
Minutes for the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee of Waikato District Council held via Audio Visual Conference on **TUESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2021** commencing at **9.30am**.

Present:

Cr EM Patterson (Chairperson)
Cr CA Eyre (Deputy Chairperson)
His Worship the Mayor, Mr AM Sanson
Cr AD Bech
Cr JM Gibb
Mr B Green (Maangai Maaori)
Cr SL Henderson [*from 9.34am*]
Cr SD Lynch
Cr RC McGuire
Cr FM McNally
Cr NMD Smith [*until 9.57am and from 10.24am*]
Cr LR Thomson
Cr CT Woolerton

Attending:

Mr G Ion (Chief Executive)
Mr T Whittaker (Chief Operating Officer)
Mr R MacCulloch (General Manager Service Delivery)
Mr P McPherson (Community Projects Manager)
Ms M May (Community Connections Manager)
Ms J Bishop (Contracts and Partnering Manager)
Mr R Bayer (Roading Team Leader)
Mr C Bailey (Finance Manager)
Mr J Brown (Senior Communications Advisor)
Ms K Wellington (Project Management Office Manager)
Ms A Diaz (Chief Financial Officer)
Ms M Tarawhiti (Community Facilities Team Leader)
Mrs LM Wainwright (Democracy Advisor)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Crs Thomson/McInally)

THAT the Infrastructure Committee accepts the apologies:

- a) for non-attendance from Cr Church and Cr Sedgwick, and
- b) for early departure from Cr Smith and Mr Green (if required).

CARRIED

INF2110/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Thomson)

THAT:

- a) the agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on Tuesday, 19 October 2021 be confirmed, and
- b) all reports be received.

CARRIED

INF2110/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

Cr Henderson entered the meeting at 9.34am following the above item.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Crs Bech/Eyre)

THAT the minutes for the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on Wednesday, 8 September 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

INF2110/03

REPORTS

Service Delivery Project Status Report – September 2021

Agenda Item 5.1

The report was received [*INF2110/02 refers*] and taken as read. The following items were discussed:

- Carried forward projects e.g. dog pound at Tuakau would be reported on at the next Committee meeting.
- October 2021 balances would be less than forecast due to the pandemic.
- Delivery of CAPEX from Watercare and the impact of delays. Staff were working with Watercare on what work was proceeding. The Chief Executive would discuss this with the Waters Governance Board in November and report back to the Committee.
- Watercare contractors were working in Huntly during lockdown.

ACTION: The Chief Executive would follow up with Watercare as to why contractors were working during lockdown and report back to the next Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 1 December 2021.

- There had been a change in Auckland water levels. Communications would need to be put out to our communities advising of these changes.
- Council was waiting on a multi-party funding agreement from NZTA on the Huntly section of SH1. Vesting and maintenance of the road could not take place until agreement had been reached. Futureproofing of the IB portion of the highway was of strategic importance.

ACTION: Cr Patterson would raise this with the Regional Transport Committee.

- Lake Road crossing – NZTA were responsible for the roads surrounding any on/off ramps until they intersect with local roads.

Erosion at Ngarunui Beach affecting Surf Life Saving Tower and Public Toilet
Agenda Item 5.2

The report was received [INF2110/02 refers] and taken as read. The following items were discussed:

- Timeline work for this project was underway. The pandemic was creating some issues with contractors.
- Relocation of the toilet block to Sunset Beach would maximise a return on the recent investment put into the adjacent Community Hub.

Resolved: (Crs Smith/Eyre)

THAT the Infrastructure Committee approves the:

- a) use of the Disaster Relief Fund reserve fund (IPG-16030-E0-1491-0122) for the removal and transportation of the Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club (RSLSC) Tower and Public Toilet Complex from Ngarunui Beach, including reinstatement works (the estimated value for these works is \$60,000 excluding GST);**
- b) proposed removal of the Public Toilet Building from Ngarunui Beach to Sunset Beach, Port Waikato, using the District Wide Toilets budget (ITO-10000-C0-0000-0000) for the re-siting works, which is estimated to be approximately \$40,000 excluding GST; and**
- c) funds set aside in the District Wide Toilets budget (ITO-10000-C0-0000-0000) to construct a toilet at Sunset Beach, be reallocated to the development of a new toilet block at Ngarunui Beach, to replace the one being removed/relocated.**

CARRIED

INF2110/04

Cr Smith left the meeting at 9.57am following voting on the above resolution.

Extension to Contract 15/162 – Parks and Open Spaces Maintenance

Agenda Item 5.3

The report was received [*INF2110/02 refers*] and taken as read. The following items were discussed:

- Waikato Weed and Surveillance Control project – Council was interested in results from the trial of fulvic acid and glyphosate.

ACTION: Citycare to be invited to attend the next Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 1 December 2021 to provide an overview on the trial.

- The Committee would like to get visibility on contracts awarded to Maori businesses.

ACTION: Staff to supply data on employment and partnerships with Maori business to the next Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 1 December 2021.

- It was noted that Citycare had a healthy attitude towards health and safety matters.

Resolved: (Crs Thomson/Lynch)

THAT the Infrastructure Committee notes the Extension to Contract 15/162 – Parks and Open Spaces Maintenance.

CARRIED

INF2110/05

Whatawhata Rugby Club Building Demolition

Agenda Item 5.4

The report was received [*INF2110/02 refers*] and taken as read. The following items were discussed:

- The Whatawhata Rugby Club building had been damaged by fire and asbestos had been found in the material on site. The Whatawhata Rugby Club Committee was not in a financial position to demolish the building and was seeking financial support from Waikato District Council to clear the site for the health and safety of the community.
- There was no budget allocated to this project. Funding would be sourced from the General Accounting Reserve Fund (GARF).
- The current ground lease with the Whatawhata Rugby Club would be terminated and if a new club building was erected, a new lease would be entered into between Waikato District Council and the Whatawhata Rugby Club.

Resolved: (His Worship the Mayor/Cr McGuire)

THAT the Infrastructure Committee recommends that Waikato District Council:

- a) approves the use of funds from the General Accounting Reserve Fund (account code 1-999-9320) to demolish the Whatawhata Rugby Club building up to the value of \$32,000.00 excluding GST, and**
- b) terminates the current ground lease with the Whatawhata Rugby Club, and if a new club building is erected, a new lease be entered into between Waikato District Council and the Whatawhata Rugby Club.**

CARRIED

INF2110/06

Councillor Eyre voted against the resolution and requested her dissenting vote be recorded.

Cr Smith re-entered the meeting at 10.24am during discussion on the above item and was present when voting took place.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Agenda Item 6

Resolved: (Crs Woolerton/Thomson)

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Item number PEX 1 Confirmation of Minutes	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 6 or Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

Item No.	Section	Interest
Item PEX 1 Confirmation of Minutes		Refer to the previous Public Excluded reason in the agenda for this meeting.

CARRIED

INF2110/07

Resolutions INF2 I 10/08 to INF2 I 10/09 are contained in the public excluded section of these minutes.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 10.41am.

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2021.

EM Patterson
CHAIRPERSON