

Minutes of a meeting of the Nelson City Council

Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street,
Nelson

On Tuesday 23 June 2015, commencing at 9.02am

Present: Her Worship the Mayor R Reese, Councillors I Barker, R Copeland, E Davy, K Fulton, M Lawrey, P Matheson (Deputy Mayor), B McGurk, G Noonan, P Rainey, T Skinner, and M Ward

In Attendance: Chief Executive (C Hadley), Group Manager Corporate Services (N Harrison), Group Manager Strategy and Environment (C Barton), Group Manager Community Services (C Ward), Senior Strategic Adviser (N McDonald), Manager Communications (P Shattock), Policy Coordinator (S Holman), Senior Accountant (T Hughes), Manager Capital Projects (S Davies), Manager Administration (P Langley), and Administration Adviser (G Brown)

Apologies: Councillor L Acland for attendance and Councillor Davy for early departure

Opening Prayer

Councillor Davy gave the opening prayer.

1. Apologies

Resolved

THAT apologies be received and accepted from Councillor Acland for attendance, and Councillor Davy for early departure.

Her Worship the Mayor/Matheson

Carried

2. Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

3. Interests

There were no updates to the Interests Register, and no interests with items on the agenda were declared.

4. Public Forum

There was no public forum.

5. Confirmation of Minutes – 20 & 21 May 2015

Document number A1364455, agenda pages 13-49 refer.

It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Paul Matheson was missing from the attendance of the minutes.

Resolved

THAT the amended minutes of the meeting of the Nelson City Council – to Deliberate on Submissions to the draft Long Term Plan 2015-25, held on 20 and 21 May 2015, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Davy/McGurk

Carried

6. Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2015-25

Document number A1364570, agenda pages 50-62 refer.

Senior Strategic Adviser, Nicky McDonald, presented the report.

Ms McDonald advised the amendments received from Audit New Zealand did not impact projects they were mainly aimed at providing greater clarity and accuracy. She added that legal advice had been received in relation to the ratings recommendations which had led to some proposed amendments.

The following documents were tabled A1375452, A1375455 and A1375458.

Resolved

THAT the report Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 (A1364570) and its attachments (A1373558) be received;

Her Worship the Mayor/Ward

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT it be noted that funding of \$500,000 for the 2017 British and Irish Lions Tour has been removed from the Long Term Plan;

Rainey/Noonan

Carried

Ms McDonald advised that an integrated approach had been previously discussed in relation to transport projects in the Development and Financial Contributions Policy (the Policy), and as a result a further recommendation was proposed.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 9.14am until 9.19am.

In response to a question, Policy Coordinator, Sarah Holman, said that an example of an integrated approach in relation to transport would be viewing footpaths, cycleways and roads as an integrated network.

Resolved

AND THAT the Council adopts an integrated approach to the management of its infrastructure with respect to the Development and Financial Contributions Policy;

Matheson/Fulton

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT the reference in section 4.1 of the Development and Financial Contributions Policy to a "district wide" catchment be amended to "single catchment" consistent with the wording in the rest of the Policy;

Ward/Fulton

Carried

Ms McDonald referred to tabled document A1375452 and the first bullet point on page 309 of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 (LTP) in relation to stormwater remissions.

Senior Asset Engineer – Utilities, Phil Ruffell, advised the change sought to introduce more transparency into the assessment of development contributions by adding criteria that Council could use when considering new developments and stormwater disposal.

In response to questions, Mr Ruffell clarified that stormwater networks were designed to detain stormwater for at least a Q15 event, and there was a charge for connection to the network.

Attendance: Councillor Davy left the meeting at 9.28am.

In response to a question, Ms McDonald explained that this amendment was more beneficial to users than the proposal that was consulted on.

Resolved

AND THAT the remission, in section 2.5 of the Development and Financial Contributions Policy, for low impact design be amended to read "Developments that are required to detain stormwater from no less than a Q15 event to pre-development levels will be assessed on a case by case basis according to the following criteria and will pay no more than 0.5HUD.

