



Minutes of a meeting of the Tararua District Council held in the Council Chamber, 156 High Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 25 March 2026 commencing at 9:30am.

## 1. Present

Mayor – Mr S M Gilmore, Crs S M Wards (Deputy Mayor), A J Amboy, C L Corlett, P A Johns, E F Kennedy, P M Naylor, E L Peeti-Webber, K E R Te Waaka, and S A Wallace

### In Attendance

- Mrs N Phillips - Chairperson, Dannevirke Community Board
- Mr T Hynes - Deputy Chairperson, Dannevirke Community Board
  
- Ms K Meerman - Programme Director – Wairarapa+Tararua Local Water Done Well
  
- Mr C Haines - Chief Executive
- Mrs K Tani - Group Manager – Strategy and Information
- Ms S Lowe - Group Manager – People, Capability and Customer Experience
- Mr H Featonby - Group Manager - Operations
- Ms T McDonald - Chief Financial Officer
- Ms J Smith - General Counsel
- Mr P Wimsett - Chief Advisor
- Mr K van der Oord - Communications Team Manager
- Ms K Stevens - Communications Engagement and Social Media Lead
- Mr M Dunn - Operations Delivery Manager
- Mr E Priest - Project Management Office Team Leader
- Mrs S Walshe - Finance Manager
- Mrs B Fowler - Senior Financial Accountant
- Ms D Burnett - Customer Engagement Manager
- Mrs S Fountaine - Community Engagement Advisor
- Mrs A Dunn - Manager – Democracy Services

## 2. Council Prayer

Councillor Keshaan Te Waaka commenced the meeting with a karakia timatanga (opening 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**

Nil

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

Councillor Johns – Contestable Fund re Woodville Lions Club, Woodville Village Hall and Woodville Arts and History

Councillor Corlett – Contestable Fund re Eketahuna Radio Society

Councillor Wards – Contestable Fund re Dannevirke Sports Club, Dannevirke A&P Society

Councillor Te Waaka – Contestable Fund re Te Kete Hauora o Rangitāne

Councillor Naylor – Contestable Fund re Woodville Lions, Woodville Village Hall

Councillor Wallace – Contestable Fund re RSA and Dannevirke Bowling Club

Mayor Gilmore – Contestable Fund re Dannevirke A&P Society, REAP and Woodville Lions

### **7. Confirmation of Minutes**

*That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 February 2026 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

*Crs Corlett/Peeti-Webber*

*Carried*

### **8. Community Boards and Community Committees Reports**

#### **8.1 Minutes - Dannevirke Community Board**

*That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held 24 February 2026 be received.*

*Crs Wallace/Amboy*

*Carried*

## 8.2 Minutes - Eketāhuna Community Board

*That the minutes of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held 23 February 2026 be received.*

*Crs Corlett/Johns*

*Carried*

## 8.3 Minutes - Positively Woodville Community Committee

With regard to the general business item in the February minutes regarding the deterioration of the Flagtrax flags, it was asked whether the expected life of the flags was known. In response it was noted that the flags organised by the Dannevirke Community Board were rotated so each set were only flying for a few months at a time. This would extend their lifetime.

It was noted that Cr Kennedy's name had been incorrectly listed as Elizabeth Naylor in the March meeting minutes. It was asked that Positively Woodville's representative raise this at the next meeting for correction.

*That the minutes of the Positively Woodville Community Committee meetings held 02 December 2025, 03 February 2026 and 03 March 2026 be received.*

*Crs Johns/Naylor*

*Carried*

## 8.4 Minutes - Explore Pahiatua Community Committee

*That the minutes of the Explore Pahiatua Community Committee meeting held 04 March 2026 be received.*

*Crs Te Waaka/Naylor*

*Carried*

## 9. Change to Order of Business

9.1 It was noted that the item "Local Water Done Well – Transition Programme Update" would be taken as the next item of business.

### 9.2 Local Water Done Well - Transition Programme Update

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Chief Advisor dated 18 March 2026 that provided an update on the Wairarapa+Tararua water establishment and transition programme.

Katherine Meerman, Programme Director – Wairarapa+Tararua Local Water Done Well was in attendance, and spoke about progress with the Local Water Done Well programme. She noted that she would be attending meetings of the Tararua District Council on a bi-monthly basis to ensure members were kept informed.

She noted the first stage was the legal establishment, to establish the company

with a Board, and second phase would be the operational transition from April to June 2027.

She spoke about the priorities of the first phase, which was nearing its end. Priorities had included establishing the permanent governance structure, noting the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were Tararua District Council's representatives on the Stakeholders Forum. She noted they were in the final stages of recruiting the Board of Directors for the Company.

In response to a question about the appointment of iwi representatives to the Stakeholders Forum, it was noted that this was an iwi process for selection of representatives, with the Stakeholders Forum made up of a representative from each Council and each settlement entity. The Tararua District Council's role would be to work with our local iwi leadership to ensure both iwi in our District were properly informed and consulted.

***That the report from the Chief Advisor dated 18 March 2026 concerning the Local Water Done Well - Transition Programme Update be received.***

***Crs Naylor/Wards***

***Carried***

## **10. Minutes Action List**

### **10.1 Decision Action Items**

It was asked that for items noted as "not started" that some additional information be provided to advise an expected timeline for the matter.

***That the report providing an update on decision action items be noted.***

***Crs Johns/Wallace***

***Carried***

## **11. Reports**

### **11.1 Six Month Performance Report - Period Ending 31 December 2025**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Senior Finance Business Partner dated 10 March 2026 that presented the performance report for the six months ending 31 December 2025 and provide an indication of the year-end result.

With regard to the capital expenditure report, an update was provided on the figures since the report was written, noting that the Project Management Office predicted 75-80% budget spend with notable multi-year projects being carried forward as going through procurement or tender phase. In response to a concern raised about not meeting 100% of budget spend, it was advised that some major projects had taken longer than anticipated through the planning and delivery phase, and also the impact of the hold and review of the Universal Water Meters project on the forecast spend. The previous year's delivery was over 90%. It was

further noted that capital works were not rate funded.

With regard to a question about the impact of increased fuel prices, it was noted this report was for the period up to 31 December 2026, and any impact would not likely be seen until the year end report. Assurance was provided that any large variances would be reported to the Council.

In discussion of the Treasury Performance Report, it was noted that the Treasury Adviser would be providing a report to the April meeting of the Risk and Assurance Committee. It was noted that a correction needed to be made for reporting the net debt position in the graph on page 71 of the agenda.

In the Self-funded Activities report, the improvement in the overdrawn reserve since the first quarter report was noted.

***That the report from the Senior Finance Business Partner dated 10 March 2026 concerning the Six Month Performance Report - Period Ending 31 December 2025 be received.***

***Crs Wallace/Corlett***

***Carried***

## 11.2 **Endorsement of 2026/2027 Proposed Annual Plan and Proposed Fees & Charges**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Finance and Revenue Manager dated 14 March 2026 that sought endorsement of the 2026/2027 Annual Plan and its proposed fees and charges for year 3 of the 2024/2034 Long Term Plan. The report also confirmed there were no material or significant changes from year 3 of the Long Term Plan and no public consultation was therefore required.

A resolution was also sought to utilise the general-purpose reserve to offset the rates smoothing repayment required for the roading activity.

*Councillor Te Waaka left the meeting at 10:49am and returned at 10:51am.*

The Mayor noted the importance of consultation for the proposed Long Term Plan 2027-37. He noted that the annual budget for the 2026-27 financial year would be this Council delivering on year 3 of the Long Term Plan 2024-34 without significant variance, but in a more affordable way. He noted the significant amount of work that was undertaken to reduce the proposed increase to a lower level.

Following endorsement by the Council the next steps were to work with the Communications Team to publish the proposed Annual Plan and Fees and Charges through Council's website for community feedback, with feedback to be focussed on early engagement on the Long Term Plan. There would be some minor changes made for translations and to change it from Annual Plan to Annual Budget. The final version of the Annual Budget and Fees and Charges would be

brought to the May 2026 Tararua District Council meeting for formal adoption. It was noted that although the Annual Budget would not be audited, there would be an audit of the proposed rating resolution resulting from the adoption of the Annual Plan.

***That the report from the Finance and Revenue Manager dated 14 March 2026 concerning the Endorsement of 2026/2027 Proposed Annual Plan and Proposed Fees & Charges be received.***

***That Council endorses the 2026/2027 Annual Plan and its proposed fees and charges.***

***That Council resolves to go with option 1 in further reducing the average rates increase by reducing the accelerated debt repayment from 2% of rates to 1.5% of rates.***

***That Council resolves to use \$750,000 from the general purpose reserve to offset the “catch-up” of depreciation costs for the roading activity.***

***That Council resolves not to consult on the 2026/2027 Annual Plan and encourages the Community to provide feedback in the upcoming early engagement for the 2027/2037 Long Term Plan.***

***Mayor Gilmore/Johns***

***Carried***

*The meeting adjourned at 11:17am and resumed at 11:34am.*

### **11.3 Adoption of Significance and Engagement Policy**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the General Counsel dated 9 March 2026 that presented the Significance and Engagement Policy to Council for adoption following its review and discussion at the Long-Term Plan Workshop on 18 February 2026.

