OF DOG CONTROL POLICY

D20/6995 (Pages 81-104)

Discussion

Council needs to consider submissions to the Dog Control Policy as part of the consultation process.

6.1

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.

BOYDE/ERWOOD
Carried
P&S/20/93

2. THAT The Committee considers submissions received as part of the public consultation process of the policy and the subsequent adoption of the Dog Control Policy 2020 (attached).

3. THAT the commencement date of the Dog Control Policy 2020 be Monday 17 August 2020.

COPELSTONE/SANDFORD
Carried
P&S/20/94

Recommended Reason

This policy is a requirement of section 10 of the Dog Control Act 1996 which requires every territorial authority to adopt a policy on dogs.

The draft Dog Control Policy 2020 has gone through the public consultation process, required by Sections 82 and 83 of the Local Government Act 2002. 25 submissions were received during the public consultation and submissions period.

The meeting closed at 3.42pm.

A L Jamieson
CHAIRMAN

Confirmed this 28th day of July 2020.

N C Volzke
DISTRICT MAYOR

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 14 JULY 2020 AT 4.00PM

PRESENT

The District Mayor N C Volzke (the Chairman), the Deputy Mayor A L Jamieson, Councillors G W Boyde, R W Coplestone, P S Dalziel, J M S Erwood, A K Harris, V Jones, M McKay, W J Sandford and G M Webby.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Acting Chief Executive and Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Executive Administration Officer – Mrs E Bishop and two members of the media (Stratford Press and the Taranaki Daily News).

1. **WELCOME**

The District Mayor welcomed the Acting Chief Executive, Councillors, staff and the media.

He reminded Councillors to read and ensure they are familiar with the health and safety message.

2. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were noted from the Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director – Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich and the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the apologies be noted.

WEBBY/ERWOOD
Carried
CL/20/60

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Acting Chief Executive noted that nominations for the 2020 Citizen and Youth Citizens awards were now open until 31 July 2020. She asked Councillors to encourage community groups to complete a nomination form. These are available on Council's website.

4. **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTEREST**

The District Mayor requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.

The declaration of member's interest was circulated for updating.

There were no real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to the items on the agenda.

5. **ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE**

The Attendance Schedule for Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings was attached.

6. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

6.1 **Ordinary Meeting – 9 June 2020**
D20/10859 (Pages 7-15)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 9 June 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

HARRIS/SANDFORD
Carried
CL/20/61

The Executive Administration Officer noted the following amendments:

- Page 14, last bullet amend to read “*unjustifiable*” and correct Councillor Dalziel’s spelling of his name.

6.2 **Farm and Aerodrome Committee Meeting – 16 June 2020**
D20/11519 (Pages 16-23)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **THAT** the unconfirmed minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16 June 2020 be received.
2. **THAT** the recommendations in the minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16 June 2020 be adopted.

BOYDE/DALZIEL
Carried
CL/20/62

Councillor Boyde noted that the farm had had a record year due to an outstanding performance by the sharemilker. This includes \$50,000 for rate mitigation. He noted the Finance Officer and Property Officer had been appointed to the committee and that 95% of riparian planting had now been completed. The farm has had its environmental farm plan signed off by Fonterra and is one of the first to be completed.

6.2

6.3 **Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund Committee – 16 June 2020**
D20/11665 (Pages 24-27)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16 June 2020 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16 June 2020 be adopted.

SANDFORD/ERWOOD
Carried
CL/20/63

Councillor Sandford noted that this round of funding was always heavily contested due to winter sports. Taranaki Diocesan School for Girls had submitted and been granted for a total of three different leagues, this has now been reduced to two and the funding has been reduced by a third.

6.4 **Policy and Services Committee Meeting – 23 June 2020**
D20/12016 (Pages 28-35)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy and Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 23 June 2020 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 23 June 2020 be adopted.

HARRIS/WEBBY
Carried
CL/20/64

6.5 **Taranaki Solid Waste Joint Committee Meeting – 21 May 2020**
(Pages 36-39)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Joint Committee meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2020 be received.

JAMIESON/BOYDE
Carried
CL/20/65

The Deputy Mayor noted the meeting discussed the services that continued to be provided during the COVID-19 lockdown and that the committee had been pleased with the waste and recycling being collected throughout. There is now a problem with plastics and what can be recycled due to the market for these products being at a standstill. Re-education will be required to ensure no contamination of recycling collections when it is clearer, and finalised, what is able to be recycled. Officers are looking

for serious investment and alternative options for these products to avoid all going to landfill. It was noted the use of these for the trial for the road surfacing was part of the investigations.

6.6 **Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee Meeting – 21 May 2020**
(Pages 40-45)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2020 be received.

VOLZKE/WEBBY
Carried
CL/20/66

The District Mayor noted the most significant aspect of this meeting was the price for the roof renovations at the Civil Defence bunker in New Plymouth. This was in excess of the budget by \$280,000 and was declined by the committee. This will now be put out for competitive tender.

He noted the cost of the COVID-19 response plan was highlighted in the minutes with \$223,000 of this final cost being able to be recovered from the Government funding and the remaining \$62,000 to be funded proportionality by the Taranaki Councils.

He acknowledged the appointment of Chade Julie as the Group Welfare Manager and Blair Sutherland as a Local Controller. Appreciation was noted for all staff who had helped during the pandemic.

6.7 **Taranaki Regional Transport Committee Meeting – 17 June 2020**
(Pages 46-53)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Wednesday 17 June 2020 be received.

ERWOOD/JONES
Carried
CL/20/67

The District Mayor noted this committee had not met since September 2019. The main point for this district during this meeting was the inclusion of the Brecon Road bridges into the regional land transport plan which was supported by all Councils. Being a part of the regional plan will assist in funding applications.

7. **DISTRICT MAYOR'S REPORT**
D20/17600 (Pages 54-62)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the District Mayor's report be received.

VOLZKE/McKAY
Carried
CL/20/68

6.2

The District Mayor noted the following points:

- The two graphs included in the report indicate the regional retail spend over the past 12 months with a spike going into COVID-19 lockdown, a drop during lockdown and a much quicker than expected climb after lockdown.
- It was noted that the media releases regarding the 3-waters was the total official information received to date.

Points noted in discussion:

- Councillor Boyde reiterated the acknowledgement in the Mayor's report on the retirement of Basil Chamberlain.

8. **QUESTIONS**
There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 4.19pm.

N C Volzke
CHAIRMAN

Confirmed this 11th day of August 2020.

N C Volzke
DISTRICT MAYOR

MINUTES OF THE AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 21 JULY 2020 AT 4.05 PM

PRESENT

K Denness (the Chairman), the District Mayor N C Volzke, the Deputy Mayor A L Jamieson, Councillors P S Dalziel, J M S Erwood and M McKay.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Director Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich, the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, Councillor G W Boyde, the Administration & Communication Support Officer – Ms R Vanstone, the Health & Safety and Emergency Management Advisor – Mr M Bestall (*part meeting*), the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig (*part meeting*) and two members of the media (the Stratford Press and the Taranaki Daily News).

1. WELCOME

The Chairperson Ms K Denness welcomed the District Mayor, Councillors and staff.

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE

The attendance schedule for 2019 – 2020 Audit and Risk Committee meetings was attached.

6. PROGRAMME OF WORKS

D19/32844 (Page 8)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Audit and Risk Committee’s programme of works for 2020 be received.

DENNESS/JAMIESON
Carried
A&R/20/22

No new items were added to the programme of works for the remainder of the year.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes – 19 May 2020

D20/10274 (Pages 9-16)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 19 Ma 2020 be confirmed, with any amendments, as a true and accurate record.

DENNESS/DALZIEL
Carried
A&R/20/23

The Administration & Communication Support Officer undertook to amend the first bullet point of item 8, Matters Outstanding noted incorrectly as, “to consider the draft of a regional stud” – and amended to ‘study’.

8. MATTERS OUTSTANDING

D18/27474 (Page 17)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the matters outstanding be received.

McKAY/DALZIEL
Carried
A&R/20/24

The following points were noted by the Chief Executive:

- The Climate Change report, item 16 of this agenda, is a high level report designed to facilitate discussion at this stage.
- The appointment process for the Chair position is yet to be concluded. Mr Hanne takes the opportunity to thank the current Chair for her service to date.

6.3

9. **INFORMATION REPORT – AUDIT MATTERS RAISED**

D20/17088 (Pages 18-24)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

Recommended Reason

This report informs the Committee of the issues identified in the final Audit New Zealand Management Report for the 2018/19 Annual Report, and summarises their findings and the actions to be taken by Council officers to respond to audit recommendations.

DENNESS/ERWOOD
Carried
A&R/20/25

The Director – Corporate Services noted that auditors would be onsite from 20 August.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Councillor Dalziel, in referring to page 23, sought an update on the outstanding matter of the contract management register. Mrs Radich confirmed that council continues to await a patch from Civica and that the timeframe will be revised for the next Audit and Risk meeting. An alternative is providing a satisfactory solution for now.

10. **INFORMATION REPORT – INTERNAL AUDIT FINDINGS**

D20/12225 (Pages 25-38)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT this report be received.

RECOMMENDED REASON

The Audit and Risk Committee is tasked with reviewing and monitoring the internal audit activities of Council on behalf of elected members.

DALZIEL/VOLZKE
Carried
A&R/20/26

The Corporate Accountant noted that the internal audit exercise was successful with full buy-in from staff conducting the audit and those being audited.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Mrs Craig clarified that the surcharge for credit card payments is 2.5 per cent.
- Councillor Dalziel commented positively on the report and the opportunity for staff to learn more about the organisation's processes.
- It was requested that the Director Corporate Services split risk 33 which currently groups animal welfare for the pound and the dairy farm together. Animal welfare is explicitly stipulated in the sharemilker's agreement and is a strict requirement by Fonterra.

6.3

11. **INFORMATION REPORT – FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT**

D20/17692 (Pages 39-50)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

DENNESS/DALZIEL
Carried
A&R/20/27

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Councillor Dalziel sought an explanation of the \$1 million deficit figure relating to net surplus after removing capital (page 44 refers). Mrs Radich responded that a significant amount of depreciation will be funded from reserves and that these interim results will be adjusted for the next Policy and Services Committee meeting.
- Mayor Volzke sought clarification of the reasons for personnel costs which exceeded budget by \$457,000 (page 39 refers). Mrs Radich clarified that staff numbers including turnover were estimated in January of the year prior, and adopted in June. Four new positions were not budgeted for equating to 40 per cent of the variance. Fifty five per cent of the variance related to meeting market salary expectations and the remainder of the variance related to turn over (probably an overestimate). The Mayor was pleased to note that these costs were offset by operational expenditure – the net results of which were favourable.
- Mayor Volzke sought clarification on the unspent funds relating to incomplete carry forwards (referring to page 45 onwards) on capital expenditure projects. Mrs Radich noted that savings are made in the first year of carry forwards by way of reduced depreciation, interest and loan repayments. Mr Hanne added that the original budget set for the wastewater consent was based on a standard approach, however council staff had applied an innovative approach to the consenting process and in doing so had made huge savings.
- In response to a question from the chair regarding concerns over outstanding debtors, Mrs Radich clarified that the opportunity of debt recovery from overdue debtors was likely although a decision would need to be made to write off some debt where the debtor was inaccessible or could not be located – these related mostly to compounding (or aged) pound fees.