Stormwater Assessment Criteria:

- i) Volume of stormwater detained on site***
- ii) Flow rate of discharge to the Council network***
- iii) Timing of discharge to the Council network***

Fulton/McGurk

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Davy returned to the meeting at 9.34am.

Ms McDonald provided councillors with feedback received in relation to the Policy. The amendments raised were:

- Page 301, first paragraph the reference to the Nelson Plan should be changed to read Nelson Resource Management Plan
- Page 303, section 2.2 the wording should perhaps be 'Council will' rather than 'Council may'. It was noted that this could be tidied up as a minor editorial amendment
- Page 321, wording in relation to a Commissioner requiring remission of costs had been checked against the Council resolution

The Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, clarified that there had been an interpretation issue at the Council meeting on 11 June 2015. She said the resolution relating to Whakatu Marae needed to show that the whole of the Whakatu Marae would be exempt from development contributions, and that this would be reflected in the 11 June 2015 minutes.

- Page 322 (f), there was agreement that it should be the whole of the Whakatu Marae that would be exempt from development contributions, therefore the Policy would reflect this. It was

specified that the Policy should say developments at Whakatu Marae.

There was a discussion relating to integrated schools and it was suggested that Nelson School of Music (NSOM) should be included for exemptions to development contributions.

Ms McDonald highlighted that NSOM had not received any special exemptions in the past.

It was highlighted that the titles needed updating in the graphs on pages 325 and 326.

It was suggested that the Household Unit of Demand (HUD) definition should be added to the LTP glossary.

Resolved

AND THAT the Development and Financial Contributions Policy (A1333294, which appears in the Long Term Plan appendices pages 300-343) as amended, be confirmed and adopted;

Noonan/Fulton

Carried

Ms McDonald referred to tabled document A1375455.

Resolved

AND THAT the Revenue and Financing Policy (which appears in the Long Term Plan on pages 225 to 251) be adopted;

Barker/McGurk

Carried

Ms McDonald referred to tabled document A1375458.

It was clarified the attachments referenced in document A1375458 would replace the Funding Impact Statements included in each activity of the LTP.

Attendance: Councillor Lawrey left the meeting from 9.51am to 9.55am.

Group Manager Corporate Services, Nikki Harrison, advised the lines which would change in the Transport Funding Impact Statement would be targeted rates, fees and charges, increase (decrease) in debt, and increase (decrease) in reserves, if applicable.

In response to a question, Ms Harrison advised that reserves were removed and reclassified into debt movements.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 10.07am until 10.08am.

Resolved

AND THAT Council approves the amendments to the Long Term Plan 2015-25 as outlined in the document Changes to the Long Term Plan (A1375458);

Ward/Fulton

Carried

Ms McDonald advised Council of the comments received in relation to the activities in the LTP.

Attendance: Councillor McGurk left the meeting at 10.10am until 10.12am.

The comments received from councillors were:

- Page 12, clarification on the \$35,000 rates figure for 2015/16 for Commercial – Outside Inner City/Stoke

Transport

- Page 47, first paragraph, second sentence, re-write in relation to combined projects to make it clear traffic management was an integral part of the Stoke revitalisation project
- Page 50, walking and cycling service levels to be amended to make current performance and targets clearer

Attendance: Councillor Davy left the meeting at 10.15am

- Page 55, Senior Asset Engineer – Transport and Roading, Rhys Palmer clarified that Tasman District Council had allocated \$84,000 for the Nelson/Richmond bus service
- Page 118, change 'Nelson Plan' to 'Nelson Resource Management Plan' here and throughout the document

Stormwater

- Page 89, in relation to staff time and renewals being excluded from the cost of maintaining the stormwater network, it was explained that renewals were capital expenditure, and maintenance was operational

Attendance: Councillor Davy returned to the meeting at 10.17am.

Flood Protection

- Page 103, third paragraph, second sentence wording to be improved in relation to Q100 events
- Page 104, page numbers to be inserted

- Page 105, first paragraph, move 'the' and 'likely' to read better. Second paragraph, full stop to be added after 'brought forward'
- Page 105-106, add years for key projects such as Little Go Stream and Orphanage Stream

Environment

- Page 115, specific reference to be made in relation to Council's responsibilities for freshwater, coastal and marine environments

It was suggested that emergency management be moved to the social activity. Ms McDonald advised this would have considerable impacts on the LTP and could not be achieved within the adoption timeframe.