The report also recommended a further review of the Significance and Engagement Policy be completed in 2027 outside of the Long-Term Plan cycle to ensure compliance and alignment with any new legislative requirements.

***That the report from the General Counsel dated 09 March 2026 concerning the Adoption of Significance and Engagement Policy be received.***

***That Council notes the Significance and Engagement Policy has been reviewed and no changes are proposed.***

***That the Significance and Engagement Policy be adopted.***

***That the Chief Executive be delegated authority to approve any final edits to the Significance and Engagement Policy before publication.***

***That a further review of the Significance and Engagement Policy is completed in***

*2027 following the introduction of pending legislative reform.*

*Crs Wards/Johns*

*Carried*

11.4 **Delegations for Tararua District Council Representatives on the Wairarapa Tararua Limited Stakeholders' Forum**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the General Counsel dated 12 March 2026 that sought delegation of certain powers and responsibilities under the Shareholders' Agreement to the holders of the office of the Council's representative on the Stakeholders' Forum, to seek approval of proposed amendments to Council's Statutory Delegations Register to enable exercise of the proposed delegations, and to seek ratification of decisions taken to date at the Stakeholders' Forum.

***That the report from the General Counsel dated 12 March 2026 concerning the Delegations for Tararua District Council Representatives on the Wairarapa Tararua Limited Stakeholders' Forum be received.***

***That the Tararua District Council notes that on 26 November 2025 it appointed Mayor Scott Gilmore as primary representative and Deputy Mayor Sharon Wards as alternate to the office of the Council's representative on the Wairarapa Tararua Water Limited Stakeholders' Forum.***

***That the Tararua District Council delegates the responsibilities and powers to the person for the time being holding the office of the Council's primary representative and alternate on the Wairarapa Tararua Limited Stakeholders' Forum, as listed in Table(s) 1 and 2 in Attachment 1 of this report.***

***That the Tararua District Council notes that these delegated responsibilities and powers:***

***Were approved by the Tararua District Council on 24 September 2025 while approving the Wairarapa Tararua Water Draft Constitution and Shareholders' Agreement.***

***Are required, under the Shareholders' Agreement, to be specifically delegated by the Tararua District Council to its appointed Stakeholders' Forum member and its alternate.***

***That the Tararua District Council amends Part 2 of the Tararua District Council's Delegations Policy to add information included in Attachment 2 to this report.***

***That the Tararua District Council ratifies decisions taken by its primary representative or alternate to date in the Stakeholders' Forum as set in 1.6.1 and 1.6.2 below. These are consistent and within responsibilities intended for their roles, as set out in the Shareholders' Agreements, specifically:***

*The decision to appoint a chair to the Stakeholders' Forum.*

*Decisions regarding the appointment of directors to Wairarapa Tararua Water Limited.*

*That following the Tararua District Council's delegation to the primary representative and alternate, Council notes that decisions in the Stakeholders' Forum will be taken by its representative in respect of the powers and responsibilities set out in Table 1 at Appendix 1, with the relevant limitations set out in Table 2 at Appendix 1.*

*That the Tararua District Council notes this paper and the Council's decision will be shared with the Stakeholders' Forum.*

*Crs Corlett/Naylor*

*Carried*

#### 11.5 **Approval of the Draft Strategic Framework for Public Feedback**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Group Manager – Strategy and Information dated 12 March 2026 that presented the draft strategic framework for the Long Term Plan for approval.

It was also recommended that feedback be sought from the community on the draft framework as part of its early engagement on the Long Term Plan.

It was noted this document would provide direction for officers in undertaking their roles.

A suggested change was to show the Council's values as overarching all of the strategic priorities.

*That the report from the Group Manager - Strategy and Information dated 12 March 2026 concerning the Approval of the Draft Strategic Framework for Public Feedback be received.*

*That Council approves its draft strategic framework for the Long-term Plan 2027 -37 with a minor amendment to separate out the values with delegation given to the Mayor for final approval to be included in the early engagement process for the Long-term Plan.*

*Mayor Gilmore/Te Waaka*

*Carried*

#### 11.6 **Early Engagement Plan for the 2027-2037 Long Term Plan**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Communications Team Manager dated 18 March 2026 that sought endorsement of the proposed Early Engagement Plan for the 2027-37 Long Term Plan.

The valuable contribution that the Council Portfolio holders made through

discussions of the proposed plan was highlighted.

It was noted that where the plan refers to elected members, the wider view needed to be taken to include community board and community committee members.

