Council - Extraordinary Meeting

23 December 2020



Extraordinary Council Meeting - 23/12/20

Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on Wednesday 23 December 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), Paul Brake (GM Business Support), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Sarah Mosley (Manager People & Capability) and Aisling O'Reilly (Governance Officer).

Officers present for the duration of their reports: Toni Durham (Strategy & Policy Manager) and Richard Fitzgerald (Agricultural Portfolio Advisor).

1 Apologies

Nil.

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Adoption of the Annual Report 2019/20

That Council adopts the audited 2019/20 Annual Report for Ashburton District Council.

Falloon/Lovett

Carried

The Mayor requested more clarification on how stock water costs work. It was agreed that this could be done in a workshop.

5 Economic Impact of Land and Water Management in Ashburton District

- Richard Fitzgerald advised that it would cost \$134,000 \$148,000 to produce an NPS effects report for the Ashburton District, which includes Infometrics doing an analysis.
- It will cost \$190,000 \$215,000 for a Canterbury wide report.
- Richard advised that this work will be transferrable to other areas should they want to do their own reporting.
- Cr McKay asked if the regional council has any say over what the definition of a generations is.
 Richard advised that his understanding is that the regional council will determine the rate of implementation.
- Cr Wilson asked if the report looks at how this will affect the community as a whole as opposed to just farmers. Richard advised that yes, this will look at how it affects the whole community.

That Council approves the commission of the Freshwater Nitrate report costing \$70,000 which will investigate the economic impacts for the Ashburton District.

Wilson/Rawlinson

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded - 10.03am

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:

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:	
5	Ashburton Library & Civic Centre PCG 5/11/20	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

McMillan/Braam

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded now in open meeting

Library & Civic Centre - award of contract for construction

1. That Council approves the appointment of Naylor Love Construction as the preferred contractor for the New Ashburton Council Community Library and Civic Offices Project.

Lovett/Rawlinson

Carried

The meeting concluded at 11.12am.

Confirmed 3 February 2021

MAYOR

Neil Brown.