

MINUTES

POLICY/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 20 November 2024

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present Cr Gill Duncan
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Greg Maughan
Cr Jeff Wong
Cr Richard Lambert

In attendance Mr Johan Cullis, Group Manager- Regulatory and Emergency Management
Ms Katrina Gray, Manager Strategy and Development
Mrs Janna Harris, Corporate Planner
Mr Jarrod Calkin, Economic Wellbeing Lead
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

Due to the absence of Cr Hiroa, Cr Duncan Chaired and opened the meeting at 9.30am. Cr Lambert read the council prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/054

Apologies received from HWTM Andy Watson and Cr Hiroa.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. 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

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

That at item 7.1 Follow up Action Items that this the code of compliance certificate years be update from 2020 to 2002.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/055

That the minutes of Policy/Planning Committee Meeting held on 15 August 2024 **as amended** 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 G Duncan/Cr D Wilson. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report- November

Cr Duncan read the Chair's report for the committee.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/056

That the Chair's Report- November be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy and TAB Venue Policy

Mrs Harris highlighted that the policy is incorrectly written as Council has a cap, but the policy has the intention of a sinking lid and therefore would recommend an amendment to the policy regardless. The consultation of the policy will be completed through existing budgets and is required due to the legislation.

Cr Duncan ruled that, in relation to this item, Standing Orders (Section 22) relating to the number of speakers for and against would be set aside to allow all members an opportunity to express their views.

Councillors discussed the role that gambling has in the community such as grant funding for local organisations, including Council, the impact that gambling has for businesses and their concerns with a growing online gambling scene. Councillors were in agreement that a social harm is caused, and this should not be disregarded.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/057

That the report 'Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy and TAB Venue Policy' is received.

Cr G Duncan/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/058

That the Policy/Planning Committee requests that the current Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy to amend the policy to clarify the cap approach, with consultation.

Cr G Duncan/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/059

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the TAB Venue Policy is consulted on without amendment.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Policy and Bylaw Work Programme Update

Mr Calkin responded to questions relating to the bylaw Disposal of Surplus Lands and Buildings that this was a high priority when Council was looking at the sale for the buildings in the main street.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/060

That the report 'Policy and Bylaw Work Programme Update' be received.

Cr G Duncan/Cr R Lambert. Carried

9.2 Regulatory Update

Mr Cullis responded to questions and concerns from councillors regarding the relaxing of requirements in the building and regulatory space by central government. The risk still sits with Council due to the final sign off and the issuing of the CCC.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/061

That the Regulatory Update report be received

Cr D Wilson/Cr R Lambert. Carried

9.3 Economic Wellbeing Update

Economic Update and Local Insights

Mr Calkin highlighted the Shop Local Campaign across the district which is in week four now and that the response from participants has been positive and supported well by the businesses, shown by the steady number of entries.

Marion Streetscape Upgrade update

There will be a community drop in-session at the Marion Market Day and there will be a session early 2025 with elected members for input. The feedback from the community will be for the design of the streetscape and this will come back to Council to make final decision.

Town Centre Better Off Funding

Mr Calkin will share the map for Bulls to councillors and the Taihape map when the draft is completed. The maps are walking trails and key locations for visitors in the area.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/062

That the report 'Economic Wellbeing Update' be received.

Cr J Wong/Cr R Lambert. Carried

9.4 Coalition Government - Q4 Action Plan

It was noted that relevant staff have received the information for applications on the contaminated sites and vulnerable landfills fund to support local authorities to remediate contaminated sites and are investigating whether Council can apply retrospectively for the Putorino expenses.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/063

That the report 'Coalition Government – Q4 Action Plan' be received.

Cr R Lambert/Cr G Maughan. Carried

9.5 Strategy/Plan Development and Review Update

Ms Gray highlighted the draft E-Plan is now available on the council website and encouraged councillors to look at this and pass through any errors or mistakes.

Officers have engaged a consultant for the Bulls Domain Master Plan and will engage with councillors on this shortly.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/064

That the report 'Strategy/Plan Development and Review Update' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Duncan. Carried

9.6 Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan - Implementation Update

Ms Spence responded to questions that there have been changes in legislation in this space with the new direction from central government.

Resolved minute number 24/PPL/065

That the report 'Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan Implementation Update' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.00am

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Policy/Planning Committee held on.

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Chairperson