***That the report from the Communications Team Manager dated 18 March 2026 concerning the Early Engagement Plan for the 2027-2037 Long Term Plan be received.***

***That the Early Engagement Plan is endorsed for implementation, with minor amendments to be authorised by the Chief Executive.***

***Crs Naylor/Corlett***

***Carried***

#### 11.7 **Notification of District-Wide Contestable fund Round 2 2025/2026**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Community Engagement Officer dated 11 March 2026 that presented the outcome of the assessment and decisions of the Districtwide Contestable Fund applications Round 2 2025-26.

Having declared conflicts of interest, the Mayor and Councillors Corlett, Johns, Naylor, Te Waaka and Wards took no part in the discussion and did not vote.

***That the report from the Community Engagement Officer dated 11 March 2026 concerning the Notification of District-Wide Contestable fund Round 2 2025/2026 be received.***

***That the following District-wide contestable fund round 2 2025/2026 applicants be received and accepted.***

<b><i>Applicant</i></b>	<b><i>Amount Requested</i></b>	<b><i>Amount Allocated</i></b>
<b><i>Eketahuna Rugby Football Club Incorporated</i></b>	<b><i>\$7,755</i></b>	<b><i>\$4,500</i></b>
<b><i>The Dannevirke and Districts Agricultural and Pastoral Association Inc.</i></b>	<b><i>\$7,000</i></b>	<b><i>\$5,000</i></b>
<b><i>Ruahine Ramblerz Leisure Marching Team</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,579</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,579</i></b>
<b><i>Woodville Art and History, Inc</i></b>	<b><i>\$9,100</i></b>	<b><i>\$4,500</i></b>
<b><i>Dannevirke Community Patrol</i></b>	<b><i>\$2,000</i></b>	<b><i>\$2,000</i></b>
<b><i>Friends of Mangatainoka-Pahiatua Cemetery</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,000</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,000</i></b>

<i>Ti Tree Point Playgroup Incorporated</i>	<i>\$3,429</i>	<i>\$2,000</i>
<i>Pahiatua Bowling Club Inc</i>	<i>\$372</i>	<i>\$372</i>
<i>Hamua Hall Board</i>	<i>\$1,116</i>	<i>\$1,116</i>
<i>Mr Brodie Bennett</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>	<i>\$750</i>
<i>Te Kete Hauora o Rangitāne</i>	<i>\$4,300</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>
<i>Dannevirke Gallery of History Inc</i>	<i>\$3,798</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Dannevirke &amp; Districts RSA</i>	<i>\$600</i>	<i>\$600</i>
<i>Norsewood Promotions Inc.</i>	<i>\$500</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>The Village Hall Society</i>	<i>\$3,500</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>Eketahuna Radio Society</i>	<i>\$5,220.72</i>	<i>\$2,420</i>
<i>Dannevirke Bowling Club</i>	<i>\$5,500</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Tararua REAP (Rural Education Activities Programme)</i>	<i>\$9,750</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>Te Tahua o Rangitane Limited</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>Herbertville Hall and Community Incorporated</i>	<i>\$6,500</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>
<i>East Coast Rural Support Trust</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>	<i>\$1,300</i>
<i>Bush Junior Hockey Club (Incorporated)</i>	<i>\$500</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>Dannevirke Sports Club Incorporated No.551959</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>Woodville Lions Club</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>
<b>TOTAL FUND ALLOCATED Round 2</b>		<b><i>\$51,637</i></b>

*Crs Peeti-Webber/Amboy*

*Carried*

## 11.8 Triennial Agreement 2025-28

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 2 March 2026 that presented the Triennial Agreement for

endorsement.

It was noted that although originally scheduled to be adopted by Council prior to the 1 March 2026 statutory deadline, following consideration by the Mayoral Forum on 16 February 2026, that timeline was impacted by the Civil Defence Emergency on 15 and 16 February 2026.

The Mayoral Forum subsequently considered the draft Triennial Agreement on 2 March 2026, and endorsed approving the agreement as is, with minor changes to update names and triennium dates. All signatory Councils have been asked to sign the Triennial Agreement by 1 April 2026.

A review by the Mayoral Forum has been set for May 2026, with final approval in June 2026. The agreement contains review provisions, which require that any changes proposed through the review would be brought back to the signatory Councils for adoption.

The Mayor noted the opportunity to use the Triennial Agreement as a vehicle for discussions on shared services, however this would be written into the agreement once the Government direction was confirmed.

