



Our reference
F19/13/03-D21/26182

6 July 2022

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary meeting of Council will be held in the **Council Chambers, Stratford District Council, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford** on **Tuesday 12 July 2022** beginning at **3.30pm**.

At this stage the meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, however should it be required due to the Covid Protection Framework, the meeting may be moved to an alternative venue or held virtually.

Timetable for 12 July 2022 as follows:

1.30pm	Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Better off funding application- LGNZ AGM remits
3.15pm	Afternoon Tea for Councillors
3.30pm	Policy & Services Committee Meeting

Yours faithfully

Sven Hanne
Chief Executive

2022 - Agenda - Ordinary - July

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AGENDA

Ordinary Meeting of Council



F19/13/05 – D22/23815

Date: Tuesday 12 July 2022 at 3:30 PM

Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

The meeting location may change, or will be held via Audio Visual Link, if required due to current Covid Protection Framework or Government Guidelines.

1. Welcome

1.1 Opening Karakia
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1.2 Health and Safety Message
D21/26210 Page 7

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 Ordinary Meeting of Council – 14 June 2022
D22/20517 Page 9

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 14 June 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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Moved/Seconded

6.1.1 Public Forum Notes – 14 June 2022
D22/20916 Page 14

The notes from the Public Forum on Tuesday 14 June 2022 are attached for Council's information.

6.2 Farm and Aerodrome Committee – 21 June 2022
D22/21720 Page 17

Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 June 2022 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 June 2022 be adopted.

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Moved/Seconded

6.3 Extraordinary Meeting of Council – 28 June 2022
D22/22204 Page 23

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 28 June 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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Moved/Seconded

6.4 Policy & Services Committee – 28 June 2022
D22/22313 Page 31

Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be received.
2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be adopted.

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Moved/Seconded

6.5 Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee – 19 May 2022
Page 40

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held on Thursday 19 May 2022 be received.

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Moved/Seconded

6.6 Taranaki Solid Waste Committee – 26 May 2022
Page 46

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Committee held on Thursday 26 May 2022 be received.

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Moved/Seconded

6.7 Taranaki Regional Transport Committee – 1 June 2022
Page 50

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee held on Wednesday 1 June 2022 be received.

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Moved/Seconded

7. District Mayor's Report
D22/19936 Page 55

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

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Moved/Seconded

8. Questions

9. Closing Karakia
D21/40748 Page 58



Our reference
F19/13/03-D21/40748

Karakia

Kia uruuru mai
Ā hauora
Ā haukaha
Ā haumāia
Ki runga, Ki raro
Ki roto, Ki waho
Rire rire hau Paimārire

I draw in (to my being)
The reviving essence
The strengthening essence
The essence of courage
Above, Below
Within, Around
Let there be peace.



Our reference
F19/13/03-D22/17082

Health and Safety Message

In the event of an emergency, unless guided to an alternative route by staff, please exit through the main entrance. Once outside the building please move towards the War Memorial Centre congregating on the lawn area outside the front of the council building.

If there is an earthquake, please drop, cover and hold where possible. Remain indoors until the shaking stops and you are sure it is safe to exit or remain where you are until further instruction is given.

Under the current Pandemic setting visitor access beyond the customer service centre is restricted. Mask wearing is mandatory in all public areas as well as any areas where social distancing cannot be consistently achieved, such as corridors, staff rooms and bathrooms.

We recommend mask wearing for the duration of meetings unless social distancing of a minimum of 1 metre can be consistently achieved.

5. Attendance schedule for 2022 Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings.

Date	08/02/22	08/03/22	12/04/22	10/05/22	14/06/22	28/06/22	12/07/22	09/08/22	13/09/22
Meeting	O	O	O	O	O	E	O	O	O
Neil Volzke	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Grant Boyde	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Rick Coplestone	✓	AV	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Peter Dalziel	✓	AV	✓	AV	✓	AV			
Jono Erwood	✓	AV	✓	✓	AV	✓			
Amanda Harris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Alan Jamieson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Vaughan Jones	✓	AV	✓	✓	✓	A			
Min McKay	AV	AV	AV	✓	✓	✓			
John Sandford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Gloria Webby	✓	AV	✓	✓	✓	✓			

Key	
O	Ordinary Meeting
E	Extraordinary Meeting
EM	Emergency Meeting
✓	Attended
A	Apology/Leave of Absence
AB	Absent
S	Sick
(AV)	Meeting held, or attended by, by Audio Visual Link

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council



F19/13/06 – D22/20517

Date: Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 3.30 PM
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

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

Via audio visual link: Councillor J M S Erwood

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 Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Revenue Manager – Mrs J Erwood, the Roading Manager – Mr S Bowden, the Community Development Officer – Mrs V Fischer (*part meeting*), two members of the media (Stratford Press and Taranaki Daily News) and one member of the public.

Via audio visual link: The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne

1. Welcome

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

1.1 Opening Karakia D21/40748 Page 6

The opening karakia was led by the District Mayor.

1.2 Health and Safety Message D21/26210 Page 7

The District Mayor reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Apologies

An apology was received from the Director – Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich.

Recommendation

THAT the apology be received.

VOLZKE/WEBBY
Carried
CL/22/47

3. Announcements

The District Mayor noted it was his intention to withdraw items 8, 9, 10 and 11 and would discuss this further in the agenda as well as an alternative date for an extraordinary meeting to adopt these documents.

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 members' interest will be circulated for updating. It was reiterated that as this formed part of council's audit process it was important to ensure this was accurate.

5. **Attendance Schedule**

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

6. **Confirmation of minutes**

6.1 Ordinary Meeting of Council – 10 May 2022
D22/16128 Page 15

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 10 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

DALZIEL/HARRIS
Carried
CL/22/48

6.1.1 Public Forum Notes – 10 May 2022
D22/16085 Page 21

The notes from the Public Forum on Tuesday 10 May 2022 was attached for Council's information.

6.2 Policy & Services Committee – 17 May 2022 (Hearing)
D22/17704 Page 23

Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 and the Draft Revenue and Financing Policy, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be received.

WEBBY/JONES
Carried
CL/22/49

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 and the Draft Revenue and Financing Policy, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be adopted.

JAMIESON/BOYDE
Carried
CL/22/50

6.3 Audit and Risk Committee – 17 May 2022
D22/17590 (open) D22/17589 (Public Excluded)

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Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting, including the public excluded section, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be received.

ERWOOD/McKAY
Carried
CL/22/51

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, including those in the public excluded section, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be adopted.

JAMIESON/VOLZKE
Carried
CL/22/52

6.4 Policy & Services Committee – 24 May 2022 (Hearing)
D22/17942

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Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Rates Remission Policy, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be received.

VOLZKE/BOYDE
Carried
CL/22/53

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Rates Remission Policy, held on Tuesday 24 May be adopted.

JAMIESON/SANDFORD
Carried
CL/22/54

6.5 Policy & Services Committee – 24 May 2022
D22/17943

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Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be received.

WEBBY/JAMIESON
Carried
CL/22/55

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be adopted.

SANDFORD/ERWOOD
Carried
CL/22/56

7. District Mayor's Report

D22/19936 Page 49

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

VOLZKE/DALZIEL
Carried
CL/22/57

The District Mayor noted the following points:

- The presentation on the developments in green energy at the Ake Ake Centre showcased mind boggling technology that has been developed across the country. Ake Ake is now working with these ideas to commercialise them. There is a lot happening within this organisation which will become more visible to the public soon.
- The Te Awa Tupua meeting was interesting as it questioned the storm water discharge into the Wanganui River and how this aligned with the river legislation and management. It was clarified this discussion referred to the storm water discharge from the Wanganui City rather than from rural properties. This will be an issue across the country.

The Community Development Officer left the meeting at 3.43pm

8. **ITEM WITHDRAWN - Decision Report – Adopt Annual Plan 2022/23 -**

D22/15804 Page 63

The District Mayor noted the following points:

- There has been a couple of issues raised, including those by the speaker at the public forum today, regarding the targeted rate for forestry properties.
- The number of targeted properties has increased and further information is required to clarify why this has increased.
- Clarity is also needed on what properties the rate will apply to as it currently states in the Annual Plan that it is based on the primary use of the land. There have been questions raised around this due to different property sizes and how it will be applied.
- It was suggested that the adoption of the Annual Plan, and the subsequent reports, be postponed to an Extraordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday 28 June 2022 to get further information for Council and to ensure compliance by adopting the Annual Plan prior to 30 June.

Recommendations

1. THAT in accordance with standing order 9.9, the Chief Executive has permitted the withdrawal of following items from the agenda due to further information/changes being required:

Item 8 Adopt Annual Plan
Item 9 Setting of Rates, Due Dates and Penalties Regime for 2022/23
Item 10 Adopt Revenue and Financing Policy
Item 11 Adopt Rates Remission

2. THAT an Extraordinary Meeting be scheduled for 2.00pm, Tuesday 28 June to adopt the above documents.

BOYDE/WEBBY
Carried
CL/22/57

9. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Setting of Rates, Due Dates and Penalties
Regime for 2022/23

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10. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Adopt Revenue and Financing Policy

D22/15681 Page 229

11. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Adopt Rates Remission Policy

D22/18167 Page 245

12. Public Forum Response

Speaker: Cam Eyre, NZ Forestry Ltd

Response: Council requested that Mr Eyre be advised that his comments will be factored into the deliberations on the Annual Plan and that the adoption of the document has been postponed to 28 June 2022.

Management were requested to follow up with Mr Eyre regarding his offer for collaboration and information sharing.

13. Questions

- Councillor Sandford noted that he had discussed with the Youth Council the possibility of a trip to the Recycling Centre in New Plymouth and asked if Councillors would like to attend as well. It would also be a good opportunity to visit the Taranaki Civil Defence office. He noted it would need to be held during school holidays. Councillors supported this request.

14. Closing Karakia

D21/40748 Page 268

The closing karakia was led by the District Mayor.

The meeting closed at 3.55pm.

