

Extraordinary Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 24 March, 2011, commencing at 3.30 pm, in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton.

Present

His Worship the Mayor, A R McKay; Councillors N A Brown, I J Burgess, D M Favel, J Sparks, R J Kilworth, L J Leadley, D G McLeod, D N Nelson, M J Nordqvist, A B Totty, P J Reveley and R S Wilson.

In attendance

Chief Executive, Policy Advisor and Committee Secretary.

1 Apologies

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Adoption of the Draft Annual Plan 2011-2012 [\[click here to read the report\]](#)

The Chief Executive reported that the Executive Committee has recommended a late adjustment to the budget by including an additional 0.5% increase in rates to provide for resources to respond to the Christchurch earthquake.

Mr Lester acknowledged the concern of some Councillors who objected to the decision being made without the approval of the full Council. He explained that a business forum has identified a number of initiatives to assist and the provisional sum of \$120,000 will enable Council to respond quickly as the situation evolves. The proposal is for the draft plan and further details will be available to Council prior to adoption.

Council's agreement was sought to amend the draft plan to include an explanation on the impact that the Christchurch earthquake is likely to have on this district and the provisional funding that is likely to be required.

That the draft Annual Plan 2011-2012, be amended to include an additional \$120,000 in the Employment and Economic Development activity.

Brown/Nelson

Clarification was then sought that the amendment would not increase the draft budget. The Community Planning Manager confirmed that the financial impact would be explained but the inclusion of \$120,000 would only be confirmed after the submission process.

AMENDMENT

That the draft Annual Plan 2011-2012, be amended to provisionally include \$120,000 in the Employment and Economic Development activity, and be adopted by Council for the purpose of community consultation.

Mayor/McLeod

That the motion under debate now be put.

Kilworth/Nordqvist

Carried

That the amendment becomes the substantive motion

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4.30pm.

Confirmed this 14th day of April 2011 by

MAYOR