

Timaru District Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council Building, King George Place, Timaru on 27 November 2018 at 9:24 am.

Present Clrs David Jack (Chairperson), Peter Burt, Nigel Bowen, Richard Lyon, Paddy O'Reilly, Sally Parker, Kerry Stevens, Steve Wills and the Mayor

Apology Proposed Clr Burt
Seconded Clr Bowen
"That the apologies from Clr Andrea Leslie and Ali Talbot (Temuka Community Board) be accepted."

Motion carried

In Attendance Bernie Wilson – Pleasant Point Community Board (for public part of meeting)
Jennine Maguire – Geraldine Community Board (for public part of meeting)
Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Group Manager Infrastructure (Ashley Harper), Land Transport Manager (Andrew Dixon), Development Manager (Frazer Munro), Communications Manager (Stephen Doran) and Infrastructure Executive Assistant (Kate Walkinshaw)

1. Identification of Items of Urgent Business – Water Issues

Proposed the Mayor
Seconded Clr Wills

"The Committee agreed to discuss water issues as a matter of urgent business."

Motion Carried

2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson reported on meetings he had attended and duties he had carried out on behalf of the Committee since the last meeting including Environment Canterbury (ECan) Business After 5 event, ECan launch of Public Transport for the Timaru District, Douglas Street and Kitchener Square residents meeting in regards to stormwater issues, Tourism Strategy Workshop, District Plan Workshop, Citizenship and Hall of Fame Ceremony, visit to New South Wales with ECan, Clr Parker and Land Transport Manager to investigate the On Demand Bus Transport System, Downlands Joint Standing Committee Meeting, South Canterbury

Chamber of Commerce event supporting the Mayors talk and following that the Minister of Finance talk, Planning Workshop, District Licencing Committee hearing in Mackenzie District, lunch with Waste Management Board of Directors at Timaru District Council, various discussions with Group Manager Infrastructure in regards to Temuka wastewater odour and also current water storage issues.

Proposed Clr Jack
Seconded Clr Burt

“That the Chairperson’s report be noted.”

Motion carried

4. **Confirmation of Minutes**

Proposed Clr Lyon
Seconded Clr Parker

“That the minutes of the Infrastructure Committee meeting of 16 October 2018, excluding the public excluded items, be confirmed as a true and correct record.”

Motion carried

5. **Land for Road – Geraldine**

The Committee considered a report by the Development Manager seeking approval for land adjoining High Street, Geraldine, to be vested as road.

Proposed Clr Burt
Seconded Clr O’Reilly

- a. “That the portions of land identified be vested as road pursuant to Section 114 of the Public Works Act 1981.
- b. That the Chief Executive be delegated authority to sign the Section 114 Public Works Act 1981 certificate accepting the land to be vested as road.”

Motion carried

6. **Petition: Traffic Calming Orbell Street and Broadway Avenue**

The Committee considered a report by the Land Transport Manager on a petition that has been submitted by residents of Orbell Street and Broadway Avenue, Highfield, Timaru on traffic speed and noise and which requests mitigation measures to address these issues.

The Land Transport Manager advised that the Road Safety Coordinator had been in contact with the residents but no further complaints have been made since the petition was undertaken. There are steps that Council can look into to mitigate the issues however this is generally a Police issue. It was agreed the most important aspect going forward is communication and monitoring.

Proposed Clr Burt
Seconded Clr Wills

- a. "That the petition from Orbell Street and Broadway Avenue residents be received and noted.
- b. That traffic flows and speeds in the area continue to be monitored.
- c. That the Road Safety Coordinator continues to liaise with the residents and to keep Councillors and the Police informed. "

Motion carried

7. **Revision of Footpath Funding Allocations**

The Committee considered a report by the Land Transport Manager on revised footpath funding allocations following the \$714,000 annual funding increase for footpaths approved by the Infrastructure Committee and the Policy and Development Committee in October 2018.

It was noted that in the latest road user satisfaction survey that footpaths have the lowest satisfaction rating. There was a lengthy discussion in regards to rural footpaths receiving a fair amount of funding for construction and maintenance as they have a substantial need. The NZTA funding should be fairly divided throughout all of the communities. There was also discussion about the design process and that the design needs to be fit for purpose to cater for all individuals including mobility impaired residents.

The Committee discussed the options available and agreed on a modified Option 1.

Proposed the Mayor
Seconded Clr Parker

"That the additional NZTA financial assistance for footpaths be allocated to footpaths maintenance, renewal and new on a pro-rata basis as per Option 1 but reallocating Timaru Footpaths 'new' budget to 'renewals'.

Motion carried

8. **Petition: Extension of free parking in Stafford Street**

The Committee considered a report by the Group Manager Infrastructure on a petition received from the Timaru CBD Group with respect to free parking in Stafford Street.

There was considerable debate over the request. There is a need for further investigation into the traffic/directional flow, parking and how the current CBD is laid out. It was agreed that further engagement and consultation is required before any master plans can be developed and implemented.

Proposed Clr Bowen
Seconded Clr Stevens

“Consult with CBD group and do a variety of trials. Delegate his Worship and Councillors Jack, Bowen and Parker to liaise with CBD group. Agreed meeting time to be arranged prior to Christmas. “

Motion Withdrawn

Clr Lyon called a Point of Order.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48am to review Standing Orders.

Meeting reconvened at 11:09am.

Under Section 3.9.3. the Mover and Secunder withdrew the current motion.

Proposed Clr Bowen
Seconded Clr Wills

- a. “That a meeting be held before Christmas 2018 with the Timaru CBD Group and other interested parties on the petition request to extend the free parking time limit in Stafford Street to 1 hour for a 6 month trial period.”
- b. “That the Council attendees at the meeting are his Worship the Mayor, Clrs Jack, Bowen and Parker.”
- c. “That this matter be further reported to the Infrastructure Committee at its next meeting.”

Motion Carried

Clr Parker requested her dissenting vote be recorded.

Subsequent motion:

Proposed the Mayor
Seconded Clr Lyon

“That at a future Infrastructure Committee meeting, a clearly detailed report be presented on how we can address, with the correct resourcing, parties, funding and timeframes, the master plan for all of the CBDs within the district.”

Motion Carried

9. **Consideration of Urgent Business – Water Issues**

The Mayor discussed the current issues around water availability due to wet weather conditions. The staff involved with the current water issues and monitoring were commended for their efforts.

Proposed the Mayor
Seconded Clr Bowen

“That at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting, reports are to be presented on the following -

- i. Landsborough Road old reservoir storage options.
- ii. Assessment of the option of a low volume water filtration/treatment facility.
- iii. Bore water options as per LTP discussions.”

Motion Carried

10. Exclusion of the Public

Proposed Clr Jack
Seconded Clr Burt

“That the Committee resolves to exclude the public on the grounds contained in Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act:

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- **Water Shares**

Section 7(2)(i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)

- **Water Race**

Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.”

Motion carried

11. Readmittance of the Public

Proposed Clr Stevens
Seconded Clr Wills

“That the public be readmitted to the meeting.”

Motion carried

The meeting concluded at 11:24am.

Chairperson

Unconfirmed