***That the report from the Manager Democracy Services dated 22 January 2026 concerning the Triennial Agreement 2025-28 be received.***

***That the Tararua District Council:***

- ***notes that all the signatory councils have been asked to sign the new Triennial Agreement;***
- ***endorses the Triennial Agreement attached at Attachment 1;***
- ***agrees to review the agreement annually in regard to its effectiveness;***
- ***supports the establishment of a Manawatū-Whanganui Mayoral Forum and confirms the Mayor of Tararua District as its formal representative on that Forum;***
- ***agrees to adopt the Manawatū-Whanganui Mayoral Forum's Terms of Reference;***
- ***appoints a Joint Committee (with the Region's Territorial Authorities) to be called the Climate Action Joint Committee, pursuant to clause 30(1)(b) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002;***
- ***agrees to adopt the Climate Action Joint Committee's Terms of Reference;***
- ***appoints the Mayor of Tararua District as the Tararua District Council's representative on the Climate Action Joint Committee.***

***Crs Wallace/Naylor***

***Carried***

11.9

### **Appointment of Directors to Council Organisations and Council Controlled Organisations Policy**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 2 March 2026 that presented a draft Appointment of Directors to Council Organisations and Council Controlled Organisations policy for adoption.

In 2003 the Tararua District Council adopted a policy for the appointment of directors to Council Organisations. However, this policy did not cover the appointment and remuneration of directors Council-Controlled Organisations, Council-Controlled Trading Organisations or the remuneration of directors of Council Organisations. An updated policy was proposed for adoption that had been developed to align with legislative requirements and governance best practice. It was noted that the new Wairarapa-Tararua water company would be legally established by 1 July 2026, and that this company will be deemed to be a Council-Controlled Organisation under section 6(1AAB) of the Local Government Act 2002. The adoption of a policy for appointment of directors to a Council-Controlled Organisation was required prior to appointing directors to the company.

It was asked that the wording in section 9 referring to Trustee be reviewed.

***That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 02 March 2026 concerning the Appointment of Directors to Council Organisations and Council Controlled Organisations Policy be received.***

***That the Appointment of Directors to Council Organisations and Council Controlled Organisations Policy be adopted.***

***That the Chief Executive be delegated authority to approve any final edits to the Appointment of Directors to Council Organisations and Council-Controlled Organisations Policy, before publication.***

***Crs Corlett/Johns***

***Carried***

11.10

### **Complaints Policy**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Customer Engagement Manager dated 4 March 2026 that sought adoption of the revised Complaints Policy. It was noted that the proposed policy had been discussed at the Community Connections Committee and proposed amendments incorporated into the final version for adoption.

***That the report from the Customer Engagement Manager dated 04 March 2026 concerning the Complaints Policy be received.***

***That the Council adopt the Complaints Policy, as set out in attachment 1 "Tararua District Council - Complaints Policy - 2026".***

*Crs Amboy/Peeti-Webber*

*Carried*

**11.11 Requests for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987**

The Tararua District Council considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services that provided an update on requests for information received under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

*That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 05 March 2026 concerning the Requests for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 be received.*

*Crs Corlett/Naylor*

*Carried*

**12. Portfolio Reports**

**12.1 Portfolio Report - Rural**

*That the report from the Deputy Mayor dated 19 March 2026 concerning the Portfolio Report - Rural be received.*

*Crs Johns/Wallace*

*Carried*

**12.2 Portfolio Report – Norsewood**

Councillor Wallace spoke about his attendance at the 50 Year service commendation for two volunteer firefighters in the Norsewood Fire Brigade, recognising the service of Ian (Tug) O’Brien and Roger Montgomery.

**13. Mayoral Matters**

**13.1 Mayoral Update - March 2026**

*That the report from the Mayor dated 18 March 2026 concerning the Mayoral Update - March 2026 be received.*

*Mayor Gilmore/Wards*

*Carried*

**14. Items not on the Agenda**

Nil

**15. Public Excluded Items of Business**

*That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:*

**Confirmation of Minutes**

**Civic Honour Award Criteria Information**

**Civic Honour Nomination for Community Service**

**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 follows.**

<b>General subject matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
<b>Civic Honour Nomination for Community Service</b>	<b>To protect the privacy of natural persons</b>	<b>&lt;Section (1)(a)(i)</b>
<b>Civic Honour Award Criteria Information</b>	<b>To protect the privacy of natural persons</b>	<b>&lt;Section (1)(a)(i)</b>
<b>Confirmation of Minutes</b>	<b>To protect the privacy of natural persons</b>	<b>&lt;Section (1)(a)(i)</b>

**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 or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:**

- s7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.**
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**Crs Corlett/Wards**

**Carried**

The meeting went into public excluded session at 12:29pm and resumed open session at 1:06pm.

There being no further business the Mayor thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and the meeting closed with karakia whakamutunga at 1:07pm.