N C Volzke

Chairman

Confirmed this 12th day of July 2022.

N C Volzke

District Mayor

PUBLIC FORUM

Notes



F19/13/05 – D22/20916

Date: Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 3.00 PM
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

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

Via audio visual link: Councillor J M S Erwood

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 Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson, the Roothing Asset Manager – Mr S Bowden, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Revenue Manager – Mrs J Erwood, two members of the media (Stratford Press and Taranaki Daily News) and Mr Cam Eyre (NZ Forestry Ltd) and Mr Richard Dreaver (R & S Dreaver Contracting Ltd)

Via audio visual link: The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne

1. Welcome

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

The District Mayor reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Speakers

Speaker: Cam Eyre, NZ Forestry Ltd

Points noted in discussion:

- Mr Eyre noted he was a Director with NZ Forestry Ltd which currently manages 8,000 hectares of forestry in the Stratford District.
- He noted the unified response from within the industry to Stratford District Council had been slower than he would have liked, therefore he was speaking today on behalf of his clients.
- The issue is with the rate being proposed to their clients in regards to the differential that is being proposed is difficult for understand and the way the total sums have been put in terms of extra roading expenses which he believes has been inflated. Increasing the differential rate is an old response for a new problem. There will be less of a hole but there are structural problems that lead to that cost that need to be changed.
- There is currently no requirement to notify Stratford District Council of where logging is being undertaken. There is only a voluntary response to advise council through the Taranaki Regional Council requirements. He noted the industry was willing to meet and talk with council.
- In 2015 a meeting was held with the Director – Environmental Services and the Director – Assets to explain that a number of trucks would be going over Stratford roads. The figure that is being proposed could have been much lower if things had been done pre-emptively rather than reactively. He noted he has been voluntarily trying to work with Stratford District Council to help keep those costs as low as possible and to have a good relationship to keep things moving.
- It was clarified that when the meeting in 2015 occurred Mr Eyre was representing 1,800 hectares of forestry which has increased to 8,000 hectares now.
- The best way to get on top of these roading bills is to work on these problems collaboratively, where it is happening on the ground is where costs can be addressed.
- Puniwhakau Road, as an example, there is about 800 hectares of production forest up that road and 90% of roading work has been undertaken in the middle of winter with metal being poured in reactively to what is occurring. Last winter when logging was seeing about 5 loads a day being taken out Fulton Hogan brought in three diggers, three metal trucks and staff from Stratford. If a company like his could be subcontracted to manage the repair of the road then it would mean

less equipment used and then require less people. He noted if these roads were built in summer then there would be less costs in the winter.

- He urged Council to give the industry a chance to show them how Council could save money before attempting to fix it through this rate. This would fix the problem for the long term. He noted he was more than willing to commit time for collaboration and talk to the roading team and council to get buy in. Without understanding this side of it then you are just guessing and that is not a fair way to set a rate.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- The Deputy Mayor questioned if Mr Eyre thought his contractors could meet the Health and Safety and Engineering requirements for council work. Mr Eyre noted he would be happy to look at Council's requirements for Health & Safety and give feedback on those.
- Councillor Coplestone noted he had been against this rate as it is a one size fit all approach. He felt the most important part Mr Eyre had noted was the inefficiencies. He questioned why they were logging in winter which damages the road but felt Mr Eyre's comments regarding addressing the problem beforehand was a valid point which needs to be looked at more in the future.
- The District Mayor asked how the industry would react to a temporary road closure or weight restrictions as a result of bad weather? Mr Eyre questioned how that would stop the situation that is happening now, and noted that that reaction would come back to the forestry industry having to notify council that work is happening which is not currently required. He did not agree with a road closure when there is currently no requirements to communicate.
- The District Mayor questioned that if Stratford's road conditions and lack of preparation for forestry harvesting was the problem, did Mr Eyre feel this was the same for the other 15 Councils who have a similar targeted rate? Mr Eyre noted he did not know the situation of the other areas, he noted there were some Council's that worked very well and communicated well with the forestry industry and others who have no communication and reiterated that Stratford's roading assets were in a very poor standard.
- The Deputy Mayor noted it was important to acknowledge that there is a lot of damage caused by forestry while Council was trying to maintain that the roads remain fit for purpose. Mr Eyre questioned if the damage was caused by trucks, he felt the high amount of damage was caused by trucks being on roads not fit for purpose. The Deputy Mayor noted that the problem lay in the cost being spread across all ratepayers who were not getting the benefit from that use and the result of a targeted rate was felt to be fairer. He noted it would be nice to see more support be received from the government through road user charges but was unlikely, he noted that no other solutions had yet been found.
- It was clarified that there is currently no requirement under the District Plan for notification on forestry work. The Director – Environmental Services would investigate what notification requirements were in the national standards.
- Councillor Harris noted the suggestion of collaboration from NZ Forestry but noted that not all blocks in the Stratford district were clients of this group and noted her concern on what collaboration could be achieved from those other owners. She noted as a ratepayer sometimes the only notification Council receives is when she requests repairs to damage on the roads. She noted that often logging begins at short notice when the prices are high and there isn't a lot of communication in general. Mr Eyre questioned how did she see communication being done, how does the industry notify and what is good behaviour? He noted that looking at those who run amuck was like comparing dairy farmers to those who don't look after their stock. He suggested a meeting to discuss behaviours but noted there were currently no rules to look too.
- Councillor Boyde questioned what tools Council had to look for a solution such as the District Plan or a Bylaw for Adverse Weather events and asked if Mr Eyre would be comfortable with those tools? He noted the huge growth that had occurred since the 2015 meeting Mr Eyre had spoken about and also that it was not just the roads that were damaged it was also culverts and bridges. Mr Eyre noted it was important to work together better but questioned how it was wrong that the industry uses the road? He asked if these tools would mean it was a consented activity, and what notification does the Taranaki Regional Council currently gets, if any?
- The District Mayor noted that the points raised about collaboration and working together would be welcomed. The solutions suggested are more long term and around planning and information sharing. He noted that Council would discuss the public forum in the Ordinary Meeting and an outcome would be shared with Mr Eyre. He requested that officers follow up some of the specifics regarding the roads that were mentioned during the presentation.

The meeting closed at 3.26pm.

N C Volzke
Chairman

Confirmed this 12th day of July 2022.

N C Volzke
District Mayor

MINUTES

Farm and Aerodrome Committee



F19/13/05– D22/21720

Date: Tuesday 21 June 2022 at 12noon
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

Councillor G W Boyde (the Chairman), the District Mayor N C Volzke, Councillor V R Jones, and Committee Members: the Director Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich, and the Property Officer – Mrs S Flight.

Via audio visual link: Councillor P S Dalziel

In attendance

Councillor W J Sandford

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 Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, Mrs F Riddick (sharemilker), Mr J Buckley (consultant) and Mr P Radich (Fonterra).

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed the Acting Chief Executive, Councillors, staff, and the farm representatives.

1.1 Opening Karakia D21/40748 Page 5

The opening karakia was read.

1.2 Health and Safety Message D21/26210 Page 6

The Chairman reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Apologies

An apology was noted from the Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne.

Recommendation

THAT the apologies be received.

BOYDE/DALZIEL
Carried
F&A/22/10

3. Announcements

The Chairman reminded Councillors a workshop was being held following the conclusion of this meeting with Paul Radich, Fonterra.

4. Declarations of Members Interest

The Chairman requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda. There were no declarations of interest.

5. Attendance Schedule

The attendance schedule for Farm & Aerodrome Committee meetings was attached.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Farm and Aerodrome Committee Meeting – 15 March 2022
D22/9103 (PE) D22/11472 (Open) Page 9

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Farm and Aerodrome Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 15 March 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

VOLZKE/JONES
Carried
F&A/22/11

7. Matters Outstanding
D20/11504 Page 15

Recommendation

THAT the matters outstanding be received.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
F&A/22/12

8. Programme of Works
D20/28552 Page 16

Recommendation

THAT the Programme of Works be received.

DALZIEL/JONES
Carried
F&A/22/13

9. [Decision Report – A1 Jet Fuel Facility](#)
D22/20341 Page 17

<p>Recommendations</p> <p>1. <u>THAT</u> the report be received.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JONES/BOYDE <u>Carried</u> <u>F&A/22/14</u></p> <p>2. <u>THAT</u> the Committee consents to RD Petroleum establishing a Jet A1 fuel dispensing facility at the Stratford Aerodrome and approve the proposed location.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">BOYDE/VOLZKE <u>Carried</u> <u>F&A/22/15</u></p> <p>Recommended Reason The provision of an A1 Jet fuelling facility at the aerodrome would be beneficial to the future of the aerodrome and it is appropriate for reasons outlined in the report to the Committee.</p>

The Property Officer noted the following points:

- RD Petroleum have approached council with a proposal for an additional fuel tank.
- They have consulted with the users and there is support for their proposal.
- It is anticipated that having the second type of fuel will help attract future development which will see more hangar requirements and more users.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- It was clarified that this would be RD Petroleum's third North Island site.
- It was clarified that the red square on the image was where the tank would be located and it would be pumped to the existing pump station for use.

10. [Information Report – Risk Review](#)
D22/19650 Page 24

<p>Recommendation</p> <p><u>THAT</u> the report be received.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DALZIEL/JONES <u>Carried</u> <u>F&A/22/16</u></p> <p>Recommended Reason To update the Farm and Aerodrome Committee of changes to both the Farm and Aerodrome Risk Registers and advise the Committee of any incidents in relation to the identified risks.</p>

The Property Officer noted that the only change to the Risk Register since the last meeting was the amended raw risk score for COVID-19 from medium to high.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- It was noted that there wasn't a requirement for a new risk relating to leaks from the fuel tanks as the concrete pad installed for the additional tank would have a lip to contain leakages. This has been approved by the Taranaki Regional Council.