12. **INFORMATION REPORT – FRAUD RISK ASSESSMENT**

D20/17929 (Pages 51-61)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

Recommended Reason

This report looks at the potential fraud risk areas, and addresses the matters raised by Audit New Zealand in the 2018/19 Annual Report audit in relation specifically to Bribery and Corruption.

DENNESS/ERWOOD

Carried
A&R/20/28

6.3

Questions/Points of clarification:

- It was clarified that ‘gift’ relates to a clear attempt to influence a council officer. To this end council also keep a staff gifts register.
- Mrs Radich clarified that council’s procurement policy includes a process for significant procurements. A purchase totalling \$5,000 or more requires two quotes while a procurement over \$100,000 requires a competitive tender process considered by tender panel which includes in many cases an external assessor and the responsible director. Mrs Radich added that word of mouth in a smaller community such as Stratford was also an effective control measure.
- The Chair noted that attempting to gain an advantage through council business contacts was more difficult to investigate.

13. **INFORMATION REPORT – AUDIT ARRANGEMENTS 2019/20**
AUDIT NEW ZEALAND

D20/18308 (Pages 62-109)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Audit and Risk Committee receives Audit New Zealand’s engagement letter, proposal letter and audit plan for the 2019/20 annual audit.

Recommended Reason

Reviewing the annual audit arrangements is within the scope of the responsibility of the Audit and Risk Committee.

DALZIEL/JAMIESON

Carried
A&R/20/29

The Director – Corporate Services noted that auditors are specifically looking at work in progress amounts in relation to the subdivision, a COVID-19 impact assessment in relation to significant work being undertaken and the TET stadium vested asset.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- The Mayor noted this council's reluctance to accept the increased costs in relation to the annual audit and Mrs Radich added that Audit New Zealand's increased use of non-chartered accountant qualified staff did not make the process any more cost efficient.
- Mr Hanne noted that a shorter term contract has been entered into with Audit New Zealand and this may be indicative of a change of auditor in the future.

14. **INFORMATION REPORT – RISK REVIEW**

D20/16840 (Pages 110-131)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT this report be received.

RECOMMENDED REASON

To provide an update to the Audit and Risk Committee of any changes to the Council Risk Register and advise the Committee of any incidents in relation to the Top Ten Risk Register from the previous quarter.

DENNESS/VOLZKE
Carried
A&R/20/30

The Director – Corporate Services noted the following points:

- Risk 83 – unsafe conditions at the aerodrome – has been newly added to the register. One threat in relation to the Top 10 risks – threat of a cyber attack – did not eventuate.
- As previously discussed, risk 33 – animal welfare – will be separated out for impounded animals and dairy farm animals.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Mr Hanne clarified that unsafe conditions such as soggy (runway) ground fell within council's responsibility under civil aviation legislation, and was moderated by a seasonal closure. Drones on a flightpath were also dealt with under this legislation.

15. **INFORMATION REPORT – INSURANCES FOR 2020/21**

D20/18324 (Pages 132-211)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

Recommended Reason

To inform the Audit and Risk Committee of the insurance premium and policy changes for the 2018/19 financial year, and give an update on insurance claims made in the previous quarter.

VOLZKE/McKAY
Carried
A&R/20/31

The Director – Corporate Services noted that there has been a significant increase in premiums over the last year, notably in the areas of material damage to commercial property and public liability insurance.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Mayor Volzke was pleased to see collaboration between the Taranaki councils in order to maximise savings opportunities, in reference to item 4.4 on page 133. He noted also that council rate increases did not equate to the CPI when there is a 28 per cent increase in council insurance policy premiums. Such increases are ongoing and funding them creates issues.
- Mrs Radich clarified that council now pays a fixed amount in premiums for costs in relation to motor vehicle policies.

The Corporate Accountant left the meeting at 5.09pm.

16. DECISION REPORT – CLIMATE CHANGE

D20/18468 (Pages 212-246)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT Elected Members recommend the adoption of Option 1a (status quo) and continue to address any environmental impacts on services, asset and facilities in the context of other factors affecting these, allowing for holistic decision making for each service, asset and facility, rather than a view through a single-purpose lens.
3. THAT Elected Members recommend the adoption of Option 2a (status quo) and that decisions such as environmental performance continue to be made at a project, service or activity level, rather than being guided by an overarching policy. This provides an element of flexibility to weigh up costs, level of service and other factors.

Recommended Reason

This report was produced on request of elected members and as such elected members should be in a position to express their preference. As outlined in the report, if elected members choose to recommend the implementation of new or strengthening of existing policy it is important that they acknowledge the likely business-wide financial and non-financial implications this is likely to have.

JAMIESON/ERWOOD

Carried
A&R/20/32

The Chief Executive noted the following points:

- Being the first report on the topic of climate change, the report aims to start the discussion on what climate change is, how it will impact council and how elected members wish to incorporate such considerations into their decision making.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- It was clarified that council does not have one technical expert on the subject of climate change impact but rather the responsible officer applies this lens over the project. Councillor McKay noted that she is comfortable with council continuing to apply the environmental lens over its business as usual activities, given that the impacts of climate change continue to evolve.
- Councillor Dalziel acknowledged that a climate change policy would be necessary at some stage.
- Mayor Volzke and Councillor Jamieson endorsed these views.
- The chair noted that the report was an opportunity for this council to begin discussions with iwi.

The Director Corporate Services left the meeting at 5.22pm.

17. INFORMATION REPORT – HEALTH AND SAFETY

D20/18492 (Pages 247-250)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

DENNESS/DALZIEL
Carried
A&R/20/33

The Health & Safety and Emergency Management Advisor noted that a second wave COVID response is being discussed at civil defence.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- Councillor Dalziel congratulated the staff member that raised the unsafe work practice in Prospero Place adding that awareness is growing.
- The Director Community Services clarified that the swim school has been issued with a licence to carry out their business from the TSB pool complex after contracting the services of a health and safety consultant to work with them.

The Health & Safety and Emergency Management Advisor left the meeting at 5.34pm.

18. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Mayor Volzke took the opportunity to acknowledge the end of tenure of this committee's first chair. In response, Mrs Denness congratulated council on establishing the necessary risk mitigation policies and processes.
- The chair noted that the TET stadium situation would need to be considered by this committee at some stage.

19. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

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The meeting closed at 5.35pm.

K Denness
CHAIRMAN

Confirmed this 15th day of September 2020.

N Volzke
DISTRICT MAYOR

6.3

MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL, MIRANDA STREET, STRATFORD ON TUESDAY 28 JULY 2020 AT 3:00PM

PRESENT

The Deputy Mayor A L Jamieson (the Chairman), the District Mayor N C Volzke, Councillors M McKay, V R Jones, R W Coplestone, P S Dalziel, G W Boyde, W J Sandford, A K Harris, J M S Erwood, and G M Webby.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director – Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Director – Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich, the Executive Administration Officer – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson (*part meeting*), the Roading Asset Manager – Mr S Bowden (*part meeting*), the Services Asset Manager – Mr M Oien (*part meeting*), the Special Projects Manager – Mr N Cooper (*part meeting*), the Community Development Manager – Mr C Julie (*part meeting*), the Revenue Manager – Mrs J Erwood (*part meeting*), the Parks and Reserves Officer – Mrs M McBain (*part meeting*), the Property Officer – Mrs T Hinton (*part meeting*) and two members of the media (Stratford Press & Taranaki Daily News).

1. **WELCOME**

The Deputy Mayor welcomed the District Mayor, the Chief Executive, Councillors, staff, and the media. He reminded Councillors to ensure they are familiar with the health and safety message including evacuation procedures.

2. **APOLOGIES**

An apology was noted from the Director – Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

4. **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTEREST**

The Deputy Mayor requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Erwood declared an interest in item 9 – 2020 External Funding Application.

5. **ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE**

The Attendance Schedule for Policy and Services Committee meetings was attached.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Policy and Services Committee Meeting – 23 June 2020 D20/12016 Pages 9-16

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 23 June 2020, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

ERWOOD/HARRIS
Carried
P&S/20/95

6.1 Policy and Services Committee Meeting (Hearing – Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy) – 14 July 2020 D20/118857 Pages 17-21

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee Meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control Policy, held on Tuesday 14 July 2020, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

SANFORD/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/20/96

The Executive Administration Officer undertook to make the following amendment:

- Page 19 – amend last paragraph to finish “*with safety being paramount*”

7. MATTERS OUTSTANDING D16/47 Page 22

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the matters outstanding be received.

McKAY/JONES
Carried
P&S/20/97

The Chief Executive noted the following points:

- The bike park is now fully funded with the economic stimulus grant for \$2million having been approved. This includes the whole package of works planned for Victoria Park (e.g. half basketball court, pump track and fitness equipment). Contractors will be engaged asap due to the requirements of the grant. This matter will now be marked as complete.

Points noted in discussion:

- It was clarified that the changes requested to the Farm and Aerodrome Committee Terms of Reference would be brought back to Council for adoption.

8. **DECISION REPORT – RECYCLING OPTIONS FOR PLASTICS 3, 4, 6 & 7**

D20/9844

Pages 23-49

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.

BOYDE/DALZIEL
Carried
P&S/20/98

2. THAT the Council resolve to reduce collection services of grades of plastic to only Plastics 1, 2 & 5 in our kerbside recycling and at the Transfer Station from 1 September 2020.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
P&S/20/99

Recommended Reason

To acknowledge there is no recycling market for mixed plastics grades 3, 4, 6 & 7 for the short to medium term and a need to alternatively manage the collection and/or disposal of these grades of plastics.

