

# MINUTES

## FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, 24 April 2024

**Time:** 9.30am

**Venue:** Council Chamber  
Rangitikei District Council  
46 High Street  
Marton

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**Present**

- Cr Jeff Wong
- Cr Fi Dalgety
- Cr Dave Wilson
- Cr Simon Loudon
- Cr Greg Maughan
- Ms Leanne Hiroti
- HWTM Andy Watson

**In attendance**

- Cr Gill Duncan
- Mr Kevin Ross, Chief Executive
- Mr Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer
- Mrs Carol Gordon, Group Manager- Democracy and Planning
- Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager- Corporate Services
- Ms Gaylene Prince, Group Manager- Community
- Ms Kym Skerman, Manager- Events and Venues
- Ms Deb Haworth, Venue and Events Coordinator
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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## 1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Dalgety opened the meeting at 9.31am. It was noted the Council prayer had already been read at an earlier meeting.

## 2 Apologies

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/022**

Apologies received from Cr Carter.

Cr G Maughan/HWTM A Watson. Carried

## 3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Ms Hiroti arrived during this item at 9.32am.

There was no change to the order of business.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/023**

That the minutes of Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 28 March 2024 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr S Loudon/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

## 7 Follow-up Actions

### 7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings

Item 3- Hunterville Signs

There have been no request for service received by staff and therefore it is recommended that this action be removed from the list.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/024**

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/025**

That item 3, that the Junk and Disorderly signs be removed from the follow-up actions items.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

## 8 Chair's Report

### 8.1 Chair's Report - April 2024

Cr Dalgety gave a verbal report to the committee.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/026**

That the Chair's Report –April 2024 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 Events Support Scheme - Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2023/24

There was an application from the Taihape Development Trust received for both grant funding schemes initially this was put to the Community Initiative Fund however assessors noted this sat better in the Event Support Scheme.

The committee requested staff to relook at the process and notification of remaining funds to members as part of this process.

#### Marton Arts and Crafts Centre

His Worship the Mayor noted that majority of the committee wanted the full amount allocated however due to the averaging this wasn't possible. The committee discussed this and preferred to look at this at the end of the process.

#### Taihape Community Development Trust

His Worship the Mayor noted that this is application is not part of their MOU agreement.

Members spoke of the application and that their assessments were based on the information provided by the applicant.

Rangitikei Farmstay Ltd

There was discussion regarding the event being commercially driven and that under the new guidelines that they are now eligible. The Event Support Scheme guidelines had been adopted at a Council meeting.

Some members were concerned that there have been enough applications for this funding in the financial year and therefore should allocate the remaining funds rather than carry forward to the next financial year.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/027**

That the report 'Events Sponsorship Scheme – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2023/24' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr G Maughan. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/028**

That the Finance/Performance Committee agrees to accept the Marton Arts and Crafts Centre application.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

**A Recommendation was moved by HWTM A Watson and Ms L Hiroti and when put was LOST:**

That the full amount be funded to the Marton Arts and Crafts Centre of \$1,832.

HWTM A Watson/Ms L Hiroti. Lost.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/029**

That the Taihape Community Development Trust receive \$2,430

Cr F Dalgety/Ms L Hiroti. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/030**

That the Rangitikei Farmstay Ltd receive \$872

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/031**

That the Finance/Performance Committee approve the sponsorship of events listed below, and disperse the Events Support Scheme as outlined to successful applicants:

- Marton Arts and Crafts- \$1,600
- Taihape Community Development Trust \$2,430
- Rangitikei Farmstay Ltd- \$872

The total \$4,902

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/032**

That the remaining funds be returned to the general council fund.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried Ms Hiroti voted against.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/033**

That the funds remaining from this funding round be carried forward to next financial year.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

**9.2 Community Initiatives Fund - Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2023/24**

Whanganui Area Neighbourhood Support Groups Inc

His Worship the Mayor questioned the fund allocation of \$720 as this is the cost of the materials they've requested. Members noted this discussion but referenced that the process has taken place.

Bulls and Community Development Trust

His Worship the Mayor stated that the committee either allocate the full funds requested or not as they need a certain amount to make the purchase.

Door of Hope

Mrs Gordon answered questions about supporting the group in other ways such as hosting of the website. Currently Council does not host our own website and there are limited comms staff.

1<sup>st</sup> Marton Scouts- The Scout Association of New Zealand

It was requested that the rates remission feedback be given to the group.

Marton Community Garden

Ms Prince responded to questions there is an agreement with council but the group will need to complete the ramp.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/034**

That the report 'Community Initiatives Fund – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2023/24' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Ms L Hiroti. Carried

**A Recommendation was moved by HWTM A Watson and Cr Dalgety and when put was LOST:**

That the Whanganui Area Neighbourhood Support Groups receive the full funding of \$750.

HWTM A Watson/Cr F Dalgety. Lost. Casting vote was used by Cr Dalgety

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/035**

That the Finance/Performance Committee approve the sponsorship of projects listed below, and disperse the Community Initiatives Fund as outlined to successful applicants:

- Alzheimer's Whanganui Inc- \$1,350
- Whanganui Area Neighbourhood Support Groups Inc- \$790
- Marton Food Pantry- \$930
- Bulls and Community Development Trust- \$2,140
- Door of Hope- \$1,072
- 1<sup>st</sup> Marton Scouts- The Scout Association of New Zealand- \$1,293
- Marton Community Garden- \$936
- Rangitikei Branch of Royal Forest and Bird Society- \$846

Totalling \$9,357.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J F Wong. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/036**

That Doors of Hope receive a further \$1,000.

HWTM A Watson/Cr J F Wong. Carried

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/037**

That the funds remaining from this funding round be carried forward to next financial year.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J F Wong. Carried

## 10 Reports for Information

### 10.1 Events Sponsorship Scheme - Project Report Form

The meeting adjourned at 11.39am and returned at 11.41am

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/038**

That the Events Sponsorship Scheme – Project Report Form be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

### 10.2 Community Initiatives Fund - Project Report Forms

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/039**

That the Community Initiatives Fund – Project Report Forms be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

**10.3 Finance Snapshot - March 2024**

His Worship the Mayor discussed the relevance of Roading Depreciation when considering the level of Roading Renewals capital expenditure. Officers agreed to make this more visible in future reports. Mr Tombs noted that a more detailed summary of the Roading program is provided to Assets & Infrastructure Committee.

His Worship the Mayor raised the matter where significant capital expenditure could arise but where the budget is scheduled for a future year. Staff will highlight such occurrences as they arise.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/040**

That the report 'Finance Snapshot – March 2024' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr G Maughan. Carried

**10.4 Treasury and Debt - 2023/24**

Mr Tombs responded to questions and commented that future debt levels and debt limits were included in the Finance Strategy that is part of the draft Long Term Plan

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/041**

That the report 'Treasury and Debt – 2023/24' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

**10.5 QV Report**

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/042**

That the QV Report be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J F Wong. Carried

**10.6 Public Feedback / Performance Report - March 2024**

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 24/FPE/043**



That the Public Feedback / Performance Report – March 2024 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Ms L Hiroti. Carried

**The meeting closed at 12.00pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Finance/Performance Committee held on 30 May 2024.**

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**Chairperson**