
Council Minutes – 2 February 2022

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 2 February 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

Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure Services), Paul Brake (GM Business Support), Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance), Steve Fabish (GM Community Services), Sarah Mosley (Manager People & Capability), Ruben Garcia (Communications Manager) and Phillipa Clark (Governance Team Leader).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Toni Durham (Strategy & Policy Manager), Richard Mabon (Senior Policy Advisor) and Andrew Guthrie (Assets Manager).

Presentations

Staveley Ice-rink Trust – 1.05pm-1.15pm

Environment Canterbury – 2.30pm-3.05pm

1 Apologies

Nil.

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Item 6; Cr Wilson gave notice he will withdraw from debate and decision.

PUBLIC FORUM

Representatives of the Staveley Ice-rink Trust, Clare Harden and Richard Mee presented the Trust's proposal to upgrade the ice-rink with a refrigerated concrete pad that will enable the rink to operate for at least three months over the winter. The project committee has prepared a business case and has been successful with a number of funding applications – approximately \$750k of the total project cost (\$1.1m) has been raised to date. The project has the support of the local community, and 'in-kind' donations are also being received.

The Trust have indicated they will be seeking funding from Council's infrastructure fund and may also need to approach Council for loan funding.

The presentation concluded at 1.15pm.

4 Confirmation of Minutes – 15/12/21

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 December 2021, be taken as read and confirmed.

Lovett/McMillan

Carried

5 Amend Transportation Bylaw Schedule D

Council agreed that the heavy traffic prohibitions should not apply for Council approved [amended 16/02/22] events in public places. Chapter 10 (1017.3) will include an additional clause (f) to reflect this.

1. **That** Council amends Schedule D1 of the Transportation Bylaw, specifically to prohibit heavy traffic from travelling along East Street from Moore Street to Havelock Street.
2. **That** Council brings forward the review of the Transportation Bylaw in its entirety from 2025 to the 2022/23 work programme.

Braam/Rawlinson

Carried

6 Draft Over 80's Parking Policy

Cr Wilson withdrew from the table for this item.

1. **That** Council adopts the Over 80's Parking Policy, effective 4 April 2022.
2. **That** Council updates the definitions for 'pay and display parking zone' and 'time restricted parking space' in the Mobility Parking Policy to be consistent with the Over 80's Parking Policy.

McMillan/Braam

Carried

7 Hakatere Hutholders Society Incorporated – Discretionary funding

1. **That** Council grants the Hakatere Hutholders Society Incorporated a one-off discretionary grant of \$9,547.00 towards the establishment of an adequate water supply for firefighting for Hakatere community; and
2. **That** ADC staff oversee and project manage the installation to ensure it is undertaken according to the required specifications.

Falloon/Lovett

Carried

The Mayor and Cr Letham recorded their votes against the motion.

8 RDR Management Limited – use of water for MAR

1. **That** Council approves Rangitata Diversion Race Management Limited's proposal to seek a variation to the Water Supply Agreement with MHV Water, Ashburton Lyndhurst Irrigation Ltd, Trustpower and Ashburton District Council, to enable the supply of constrained water for managed aquifer recharge.

McKay/Cameron

Carried

9 Elected Members' Remuneration 2022/23

1. **That** Council receives the Remuneration Authority (elected member remuneration) report.
2. **That** Council endorses the Remuneration Authority's new size indices and proposed governance remuneration pool for 2022/23.
3. **That** Council advises the Remuneration Authority that its current governance arrangements will be retained for the 9 Councillors, with the role of Deputy Mayor being the only position of additional responsibility.
4. **That** Council advises the Remuneration Authority that it is satisfied with the entitlements to allowances and hearing fees shown in the current determination.

Braam/McMillan

Carried

10 Financial Variance Report

That Council receives the October 2021 financial variance report.

Rawlinson/Cameron Carried

11 Bancorp Treasury Report

That Council receives the December 2021 treasury report.

Cameron/Wilson Carried

12 Mayor's Report

That the Mayor's report be received.

Mayor/McMillan Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded – 2.14pm.

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 15/12/21 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Freeholding Glasgow leaseC-19 Economic Recovery AdvisoryCaring for Communities WelfareLibrary & Civic Centre PCG	Section 7(2)(a)	Commercial activities
		Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
		Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons
		Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

McMillan/Wilson Carried

Environment Canterbury

The Mayor welcomed Chair Jenny Hughey and Cr Peter Scott (via Teams), and Cr Ian Mackenzie.

Matters of interest to ECan and ADC were briefly discussed:

- **Wastewater** – future of septic tanks in the north-east Ashburton area

Consent applications are being processed by ECan officers who are also seeking information on what other systems are available. Officers are working directly with consultants and technical advice has been commissioned.

ADC LIM reports will now show if there's a septic tank issue.

- **River rating district**

ECan's annual plan is proposing a reclassification for Ashburton district river rating, the recommendation being that it remains on capital value rather than annual charge. The number of classes (geographical area) will reduce from 13 to 6, however the total rates take doesn't change.

Cr Mackenzie commented on the possibility of extending the Dry Creek rating area and will be discussing this with Council's roading team.

Chair Jenny Hughey acknowledged the Mayor's suggestion that the elected members appointed to the river rating committees be responsible for chairing those meetings, with officers to provide the administrative support.

- **Public transport**

The on-demand public transport trial being undertaken in Timaru (My-way by Metro) is unlikely to be replicated in Ashburton. Patronage to date shows that the trial wouldn't be viable in other areas. Waka Kotahi have put a hold on further trials in the meantime.

ECan would look at a joint funding approach, should ADC wish to pursue a similar model.

- **National Policy Statement on Freshwater**

Cr Scott spoke about the review of the Regional Policy Statement which involves consultation with others in the region. Consultation has also started (with mana whenua) on the coastal plan and the change of land use plan.

- **Ngai Tahu representation**

Chair Jenny Hughey briefly outlined the settlement arrangements with Ngai Tahu and cl8 of the legislation that talks about 'beginning the process of healing and entering a new age of co-operation with Ngai Tahu. ECan see the time is right now to do this, hence the decision to reinstate mana whenua voting rights by empowering Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu to appoint up to two members of the Council, with full decision-making powers (currently the two members vote only at committee level).

- **Total Mobility**

It was reported there is some administrative disconnect locally. Cr Scott agreed to follow this up.

- **Lakes Camp & Clearwater**

Jane Donaldson reported that progress has been made with 29 (of approximately 70) long-drops still to be demolished, including the public long-drops. 23 properties have received final notice before enforcement action is to be taken. Council has budgeted to build a new toilet block on the old site with the facility to collect campground cartridges.

Consultation will start this week on the future of Lakes Camp and Clearwater. The intention is to seek feedback from stakeholders and the public on a 30 year development plan.

The ECan elected members were thanked for their participation and left the meeting at 3.05pm.

Welcome to staff – 3.05pm

Sarah Mosley, Manager People & Capability, introduced new staff – Alex Palfi (Sharepoint Specialist), Fran Clark (Animal Control & Enforcement Officer), Mary Wilson (EA to the CEO) and Hope Autumn-River (Education & Programmes Co-ordinator).

Council also acknowledged the long service of Jaimee Carrodus (Rates Officer) - 5 years, Lauren Wright (Graduate Planner) – 5 years, Jane Donaldson (GM Strategy & Compliance) - 10years, and Paul Sanderson (Ocean Farm Officer) – 15 years.

Council adjourned for afternoon tea from 3.13pm to 3.30pm.

Business transacted with the public excluded – 3.30pm

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15	Library & Civic Centre PCG 14/12/21	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons
16	Ashburton Contracting Ltd Director Appointment	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons
17	Service Provider for CE Performance Review 2022	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Mayor/McMillan

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded now in open meeting

- **Ashburton Contracting Ltd – appointment of Director**

That Council appoints Darin Cusack to the Board of Ashburton Contracting Limited for a three year term expiring at the Ashburton Contracting Limited AGM in October 2025.

McKay/Falloon

- **Service Provider for Chief Executive Review**

1. **That** Council engages WatsonPeters Ltd for two years from February 2022.

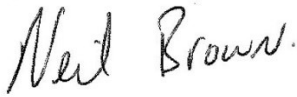
2. **That** Council acknowledges all disbursement and or any engaged additional services will incur extra fees as per the contract.

Lovett/Braam

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4pm.

Confirmed 16 February 2022



MAYOR