

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Thursday, 18 April 2024

Time: 9.00am

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
Taihape

Council Chambers
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

AND

Present

- HWTM Andy Watson
- Cr Dave Wilson
- Cr Gill Duncan
- Cr Richard Lambert
- Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa
- Cr Coral Raukawa
- Cr Jeff Wong
- Cr Simon Loudon
- Cr Greg Maughan
- Cr Fi Dalgety

In attendance

- Mr Kevin Ross, Chief Executive
- Mrs Carol Gordon, Group Manager- Democracy and Planning
- Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager- Corporate Services
- Ms Gaylene Prince, Group Manager- Community
- Mr Jarrod Calkin, Economic Wellbeing Lead
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor
- Ms Janna Isles, Corporate Planner
- Mr Paul Sharland

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1 Welcome / Prayer

His Worship the Mayor opened the meeting at 9.00am and Cr Hiroa read the Council prayer.

The Mayor congratulated Mr Sharland on being the successful candidate in the Southern Ward By-election and thanked him for attending the meeting today even though he is not officially sworn in as councillor yet.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 24/RDC/092

That apologies be received from Cr Carter.

HWTM/Cr G Duncan. Carried

3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Cr Hiroa declared a conflict of interest in relation to submission 421 from Mokai Patea services.

Cr Loudon declared a conflict of interest in relation to submission 433 from Felicity Wallace and the Interested Residents of Marton.

4 Reports for Information

4.1 Hearing of Submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024-2034 and Simultaneous Consultation

Commentary is included below.

Resolved minute number 24/RDC/093

That the report 'Hearing of Submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024-2034 and Simultaneous Consultation' be received.

Cr Hiroa/Cr S Loudon. Carried

Resolved minute number 24/RDC/094

That the meeting be adjourned until 11.00am or until Councillors physically return to the Marton Council Chambers.

HWTM/Cr G Duncan. Carried

Long Term Plan 2024 (and simultaneous consultation) Submission Hearings for the Long-Term Plan 2024-34 and Simultaneous Consultation documents:

- Draft Revenue and Financing Policy
- Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25
- Draft Rates Remission Policy
- Draft Significance and Engagement Policy
- Draft Development Contributions Policy

Submission number and name	Submitter’s Organisation	Summary of topic and context	Summary of key questions posted by Elected Members and responses
(400) Mary Haggie	Taihape Netball Centre	<p><u>Taihape Netball Courts</u></p> <p>Tabled document was received – Netball New Zealand Outdoor Court Specifications and Guidelines August 2013.</p> <p>Ms Haggie spoke of the opportunities missed for the netball and tennis courts in Taihape.</p> <p>That due to a series of errors and not addressing the known flooding problem at the courts this has caused the courts to be unsafe and has resulted in the courts wearing down faster.</p> <p>Taihape Netball is looking for the removal of the stormwater drain and relevel of the underlying surface and recoating of the courts.</p>	<p>Cr Dalgety: How much has been spent so far on the courts?</p> <p>Answer: Taihape Netball has spent \$55,000 with other funding received for the remainder.</p> <p>Cr Maughan: What has the communication been like between Council, contractors, and Taihape Netball?</p> <p>Answer: That there had been communication but unsure the specifications of the courts were made clear. Taihape Netball was under the belief that the drain would be removed.</p> <p>Cr Wilson: Would the estimate of costings in the submission be able to be provided to councilors?</p> <p>Answer: This was a verbal quote from the contractor.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: Were the specifications set out by Netball New Zealand in the tabled document adhered to?</p> <p>Answer: No</p>

