

Waitaki District Council

Assets Committee

**CONFIRMED MINUTES of Assets Committee Meeting of the
Waitaki District Council held in the Council Chamber,
Waitaki District Council Headquarters, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru
on Tuesday, 1 May 2018 at 10.34am**

Present	Cr Bill Kingan (Chair), Cr Guy Percival (Deputy), Cr Jeremy Holding, Cr Hugh Perkins, and Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale
Apology	Mayor Gary Kircher
In Attendance	Cr Craig Dawson Cr Peter Garvan Cr Jim Hopkins Cr Jan Wheeler Cr Colin Wollstein Fergus Power (Chief Executive) Neil Jorgensen (Assets Group Manager) Paul Hope (Finance and Corporate Development Group Manager) Lisa Baillie (People and Culture Group Manager) Lichelle Guyan (Heritage, Environment and Regulatory Group Manager) Bill Chou (Information Services Group Manager) Erik van der Spek (Recreation Manager) Martin Pacey (Water Services and Waste Manager) Renee Julius (Property Manager) Ainslee Hooper (Governance and Policy Advisor)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 10.34am, and welcomed everyone present.

1. Apologies

RESOLVED
AC 2018/015

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Hugh Perkins
That the Assets Committee accepts an apology for absence on leave from Mayor Gary Kircher.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED
AC 2018/016

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Guy Percival
That the Assets Committee confirms public meeting minutes for 20 March 2018, as circulated, as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

4. Draft Government Policy Statement for Land Transport 2018

The memorandum, as circulated, sought to present information on the Draft Government Policy Statement for Land Transport 2018 (“Draft GPS”), breaking it down into segments that are more relevant for Waitaki District.

Roading Manager Michael Voss spoke to this report, and highlighted the increased investment in local roads in the Draft GPS, which was a benefit for a rural district like Waitaki. Business cases would need to be developed for any projects, and submitted to the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) for consideration. At the Investment Strategy meeting yesterday in Christchurch, it was also announced that footpaths will now be subject to subsidy, which – for Waitaki – would make \$340k available for other roading network activities. Mr Voss cautioned that the detail around this announcement was not yet available, so how it would work in practice was still unknown.

Mr Voss added that the Government had been clear about increasing investment in cycling, although the details around that were not yet known, either.

And, finally, Mr Voss advised that the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) may only be available for growth purposes, and not for safety purposes. Group Manager Neil Jorgensen said the team was now putting together options that could potentially be put forward to the PGF, and they would be brought to Council for a separate discussion once worked up.

RESOLVED
AC 2018/017

Cr Jeremy Holding / Cr Guy Percival
That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

5. Springfield Road Pipeline

The report, as circulated, proposed that Council contribute funding towards work to reduce the extent of water ponding that floods Springfield Road and adjacent farmland.

Discussion on the report highlighted the following issues:

- If this went ahead, water would be saved for a genuine use, and the area could then be farmed normally. Therefore, there was public good as well as private good in the project.
- The pipeline option would stop the road being closed constantly by flooding and would stop further damage, as water would be moved away from the problem. The local residents had done a lot to help, and this was an opportunity to fix the problem once and for all.

RESOLVED
AC 2018/018

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Bill Kingan
The Assets Committee recommends:
That Council contributes a budget of up to \$15,000 from unsubsidised roading budgets towards works associated with a private pipeline project that will keep pond levels below the existing level of Springfield Road east of Fortification Road.

CARRIED

Division Vote called: 3 versus 2
AGAINST: Cr Guy Percival

6. Assets Group Activity Report

The memorandum, as circulated, sought to inform the Assets Committee about the activities of the Assets Group for the period 6 March to 16 April 2018.

Key discussion points were:

- 100mls of rain last weekend; 2 roads closed; 20 under caution. Demonstrates road resilience. Waitaki's annual rainfall had already been received, and it was only four months into the year.
- Illegal dumping and cameras
- Kakanui Bridge replacement – there may not be sufficient data available yet to demonstrate a strong growth reason that would meet the PGF criteria.
- Crashes on Wansbeck Street – a lot of minor crashes were not reported via CRM. Councillors were asked to remind their community residents to submit CRMs on all crashes, so that Council staff could monitor trends as they developed over time.
- Councillors expressed their gratitude to the roading team for responding to CRMs when they were submitted by ratepayers, and for their excellent communications during the heavy rainfalls.
- Gravel was now available again. It was also being stockpiled for frost and soft surface remediation work.
- Water safety plans were a legislative requirement, and needed to be reviewed every five years.
- The Ohau water upgrade project was being progressed. The aim was to complete it sometime in 2019.
- Signage – the revamped Lookout Point sign looked "great".
- The Dunback streetscape plan was yet to be finalised.
- The Hampden streetscape plan had already been approved by the Waihemo Community Board.
- The new Dunback Domain Toilets were "great". The design could be used in more remote destinations.

RESOLVED
AC 2018/019

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Jeremy Holding
That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

With no further business to be conducted, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 11.30am.

CONFIRMED at the Assets Committee Meeting held on the 5th day of June 2018
in the Council Chamber, Waitaki District Council Headquarters, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru.

[signed]

Chairperson