6.4

The Asset Management Coordinator noted the following points:

- At their meeting on 21 July 2020 the New Plymouth District Council made changes to the collection from the kerbside collection and by the transfer station of what plastics will now be accepted.
- Plastics with grades 3, 4, 6 and 7 will no longer be accepted. This affects the entire region's recycling collection and is due to there being no market for these plastics.
- Residents will now be asked to separate out these grade of plastics with a comprehensive communication strategy being developed now.
- The reduction in the collection will be enforced from 14 September 2020.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was noted that for the first two weeks following the change, if a bin is audited that contains these plastics then they will be accepted, following this a red tag will be issued and a letter will be sent. Non-audited bins will continue to be sorted at the recycling facility.
- It was clarified that the plastics (3, 4, 6 & 7) would now go to landfill.
- It was clarified there was no other option at this stage than to follow the direction of New Plymouth as the operators of the recycling facility.
- It was noted that plastics can have the same energy level as diesel but there was environmental issues around this process.
- It was noted the plastics no longer accepted only make up 3% of all plastics collected in our District.
- It was questioned if the Central Landfill could be used to store plastics underground until the market resurfaced, however it was noted that plastics deteriorate very rapidly and it is unknown when there will be a market for these again.
- It was requested that the campaign to communicate these changes include visual displays – such as an empty shop along Broadway, at the A&P Show and flyers. It was noted that radio advertising, advertising on news apps, newspaper articles and relabelling of bins were amongst the planned activities already.
- The District Mayor noted the Government had increased the waste levy from \$10 a tonne to \$60 a tonne and it would have been expected it would have shadowed a move to less waste and noted he would like to see a move towards encouragement to not use these plastics to avoid the creation of waste.

- It was questioned if supermarkets would be approached regarding their products and noted that promotion would be undertaken in supermarkets. A lot of meat plastics are an easily recyclable plastic.
- The Deputy Mayor noted that he would encourage the regional Waste Minimisation Committee to lobby government for a push of a ban on these plastics.

The Assets Management Coordinator and Services Asset Manager departed the meeting at 3.23pm. The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Erwood vacated the table at 3.23pm.

6.4

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the District Mayor chair the meeting for Item 8 – 2020 External Funding Application.

SANDFORD/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/20/100

9. **DECISION REPORT – 2020 EXTERNAL FUNDING APPLICATION**
D20/12553 Pages 50-56

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
P&S/20/101

2. THAT Council’s funding application to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (TET) for ~~\$2,485,600~~ \$1,984,600 is approved to be submitted.

McKAY/HARRIS
2 abstained
Carried
P&S/20/102

Recommended Reason
The opportunity to have projects externally funded will reduce the rating impact for ratepayers.

The Director – Community Services noted the following points:

- This report seeks a recommendation from Council to apply to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (TET) for funding as this is a requirement by the TET.
- It was noted that the TSB Community Trust is not considering applications from Local Authorities until at least the end of September. Historically a number of the summer projects have been supported by the TSB Community Trust, however they have been included in this application to the TET due to the current position of the TSB.
- A Projects Update report will be brought to Council soon.
- There are three changes for the Committee to consider:
 - An addition of an LED sign at Broadway South (the same as the one at the northern entrance) - \$75,000
 - Prospero Place and Broadway activation – to purchase a speaker system for the markets, gazebos, signage and Christmas festivities (installation of the tree and Christmas lights along Broadway) - \$25,000
 - Removal of the Bike Park due to this project now being fully funded.
 - The application total with these amendments would now be \$1,984,600.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was clarified that the pool project had been left in the application as the \$8 million received from the government funding would not fund the whole project. Currently the budget in the Long Term Plan was at \$15 million and with additions and requests from the community the indicative pricing was sitting around \$21 million.
- It was clarified that the Economic Development Services were budgeted and rated for to ensure the services would continue should external funding not be obtained.
- It was questioned if thought had been given to the size of the application potentially having an impact on other group applications and clarified that this would be the responsibility of the TET Trustees to balance the needs of all applicants.

Points noted in discussion:

- It was clarified the projects were not up for discussion today and that these had all been budgeted for an approved during the Long Term Plan. This was just a request for external funding to cover these projects.
- It was clarified that the TET is very precise in what funding has been allocated towards if approved.
- It was noted that if the projects had been budgeted for and do not receive funding they will still go ahead, however if they have been fully reliant on external funding and funding is declined then they will not.
- Councillor Jones noted his objection to Project 2, Project 5 and Project 6 – there was no support to remove these from the application.
- It was noted that all projects were of equal priority to Council in this application.

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Erwood re-joined the table at 3.44pm. The District Mayor vacated the chair.

10. **DECISION REPORT – LAND ACQUISITION – KOHURATAHI ROAD**

D20/19225

Pages 57-63

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.

McKAY/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/20/103

2. THAT Council consent to the acquisition for road pursuant to Section 17 of the Public Works Act 1981 of the land described as Part Lot 1 DP 19619 containing approximately 185 square metres as shown marked 'A' on Plan 155 attached to this report.

3. THAT compensation for the acquisition of this area of land be agreed at \$1.00 plus GST (if demanded).

BOYDECOPELSTONE
Carried
P&S/20/104

Recommended Reason

The road formation of Kohuratahi Road ceases at this location, necessitating a widening of the road to beyond the current road boundaries in order to develop a vehicle turning circle.

The Special Projects Manager noted that this report seeks approval for the acquisition of a small area at the end of the formed Kohuratahi Road. Options for vehicles turning around is limited with heavy vehicles unable to cross the bridge and some lighter vehicles being unwilling to. The intention will be to construct a turn around area for vehicles to safely turn back.

The Parks and Reserves Officer and the Property Officer joined the meeting at 3.47pm.
The Special Projects Manager departed the meeting at 3.49pm.

11. MONTHLY REPORTS

11.1 ASSETS REPORT

D20/12537 Pages 64-87

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports be received.

DALZIEL/COPLESTONE
Carried
P&S/20/105

The Director - Assets noted the following points:

- Three errors in the report were noted:
 - Page 64, Solid Waste, second bullet – should read 11% not 25%.
 - Page 73, recycled waste (in table) should be – not achieved 11%. This was due to COVID-19 and the redirection of recyclables to landfill.
 - Page 69, minor disruptions – should read Achieved - 5.
- No issues during June at the Water Treatment Plant or to operation of the waste water or storm water systems.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was noted that conversations had occurred with South Taranaki District Council, NZTA and Stratford District Council regarding Opunake Road as our highest risk road. Options had been presented for improvements but it was recommended by NZTA that the best result would be from a speed limit reduction to 60km/hr. The average speed along this road is currently between 80 and 85 km/hr therefore it will be taken for community feedback – if it is well supported then a report will be brought back to the Policy and Services Committee for consideration.
- It was noted the traffic management plan was no longer in place at the Transfer Station.

The Roading Asset Manager, the Parks and Reserves Officer and the Property Officer departed the meeting at 3.56pm.

11.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

D20/19162 Pages 88-96

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports be received.

McKAY/HARRIS
Carried
P&S/20/106

The Director – Community Services noted the following points:

- The main highlight for the department was services being able to restart post lockdown.
- In terms of performance the department is on target for year end figures, however facilities were mostly below target with lockdown and the natural decrease across the library and iSITE being responsible for this.
- Citizen Awards nominations close this Friday.

- Creative Communities funding opens for applications next week.

The Revenue Manager joined the meeting at 3.59pm.

Council Organisations and Council Representatives on Other Organisations

- Councillor McKay noted the Go Local campaign was about to come to an end. This has gone really well with the Stratford Business Association giving away vouchers every week resulting in great feedback from the community and from Venture Taranaki. There is another shop local campaign on it's way. BA5's started again last month with Council hosting with Venture Taranaki and boasted a massive turn out. The Social Media workshop had such a high demand a second had to be held and the Prospero Markets restarted last weekend.
- Councillor Boyde noted it was the Taranaki Hockey finals in Stratford this weekend and extended an invitation to attend. This is free entry.
- Councillor Sandford noted he had attended the last Youth Council meeting and noted it was a great bunch of kids with great ideas and expressed his pride in them.
- Councillor Webby noted the latest exhibition of Taranaki's young people's art had begun at the Gallery with over 200 people in attendance for the opening and Emergence Awards evening. This will be open for three weeks.
- Councillor Webby also noted that Positive Ageing held its first forum since COVID and was very successful. She complimented Di Gleeson of the Central Taranaki Safe Community Trust's and stated the presentation was exceptional.

11.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

D20/12472

Pages 97-103

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports be received.

HARRIS/JONES
Carried
P&S/20/107

The Chief Executive noted the following points:

- The building consent accreditation is being undertaken this week by IANZ.
- There has been a drop of building consents from month to month. There is usually an increase in consents at this time of year due to fire installations, however more people are trending towards heat pump that do not require a consent. General building consents overall, compared to year on year, is still very positive.
- Work has been continuing on the District Plan in the background. The budget for this will be set in the Long Term Plan. The speed of which this progresses will be impacted on how much is budgeted for the project.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- Councillor Boyde noted it was fantastic to see the digital consents. The Chief Executive noted that due to COVID-19 a number of processes were digitised and these have all been retained. As a result of these improvements Council has submitted an application for a SOLGM award for improvements made under COVID-19.

11.4 **CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

D20/19162

Pages 104-122

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports be received.

ERWOOD/DALZIEL
Carried
P&S/20/108

6.4

The Director – Corporate Services noted the following points:

- This report provides the preliminary year-end financial results. It is hoped to have financials completed by the end of this year so work can be progressed on the annual report.
- It is looking like revenue has not been affected at all and rate collections are up from the previous year. Stratford is in a very good position financially compared to a lot of other councils.
- A number of performance measures for different activities appear to have not been achieved this year. A separate report will be brought to Council with an explanation as to why they have not been achieved, this is also detailed in the annual report.
- There is a potential profit of \$100,000 and it was suggested that this be put into a reserve possibly for Civil Defence instead of letting it roll over. A report can be brought back to Council to tag any year end profit.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- Councillor Dalziel questioned the variance in the revaluation budget. It was noted that this had been in the Long Term Plan budget and was brought forward on audit instruction. Valuations are undertaken every three year unless it is brought forward on request by audit.
- Councillor Boyde noted that the revaluations of properties would be undertaken in September and as the average prices of houses has increased it will be very interesting to see what the valuations return at.
- Councillor Sandford requested a report be brought to Council to discuss the options for the use of the \$100,000 profit.

12. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

13. **RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

RECOMMENDATION

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

Agenda Items No: 14 and 15

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 to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Rates Remission	The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	That the public conduct of the whole or 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 would exist, under section 6 and section 7 of the Act - specifically Section 7(2)(a). (Section 48(1)(a) Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.
Broadway WiFi partnership	The withholding of the information is necessary for commercial sensitivity	The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. Section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

McKAY/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/20/109

The media left the meeting at 4.13pm

6.4

14. **PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEM**

15. **PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEM**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the open meeting resumes.

BOYDE/McKAY
Carried
P&S/20/114

6.4

The Community Development Manager and the Communications Manager departed the meeting at 4.26pm.

It was noted that the public feedback process on the pool location had now been completed. A report would be brought back at the next Council meeting for discussion. There had been no drawings produced for alternative locations as there is a cost of approximately \$10,000 each time a floor plan is created, however a decision needs to be reached due to the requirements of the shovel ready funding received. The drawing in front of the TET Multi-sports stadium had only been completed to prove the facility could fit there.

It was felt by some Councillors had been some miscommunication with the community by other Councillors in regards to the locations.