- Page 115, it was highlighted that a reference to other statutory requirements such as the Food Act and Psychoactive substances needed to be added to the 'Why we do it' section

There was a suggestion that the information in relation to Maritime Safety on page 115 was too detailed, however after consideration it was decided that it should remain as is.

- Page 116, it was agreed that under the Nelson Nature heading the ten projects should be listed with a brief descriptor
- Page 116, the problems facing Tasman Bay need to be stated
- Page 117, refer to Saltwater Creek by name
- Page 118, rename section to Nelson Resource Management Plan Review and mention that the Regional Policy Statement was due for review in 2007 and Council was now addressing that. Also mention that the central government and the community have a preference for a single planning document
- Page 118, mention that the Maitai was the first catchment to develop standards under the new National Policy Statement (NPS) for Freshwater Management
- Page 119, acknowledge the significant gains in air quality standards in relation to woodburners

It was suggested that new technologies needed to be highlighted in the LTP, however it was noted that new technologies would be considered as part of the Nelson Plan review.

Group Manager, Strategy and Environment, Clare Barton advised that Council must give effect to the NPS for freshwater. She said while work was currently being undertaken on the Maitai River, the NPS needed to be given effect to across all water catchments.

Ms Barton clarified that on page 122 in relation to targets in years 1-3, departments endeavoured to achieve 100%.

- Page 123, add marina biosecurity incursions to the list of significant negative effects

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for morning tea from 10.31am until 12.16pm. During this time Councillor Davy left the meeting.

Social

- Page 23, suggestion that the Financial Strategy should include ageing demographic issue. It was noted that the Financial Strategy focussed on population growth from a different perspective. The ageing demographic issue was dealt with in the assumptions on page 190

In response to a question, Ms McDonald clarified that the name Nightingale Library Memorial was the name stated in the original bequest for the library.

There were concerns raised about the Nightingale Library Memorial upgrade funding being in year 7 of the LTP. It was suggested that this would not meet the expectations of the users.

Ms Harrison advised the reason for allocating funding in year 7 of the LTP was due to where it best fitted in the debt profile. She added that if this changed Audit New Zealand would need to review the updated financials.

It was agreed that funding could be brought forward through next year's annual plan and wording would be amended to reflect this without adjusting the financials as approved by Audit.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 12.28pm until 12.29pm.

It was suggested that community assistance should be referred to as the community investment fund in future. It was highlighted this would be a minor editorial change so there was agreement for this.

- Page 134, grammar, add 'of' to sentence so it would read 'outcomes of Nelson 2060'
- Page 142, pet cremator, wording required to show this was only a provision at this stage until a report was considered

Parks and Active Recreation

- Page 144, refer to the groups that need relocating and that officers would work alongside groups as they looked for accommodation

- Page 146, change wording in relation to marina fees to 'it will be reviewed'

Mrs Hadley clarified that the marina hardstand had a budget provision in previous years which had been carried forward on a number of occasions.

Attendance: Councillor Matheson left the meeting at 12.41pm.

- Page 156, a query was raised in relation to the level of funding for the Maitai Forks Bridge. Ms McDonald said the funding was the current best estimate. If it was not sufficient it could be adjusted through an annual plan. She added that staff were not aware of any government funding that would be suitable for this project.

Attendance: Councillor Matheson returned to the meeting at 12.43pm.

Economic

- Page 163, suggestion that 'Significant negative effects and risk mitigation' wording needed to be reworded to mention the Economic Development Agency review which would help Council identify any weaknesses and mitigate against risks

Corporate

No issues were raised for this activity.

Her Worship the Mayor thanked staff and councillors for their efforts.

