



Mackenzie

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Unconfirmed MINUTES

Strategy Committee Meeting

17 August 2021

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL
STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE
ON TUESDAY, 17 AUGUST 2021 AT 3PM**

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor James Leslie (Chairman), Cr Stuart Barwood, Cr Anne Munro, Mayor Graham Smith, Cr Emily Bradbury, Cr Murray Cox, Cr Matt Murphy

IN ATTENDANCE: Angela Oosthuizen (Acting Chief Executive), Paul Numan (GM Corporate Services), Tim Harty (GM Operations), Aaron Hakkaart (Planning Manager), Dave Adamson (Engineering Manager), Chris Clarke (Communications Advisor), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), 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.

5 REPORTS

5.1 MINUTES OF STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING - 20 APRIL 2021

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION STR/2021/32

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Mayor Graham Smith

1. That the Minutes of the Strategy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20 April 2021, including those matters taken in public excluded, be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 UPDATE ON SPATIAL PLAN PROJECT

The Planning Manager updated the committee on the spatial plan project. The Mayor congratulated him on the project and the engagement it received from the community.

The chairman asked about how Twizel Area School was included in the spatial plan. This had been left out for now pending news of a site for the re-build. The proposed site may require a zone change, but this would depend on the designation of the land.

5.3 RMA REFORM UPDATE

The Planning Manager said staff were keeping a close watching brief on RMA reform to keep the committee informed as the process happened. There were no questions from the committee.

5.4 DISTRICT PLAN REVIEW UPDATE

Staff were ready to launch the District Plan Review once the Long Term Plan was finished. They were going out to market to get technical and expert support. A final project plan would be drawn up and this would start next year, all going to plan.

The timeframe could be impacted by the changes to the RMA. But Mr Hakkaart said he was aware of the need to keep momentum going. There was a need to keep things alive following the community engagement on the Spatial Plan.

The Communications Manager would be asked to update the public on this work. Add this to the action list.

5.5 THREE WATERS REFORM PROCESS - UPDATE

Engineering manager Dave Adamson gave a presentation named "Three Waters Reform" A copy of this presentation is available as an attachment to these minutes.

He said the major decision would not be made by Council until December. Communication with the community would begin and further work was being done to understand the information behind the proposal. A cabinet decision document was due in November, along with information about the regulatory environment. Transition to the new entities would start in July next year if they went ahead.

Cr Munro noted there were more questions and answers. Are the timeframes too short? They are challenging but it's important to make ourselves as informed as we possibly can so we can make a decision with our eyes open.

Cr Cox asked about the rural water supplies. It would be cheaper to treat the whole supply than treat each point in the supply. The cost of water treatment technology was coming down.

Regulations would change before the new entity came in. The requirement to upgrade the current system would be there, but the new bill would reinforce this. The water services bill would make it mandatory for disinfection.

Cr Leslie asked about the fourth "bottom line" for Council that was suggested by Mr Adamson in his presentation. Would this also apply to rural water schemes? It would apply anywhere people wanted to have drinking water, but not to stock water.

Would the loss of assets have an effect on borrowing? Yes but less impact than was thought.

Three consultation events with the community were planned on September 1,2 and 8, to follow the community board meetings.

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION STR/2021/33

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Deputy Mayor 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 - Minutes of Public Excluded Strategy Committee Meeting - 20 April 2021	s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the 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 STR/2021/34

Moved: Deputy Mayor James Leslie

Seconded: Mayor Graham Smith

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

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 3.52pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Strategy Committee Meeting held on .

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CHAIRPERSON