			<p>Cr Loudon: Where does the blame sit?</p> <p>Answer: It sits across the board, including with Taihape Netball. However, it does not sit with the contractor.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: What was Taihape Netball doing this season?</p> <p>Answer: That they were going to do the best they could with the courts, for example reducing places where people can stand to mitigate injuries.</p> <p>Cr Wong: How many courts do you play on?</p> <p>Answer: There are four courts but only three with hoops.</p>
<p>(287) Ken Bellamy</p>		<p><u>Taihape Town Hall</u></p> <p>Tabled document was received - Taihape Town Hall and Library Plans and Taihape Grandstand.</p> <p>Proposing to demolish a substantial part of the Taihape Town Hall to remove the earthquake prone areas of the building.</p> <p><u>Taihape Grandstand</u></p> <p>Requesting underneath the grandstand six more changing rooms with independent showers in each room.</p>	<p>Cr Dalgety: If the library were to be removed where should it be?</p> <p>Answer: It should be relocated to a new building in town if needed</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: Where did the plan come from?</p> <p>Answer: The plan is from archives with an overlay of what is suggested, using his own building experience to inform the suggestions.</p> <p>Cr Maughan: Should the façade be removed?</p> <p>Answer: Under this proposal it would be removed.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: The earthquake strengthening report didn't say anything about the library being earthquake prone and asked for clarity.</p>

			<p>Answer: Where the library connects to the townhall is a problem and there is a large cost associated with this.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: Is the only solution in the plan to demolish the library?</p> <p>Answer: There are two options. One being that the library is cut away from the building and pushed back. Or remove the library and relocate.</p> <p>Cr Dalgety: Is there any historical value in the building.</p> <p>Answer: The line goes upstairs, and this is staying, everything else would need to be removed. The front of the hall will be removed in these plans.</p> <p>Cr Hiroa: The money saved with this project equal to council investing in a new development.</p> <p>Answer: Yes</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: Are the showers in the Nga Awa block insufficient?</p> <p>Answer: Yes, there are only four changing rooms and there can be up to eight teams on the park.</p>
<p>(378) Angela McIntyre</p>		<p>Tabled document was received - PowerPoint presentation.</p> <p><u>Weather Modification</u></p> <p>Requested that Council should say no to Central Government regarding weather modification and chem trails.</p> <p><u>Roading</u></p> <p>Requested that Council provide a turning bay in Ōhingaiti especially due to the</p>	

		<p>congestion during events at McIntyre Reserve.</p> <p>The designated speed camera area should be banned as it blocks driver’s vision.</p> <p><u>Otara Bridge</u></p> <p>There were concerns of maintenance on the Otara bridge. Pictures were provided to councillors.</p> <p>Ms McIntyre also noted her experience as an ambulance driver and the importance the bridge has to the community, for example her granddaughter who is unwell and has medical events is at risk if the bridge is not open and available.</p>	
<p>(405) Peter Kipling-Arthur</p>	<p>Taihape Community Board</p>	<p><u>Roading</u></p> <p>Acknowledging that the Taihape Community Board has spoken to Council previously on this item.</p> <p>Council has worked hard with Waka Kotahi in terms of Utiku slip and requests that council keep the pressure on.</p> <p>Mr Kipling- Arthur is concerned about the cost of paperwork for subcontractors relating to health and safety.</p> <p><u>Taihape Grandstand and Civic Centre</u></p>	<p>Cr Duncan: Does the Gretna corner have the potential for a fatality?</p> <p>Answer: Yes, board members have observed a near miss with four cyclists.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: What is the current status of the maintenance of the Taihape Grandstand.</p> <p>Answer: That there has been no fundraising locally due to no MOU or communication. Council has signalled maintenance work on the grandstand in the past six months.</p> <p>Cr Hiroa: What is needed for the MOU for the Taihape Grandstand.</p>

		<p>That the Taihape Community Board appreciate the communication in this area.</p>	<p>Answer: In terms of the Heritage Subcommittee for the grandstand no MOU progress has been made prior to 2023. At this stage there is only maintenance work from council.</p> <p>Cr Dalgety: Are more changing rooms needed at the Grandstand?</p> <p>Answer: Unable to comment on this and would suit someone better from the rugby club to answer.</p>
<p>(421) Judith McDonald</p>	<p>Mokai Patea Services</p>	<p><i>Cr Hiroa noted a conflict of interest regarding this submission.</i></p> <p>Cr Wong noted that he is the health trust president.</p> <p><u>Taihape Wellness Project</u></p> <p>Seeking support from council on two matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance of the grounds as a joint venture opportunity. This is because council has resources in this area. • Loan from council on competitive terms if this is needed. At this stage the funding shortfall is unknown. 	<p>His Worship the Mayor: What is the timeframe for opening and is this on track?</p> <p>Answer: They are waiting for consent for the Tamariki wing and corridor which is expected in the next month. Other areas are less labour intensive and therefore would like to be in the building by the beginning of next year.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: Who lodged the consent?</p> <p>Answer: This has been completed by our architects noting that this is an old hospital with a crown interest.</p> <p>Cr Raukawa: What is the coverage of the health services from the organisation?</p> <p>Answer: The entire site is housing the Rural Health Centre and the Taihape Health Trust. Mokai Patea services will remain on their footprint in Hautapu Street but the Whanau Ora service will move to the new site.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: What would the loan be needed for?</p> <p>Answer: The loan, if needed, would be for the capital deficit. The operational costs will be covered, but due</p>

