



MINUTES

Infrastructure Committee Meeting Tuesday, 16 March 2021

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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, 16 March 2021 following the Environmental Services Committee at 9.42am**

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

In Attendance: Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Group Manager Infrastructure (Andrew Dixon), Programme Deliver Manager (Lili Delwaide)

Community Boards:

Lloyd McMillan – Temuka Community Board
John McDonald – Pleasant Point Community Board
Janene Adams – Geraldine Community Board

1 Apologies

Resolution 2021/5

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That the apology received from Cr Gavin Oliver and Cr Peter Burt be accepted and leave of absence granted.

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 no minor nature matters.

4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

5 Chairperson's Report

The Chair person has attended the long term plan Council meeting, Timaru airport annual management review, Downlands Joint Standing Committee meeting, Tenders and Procurement Committee, Aorangi Stadium Trust meeting, Council meeting, Temuka Community Board meeting and TDHL workshop.

Resolution 2021/6

Moved: Cr Stu Piddington

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the Chairpersons report be accepted.

Carried

6 Confirmation of Minutes**6.1 Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 2 February 2021****Resolution 2021/7**

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

That the Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 2 February 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 MyWay, Timaru's public transport service update**

The Committee were updated on the progress of the On Demand Responsive Public Transport System (DRPTS) MyWay by Metro.

Environment Canterbury (ECan) officers Jeremy Dickson (Manager – Public Transport Business Services and Improvement), Stewart Gibbon (General Manager - Public Transport), Judith Earl-Goulet (Operations Manager), Isabelle Bromham (Public Transport Community Engagement Advisor) presented the update and advised of LTP recommendations.

The pilot was extended until 22 October 2021 to allow full testing after the interruption of Covid to enable a decision on the future.

Feedback received from survey's has been high, an average of 4.8/5. There are 1,000 users on a monthly basis with 5,000 registered users. It is considered a more valuable service than the fixed route service.

Longer hours for Friday and Saturday have been introduced and upcoming features are a driveway to driveway service for mobility users.

The MyWay service requires more funding and is ECan's preferred option recommended in their Draft Long Term Plan. This option includes:

- MyWay service remains as it is
- Continue to explore opportunities to make more customer centric and efficient
- NZTA approved procurement process to select delivery partners in 2022.

If the ECan preferred option is not adopted then MyWay will be removed August-October 2021 with a return to the previous fixed route service at that time. Consultation with the community on the alternative options would be undertaken late 2021 with a NZTA approved procurement process to select a delivery partner in 2022. Implementation of a new network would be late 2022 at the earliest.

The cost to Timaru District Council was queried, the cost is minimal as only the infrastructure is covered by TDC, ECan pays 49% of the revenue shortfall and NZTA pays the remaining 51%.

To fund the MyWay service the rating impact would be an increase of \$14 per \$100,000 capital value, this is an average of \$65 per household and only effects Timaru city boundary ratepayers.

The fares of MyWay have been kept low as it is considered the right price point for engagement levels. The gold card compensation from Government was also discussed, and NZTA pay a lump sum based on actual gold cards used and kilometres travelled.

MyWay was never intended to provide a subsidised taxi service, the key parameters of this public transport is a shared service, and not door to door. Possible collaboration with taxi companies will continue to be explored.

The benefits to the community were discussed, accessibility for all and a positive effect towards climate change. The trial of the use of electric vehicles is planned in the discovery phase.

Resolution 2021/8

Moved: Cr Sally Parker

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the report be received.

Carried

7.2 Progress Report: Pareora Pipeline Renewal, Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade, Winchester Geraldine Roundabout, Road Construction Programme and 3Waters Stimulus Programme

The Committee was updated on the progress of three key infrastructure projects; the Pareora Pipeline Renewal, the Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade, the Winchester/Geraldine Roundabout, Road Construction Programme and the 3Waters Stimulus programme.

3Waters Stimulus programme

Nine projects have had the procurement phase completed and 12 have the design completed. All projects have been started, which satisfies the requirement to be underway by 31 March.

Winchester/Geraldine Roundabout

Is progressing well and ahead of schedule. The pavement construction is starting next week then the first structures of asphalt will begin. This project is a week ahead of schedule with an anticipated completion in May.

Road Construction Project

An update was provided on upcoming projects that are due to be completed and the plan for the next three years of road reconstruction. The maintenance contract is out for tender for the next 5 years, there is potential for savings in this area.

Downlands Water Supply Scheme Upgrade

Six projects to be completed, most have been awarded and the construction of all projects will be monitored. The Te Ana Wai intake and water treatment plant need to be completed by the end of June.

This information is shared to the Council's website and sent out to Committee's and all consumers on the scheme.

Pareora Pipeline Renewal

The full spend on this renewal will occur over the next two financial years until the pipeline is operational. On Stage 1 work is progressing with contractor crews are working at both ends and there is 6km of pipe length welded and ready. Stage 3 contract has been awarded and Stage 2 being negotiated.

The contractors have monthly briefings with Council.

Resolution 2021/9

Moved: Cr Sally Parker

Seconded: Cr Richard Lyon

That this report be received and noted.

Carried

8 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

There were no items of urgent business.

9 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

There were no minor nature matters.

The Meeting closed at 10.27am.

Minutes confirmed 20 April 2021.

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Cr Sally Parker
Chairperson