11. Quarterly Report – Farm and Aerodrome Business and Financial Report
D22/19996 Page 31

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

DALZIEL/BOYDE
Carried
F&A/22/10

Recommended Reason

This report provides the first quarterly update to the Farm and Aerodrome Committee. It highlights the milk production from the current season at the farm and also reports on the key activities at the Aerodrome

The Property Officer noted that the total milk production from the current season has come in above the targeted amount at 154,394 kgs ms. This makes this the best season during the term of the 50/50 sharemilking contract.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- The Chairman thanked the sharemilkers for a really great year. He noted the new sharemilking agreement had been signed for another five years which indicates the confidence both parties have in each other.
- It was clarified that the whole asset management plan is being reviewed, the Director – Assets noted that once a programme has been finalised it would be brought to this committee. The Chairman noted his concern regarding the use of Zone C and Animal Safety for the farm stock. The District Mayor noted that when the strategic plan was commissioned in 2011 it was completed by a specialist aviation consultant and its adoption was not supported by all councillors. There was a lot of support for it, but also a lot of opposition and concerns including the hangars being close to existing runways, safety issues with the site having no control tower etc. He urged officers to put a more personalised view on the strategic plan rather than a commercialised plan and ensure it will work for Stratford. He also noted that there had been a clear instruction for the plan not to impede on existing farm operations, however with the additional property purchased to increase the farm size there would be potential for hangars to use farmland. The plan had made provision for a high level of development and he noted it was important to remember there were only one or two hangars every ten years. Councillor Dalziel reiterated the District Mayor's comments and noted what Stratford wants for the operation needs to be considered.

Mr Radich joined the meeting at 12.20pm

- Councillor Jones noted there was a lot of focus on the milk production and agreed it was a great result in a tough year but noted there had been two thirds more spent in supplementary feed and in a low payout year that extra feed may not equal out. Mr Buckley noted that through modelling the farm was 1.5 tonnes of pasture down on what has traditionally been used and with 200 tonne of feed missing the difference in milk solids may have been around 25,000 kgs, about 200 kgs of dry matter per hectare less and 0.3 of a condition score per cow which would the sharemilkers would be trying to rectify now. He noted another challenge had been the heifers being brought home for an extra month which are still eating 12kgs a day each.
- Mr Buckley noted that the availability of feed may be an issue going forward with the export of grain out of Ukraine being stopped.
- The Chairman noted that the cows were in excellent condition which had flowed through to their production. Mr Buckley noted the key was to go into winter with the right amount of feed and condition, the impacts of poor condition going into winter could be felt by the farm for a further 18 months in as cutting feed out can impact mating. He noted feed contracts would be reviewed regularly and only taken for short periods.

The Director – Corporate Services noted the following points regarding the financials and overheads sections in this report:

- There still one month of expenditure to come through but the revenue won't change from what was presented. There is another months worth of grazing, feed and overheads.
- It is looking like a profit of just under \$300,000 for this year.
- The budget for next year is in the Annual Plan with a milk price of \$6.25, 12% has been set at an average of \$9.80 per kg ms. Mrs Radich noted that this committee will discuss and decide on the use of the profit from this year remaining after the \$50,000 is allocated for rate mitigation. The remaining could be used on debt repayment or put into the reserve.
- Appendix 5 was included as a result of a question of the overheads for the farm activity and whether the farm could be better off if it did not have these 'head office' allocations. The alternative option presented would have the farm completely separate from council similar to the Percy Thomson Trust as a Council Controlled Organisation which would incur a 28% tax rate if the intention was to make profit as well as all the administration expenses which would be required under local government legislation.

Questions/Points of clarification:

- The District Mayor noted that it was really pleasing to note that even though there had been new debt incurred council had still managed to pay back more than that so the net debt has gone down. He also suggested the Stratford Park may have land available for grazing.
- It was noted that it was beneficial to fix the milk prices in terms of having the ability to do that with the sharemilkers, but that in the past the outcome has not been beneficial with the milk price continuing to rise. This season it had been fixed at \$8.35 p/kg ms but this will be well under the final milk price, however it was noted the budget had been \$6.25 kg ms.
- It was noted that the interest rate for debt was the council's weighted average. The next fixed rate was not maturing until next April.
- Councillor Dalziel noted the Appendix 5 gave a good view of the overheads and the actual costs. He questioned if anything could be streamlined but felt it would be immaterial overall. The Director – Corporate Services noted that the overheads needed to be viewed in terms of the wider council and so reduction in costs would impact another activity.
- Mrs Radich also noted that a Council Controlled Organisation would not be able to access the LGFA interest rates.

12. Quarterly Report – Health and Safety

D22/20022 Page 44

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

BOYDE/JONES
Carried
F&A/22/10

The Property Officer noted there were no incidents at the farm or aerodrome.

13. Questions

There were no questions.

14. Closing Karakia

D21/40748 Page 47

The closing karakia was read.

The meeting closed at 12.55pm

G W Boyde
Chairman

Confirmed this 20th day of September 2022.

N C Volzke
District Mayor

MINUTES

Extraordinary



F19/13/05 – D22/22204

Date: Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 2PM
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

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

Via audio visual link: Councillor P S Dalziel

In attendance

The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson, the Roading Asset Manager – Mr S Bowden, the Revenue Manager – Mrs J Erwood, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Community Development Manager – Mr C Julie and three members of the media (Stratford Press and Taranaki Daily News)

Via audio visual link: the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland

1. Welcome

The opening karakia was read.

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

The Deputy Mayor reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Apologies

A leave of absence was approved for Councillor V R Jones and an apology noted from the Director – Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich.

3. Announcements

The District Mayor acknowledged the passing of Councillor Jones' father, he noted that flowers had been organised to pass on Council's condolences to the family.

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. There were no declarations of interest.

5. Attendance Schedule

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

6. Decision Report – Adopt Annual Plan 2022/23
D22/15804 Page 12

Recommendations	
1. <u>THAT</u> the report be received.	BOYDE/WEBBY <u>Carried</u> <u>CL/22/58</u>
2. <u>THAT</u> the Annual Plan 2022/23 is adopted, including the Fees and Charges schedule, and Funding Impact Statement.	BOYDE/HARRIS 1 against <u>Carried</u> <u>CL/22/59</u>
Recommended Reason	
To adopt the Final Annual Plan 2022/23 to enable Council to set rates for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, and commence its programme of works for the year from 1 July 2022.	

The Chief Executive noted the following points:

- There are only minor differences from the report that was brought to the Ordinary meeting of Council in June which was withdrawn from the agenda following a presentation from a representative of the forestry industry. Council felt more time was required to consider the points raised in the presentation and clarify concerns regarding the number of identified properties which had increased by a further ten properties from the initial 29. The additional ten properties were identified by staff but have been withdrawn as it was not felt sufficient consultation was undertaken as these properties were not targeted directly. Three of the initial properties have been removed having provided evidence during the consultation process that they were incorrectly identified.
- It was noted that the criteria for this rate will be reviewed at each Annual Plan/Long Term Plan process, and it is envisioned to establish a tool for further criteria to be used in addition to the FE (exotic forestry) classification. Advice received from Simpson Grierson was not to rely too heavily on an external agency for the classification/definition of a property and therefore consideration will need to be given to this.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- Councillor Dalziel queried the targeted forestry rate of 0.069109 per dollar of capital value. The Corporate Accountant noted that clarification of this being in cents per dollar of capital value be added.
- It was noted that the adoption date would be amended to 28 June 2022.

Points noted in discussion:

- Councillor Boyde commended management on the work undertaken to ensure the total rate rise was reduced to its current level. This is especially important in the current climate.
- Councillor McKay commented that the forestry targeted rate was quite a change to introduce and acknowledged it may upset some people. However, she noted there comes a point where something has to be done. She acknowledged the points raised that the upkeep of the roads should have been done better over the past 20 years but noted that those who would have benefited from this are commercial forestry operators yet it is our ratepayers who would have covered that upkeep. She supported this as a fairer way to fund this work.
- Councillor Coplestone noted he did not feel the forestry targeted rate should be introduced and fixed later. He felt the circumstances for Stratford District should have been thought about rather than copying another region who has a different regime. He noted a lot of work had gone into this rate but felt there would be substantial tweaking required.
- Councillor Boyde noted the \$1.5 million spent on roading damage from the forestry industry in the past 5 years and ratepayers should not be funding that discrepancy. He noted his support to the recommendation.

7. Decision Report – Setting of Rates, Due Dates and Penalties Regime for 2022/23
D22/19718 Page 171

Recommendations

1. THAT the report be received.

SANDFORD/ERWOOD
Carried
CL/22/60

2. THAT the Stratford District Council sets the following rates, due dates, and penalties regime under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Annual Plan 2022-23 and Funding Impact Statement, on rating units in the Stratford District for the financial year commencing 1 July 2022, and ending 30 June 2023.

Important: All charges are GST inclusive, and funds raised are GST exclusive.

GENERAL RATE

Council set a general rate under section 13 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 (“LGRA”) calculated on the capital value of each rateable rating unit within the district.

The general rate is set with no differential.

The rate (in cents per dollar of capital value) for 2022/23 is 0.14205 cents, raising \$4,347,100.

General rates will be used to fund all activities that are not covered by the uniform annual general charge, targeted rates or other funding mechanisms outlined in the Revenue and Financing Policy.

UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE

Council set a UAGC under section 15 of the LGRA in respect of every separately used or inhabited part of a rateable rating unit within the district.

The UAGC for 2022/23 is \$815 per SUIP, raising \$3,501,235.

DEFINITION OF SUIP

A SUIP is a separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit and includes any part of a rating unit that is used or inhabited by any person. This definition applies to the application of UAGCs, the Solid Waste targeted rate and the Community Centre targeted rate.

This definition includes separately used parts, whether or not actually occupied at any particular time, which are provided by the owner for rental or other form of occupation on an occasional or long term. For the purpose of this definition, vacant land and vacant premises are separately used by the owner as a property available for separate sale, or provided by the owner for rental (or other form of occupation).

For a commercial rating unit (other than motels/hotels), this includes a building or part of a building that is, or is capable of being, separately tenanted, leased or subleased, and is not integral to the commercial operation. Motels/hotels are treated as one SUIP even if each accommodation unit may be capable of separate habitation.

For a residential rating unit, this includes a building or part of a building which is used, or is capable of being used, as an independent unit. An independent unit is any unit containing either separate cooking and living facilities, or a separate entrance; and that has its own toilet or bathroom facilities.

Separate parts of buildings, after the first, that are uninhabitable and declared unsanitary under the Health Act 1956 or the Building Act 2004 are not SUIPs.

TARGETED RATE – ROADING

Council set a targeted rate under section 16 in respect of roading and street services based on the capital value of each rating unit within the District.

The roading rate (in cents per dollar of capital value) under section 16 for 2022/23 is 0.098330 cents, raising \$2,994,898.

The roading rate will be used to fund the Roothing Activity.

A differential rate is applied on rating units which have forestry land as the primary use, but exclude land that is categorised under the valuer general's rules as indigenous forests or protected forests of any type. This is instead of the roading rate discussed above. The differential rate (in cents per dollar of capital value) under section 16 for 2022/23 is 0.69109 cents, raising \$100,000.

The funds collected from the differential will be used to fund the Roothing Activity.

TARGETED RATE – SOLID WASTE (RUBBISH AND RECYCLING)

Council set a targeted rate under section 16 of the LGRA for refuse collection on the basis of an amount per each SUIP from which Council is prepared to collect a container of refuse, as part of its normal refuse disposal service, in the Stratford and Midhirst domestic collection area.

The solid waste rate under section 16 for 2022/23 is \$389, raising \$895,883.

The solid waste rate will be used to fund the urban domestic refuse collection activity.

TARGETED RATE – WASTE WATER (SEWERAGE)

Council set a targeted rate under section 16 of the LGRA for sewerage as a fixed amount per each SUIP which is connected to a public sewerage drain, and a targeted rate under Schedule 3, Clause 8 of the LGRA as a fixed amount per rating unit for serviceable properties. Serviceable properties are properties that have Council waste water reticulation services adjacent, contiguous or nearby to the serviceable properties, and the property boundary is within 30 metres of a public wastewater drain, but are not connected.

For all non-commercial properties the differential factor is 1 (base), and the Waste Water rate for properties connected is \$355.00, and for serviceable properties is \$177.50, being 50% of the targeted rate.

Commercial properties are differentiated by use as follows:

Commercial base category (all commercial rating units not included in any other commercial category) and the differential factor is also 1 (base) and the amount is \$355.00 per SUIP.

- Commercial 2 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 2 toilets) differential factor 150% of base and the amount is \$532 per SUIP.
- Commercial 3 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 3 toilets) differential factor 200% of base and the amount is \$710 per SUIP.
- Commercial 4 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 4 toilets) differential factor 225% of base and the amount is \$798 per SUIP.
- Commercial 5 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 5 toilets) differential factor 250% of base and the amount is \$887 per SUIP.
- Commercial 6 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 6 toilets) differential factor 275% of base and the amount is \$976 per SUIP.
- Commercial 7 (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 7 toilets) differential factor 300% of base and the amount is \$1,064 per SUIP.
- Commercial Large (commercial rating units used for an activity requiring 8 or more toilets) differential factor 325% of base and the amount is \$1,153 per SUIP.

The sewerage system rate for 2022/23 is to raise \$895,855 and will be used to fund the waste water activity.

TARGETED RATES - WATER SUPPLY

Council set a targeted rate under section 16 of the LGRA for water supply on the basis of an amount per rating unit connected to the Stratford, Midhirst, or Toko Water Supply, and a targeted rate under Schedule 3, Clause 8 of the LGRA as a fixed amount per rating unit for serviceable properties. Serviceable properties are properties that have Council water reticulation services adjacent, contiguous or nearby to the serviceable properties, and the property boundary is within 100 metres of a water main, but are not connected.

The Water Supply rate for properties connected is \$601, and for serviceable properties is \$300.50, being 50% of the targeted rate, and raising \$1,624,478.

In addition, Council set a targeted rate for extraordinary water supply under section 19 of the LGRA on the basis of an amount per unit of water supplied in the Stratford Water Supply Area, the Midhirst Water Supply area, and the Toko Water Supply Area to any rating unit which has been fitted with a water meter.

The Stratford water supply rate under section 19 for 2022/23 is \$2.15 per cubic metre of supply in excess of 250 cubic metres per annum, raising \$464,901.

The Midhirst water supply rate under section 19 for 2022/23 is \$2.15 per cubic metre of supply in excess of 250 cubic metres per annum, raising \$17,095.

The Toko water supply rate under section 19 for 2022/23 is \$2.15 per cubic metre of supply in excess of 250 cubic metres per annum, raising \$3,238.

The water supply rates will be used to fund the water supply activities in the Stratford, Midhirst and Toko areas.

TARGETED RATES - COMMUNITY CENTRES

Council sets targeted rates under section 16 of the LGRA for community centres on the basis of an amount per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the listed community areas. This rate uses a fixed charge based on the location of the rating unit.

The community centre rates for 2022/23 are:

- A fixed charge of \$23.00 within the Wharehuia Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$1,820.
- A fixed charge of \$23.00 within the Te Popo Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$1,020.
- A fixed charge of \$13.80 within the Pembroke Road Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$1,632.
- A fixed charge of \$34.50 within the Toko Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$4,410.
- A fixed charge of \$17.25 within the Pukengahu Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$810.
- A fixed charge of \$17.25 within the Midhirst Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$5,130.
- A fixed charge of \$11.50 within the Makahu Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$510.
- A fixed charge of \$30.00 within the Cardiff Community Centre area per SUIP collecting \$2,557.

The community centres rate will be used to fund the operating costs of the community centres and will raise \$17,889.

PAYMENT DUE DATES AND PENALTIES

All rates, except those for metered water supply, will be payable in four equal instalments due on:

1 st Instalment:	31 August 2022
2 nd Instalment:	30 November 2022
3 rd Instalment:	22 February 2023
4 th Instalment:	31 May 2023

Pursuant to Sections 57 and 58 of the LGRA the following penalties on unpaid rates (excluding metered water rates) will be added:

- A charge of 10% on so much of any instalment that has been assessed after 1 July 2022 which remain unpaid after the due date for that instalment. The penalty will be added on the following dates:
 - 1st Instalment 7 September 2022
 - 2nd Instalment 7 December 2022
 - 3rd Instalment 1 March 2023
 - 4th Instalment 7 June 2023
- A charge of 10% on so much of any rates assessed before 1 July 2022 which remain unpaid on 1 July 2022. The penalty will be added on 11 July 2022.
- A continuing additional penalty of 10% on so much of any rates assessed before 1 July 2022, to which a penalty has been added under the immediately preceding bullet point, and which remain unpaid six months after the previous penalty was added. The penalty will be added on 10 January 2023.
- Penalties imposed are exempt from GST.

Payment Due Dates for Metered Water Supply

A charge of 10% on any amount outstanding which remains unpaid on the following dates will be added on the dates below:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Penalty Date</u>
1 July to 30 September 2022	9 November 2022	16 November 2022
1 October to 31 December 2022	8 February 2023	15 February 2023
1 January to 31 March 2023	10 May 2023	17 May 2023
1 April to 30 June 2023	9 August 2023	16 August 2023

EARLY PAYMENT

Sections 55 and 56 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 empowers Council to allow for the early payment of rates.

- Council proposes to accept early payment of all rates assessed for the 2022/23 year, but no discount will be applied for early payment. (Section 55).
- Council proposes to accept early payment of all rates assessed for the 2023/24 and subsequent years, but no discount will be applied for early payment. These payments will be applied to general rates or individual targeted rates if requested by the ratepayer, otherwise they will be applied against future general rates. (Section 56).

PAYMENT LOCATIONS – ALL RATES AND CHARGES

Direct Debits are our preferred method of payment. Direct Debit Authority Forms are available at the Council Miranda St office, or downloaded from the Council website.

Payments can be made online by going to <https://www.stratford.govt.nz> and clicking on “Pay Online”.

Mail and electronic payments shall be deemed to be received at the Council Office on day of receipt.

The Council accepts payments by cash, eftpos or credit card between the hours of 8.30 am to 4.30 pm, Monday to Friday, at the Council offices, Miranda Street, Stratford

COPLESTONE/McKAY
Carried
CL/22/61

Recommended Reason

The Annual Plan 2022-23 contains the activities and associated costs of Council and the funding mechanisms, including rates, to meet those costs. The Rates to be set above are consistent with the Funding Impact Statement in the Annual Plan 2022-2023, as required by law. Council is required by law to adopt an Annual Plan by 30 June of the year in which the Plan commences, and set rates for the year.

The Revenue Manager noted this report sets the rates, penalties and due dates in accordance with the Annual Plan and Funding Impact statement. The resolutions are consistent with the Revenue and Financing Policy.

8. [Decision Report – Adopt Revenue and Financing Policy](#)
D22/15681 Page 179

Recommendations

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the policy be amended to include reference to the impacts on the four well-beings, as required by legislation.
3. THAT the amended Revenue and Financing Policy be adopted.

VOLZKE/HARRIS
Carried
CL/22/62

JAMIESON/BOYDE
Carried
CL/22/63

Recommended Reason

The draft amended Revenue and Financing Policy was released for consultation, with no submissions against the proposed amendments to the draft released. One additional amendment is proposed, following a recent case law decision, and it is recommended that a new paragraph be inserted to the policy to acknowledge the impact of Council's funding decisions on the four well-beings.

9. [Decision Report – Adopt Rates Remission Policy](#)
D22/18167 Page 195

Recommendations

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the amended Rates Remission Policy be adopted.

VOLZKE/WEBBY
Carried
CL/22/64

HARRIS/ERWOOD
Carried
CL/22/65

Recommended Reason

The Rates Remission Policy has been amended, consulted on, and deliberated on by the Policy and Services Committee.

The Chief Executive noted there were a number of changes made to this policy as requested during the hearing.

