

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES of an Extraordinary Meeting of the **ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 25 March 2010, commencing at 1.30 pm.

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, M B O'Malley; Councillors R C Beavan, N A Brown, I J Burgess, K L Holmes, R J Kilworth, J A Everest, L J Leadley, K W P Lowe, J Sparks, P W Reveley and B A Tasker.

In attendance Chief Executive, Finance Manager, Community Planning Manager, Property Manager and Committee Secretary.

APOLOGY: Cr J A Kingsbury (lateness) **Sustained**

Extraordinary Business

"That pursuant to Section 7(2)(A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following items be introduced as extraordinary business and considered with the public excluded as items 4, 5 & 6:

- RDR Management Loan Security - Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities
- Solid Waste Management Contracts - Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities
- Ashburton Airport Designation -

Holmes/Kilworth

Carried

Adoption of Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011

The Mayor acknowledged the work of the staff who have been involved with the preparation of the draft Annual Plan, in particular Policy Advisor, Toni Spittle, Community Planning Manager, Gavin Thomas, and Finance Manager, Paul Brake. He also acknowledged Cr Holmes, as Chairman, and the Councillors' input and participation in the budget and annual plan workshops.

Cr Kingsbury attended the meeting at 1.33 pm.

In forecasting a lower than predicted draft rate increase of 3.4%, the Mayor said that Council's significant capital projects will be able to proceed unhindered. He noted that the next six months will be a significant time in Council's history with work continuing on the proposed 2nd bridge, the art gallery and museum facility, the business estate and the aquatic/stadium centre.

Cr Beavan asked whether the Ashburton Aquatic Park Trust has been included in the Lake Hood Extension Project in its own right because of its charitable trust status, noting that the Trust has not yet returned its report to the Charities Commission.

In response, the Mayor said that it is important to note that the Aquatic Park Trust holds the consent for the extension project. He further stated that all three parties to the joint venture have agreed to this.

"That the draft Annual Plan 2010–2011, be adopted by Council, for the purpose of community consultation."

Holmes/Brown

Carried

"That Council adjourns the meeting at 1.40 pm."

Sparks/Kilworth

Carried

The meeting resumed at 5.05 pm.

The Operations Manager was in attendance.

Business taken with the public excluded (5.05pm)

“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:
4	RDR Management Ltd – loan security	Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities
5	Solid waste management contracts	Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities
6	Ashburton Airport – proposed designation	Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities

Leadley/Sparks

Carried

Business taken with the public excluded now in open meeting

Ashburton Airport Designation

“That Council’s resolution of 25 February 2010, regarding the Ashburton Airport proposed designation, become the business of open meeting.”

Leadley/Holmes

Carried

Confirmed this 8th day of April 2010 by

MAYOR