

MINUTES

Infrastructure Committee Meeting Tuesday, 15 November 2022

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Minutes of Timaru District Council Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Held in the Council Chamber, Timaru District Council Building, 2 King George Place, Timaru on Tuesday, 15 November 2022 following the Environmental Services Committee

- Present:Clr Sally Parker (Chairperson), Clr Gavin Oliver (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor
Nigel Bowen, Clr Stu Piddington, Clr Peter Burt, Clr Owen Jackson, Clr Allan
Booth, Clr Stacey Scott, Clr Michelle Pye, Clr Scott Shannon
- In Attendance: Bede Carran (Chief Executive), Paul Cooper (Group Manager Environmental Services), Jason Rivett (Acting Group Manager Commercial and Strategy), Nigel Ingram (Group Manager Recreation and Cultural), Erik Barnes (Acting Director Engagement and Culture), Jacky Clarke (Governance and Executive Support Manager), Azoora Ali (Chief Financial Officer), Stephen Doran (Communications Manager), Grant Hall (Drainage and Water Manager), Tracy Bell (Roading Engineer), Daniel Naude (Road Safety Coordinator), Selina Kunac (Transport Community Engagement Advisor), Bill Steans (Parks and Recreation Manager), Ashley Harper (Water Services Stimulus Package Manager), Jess Hurst (Governance and Executive Support Coordinator)

1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

2 Identification of Items of Urgent Business

No items of urgent business were received

3 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

No matters of a minor nature were raised.

4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Clr Owen Jackson declared a conflict relating to Item 6.03 (CPlay Playground – Additional Funding Request).

5 Chairperson's Report

5.1 Chairperson's report

The Chairperson has attend a number of meetings including the Inaugural Council Meeting, the Elected Member Induction Programme and the Civic Service with the Governor-General Rt Hon. Dame Cindy Kiro.

Resolution 2022/21

Moved: Clr Sally Parker Seconded: Clr Allan Booth

That the Chairperson's report be received and noted.

Carried

6 Reports

6.1 Road Safety Update

The Road Safety Coordinator and the Transport Community Engagement Advisor spoke to the report to provide the Infrastructure Committee with information on road crash trends, road safety strategy and road safety promotion activities.

Key points and discussion between Members and Council Officers included: importance of education and raising awareness around road safety; how Council's work aligns with central government's Road to Zero campaign; cellphone use and general distractions while driving; suggestion that the driving simulators should be rolled out to more agencies; speed limits.

Resolution 2022/22

Moved: Clr Peter Burt Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

That the Infrastructure Committee receive and note the Road Safety update.

Carried

6.2 Residual disinfection (chlorine) for Geraldine water supply

The Drainage and Water Manager spoke to the report to provide an update and information related to the requirement under the Water Services Act to chlorinate the Geraldine water supply.

Key discussion points between Members and the Drainage and Water Manager focused on exemptions and the level of community engagement provided. It was noted that exemptions are required to be approved by Taumata Arowai and such exemptions are issued only under special circumstances.

Mayor Bowen confirmed, following a line of questioning from Clr Booth, that the Timaru District Council's acceptance of the first tranche of the Three Waters Better Off Funding does not skew their stance on Three Waters Reform.

Resolution 2022/23

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen Seconded: Clr Owen Jackson

That the Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Residual Disinfection (chlorine) for Geraldine water supply update.

Carried

6.3 CPlay Playground - Additional Funding Request

The Roading Engineer (Tracy Bell) spoke to the report to request additional funding to be allocated to the new CPlay playground project to allow completion to the desired Council standards.

Clr Owen Jackson withdrew from this item and sat in public forum due to a previously disclosed conflict of interest.

The new playground assets will be vested to Council and Council will be responsible for future maintenance of the playground. It is desirable that a higher safety and durability standard be required which will reduce future costs over the whole of life of the asset but further funding is required.

Council is negotiating with contractors to reduce costs where feasible.

Resolution 2022/24

Moved: Clr Peter Burt Seconded: Clr Allan Booth

That the Infrastructure Committee approve additional funding of \$300,000 excluding GST to allow the CPIay playground surfacing to meet the required Council standards.

Carried

6.4 Highfield Recreation Area Update

The Parks and Recreation Manager spoke to the report to provide an update on progress towards the development of the Highfield Recreation Area.

The Golf Facilities Review draft report is due which will be discussed with the Highfield Golf Club shortly, and presented to Timaru District Council thereafter.

It was confirmed that Council will have to wait for the modelling of the flooding area to be completed before a decision is made. Timeframes for this are not known at this stage and it was noted that resourcing to do this is a challenge at present.

There is a ten year timeframe in the current Long Term Plan for this project, which was always going to be a long term redevelopment. Council is also awaiting the results of geotechnical investigations into the quarry entrance.

Resolution 2022/25

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen Seconded: Clr Peter Burt

That the Highfield recreation area update be received and noted.

Carried

7 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

No items of urgent business were received.

8 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

No matters of a minor nature were raised.

The Meeting closed at 12.11pm.

Minutes confirmed 31 January 2023

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Clr Sally Parker Chairperson