COVID-19 Response Committee

18 May 2020



COVID-19 Response Committee- 14/04/20

Minutes of the COVID-19 Response Committee meeting held on Thursday 14 May 2020, commencing at 9.30am, via Zoom.

Present

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

In attendance

Hamish Riach (Chief Executive), Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance), Sarah Mosley (Manager People & Capability), Paul Brake (GM Business Support), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Bevan Rickerby (Economic Development Manager), Ruben Garcia (Communications Manager), Andy Guthrie (Assets Manager).

Governance support: Aisling O'Reilly (Zoom co-ordination) and Carol McAtamney (Minutes).

1 Apologies

Councillors Rodger Letham and Diane Rawlinson

Sustained

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the COVID-19 Response Committee meeting held on 7 May 2020, be taken as read and confirmed.

Cameron/Lovett

Carried

5 Ashburton Water Zone Committee 2019 Annual Report

Bill Thomas joined the meeting at 9.35am and worked through the Ashburton Water Zone Committee 2019 Annual report.

That the Ashburton Water Zone Committee 2019 Annual Report be received.

Lovett/McKay

Carried

6 Covid-19 Social Recovery Advisory Group

A report was prepared to consider whether there was a need for Council to establish a community social recovery advisory group following the effects Covid-19 has had on the district.

The Chief Executive advised that following investigations it was considered that the existence of Safer Communities provides support in this area.

1. That Council:

- 1.1 **Receives** the report
- 1.2 **Acknowledges** that Council's Civil Defence welfare response currently ends 90 days after the emergency is declared over, although is subject to Government review and associated uncertainty.

- 1.3 **Acknowledges** the existence and capability of Safe Communities, and subject to close liaison and communication with Safe Communities, does not establish a separate Social Recovery Advisory Group.
- 1.4 Monitors the situation in terms of the social recovery needs of the Ashburton District arising from Covid-19 via a strong connection to Safe Communities, and has an open mind to altering the manner it supports the social recovery of the District in the future, subject to a specific decision of Council to do so.

McMillan/Falloon

Carried

7 LGNZ Three Year Business Plan 2020

That Local Government New Zealand Business Plan 2020/21 – 2022/23 be received.

McKay/Cameron

Carried

The meeting concluded at 10.00am.