			to the increasing costs of the building it is not clear yet the funding required.
The meeting adjourned at 10.01am and returned at 11.10am in the Marton Council Chambers.			
(408) Richard White		<p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>That Marton needs to have a town that attracts people to come. The streetscape can be a catalyst, and this requires leadership from council, especially in relation to earthquake prone buildings.</p>	<p>Cr Loudon: What does revitalising look like?</p> <p>Answer: Paint is underrated and can be the best return on investment especially as capital can become big and expensive.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: How do you feel about spending money on private property?</p> <p>Answer: Even the painting of poles on the council building have made a big difference.</p>
(303) Jo Rangooni		<p><u>Marton Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>The swimming pool costs outweigh the benefits, as it keeps young people well occupied and active.</p> <p><u>Rubbish and Recycling</u></p> <p>The need for education for the community to reduce rubbish and the impact the rubbish has on the environment.</p> <p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>Traffic data would help to inform this decision.</p>	<p>His Worship the Mayor: Your submission included concerns of the affordability of rates and yet you want to keep the pool open.</p> <p>Answer: Unable to comment due to any specific information on hand to support this answer.</p> <p>Cr Wilson: Does Ms Rangooni use the pool?</p> <p>Answer: She used to but not anymore and therefore is advocating for others.</p>
(282) David McMillian		<p>Tabled document - PowerPoint Presentation</p> <p><u>Kerbside Collection</u></p>	<p>Cr Lambert: What about the recycling and the costs associated with the contamination.</p>

		<p>Suitability of rubbish bins for kerbside recycling and requested that council considers a crate approach.</p>	<p>Answer: If you don't have someone in Council doing compliance inspections the problem will continue.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: If staff see contamination in a crate, then they would just leave it.</p> <p>Answer: Yes, that is correct.</p> <p>Cr Dalgety: What is your expertise in this area?</p> <p>Answer: Involved with waste management and did work at Ruapehu District Council and then Manawatu District Council and was sub-contracted to Rangitikei District Council. Currently working at Horowhenua District Council.</p> <p>Cr Raukawa: Can you explain the answer given on the Marton Streetscape Revitalisation?</p> <p>Answer: That looking at cost savings and that this cost should sit with the owners of the businesses</p>
<p>(312) Justin Adams</p>		<p>Noting errors in the policies and financial statements due to AI.</p> <p><u>Huntermville Community Committee</u></p> <p>There should be a targeted rate of \$4 for the Huntermville Community Committee to extend their work. Mr Adams is prepared to pay this cost if necessary for the first year.</p> <p><u>Marton Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>There should be further investigation on excessive subsidy of the pool use.</p> <p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p>	<p>Cr Hiroa: Can you explain about the ideas listed in your submission?</p> <p>Answer: That while not councils' responsibility, council can guide a path towards certain areas. There are things Council can push in a certain direction to get things moving.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: Can you expand on the idea of beautifying green space?</p> <p>Answer: As an overall approach you don't need to spend a lot of money this could just be artworks.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: What do prudent debt levels look like?</p>

		<p>That there are other concerns for economic growth in the district. This is not work for council staff as this lies with the shop owners.</p>	<p>Answer: Would need further information to give a concrete number but wouldn't like debt interest payments of rates at 5% and would encourage finding other alternatives to fund rather than just the ratepayer.</p>
<p>(320) Tania King</p>	<p>Sport Whanganui</p>	<p><u>Marton Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>There is strong support to open the pool year long and that Sport Whanganui can help enable this. There is an active wellbeing team outside of Whanganui to help clients access the pool, specifically clients with compromised health and need low impact activity alternatives.</p> <p>Sport Whanganui has been in contact with schools and these relationships that have indicated that they want the pool open as they currently go to Fielding and Whanganui to access pools.</p>	<p>Cr Wilson: Is the social return on the activity swimming or general activity?</p> <p>Answer: This activity is in general not swimming specific.</p> <p>Cr Lambert: What is Sport Whanganui's involvement with the Marton Pools?</p> <p>Answer: That this a long-term involvement and can assist with advocating schools to use the pool and the marketing of the pool in the region. Sport Whanganui also manages an activation fund that can provide funding for equipment.</p> <p>Cr Hiroa: If the service was to be rolled out to Hunterville and Taihape pools, would Sport Whanganui be interested in this?</p> <p>Answer: Sport Whanganui advocates for facilities to be open for the community particularly for health clients and schools.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: What does Sport Whanganui think about a user pay option.</p> <p>Answer: That schools will be disadvantaged by user pays. Sport Whanganui does receive funding applications from schools to subsidise the cost.</p>

			<p>Cr Loudon: What was Sport Whanganui’s experience with Whanganui District Council and management of their pools?</p> <p>Answer: Sport Whanganui did manage the pools in Whanganui and the contribution from the council was significant</p> <p>Cr Duncan: How would Sport Whanganui feel about trialling the opening of the pool for three years?</p> <p>Answer: That a feasibility study would be worthwhile. The importance is with the marketing and making the community aware that the pool is open for the year.</p>
<p>(347) John Bligh</p>		<p>Councillors and those present held a minutes silence as part of Mr Bligh’s submission.</p> <p>Tabled document was received.</p> <p><u>Civil Defence</u></p> <p>Requested a full independent review of civil defence be carried out by an independent person.</p> <p>The Bulls Community Centre civil defence changing from Clifton School to Te Matapihi Hall.</p> <p>Te Matapihi is not a suited building for civil defence centre and that this is the same for other civil defence centres in the district.</p>	<p>Cr Duncan: Are you asking Council to complete a civil defence review?</p> <p>Answer: No, that Council should complete an independent report.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: What is the award on the table?</p> <p>Cr Loudon read the inscription for the award that was received following the 2004 floods.</p>

		His Worship the Mayor stopped the submission and went to questions from councilors.	
The meeting adjourned at 12.10pm and returned at 1.00pm.			
(436) Simon Wall (Zoom)	Apollo Projects	<p>Mr Peter Beggs, CE Apollo, was in attendance for the submission.</p> <p><u>Capital Projects</u></p> <p>Design and build is a good option for project delivery for the Rangitikei District council.</p> <p><u>Marlon Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>Encourage this to be open all year round and improvement of community wellbeing.</p>	<p>Cr Loudon: How many other councils Long-Term Plan have you submitted to?</p> <p>Answer: It is anticipated that it will be between 10-15 submissions but this is the first Council hearing.</p>
(433) Long-Term Plan Felicity Wallace	Interested Residents of Marlon and the Rangitikei	<p><i>Cr Loudon declared a conflict of interest with this submission.</i></p> <p>Sally Patrick was in attendance.</p> <p><u>Development Contributions Policy</u></p> <p>The group want to see the district grow but not at the cost of the environment. The Central Hawkes Bay development contribution policy is a good example.</p> <p><u>Marlon Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>Supports opening the pool yearlong to secure staff and support swimming skills, specifically for school aged children.</p>	<p>Cr Wilson: What was meant about the statement that without a contributions policy this would lead to empty sections and no facilities?</p> <p>Answer: That the new developers contribute to the cost of facilities, and this could support council funds, currently council is not receiving this.</p>

