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## ***Council Minutes – 20 April 2022***

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 20 April 2022, 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, Diane Rawlinson and Stuart Wilson.

### **In attendance**

Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance), Steve Fabish (GM Community Services), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Dan Huisman (Senior Communications Advisor) and Carol McAtamney (Governance Support).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Mark Chamberlain (Roading Manager), Rhys Roberts (Technical Support Officer – Roading), Richard Mabon (Senior Policy Advisor), Colin Windleborn (Commercial Manager), Janice McKay (Corporate Planner), Simon Worthington (Economic Development Manager) and Clare Harden (Community Administration Officer).

Via MS Teams: Hamish Riach (CE) and Paul Brake (GM Business Support)

### **1 Apologies**

Nil.

### **2 Extraordinary Business**

Nil.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

Nil.

### **Order of Agenda**

#### **Ashburton Car Club Road Closure**

**That** Item 14, being the Ashburton Car Club road closure, be brought forward on the agenda and considered as the next item of business.

Cameron/McKay

Carried

#### **Ashburton Car Club Road Closure - Deputations**

##### **Objector: Brent McLaren – (1.04pm – 1.37pm)**

Objection is in two parts:

- 1) Financial - cannot afford to close down for a weekend, when it is their busiest time. Estimate a loss of turnover of \$2 - \$3k, plus paying of staff wages who cannot work. Previous years the business was accessible through Rainer's property. This is not viable this year as silage wrap will be stacked in that part of the yard, which will be being baled during that weekend.
- 2) Car Club's attitude – club members coming onto the property without permission, contacting neighbouring businesses to discuss Wastebusters' business and the expectation that they can

impact a business in this way. Doesn't affect other businesses in the area as Wastebusters are the only seven day a week business.

Mr McLaren suggested an alternative course that would not impact his business.

**Applicant: Ashburton Car Club: Wayne Muckle and Kym Adams – Club Secretary – (1.37pm – 2.07pm)**

The Street Sprints is the Car Club's largest event and has been held for 32 years. This event is held in high regard with Motorsport NZ who use this event to govern what happens at other events. Have only received one objection since its inception which was resolved amicably.

The cost of hosting the event is in excess of \$30,000, of which approximately \$28,000 were payments to local businesses as well as schools, scout groups and rural fire for services to the event.

Income comprises of approximately \$16,500 from entry fees, \$13,400 sponsorship from local businesses, BBQ sales - \$3k, gate takings \$2k (this is a gold coin entry which is donated to local organisations). It is estimated that visitors to the district for the event spend on average \$1k per person on accommodation, meals and hospitality during their stay – this year there are 42 competitors registered from outside the district.

The Club is sympathetic to Mr McLaren's situation but disputes the attitude claims. If an alternative course was to be used a new proposal would need to be approved by Motorsport NZ.

**That** Council permits the following roads in the Riverside Industrial Park to be closed from 7.30pm Friday 6 May 2022 until 8.00pm Sunday 8 May 2022 to allow the Street Sprints to be held:

**Smallbone Drive**, from River Terrace to Robinson Street

**Robinson Street**, from Smallbone Drive intersection to McNally Street

**Watson Street**, from Range Street to Robinson Street

**McNally Street**, from Range Street to end of the street

**Range Street**, from Robinson Street to Watson Street

Braam/McKay

Carried

**Amendment**

**That** the Car Club make arrangements to mitigate alternative access to Mr McLaren's business.

Cameron/Rawlinson

Lost

A show of hands gave 3 for and 7 against and the amendment was lost.

The original motion was put and on a show of hands (7 for and 3 against) became the substantive motion and was carried.

**4 Confirmation of Minutes – 06/04/22**

**That** the minutes of the Council meeting held on 6 April 2022, be taken as read and confirmed.

Wilson/McMillan

Carried

**5 Confirmation of Minutes – 13/04/22**

**That** the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 13 April 2022, be taken as read and confirmed.

Lovett/Falloon

Carried

**6 Heritage Mid Canterbury Working Group**

**That** the minutes of the Heritage Mid Canterbury Working Group held on 9 February 2022 and 9 March 2022, be received.

Rawlinson/Cameron

Carried

**7 Hinds Reserve Board Water Charges Write-off**

It was advised that there had been an error in the calculations and the write-off amount should have been stated as \$18,470 (GST exclusive).

**That** Council approves the write-off of \$18,470 (GST exclusive) of excess water charges that have been charged to the Hinds Reserve Board.

McKay/Cameron

Carried

**8 Draft Play, Active Recreation and Sport Strategy**

Amendments:

- Include YMCA to Youth Engagement group
- Include Lake Hood activities in the strategy
- Acknowledgment list - Coldstream Cricket Club mentioned twice and Croziers Turkeys to be renamed to Mid Canterbury Tennis

**That** Council adopts the draft Play, Active Recreation and Sport Strategy for public consultation.

McMillan/Lovett

Carried

Council adjourned for afternoon tea from 3.14pm until 3.30pm.

**9 Draft submission to MPI – Managing exotic afforestation incentives – changes to the ETS**

**That** Council approves the draft submission to the Ministry for Primary Industries' consultation document Managing exotic afforestation incentives.

Falloon/Braam

Carried

**10 Appointment of CDEM Local Controllers**

**That** Council appoints Ian Hyde and Ian Soper as local Civil Defence Emergency Management Controllers.

Rawlinson/McMillan

Carried

**11 Economic Development quarterly report – January, February and March 2022**

Further information to be provided on:

- The number of workshops that are being held on the refresh of the Economic Strategy.
- The make-up of the Mid Canterbury Catchment Group and the benefit to Council in assisting the group.
- How to further advance the project of a pedestrian count being undertaken in the CBD as per the Council resolution from 19 December 2019.
- Participants on the Farmer Focus groups and the Resilient Farmers group.

**That** Council receives the Economic Development quarterly update.

McMillan/Braam

Carried

**12 Allocation of Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund 2021/22**

**That** Council allocates \$18,115 in Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund funding for 2021/22 as set out in the report.

Falloon/Braam

Carried

### 13 Road Closure – Ashburton RSA, ANZAC Day

**That** Council permits the following roads to be closed between 6.00am – 8.30am and 10.00am – 12.30pm Monday, 25 April 2022 to allow the ANZAC Day Ceremony to be held:

**Havelock Street**, from Park Street to East Street intersection

**Baring Square West**, from Havelock Street to Cameron Street

**SH1 (West Street)**, from Wills Street to Burnett Street

**Cameron Street**, from West Street to Park Street

McKay/Lovett

Carried

### 15 Deputy Mayor's Report

**That** Council receives the Deputy Mayor's report.

McMillan/Wilson

Carried

Cr McMillan departed the meeting at 4.10pm

### 16 Mayor's Report

All available Councillors visited the RDR fish screen site on Monday 4 April 2022.

**That** Council receives the Mayor's report.

Brown/Braam

Carried

### Business transacted with the public excluded – 4.15pm.

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:	
17	Council 6/04/22 • Award of Contract WATE0220.1	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
18	Council 13/04/22 • Award of Contract WATE0220.1	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
19	Library & Civic Centre – 12/04/22 • Te Pātaka o Kā Tuhituhi – Te Waharoa a Hine Paaka	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
20	Executive Committee – 18/03/22 • CE Review	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons

Mayor/Braam

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4.55pm.

Confirmed 4 May 2022



MAYOR