



MINUTES

Infrastructure Committee Meeting Tuesday, 28 April 2020

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**Minutes of Timaru District Council
Infrastructure Committee Meeting
Held via Zoom Video Link
on Tuesday, 28 April 2020 following the Environmental Services Committee**

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

In Attendance: **Community Board Representatives**
Temuka Community Board – Charles Scarsbrook
Pleasant Point Community Board – Anne Lemmens
Geraldine Community Board – Jan Finlayson

Council Officers

Acting Group Manager Infrastructure (Erik Barnes), Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Land Transport Manager (Andrew Dixon), Governance Advisor (Jo Doyle), Governance Support Officer (Joanne Brownie)

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

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 she had attended since the previous Committee meeting including Council workshops, Council Budget/Annual Plan meeting, People and Performance Committee, Council meeting, elected member updates and discussion with the Land Transport Manager.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 10 March 2020

Resolution 2020/11

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

Seconded: Cr Paddy O'Reilly

That the Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 10 March 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

7 Reports

7.1 Spur Road Seal Extension

The Committee considered a report on the possible seal extension of Spur Road. Councillors raised a number of concerns, predominantly around the level of expenditure required to seal the section of road, when the District will be facing economic challenges due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

While it was acknowledged that it is a reasonably high use road with 13% of the traffic being heavy vehicles, and sealing would provide the best long term solution and increased safety, the Committee was reluctant to approve the seal extension without firstly reviewing other priorities for seal extensions across the District, as well as reviewing Council's seal extension policy, and taking a strategic approach to capital expenditure on larger projects in the post-Covid environment.

It was agreed that the best course of action at this time would be to defer a decision on the issue until further analysis has been done on seal extension priorities as well as overall expenditure on capital works as part of the Annual Plan process.

Resolution 2020/12

Moved: Cr Sally Parker

Seconded: Cr Paddy O'Reilly

That consideration of the inclusion of the seal extension of Spur Road in the 2020-21 Annual Plan be parked until seal extension priorities have been further reviewed and analysis of Council's capital expenditure priorities has been undertaken.

Carried

7.2 Orari Back Road Seal Extension

The Committee considered a report on the possible seal extension of Orari Back Road. While this seal extension has some similarities to the Spur Road situation, important differences were identified such as the proposed seal extension re-routing heavy vehicles from the Geraldine township.

It was again noted that it would be helpful to the decision making process to have a priority list of possible seal extensions and an opportunity to review the pressure on the limited seal extension budget.

Resolution 2020/13

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Richard Lyon

That the Infrastructure Committee recommends

- a) that Council considers the inclusion of the seal extension of Orari Back Road and allocates additional funding of \$1.2 million excluding GST in the 2020-21 Annual Plan.
- b) that a seal extension priority list and criteria for prioritisation be provided, to inform the decision making on seal extensions.

Carried

7.3 Draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport Submission

The Committee was briefed on the final Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2021/22 – 2030/31 (GPS2021) and a proposed submission from Timaru District Council.

Resolution 2020/14

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

1. That the Infrastructure Committee supports a submission on the Draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2021/22 – 2030/31 on the basis of the key points outlined in this report.
2. That the final submission be approved by the Chairperson of the Infrastructure Committee and the Acting Group Manager Infrastructure.

Carried

8 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

There were no urgent business items to be considered.

9 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

There were no minor nature matters to be considered.

The Meeting closed at 10.30am.

Minutes confirmed 9 June 2020.

**Chairperson
Cr Sally Parker**