10. Questions

There were no questions.

11. Closing Karakia

D21/40748 Page 218

The closing karakia was read.

The meeting closed at 2.27pm

N C Volzke
Chairman

Confirmed this 12th day of July 2021.

N C Volzke
District Mayor

MINUTES

Policy and Services Committee



F19/03/05 – D22/22313

Date: Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 3PM
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

Present

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

Via audio visual link: Councillor P S Dalziel

In attendance

The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson, the Environmental Health Manager – Ms R Otter (*part meeting*), the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig (*part meeting*), the Roading Asset Manager – Mr S Bowden (*part meeting*), the Services Asset Manager – Mr J Cooper (*part meeting*), the Community Development Manager – Mr C Julie (*part meeting*), three members of the media (Stratford Press and Taranaki Daily News) and one member of the public.

Via audio visual link: the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland and the Director Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich (*part meeting*).

1. Welcome

The opening karakia was read.

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

The Deputy Mayor reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

2. Apologies

It was noted a leave of absence had been approved for Councillor V R Jones.

3. Announcements

There were no announcements.

4. Declarations of members interest

Elected members were asked to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.

Councillor Erwood – Item 12 – TET Funding Application 2022

The Deputy Mayor – Item 12 – TET Funding Application 2022

It was noted that the District Mayor would undertake the role of Chair during this item.

5. Attendance Schedule

The Attendance schedule for Policy and Services Committee meetings, including Hearings, was attached.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Policy & Services Committee – 17 May 2022 (Hearing)
D22/17704 Page 12

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee Meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Annual Plan and Draft Revenue and Financing Policy, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

HARRIS/VOLZKE
Carried
P&S/22/81

6.2 Policy & Services Committee – 24 May 2022 (Hearing)
D22/17942 Page 21

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee Meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Rates Remission Policy, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

WEBBY/McKAY
Carried
P&S/22/82

6.3 Policy & Services Committee – 24 May 2022
D22/17943 Page 25

Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Policy and Services Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

SANDFORD/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/22/83

7. Matters Outstanding

D16/47 Page 31

Recommendation

THAT the Matters Outstanding be received.

WEBBY/SANDFORD
Carried
P&S/22/84

The Chief Executive noted that the discussion regarding the old swimming pool complex will be undertaken prior to the next Annual Plan.

8. Information Report – Pre-Election Report 2022
D22/20690 Page 32

Recommendations	
1. <u>THAT</u> the report be received.	ERWOOD/BOYDE <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/85</u>
2. <u>THAT</u> the Pre-Election Report 2022 be received.	COPLESTONE/HARRIS <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/86</u>
Recommended Reason	
The Pre-Election Report is required, under the Local Government Act 2002, to be completed and published no less than two weeks before nomination day (nomination closing date), which in the 2022 election year means published by 29 July 2022. This report gives elected members the opportunity to acknowledge the document before it is published in the public domain.	

The Chief Executive noted that council was legally required to publish this report and was presented to elected members for their acknowledgement. The report gives potential candidates a 'state of the nation' overview and has been produced within council but with input from the electoral officer.

9. Information Report – Waste Data Report from the Stratford District SWAP Survey
D22/20291 Page 62

Recommendation	
<u>THAT</u> the report be received.	BOYDE/SANDFORD <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/87</u>

The Services Asset Manager noted there had not been a lot of change from the draft report which was circulated prior to the survey being complete. He noted organic waste was one of the main items found in the bins.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- The Deputy Mayor noted the amount of organic waste going to landfill.
- Councillor Boyde questioned if there had been an increase of fly-tipping happening and requested that a cost analysis for cleaning this waste up. Add to matters outstanding.
- It was clarified that the majority of the plastics found during the survey was unrecyclable but that there was recyclable plastics and aluminium cans found.
- It was noted there has not been a cost analysis completed to determine the costs of organic waste going to landfill and a separate green waste collection as there is currently not another avenue to take the green waste. The Deputy Mayor noted the investigation into the regional organic waste facility is ongoing and that a regional facility would save a lot of money in transportation costs.

The Corporate Accountant joined the meeting at 3.11pm.

10. Decision Report – Draft Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy and Draft TAB Venues Policy
D22/20416 Page 68

Recommendations

1. THAT the report be received.

COPLESTONE/BOYDE
Carried
P&S/22/88

- ~~2. THAT the committee consider feedback received from special interest groups.~~

- ~~3. THAT the committee consider the matters outlined in option 1 of this report, and release the attached draft TAB Venue Policy and Statement of Proposal for public consultation.~~

- ~~3. THAT the committee consider the matters outlined in options 3 and 5 of this report and release the draft Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy and Statement of Proposal for public consultation.~~

4. THAT a report be presented to a future council meeting to release the Draft Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy for public consultation incorporating a sinking lid (as per Option 4) and retaining the relocation section.

BOYDE/WEBBY
Carried
P&S/22/89

Recommended Reason

The Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy and TAB Venues Policy are required to be reviewed every three years in accordance with legislation. Prior to the public consultation of the policies, special interest groups were invited to provide feedback on the current policies as required by legislation.

The Council is now required to consider the feedback received from special interest groups and approve the draft Class 4 Venue Gambling Venues Policy and the TAB Venue Policy, together with the Statement of Proposals, for public consultation.

The Environmental Health Manager noted the following points:

- The memorandum circulated to elected members was noted. This changed the recommendation from reducing the cap to 27 as it this was no longer an option. She noted the officer recommendation was now to incorporate a sinking lid which is used in many other districts to control gaming machine growth.
- The policy objective and legislation require council to consider the growth of gambling and its current and future effects on the community while noting a big shift in the deprivation index.
- She noted that the majority of other councils have retained the relocation policy in the event a current operator cannot operate in their current premises for reasons such as fire or unrepairable deterioration or the building is earthquake prone.
- It was acknowledged that a small amount of the proceeds from gaming machine profit is returned to the Stratford Community and this was detailed in the report. However she noted that in addition to gaming machine grants, the Stratford community has the opportunity to apply to organisations such as the Taranaki Electricity Trust, the TOI Foundation, TSB Bank, Creative New Zealand, Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund, Fonterra Grass Roots and Ministry for Culture and Heritage just to name a few.
- It was noted that if the committee accepted the amendment to the proposed recommendations an updated policy can be supplied at the Ordinary Meeting of Council in July

The Roding Asset Manager joined the meeting at 3.16pm.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- Councillor Boyde noted that having a capped number meant everyone knew where the level was set at. He noted the report stated there was no level of gambling harm in the community. He questioned is there was a number in mind that would be fit for purpose for Stratford and noted that at 36 there was no significant harm and a low level of gambling harm documented. Ms Otter noted that the statistics provided were from 2018 but indicated that communities were going towards a higher deprivation level, she noted since then Covid-19 had also had an impact and there are no figures that show the results this have had. She reiterated her recommendation was to have a sinking lid but noted this could be reviewed if numbers reached an acceptable level to be capped. She noted that she was unsure of the level of monitoring that was undertaken by the Department of Internal Affairs.
- It was clarified that a sinking lid restricts the transfer of game licenses and the relocation policy means their license would be considered if moving premises.
- It was noted Stratford was now at its full capacity of 36 machines.
- It was reiterated the policy could be reviewed within its three year period if required.
- The District Mayor noted that during the previous review it was intended to reduce the cap to 27 but had been left at 36 in anticipation of the reopening of the Stratford Club. The addition of gaming machines at the Midhirst Tavern last week meant the District was now at its cap. He supported a sinking lid to allow for numbers to decrease to an appropriate level and then set a new cap.
- The District Mayor also noted that problem gambling was only one extreme of the total harm caused by gambling. The Ministry of Health states there is considerable harm specifically in areas of high deprivation. He acknowledged the argument by the gambling machine companies that money is returned to the communities but noted that in 2020 there was \$1.35 million taken out of the Stratford Community and only \$71,000 returned. He felt that the amount taken from the community was an outrageous volume which could have not not caused some harm in the community. He requested the report be brought back at the next Ordinary Meeting with the policy amended to have a sinking lid.
- It was noted there were no changes to be made to the TAB Venues Policy.
- Councillor Boyde noted that the statistics within the report noted no significant harm and that online gambling has a much bigger impact than gaming machines.
- It was noted that Waitara has a sinking lid, New Plymouth has a capped number and so did South Taranaki District.
- The District Mayor noted he had no issue with a relocation policy, particularly if there had been a fire or similar situation, however he acknowledged it had been exploited in some areas where a buyer wants to purchase the license of the machines and then seeks to relocate to a more built up area.

*The Director – Corporate Services left the meeting at 3.34pm
The Environmental Health Manager left the meeting at 3.35pm*

11. [Decision Report – Naming of the new Aquatic Facility](#)
D22/20026 Page 143

Recommendations	
1. <u>THAT</u> the report be received.	HARRIS/BOYDE Carried <u>P&S/22/90</u>
2. <u>THAT</u> the name “Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre” be adopted for the new aquatic facility.	ERWOOD/DAZLIEL 1 against Carried <u>P&S/22/91</u>
Recommended Reason	
The new aquatic facility is nearing completion and a name for the facility is needed.	

