



MINUTES

Infrastructure Committee Meeting Tuesday, 17 September 2019

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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, 17 September 2019 at the conclusion of the Environmental Services Committee**

Present: Clr David Jack (Chairperson), Clr Paddy O'Reilly (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Damon Odey, Clr Peter Burt, Clr Andrea Leslie, Clr Steve Wills, Clr Sally Parker, Clr Kerry Stevens, Clr Nigel Bowen, Clr Richard Lyon

In Attendance: Stephanie McCullough – Temuka Community Board
Group Manager Infrastructure (Ashley Harper), Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Land Transport Manager (Andrew Dixon), Council Secretary (Joanne Brownie)

1 Apologies

Committee Resolution 2019/11

Moved: Clr Andrea Leslie

Seconded: Clr Peter Burt

That the apologies received from Jarrod Marsden – Geraldine Community Board and Karalyn Reid – Pleasant Point Community Board be accepted.

Carried

2 Identification of Items of Urgent Business

There were no urgent business items identified.

3 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

There were no minor matters identified.

4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson reported on meetings he had attended and duties he had carried out since the last meeting including the Geraldine Community Board meeting, Canterbury Regional Transport Committee meeting, District licensing Committee meeting, workshop on Gambling Policy, LAPP and Dangerous and Insanitary buildings, workshop on Productivity Commission, Long Term Plan and Climate Change Strategy, Property workshop, workshop on ECan Plan Change 7, Citizenship ceremony, Council meeting, Chamber of Commerce Business After 5, Patiti Point information session, District Plan workshop, Tenders Committee meeting and Donations and Loans Committee workshop.

Committee Resolution 2019/12

Moved: Mayor Damon Odey

Seconded: Clr Peter Burt

That the Chairperson's report be received.

Carried

6 Confirmation of Minutes**6.1 Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2019****Committee Resolution 2019/13**

Moved: Clr Steve Wills

Seconded: Clr Andrea Leslie

That the Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

7 Reports**7.1 Upper Orari Bridge State Highway 79**

The Committee considered a report by the Land Transport Manager presenting a recommendation from the Geraldine Community Board regarding the Upper Orari bridge on State Highway 79. The Group Manager spoke to the report, advising that it is a technical and funding matter. The meeting was informed that a significant amount of work has been done on this issue to assist NZTA, and it has been acknowledged that there are legitimate safety concerns and travel time delays with the one lane bridge, however, projects are prioritised on a national basis and the Upper Orari Bridge is not currently a priority within NZTA's criteria.

The Committee supported lobbying for a two lane bridge as it is the only single lane bridge on the State Highway within 2 hours of Christchurch international airport – tourists straight from a long haul flight, unfamiliar with New Zealand roads arrive at what may well be the first one lane bridge they have ever come to. With tourism increasing and the inland traffic route being promoted, the situation is not going to improve.

Committee Resolution 2019/14

Moved: Mayor Damon Odey

Seconded: Clr Kerry Stevens

That the road safety and active transport accessibility deficiencies on the Upper Orari bridge on State Highway 79 due to the bridge being a single lane bridge are noted and that these concerns be conveyed to the Minister of Transport, Local Member of Parliament, and NZTA South Island Director of Regional Partnerships, Canterbury Mayoral Forum and Canterbury Regional Transport Committee.

Carried

8 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

There was no urgent business.

9 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

There were no minor nature items.

The Meeting closed at 10.10am.

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Chairperson

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Chief Executive