

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Gore District Council, held in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Avenue, Gore, on Tuesday 30 October 2018, at 6.42pm

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

**In Attendance** The Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry), General Manager Regulatory and Planning (Mr Ian Davidson-Watts), General Manager Infrastructure (Mr Ramesh Sharma), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Planning Consultant (Mr Keith Hovell), HR/Administration Manager (Susan Jones), Communications-Marketing Manager (Sonia Gerken), Transport Manager (Mr Peter Standing) and Project Manager Infrastructure (Mr Hashem Ramezan-zadeh).

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

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Cr Phillips, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Gore District Council, held on Tuesday 18 September 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Cr P Grant, seconded by Cr Dickson, **THAT** the report of the ordinary meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 2018, as presented, be ratified.

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Cr Dickson, seconded by Cr Reid, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 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 Highsted, THAT the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 2018, as presented, be ratified.**

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Beale, THAT the report of the meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 2018, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.**

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Gardyne, THAT the recommendations contained within the report of the meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 9 October 2018, as presented, be ratified.**

## **2. YOUTH COUNCIL**

A copy of the minutes of the Youth Council meeting held on 10 September had been circulated with the agenda.

Abby Gutschlag, Damian Dowie and Becca McBeath were in attendance and gave an update on recent activities undertaken by the Youth Council. Work was progressing well with planning for the Youth Awards to be held on 1 December. Guy Williams from the Jono and Ben show would act as MC. An invitation was extended to all Councillors and their partners to attend the awards.

The Youth Council proposed changing the date of future Youth Awards and in 2019 they would be held in May. The Council was also considering a long term project that could be handed from Youth Council to Youth Council.

Cr Highsted congratulated the Youth Council on securing Guy Williams for the awards.

*The Youth Councillors departed the meeting at 6.54pm*

## **3. FUNDING OF FREE SWIMMING LESSONS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN (SC0222)**

A memo had been received from the Parks and Recreation Manager seeking approval to apply for funding to The Trusts Community Foundation (TTCF) for \$30,000 plus GST for the 2018/19 financial year, in accordance with the prior cost sharing arrangement with the Matura Licensing Trust. During the 2017/18 year, a total of 1369 children received free swimming lessons.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr P Grant, seconded by Cr Reid, THAT the information be received,**

**AND THAT the Gore District Council apply to The Trusts Community Foundation for the purpose of seeking financial assistance in the sum of \$34,500 inclusive of GST, as the first instalment of the next three year programme to enable free swimming tuition to continue to be offered to primary school students in the Gore District.**

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**4. CLEAN AIR LOANS QUARTERLY REPORT 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 (SC2014)**

A memo had been received from the Chief Financial Officer together with a quarterly report to 30 September on the clean air loans scheme. During the last quarter, no new loans had been approved and no loans were issued.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Davis, THAT the report be received.**

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**5. REPORT FROM MATAURA COMMUNITY BOARD**

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager together with a copy of the report of the meeting of the Mataura Community Board, held on 1 October.

**Clause 3 – Possible replacement of street signage (SC2114)**

Cr Highsted asked about the street signs and the proposed expenditure of \$31,000. Was that the best bang for the Council's buck?

Cr Phillips said the Board wanted more details on cost before committing. As far as funding was concerned, the Board had funds available. The signs themselves were unique to the district. They would be highly reflective at night time and had numbers included that would make it easier for emergency services and visitors to the town. The current signs were semi-reflective.

Cr Davis asked if the Board would consider replacing the signs over two or three years to fit within a budget. Cr Phillips said the Board would consider that when firm costings were known.

Cr D Grant asked if the Board had its own funding. Cr Phillips said it was no secret that there was a Mataura beautification fund that had \$20,000 allocated each year. It had been used for the recent upgrade of Main Street and there was funding in the account.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr D Grant, seconded by Cr Bolger, THAT the report be received,**

**AND THAT the recommendations contained within the report be ratified.**

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6. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BYLAW (SC0107)

A memo had been received from the General Manager Regulatory and Planning that presented the recommendations made by the Regulatory and Planning Committee from its meeting held on 9 October. A copy of the current and proposed Bylaws had also been circulated with the agenda.

The proposed Bylaw required approval from the Council before it could be publicly notified for consultation.

A revised page that included a section omitted from clause 4.2.5 from the draft Bylaw had been tabled at the meeting.

Cr Dickson congratulated staff on the creation of the Bylaw.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr D Grant, THAT the Council resolve under section 155 of the Local Government Act 2002:**

- (i) a bylaw is the most appropriate way of addressing problems perceived by the bylaw; and
- (ii) the proposed bylaw is the most appropriate form of bylaw.

**THAT the Council approve the proposed draft Subdivision and Land Development Bylaw 2018,**

**THAT the Council resolve to undertake public consultation on the Proposed Subdivision and Land Development Bylaw 2018 in line with the principles of Section 82 of the LGA 2002,**

**AND THAT a sub-Committee/hearings panel consisting of Crs Highsted, Bolger, Davis and Cr Dickson be established and determine submissions to the Proposed Subdivision and Land Development Bylaw 2018 prior to recommending formal adoption by the Council.**

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*The Planning Consultant departed the meeting at 7.05pm*

7. QUARTERLY DEBT REPORT (SC2168)

A memo had been received from the Chief Financial Officer together with a copy of the quarterly debt report prepared by Bancorp as at 30 September 2018.

Cr Highsted noted the favourable interest rates available to the Council now that it was a guarantor of the LGFA.

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

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**8. ADOPTION OF DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18 (SC2166)**

A memo had been received from the Chief Financial Officer informing the Council of the final financial and non-financial results for the year ended 30 June 2018. A copy of the draft annual report for 2017/18 had been circulated with the agenda. A copy of the annual report summary was tabled at the meeting for the information of Councillors.

The financial statements recorded a surplus of \$5.45 million which was favourable, however, revenue included \$6.7 million of recoveries from Mataura Valley Milk Limited for the construction of the industrial wastewater hub. Detailed information about the financial performance, including expenses with no direct revenue recovery and non-financial performance measures had been included. The Officer noted that the 2017/18 year had been challenging on a number of fronts. The Council had achieved several milestones that had not been included in its annual plan such as the completion of the industrial wastewater hub and the replacement of the District's streetlights with efficient LED lights. There had also been successful negotiations for a funding package to remove Ouvea premix from five premises in Mataura and Invercargill and a key strategic decision made to centralise the Council's water treatment operations.

Cr Gardyne advised the Otama Water scheme was now treated. He also suggested the value of 3 Waters infrastructure for insurance purposes should be reviewed. He added the Pyramid Bridge was built in 1930 and was not one hundred years old.

The Chief Executive advised the Otama scheme was not treated but was chlorinated. The final document would be updated accordingly.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Reid, seconded by Cr Gardyne, THAT the report be received,**

**AND THAT the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2018 be adopted.**

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The meeting concluded at 7.12pm