The Director – Community Services noted the following points:

- This report looks to adopt a name for the soon to be opened swimming pool and is one of the last decisions required.
- Council has no formal naming policy so officers were tasked to find a suitable name while working to retain naming rights to ensure alignment with the brand and reinforce positive experiences across our facilities.
- After ongoing discussions, the name gifted by the 3 iwi, with marae endorsement is "Wai o Rua". Directly translated it means "Water of Rua". Rua being the name of two tupuna and Rua also meaning two. The name references:
 - two tupuna (Rua Taranaki being the mountain and Ruaputahanga being a female chief or princess)
 - two water bodies that Stratford draws from being the Patea and Konini
 - nicely lends itself to the two viewing windows in the design of the buildingOverall iwi thought the name was inclusive, easy to say, playful and appropriate for such a facility.
- Stratford Aquatic Centre has been used throughout the process and it is felt this should also be part of the bilingual name.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was confirmed that the name would be shown on the building in the order "Wai o Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre" which is best practice for government agencies and in accordance with our branding.
- Councillor Sandford noted that he felt the English name should be on top and the māori beneath.
- Councillor Dalziel congratulated the team and felt it was an excellent name, easy to say, short and easily pronounceable.
- Councillor Coplestone noted he had looked into the words Wai O Rua and found a number of different meanings across different dialects – including being the name of a mental health service in the Hawkes Bay. He noted the ambiguous part of *rua* is what concerned him. He noted the pool had been built for the next generation and noted he would like to see schools produce a name each to be considered.
- Councillor McKay noted she really liked the name and the stories behind it. She noted the iwi would have given this real consideration and that giving a name in māori culture was much more than just its definition. She felt the name was reflection of Stratford, easy to say, short and consistent with the brand by using the māori name first.
- Councillor Erwood noted his support for the name noting that the stories are our stories.
- The Chief Executive noted that it had been quite a journey to find the name and gave credit to iwi for coming up with this.
- The Deputy Mayor noted he liked the ease and meaning behind the name but would be happy to go to the community to ask them as he felt it was a big deal for council to decide.
- The District Mayor supported the name noting he there were two things he looked for in a name – what is it, where is it. Stratford Aquatic Centre does both. He liked how Wai o Rua flows off the tongue and is easy to say and spell and the story behind it is great.
- Councillor Erwood felt it would be insulting to have consulted with iwi and then not accept what they have suggested.

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Erwood left the table at 3.48pm. The District Mayor undertook the position of chairman.

12. Decision Report – TET Funding Application 2022
D22/20089 Page 148

Recommendations	
1. <u>THAT</u> the report be received.	BOYDE/HARRIS <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/92</u>
2. <u>THAT</u> Council's funding application to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (TET) for \$329,000 is approved to be submitted.	BOYDE/DALZIEL <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/93</u>
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 is an annual report which seeks the approval for the Taranaki Electricity Trust funding application.
- Council is able to apply annually by 15 August.
- There are five projects totalling \$329,000.
- The projects have not been prioritised but officers could represent priority within the application if elected members request it.

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Erwood returned to the table at 3.51pm. The Deputy Mayor resumed his position as Chairman.

The member of public left the meeting at 3.52pm.

13. Monthly Reports

13.1 **Assets Report**
D22/18994 Page 153

Recommendation	
<u>THAT</u> the report be received.	HARRIS/WEBBY <u>Carried</u> <u>P&S/22/94</u>

The Director Assets noted the following points:

- There are pictures within the report that demonstrate the impact of logging on our roads. During the forestry targeted rate discussions it was implied the roads are not fit for purpose, however the purpose is not logging trucks which damage the roads.
- The second trunk main deadline has been extended to 31 December. There have been a number of delays including weather, materials and resourcing.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- Councillor Boyde noted that Toko School had continuously asked for something to be done regarding the speed limit outside their school, he questioned when Waka Kotahi would be looking at reducing the speeds on state highways? The Roading Assets Manager noted that this had been one of the topics at a meeting attended today and State Highway 43 would not be looked at until the next NLTP 2024-27
- The Deputy Mayor requested the addition of the Pembroke Road entrance for Taranaki Diocesan School be added to the review of speed limits outside schools. He noted this entrance was largely used for both bus and car drop offs.
- Councillor Sandford noted his appreciation that Dunns Bridge was now on the roading projects list.
- Councillor Sandford questioned where the soft plastic collection was processed. The Services Asset Manager noted this was undertaken by New Plymouth District Council and that he would investigate further. Councillor Sandford noted a lot more education was required regarding these soft plastic collection bins as the one situated at Countdown had been used as a rubbish bin and had also had live mice and nappies put in it.

The Services Asset Manager left the meeting at 3.59pm

13.2 Community Services Report
D22/19104 Page 191

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

ERWOOD/VOLZKE
Carried
P&S/22/95

The Director – Community Services noted the following points:

- The Youth Council did a really good job holding a number of events for youth week.
- The application to the infrastructure fund for the housing development had been unsuccessful, however it has been forwarded to the Māori Infrastructure Fund for consideration.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- The District Mayor noted that funding had been confirmed for the continuation of the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs project although the official confirmation had not yet been received an email from LGNZ was received confirming the programme will continue.
- The Chief Executive noted the application to the infrastructure fund was not a perfect match for the local issue of creating affordable housing and the fund was oversubscribed. The Māori Infrastructure Fund is written exactly around infrastructure within development so is a much better fit for the project. It was noted that as a technicality this has been submitted as council as the applicant but with Iwi as core collaboration.

The Community Development Manager left the meeting at 4.08pm

13.3 Environmental Services Report
D22/18298 Page 200

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

HARRIS/COPLESTONE
Carried
P&S/22/96

The Director – Environmental Services noted the following points:

- The report provides explanation on priority buildings that are potentially earthquake prone and are defined as likely to be needed in an event of an emergency, or used for education or childcare services.
- It was noted that work is beginning to slow down but this has not yet been reflected in terms of consents.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was clarified that the costs to ensure the War Memorial Centre is up to standard as a priority building would not be known until the reporting is complete and identifies if any upgrade work is required.

13.4 Corporate Services Report
D22/20952 Page 207

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

MOVED/SECONDED
Carried
P&S/22/97

The Chief Executive noted that expenditure was over budget for a couple of reason including unsubsidised roading expenses and additional external support required due to the huge demand on building services.

Questions/Points of Clarification:

- It was clarified that the Civic Financial Services shares were associated with insurance for underground asset and was created, and owned by all councils, as there was no commercial operator willing to insure these assets. There are no returns from these shares but they do change in value.
- The Corporate Accountant clarified that the infringements were parking, dog and building infringements and noted all these were with the courts. Mrs Craig noted all infringements went to the courts after 60 days and council has no control over the process, how much is paid or if the debt is written off.
- It was clarified that reserves are cash backed by investment where possible but can be debt backed if required.

14. Questions

There were no questions.

15. Closing Karakia

D21/40748 Page 226

The closing karakia was read.

The meeting closed at 4.19pm.

A L Jamieson
Chairman

Confirmed this 23rd day of August 2022.

N C Volzke
District Mayor



Committee: Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee
Date: 19 May 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3064999

Present	Councillor	M J Cloke	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Chairman</i>)
	Mayor	N Volzke	Stratford District Council
	Mayor	P Nixon	South Taranaki District Council
	Mayor	N Holdom	New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i>
Attending	Mr	S Ruru	Taranaki Regional Council
	Mr	S Hanne	Stratford District Council
	Mr	T Velvin	Taranaki Emergency Management
	Mr	W Crockett	South Taranaki District Council
	Ms	L Poutu	Tokomaru Representative
	Ms	S Gauden-Ing	Taranaki Emergency Management Office
	Mr	C Stevenson	New Plymouth District Council
	Mr	P Renshaw	National Emergency Management Agency <i>zoom</i>
	Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council

Opening Karakia The meeting opened with a Karakia.

Apologies Apologies were received and sustained from Councillor D N MacLeod
Cloke/Volzke

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes - 24 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Street, Stratford on Thursday 24 February 2022 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee held via zoom on Thursday 24 February 2022 at 10am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.
Clope/Nixon

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Minutes - Thursday 5 May 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers on Thursday 5 May 2022 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.
Clope/Nixon

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Advisory Group Minutes

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Taranaki Seismic and Volcanic Advisory Group (TSVAG) on 3 March 2022
Clope/Volzke

Mayor N Holdom left the meeting at 10.41am

Matters arising

- 3.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the issues raised by the Committee on attendance of the LAG, a revision of the terms of reference is taking place currently.
- 3.2 Councillor M J Cloke suggested that when revisiting the attendance, to use the opportunity to look at those attendees around the table to do a presentation of their industry to identify vulnerable departments in the event of an emergency (i.e. avian).
- 3.3 Councillor S Hanne responded that he has had circa one per meeting.
- 3.4 Councillor M J Cloke suggested the Committee to write a letter giving thanks to Teresa Gordon, for her valuable work.
- 3.5 Community support during COVID-19 has now been handed entirely to the Ministry of Social Development. Mr T Velvin gave thanks to the Council and their staff for the support given to the community during those times.
- 3.6 Discussions about the service level agreement between New Plymouth District Council and Taranaki Regional Council were had. It was noted that discussions between Mr C Stevenson, New Plymouth District Council and Mr T Velvin, Taranaki Emergency Management Office are taking place, a round of edits from Mr T Velvin will be provided to Mr S Hanne, Stratford District Council once available.
- 3.7 Councillor M J Cloke asked whether if hiring a generator would be a more suitable option moving forward?

Mayor N Holdom re-joined the meeting at 10.41am

- 3.8 Mr T Velvin advised the option of hiring rather than purchasing would be considered in his study. However, advised a majority of the cost identified is to close up that side of the office that will then protect the generator.
- 3.9 Discussions were had around the Whakaari/White Island Court Ruling for National Emergency Management Agency. Mr T Velvin assured the Committee that NEMA lawyers are working with the Bay of Plenty lawyers on the next coronial inquest.
- 3.10 Group managers and NEMA have been working on a partnership agreement on how the two parties work together moving forward. NEMA are going to circulate this amongst staff on 31 May. There will likely be amendments to roles, responsibilities and work programmes may be amended as a result of this negotiations, once available, Mr T Velvin will circulate this information.
- 3.11 An update on the Trifecta programme was provided, works are still taking place. The bill is in the process of being written, once finalised confirmation and direction from the minister will be sought and the final round of ministerial engagement is anticipated to take place in July. There is an emphasis on ensuring Group Managers get a clear understanding of roles, responsibilities and accountability on legalities.

