

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

**File Reference:** ECM 7678551  
**Meeting Date:** Monday 26 March 2018 at 4pm  
**Venue:** Civic Centre, Liardet Street, New Plymouth.  
**Members Present:** Mayor Neil Holdom, Councillors Shaun Biesiek, Gordon Brown, Murray Chong, Harry Duynhoven, Richard Handley, Stacey Hitchcock, Colin Johnston, Richard Jordan, John McLeod, Alan Melody, Mike Merrick, Marie Pearce, Roy Weaver (via audio link) and John Williams

### Non Members Present:

Doug Hislop (Kaitake Community Board) and Stuart Trundle (Venture Taranaki)

### Staff in Attendance:

Craig Stevenson, Julie Straka, Kelvin Wright, Liam Hodgetts, Alan Bird, David Langford, Peter Hitchcock, Greg Stephens, Paul Lamb, Shawn Scott, Mitchell Dyer, Jayne Beer, Delwyn Masters and Jacqueline Baker

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### Apologies

None advised

### Audio Link

Cr Roy Weaver attended the meeting remotely through an audio connection.

### Public Forum

- Craig Williamson
- Paul Catchpole

## UPDATES TO 2018-28 LONG-TERM PLAN SUPPORTING INFORMATION

ECM 7674137

The matter for consideration by the Council is the updated supporting information for the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan and Consultation Document.

### Council Resolution:

Cr Jordan )

Cr Pearce )

That having considered all matters raised in the report the Council:

- a) Note that the supporting information for the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan already adopted by the Council on 21 December 2017 and 28 February 2018 has been reviewed following ex-cyclone Gita.
- b) Agree to invest an additional \$44.5 million in infrastructure and operational resilience projects in the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan, as detailed in Appendix A, covering:
  1. Infrastructure resilience projects \$27.3m
  2. Operational resilience projects \$17.2m

- c) Note that the opportunity has also been taken to increase the level of information to the community regarding Flagship Projects and options on how they could be funded.
- d) Agree to add the TSB Stadium re-development in year 8 (2025/26) of the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan at an estimated cost of \$33.5 million as the preferred Flagship Project with \$17.5 million to be funded from recycling Council land and \$16 million from borrowing.
- e) Note that in addition to the changes noted, minor adjustments to the financial information have occurred as part of the final budget review.
- f) Note that as a result of the changes noted and agreed to above that some of the supporting information for the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan now requires re-adoption including:
  - 1. An 1.9% increase in the year 1 2018/19 rates increase taking it to 6.87% which exceeds the 5% rates cap.
  - 2. An increase in the LTP2018 average rates requirement of 0.4 per cent per annum, with the average increase on the residential ratepayer now being 4.3% per annum.
  - 3. Also exceeding the 5 per cent per annum, in years 2 (5.08%) and 4 (5.02%).
- g) Adopt the updated supporting information in Appendix B-G required to be adopted by section 93G Local Government Act 2002 in relation to the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 and the Consultation Document including:
  - 1. Assumptions
  - 2. Infrastructure Strategy
  - 3. Financial Strategy
  - 4. Council Services
  - 5. Financial Information and Statements
  - 6. Reserve Revocation Process
- h) Approve in principle the updated Draft Revenue and Financing Policy in Appendix H, noting that the policy will be released for concurrent consultation with the 2018-28 Long-Term Plan.
- i) Delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive to approve and adopt any final amendments required by Audit New Zealand.

Carried

*A Division was called (ECM7683136):*

*Those voting for the motion were Mayor Holdom, Crs Brown, Duyhhoven, Handley, Hitchcock, Johnston, Jordan, Melody, Pearce, Weaver and Williams.*

*Those voting against the motion were Crs Biesiek, Chong and McLeod.*

## **CONSULTATION DOCUMENT FOR LONG-TERM PLAN 2018-2028**

ECM 7674105

The matter for consideration by the Council is the adoption of the Consultation Document (CD) for the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028, being referred to as the 10-Year Plan.

### Council Resolution:

Mayor Neil Holdom )

Cr Richard Jordan )

That having considered all matters raised in the report, the Council:

- a) Approve the draft Consultation Document for the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 acknowledging that it may be subject to amendments required by Audit New Zealand.
- b) Delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive to approve any final amendments required by Audit New Zealand and adopt the Consultation Document for the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 (incorporating any such amendments).
- c) Note that the consultation document will include a report from Audit New Zealand as required by the Local Government Act 2002.
- d) Any substantive amendments are required and incorporated into the Consultation Document in terms of b), the adopted Consultation Document will be tabled at the next meeting of the Council.

Carried

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## **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING**

This report details items that are recommended should be considered with the public excluded, and the reason for excluding the public.

### Council Resolution:

Cr Johnston )

Cr Pearce )

That having considered all matters raised in the report, the Council hereby resolves that, pursuant to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:

- a) Tapuae Roa Strategy  
The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that

such information continue to be supplied. This particular interest being protected by section 7(2)(c)(i) of the Act.

- b) That Mr Stuart Trundle from Venture Taranaki be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, due to his expertise on this matter.

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The meeting was adjourned at 6.34pm and reconvened at 6.45pm.