

Council Minutes – 1 March 2023

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 1 March 2023, commencing at 1.00pm in the Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton.

Present

Deputy Mayor Liz McMillan (Chair); Councillors Carolyn Cameron, Russell Ellis, Phill Hooper, Lynette Lovett, Tony Todd and Richard Wilson.

In attendance

Hamish Riach (Chief Executive), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure & Open Spaces), Sarah Mosley (GM People & Facilities), Erin Register (Finance Manager), Janice McKay (Communications Manager) and Phillipa Clark (Governance Team Leader).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Ian Soper (Open Spaces Manager), Mark Chamberlain (Roading Manager), Richard Mabon (Senior Policy Advisor), Tayyaba Latif (Policy Advisor), Femke van der Valk (Policy Advisor).

Presentations

Ashburton Contracting Ltd – 3.05pm-3.56pm

1 Apologies

Mayor Neil Brown and Cr Leen Braam

Sustained

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Item 9: Cr Wilson gave notice he will withdraw from debate and decision on this matter.

4 Confirmation of Minutes – 15/02/23

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 February 2023, be taken as read and confirmed.

Cameron/Hooper

Carried

5 Audit & Risk Committee – 8/02/23

That Council receives the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee meeting held on 8 February 2023.

Cameron/Ellis

Carried

- **Riskpool update**

That Council receives the update from Riskpool on the progress of winding up and is aware of their ongoing liability.

Ellis/Wilson

Carried

- **Experience Mid Canterbury Annual Report**

That Council accepts the Experience Mid Canterbury Annual Report.

Cameron/Lovett

Carried

6 Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee – 7/02/23

That Council receives the minutes of the Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee meeting held on 7 February 2023.

Hooper/Lovett

Carried

7 Rakaia Gorge replacement toilets and new viewing platform

That Council accepts the MBIE funding of \$277,000 to complete the Rakaia Gorge Campground project as per the revised design.

Cameron/Ellis

Carried

8 Crossroad intersections – Coroner’s report

That Council receives the crossroad intersection report.

Ellis/Todd

Carried

9 Better-off Funding – new footpath sites

Cr Wilson withdrew from the debate.

That Council approves using the Three Waters Better-off grant funding for the construction of new footpaths at:

- Wakanui Road (Trevors Road to end of Strowan Fields subdivision)
- Trevors Road (Albert Street to Wakanui Road)
- Albert Street (Trevors Road to Ashburton Christian School)
- Dolma Street (end of existing to Line Road)
- Line Road (Methven Chertsey Road to Dolma Street)
- Tinwald Westerfield Mayfield Road (Tarbottons Road to Lagmhor Road)
- Lagmhor Road (end of kerb to Tinwald Westerfield Mayfield Road)
- Allens Road footbridge at Mill Creek.

Ellis/Cameron

Carried

10 Future for Local Government submission

That Council approves the submission (Appendix 1) to the Panel’s draft report *Review into the Future for Local Government*.

Ellis/Wilson

Carried

11 ADC Delegations 2023 and Loco Delegations system

A demonstration of the [Loco Delegations](#) online platform gave Council an overview of content and the search functions that the programme offers. Council noted that the updated Delegations reflect some legislative change and Council’s organisational restructure.

1. That Council receives the Loco Delegations report.

2. That the Ashburton District Council Delegations 2023 be adopted.

Lovett/Hooper

Carried

12 Financial reports

That Council receives the January 2023 variance report and EA Networks Centre income and expenditure report.

Todd/Ellis

Carried

13 Mayor's report

That Council receives the Mayor's report.

McMillan/Cameron

Carried

- **Rakaia CVSC site**

The Chief Executive reported that the site visit on 23 February with Waka Kotahi was a useful forum and community representatives present were able to voice their concerns. Waka Kotahi maintain that the site they have designated for the commercial vehicle safety centre (CVSC) is correct and any concerns about trucks pulling out on the short stretch of road will be addressed with the speed limit reduction.

- **Central Biosecurity Advisory Group**

That Councillor Leen Braam be appointed as Ashburton District Council's representative on the Central Biodiversity Advisory Group.

Ellis/Lovett

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:	
14	Council – 15/02/23	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
15	Audit & Risk – 8/02/23	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
16	Library & Civic Centre PCG – 21/02/23	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
17	Ashburton Contracting Ltd	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Hooper/Todd

Carried

The meeting concluded at 3.56pm.

[Confirmed by Council on 15 March 2023]

MAYOR