- 3.12 Mr W Crockett, South Taranaki District Council suggested a workshop be organised on the submission in order for coordination to take place on a regional scale.
- 3.13 The Committee raised concerns about being the length of the consultation period being unsuitable in order to provide suitable and practical feedback and in addition, consultation periods clashing with multiple other submissions (Resource Management Act, Three Waters, health reforms etc.).
- 3.14 Mayor N Volzke, Stratford District Council asked whether progression on strategic goals and objectives was true due to all works being identified as 'tracking to plan' or 'concerns - mitigations in place'
- 3.15 Mr T Velvin responded that some of the objectives identified are not tangible to be signed off or completed. While rewriting the group plan, consideration will be given on identifying tangible objectives. Some objectives have slowed/changed drastically due to higher priorities that have arisen over the past two years. Further advised that staff members are allowed five items 'above the line' and are unable to commence new tasks until other items have been completed.
- 3.16 Mr T Velvin highlighted a risk around recovery manager depth and the current across roles with fatigue across councils and businesses advising that we are likely to see change within the depth of statutory roles.
- 3.17 Mayor P Nixon, congratulated TEMO on the Taranaki model being singled out nationally as a stand out District Health Board and additionally, the efforts of iwi during difficult periods to ensure the community is looked after.
- 3.18 Mr T Velvin gave further information on the increased spend on legal and professional fees, being that the New Plymouth District Council legal team was engaged on Official Information Request under the Official Information Act (OIA). Noting that within those costs are also external consultation fees.
- 3.19 It was noted that Mr T Velvin would investigate the overspend in general costs and revert back to the Committee.
- 3.20 Mr W Crockett requested that future reporting identified budget anomalies.
- 3.21 Ms L Poutou, Tokomaru Representative and Mr T Velvin to liaise on the Earthquake and Volcano readiness plans on how to best work with iwi on consultation.
- 3.22 It was noted that the first area of focus for the new Marketing Manager would be hazards and what ways can we build resilience in the community with things like inflation.

4. Quarter Three Performance Report 2021-2022

- 4.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the memorandum to present the Quarter Two Report for 2021 - 2022 to the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee.
- 4.2 An update on staff was provided being that Teresa Gordons final day of employment is scheduled for 2 June 2022, Lisa McMillan commenced on Monday 19 June 2022 and Valarie (Val) De Feo, the new GIS advisor has been employed on a two year contract.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Quarter Three Performance Report 2021-2022*.
Holdom/Nixon

5. Appointment of Group Controller

- 5.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the memorandum to approve the appointment of Mr Kelvin Wright to the role of Group Controller and retain his Local Controller appointment by the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum *Appointment of Group Controller*
- b) approves the appointment of Mr Kelvin Wright to the role of Group Controller to Taranaki CDEM
Cloke/Holdom

6. Appointment of Local Controller

- 6.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the memorandum to approve the appointment of Mr Simon Woods to the role of Local Controller by the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum *Appointment of Local Controller*
- b) approves the appointment of Mr Simon Woods to the role of Local Controller to Taranaki CDEM
Cloke/Volzke

7. Updated Terms of Reference for the Co-ordinating Executive Group

- 7.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to approve the updated Terms of Reference from the Co-ordinating Executive Group.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives memorandum, Approval of the Updated Terms of Reference for the Co-ordinating Executive Group
- b) approves the updated Term of Reference.
Cloke/Volzke

8. General Business

- 8.1 It was noted the Rural Coordination group has now gone through its review, it is a large group of people however it is incredibly functional, the appointment of Mike Green has been beneficial due to the focus on valuable improvements.
- 8.2 It was requested that the Committee meeting commence with a karakia.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson M J Cloke thanked attendees and declared the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee Meeting closed at 11.40pm.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

M J Cloke
11 August 2022



Date: 26 May 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3069473

Present	Councillors	N W Walker A Jamieson B Roach M Chong D H McIntyre R Handley	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Chairperson</i>) Stratford District Council (<i>Deputy Chair</i>) South Taranaki District Council New Plymouth District Council Taranaki Regional Council New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i>
Attending	Ms Mrs Miss Ms Ms Mr Mr Ms Ms Mr Ms Councillor	A Matthews V McKay R Sweeney L Jones L Campbell P McNamara J Cooper J Dearden R Martin J Beeslar T Hunt C L Littlewood	Taranaki Regional Council Taranaki Regional Council Taranaki Regional Council Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i> Stratford District Council <i>zoom</i> Stratford District Council Stratford District Council New Plymouth District Council <i>zoom</i> South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i> South Taranaki District Council South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i> Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i>
Apologies	An apology from A Brash, New Plymouth District Council was received Jamieson/Roach		

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 3 March 2022

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 3 March 2022 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 3 March 2022 have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for receipt and information.

Jamieson/Roach

Matters Arising

- 1.1 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, provided an update on the kerbside recycling audit. She advised that the audit was now complete and data being analysed, and that information would then be circulated to the Committee once available, noting that it would be prior to the next meeting.
- 1.2 Ms J Dearden shared a slide showing the Material Recycling Facilities (MRF) result for April was 19%, a reduction from 25% in previous months. It was noted that the aim is to further reduce this to 8%. It was also noted that the reduction was not believed to be related to COVID.
- 1.3 Ms J Dearden advised that the Strength, Weakness, Opportunity and Threat (SWOT) report will provide further information in order inform further actions to improve compliance with kerbside recycling requirements.
- 1.4 A discussion was had surrounding how other districts are progressing with contamination rates. It was noted that the Hawkes Bay District Council has a 2% community contamination rates. The Committee requested that an invitation be extended to Hawkes Bay District Council to attend the next meeting to share any learnings with the Committee.

2. Regional Submission for Ministry for the Environment Consultation – Transforming your Recycling

- 2.1 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to advise Members that the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) has released a consultation document 'Transforming Your Recycling'. Submissions were open up until 22 May 2022. A draft submission was circulated to the Members of this Committee on 18 May 2022.
- 2.2 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, provided further details on how a container return scheme could work for the region after concern was expressed by the Committee on how practical it would be for rural towns to manage a return scheme. As works are still being done, there have been no formal decisions made however, consideration is being given to ensuring accessibility across the region. The proposal includes stores over 60 sqm which would encompass Four Square Supermarkets located in many small rural towns.

- 2.3 Ms R Martin spoke further to the diversion of organic waste from landfill, noting that the feasibility assessment of required infrastructure has now been completed and that a workshop will take place with all Councils.
- 2.4 Ms J Dearden gave a further update on the engagement survey, information is being compiled for a gap analysis which will identify the barriers and assist in setting new processes. An overview of the survey results will be presented to the Committee at the next meeting. As there are three rounds of engagement, it allows ample time for consultation and feedback from the community.
- 2.5 A discussion was had surrounding collection impacts for glass recycling due to contractor staffing impacts as a result of COVID.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Ministry for the Environment Consultant – Proposed Waste Strategy Regional Submission*
- b) endorses the submission on the proposed waste strategy changes.
Jamieson/Roach

3. Regional Annual Education Plan 2022/2023

- 3.1 Ms R Martin, South Taranaki District Council, spoke to the memorandum Regional Annual Education Plan 2022/2023.
- 3.2 Ms R Martin advised the Committee that education is funded by the waste levy as opposed to rates directly. Currently the Litter Act and the Waste Minimisation Act are under review, that review will look at giving more power to Councils which then provides an opportunity to reassess programme funding.
- 3.3 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, provided an update on the Agrecovery 'One stop shop events' advised that there was regional funding to hold more events in future however, an alternative provider would be involved due to unforeseen circumstance when it came to the disposal of the materials (i.e. offshore) and some materials offering no end use.
- 3.4 Ms R Martin responded to a suggestion of Farmsource being an alternative provider, noting that a number of suppliers offer chemical and silage wrap collection services. Agrecovery was primarily funded through MfE. Investigations are underway to potentially subsidise the service.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Update on the Current Significant Projects for Taranaki* Walker/Jamieson

4. General Business

- 4.1 Chairman N W Walker, requested for an EnviroWaste representative to be invited along to the next Committee meeting.
- 4.2 Next Committee meeting to be held at the Junction with Sustainable Taranaki.

There being no further business, Committee Chairperson, N W Walker, declared the meeting of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee closed at 11.52am.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

N W Walker
18 August 2022



Date 1 June 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3072345

Present

Councillors	M McDonald	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Chairperson</i>)
	M J Cloke	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Deputy Chairperson</i>)
	H Duynhoven	New Plymouth District Council
Mayor	N Volzke	Stratford District Council
Ms	L Stewart	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency

Attending

Mr	M Nield	Taranaki Regional Council
Ms	S Downs	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Mr	S Bowden	Stratford District Council
Mr	R Leitao	New Plymouth District Council
Mr	V Lim	South Taranaki District Council
Mr	R Broad	AA Taranaki
Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council
Ms	K Humphrey	Taranaki Regional Council <i>zoom</i>
Ms	F Ritson	Taranaki Regional Council
Mr	G Roper	New Zealand Police

One member of the media.

Apologies Apologies were received from Mayor P Nixon, South Taranaki District Council.
 McDonald/Duynhoven

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 3 March 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held at 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Wednesday 3 March 2022 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee held at 47 Cloten Street, Stratford on Wednesday 3 March 2022 at 10.30am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.
Clope/Duynhoven

Matters arising

- 2.1 Ms L Stewart, Director - Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi provided an update surrounding the Egmont Village Community Group deputation received at the last Regional Transport Committee. Works are planned to be brought forward into the New Plymouth section of works, any short term changes are being investigated and implemented where possible.

2. Regional Transport Advisory Group Minutes – 11 May 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the confirmed minutes of the Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on Wednesday 11 May 2022.
Clope/Volzke

Matters arising

- 2.1 It was noted that within the Ahititi Stock effluent facility update it states that “Investigation into effluent removal to Te Kuiti is underway, with the Stratford site being unavailable due to resource consent” which is incorrect, the Stratford site does have consent, however that consent restricts materials being moved through different regions.

