



MINUTES

Emergency Council Meeting Wednesday, 14 July 2021

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**Minutes of Timaru District Council
Emergency Council Meeting
Held in the Council Chamber, District Council Building, King George Place, Timaru
on Wednesday, 14 July 2021 at 2.30pm**

Present: Mayor Nigel Bowen (Chairperson - via Zoom Video Link), Cr Peter Burt, Cr Barbara Gilchrist (via Zoom Video Link), Cr Richard Lyon (via Zoom Video Link), Cr Sally Parker, Cr Stu Piddington, Cr Steve Wills (via Zoom Video Link until 2.35pm)

In Attendance: Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Group Manager Infrastructure (Andrew Dixon), Acting Group Manager Commercial and Strategy (Ashley Harper), Group Manager People & Digital and Acting Group Manager Community Services (Symon Leggett), Group Manager Environmental Services (Paul Cooper), Acting Chief Financial Officer (Jason Rivett - via Zoom Video Link), Strategy and Corporate Planning Manager (Mark Low), Policy Analyst (Fabia Fox), Governance Advisor (Jo Doyle)

John Mackey (Director – Audit NZ - via Zoom Video Link)

1 Apologies

Resolution 2021/105

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the apology received from Cr Allan Booth, Cr Gavin Oliver and Cr Paddy O'Reilly be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Carried

2 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

3 Reports

3.1 Adoption of Timaru District Council Long Term Plan 2021-31

Council was presented with the final Long Term Plan (LTP) 2021-31, including the Financial Strategy 2021-31, the Infrastructure Strategy 2021-51 and Fees and Charges for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for adoption.

Audit NZ Director John Mackey advised that there have been ongoing issues to address, including the addition of the corporate activities group to the Long Term Plan since the 29 June Council meeting.

Two events were noted by Audit NZ as having a further effect on the final audit process, the significant reduction in funding from Waka Kotahi announced in June 2021 and the May 2021 floods.

Audit NZ is now able to provide an unmodified audit opinion that will have two emphasis of matter statements, one in reference to the uncertainty with the three waters reform and the missed statutory deadline for the Long Term Plan.

Discussion was held about the missed deadline and why the concerns were not identified earlier. The Auditor General has deemed it appropriate to include the emphasis on matter on Council's that did not achieve the statutory deadline.

At 2:35 pm, Cr Steve Wills left the meeting.

Resolution 2021/106

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That Council amends the Rates Remission and Postponement Policy, included in the Long Term Plan, removing the requirement for a statutory declaration from applicants for remissions on separate self-contained flats.

Carried

Resolution 2021/107

Moved: Cr Richard Lyon

Seconded: Cr Sally Parker

That Council agrees to move the following capital projects in the Council's work programme to ensure the Council remains under the Debt cap of 2.1 in 2026/27:

- Water Metering from Years 4-6 to Years 5-8
- Claremont Water Treatment Plant upgrade from Year 8 to Year 9.

Carried

Resolution 2021/108

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Cr Sally Parker

That Council sets the Fees and Charges for 2021/22.

Carried

Resolution 2021/109

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Stu Piddington

That Council adopts the Financial Strategy 2021-31.

Carried

Resolution 2021/110

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

Seconded: Cr Richard Lyon

That Council adopts the Infrastructure Strategy 2021-2051.

Carried

Resolution 2021/111

Moved: Cr Sally Parker

Seconded: Cr Peter Burt

That Council resolves to permit an unbalanced budget in accordance with Section 100 of the Local Government Act 2002 for Year 3 (2023/24) of the Long Term Plan 2021-31.

Carried

Resolution 2021/112

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

Seconded: Cr Peter Burt

That Council adopts the Long Term Plan 2021-31.

Carried

Resolution 2021/113

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Richard Lyon

That Council authorises the Chief Executive to make any non-material changes to the Long Term Plan 2021/31 prior to publication to improve the quality and the readability.

Carried

Attachments

- 1 Long Term Plan Audit Opinion

3.2 Resolution to Set Rates 2021/2022

Council was presented with the rates resolution for the 2021/22 financial year in accordance with the Funding Impact Statements noting that a legal review has been undertaken.

Resolution 2021/114

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That following adoption of the Long Term Plan 2021-31 and in accordance with the Funding Impact Statement (FIS) and relevant provisions of the Long Term Plan, Council sets and assesses the rates in the following resolution.

That Council resolves:

- 1 To set the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the district for the financial year commencing 1 July 2021 and ending on 30 June 2022. Such rates shall become due and payable by instalments on the dates prescribed in clause 11 of this resolution.

- 2 All rates and charges are inclusive of the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

3 **General Rate**

That pursuant to Section 13(2)(b) and Section 14 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 a general rate set as a rate in the dollar on the land value of all rating units within the Timaru District, assessed on a differential basis as described below:

Timaru District - Accommodation	\$0.01174
Timaru District - Commercial Central	\$0.01174
Timaru District - Commercial Other	\$0.01174
Timaru District - Community Services	\$0.00270
Timaru District - Industrial	\$0.01174
Timaru District - Primary	\$0.00181
Timaru District - Recreational	\$0.00270
Timaru District - Residential General	\$0.00270
Timaru District - Residential Multi Unit	\$0.00521

Differentials are defined in the Funding Impact Statement 2021-31.

4 **Uniform Annual General Charge**

That pursuant to Section 15(1)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 a uniform annual general charge of \$870.00 per rating unit is set and assessed on every rating unit within the Timaru District.

5 **Community Works and Services**

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 a targeted community works and services rate set and assessed as a rate in the dollar on the land value of all rating units within each of the community areas where the service is provided. Community areas are defined in the Funding Impact Statement 2021-31.

Geraldine	\$0.00148
Rural	\$0.00005
Temuka	\$0.00165
Timaru	\$0.00115

6 **Community Board**

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, targeted uniform annual Community Board rates set and assessed per rating unit within each of the Temuka, Geraldine and Pleasant Point Wards.

Geraldine	\$5.00
Pleasant Point	\$5.00
Temuka	\$3.50

7 Sewer

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 a targeted uniform rate for sewerage disposal set per water closet or urinal connected either directly or through a private drain to a public sewerage drain subject to the proviso that every rating unit used primarily as a residence of not more than one household shall be treated to have not more than one water closet or urinal.

Sewer \$339.00

8 Waste Management

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 a differential targeted rate set and assessed on all rateable and non-rateable rating units based on the extent to which the “four bin” waste collection service is actually provided

- (a) of \$162.00 per standard size “four bins” provided to each rating unit;
- (b) of \$210.00 per large “four bins” provided to each rating unit;
- (c) of \$41.00 per additional small (140 litres) recycling bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (d) of \$46.00 per additional large (240 litres) recycling bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (e) of \$63.00 per additional small (140 litres) compost bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (f) of \$73.00 per additional large (240 litres) compost bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (g) of \$78.00 per additional small (140 litres) rubbish bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (h) of \$110.00 per additional large (240 litres) rubbish bin provided to each rating unit; and
- (i) of \$41.00 per additional small (80 litres) glass bin provided to each rating unit.
- (j) of \$46.00 per additional large (240 litres) glass bin provided to each rating unit.

9 Water

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b), (4)(b) and section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 targeted rates for the supply of water in the following areas as follows.

(a) Urban Water

A differential annual rate of \$442.00 set and assessed per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit for all connected rating units and \$221.00 set and assessed per rating unit on all rating units situated within 100 metres from any part of the water works to which water can be but is not supplied within the urban areas Geraldine, Pleasant Point, Peel Forest, Temuka, Timaru and Winchester urban supplies.

Differential categories are defined in the Funding Impact Statement 2021-31.

(b) Rural Water**(i) The Rangitata-Orari Water Supply District**

A targeted rate of \$16.50 set and assessed per hectare within the rating unit.