		<p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>The mainstreet should be better maintained and cleaned. It was requested that that there should be a survey of all building owners as part of the consultation.</p> <p>There was concern an upgrade could be disruptive and that the bigger issues lie with the maintenance of the buildings along the street.</p>	
(433) Simultaneous Consultation Felicity Wallace	Interested Residents of Marton and the Rangitikei	<p>Sally Patrick spoke to this submission.</p> <p><u>Significance and Engagement Policy</u></p> <p>Currently this policy focuses on engagement and not the determination of what is considered significant to Council.</p> <p>Ms Patrick spoke of her experience and the need for the community to be sufficiently informed.</p>	<p>His Worship the Mayor: Are there any policies that you have found that are good examples?</p> <p>Answer: Gisborne or Tairāwhiti determines significance thoroughly and is easy to read.</p> <p>Cr Wilson: Is the submission on the Significance and Engagement policy or the implementation of the policy?</p> <p>Answer: The policy gives application and therefore both.</p>
(393) John Vickers		<p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>That the main street tidy up would not achieve what Council wants and that it is a slow process.</p> <p><u>Marton Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>The background on the Marton swimming pool was that it was built for competitions and for summer only.</p>	<p>His Worship the Mayor: What would you like council to do with the general rate?</p> <p>Answer: That having a targeted rate means the community have to think more about what they are asking for from council.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: How do you see transformation on the Marton Mainstreet?</p> <p>Answer: That people are needed in the buildings.</p>

		<p><u>General Rate</u></p> <p>This is an issue where capital value is not evenly distributed on the general rate.</p>	
(433) Willy Abraham		<p><u>Rubbish and Recycling</u></p> <p>Mr Abraham has worked in waste management for a long time and spoke of the waste transfer station.</p> <p>Mr Abraham advocated that council is able to locally service the transfer station and that there is expertise in this area in the district.</p>	<p>Cr Maughan: What is better wheelie bins or crates?</p> <p>Answer: The wheelie bins in Auckland are not working whereas crates deliver only 2% contamination.</p>
(417) Nigel Belsham and Richard White	Business Rangitikei	<p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>The organisation is new but has been needed for the district.</p> <p>It is imperative that the streetscaping proceeds as it has been on the table for a long time.</p> <p>If council invests this would be a catalyst for business owners to work on their own buildings.</p>	<p>Cr Dalgety: How do you feel about Council investing in private buildings?</p> <p>Answer: That this is not necessarily about this project as this is solely about streetscape.</p> <p>Cr Wilson: Should this be a targeted rate?</p> <p>Answer: This is a district wide initiative and Marton is only the first. Therefore, the rate should be district wide.</p> <p>Cr Maughan: Can you explain more on the comment in the submission about the corner buildings?</p> <p>Answer: It feels like a U-turn from council to leave the corner buildings.</p>
(432) Greg Carlyon	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	<p><u>Tutaenui Stream</u></p> <p>That there has been fantastic work by volunteers and council support. The</p>	<p>Cr Hiroa: What do you think about the relationship of the group and council has become more positive?</p>

		<p>society is requesting \$10,000 for continued work.</p>	<p>Answer: It has been driven by learning the needs of each groups and understanding the restrictions from council.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: Should the \$10,000 come from the district wide parks and reserves fund?</p> <p>Answer: Yes, because it benefits the whole district.</p> <p>Cr Loudon: What is now happening with the work on the stream?</p> <p>Answer: This will be part of the coming work.</p> <p>Cr Lambert: Is there any pest management?</p> <p>Answer: There is pest management in place and volunteers undertake the work associated with this.</p>
<p>(427) Carolyn Bates</p>	<p>Marton Community Committee</p>	<p>Mr David Christison spoke to this submission.</p> <p><u>Marton Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>The cost for pools is a concern and would prefer a user pays approach.</p> <p><u>Rubbish and Recycling</u></p> <p>The preferred approach is to use crates rather than wheelie bins. It was requested that Council complete good research as part of the implementation.</p> <p><u>Streetscape Revitalisation Marton</u></p> <p>There are concerns of the corner buildings.</p>	<p>Cr Wong: Does the committee support a trial of opening the swimming pools?</p> <p>Answer: Yes, or even a pass people pay that guarantees incoming funds.</p>

