

MINUTES

Title: Engineering Services Committee
Date: Thursday 3 March 2005
Time: 9.30 am
Venue: Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
Present: Mayor J C Hurley, Crs T E Norriss (Chair), S G Bryant, J L Inglis, S J Borlase, T B King, R G Kempthorne

In Attendance: Crs M J Higgins, N Riley, E M O'Regan, Chief Executive (R G Dickinson), Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Utilities Manager (J Cuthbertson), Transportation Manager (R Ashworth), Asset Engineer Roads/Rivers (P Drummond), Accounting Manager (M W Staite), Road Safety Co-ordinator (K Barr), Administration Officer (B D Moore)

Apologies

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Inglis
WK05/03/01

**That apologies from Mayor Hurley for lateness, Cr Currie for absence and Motueka Community Board Member A C Fry for absence be sustained.
Carried**

1 Public Forum

1.1 Mr C Robinson

Mr Robinson thanked Council for the removal of trees and smoothing of the footpath in Talbot Street, Richmond.

2 Confirmation of Minutes – Engineering Services Committee Meeting 20 January 2005

Moved Crs Borlase/Bryant
WK05/03/02

**That the minutes of a meeting of the Engineering Services Committee held on 20 January 2005, containing resolutions numbered WK05/01/01 to WK05/01/11 be approved as a correct record.
Carried**

3 Engineering Services Committee Chairman's Report – 24 February 2005

3.1 Gravel for Roding

Cr Norriss spoke with concern about gravel being required to come from the Wairoa Gorge for surfacing of the Tapawera-Baton Road.

Cr Kempthorne suggested that the question of gravel extraction allocations could be the subject of a discussion between Committee Chairs and senior staff.

3.2 Transit Liaison Meeting – 22 February 2005

Cr Norriss spoke about the Opus Corridor Study from Hira to Appleby and the placement of the proposed Ruby Bay Bypass and McGlashen Avenue round-a-bout within the Transit NZ ten year programme.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Inglis
WK05/03/03

**That the Chairman's report dated 22 February 2005 be received.
Carried**

4 Road Safety Co-ordinator's Report – 22 February 2005

Ms K Barr spoke to her report including the deliveries of activities under the Community Road Safety Programme.

Moved Crs Bryant/Borlase
WK05/03/04

**That the Road Safety Co-ordinator's report of 22 February 2005 be received.
Carried**

5 Transit NZ Draft Ten Year State Highway Plan

Mr Ashworth spoke to his report contained within the agenda and sought that Committee members and staff co-ordinate to prepare a submission to the Transit NZ Draft Ten Year State Highway Plan, by the closing date of 16 March 2005.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/King
WK05/03/05

**That the Engineering Services Committee delegate to the Chairman or Cr Inglis, Deputy Chairman, Deputy Mayor, Engineering Manager and Transportation Manager, the authority to prepare a submission on Council's behalf, for the Transit NZ Draft Ten Year State Highway Plan.
Carried**

6 Roothing Subsidised and Non Subsidised, Rivers and Coastal Structures Budgets 2005/2006

Mr Ashworth spoke to his report dated 24 February 2005 contained within the agenda and tabled amended budget sheets for subsidised and non subsidised land transportation, together with the non subsidised roading activity capital forward programme for 2005/2006. Mr Ashworth spoke to the budget listings and responded to the Committee's questions.

The Committee determined that it would delete road reconstruction for Talbot, Salisbury and Wharf Road reconstruction.

Cr Higgins sought that the Committee consider the upgrading of the bottom of Eighty Eight Valley Road.

Mr Thomson noted the safety issue and Mr Ashworth said that the project is listed within the 2007/2014 term.

The Committee noted that the Collingwood streetscaping should be removed from the proposed budget.

Mr Thomson said that the Motueka litter cart funding had been requested by Keep Motueka Beautiful but this was not supported.

6.1 Coastal Structures

Mr Drummond spoke to this portion of the budget contained within the agenda.

6.2 Rivers

Mr Drummond spoke to this part of the agenda. A letter had been received from Tasman Community Association regarding the Tasman Stream where flooding problems have occurred.