Feedback is required under the Reserves Management Act, Council will then make a decision and final approval will be required from the Minister. The Chief Executive will seek clarification on the process of changing the decision in the previous report to Council (April 2020) if the location is amended as a result of the public feedback.

The meeting closed at 4.37pm.

A L Jamieson
CHAIRMAN

Confirmed this 25th day of August 2020.

N C Volzke
DISTRICT MAYOR

MONTHLY REPORT



F19/13/04-D20/20917

TO: District Council
FROM: District Mayor
DATE: 11 August 2020
SUBJECT: **REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2020**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the District Mayor's report be received.
2. THAT Council approves that an Extraordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday 25 August 2020 at 2.00pm.

Moved/Seconded

1. PRIME MINISTERS VISIT

It was with pleasure and a degree of anticipation that we were able to welcome the Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern. Minister of Energy and Resources Megan Woods and Minister of Justice Andrew Little to the Taranaki region. We were not disappointed as the Prime Minister announced multiple funding packages for projects across Taranaki, including Stratford, which obviously were well received. Equally importantly civic leaders had the opportunity to meet with the Ministers for over an hour and present our case for future funding and to share information on identified needs within our respective communities. In my view, this type of engagement is the most valuable for both parties and helps ensure that the decision makers in Wellington are aware of our issues.

2. ARA AKE - NATIONAL NEW ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

The Transition 2050 Roadmap for Taranaki included plans to establish the National New Energy Development Centre in our region. The investment funding of \$27 million for this Centre was announced in the government's budget of 2019 and is intended to kick start this exciting project. This month the new centre was renamed Ara Ake and was officially launched by the Prime Minister during her recent visit to New Plymouth. Ara Ake will lead the development of new clean energy technologies and work with businesses to commercialise their innovations creating high paying local jobs.

The Taranaki region is considered to be well placed to drive the advancement of new low-emissions energy and will be the key player in meeting the government's long term challenge of transitioning to net zero carbon emissions by 2050. There are around 7,000 people employed across the oil and gas sector in Taranaki, the skills, knowledge, expertise and international links are already here. Obviously there are Stratford residents who are

part of that existing workforce and over time there will be increasing opportunities for employment across the region and to attract more people to our district.

3. THREE WATERS REFORM

After many years of researching, consulting and debate the governments Three Waters Reforms have finally been announced. As expected, these are profound and will require considerable thought before this council responds to the proposals.

In brief, there will be a staged process of change to occur over the next two years with a number of key decisions to be made during that period. The first of those decisions is required before 31 August 2020 and asks whether council wishes to opt into the Memorandum of Understanding that in return, will enable council to access tranche one funding, made available by the government. The total pool of funding across the country for tranche one is \$761 million. Should council opt into this first stage, there will be some specific requirements for us to fulfil which don't appear too onerous but most importantly, it does not compel council to move beyond that point or to sign up for tranche two of the overall change process.

Councillors Dalziel, Harris, McKay and myself recently attended a half day forum on the Water Reform proposals that helped broaden our understanding of the subject and how it may affect the people of the Stratford District. Having said that, I felt the forum also raised many questions that were largely unanswered at the time and that the outcomes from discussions over the coming months will markedly influence our future choices.

I have called for an extraordinary meeting of council to be held on the 25 August 2020 to debate the options around, and determine Council's participation in, tranche one of the Three Waters Reform. In accordance with Standing Order 8.3(a) the resolution to confirm this meeting is included in this report

4. MBIE VISIT

This month I met with representatives of the Provincial Growth Fund who were in Taranaki on a fact finding visit. They were keen to have feedback on the local impact of the funding that we have received to date and understand how this was perceived at grass roots level. It was a valuable opportunity to explain the benefits arising from this funding source and to further promote the applications that are still in process. Overall it was a very positive meeting. We have been very successful to date with our applications with around \$37 million in total being allocated to the Stratford District.

5. RURAL AND PROVINCIAL SECTOR MEETING

The Deputy Mayor and myself attended the Rural and Provincial Sector meeting in Wellington. This is the first time the sector has met formally since March and there was no shortage of Covid-19 information and stories to share. The meeting included very informative addresses from Ministers Ron Mark, Tracey Martin, Carmel Sepuloni and Nanaia Mahuta who each provided portfolio updates. Other speakers included Opposition Local Government spokesman Lawrence Yule, Bill Bayfield the new CEO of Taumata Arowai, Bruce Lochore the CEO of the NZ Motor Caravan Association and officials from the Provincial Growth Fund. Collectively there was a wealth of information to absorb and a very worthwhile meeting.

6. ROTARY CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Recently I attended the Annual General meeting of the Stratford Rotary Club. Despite the clubs long and proud history, rather sadly, these days it is struggling to keep going due to a very small and aging membership. The club has made a huge contribution over many years and the community at large has prospered from their generosity and fund raising activities. I wish them well as they ponder their long term future.

7. CORRESPONDENCE - See attached.**8. SOME EVENTS ATTENDED**

- Attended workshop meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee
- Attended the farewell for Stratford High School principal Phil Keenan
- Attended a meeting of Stratford Robus Club as guest speaker
- Attended swearing in ceremony of new Stratford Justices of the Peace
- Attended a meeting of the Stratford District Youth Council
- Attended a meeting with the Mayors Task Force for Jobs (x2)
- Met with Whanganui Electorate Labour candidate Steph Lewis
- Attended a meeting of the regional emergency services leaders
- Met with representatives of the Provincial Growth Fund
- Attended NZTA public meeting at Whangamomona
- Attended meeting of the Mayoral Forum
- Attended meeting of the Rural and Provincial Sector LGNZ in Wellington
- Attended the Stratford Fire Brigade Annual General Meeting
- Attended meeting of the Stratford Combined Sports Society Stadium Committee
- Met with representative of the Stratford A & P Association
- Co-hosted Council BA5 evening
- Attended meeting of the Tapuae Roa committee
- Attended the launch of Ara Ake – (National New Energy Development Centre)
- Attended meeting with Prime Minister Rt Honourable Jacinda Ardern
- Attended the Percy Thompson Gallery TSB Awards
- Attended the TSB Community Trust Annual General Meeting
- Attended the Stratford Rotary Club Annual General meeting
- Attended the Three Waters Reform Forum in New Plymouth
- Attended multiple video meetings of the regional Mayors and Chairs (x4)
- Daily News Interviews (multiple)
- Stratford Press Interviews (multiple)
- Radio New Zealand Interview
- Attended Council Meetings (x3)
- Attended Council Workshops (x3)



**N C Volzke JP
DISTRICT MAYOR**

Stratford Volunteer Fire Brigade Call Outs July 2020

The Stratford fire brigade responded to 20 calls in July 2020

- 01-07-20 Alarm activation Stratford Vets Juliet Street
- 02-07-20 Cover move standby Inglewood fire station
- 02-07-20 Tanker required to assist Inglewood fire brigade at house fire Surrey Road
- 04-07-20 Alarm activation Pioneer Village
- 04-07-20 Horse stuck in drain Pembroke Road
- 05-07-20 Alarm activation Stratford High school, Accidental
- 06-07-20 Caravan Fire at Stratford Holiday Park
- 07-07-20 Assist a resident with domestic flooding
- 09-07-20 Motor vehicle accident car in ditch Mountain Road near Radnor Road
- 09-07-20 Investigate residential smoke alarm activation Seyton Street
- 11-07-20 Alarm activation Maryann Residential Care Home and Hospital Brecon Road
- 16-07-20 Alarm activation Maryann Residential Care Home and Hospital Brecon Road
- 18-07-20 Old cars set on fire Achilles Street
- 24-07-20 Assist ambulance with medical call Swansea Road
- 24-07-20 Assist ambulance with medical call Ariel Street
- 26-07-20 Alarm activation Stratford Parents Centre Miranda Street
- 26-07-20 Assist with elderly person after a fall on Regan Street
- 28-07-20 Alarm Activation St Joseph primary school Miranda Street
- 30-07-20 Assist Eltham fire brigade with fire at St Joseph Catholic Church Stanners Street Eltham
- 31-07-20 Assist Eltham fire brigade with house fire High Street Eltham

INFORMATION REPORT



**STRATFORD
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

F19/13 – D20/20224

TO: Council

FROM: Director – Corporate Services

DATE: 11 August 2020

SUBJECT: FARM AND AERODROME COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the amended Farm and Aerodrome Committee Terms of Reference be received and noted.

Recommended Reason

This report is to formalise the final updated Terms of Reference for the Farm and Aerodrome Committee, recommended by the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting in June 2020, and approved by Council at the Ordinary meeting on 14 August 2020.

_____/_____
Moved/Seconded

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To present to Council the updated Terms of Reference for the Farm and Aerodrome Committee.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Terms of Reference define the purpose, scope and responsibilities, meetings, membership, authority and important guidance to the Stratford District Council Farm and Aerodrome Committee.
- 2.2 It is the Council’s responsibility to approve the Terms of Reference and any amendments.

3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 – SECTION 10**

Under section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council’s purpose is to “enable democratic local decision making by and on behalf of communities; as well as promoting the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities now and into the future”			
Does the recommended option meet the purpose of the Local Government 4 well-beings? And which:		The Farm Activity contributes to economic wellbeing for the district.	
Social	Economic	Environmental	Cultural
	x		

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4. **BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 The original Terms of Reference were adopted by Council in April 2020. The changes that were requested by Council at that time have been made.
- 4.2 Subsequently, the Terms of Reference were brought to the inaugural Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting in June 2020 for approval. The Committee recommended to make a change to the Terms of Reference, detailed in section 5.1 of this report. The minutes and recommendations from the Farm and Aerodrome Committee were adopted by Council on 14 July 2020. This report is to formally advise Council these changes have been actioned.

5. **INFORMATION SUMMARY**

- 5.1 The change to the Terms of Reference as requested by the Farm and Aerodrome Committee was to include the aerodrome in the Purpose section of the Terms of Reference, so now it reads:

“The Committee will ensure the following objectives are fulfilled in relation to the Council owned farm and aerodrome:”

6. **STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT**6.1 **Direction**

This report relates to the Outstanding Leadership Community Outcome.

6.2 **Annual Plan and Long Term Plan**

No direct relationship with the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan.

6.3 **District Plan**

No direct relationship with the District Plan.

6.4 **Legal Implications**

N/A

6.5 **Policy Implications**

N/A

Attachment:

Appendix 1 Farm and Aerodrome Committee Terms of Reference

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Tiffany Radich
DIRECTOR – CORPORATE SERVICES



[Approved by]
Sven Hanne
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

DATE 4 August 2020

APPENDIX 1

STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

FARM AND AERODROME COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee is to provide oversight of the combined activities of the Council dairy farm at Flint Rd, Stratford, and the Stratford Aerodrome on behalf of the Council, and to monitor the implementation of the farm business strategy at a governance level.

