

## *COVID-19 Response Committee – 4 June 2020*

Minutes of the COVID-19 Response Committee meeting held on Thursday 4 June 2020, commencing at 9.30am, in the Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton.

### **Present**

His Worship the Mayor, Neil Brown; Councillors Leen Braam, Carolyn Cameron, John Falloon, Rodger Letham, Lynette Lovett, Angus McKay, Liz McMillan, Diane Rawlinson and Stuart Wilson.

### **In attendance**

Hamish Riach (Chief Executive), Sarah Mosley (Manager People & Capability), Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Ruben Garcia (Communications Manager) and Carol McAtamney (Governance Support Officer).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Toni Durham (Strategy & Policy Manager), Rachel Thomas (Policy Advisor), Andrew Guthrie (Assets Manager), Bert Hofmans (Open Spaces Planner), Jim Henderson (People & Capability Advisor), James Lamb (Emergency Management Office/H&S Advisor) and Tanya Paddock (Legal Counsel).

### **1 Apologies**

Nil.

### **2 Extraordinary business**

**That** pursuant to section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meeting Act 1987 the following item be introduced as extraordinary business and taken at item 7:

- Easement request from NZTA for the Rakaia weigh station

Cameron/McMillan

Carried

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

Nil.

### **4 Confirmation of Minutes**

**That** the minutes of the COVID-19 Response Committee meeting held on 28 May 2020, be taken as read and confirmed.

Lovett/Rawlinson

Carried

### **5 Revenue & Financing Policy – Stockwater Rate**

There was general support for there to be a rating of the stockwater service and the various rating options presented were debated to ascertain a fair charge for all affected properties.

1. **That** Council receives the report.
2. **That** Council removes the charge for 'stockwater services' and requires those properties paying for services to pay the minimum charge.
3. **That** Council supports Option 2B, which increases the minimum amount paid to \$431.06 and uses the \$0.4311 rate.

4. **That** the stockwater race system be closed

McKay/Lovett

#### **Amendment**

#### **Recommendation to Council**

1. **That** Council receives the report.
2. **That** Council removes the charge for 'stockwater services' and requires those properties paying for services to pay the minimum charge.
3. **That** Council supports Option 3, which increases the minimum amount paid to \$600.00 and uses the \$0.1665 rate.

Letham/Cameron

Carried

#### **The amendment became the substantive motion.**

Cr McKay recorded his vote against the motion.

#### **6 Ashton Beach Enhancement Project**

Concerns were expressed regarding the need to continue with this project. It was explained that a health and safety issue has been identified from erosion in this area, which is currently being used for recreational activities by motorbikes and four wheel drive enthusiasts. This poses significant risk and liability to Council as the landowners because the risks are not currently being managed appropriately.

**That** the Ashton Beach Enhancement project lie on the table until a site visit has been undertaken.

McKay/Falloon

Carried

#### **7 Extraordinary Business**

##### **- NZTA easement request, Rakaia weigh station**

With the Committee's agreement the Mayor withdrew the extraordinary business item pending further information being obtained.

#### **Business transacted with the public excluded – 10.38am**

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

<b>Item No</b>	<b>General subject of each matter to be considered:</b>	<b>In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:</b>	
<b>7</b>	Confirmation of minutes 28/05/20	Sections 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Mayor/McMillan

Carried

There being no resolutions passed the Committee resumed in open meeting and concluded at 10.41am.