3. State Highway 3 Working Group Minutes – 1 April 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the State Highway 3 Working Group meeting held on 1 April 2022 at 10.30am via audio-visual link (Zoom).
Duynhoven/McDonald

4. Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency Update

- 4.1 Ms L Stewart, Director - Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency, gave a presentation updating Members on activities of the Agency.
- 4.2 The TRC expressed concerns over its role in co-ordinating the regional speed management plan whilst not being a road controlling authority.
- 4.3 An update on the Egmont Road improvements was provided, a safety assessment of the intersection has been completed and the short term solution in place.
- 4.4 The Committee requested for an additional column within the Emergency works table to include the date the works were identified.
- 4.5 Waka Kotahi advised that a letter was received from the Mayoral Forum with regards to their concerns with speed and infrastructure works done to date, these concerns have been taken on board internally. Waka Kotahi noted that they are in the early stages of new ways of working with the region and are keen to ensure this is done in partnership with the Regional Transport Committee.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives with thanks the presentation and updates provided by Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency.
Cloke/Duynhoven

5. Submission for endorsement – Road User Charges System Review

- 5.2 Ms F Ritson, Senior Policy Analyst, spoke to the memorandum to seek formal endorsement from the Regional Transport Committee (the Committee) on the submission on the Road User Charges (RUC) System review.
- 5.3 The Committee thanked those involved for their work on the submission.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Submission for endorsement - Road User Charges System review*
- b) endorses the submission to Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport on the discussion document, *Driving Change: Reviewing the Road User Charges System*.
Cloke/Duynhoven

6. Changes to speed management planning

- 6.2 Ms F Ritson, Senior Policy Analyst, spoke to update Members on changes to speed management planning which will have a significant impact in the regions and on the Committee in particular.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Changes to speed management planning*

- b) receives the presentation provided by Waka Kotahi
- c) notes the significant changes to how speed is managed in New Zealand, including the new requirement for regional transport committees to prepare and consult on regional speed management plans.

Cloke/McDonald

7. Transport Policy Updates

- 7.2 Ms F Ritson, Senior Policy Analyst, spoke to update Members on a range of Transport Policy matters.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Transport policy updates*
- b) notes that more detailed updates on individual transport policy work streams will be brought to the Committee in due course.

Duynhoven/Volzke

8. Strategic case for freight and logging

- 8.2 Sarah Downs, Regional Manager, System Design – Central North Island, Waka Kotahi, spoke to update Members on the Central North Island Logging and Freight Strategic Study and provide an opportunity to provide feedback and discuss how we work together collaboratively.
- 8.3 The Committee expressed the requirement for the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee to have involvement in the strategic case.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Strategic Case for freight and logging*
- b) notes the work underway by Waka Kotahi to progress the Strategic Case for logging and freight.

Duynhoven/Volzke

9. Territorial Authorities Update

- 9.1 Mr V Lim, South Taranaki District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the South Taranaki District. It was noted:
- 9.2 Mr S Bowden, Stratford District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the Stratford District. It was noted:
- 9.3 Mr R Leitao, New Plymouth Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the New Plymouth District. It was noted:

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the update provided by the Stratford District Council on its transport activities
- b) receives the update provided by the South Taranaki District Council on its transport activities
- c) receives the update provided by the New Plymouth District Council on its transport activities.
Volzke/Duynhoven

10. General Business

New Zealand Police Update

- Mr R O’Keffe, New Zealand Police, spoke further to the largest contributor to road fatality being impairment, operations focusing on alcohol screening is underway and is looking and increasing more daytime testing.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor M J McDonald, thanked the Committee for their work and declared the Regional Transport Committee meeting closed at 12.58pm.

Confirmed

**Taranaki Regional Transport
Committee Chairperson:** _____

M J McDonald

Wednesday 31 August 2022

MONTHLY REPORT

District Mayor



F19/13/04 – D22/24022

To: Council
From: District Mayor
Date: 12 July 2022
Subject: District Mayor Monthly Report – June 2022

Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

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 Moved/Seconded

1. Rural and Provincial Sector Meeting

The Local Government Rural and Provincial Sector meeting was held in Wellington on the 16 & 17 June. It was the first time the sector had been together in person for over 12 months, meaning there was a great deal of catching up and networking to be done. The two day agenda was very busy and included key note speeches from Minister Nanaia Mahuta (on Three Waters Reforms), Minister David Parker (on RMA Reforms) and National's Local Government spokesman Simon Watts.

Attendees also had a detailed presentation from the lawyer who represented the Wairoa District Council in their court case against brought by the New Zealand Forest Owners Association. This case was important for all councils. The issues Wairoa were trying to address are similar to the issues the Stratford Council has been facing in recent years. The outcome was that the court upheld the position of the Wairoa Council and ruled the council could set a targeted roading rate that effectively targeted a specific group and their activities.

The forthcoming local body elections were also discussed and promotional material was presented that will be distributed to councils in coming weeks.

2. Meeting with Barbara Kuriger Member of Parliament

Recently I met up with Barbara Kuriger and was able to raise a number of issues that included the Three Waters Reforms, the impact of forestry operations on our local roads, the proposed differential for the targeted rate on roads and a range of lesser issues. Liaising opportunities with Members of Parliament are very valuable, regardless of the Parliamentarians political affiliations. It helps them understand the issues we as a community are facing and helps keep them informed on the mood of the community, something they can easily lose sight due to the insular world many of them experience while living in Wellington.

3. Avon Medical Change of Ownership

We are all aware of the national shortage of GP's in New Zealand and the despair it caused when Stratford became acutely short of GP's earlier this year. Despite significant, well intended efforts to recruit and retain more doctors, Avon Medical was unable to recruit the GP's needed. This eventually led to discussions about potentially selling the Avon practice and we are fortunate that a new owner has been found.

The same group of doctors that own and operate the Oakura Medical Centre and the Opunake Medical Centre have bought the practice and takeover the operation in the middle of this month. We welcome the news that already have the capacity to provide GP services in Stratford and we can now look forward to a more stable, locally owned service. This should alleviate some of the historic problems we have been experiencing around access to a GP in a timely way and not accepting new patients into their practice. Over time, we will see improvements on both issues.

4. Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting

The quarterly Regional Transport Committee meeting was held on 1 June 2022. The unconfirmed minutes from that meeting are available on the Taranaki Regional Council website.

5. Rosemary Clements Farewelled

It was with some sadness that we farewelled Rosemary Clements following her secondment to Health New Zealand. She will now be based in Wellington. Rosemary's role as the Chief Executive of the Taranaki District Health Board came to a conclusion on 30 June as the new health reforms dis-established her role. Rosemary's career in health services started as a learner caregiver, progressed to nursing, progressed to senior nursing, progressed to administration and onto the top role of Chief Executive. In total this has been a 45 year commitment to healthcare services. She was great to work with and always maintained a sympathetic ear for the healthcare problems that small towns like Stratford are facing. We wish her well.

6. Correspondence

- Stratford Volunteer Fire Brigade Call Outs – June 2022

7. Some Events Attended

- Attended – Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting
- Attended – Stratford District Youth Council meeting
- Attended – Three Waters - Rural Supplies Working Group report back
- Met with Pinnacle Health Care representatives
- Met with representatives of Coastal Medical
- Attended – Positive Aging Committee meeting
- Attended – TDHB Farewell function
- Met with representatives of Stratford A & P Association
- Attended – LGNZ Webinar for Mayors – Reforms Update (x2)
- Attended – Department of Conservation presentation and strategies update
- Attended – Tūparikino Active Community Hub meeting in New Plymouth
- Attended – LGNA- Rural and Provincial Sector meeting in Wellington
- Met with Barbara Kuriger – Member of Parliament
- Attended webinar on the Future of Local Government
- Attended - Farewell function for TDHB Chief Executive Rosemary Clements
- Attended – Mayoral Forum meeting
- Newspaper - Stratford Press Interviews and Articles (multiple)
- Newspaper - Daily News - Interviews (multiple)
- Radio Interviews – Radio New Zealand (x1)
- Attended Regional Mayors and Chairs weekly meeting (x3)
- Attended Regional Mayors and Chairs meeting with Regional Emergency Services Leaders (x2)
- Attended Council Public Forums (x1)
- Attended Council Pre-Agenda meetings (x3)
- Attended Council Workshops (x3)
- Attended Council Meetings (x5)



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District Mayor

Date: 6 July 2022

Stratford Volunteer Fire Brigade Call Outs June 2022

The Stratford Fire Brigade responded to 16 calls in June 2022

- 01-06-22 Alarm Activation at a unit Maryanne Rest Home Brecon Road
- 01-06-22 Fire in roof residential Hamlet Street
- 02-06-22 Alarm activation Stratford Subway Broadway assisted by Toko fire brigade
- 05-06-22 Back yard fire Swansea Road
- 07-06-22 Investigate residential smoke alarm Oswald Place
- 11-06-22 Investigate alarm activation at a unit Maryanne Rest Home alarm clock mistakenly for smoke alarm assisted by the Toko fire brigade
- 11-06-22 Person stuck in public toilets Broadway
- 13-06-22 Power lines sparking Broadway North scene protection
- 14-06-22 Power pole on fire Hastings Road scene protection
- 15-06-22 Power lines sparking Broadway North scene protection
- 15-06-22 Investigate smoke nuisance Portia Street
- 16-06-22 Alarm activation Stratford High School assisted by the Toko fire brigade
- 16-06-22 Wheelie rubbish bin on fire at Taranaki Accommodation Lodge Miranda Street, reported as a building fire assisted by Eltham and New Plymouth fire brigades
- 24-06-22 Assist ambulance with medical call Glanville Road
- 29-06-22 Motor vehicle accident car roll over Orlando Street
- 30-06-22 House fire Glanville Road



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Our reference
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Karakia

Kia uruuru mai
Ā hauora
Ā haukaha
Ā haumāia
Ki runga, Ki raro
Ki roto, Ki waho
Rire rire hau Paimārire

I draw in (to my being)
The reviving essence
The strengthening essence
The essence of courage
Above, Below
Within, Around
Let there be peace.