The Committee will ensure the following objectives are fulfilled in relation to the Council owned farm and aerodrome:

1. To operate the farm as a separate, economic, business unit.
2. To physically support the aerodrome by way of providing a buffer zone between it, and surrounding, existing or potential, properties, and
3. The profits from the farm to be returned to Council to provide a 'dividend' to Council, offset debt, or be reinvested in the farm as set by Council during the Annual or Long Term Plan process.
4. To ensure the Aerodrome activity is contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes in a cost-effective manner.

The Committee is to assist the Council in achieving its responsibility to the district ratepayers to ensure the farm is profitable, and that both activities operate sustainably.

The Committee will also be tasked with ensuring that the Council's contribution towards the operating costs of the Stratford Aerodrome is providing value for money for ratepayers and the community.

SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Farm and Aerodrome Committee is responsible for reporting to the Council on progress, annual results, and making recommendations to the Council of the following activities:

- Risk Management;
- Performance Management
- Strategy Development; and
- Other Significant Matters

Risk Management

- Managing and monitoring the Farm and Aerodrome risks including legislative, health and safety, financial, and environmental risks.
- Discuss incidents, and evaluate risk management controls.
- Give recommendation to the CEO on fixing the milk price under Fonterra's fixed milk price programme.

Performance Management

- Monitor financial performance against budget.
- Initiate the development of budgets and KPI's annually with assistance from Council finance staff, as requested, and report on these regularly at Committee meetings.

Strategy Development

- Review the Farm and Aerodrome objectives in line with the changing environment and make recommendations to Council as required.
- Review the business model regularly to ensure objectives are able to be achieved.

Other Significant Matters

- Consider specific matters of significance e.g. sale or purchase of land, or change in use of land.
- Advise on significant capital proposals.

The scope of the Committee does not extend to operational matters. Operational matters include, but are not limited to, developing work programmes, procurement and approval of invoices, administration, physical works on the farm, and general day to day running of the Farm and Aerodrome.

MEETINGS

The Committee shall meet once quarterly during normal working hours at a time that suits all Committee members. The Council standing orders shall apply to the Committee meetings.

All agendas, minutes and reports of the Committee will be filed electronically in Content Manager within one month of the meeting date. They will also be made publically available on the Council's website and available directly to all elected members via Diligent.

Representatives from the Farm and Aerodrome will be invited to attend all meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Committee shall be comprised of the following:

Member	No.	Voting Rights
Current Elected Member - Chairman	1	Y
Current Elected Member	2	Y
Council Officers	2	N

AUTHORITY

The Committee will have the delegated responsibility to fulfil the responsibilities of the Committee, as per the Council's Delegations Policy. This includes the ability to request any information from Council officers that is necessary to enable it to perform its functions and duties and fulfil its responsibilities.

The Committee has the authority to ensure all Council decisions in relation to the Farm and Aerodrome are being implemented. The Committee does not have any delegated authority to act on behalf of the Council, or to make decisions that conflict with a decision made by the Council.

REMUNERATION

Committee members will be remunerated according to the remuneration set by the Remuneration Authority.

REVIEW OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee shall undertake a self-review of its objectives and responsibilities at least once every three years. Any changes to the objectives and responsibilities recommended by the Committee must be approved by the Council before coming into effect.

These Terms of Reference shall be reviewed by the Council at least every three years, or earlier, to ensure the Farm and Aerodrome Committee remains relevant and effective.

In addition, the membership of the Committee shall be reviewed at least once every three years.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Stratford District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28
- Property Asset Management Plan 2018-28
- Annual Farm Business Reports
- Stratford District Council Annual Plans / Reports
- Farm Committee minutes
- Aerodrome Strategic Development Plan 2011

DECISION REPORT



F19/13/04 – D20/20547

TO: Council
FROM: Special Projects Manager
DATE: 11 August 2020
SUBJECT: PROPOSED LOCATION OF NEW AQUATIC CENTRE

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report be received.
 - 2a. THAT Council reiterate its earlier decision to co-locate the new aquatic centre with the TET Multi Sport Centre and instruct staff to proceed with seeking the Minister of Conservation's consent pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977,
- OR*
- 2b. THAT Council take public feedback into consideration as well as the pros and cons of the various site options and instruct staff to bring back a further report in order to reconsider the location of the new aquatic centre.

Recommended Reason

In view of the majority of the small number of submitters to the request for public feedback, Council may wish to reconsider its earlier decision to co-locate the new aquatic centre with the TET Multi Sport Centre.

Moved/Seconded

1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the result of recent public feedback on the proposed location of the new aquatic centre development.

2. **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council's decision in April that co-location of the proposed new aquatic centre with the TET Multi Sport Centre is the preferred option that was publically advertised inviting community feedback in order to comply with the Reserves Act 1977 and the King Edward Park Reserve Management Plan. This has resulted in some strong opposition to the preferred site, perhaps necessitating a reconsideration of the earlier decision.

The purpose seeking this feedback was to gauge community opinion on the merits of the preferred location. In terms of numbers, the feedback was minimal albeit strongly in opposition to the co-location site and more in favour of the nearby sportsfield site, still within King Edward Park. The stated reason for objecting to the co-location site were, in the main, related to the perceived cost of relocating the netball courts or the aquatic centre being able to benefit from views of the mountain or daylighting, both of which are somewhat erroneous.

3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 – SECTION 10**

Under section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council’s purpose is to “enable democratic local decision making by and on behalf of communities; as well as promoting the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities now and into the future”			
Does the recommended option meet the purpose of the Local Government 4 well-beings? And which:			Yes
Social	Economic	Environmental	Cultural
✓	✓		

4. **BACKGROUND**

4.1 On 14 April 2020 Council adopted the following recommendation:

That following consideration of the four options for the location of the new swimming pool facility, Council adopt Option 2 being the co-location with the TET Multi Sports Centre.

The primary reason behind this decision was that, while the capital cost of this option is estimated to be higher than the other three options, the operational benefits and synergies that would be gained from this co-location make it a better long term location.

4.2 As this preferred location is a recreation reserve subject to the Reserves Act 1977, the Minister of Conservation’s prior consent to the proposal is required in terms of Section 53(1)(h)(ii) of the Act. In considering such applications, the Minister requires advice as to what community and iwi consultation has taken place prior to the application. Further, the Reserve Management Plan for King Edward Park, adopted by Council on 11 July 2017 provides that, in respect of any future development not envisaged by the management plan (as is the case here) will be subject to public consultation.

4.3 The need for a new swimming pool had been extensively consulted through successive Long Term and Annual Plan processes but not the actual location of the facility. For that reason, community and iwi feedback has recently been sought in regard to the proposed location adjacent the Multi Sports Centre. The result of this feedback is detailed in Section 5 below but, in essence, indications are the community is seriously questioning the merits of co-locating the aquatic centre with the Multi Sport Centre.

- 4.4 As indicated in 5.1 below, the majority of submitters are opposed to Council's preferred co-location site, the principal reasons for such opposition being the additional cost of having to relocate the netball courts, the potential for parking congestion in the immediate vicinity of the new complex and the perceived merits of mountain views and maximising daylight.

There is no doubt there will be additional costs in relocating the netball courts, this fact having been accepted all along. The netball fraternity has long had a number of issues with the current courts, primarily in relation to the health and safety aspects of the courts being on different levels, so see this as a positive.

With the availability of extensive car parking across the road in the War Memorial Centre car park, the amount of on-street parking available and the fact that the current pool has very limited adjacent parking which doesn't seem to present much of an issue, it is difficult to accept parking congestion as a major concern except in the unlikely event of major netball, hockey and swimming tournaments being scheduled contemporaneously.

In regard to mountain views and maximising daylight, swimmers, the principal user of the centre, are hardly likely to spend a lot of time admiring the view while swimming and science tells us that excessive sunlight can make the control of chlorine levels and water temperature more difficult. Further, the glare of sunlight reflecting off the water can have an adverse effect on the health of pool users, particularly lifeguards having to work in it for lengthy periods as well as health and safety issues as glare can impact lifeguards ability to monitor activity below water.

For these reasons it is hard for officers to accept that the reasons proffered by submitters in opposition to the co-location outweigh the operational benefits

5. CONSULTATIVE PROCESS

5.1 Public Consultation - Section 82

Public feedback on the proposed location of the new aquatic centre was initiated in June through Central Link public notices and informative articles, Council's website and Facebook promotion. The feedback received is tabulated in **Appendix 1** and accompanied by copies of all submissions received (**Appendix 2**). It is noted that the majority of submissions are opposed to the proposed site and support the construction of a separate facility, still within King Edward Park but on the sportsfield on the corner of Regan and Portia Streets.

Independent of whether resolution 2a or 2b is adopted, no further Reserve Management consultation is required as no objections for the facility to be constructed within the park/reserve were received overall.

5.2 Maori Consultation - Section 81

Ngaruahine, Ngati Maru and Ngati Ruanui were all communicated with by letter inviting feedback but no feedback has been received.

6. **RISK ANALYSIS**

Please refer to the Consequence and Impact Guidelines at the front of the reports in this agenda.

- Is there a:
 - financial risk;
 - human resources risk;
 - political risks; or
 - other potential risk?
- If there is a risk, consider the probability/likelihood of it occurring.
- Is there a legal opinion needed?

It is imperative a quick decision is made in regard to this matter. Given the recent government funding made available to the project there is now an urgency to get construction underway, failing which there is a serious risk of the funding being withdrawn.

7. **DECISION MAKING PROCESS - SECTION 79**

7.1 **Direction**

	Explain
Is there a strong link to Council’s strategic direction, Long Term Plan/District Plan?	Council resolved to build a new pool in the 2018 – 2028 LTP
What relationship does it have to the communities current and future needs for infrastructure, regulatory functions, or local public services?	This is a strongly supported project by the community that will provide much improved local public services.

7.2 **Data**

- Do we have complete data, and relevant statistics, on the proposal(s)?
- Do we have reasonably reliable data on the proposals?
- What assumptions have had to be built in?

Data relevant to this report is simply the results of the community feedback. Previous data provided in earlier reports remains relevant, containing as it does some assumptions/estimations as to financial options but these are considered to be reliable.

7.3 **Significance**

	Yes/No	Explain
Is the proposal significant according to the Significance Policy in the Long Term Plan?	Yes	Adopted during the LTP process and thus meets significance and engagement policy
Is it:	Yes	
• considered a strategic asset; or	Yes	
• above the financial thresholds in the Significance Policy; or	No	
• impacting on a CCO stakeholding; or	Yes	
• a change in level of service; or	No	
• creating a high level of controversy; or	Yes	
• possible that it could have a high impact on the community?		

In terms of the Council's Significance Policy, is this proposal of high, medium, or low significance?		
HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW
	✓	

7.4 **Options**

<p>An assessment of costs and benefits for each option must be completed. Use the criteria below in your assessment.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What options are available? 2. For each option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explain what the costs and benefits of each option are in terms of the present and future needs of the district; • outline if there are any sustainability issues; and • explain if the outcomes meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions? 3. After completing these, consider which option you wish to recommend to Council, and explain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how this option is the most cost effective option for households and businesses; • if there are any trade-offs; and • what interdependencies exist.

On the basis of the community feedback there appears to be two practical options open to Council at this strategic stage:

Option 1 Reiterate earlier decision of Council and proceed with the project in the approved location adjacent the TET Multi Sport Centre

Or

- Option 2** Take public feedback into consideration and instruct staff to bring back a further report outlining the pros and cons of the various sites in order to reconsider the location of the new aquatic centre.

The advantages and disadvantages of the two options debated through the public feedback were explored along with other options leading up to the earlier decision but, to assist in further decision(s) going forward, are regurgitated here. In reviewing these pros and cons relative to the two sites potentially now under consideration, an addition based on new information has been made in red while deletions taking into consideration the alternative site are struck out.

1. Co-Locate with TET MultiSports Centre	
<p>Advantages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing café onsite could be utilised for catering events at the pool. • Existing dryland space already available onsite could be utilised by pool fitness programmes. • Council could take management of facility and programmes of the TET MultiSports Centre in-house. • Synergies of a multi-hub sport stadium. • Ability to build on the “multi- sports” hub. • More car parking options available – existing carpark, on street parking and use of war memorial carpark. • Shared reception for pool and TET MultiSports Centre allowing customer service for both facilities. • Space to future proof. • Ability to keep existing site running while this is built. 	<p>Disadvantages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design limited by TET MultiSports Centre configuration. • Shifting of netball courts not accounted for in budget. • Building costs joining new facility with TET MultiSports Centre. • Impact of over-spray from hockey irrigation on netball courts if these relocated to sports field north of hockey turf.
2. New facility on council land (not on current site)	
<p>Advantages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No limitations on design other than budget. • Ability to future proof for further growth and development. • Start from clean slate. • Ability to keep existing site running while this is built. 	<p>Disadvantages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to find suitable land, already owned by council. • Suitable land may not be close to schools. • Land may be used by another sporting code. • Loss of synergies with creating a multisports hub attached to the facility. • Current budget would not allow for add-ons like a multi-purpose room or café. • May not be close to any other.

7.5 **Financial**

- Is there an impact on funding and debt levels?
- Will work be undertaken within the current budget?
- What budget has expenditure come from?
- How will the proposal be funded? eg. rates, reserves, grants etc.

With the recent promise of Government funding and if Council holds to its intended contribution by way of loan funding, the budget has increased from \$15 million to \$20 million. \$3 million of the original budget was intended to be grant funded. To date, this has not been confirmed with one of the major funders not accepting Council applications post-Covid19.

7.6 **Prioritisation & Trade-off**

- Have you taken into consideration the:
- Council's capacity to deliver;
 - contractor's capacity to deliver; and
 - consequence of deferral?

With the Government funding provided the capacity to deliver this project is greatly enhanced. The consequence of deferral will undoubtedly be withdrawal of the funding.

7.7 **Legal Issues**

- Is there a legal opinion needed?
- Are there legal issues?

No legal opinion is considered necessary in this instance.

7.8 **Policy Issues - Section 80**

- Are there any policy issues?
- Does your recommendation conflict with Council Policies?

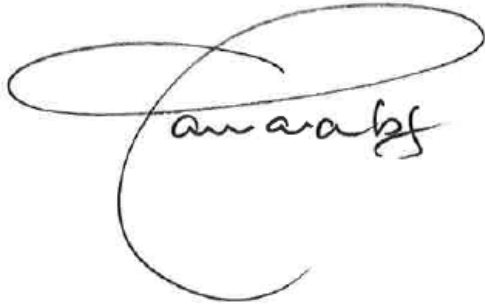
There are no policy issues inherent herein.

Attachments:

- Appendix 1** Summary of Public Feedback
Appendix 2 Public Feedback



Neil Cooper
SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER



[Endorsed by]
Victoria Araba
DIRECTOR - ASSETS



[Approved by]
Sven Hanne
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

DATE 4 August 2020

APPENDIX 1**PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON POOL LOCATION
JULY/AUGUST 2020**

D20/20049

Feedback No#	Name	Summary
1	Peter Fairclough	Support plan for development of the pool. Noted the development of the stadium initially had all sports clubs required to have two representatives on the committee.
2	Faith Pauling	Support the pool being next to the stadium. Request for private spa or therapy pool be included in plans.
3	Bruce Cleland	Supported the pool being put where the current netball courts are. Suggested alternative location for netball/tennis courts.
4	Sharon Mark	Supported proposed location for the pool development.
5	Brian & Trudy Sullivan	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
6	Debbie McKinlay	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets. Included 21 signatures of support.
7	Bill Whyte	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
8	Craig Jackson	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
9	Murray and Karen Wells Robyn Watson Mathew and Melanie Ries	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
10	Melanie Ries	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
11	Megan Dimock	Noted support for the location of the pool on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets.
12	Clive Wheeler	Noted objection to proposed site and suggested it go in the area beyond the hockey field and to include designated car parking be provided.
13	Catherine Tempero	Concerned with proposed location and noted blind sport between centennial rest rooms and netball courts when parked vehicles are reversing. Suggested the old post office location be considered.

Feedback No#	Name	Summary
14	Deborah Clough	Does not support the relocation of the netball and tennis courts. Would prefer improvements be made to current pool.
15	Michael & Christine Jones	Do not shift pool.
16	David Frandsen	Does not support a new pool – refurbish existing.
17	Darryl Goble	Keep pool where it is.
18	Marg Goble	Keep pool where it is.
19	Stratford Cricket Club	Request for second artificial wicket. Suggestion to use old pool site for an indoor training facility for sports.

APPENDIX 1

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P Fairclough

Peter Fairclough (Life member of TET Sports Stadium)
7657516 40 Juliet Street.

The Chief Executive
Stratford District Council

King Edward Park Reserve Pool Development.

I fully support the plan for the development of the Pool with the other sports.

two on the committee

When we started to develop the Stadium and bring other sports in all clubs had to have

them at the monthly meetings

this way it meant we found out the problems of the other sports and were able to help before their problems got worse.

Best wishes or the future.

Regards

Mr Fairclough wanted to add
- From his past experiences.

"There is a company that (used to) matched chefs to your event requirements." Mr Fairclough was pleased with the results when he utilised this service + thinks we could benefit from utilising similar.

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like no other

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Subject: FW: King Edward Park Pool Development

From: Faith Pauling <faith@aenertia.net>
Sent: Wednesday, 22 July 2020 12:20 p.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward Park Pool Development

I definitely think the pool should be located next to The Hub for easier access for all sports lovers
I want to point out also that a private or semi private spa pool or therapy pool needs to be included in the complex, as there are many people with disabilities in our community who at present are not catered for satisfactorily, because of pain, and are not able to exercise enough to help keep them mobile.
If you had a warmer pool, you would have more regular users for its ability to provide weightlessness on all those painful areas, and an avenue to exercise without too much pain.
Think of the advantages for those unable to move easily, or sometimes not at all, it would brighten their lives and be something to look forward to in their restricted lives.
I hope this project gets underway immediately, as it has been talked about quite long enough
Just Do It!!!!
Faith Pauling

King Edward Park Reserve – Pool Development

Chief Executive, Stratford District Council

The pool placement is best positioned on the existing netball tennis courts for the following reasons:

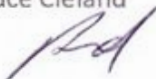
- The future footprint concept plan provided offers the best overall long term utilisation of the area for preserving the maximum playing areas. It would still offer other options such as another hockey turf if warranted in the future.
- The upfront costs always diminishes in time compared with doing the project correctly the first time for the right reasons and there are ongoing synergies that would be created
- Ease of management between the TET MultiSports Centre and the pool
- Schools and other users could utilise the pool and indoor stadium during the day (currently limited use in the stadium)
- Convenience and crossover of current usage and membership could be created for users which will not happen to the same degree if separated
- Stronger support for the business upstairs which in turn supports a stronger lease for Council
- Areas not duplicated could be: cafe, meeting room, current reception could be an office or shop, sick bay, existing netball office south/east corner could be office, shop, meeting rooms, coffees/shop etc
- No extra parking need be created but would be further utilised

Further to the tennis and netball courts, placing them together will allow for easier management. A small office/meeting room could be erected as shown. In future a roof could cover the existing tennis courts and include three netball courts as well. Tennis requires four courts of the same surface for A grade and 8 courts (as current is the ideal configuration)

As a footnote the 4 Astroturf tennis courts erected 7 years ago cost 412k including drainage and lights

Yours faithfully

Bruce Cleland



Chairman Stratford Community Sports Society

President Stratford Tennis Club

Vice President Stratford Volleyball Club

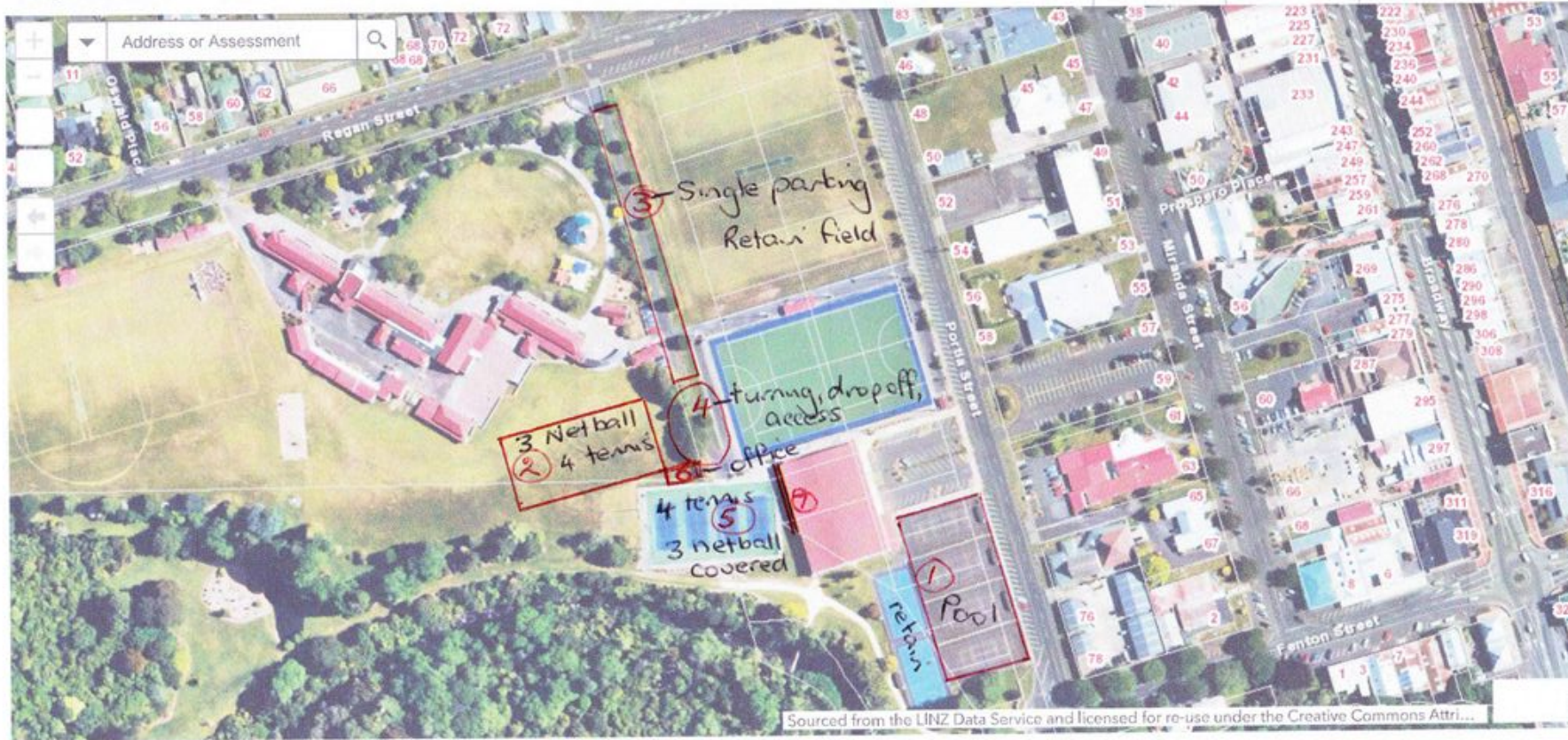
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Property Information



Property Information

Future footprint



- ① Pool
- ② 3 Netball 4 tennis courts
- ③ single parking
- ④ access, drop off, turning & limited parking
- ⑤ existing 4 tennis courts, in future could be 3 netball and could be covered as well
- ⑥ office, storage netball/tennis
- ⑦ covered balcony for viewing

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Subject: FW: Feedback "King Edward Park Reserve – Pool Development"

From: Sharon Mark <sharonmark1965@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 1 July 2020 1:22 p.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: Feedback "King Edward Park Reserve – Pool Development"

Hi There,

Just wanted to provide my feedback on the proposed location for the pool development.

I am fully in support of Council's decision to relocate and develop the pool facilities.

I see this as an opportunity to achieve a number of things including;

- Replacing aged and failing infrastructure.
- Reducing maintenance costs (over the longer term).
- Building on the concept of a sports hub which has the potential to Improve links and opportunities for collaboration between sports clubs, service providers, and other partners such as schools, community groups etc who may wish to deliver targeted community programs .
- Increasing opportunities to promote more community participation through the diversity of facilities offered and increased linkages.
- Potentially also an opportunity to consolidate site management and staffing which could reduce human resource costs to some degree.

Anyway that is my 2 cents worth. Have an excellent day and keep up the good work.

Kind Regards
Sharon Mark

Subject: FW: re King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

From: Brian Sullivan <btsully@xtra.co.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 23 July 2020 5:43 p.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: re King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

23/7/2020

We write with concern about the proposed site of the new pool development.

We believe that the site north of the existing hockey turf, on the corner of Portia and Regan Streets, would be a more suitable long term site for the following reasons.

* The flat site would not require any structural demolition and far less excavation work, which would lead to lower construction costs.

* There would be room to provide more parking spaces, for the pool and to compliment the other sports facilities in the area.

* Safe walkways could offer easy access to existing parking and the TET facilities nearby.

* There would be a larger area, to consider the pools position, with consideration for the sun, design and size of the development.

* With thought to the future and the communities increasing requirements, there would be room for expansion on this site.

* It would be away from overhanging trees and foliage congestion in the gutters and drains, reducing future maintenance costs.

* There would be less disruption to existing sports people and room for construction workers to operate safely, away from the courts and hockey field.

* It would be in a prominent position along side our other top level sports facilities, something that all residents could be proud of and would assist in continuing to attract sports groups and families into the region, from out of town.

Thank you for your consideration.

Should there be an opportunity, we wish to speak on this.

Yours Sincerely

Brian and Trudy Sullivan

17 Montague Grove, Stratford. 765 6954

King Edward Park Reserve – Pool Development

While I am a supporter of the new pool development, I disagree with the preferred location that Council have decided on next to the TET Stadium. I ask that the Council please reconsider their choice of location as all of the discussions by the public at our business has been against this decision. I only just decided to collect the enclosed signatures in the last three days because of this, I'm sure I would have collected more if I had started earlier.

I do agree with Councillor's Erwood and Sandford that further along Portia Street on the Cricket Field area would be a much better location.

The Aquatic Centre in New Plymouth is enhanced by the view of the sea and warm sunny location. But we could do better with this brilliant Mountain View with all day sunshine.



The preferred option by Council is looking at the side of the TET Stadium building to the West with nothing but shade on probably the entire pool complex in the afternoon!

I also think that there is a lack of transparency with the information that we have been given in which to comment on.

The field is a much larger flat area ready to go, is a wide open space not so restricted for design, with room to add on to if needed.

The netball courts would need to be demolished, and at what cost? (Extra expense)

Loss of stadium carpark parking, this was done not that long ago. (Wasting of money)

You just laid the blue surfaces to the netball courts. (Again wasting of money)

What will the additional costs of relocating/building of new netball courts be?

No community mandate/consultation for this huge extra cost to happen!

Then two new large and time consuming developments would need to take place with twice as much upheaval!

On your SDC Facebook page you quote "there is a desire that the courts stay near the TET Sports Stadium" So why not just leave them there as is?

It seems/looks like this location was chosen just to prop up the TET Stadium!

You quote that it will create an exciting sports hub for the whole community!

This area is already a community sports hub with netball in winter and tennis in summer, so the community are already taking advantage of the TET Stadium facilities and co existing together.

Having the new pool development further along on the Portia Street Cricket Field would enhance what we already have in this area now. Pool users can still take advantage of the TET facilities being close by.

I have concerns about you asking for feedback here when I have read in two different newspaper articles in April and May that you have already identified this \$15.6m project as being Shovel Ready to the government.

Mayor Neil Volzke is quoted saying "the final decision had been a long time coming, it is good to now have this project moving and we are hoping to see more movement soon as we have identified it as being a shovel-ready project for the Government to consider in their call for projects ready to go."

This creates confusion about what decisions have been made here. Shovel ready to me means everything is completely drawn up, finalized, approved and ready to start!?

Debbie McKinlay.

Phone 7655098










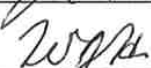

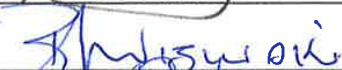


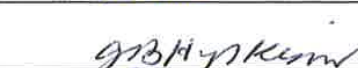

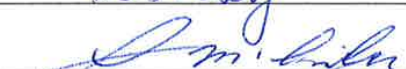


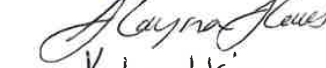
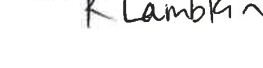
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King Edward Park Reserve – Pool DevelopmentJuly 2020

We the undersigned disagree with the Stratford District Councils chosen location for the new pool development on the current netball courts site beside the TET Stadium.

We share the same concerns and issues that Debbie has raised in her feedback.

We agree with Councillor's Erwood and Sandford that further along Portia Street on the large Cricket field area would be better suited.

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Subject: FW: king edward park reserve - pool development

From: Bill Whyte <cathbillwhyte@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, 20 July 2020 12:33 p.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: king edward park reserve - pool development

I'am disappointed with the treatment the Council has shown to the people of Stratford.

They ask for feedback from the Public about an imaginary pool (an oval ring in the Press) which the Council cannot give details of what this ring represents!

Yesterday I stood at the west end of the Public carpark, and to my horror saw what would be hidden from visiting people if a building of a size fit to accommodate a pool.

The beauty of what the Park has to offer.

The pool could be better sited at the Regan Street end of the park where parking and access to the towns main water supply could be found.

Other options would be where the present pool is or perhaps negotiations to use the old dilapidated Post Office site at present an eyesore.

Yours

Bill Whyte

Ratepayer and also resident of Stratford for 88+ years.

I remember the opening of the present Centennial Pool in "Percy Thomson's Sheep Paddock"

Subject: FW: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

From: Craig Jackson <craig.jackson900@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 11:38 a.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

Hello,

In relation to the proposed new pool location I believe it would be better suited to be built at the empty field at the intersection of Regan and Portia Street.

I am a regular user of the pool using it numerous times a week.

Leaving it in situ where it currently is would not be an option due to having to close the facility for some months to upgrade.

The proposed site where the netball courts cause a number of issues.

Firstly relocating netball courts and rebuilding them. Parking also creates an issue as with the pool there there will be minimal parking especially when hockey is on as well. This location is not what I would call 'shovel ready' whereas the empty field is and would only involve the loss of one cricket pitch.

There would be plenty of parking area and even room for further expansion/additions should the need arise.

It still would be close enough to the rest of the stadium facilities that it would be similar to a 'hub' for sport and a great attraction for Stratford. I have to think as well that without having to lift/raise/level the netball courts that the finish time frame would be brought forward as well.

Thank you for our time, regardless of the result of any excited about the new pool and look forward to using it.

Cheers,
Craig Jackson

Subject: FW: King Edward Park Reserve-Pool Development

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From: Murray Wells <murray.wells@xtra.co.nz>
Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 12:29 p.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward Park Reserve-Pool Development

Attention Council, Our family wish to object to the pool being placed on 4 perfectly good Netball/tennis courts and an a car park which is needed for anyone wishing to use the stadium can remain. We believe that it is a waste of rate payer money shifting these courts that are in excellent condition when there is a cheaper and a lot easier option.

The field on Regan/Portia street corner where you have a blank field to work with has to be the best place. The section between the new baths and the Hockey field can be turned into a car park for all codes and all sports can still use the Stadium. This will leave the Memorial hall car park free to be used for events in the hall or any part of the town.

Thank You Murray and Karen Wells, Robyn Watson, Mathew and Melanie Ries

Subject: FW: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

From: Melanie Ries <mel.ries@yahoo.co.nz>
Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 2:04 p.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development

Hi

I think the new pool should be located on the corner of Regan and Portia Streets, on the cricket pitch next to Stratford Primary School.

This is a completely blank canvas, and the huge costs of moving the netball courts can be avoided, saving on the total costs involved.

Thanks
Melanie Ries

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

To: Erin Bishop
Subject: FW: King Edward park reserve-pool development

From: Megan Dimock <office@dimocks.nz>
Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 3:29 p.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward park reserve-pool development

To whom this may concern

I believe preferred location of the new development on Portia Street, alongside the TET Multisport Stadium is not an ideal location. My preferred location is on the corner of Portia and Regan St's.

I don't believe the netball courts should be pulled out to make way for this. There will be significant costs in removing these and then to turn around and re-build them somewhere else. I have heard they may go where the current pool is. What would be the time frame for this? Would we be without local netball courts for period of time? To me it makes sense to have the netball courts where they are as the hockey turf is right there. Why pull them away from the current sports hub? A lot of people use the courts and we need facilities i.e. toilets and somewhere warm nearby where people can go and sit after a game or get changed. I think having the pools on the land next to the hockey turf and Stratford primary is a much better location as there is no further shuffling. It's still keeping everything in one area. If the pools are right next to the TET I don't think people will go over and use the TET facilities i.e. Restaurant and bar, if this is what's trying to be achieved I doubt its going to happen. Parents like to go sit and watch their children swim, I don't believe they would leave them there and go up and have a coffee. The only benefit I can see is maybe for fitness classes however this can be achieved at the other location. I also think there needs to be a café right by the pool. Make it welcoming for people to come sit and enjoy a coffee while watching the children. Also down by the TET its quite a shaded dull area. If it was up further on the corner of Regan St And Portia St you could make use of the sun a lot better and also incorporate the view of the mountain.

While its been done it make it decent and do it right the first time. Attract people to Stratford, put a couple of hydro slides in. If we are ever out of town and looking to find something to do on a dull day we find some pools and the first thing we look for is ones with hydro-slides for the kids (and the big kids). We need to future proof it. I know a lot of people don't want to spend much on it as they don't use however it will benefit the town and may even attract more people to come and visit.

I have been to a couple of fitness classes at the current pools I think they are great classes however there's not enough room and its not set up very good for it. I think a large area out the side is needed so fitness classes can take place. There are in the pool classes so it makes sense to have an area for land based fitness classes as well.

Kind regards
Megan Dimock

Stratford Pool Development.

I believe the proposed site for the new pool is in the wrong place FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS.

There is no doubt that the pool should be built on the area beyond the hockey field where designated car parking can be provided, fifty needed.

Car parking at swimming pools need to have easy access for safety reasons for young children and senior citizens.

Young children attending learn to swim of which there are hundreds during the year are often in swim wear and run to the pool from cars. Elderly people some time struggle to walk long distance for their exercise swim same applies to people in recovery that need to use the pool. As a pool manager and coach / teacher for many years my experience and observation of people using the pool. I know their needs.

My concern is the proposed site will not encourage people to use the pool because of congestion of parking in that area when all sports are engaged. Loss of patronage

Stratford is the hub of swimming in Taranaki and with careful planning will remain so. Can be a strong asset to the town. Again take easy access away will not entice people to the pool.

We have seen an increase of visitors to compete at recent events at the pool which can only be good for the economy of the town with accommodation and general shopping etc. .

A new pool will entice clubs from outside Taranaki to hold camps in Stratford which are generally a week long and would benefit as above. Numbers through the door.

It is of concern that no plans of ready parking or how the pool will fit has been made public for proper consultation. The coverage in the Stratford Press is poor and their distribution rate has been of some concern in recent months after lock down maybe the Hawera Star would have better coverage.

My observation of pools built in recent years has been designated parking provided has increased patronage.

I know my concerns are not alone and we only get one shot to get it right please make it the right one.

Clive Wheeler.
19B Seyton Street ,
Stratford.

Subject: FW: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool

From: C Tempero <cbsb@xtra.co.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 23 July 2020 7:29 p.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: King Edward Park Reserve - Pool

Please can the following be taken into consideration in your proposal.

The way the road bends between the centennial rest rooms and the netball courts creates a blind spot when parked vehicles are reversing near the proposed site. Children crossing the road at the netball courts creates a hazard, unsupervised children leaving a swimming pool could be a safety concern. Parking will potentially also become an issue, if you have hockey and swimming at the same venue. Has the location of the old post office been considered? As parking is available next to the council offices on the same side of the road and there is a zebra crossing for children to safely cross the road.

The netball courts appear to be a hub of activity regularly - where will they be moved to? Netball is a sport accessible to a wide range of socio economic groups unlike swimming. Any replacement venue must adequately support current users.

The alternative venue for the netball courts is not clear in the photo.

Yours sincerely

Catherine Tempero

Subject: FW: "King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development"

From: Clough Family <clough_family@xtra.co.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 9 July 2020 10:41 a.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: "King Edward Park Reserve - Pool Development"

Feedback On Location

What a terrible waste of ratepayers money in relocating the pool onto the Stratford Netball and Tennis Courts. Of course the pool development is going to impact on the current use of these areas (unless the rules of these games have changed so much that we are now playing netball and tennis under water)!! I have not heard anything about where the netball and tennis courts will be relocated unless the councillors think that all netball can now be played indoors at the TET Stadium on one court. Are there any figures with regards to numbers using the netball and tennis courts compared to numbers using the current pool?

I do realise that money has to be spent on the current pool facilities which will be far less than relocating it altogether and wonder what the reasoning behind this is. Please enlighten me.

Deborah Clough
Ph 067622932



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Subject: FW: re pool developement

From: Michael and Christine Jones <michaelandchristine3@hotmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 15 July 2020 7:49 a.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: re pool developement

I myself plus a few friends and relatives, believe there is no reason to shift the pool, you already have the facilities there, you could upgrade the area along the river, have an area where you can sit while waiting with a river view, you already have parking there, why shift netball courts that there is no reason to shift, where the pool is now is perfect, I think for everyone will agree, its in a perfect location, plus what will happen to the old building if you shift it, stay derelict like the old nurses home in Romeo street,

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King Edward Park reserve pool development.

As a regular user of the stratford swimming pool, three to four times a week over a long period of time, I don't think we need a new pool at this time.

Most times I go, and they vary there is very few people there, even in the school holidays, fifteen or twenty kids and a few adults.

Has the council researched this, I can say in all the time going I have not seen any councilors there.

Maybe a refurbishment of the existing pool could be an option.

If it does go ahead keep it separate from the TET Multi sports stadium to avoid congestion.

Parking is one of the things to think about, close parking is required for older people recovering from operations etc. I see lots of these people using the pool now that have had knee or Hip operations, and that number will grow over the next few years.

If it all goes ahead a hot spa and a Hydro slide for the young ones would be great. but on the verge of a world wide depression is this a good idea at this time.

David Frandsen.

Subject: FW: Proposed Swimming Pool

From: Darryl <gobe@inspire.net.nz>

Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 8:09 a.m.

To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>

Subject: Proposed Swimming Pool

Hi

I disagree with the location of the proposed swimming pool and would like to see it stay where it is. There will be a congestion of parking which I can see as currently with the TET and court area there already is not enough parking. We have such a beautiful area in this location, why spoil it by putting the proposed swimming pool in this location.

Darryl Goble



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Subject: FW: Proposed Swimming Pool Location

From: Sparkles <marggoble123@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 24 July 2020 8:48 a.m.
To: StratfordDC <StratfordDC@stratford.govt.nz>
Subject: Proposed Swimming Pool Location

Hi

I am writing to the council voicing my opinion of the proposed swimming pool complex. I totally disagree on the proposed location for this project. Why spoil the current court/Sports area for the sake of a new pool when you can modernized the old pool and work with what you already have. \$10m can go along way with the proper planning by the right people. Surely you would get more buck for your money by doing this.

Where will the courts be located? More money and expense to relocate.

The current location of the pool is great. There is plenty of area where you can expand and make this complex a utility like Hawera's pool. South Taranaki District Council worked with what they had and I cannot honestly see why our Council can't do the same. We do not need the pool running along side the TET stadium. The current pool is still close to the sporting venue.

Another problem would be congestion of car parking. There already is during winter months with sports let alone having the new complex placed in this area and adding to the problem.

We have such a beautiful park and why go and spoil it by putting the swimming pool in the proposed area. Keep it where it is.

Regards

Marg Goble

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23 July 2020

Chief Executive

Stratford District Council

stratforddc@stratford.govt.nz

re: **King Edward Park Reserve – Pool Development**

Submission from Stratford Cricket Club

On behalf of the Stratford Cricket Club (SCC) I would like to express the outcome of recent discussions held at our SCC committee meeting on Wednesday 22 July 2020.

It has become apparent, with the relocation of the pool complex, redevelopment of King Edward Park and the relocation of the netball courts, that we are about to lose the artificial cricket wicket currently situated on King Edward Park.

Along with this, following today's funding news, the Children's Cycling Education Park at Victoria Park will be going ahead in the very near future, causing the loss of the second artificial cricket wicket used by SCC.

In recent seasons the SCC has had 3 senior teams and 4 junior teams, with the Premier team being the only regular user of the grass wicket at Victoria Park. Therefore these artificial wickets are crucial to keeping all levels of cricket in Stratford accessible to the varying age groups of our members.

Whilst we are in favour of the development of facilities in the Stratford District we must also advise of our requirements, on behalf of our members, for the council to fulfil their duty to provide facilities as per the Local Government Act of 2002.

As mentioned we discussed alternatives at length at our recent committee meeting and have arrived at a consensus pertaining to our expectations from council.

Points of mention and the most favourable solution, following a vote of committee, are as follows:

- As we are losing both artificial wickets used by the club we have an expectation to be provided with two replacement wickets.
- With four junior teams playing on a Friday afternoon/evening, most weeks will see a minimum of two home games, occasionally three.
- As we also have two senior 3rd Grade teams playing on a Saturday we are required to provide two artificial wickets.
- The possible scenarios/solutions discussed were:
 - The installation of a second artificial wicket at Stratford Primary School
 - The development of the Page Street ground to include the installation of an artificial wicket and development of the outfield
 - Council to work in liaison with Stratford High School to upgrade and make any necessary repairs to the artificial wicket located there.

The solution preferred by SCC is for council to:

- Install a second artificial wicket at Stratford Primary School, along with changing/toilet facilities. This would enable junior teams to conveniently play alongside each other at the same venue and would allow a senior game to be played on a Saturday.
- Council to liaise with Stratford High School with the aim of council carrying out any repairs or upgrades necessary to the current wicket to allow a senior game to be played on a Saturday.

We believe this would provide maximum benefit for our members and be practically attainable in a short time frame by council.

Also discussed at our meeting, with regard to the pool relocation, was the potential of repurposing the existing pool complex (building) to an indoor training facility. This could be used year round by many sporting codes such as cricket, netball, football and rugby as an all-weather training facility and is conveniently already set up with changing facilities, meeting rooms etc.

Thank you for receiving this submission from Stratford Cricket Club, we await your response.

Philippa Smith
Secretary
On behalf of SCC Committee

