

# MINUTES

## Infrastructure Committee Meeting Tuesday, 13 October 2020

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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, 13 October 2020 at 9.30am

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

In Attendance: Group Manager Infrastructure (Andrew Dixon), Senior Programme Delivery Manager (Ashley Harper), Programme Delivery Manager (Lili Delwaide), Governance Advisor (Jo Doyle)

#### Public Forum

Lindy Graham the Principal of Craighead Diocesan School and the Chair of Aoraki Secondary Principals Association updated Council.

Challenges of 2020:

- Covid-19 and the effect on mental health, planning for an uncertain future
- Behaviour management, attendance and punctuality
- Increasing indicators of poverty and inequity
- Managing online behaviours
- Parents versus school jurisdiction
- Prevalence of ready available drugs, party pills etc
- Meeting needs of Immigrant communities
- Risk taking behaviours are increasing e.g. vaping is on the increase and is hard to track
- Cellphone use in school, not needed in class as more appropriate devices for the classroom
- Connectivity issues, highlighted over lockdown
- Road safety around schools at peak time.

This group covers 16 secondary schools from Mt Hutt to Waitaki who meet once a term. Most schools average between 400-600 students which is relatively small compared to city schools.

There is considerable choice for families in South Canterbury, and there is good retention of students to senior levels. Solid achievements are being recorded with NCEA results, cultural and sporting achievements.

Ideas for Council to support Students:

- Invite students to meetings to view and share the process to become more engaged, social studies classes in particular
- Wellbeing initiatives need assistance from the community, WAVE worked closely with schools, but their funding has been cut
- Breakfast programs, have been running in primary schools are due to roll out to some secondary schools
- Wellbeing websites
- Venture Timaru have run career nights in past, but less in recent years
- Environment is a topic this age group are passionate about, water safety, water health, and climate change

- Social functions, there isn't much to do for this age group, the 3 day festival was well used last year
- Youth Alley were meeting the needs of gender diverse youth
- Youth art awards, blue light discos, events that are alcohol free and well organised
- Cr Sally Parker used to meet young people in cafes
- Good people in the area looking out for young people, involving police and minimising access to drugs, alcohol and vaping
- Would Like to see more published about the successes of young people through the local paper.

#### 1 Apologies

#### Resolution 2020/27

Moved: Cr Peter Burt Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the apologies from Charles Scarsbrook, Neville Gould and Wayne O'Donnell be accepted.

Carried

#### 2 Identification of Items of Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

#### 3 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

There were not matters of a minor nature.

#### 4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

#### 5 Chairperson's Report

Since the last Committee meeting, the Chairperson has attended Council Meetings, Workshops, Prime Ministers business lunch, the South Island masters games update and launch and met with members of the public regarding Showgrounds development.

#### Resolution 2020/28

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist Seconded: Mayor Nigel Bowen

That the Chairpersons report be received.

Carried

#### 6 Confirmation of Minutes

#### 6.1 Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 1 September 2020

#### Resolution 2020/29

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen Seconded: Cr Paddy O'Reilly

That the Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 1 September 2020 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 Rangitata River Flood Protection Contribution

The Committee considered a report on the financial contribution to Environment Canterbury (ECan) for further flood protection works on the Rangitata River following the December 2019 Flood event

Cr Peter Burt advised a Conflict of Interest and would refrain from joining the discussion.

ECan have more work to protect the Rangitata River from another major flood event, stage one work has been completed, but the river is not yet back to where it was and is at risk from another event which would cause more damage to roads.

This is a staged approach and ECan are consulting with Iwi as they believe the river should still flow as it wants.

A Rangitata restoration working group has been set up and terms of reference have been agreed to ensure a process is in place to protect the river for future.

All other contributors have agreed and Timaru District Council is the last party to sign.

#### Resolution 2020/30

Moved: Cr Steve Wills Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That the Timaru District Council cost contribution to Environment Canterbury towards further flood protection works on the Rangitata River of \$59,000 excluding GST be approved.

Carried

### 7.2 Progress Report: Pareora Pipeline Renewal, Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade and Winchester Geraldine Roundabout

The Senior Programme Delivery Manager and Programme Delivery Manager presented the Committee with the progress of three key infrastructure projects; the Pareora Pipeline Renewal,

the Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade, and the Winchester/Geraldine Roundabout projects.

#### **Pareora Pipeline Renewal**

This morning at the Tenders and Procurement Committee Meeting, the contract for Section 1 of the pipeline renewal was awarded. Work will be commencing in the near future, this is a momentous occasion for this renewal.

A further report is being prepared for the procurement method for stage 2 and the design for section 3 is near completion.

#### **Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade**

The river works at the intake were completed by the end of August, a decision is due shortly on the commissioning of the water treatment plant.

Stage 1 pipeline construction contract has been awarded and special fittings are being made.

Stage 2 is close to being tendered in the next few months.

#### Winchester/Geraldine Roundabout

The Group Manager Infrastructure reported that the construction of this project is currently being tendered.

#### Resolution 2020/31

Moved: Cr Sally Parker Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That this report be received and noted.

Carried

#### 7.3 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2021-2031

The Committee was presented the final Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2021/22 – 2030/31 (GPS 2021) and the funding implications for the Timaru District Council.

The Group Manager Infrastructure outlined the transport funding as presented in the Government Statement, and noted that Timaru District is operating as one of the most efficient organisations in our peer group.

Covid19 has had an impact with less vehicle usage and less revenue from road users.

The funding bid from Timaru District Council was aspirational but is well aligned with the proposal for the Long Term Plan.

The two State Highway one lane bridges in the Canterbury region are not a high priority in the programme, and political means through the mayoral forum is considered the best approach for approaching these upgrades.

Local roads projects are on the website with a map location showing the current and following year showing resurfacing.

#### Resolution 2020/32

Moved: Cr Paddy O'Reilly

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That the report be received and the funding implications noted.

Carried

#### 8 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

There were no items of urgent business.

#### 9 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

There were not matters of a minor nature.

#### 10 Exclusion of the Public

#### Resolution 2020/33

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist Seconded: Cr Richard Lyon

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<br>to be considered   | Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter  | Plain English Reason   |
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| 11.1 - Public Excluded Minutes<br>of the Infrastructure Committee<br>Meeting held on 1 September<br>2020 | s7(2)(b)(ii) - The withholding of<br>the information is necessary to<br>protect information where the<br>making available of the<br>information would be likely<br>unreasonably to prejudice the<br>commercial position of the<br>person who supplied or who is<br>the subject of the information<br>s7(2)(i) - The withholding of the<br>information is necessary to<br>enable the Council to carry out,<br>without prejudice or<br>disadvantage, negotiations<br>(including commercial and<br>industrial negotiations) | Commercial sensitivity<br>To enable commercial or<br>industrial negotiations |

#### Carried

#### Resolution 2020/34

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Paddy O'Reilly

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

Carried

- 11 Public Excluded Reports
- 11.1 Public Excluded Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 1 September 2020
- **12** Readmittance of the Public

The Meeting closed at 10.09am.

Minutes confirmed 24 November 2020.

Deputy Chairperson Cr Paddy O'Reilly