

MINUTES

TITLE: Full Council
DATE: Thursday 21 May 2009
TIME: 1.30 pm
VENUE: Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
PRESENT: Mayor R G Kempthorne (Chair), Crs E J Wilkins, B W Ensor, N Riley, T E Norriss, S G Bryant, S J Borlase, J L Inglis, G A Glover, M J Higgins, J L Edgar, T B King
IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (P Wylie), Strategic Development Manager (S Edwards), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

**Moved Crs Bryant/Edgar
CN09/05/08**

**THAT apologies for absence from Crs Dowler and Currie be received.
CARRIED**

1 SUBMISSIONS

3008 Nelson Bays Community Foundation

Mr J Barton was in attendance to present the submission on behalf of the Foundation. The Trustees are seeking financial support from Council to help fund operational costs during the start-up phase.

6701 G Buschl

Ms Buschl was in attendance to present her submission. She asked Council to reconsider its decision about the performing arts centre and is in support of the motorsports facility. She supports the Motueka swimming pool if it is supported by the Motueka community.

1366 Nelson Biodiversity Forum

Ms R Reese was in attendance to present the submission on behalf of the Nelson Biodiversity Forum. They sought \$30,000 from both Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council to jointly fund a strategic planning process for the Waimea Estuary.

4542 Nelson District Automobile Association

Mr P Haywood was in attendance to present the submission on behalf of the Association.

1118 G Batten

Mr Batten was in attendance to present his submission.

Cr Edgar left the meeting at 2.30 pm.

4693 J Gordon

Mrs Gordon was in attendance to present her submission. She asked that Gibbs Valley Road seal extension of 1.5 km be brought forward to the 2009/2010 year.

Cr Higgins said that tenders were called for this sealing, but they were so high it was untenable. Is there anything residents can do to help.

Mr Levy said because it came in over budget was not our fault. It is too serious an issue to put off for another ten years. It will also provide a cycle way. Sealed roads are an important aspect of road safety.

5228 R Stokes

Ms Stokes was in attendance to present her submission. She submitted that Council needs to be considering facilities for Wakefield for the future, not just sporting facilities, but also community facilities. She asked for discussions on the future of Wakefield with Council. The top priority identified by the Wakefield community was a safe cycle path from Richmond to Wakefield.

Cr Higgins left the meeting at 2.55 pm.

6882 Transition Towns

Joanna Santa Barbara presented on behalf of Transition Towns.

Cr Norriss said the reason there is no bus from Motueka to Nelson is that it is not financially viable unless Council subsidised it through rates.

Ms Santa Barbara hoped to see the car pooling system work.

5223 Paton Rise and Others

J McNae was in attendance and supported by Dwayne Whiting. They are concerned that works previously planned for the Richmond South area have been deferred indefinitely and people have made decisions based on the expectation of the deferred zoning being lifted and the infrastructure services being provided.. They asked Council to reinstate their commitment to providing Richmond South infrastructure which requires the Council to plan for water infrastructure.

Mrs McNae said the Richmond South work was provided for in the 2006 LTCCP and it seems something else has been put in its place in the 2009 LTCCP.

5109 P Borlase

Mr Borlase was in attendance to speak to his submission. He is concerned at Council's debt levels and rates increases.

Cr Norriss said as part of the ten year process we need to put a lot of infrastructure in place but some of the projects may not go ahead. He asked for a list of things that Mr Borlase considered could be deferred.

Mr Borlase said Council needs to be realistic about what it does.

6526 Motueka Community Board

D Ogilvie and D Eddy were in attendance to present the submission on behalf of the Motueka Community Board.

The Board recommended keeping tourism funding of \$390,000 in the general rate and deferring the new tourism rate for 12 months to enable a robust consultation process. The rate is considered unfair, unreasonable and mostly too high.

The Board supports continuing and progressing the current policy for water reticulation. In the next three years the reticulation programme should be directed at those areas in Motueka where the firewells are least effective (eg College Street).

The Board considers the work programmed for the next three years on the stopbanks should be from normal expenditure from the Rivers rates account.

Mr Ogilvie said the Board is disappointed the community board targeted rate is being continued with.

Mr Eddy said the Motueka Ward is a low and fixed income area and the projected rates increases are going to make life difficult for a lot of people in the community.

Mr Ogilvie said there is so much confusion as to who is expected to pay the tourism rate which probably caused some of the submissions on the levy.

Cr Ensor asked what percentage of Motueka residents are in low income bracket.

Mr Eddy suggested the census website would give those details.

Cr Norriss commented on the works the Board wants done such as Kaiteriteri Road and asked what could be deleted.

Mr Ogilvie said 50% of general rate we pay comes back to us as services and pay for some of the infrastructure mentioned.

Mr Eddy said there are a lot of things we want in the ward that we don't have. People in Motueka are happy with bore water.

Mr Ogilvie suggested a tax on people leaving the airport to cover tourism.

Cr Glover commented on the Board wanting a peer review of the stopbanks work.

Mr Ogilvie said peer review came from a question at the public meeting and P Thomson said it would be part of process. It was noted that the first 3 years is all investigation, design, resource consents etc.

4079 Mr & Mrs Plum
2771 Mr & Mrs Du Pau

Mrs Plum said the timeframe for the planned walkway/cycleway from McGlashen Avenue from the pool is more urgent than the time frame of 6 – 10 years. She also commented on the narrow footpath on Salisbury Road prior to turning left into Arbor-Lea Avenue.

Cr Higgins returned to the meeting at 4.10 pm.

Mr Du Pau uses a mobility scooter and supports the submission of Mrs Plum. He reiterated that the footpaths from Arbor-Lea Avenue up to the schools are congested with prams, mobility scooters and pedestrians and there are no pram crossings on a lot of the footpaths.

Mrs Plum said they would be happy with a gravel base and edging in preparation for sealing at a later time.

Mr Du Pau suggested crusher dust or pea gravel.

Moved Crs Norriss/Borlase
CN09/05/09

THAT all verbal, written and late submissions to the 2009 – 2019 Long Term Council Community Plan be received.
CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 4.18 pm.

Chair:

Date: