

# **MINUTES**

# **Engineering and Services Committee Meeting**

17 August 2021

# MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE ON TUESDAY, 17 AUGUST 2021 AT 9.30AM

PRESENT: Cr Stuart Barwood (Chairperson), Cr Emily Bradbury, Cr Murray Cox, Cr James

Leslie, Cr Anne Munro, Cr Matt Murphy, Mayor Graham Smith

IN ATTENDANCE: Angela Oosthuizen (Acting Chief Executive), Paul Numan (GM Corporate

Services), Tim Harty (GM Operations), Dave Adamson (Acting Engineering Manager), Chris Clarke (Communications Advisor), Scott McKenzie (Roading Manager), Mike Davies (Programme Manager 3 Waters), Geoff Horler (Utilities Manager), Angie Taylor (Solid Waste Manager), Brian Milne (Community Services Officer), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), Peter Dawson (Beca), one

member of the media

#### 1 OPENING

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 4 VISITORS

There were no visitors other than staff.

#### 5 REPORTS

## 5.1 MINUTES OF ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING - 20 APRIL 2021

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/14**

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

1. That the Minutes of the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20 April 2021 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.2 3 WATERS AND FOOTPATH PROJECT UPDATE

Peter Dawson from Beca was present to answer questions. Mr Harty introduced him.

Mr Dawson updated the councillors on progress with the Fairlie water treatment plant. Engagement had been held with iwi and neighbours. The project risk was noted as high due to water reform and contractor availability. The membrane also had a long lead time of a year to 18 months.

The chairman was concerned about the costs of the Fairlie Water Treatment Plant, as stated in the explanation of \$1million for an extra reservoir. He believed there were alternatives that needed to be considered.

Discussion took place on the pace of the project. The chairman thought Council was moving far too slow. Mr Harty noted that money for the project was in the Long Term Plan and this had not yet been approved. Until it was approved Council could not spend any more funds. Also the supply chain issues were slowing the project.

Further questions were asked about the details of the project and discussion included the requirements of a robust design and procurement process.

The acting chief executive asked staff to introduce a financial report to future updates to track spending and borrowing.

Mr Dawson was thanked for his report and he left the room.

### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/15**

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

That the information be noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.3 THREE WATERS STIMULUS GRANT PROGRAMME UPDATE

Programme manager Mike Davies updated the committee on current work. He said he would be ordering materials immediately due to current problems with supply.

There had been a discussion with iwi who were very interested in the subject and keen to engage. They supported water metering for Twizel.

The chairman asked for an update on Ecan and compliance. Mr Davies said there had been various discussions regarding de-sludging. There was now a design for Burkes Pass to address compliance matters and this would go out for tender soon. The chairman asked if Mr Davies was confident about meeting the timeframe. Mr Davies said he had been under pressure fromDIA to spend the money and if the original timeframe could not be met, plan B was to spend more money on water supply renewals.

Crown infrastructure were planning an onsite visit on August 31.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/16**

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood

Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

That the information be noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.4 COMMUNITY FACILITIES REPORT

The report gave the committee an overview of activities within the community facilities area, with specific focus on township maintenance works.

Community facilities officer Brian Milne took the councillors through the report. Parks and maintenance had gone quiet in winter. There were significant issues to resolve around the heating of the two swimming pools. The biggest problem was the upgrade of the transformer at the Twizel pool to support a new heat pump, which was a big job and would take up to 18 months to complete.

The advantages of the heat pump were discussed. Cr Cox asked if money was now being put away to upgrade these systems. Mr Harty said it was correct that there wasn't a pool of money put aside to do these, and the acting chief executive said she could find out how much depreciation was in the reserve for pool upgrades. A report would need to come to the next council meeting on this.

Council requested a full report on both swimming pools come to the next meeting. They noted it was important to get this work underway due to the coming swimming season.

Cr Leslie said there was urgency needed in dealing with the Twizel School rebuild, in terms of the shared library facility. The Ministry of Education was moving forward with the rebuild and Council needed to get the MOU re-done. The acting chief executive said the Ministry of Education was coming to the district to visit and a meeting would be organised.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/17**

Moved: Cr Anne Munro Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

- 1. That staff prepare a report for Council to consider the preparation of a Reserve Management Plan for the Ruataniwha Reserve.
- 2. That staff refer a proposal for the development of the Ohau Rd Reserve to the Twizel Community Board for their consideration.
- 3. That the committee instructs staff to compile a report on the Fairlie and Twizel pools and brings that back to Council as soon as possible for consideration.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND WASTE REPORT

Solid waste manager Angie Taylor joined the meeting. She updated the councillors on current initiatives within waste management. She was waiting for the Long Term Plan process to finish before she could introduce green organic waste bins.

A local in Twizel was running a bike waste collection service. She is picking up organic waste on her bike and recycling it. A school-based recycling programme called "Paper for Trees" was running in the schools.

The councillors said people were looking forward to having green waste bins. Cr Munro would also like to support further recycling in the agriculture sector.

Cr Murphy asked whose responsibility it was to pick up litter on highways. On state highways this is Waka Kotahi (NZTA).

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/18**

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

That the information be noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.6 ENGINEERING MANAGER'S REPORT

Engineering manager Dave Adamson said the team was busy working on the annual report.

The new Burkes Pass water treatment plant was producing some very high quality water. Council was far exceeding the number of water quality tests required and was complying with the drinking water standards.

Flood damage from the end of June was being repaired within the budgets available.

Cr Munro congratulated staff on finishing the street lighting project, and Cr Leslie added compliments on the cycleway work in Twizel.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/19**

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

That the information be noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED

#### **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/20**

Moved: Cr Anne Munro Seconded: Cr James Leslie

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

The general subject matter 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 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 for the passing of this resolution
6.1 - Update on Road	s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct
Maintenance Contract Renewal	information is necessary to	of the relevant part of the
Process	enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7

**CARRIED** 

# **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/21**

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood Seconded: Mayor Graham Smith

That the committee moves out of closed meeting into open meeting.

**CARRIED** 

The Meeting closed at 11.40am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on .

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**CHAIRPERSON**