Resolved

AND THAT the Long Term Plan 2015-25 (A1373558) with amendments be adopted;

Her Worship the Mayor/Matheson

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive be delegated to make any necessary minor editorial amendments prior to the Long Term Plan 2015-25 being released to the public;

Fulton/Noonan

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT the \$138,000 of funding for development of Nightingale Library Memorial as a community hub in year 7 LTP 2015-25 be

brought forward to year 2 and included in the Annual Plan 2016/17;

Rainey/Fulton

Carried

Mrs Hadley advised that under 'Other Rating Information' in the rating recommendations in the officer's report, the paragraph 'Differential Categories' had been deleted, and the subsequent seven clauses relating to the 'General Rate' were removed and included in the Financial Impact Statement.

Resolved

AND THAT the Nelson City Council sets the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the district for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2015 and ending on 30 June 2016.

The revenue approved below will be raised by the rates and charges that follow.

Revenue approved:

<i>General Rate</i>	<i>\$33,471,487</i>
<i>Uniform Annual General Charge</i>	<i>\$8,044,029</i>
<i>Stormwater and Flood Protection Charge</i>	<i>\$5,018,004</i>
<i>Waste Water Charge</i>	<i>\$7,093,339</i>
<i>Water Annual Charge</i>	<i>\$3,512,608</i>
<i>Water Volumetric Charge</i>	<i>\$8,196,086</i>
<i>Clean Heat Warm Homes and Solar Saver</i>	<i>\$556,142</i>
<i>Rates and Charges (excluding GST)</i>	<i>\$65,891,695</i>
<i>Goods and Services Tax (at the current rate)</i>	<i>\$9,883,754</i>
<i>Total Rates and Charges</i>	<i>\$75,775,449</i>

The rates and charges below are GST inclusive.

(1) General Rate

A general rate set under section 13 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, assessed on a differential land value basis as described below:

- a rate of 0.65183 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “residential – single unit” category.**
- a rate of 0.65183 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “residential empty section” category.**
- a rate of 0.71702 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “single residential unit forming part of a parent valuation, the remainder of which is non-rateable” category. This represents a 10% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 0.71702 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “multi residential” category. This represents a 10% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.63414 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial – excluding inner city and Stoke commercial” subject to 100% commercial and industrial (occupied and empty) category. This represents a 150.7% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.38840 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial – excluding inner city and Stoke commercial” subject to 25% residential and 75% commercial” category. This represents a 113% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.14331 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial – excluding inner city and Stoke commercial” subject to 50% residential and 50% commercial” category. This represents a 75.4% differential on land value.**

- *a rate of 0.89757 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial – excluding inner city and Stoke commercial” subject to 75% residential and 25% commercial” category. This represents a 37.7% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 2.32313 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial inner city” subject to 100% commercial and industrial (occupied and empty) category. This represents a 256.4% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 1.90531 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial inner city subject to 25% residential and 75% commercial” category. This represents a 192.3% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 1.48748 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial inner city subject to 50% residential and 50% commercial” category. This represents a 128.2% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 1.06966 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “commercial inner city subject to 75% residential and 25% commercial” category. This represents a 64.1% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 2.22471 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “Stoke commercial subject to 100% commercial and industrial (occupied and empty)” category. This represents a 241.3% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 1.83165 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “Stoke commercial subject to 25% residential and 75% commercial” category. This represents a 181% differential on land value.*
- *a rate of 1.43859 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the “Stoke commercial subject to 50% residential and*

50% commercial" category. This represents a 120.7% differential on land value.

- **a rate of 1.04489 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "Stoke commercial subject to 75% residential and 25% commercial" category. This represents a 60.3% differential on land value.**
- **a rate of 0.42369 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "rural" category. This represents a minus 35% differential on land value.**
- **a rate of 0.58665 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "small holding" category. This represents a minus 10% differential on land value.**

(2) Uniform Annual General Charge

A uniform annual general charge under section 15 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$400.30 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit, (excluding properties subject to statutory declarations for unoccupied or second residential units not being used as separate units).

(3) Stormwater and Flood Protection Charge

A targeted rate under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating Act) 2002 of \$280.00 per rating unit, (excluding rural category, small holding category, residential properties east of Gentle Annie saddle, Saxton's Island and Nelson City Council's storm water network).

(4) Waste Water Charge

A targeted rate for waste water disposal under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of:

- **\$406.30 per separately used or inhabited part of a residential, multi residential, rural and small holding rating units (excluding properties subject to statutory declarations for unoccupied or second residential units not being used as separate units), that is connected either directly or through a private drain to a public waste water drain.**

- *For commercial rating units, a waste water charge of \$101.60 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit that is connected either directly or through a private drain to a public waste water drain and a "trade" waste charge will be levied.*

(5) Water Annual Charge

A targeted rate for water supply under Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of:

Water charge (per connection) \$198.86

(6) Water Volumetric Rate

A targeted rate for water provided under Section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of:

Price of water:

0 – 10,000 cu.m/year	\$2.052 per m³
10,001 – 100,000 cu.m/year	\$1.542 per m³
> 100,000 cu.m/year	\$1.218 per m³
Summer irrigation	\$1.797 per m³

(7) Clean Heat Warm Homes

A targeted rate per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit that has been provided with home insulation and/or a heater to replace a non-complying solid fuel burner under Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 in accordance with agreement of the original ratepayer, of:

- *For properties levied the Clean Heat Warm Homes as a result of agreements entered into after 1 July 2011, the targeted rate for each year for 10 years will be the total cost of the installed works excluding GST, divided by 10, plus GST.*
- *For properties levied the Clean Heat Warm Homes as a result of agreements entered into prior to 1 July 2011 the targeted rate of:*

<i>Loan Assistance Range</i>	<i>Installation after 30 Sept 2010</i>	<i>Completed prior to 30 Sept 2010</i>
<i>\$1,400 to \$1,599</i>	<i>\$140.00</i>	<i>\$143.11</i>
<i>\$1,600 to \$1,799</i>	<i>\$160.00</i>	<i>\$163.56</i>
<i>\$1,800 to \$1,999</i>	<i>\$180.00</i>	<i>\$184.00</i>
<i>\$2,000 to \$2,199</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>	<i>\$204.44</i>
<i>\$2,200 to \$2,399</i>	<i>\$220.00</i>	<i>\$224.89</i>
<i>\$2,400 to \$2,599</i>	<i>\$240.00</i>	<i>\$245.34</i>
<i>\$2,600 to \$2,799</i>	<i>\$260.00</i>	<i>\$265.78</i>
<i>\$2,800 to \$2,999</i>	<i>\$280.00</i>	<i>\$286.22</i>
<i>\$3,000 to \$3,199</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>	<i>\$306.67</i>
<i>\$3,200 to \$3,399</i>	<i>\$320.00</i>	<i>\$327.11</i>
<i>\$3,400 to \$3,599</i>	<i>\$340.00</i>	<i>\$347.56</i>
<i>\$3,600 to \$3,799</i>	<i>\$360.00</i>	<i>\$368.00</i>
<i>\$3,800 to \$3,999</i>	<i>\$380.00</i>	<i>\$388.44</i>
<i>\$4,000 to \$4,199</i>	<i>\$400.00</i>	<i>\$408.89</i>
<i>\$4,200 to \$4,399</i>	<i>\$420.00</i>	<i>\$429.34</i>
<i>\$4,400 to \$4,599</i>	<i>\$440.00</i>	<i>\$449.78</i>
<i>\$4,600 to \$4,799</i>	<i>\$460.00</i>	<i>\$470.22</i>
<i>\$4,800 to \$4,999</i>	<i>\$480.00</i>	<i>\$490.67</i>

(8) Solar Hot Water Systems

A targeted rate for any separately used or inhabited parts of a rating unit that has been provided with financial assistance to install a solar hot water system under Section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 in accordance with agreement of the original ratepayer, of the following factors on the extent of provision of service (net cost of the

work including GST after deducting EECA grant, plus funding cost):

- **0.14964 (including GST) for agreements entered into prior to 1 July 2011, multiplied by the Net Cost of the Work adjusted for any increased GST.**
- **0.13847 (including GST) for agreements entered into after 1 July 2011 multiplied by the Net Cost of the Work.**

Other Rating Information:

Due Dates for Payment of Rates

The above rates (excluding water volumetric rates) are payable at the Nelson City Council office, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson and shall be payable in four instalments on the following dates:

Instalment Number	Instalment Due Date	Last Date for Payment	Penalty Date
Instalment 1	1 August 2015	20 August 2015	26 August 2015
Instalment 2	1 November 2015	20 November 2015	25 November 2015
Instalment 3	1 February 2016	22 February 2016	26 February 2016
Instalment 4	1 May 2016	20 May 2016	26 May 2016

Rates instalments not paid on or by the Last Date for payment above will incur penalties as detailed in the section "Penalty on Rates".

