



Minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 17 July 2024 commencing at 1:00pm.

1. Present

Cr K A Sutherland (Chairperson), Her Worship the Mayor - Mrs T H Collis, Crs E L Peeti-Webber (Deputy Mayor), N L Chase, A K Franklin, S M Gilmore, P A Johns, M F Long, S A Wallace and S M Wards

In Attendance

Mr B Nicholson	- Chief Executive
Mr R Suppiah	- Group Manager – Corporate and Regulatory
Mrs K Tani	- Group Manager – Strategy and Community Wellbeing
Mr D Watson	- Manager – Special Projects
Mr M Dunn	- Manager – Programmes and Projects
Mrs J Neilson	- Solid Waste Manager
Ms C Abbott	- Kiosk Administrator
Mr D Erard	- Tararua Alliance Manager
Mr D Cameron	- Recovery Manager
Mrs A Charmley	- Team Leader Planning Services
Mr P Sinclair	- Emergency Management Officer
Ms M Brensell	- Executive Assistant to Group Manager - Infrastructure
Mrs A Dunn	- Manager – Democracy Services
Ms S Ellis	- Democracy Support Officer

2. Welcome and Meeting Opening

The Chairperson opened the meeting with Prayer.

3. Apologies

There were no apologies.

4. Public Forum

There were no requests for Public Forum.

5. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Report on Infrastructure symposium attendance – Chairperson K Sutherland

6. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business

Nil

7. Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19 June 2024 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Wards/Wallace

Carried

8. Reports

8.1 Infrastructure Management Report

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 08 July 2024 that provided an update on key activities and items of interest over the period 11 June to 8 July 2024.

That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 08 July 2024 concerning the Infrastructure Management Report be received.

Johns/Collis

Carried

8.2 Emergency Management Update Report

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Emergency Management Advisor dated 08 July 2024 that provided an update on emergency management matters at Tararua District Council. This is inclusive of an overview of the operational capabilities, community resilience efforts, engagement with Iwi/ Māori stakeholders, status of community response planning, and updates.

That the report from the Emergency Management Advisor dated 08 July 2024 concerning the Emergency Management Update Report be received.

Wallace/Gilmore

Carried

8.3 **Adoption of Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for Consultation**

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Manager - Democracy Services dated 09 July 2024, that presented the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and the summary of information to the committee for adoption for consultation under the special consultative procedure outlined in the Local Government Act 2002. It was clarified that post the consultation end date, the hearing of submissions would take place at a extraordinary Council meeting on 4 September 2024, any deliberations would take place on 18 September 2024, and adoption of the plan would be at the end of September Council meeting.

That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 09 July 2024 concerning the Adoption of Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for Consultation be received.

That the Committee approves the combined Statement of Proposal and the Tararua District Council's draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for public consultation in accordance with s83 of the Local Government Act 2002 and s44 of the Waste Minimisation Act 2008.

That the Committee notes the consultation period will be from 18 July 2024 to 18 August 2024.

Johns/Long

Carried

8.4 **Cyclone Gabrielle Recovery Roding Update**

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 08 July 2024 that updated Council on the roading recovery, funding, and funding implications for the Cyclone Gabrielle roading recovery.

That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 08 July 2024 concerning the Cyclone Gabrielle Recovery Roding Update be received.

Wards/Peeti-Webber

Carried

8.5 **Cyclone Gabrielle General Recovery Update**

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Recovery Manager dated 8 July 2024 that provided a general update on the Cyclone Gabrielle recovery.

Chairperson Sutherland formally noted his thanks to Mr Don Cameron for his work in the role of the Recovery Manager, and commended him and his team for

their effort and dedication to the post Cyclone Gabrielle recovery.

That the report from the Recovery Manager dated 08 July 2024 concerning the Cyclone Gabrielle General Recovery Update be received.

Johns/Long

Carried

8.6 Capital Portfolio Report

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report of the Manager - Programmes & Projects dated 05 July 2024 that updated the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee on the capital programme and key project statuses.

That the report from the Manager - Programmes & Projects dated 05 July 2024 concerning the Capital Portfolio Report be received.

Johns/Chase

Carried

9. Items not on the Agenda

Infrastructure Symposium: Chairperson K Sutherland, Her Worship the Mayor and Cr S Wallace spoke about key highlights from the Infrastructure Symposium that they attended. These included:

- A presentation by Sir Bill English, with highlighted major talking points including:
 - o Risk regulation and risk adjusted thinking as opposed to overregulation,
 - o Mitigation of 'word fog' in reports through prioritisation of action centred language,
 - o Skill-based recruiting to ensure competence during project lifetimes,
 - o An emphasis on project cost reflecting the size of the ratepayer base,
 - o Information regarding the Infrastructure Funding and Finance Act,
 - o An emphasis on the long term, and ensuring any infrastructure projects factor in longevity and sustainability during the planning process,
 - o Maintaining good relationships with central government,
 - o Maintaining transparency and good communication with communities and the press.
- A presentation by the Taranaki Foundation, regarding the formation of partnerships and working as a collective.
- A presentation from a Local Government Australia representative, who had underlined that Australian Local Government systems were facing similar struggles to New Zealand local government, with major issues in regional infrastructure – notably in local water infrastructure. The

representative also noted that libraries were being utilised as community hubs, and that the safety of local government officials was a major issue.

It was noted that good relations with NZTA and attendance at roading meetings was important to ensure local input into the system.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 2:44pm.

Chairperson