

Minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 16 October 2024 commencing at 1:00pm.

1. Present

Cr K A Sutherland (Chairperson), 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 C French - Rationale

Mr B Nicholson - Chief Executive

Mr H Featonby - Group Manager - Infrastructure
 Mr D Watson - Manager - Special Projects
 Mr P Wimsett - Chief Advisor (via Teams)

Mr M Dunn - Manager – Programmes and Projects

Ms A Rule - Policy and Planning Advisor
 Mr A Desmond - Capital Projects Manager
 Mr M Clifford - 3Waters Asset Engineer
 Mr R Cannon - Engineering Services Manager

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

That the apologies from Her Worship the Mayor and Councillor Peeti-Webber, and apologies for lateness from Councillor Chase, be approved and leave of absence granted for the meeting.

Wards/Sutherland

Carried

4. Public Forum

There were no requests for Public Forum.

5. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Nil

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 18 September 2024 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Johns/Wallace Carried

8. Reports

8.1 Infrastructure Management Report

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 03 October 2024 which provided an update on key activities and items of interest over the period 10 September to 8 October 2024.

It was noted that information would be provided to the Dannevirke and Eketāhuna community boards regarding the impact of the reduced footpath maintenance budget.

The need to communicate the reduced footpath maintenance budget to the public was noted.

An enquiry was made regarding when bulk flow meters would be installed. It was responded that several DMAs were in place already, but more were required to provide an adequate estimation of the total loss.

It was noted that the tyrewise scheme drop off point was still being implemented.

That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 03 October 2024 concerning the Infrastructure Management Report be received.

Gilmore/Franklin Carried

8.2 Three Waters Infrastructure Strategic planning and Three Waters Advisory Group - Update

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 07 October 2024 that presented a memorandum providing an update to the strategic planning activities, including the preparation of the "Case for Change" document — a strategic document to set the direction for future options, development and analysis for investment in Three Waters infrastructure. In addition, the memorandum confirmed next steps and involvement of the Three Waters Advisory Group in ongoing strategic planning, and noted how the strategic planning activity will interface with water service delivery planning as per Local Water Done Well Policy.

That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 07 October 2024 concerning the Three Waters Infrastructure Strategic planning and Three Waters Advisory Group - Update be received.

Wallace/Johns Carried

8.3 Water Demand Management Strategy and Universal Water Metering Programme

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 07 October 2024 which noted key findings and actions from the Demand Management and Water Conservation Plan, and outlined the objectives, approach, scope and programme of water demand management activities described in the Plan over the next ten years, including details on key programmes of work, which included:

- A major renewals programme to address non-revenue water (leakage).
- Universal water metering.

It was queried whether more take could be permitted in drought conditions; it was responded that this would not be viable here, as well as in other areas.

It was noted that encouragement of the use of tanks in Norsewood, Akitio and Pongaroa should be prioritised), and that this could be done in conjunction with messaging regarding alternate day water restrictions.

That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 07 October 2024 concerning the Water Demand Management Strategy and Universal Water Metering Programme be received.

Johns/Wallace Carried

8.4 Climate Change - Update October 2024

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report from the Chief Advisor dated 10 October 2024, which provided a brief update on climate related matters and recent reporting to the Region's Joint Climate Change Action Committee.

It was noted that, with the exception of electricity records, most of the data presented were based on models. No margin of error were outlined, but it was established that, should the models be out by a significant factor, it may mean that other areas – such as fuel – may require further prioritisation.

That the report from the Chief Advisor dated 10 October 2024 concerning the Climate Change - Update October 2024 be received.

Wards/Johns Carried

8.5 Capital Portfolio Report

The Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee considered the report from the Manager - Programmes & Projects dated 04 October 2024, which updated the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee on the capital programme and key project statuses.

It was underlined that district town signage was still in the process of being negotiated with NZTA. It was asked that information regarding the amount of staff time spent on negotiations be provided.

That the report from the Manager - Programmes & Projects dated 04 October 2024 concerning the Capital Portfolio Report be received.

Wards/Chase Carried

9. Items not on the Agenda

Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 3:31pm.

Chairperson