Moved Crs Inglis/King
WK05/03/06

**That consideration be given to adopting a rating area for the Tasman Stream.
Carried**

6.2 River Bank Willow Protection Modification

Mr Drummond explained the proposal to progressively replace tall willow such as Crack Willow that is susceptible to sawfly, with other willow species, such as shrubby and bitter willows, together with other species. He said that the proposal would be subject to identifying a community of interest in the vicinity of proposed willow river works and that a large amount of public consultation will be carried out. He spoke about the need for Council to produce a flood mitigation protocol in order to attract government funding.

Moved Crs Norris/Bryant
WK05/03/07

**That the amounts contained in budgets for engineering work be carried forward to the annual plan.
Carried**

7 Dovedale Rural Water Supply

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to his report of 1 March 2005 which advised that the Dovedale Water Committee had met on 28 February 2005 requesting that Council place a moratorium on the sale or allocation of any further water from the Dovedale water supply.

Moved Crs King/Kemphorne
WK05/03/08

That a moratorium on new connections be placed on the Dovedale rural water supply until further notice.

Carried

8 Hamama Water Scheme Upgrade

A staff report dated 24 February 2005 from Mr Cuthbertson spoke of a meeting with the Hamama Water Committee on 18 February 2005 where the installation of a new 100 mm diameter water main in Hamama Road was agreed to.

Moved Crs King/Kemphorne
WK05/03/09

That the Engineering Services Committee approves expenditure of \$110,000 for the upgrading of the 100 mm diameter water main in Hamama Road.

Carried

9 Motueka Bypass Study Request – Motueka Community Board

A memorandum of 23 February 2005 from the Community Services Manager advised of a request from the Motueka Community Board for LTCCP funding for the feasibility study for the Motueka bypass road.

Moved Crs Norriss/King
WK05/03/10

That the Transportation Manager invite Transit NZ representatives to address the Motueka Community Board on the options for the Motueka bypass route and feasibility study.

Carried

10 Water, Wastewater, Stormwater and Refuse Budget 2005/2006

Mr Cuthbertson advised that the purpose of this report was to provide information to this Committee on proposed variances to budgets in 2005/2006 from that of the LTCCP. The report detailed costs relating to wastewater which will result in a per charge of \$375.

Mayor Hurley asked for Engineering Services staff to provide a future report to show the trend of cost prediction, for a further two years.

Cr Riley expressed concern about the costs of second connections to a sewer for existing properties, especially in the Takaka urban drainage area.

Moved Crs Norriss/Inglis
WK05/03/11

That a staff report be prepared for the Engineering Services Committee on the fees for second and subsequent sewer connections in Golden Bay and Motueka.

Carried

Mr Cuthbertson said it was proposed that daily charges for urban water connections would increase from 15 cents to 20 cents.

Moved Crs Norriss/Kempthorne
WK05/03/12

That the proposed revised Water, Wastewater, Stormwater and Refuse budgets for 2005/2006 for submission into the draft 2005/2006 Annual Plan be received.

Carried

11 Resolution to Exclude the Public

Moved Crs Inglis/Kempthorne
WK05/03/13

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

**Takaka Wastewater Upgrade – Government Subsidy Application
Paton Rock Development – Wastewater Disposal**

The general subject of the matters to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing this resolution are as follows:

Subject	Reasons	Grounds
Takaka Wastewater Upgrade – Government Subsidy Application	Consideration of report	To enable the Committee to carry out discussions without prejudice or disadvantage
Paton Rock Development – Wastewater Disposal	Consideration of report	To enable the Committee to carry out discussions without prejudice or disadvantage

Carried

(Refer to Confidential Minute Book resolutions numbered WK05/03/14 to WK05/03/15)

Moved Cr Inglis/Mayor Hurley
WK05/03/16

That the open meeting be resumed and the business transacted during the time the public was excluded, be adopted.

Carried

12 Asset Management Report

Mr Thomson spoke to his report contained within the agenda.

12.1 River Rating

The report referred to the potential for a review of the river rating system.

12.2 Gravel Management and Extraction

Mr Drummond addressed the Committee on the subject of gravel extraction and river management, saying that it is inappropriate to use high quality aggregate from rivers for the construction of road shoulders. He spoke about companies which have stock piles of gravel in the district and of a recently received application that had potential to produce good fill material.

Cr Norriss said that the costs and fees involved with extraction of gravel from berms and areas other than rivers can be a disincentive to contractors.

The meeting concluded at 5.10 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: