

## ***Council Minutes – 20 September 2023***

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 20 September 2023, 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, Russell Ellis, Phill Hooper, Lynette Lovett, Rob Mackle, Tony Todd and Richard Wilson.

### **In attendance**

Hamish Riach (Chief Executive), Toni Durham (GM Democracy & Engagement), Leanne Macdonald (GM Business Support), Neil McCann (GM Infrastructure & Open Spaces), Sarah Mosley (GM People & Facilities), Mark Low (Strategy & Policy Manager), Janice McKay (Communications Manager) and Phillipa Clark (Governance Team Leader).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Mark Chamberlain (Roading Manager), Mark Low (Strategy & Policy Manager), Femke van der Valk (Policy Advisor), Emily Reed (Corporate Planner), Tania Paddock Legal Counsel, Erin Register (Finance Manager), Ian Hyde (Planning Manager), Renee Julius (Property Manager) and Michelle Hydes (Property Officer).

### **1 Apologies**

Nil.

### **2 Extraordinary Business**

Nil.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

*Item 12* - Cr McMillan, as a member of the Alford Forest Reserve Board, will withdraw from debate.

### **Presentations**

Key Research – 1.30pm-1.50pm

Sport Canterbury – 2.34pm-3.12pm

### **4 Confirmation of Minutes – 6/09/23**

**That** the minutes of the Council meeting held on 6 September 2023, be taken as read and confirmed.

Cameron/Todd

Carried

### **5 Methven Community Board – 4/09/23**

**That** Council receives the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 4 September 2023.

McMillan/Hooper

Carried

### **6 Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee – 24/08/23**

**That** the Council receives the minutes of the Airport Authority Subcommittee meeting held on 24 August 2023.

Braam/Lovett

Carried

## 7 End of year Performance Report

**That** Council receives the end-of-year non-financial performance report.

Todd/Cameron

Carried

## 8 Local Alcohol Policy

1. **That** Council approves the draft Local Alcohol Policy for consultation from 27 September to 25 October 2023.

2. **That** Council adopts the Local Alcohol Policy consultation document.

Cameron/Todd

Carried

## 9 Annual Residents' Survey

Mike Hooker presented the Key Research results of the annual residents' survey.

**That** Council receives the 2022/23 Annual Residents' Survey report.

McMillan/Lovett

Carried

## 10 Canterbury Climate Partnership Plan

**That** Council endorse the strategic framework of the Canterbury Climate Partnership Plan for approval by the Mayoral Forum.

Ellis/Todd

Carried

## 11 Unsubsidised Projects 2023/24

1. **That** Council approves the following list of unsubsidised roading projects in 2023/24:

- Camrose Estates, Methven, cost share of Holmes Road and Barkers Road frontage upgrades - \$470,714
- Baring Square East coal tar removal - \$75,000
- Tinwald car park resurfacing - \$100,000
- Racecourse Road kerb and channel and footpath - \$185,000
- Mackie Street, Methven, footpath - \$60,000

2. **That** Council approves the following list of unsubsidised rural sealed road overlays in 2023/24:

- Ealing Montalto Road 0.990 km
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- Lismore Mayfield Road 1.400 km
- Maronan Road 0.410 km

Braam/Todd

Carried

## 12 Road Naming – Alford Forest

Cr McMillan withdraw from the debate and decision.

**That** the unnamed vested road located between Alford Forest Settlement Road and Spoons Road, as shown on the plan attached to this report, be named Mt Alford Road.

Braam/Lovett

Carried

## 13 Carry-over of funding from 2022/23

In response to Council's concern at the high number of carry-overs, the Chief Executive advised that a number of significant projects are underway which will be completed. It's anticipated that all projects will be completed, but there will be pressure on the work programme.

The Mayor asked that officers provide a report to the budget round early next year showing what's likely to be achieved of these projects.

- 1. That** Council approves the request to carry over the unspent funds from the 2022-2023 year into the 2023-2024 year, as detailed in this report.
- 2. That** these carry-overs be funded as per their original funding.

Braam/McMillan Carried

#### **14 Transwaste Dividend 2023**

**That** Council receives the Transwaste dividends report.

McMillan/Cameron Carried

#### **Sport Canterbury**

Council welcomed Julyan Falloon (Chief Executive), Jason Merrett (General Manager), Alice Breading (Community Advisor) and Anna Holland (Healthy Active Learning Facilitator).

The presentation highlighted Sport Canterbury's involvement in supporting councils to develop strategies around play and recreation. The focus is on young people, where there's greater return on investment, and the Healthy, Active Learning Programme (funded from Sport Canterbury resources).

Sport Canterbury are actively seeking to have the \$1.5m contestible fund increased, noting that around \$4m is applied for each year.

The Mayor took the opportunity to acknowledge the work of Jan Cochrane who recently retired from her role managing the Sport Canterbury activity in Ashburton.

Council adjourned for afternoon tea from 3.12pm until 3.30pm.

#### **15 Financial variance report**

**That** Council receives the financial variance report July 2023.

Cameron/Ellis Carried

#### **16 Mayor's Report**

- RDR Management Ltd AGM**

**That** Council appoints the Deputy Mayor as proxy to vote on Council's behalf at the RDR Management Limited AGM on 17 October 2023, with the Chief Executive as the alternative representative.

Cameron/Todd Carried

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

Cameron/McMillan Carried

#### **Business transacted with the public excluded – 3.43pm**

**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 6/09/23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Settlement Steering Group 29/08/23</li> <li>Library &amp; Civic Centre PCG 12/09/23</li> <li>Sale of Council land</li> <li>CE annual performance review</li> </ul> [Now in open meeting] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sale of library site</li> <li>ACL Director appointments</li> </ul>	Section 7(2)(a) Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy natural persons Commercial activities Commercial activities Protection of privacy natural persons
18	Airport Subcommittee	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
19	Settlement Steering Group	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy natural persons
20	Library & Civic Centre PCG 12/09/23	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
21	Sale of Council land	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
22	ACL Director Appointments	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy natural persons
23	CE Annual Performance Agreement	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy natural persons

Braam/Todd

Carried

### Business transacted with the public excluded now in open meeting

- Sale of Council land – Library site**

- That** Council resolves that from the date the Council’s library opens in Te Whare Whakatere, the land contained within the current Ashburton Library site in Record of Title CB47A/1217 (“the Land”) will be surplus to Council requirements as it will no longer be required for the current library use nor for any other public work in accordance with section 40(1) of the Public Works Act 1981.
- That** Council agrees to put the Ashburton Library site (as contained in Records of Title CB47A/1217 and CB47A/1218) on the market for sale by deadline sale on an ‘as is, where is’ basis. Following the deadline sale, officers are to bring a further report to Council for a decision on any offers received.

Ellis/McMillan

Carried

- Ashburton Contracting Ltd Director Appointments**

- That** Council appoints Craig Stewart as a director of Ashburton Contracting Limited for a three-year term expiring at the Ashburton Contracting Limited AGM in October 2026.
- That** Council reappoints Alister Lilley as Chairman of Ashburton Contracting for a further three-year term expiring at the Ashburton Contracting Limited AGM in October 2026.

Todd/Wilson

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4.54pm.

Confirmed 4 October 2023



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MAYOR