(ii) The Te Moana Downs Water Supply District

- a) A targeted rate of \$252.00 set and assessed for each unit of water supplied;
- b) A targeted rate of \$527.00 set and assessed for each tank except where there is more than one tank to any rating unit as a technical requirement of the scheme, in which case only one charge will apply.

(iii) **The Orari Township Water Supply District**

A targeted rate of \$345.00 set and assessed for each unit of water supplied.

(iv) **The Seadown Water Supply District**

a) A targeted rate of \$28.60 set and assessed per hectare within the rating unit;

b) A targeted rate of \$713.00 set and assessed per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit for each domestic supply;

(v) **Beautiful Valley Water Supply District**

A targeted rate of \$8.90 set and assessed per hectare within the rating unit.

(vi) **Downlands Water Supply District**

On so much of the rating unit appearing on District Valuation Rolls number 24640, 24660, 24670, 24680, 24690, 24700, 24710, 24820, 24840, 24850, 24860, and part 25033, as is situated within the Downlands Water Supply District.

a) A targeted rate of \$774.00 set and assessed for each separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit within the Pareora Township and for rating units used as halls within the scheme.

b) A targeted rate of \$1,326.00 set and assessed per rating unit for rating units used as schools within the Pareora Township.

c) In addition, a targeted rate of \$553.00 set and assessed for each separate connection (excluding Pareora Township) to the water supply except where there is more than one connection to any rating unit as a technical requirement of the scheme, in which case only one charge will apply.

d) In addition to the charge assessed in (c) above, a targeted rate of \$221.00 set and assessed per unit of water or where water supplied in one half units a charge of \$110.50 set and assessed per half unit supplied.

Differential categories are defined in the Funding Impact Statement 2021-31.

(c) **Water by Meter**

Targeted rates for water supply, set under Section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 per cubic metre of water consumed to any rating unit situated in the following areas which has been fitted with a water meter:

Seadown	\$0.94
Urban	\$0.72

10 Community Centre

That pursuant to Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the following uniform targeted rates are set and assessed in respect of each separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit situated in the following Community Centre Areas:

Claremont Community Centre	\$19.00
Fairview Community Centre	\$30.00
Kingsdown Community Centre	\$36.00
Otipua Community Centre	\$19.00
Seadown Community Centre	\$33.00

11 Instalment Dates

The above rates and charges (except for metered water) are due and payable in four equal instalments on the following dates:

All Ratepayers

Instalment	Due Date
1	20 September 2021
2	20 December 2021
3	21 March 2022
4	20 June 2022

The due dates for metered water charges are as follows:

Month invoice raised	Due Date
July 2021	20 August 2021
August 2021	20 September 2021
September 2021	20 October 2021
October 2021	22 November 2021
November 2021	20 December 2021
December 2021	20 January 2022
January 2022	21 February 2022
February 2022	21 March 2022
March 2022	20 April 2022
April 2022	20 May 2022
May 2022	20 June 2022
June 2022	20 July 2022

12 Penalties

That pursuant to Section 57 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 the District Council prescribes the following penalties to be added to unpaid rates:-

(a) A Penalty

A penalty under section 58(1)(a) of 10% of the amount of the instalment remaining unpaid will be added if not paid on or before the instalment due date, on the following dates:

Instalment	Penalty Date
1	24 September 2021
2	24 December 2021
3	25 March 2022
4	24 June 2022

(b) Further Penalties

A further penalty under section 58(1)(b) and 58(1)(c) of 10% of the amount of any rates assessed in any previous financial year remaining unpaid on 7 July 2021 will be added on 24 September 2021. An additional penalty will be added to any unpaid rates assessed in any previous financial years that remain unpaid on 25 March 2022. This penalty will be added on 25 March 2022.

Penalties will not be applied to the metered water targeted rates.

Carried

The meeting closed at 2.45pm.

Minutes confirmed 10 August 2021

**Mayor Nigel Bowen
Chairperson**