



# **MINUTES**

## **Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, 8 June 2021**

**Ref: 1426582**

**Minutes of Timaru District Council  
Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting  
Held in the Council Chamber, Timaru District Council, King George Place, Timaru  
on Tuesday, 8 June 2021 following the Infrastructure Committee**

**Present:** Cr Peter Burt (Chairperson), Cr Richard Lyon, Cr Gavin Oliver, Cr Paddy O'Reilly, Cr Sally Parker, Cr Stu Piddington, Cr Steve Wills, Mayor Nigel Bowen, Allan Booth (Deputy Chairperson)

**In Attendance:** Venture Timaru – Chairperson Mark Rogers and Chief Executive Nigel Davenport

Bede Carran (Chief Executive), Ashley Harper (Acting Group Manager Commercial and Strategy), Josie McNee (Transport Procurement Advisor), Nicole Timney (Manager of Property Services and Client Representative), Philippa Steans (Property Maintenance Officer), Jo Doyle (Governance Advisor), Joanne Brownie (Governance Support Officer)

**1 Apologies**

**Resolution 2021/25**

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

That the apology received from Cr Gilchrist and Raewyn Hessel – Pleasant Point Community Board be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**Carried**

**2 Identification of Items of Urgent Business**

There were no urgent business items.

**3 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature**

There were no minor nature matters.

**4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Clr Booth noted that in respect of item 7.1, he is a Director on the Board of Venture Timaru.

**5 Chairperson's Report**

The Chairperson reported on duties carried and meetings attended since the last Commercial and Strategy Committee meeting including Long Term Plan engagement sessions, citizenship ceremony, Council meeting, Long Term Plan Hearing, Ara Board of Directors meeting and meeting with the Group Manager.

He also acknowledged the work done by Council employees and all others involved in the flood response, and thanked them for their commitment.

**Resolution 2021/26**

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Allan Booth

That the Chairperson's report be adopted.

**Carried**

**6 Confirmation of Minutes****6.1 Minutes of the Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2021****Resolution 2021/27**

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Cr Sally Parker

That the Minutes of the Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting and that the Chairperson's electronic signature be attached.

**Carried**

**7 Reports****7.1 Venture Timaru Quarterly Report January to March 2021**

The Chairperson and Chief Executive of Venture Timaru presented the Venture Timaru six month report for the period ending 31 March 2021, noting particular issues of significance.

Attracting and retaining an adequate workforce remains the biggest challenge and a flexible transferable workforce will be critical going forward. Supply chain issues are also a major constraint to normal business. Good news will be the second round of government strategic asset protection funding.

There was some question around the reliance on Infometrics data and whether the 'powerhouse' that South Canterbury represents is accurately reflected in the data. The meeting was advised that the economic development strategy consultant works alongside Infometrics which is an advantage.

It was suggested that the larger suppliers, such as Progressive Enterprises could look at a South Canterbury location for a major distribution centre, given the problems experienced with the region being cut off during the recent flood event.

**Resolution 2021/28**

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the Venture Timaru report for the period ending 31 March 2021 be received and noted.

**Carried**

## **7.2 Vesting of Temuka Netball Association Building**

The Committee considered an update on the agreement and offer from the Temuka Netball Association to vest the ownership of the building in the Temuka Domain to Timaru District Council, with the officers from Council's Property Unit further explaining the situation.

It was confirmed that the netball building could be a useful addition to Council's buildings as it is in the middle of the Temuka domain, with a carpark, close to the new dog park and has toilets that could be adapted to be available from the outside. .

### **Resolution 2021/29**

Moved: Cr Steve Wills

Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

1. That Option 1, the vesting of the Temuka Netball Association Building in the Temuka Domain to the Timaru District Council at no charge, be adopted.
2. That the ground lease between Timaru District Council and the Temuka Netball Association be cancelled on the date of vestment.
3. That no clubs or associations be given any special discounted rate for use of the building outside of the normal hall for hire charges once vested.

**Carried**

## **7.3 Progress Report: Theatre Royal and Heritage Facility Development and Social Housing Ventilation Compliance Projects**

The Committee considered a report on the progress of the two key property projects: the Theatre Royal and Heritage Facility Development project and the Social Housing Ventilation Compliance project.

It was suggested that an opportunity be provided for councillors to tour Council's building assets that may require earthquake strengthening.

### **Resolution 2021/30**

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Gavin Oliver

That this report be received and noted.

**Carried**

## **7.4 Overview of 2020/2021 Capital Work Programme - Dashboard**

The Committee considered an update on the delivery status of the 2020/2021 capital work programme. Council was on target to achieve all the highly feasible projects, although the recent flood event may cause some delays to some projects.

**Resolution 2021/31**

Moved: Cr Sally Parker

Seconded: Cr Gavin Oliver

That this report be received and noted.

**Carried**

**8 Consideration of Urgent Business Items**

There were no urgent business items.

**9 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters**

There were no minor nature items.

**10 Exclusion of the Public****Resolution 2021/32**

Moved: Cr Richard Lyon

Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting on the grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Plain English Reason
<b>11.1 - Public Excluded Minutes of the Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2021</b>	s7(2)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons  s7(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)	To protect a person's privacy  To enable commercial or industrial negotiations

**Carried**

**11 Public Excluded Reports**

**11.1 Public Excluded Minutes of the Commercial and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2021**

**12 Readmittance of the Public**

**Resolution 2021/33**

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

That the meeting moves out of Closed Meeting into Open Meeting.

**Carried**

**The Meeting closed at 11.35am.**

**Minutes confirmed 20 July 2021**

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**Cr Peter Burt**  
**Chairperson**