

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Gore District Council, held in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Avenue, Gore, on Tuesday 22 May 2018, at 6.40pm

Present His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks, JP), Crs Beale, Bolger, Davis, Dickson, Gardyne, D Grant, Highsted, Phillips and Reid.

In Attendance The Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry), Chief Financial Officer (Mr Luke Blackbeard), HR/Administration Manager (Susan Jones), Communications-Marketing Manager (Sonia Gerken), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Transport Manager (Mr Peter Standring), 3 Waters Asset Manager (Mr Matt Bayliss) and 23 members of the public in the gallery.

Apologies Crs P Grant and Sharp for absence, the General Manager Regulatory and Planning for lateness and the General Manager Infrastructure for absence.

1. NEW ZEALAND CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY (SC2035)

His Worship conferred New Zealand citizenship on Fida Bennett, a citizen of Papua New Guinea, Abeth Tangke Mckerchar, a Filipino citizen and Belinda Maree Dodd, an Australian citizen.

All read the Oath of Allegiance or Affirmation of Allegiance. Each new citizen was presented with a New Zealand silver fern lapel pin, a New Zealand kowhai and the New Zealand citizenship story book provided by the Department of Internal Affairs.

The meeting adjourned at 6.54pm and resumed at 7.05pm with two members of the public in the gallery.

His Worship introduced Carrie Clifford and Matu Coleman-Clarke who were participants in the Tuia programme. The programme was about partnering young Iwi with a Mayor. He had struggled for 2-3 years to find someone, and was pleased to get two. At the invitation of His Worship, Carrie and Matu introduced themselves to the Council.

His Worship asked for any conflicts of interest. None were declared.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Gardyne, seconded by Cr Davis, **THAT** the minutes of the ordinary monthly meeting of the Gore District Council, held on Tuesday 10 April 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr D Grant, seconded by Cr Phillips, **THAT** the report of the ordinary meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Reid, seconded by Cr Phillips, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Dickson, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr D Grant, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Reid, seconded by Cr Dickson, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Highsted, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dickson, seconded by Cr Phillips, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee, held on Tuesday 1 May 2018, as presented, be ratified.

3. URGENT LATE BUSINESS

His Worship advised there was an item of urgent late business to be considered in committee, concerning the delivery of the Total Mobility Scheme in the Gore District.

RESOLVED on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Cr Phillips, THAT pursuant to section 46 (a)(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the Council accept the item of urgent late business, to be considered in committee.

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4. GORE DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCIL

A copy of the minutes of the Youth Council meeting held on 7 May had been circulated with the agenda.

Youth Councillors Emily Chamberlain, Bree Dinan and Saffie Hare were in attendance and gave the Council an update on Youth Council activities.

The Coordinator, Mrs Eleanor Ranstead was introduced and said she was enjoying her role.

The Youth Councillors, Carrie and Matu departed the meeting at 7.26pm

The General Manager Regulatory and Planning attended the meeting from 7.26pm

5. GORE A & P JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – AGREEMENT (SC2129)

A report had been received from the Parks and Recreation Manager seeking ratification of the Joint Management agreement between the Council and the Gore Agricultural and Pastoral Association (Gore A&P Association). The Association had confirmed it was happy with the way the agreement was operating and the results that were being achieved for the entire community.

A copy of a letter confirming the support of the Association together with the new 2017-2022 Joint Management Committee agreement to be entered into for a further term of five years, had been circulated.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Davis, THAT the Council ratify the implementation of a new five year term for the Joint Management Committee agreement to operate from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2022, between the Council and the Gore A&P Association.

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6. QUARTERLY DEBT REPORT (SC1903)

A memo had been received from the Chief Financial Officer together with a copy of a quarterly debt report provided by Bancorp. The report included a comprehensive analysis of current global markets.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Reid, THAT the report be received.

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7. ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY (SC0110)

A memo had been received from the Chief Financial Officer seeking to re-adopt the current financial contributions policy. The Council had a policy that would expire in July 2018, and while portions of the policy had been placed in abeyance by the Council, it remained fit for purpose. Because there were no changes to the policy, consultation with the community was not required.

Due to a recent change in legislation, the Council could not charge financial contributions under the provisions of the Resource Management Act after May 2022. A Development Contributions policy would be developed over the next year.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Davis, THAT the report be received,

THAT the Financial Contributions Policy be adopted,

AND THAT the Council develop a Development Contributions Policy before 30 June 2019.

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8. FIREFIGHTING REQUIREMENTS (SC0107)

A memo had been received from the Planner seeking the Council's adoption of a dispensation to the Subdivision and Development Bylaw 2011, section 7.22 relating to the firefighting requirements for rural developments.

The report considered the consent application process for installing a water tank for fire fighting purposes where a development could not be connected to a high pressure supply. If the water tank was proposed to be part submerged in the ground, there was a need for the applicant to seek a dispensation to not provide a suitable coupling.

The requirements of the New Zealand Fire Service Fire Fighting Water Supplies Code of Practice SNZ PAS 4509:2008 were set out in the Council's Subdivision and Land Development Bylaw. Compliance with the Code was compulsory for all new houses erected in rural areas.

The General Manager Regulatory and Planning said the Bylaw was under review and the Fire Service was in agreement with the proposed dispensation.

In response to Cr Gardyne, the General Manager said an advisory could be added to all building consents about ensuring tanks having to have a secured lid.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Gardyne, THAT the Council adopt a general dispensation of the Subdivision and Development Bylaw 2011 to allow the following:

Fire fighting water supply storage may be above or below ground. Any below ground storage should have no more than 1 metre above ground and does not require coupling.

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9. GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL ROADING BUDGETS 2018 (SC1911)

A report had been provided by the Transport Manager providing an update on the overall roading budgets and to inform the Council on the status of the urban and rural budget. The planned routine monthly maintenance activities were well managed and the roading budget forecast was within approved budgets by both New Zealand Transport Agency and the Council.

Cr Highsted referred to road bleeding and whether there was any remedial work due to be carried out north of McNab near the overhead bridge. There had been speed restrictions placed on the corner.

The Manager advised there were some extensive areas affected by road bleeding to be dealt with in the near futures.

In response to Cr Davis, the Manager advised the Council was required to contribute to the costs associated with railway crossings. It was a national arrangement.

Cr Davis wanted it noted that she did not agree with the Council having to contribute to railway crossings.

Cr Phillips added that Councils also now contributed to signs that were located on state highways.

The Manager said there was always discussion about the responsibility between Councils and NZTA.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Phillips, seconded by Cr D Grant, THAT the report be received.

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10. TRADING IN PUBLIC PLACES BYLAW 2018 (SC0107)

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager advising that the Bylaw had been notified for public consultation and submissions closed on 18 May.

The General Manager Regulatory and Planning advised two submissions had been received, neither of which requested to be heard. A report would be forthcoming for the June meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr D Grant, seconded by Cr Dickson, THAT the information be received.

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11. VENTURE SOUTHLAND – 2018/19 DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME (SC2030)

A report had been received from the Chief Executive advising that as a result of the Southland Regional Development Agency establishment process, both the Gore and Southland District Councils had already made a decision to exit the Venture Southland agreement from 1 February 2019. It had been accepted amongst Southland local government Chief Executives that any business plan for Venture Southland would need to be truncated to take cognisance of the new Regional Development Agency.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr D Grant, THAT the Council approve the Venture Southland work programme for the period 1 July 2018 to 1 February 2019.

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The meeting concluded at 7.45pm