		The committee suggested a one way road through the CBD to make it safe and increase parking.	
(428) Carolyn Bates		<p><u>Significance and Engagement Policy</u></p> <p>Ms Bates questioned how often council engages with the community.</p> <p><u>Development Contributions Policy</u></p> <p>There needs to be an indication from council about the funding received.</p>	<p>Cr Hiroa: Can you explain the comment about the Māori ward attendance?</p> <p>Answer: That when looking at the attendance schedule there have been occasions where Cr Hiroa and Cr Raukawa have not attended meetings. His Worship the Mayor stopped the submission.</p>
(430) Long Term Plan Gretta Mills		<p>Tabled document was received- UN Sustainable Goals</p> <p>It was requested that for future submissions that there is a clock for submitters.</p> <p><u>Gender Equality</u></p> <p>Ms Mills noted the importance of gender equality in government as the UN has failed to address it.</p>	<p>Cr Loudon: Has Ms Mills considered the social benefits of the pool being opened?</p> <p>Answer: Ms Mills has not used the pool in years but it may benefit from a subscription for users to cover the cost.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: Should Council trial a run of the pool being opened?</p> <p>Answer: Council should have the information and data on this already.</p> <p>Cr Duncan: Can you expand on our responsibility and other funded organisations in you submission?</p> <p>Answers: Governments need to look at their funding structure and whether it is fair to women.</p>
(430) Simultaneous Consultation Gretta Mills		<p><u>Development Contributions Policy</u></p> <p>There is no transparency on what is agreed on by council and developers.</p>	<p>Cr Wilson: Are you aware that we have implemented agreements?</p> <p>Answer: Ms Mills is aware they are agreed on by the CE but Council is not transparent on what these agreements are.</p>

			<p>His Worship the Mayor: How would you see us documenting that process of these agreements?</p> <p>Answer: Look at other councils for examples.</p> <p>Cr Wong: Do you see any draw backs from implementing a developer’s contribution?</p> <p>Answer: Developers are creating further needs at the expense of ratepayers.</p>
<p>The meeting adjourned at 2.52pm and returned at 3.15pm</p>			
<p>(429) Ian Strathan/Tim Matthews</p>	<p>Federated Farmers</p>	<p>Laura Morrison was in attendance.</p> <p><u>Increases in Costs</u></p> <p>There is an increase cost of living and the impact this is having on farmers. Council should reduce expenditure to the rate of inflation.</p> <p>The UAGC needs to be updated as the spread of rates is not equitable.</p> <p><u>Forestry Differential</u></p> <p>Request that the there is a forestry differential of four times due to the impact forest harvesting is having on the roads.</p>	<p>Cr Wilson- Where should council reduce expenditure?</p> <p>Answer: There is a lot of areas that can be cut in the Long-Term Plan. For example, delaying the building in Marton or the roading contractors might be able to negotiate a better price.</p> <p>Cr Loudon- Other trucks use the roads and forestry harvesting is every few years, is there any investigation of the road usage over that time period and how does it compare to forestry?</p> <p>Answer: It’s about the intensity of the road use from forestry and the cumulative effect from forestry which is different than farming.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor: In the past we’ve had pre-engagement, what has the impact of this been?</p> <p>Answer: The Revenue and Financing policy is out of date especially for the UAGC.</p> <p>Cr Duncan- In the process how do we compare on the UAGC?</p>

			<p>Answer: We can provide this information to you.</p>
<p>(425) Tim Matthews</p>		<p><u>Forestry Differential</u></p> <p>Other councils have higher differentials such as Wairoa. This is similar to the Rangitikei District.</p> <p><u>The Revenue and Financing Policy</u></p> <p>This is out of date and needs reviewing. It would be beneficial to go back to the basics and start again.</p> <p><u>Roading</u></p> <p>Unfortunately, Higgins are not achieving what they said on the Rangitikei Network. Noting a concern that there is a lack of transparency on what they are expected to do in their contract.</p>	<p>His Worship the Mayor: Should the Forestry differential be on the general rate or the roading rate.</p> <p>Answer: On the roading, there is the possibility for a differential on the general rate.</p> <p>Cr Raukawa: What does the performance measure of roading look like?</p> <p>Answer: Could look at culvert depth of the road but roading engineers can come up with a better measurement.</p> <p>Cr Wilson: Supportive of targeted rates?</p> <p>Answer: Need to look at that and this comes back to the Revenue and Financing policy.</p> <p>Cr Dalgety: How many times would you like the grader to go up?</p> <p>Answer: When it needs it.</p>

The meeting closed at 3.47pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on .

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Chairperson