

Council Minutes – 3 November 2021

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 3 November 2021, commencing at 1pm in the Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton.

Present

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

In attendance

Hamish Riach (Chief Executive), Paul Brake (GM Business Support), Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance), Steve Fabish (GM Community Services), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Sarah Mosley (Manager People & Capability), Ruben Garcia (Communications Manager) and Carol McAtamney (Governance Support - minutes).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Simon Worthington (Economic Development Manager), Toni Durham (Strategy & Policy Manager), Erin Register (Finance Manager), Rick Catchpowle (Environmental Monitoring Manager), Tania Paddock (Legal Counsel), Colin Windleborn (Commercial Manager) and Ann Smith (Property Officer).

Presentations

Ashburton Youth Council Chair Michael Baker - 2.45pm – 3.00pm Electricity Ashburton – 3.37pm – 4.17pm

1 Apologies

That an apology for absence be received on behalf of Diane Rawlinson.

Braam/Lovett

Carried

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Confirmation of Minutes - 20/10/21

Dog Control Bylaw and Dog Control Policy

The minutes were amended to reflect that the correct name of the reserve is the Awa Awa Rata Reserve.

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 October 2021, as amended, be taken as read and confirmed.

McMillan/Cameron

Carried

5 Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee

That Council receives the minutes of the Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee meeting held on 13 October 2021.

Braam/Letham

Carried

6 Methven Community Board

That Council receives the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 18 October 2021.

McMillan/Letham

Carried

7 Ashburton Youth Council

That Council receives the minutes of the Ashburton Youth Council meeting held on 13 October 2021.

Lovett/Braam

Carried

8 Economic Development Quarterly Report

That Council receives the Economic Development quarterly update.

Mayor/Cameron

Carried

9 Lynnford Reserve Board - Transfer administration functions to Hinds Reserve Board

- 1. That Council receives the report.
- 2. That Council appoints the Hinds Reserve Board to undertake all the functions of the former Lynnford Reserve Board, in accordance with Schedule 7, s.30(1a) of the Local Government Act 2002; and
 - i) undertakes to transfer all of the Lynnford Reserve Board assets, including administration of land, to the Hinds Reserves Board once all current liabilities of the Lynnford Reserve Board have been settled with any deficit funded by Council; and
 - ii) erects a plaque on the Lynnford Hall site to recognise the former Reserve Board and contribution of the families in the area; the wording of the sign to be approved by the Lynnford Reserve Board.

Wilson/Letham

Carried

10 Bancorp Treasury Report

That Council receives the Bancorp Treasury report for September 2021.

Cameron/Falloon

Carried

11 Council services over Christmas and New Year 2021-22

After hours answering service contractor

A tender for the after hour answering service contract is currently being prepared. Copies of the current contract with the after hour service contractor and the proposed tender document are to be circulated to Councillors for feedback to ensure the brief accurately reflects expectations.

That Council receives the report.

Lovett/McMillan

Carried

12 2022 Council Meeting Schedule

That Council adopts the 2022 schedule of Council and Methven Community Board meetings.

Falloon/Braam

Carried

13 Mayor's Report

Annual Report

The annual report has a statutory requirement to be signed off by 30 October. This deadline has not been met due to the current pressures on the labour market and Audit NZ not being able to complete the audit work. An extension has been granted to enable sign off to be completed by the end of December 2021. It is expected that the annual report will be ready for sign off by Council at the 1 December meeting.

• 3 Waters Reform Announcement

Council was unanimous in expressing their disappointment in response to the Government's decision to mandate the 3 Waters reform.

That the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of Council, the letter which is to be sent to the Prime Minister signed by various councils to request a meeting to discuss the 3 Waters Reform mandate.

Letham/McKay

Carried

That Council writes to Local Government New Zealand and the Canterbury Mayoral Forum exploring legal remedies to the mandating of the 3 Waters Reform.

McKay/Cameron

Carried

That the Mayor's report be received.

Mayor/McMillan

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded - 2.13pm

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:	
15	Council 20/10/21	Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities Commercial activities Commercial activities
16	Elderly Persons Housing	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
17	Service Delivery Review – Animal Control	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
18	Service Delivery Review – Environmental Monitoring	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
19	Electricity Ashburton Ltd	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Mayor/McMillan

Carried

That Council resumes in open meeting at 2.40pm.

McMillan/Cameron

Carried

Michael Baker - Aspiring Leaders' Forum

Michael Baker, Chair of the Ashburton Youth Council was selected to attend an Aspiring Leaders' Forum. The forum is held annually over a four day period where young leaders aged 18-26 were bought together to discuss faith and values in leadership. The event was held in Wellington, 1-4 July hosted by MP's and involved guest speakers, group activities, a day in Parliament and a service project.

That Council resumed public excluded meeting at 3.17pm. Mayor/Braam

Carried

That meeting concluded at 4.18pm.

Confirmed 17 November 2021

Neil Brown.

MAYOR