Due Dates for Payment of Water Volumetric Rates

Residential water volumetric rates are payable at the Nelson City Council office, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson and shall be payable on the following dates:

Billing Month	Last Date for Payment	Penalty Date
July 2015	15 September 2015	21 September 2015
August 2015	15 September 2015	21 September 2015

<i>September 2015</i>	<i>15 October 2015</i>	<i>21 October 2015</i>
<i>October 2015</i>	<i>15 December 2015</i>	<i>21 December 2015</i>
<i>November 2015</i>	<i>15 December 2015</i>	<i>21 December 2015</i>
<i>December 2015</i>	<i>15 January 2016</i>	<i>21 January 2016</i>
<i>January 2016</i>	<i>15 March 2016</i>	<i>21 March 2016</i>
<i>February 2016</i>	<i>15 March 2016</i>	<i>21 March 2016</i>
<i>March 2016</i>	<i>15 April 2016</i>	<i>21 April 2016</i>
<i>April 2016</i>	<i>15 June 2016</i>	<i>21 June 2016</i>
<i>May 2016</i>	<i>15 June 2016</i>	<i>21 June 2016</i>
<i>June 2016</i>	<i>15 July 2016</i>	<i>21 July 2016</i>

Special (final) water volumetric rates will be payable 14 days from the invoice date of the special (final) water reading as shown on the water invoice.

Commercial water volumetric rates: last date for payment will be the 20th of the month following the invoice date as shown on the water volumetric rate invoice. The penalty date will be the fourth business day after the Last Date for Payment.

Penalty on Rates

Pursuant to Sections 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the council authorises the following penalties on unpaid rates (excluding volumetric water rate accounts) and delegates authority to the Group Manager Corporate Services to apply them:

- a first additional charge of 10% of the amount of each rate instalment remaining unpaid on the penalty date as shown in the above table and also shown on each rate instalment notice.*
- a second additional charge of 10% will be added to any balance remaining outstanding from a previous rating year (including*

penalties previously charged) as at 31st December 2015.

- *a further additional charge of 10% will be added to any balance remaining outstanding from a previous rating year (including penalties previously charged) as at 30 June 2016.*

Penalty on Water Volumetric Rates

Pursuant to Sections 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the council authorises the following penalties on unpaid volumetric water rates and delegates authority to the Group Manager Corporate Services to apply them:

- *an additional charge of 10% of the amount of each volumetric water rate account remaining unpaid on the penalty date as shown in the above table and also shown on each volumetric water rate account.*

Penalty Remission

In accordance with Council's rate remission policy, the council will approve the remission of the penalty added on instalment one due to late payment provided the total annual rates are paid in full by 20 November 2015. If full payment of the annual rates is not paid by 20 November 2015 the penalties relating to the first instalment outlined above will apply.

The above penalties will not be charged where Council has agreed to a programme for payment of outstanding rates.

The Group Manager Corporate Services is given discretion to remit rates penalties either in whole or part in accordance with Council's approved rates remission policy, as may be amended from time to time.

Discount on Rates

Pursuant to Section 55 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the Council will allow a discount of 2.0 percent of the total rates (excluding volumetric water rates) where a ratepayer pays the year's rates in full on or

before the due date for instalment one being 20 August 2015.

Payment of Rates

The rates shall be payable at the Council offices, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson between the hours of 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm Thursday. Where any payment is made by a ratepayer that is less than the amount now payable, the Council will apply the payment firstly to any rates outstanding from previous rating years and then proportionately across all current year rates due.

Noonan/Barker

Carried

There being no further business the meeting ended at 1.05pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

_____ Chairperson _____ Date