

Minutes of the twelfth meeting of the eleventh triennium of Horizons Regional Council (Live Streamed) held at 1.00pm on Wednesday 16 December 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs JM Naylor (Acting Chair), AL Benbow, EM Clarke and DB Cotton (via audio visual link), SD Ferguson, EB Gordon, FJT Gordon, WM Kirton, NJ Patrick, WK Te Awe Awe, and GJ Turkington.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive	Mr MJ McCartney
Group Manager	
Corporate and Governance	Mr C Grant
Committee Secretary	Mrs JA Kennedy

ALSO PRESENT At various times during the meeting:

Dr N Peet (Group Manager Strategy & Regulation), Dr J Roygard (Group Manager Natural Resources & Partnerships), Mr R Strong (Group Manager River Management), Mr G Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services & Information), Mr A Smith (Chief Financial Officer), Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager), Mr E Lloyd (Senior Health & Safety Advisor), Ms N Anderson and Mr S Mancer (Management Accountants).

WELCOME

The Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Cr Te Awe Awe to say a Karakia.

APOLOGIES

20-157 *Moved* **Naylor/Ferguson**
That the Council receives an apology from Cr Keedwell.
CARRIED

PUBLIC FORUMS / DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS

There were no requests for public speaking rights.

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The Acting Chair noted the Supplementary agenda containing: Items 8.4, Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2020; 9.4, Report of Strategy & Policy Committee Meeting, 8 December 2020; and 9.5 Report of Catchment Operations Committee Meeting, 9 December 2020.

MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

20-158 *Moved* **Ferguson/Patrick**
That the minutes of the Regional Council meeting held on 24 November 2020 as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.
CARRIED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

The Chief Executive took Members through the detail of his report and highlighted the efforts of all those involved with the Long-term Plan. He thanked Council for their support and guidance over the past year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

20-159 **Moved** **Naylor/Te Awe Awe**

That the Chief Executive's report be received.

CARRIED

SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT AS AT 27 NOVEMBER 2020

Report No 20-183

Mr Lloyd (Senior Health & Safety Advisor) presented the Safety and Wellbeing report and highlighted the activities associated with managing critical risk across the organisation.

20-160 **Moved** **B Gordon/Benbow**

It is recommended that Council:

a. *receives the information contained in Report No. 20-183 and Annex.*

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS' WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE - 18 NOVEMBER TO 8 DECEMBER 2020

Report No 20-185

This item presented the Councillors' Workshop Attendance from 18 November to 8 December 2020.

20-161 **Moved** **B Gordon/Ferguson**

It is recommended that Council:

a. *receives the information contained in Report No. 20-185 and Annex.*

CARRIED

AFFIXING OF THE COMMON SEAL

Report No 20-186

This paper reported on documents to which Horizons Regional Council's Common Seal had been affixed.

20-162 **Moved** **B Gordon/Ferguson**

That the Council:

a. *acknowledges the affixing of the Common Seal to the below mentioned documents.*

- *Resource Conservation Agreements between New Zealand Carbon Forest Solutions Ltd and MWRC – Te Rimu Station*
 - *Te Rimu Station (WFP534)*
 - *Makahiwi Land Co (WFP 738)*

- Warrant Card
Enforcement Officer
 - Azlan Abidin
- Warrant Cards
Enforcement Officer
 - Georgia Baker (replacement card)

CARRIED

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

Report No 20-187

Mr Smith (Chief Financial Officer) presented the audited Annual Report (AR) for adoption by Council. He read out a statement issuing an unmodified audit opinion from Audit NZ who were unable to attend the meeting. Mr Smith then outlined the areas that had changed since the draft AR was presented to the Audit, Risk & Investment Committee meeting in September 2020.

20-163 Moved B Gordon/Benbow

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-187;*
- b. adopts the 2019-20 Annual Report (as tabled at the meeting on 16 December 2020);*
- c. instructs the Chief Executive to prepare the Annual Report for publication and distribution;*
- d. instructs the Chief Executive to prepare and finalise the 2019-20 Annual Report Summary for publication and distribution.*

CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

REPORT OF AUDIT, RISK & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 24 NOVEMBER 2020

20-164 Moved Benbow/Turkington

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Audit, Risk & Investment Committee meeting held on 24 November 2020.

CARRIED

REPORT OF REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 1 DECEMBER 2020

20-165 Moved Ferguson/Naylor

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 1 December 2020.

CARRIED

REPORT OF MANAWATU RIVER USERS' ADVISORY GROUP MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 1 DECEMBER 2020

20-166 **Moved** **F Gordon/Naylor**
That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Manawatu River Users' Advisory Group meeting held on 1 December 2020.
CARRIED

REPORT OF STRATEGY & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 8 DECEMBER 2020

20-167 **Moved** **Naylor/Ferguson**
That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held on 8 December 2020.
CARRIED

REPORT OF CATCHMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 9 DECEMBER 2020

20-168 **Moved** **B Gordon/Benbow**
That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Catchment Operations Committee meeting held on 9 December 2020.
CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

20-169 **Moved** **Naylor/Te Awe Awe**
THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. 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.
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 and section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

CARRIED

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
PX1 Confirmation of Public Excluded Meeting held on 24 November 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

PX2 Report of Audit, Risk & Investment Committee Meeting - Receive and Adopt Resolutions and Recommendations – 24 November 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX3 Reid Line Floodway Property Purchase	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. The item contains commercially sensitive information related to a proposed property purchase.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX4 Council / Committee to consider whether any item in the Public Excluded minutes can be moved into the public domain and define the extent of the release		

The meeting adjourned to the Public Excluded part of the meeting at 1.48pm and resumed at 2.38pm.

The Acting Chair wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

The meeting closed at 2.40pm.

Confirmed

 CHIEF EXECUTIVE

 CHAIR