

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

REPORT and **MINUTES** of a meeting of the **FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 15 June, 2006, commencing at 1.30 pm.

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, M B O'Malley; Councillors K L Holmes, (Chair), N A Brown, D N Nelson, R C Beavan, R J Kilworth and M J Urquhart.

Also in attendance L J Leadley and I J Burgess; Corporate Services Manager, Finance Manager, Property Manager and Committee Secretary.

APOLOGIES: Crs D Glass, P Reveley, K Lowe and B Tasker

Carried

Urgent Business

"That pursuant to Section 46A of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following item be introduced as extraordinary business and considered later in the meeting with the public excluded.

- Property Matter

Reason To consider a request for lease of a Council owned building."

Nelson/Urquhart

Carried

Snow Event

The Operations Manager attended the meeting to provide Councillors with an update on the emergency response to the snow event.

Confirmation of Minutes

"That the minutes of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee meeting held on 11 May, 2006, be taken as read and confirmed."

Brown/Kilworth

Carried

Matters Arising

Ashburton District General Revaluation 2006

The Finance Manager will be meeting with Council's Valuer next week and will take the opportunity to discuss the proposed meeting of all parties with the Valuer General.

East St Toilets

The Property Manager acknowledged that some problems are occurring with the floor surface of the new toilet block because of the amount of moisture retained after cleaning has been carried out. Options to address this are being considered.

Local Authority Protection Programme

"That Council joins the Local Authority Protection Programme at an estimated annual cost of \$44,700 for the next ten years."

Urquhart/Kilworth

Carried

Civic Assurance Annual General Meeting

"That the Mayor and/or Chief Executive be delegated the authority to make decisions regarding the annual general meetings for Civic Assurance and the Riskpool Board and to vote on behalf of the Ashburton District Council as they see fit."

Nelson/Brown

Carried

Ashburton Contracting Ltd
– Draft Statement of Intent from 1 July 2006

“That Council receives the 2006 / 07 draft Statement of Intent for Ashburton Contracting Limited.”

Mayor/Urquhart **Carried**

Land Purchase – Thompsons Track – Ashburton Staveley Road Intersection

“That approval be given to acquire 569m² of land described as RS 40166 contained in CT CB11F/1177 at a purchase price of \$500 plus GST (if any).”

Nelson/Kilworth **Carried**

Activity Reports

“That the reports be received.”

Kilworth/Brown **Carried**

Financial Reports

The Property Manager referred to the commercial property sales area where increased expenditure relates to the legal costs for the NE Ashburton industrial development.

The Finance Manager agreed that future reports would show accumulated expenditure for significant projects such as the industrial development.

The report on special funds and reserves is underway but not yet finalised.

Elderly Persons Housing

Tenders for the completion of interior renovations to seven of the EPH units have been called. This work will complete the maintenance programme which commenced in 1999.

Albert St Tenders

Tender documents for the first four sections have been completed and will be reviewed before being circulated to Councillors. The Property Manager advised that titles won't be issued until electricity connections are complete.

Items taken with the public excluded (2.30 pm)

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

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

Item no	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:
17	Confirmation of Minutes – 11/05/06 • Property Matters	Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities
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Brown/Urquhart **Carried**

The meeting concluded at 3.03 pm.