

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NELSON CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HOUSE, TRAFALGAR STREET, NELSON ON THURSDAY 21 APRIL 2011 COMMENCING AT 9.07AM

- PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor A Miccio, Councillors I Barker, A Boswijk (Deputy Mayor), G Collingwood, P Matheson, J Rackley, R Reese, D Shaw and M Ward
- IN ATTENDANCE: Acting Chief Executive (N McDonald) and Administration Adviser (S McLean)
- APOLOGIES: Were received and accepted from Councillors K Fulton, R Copeland, E Davy and P Rainey
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1. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interested put forward by Councillors.

2. Chief Executive Quarterly Report April 2011

Document number 1067894, agenda pages 1-39 refer.

Acting Chief Executive, Nikki Harrison, presented the report. She confirmed there were no recommendations for Council to consider and provided the following updates:

1. The NZTA report on the Arterial Traffic Study (ATS) (page 2, section 2.5) has not yet been received. Ms Harrison undertook to send a timeframe update to Councillors.
2. The Mayoral Taskforce (page 4, section 2.11) will be making a presentation to the 19 May Council meeting.
3. The Speed Limits Bylaw (page 32, section 5.22) will be discussed at the 19 May meeting instead of 28 April 2011.

2.1 Arterial Traffic Study

There was discussion on the delays of the ATS study.

2.2 Sustainability Strategy

It was suggested that the briefing given to the Mayoral Taskforce on the Sustainability Strategy be presented to all Councillors. The Mayor confirmed that this will be organised.

2.3 Relationship with Tasman District Council

It was put forward that an informal get together with TDC should be organised and the Mayor confirmed his support for this and the need to set a date for the event.

2.4 Trafalgar Park Clock

In answer to a question as to why the use of the clock at Trafalgar Park was not permitted for club rugby games, the Executive Manager Community Services undertook to investigate this.

2.5 Parking Ticket Machines

A Councillor provided feedback on some faulty parking machines, especially at Buxton Car Park. It was confirmed that the necessary maintenance would be conducted.

2.6 Solar Saver Scheme

The Solar Saver scheme was discussed and it was reported that expenditure and revenue were below that expected.

2.7 Lee Valley Dam

Councillor Boswijk advised that the study of the Lee Valley dam is expected to be completed by the end of May and the group involved wish to make a presentation to Council.

2.8 Customer Complaints

It was asked that details and implications of customer complaints (page 7, section 3.3) be brought back to Council.

2.9 Parking Activity Summary December 2010-March 2011

It was pointed out that 'Explanations Cancelled' (page 13) should be called 'Explanations Accepted'.

2.10 R-Funding

The discussion turned to R-Funding and the importance of October 2011 as a date to make decisions by. The qualifying of projects was discussed and the Executive Manager Strategy and Planning confirmed that only a very limited number of Council projects currently qualify for R-Funding. Mr Schruer also confirmed that Tasman District Council had spent all its R-Funding.

2.11 Regional Policy Statement

In response to a query, Nicky McDonald joined the meeting and confirmed that discussions are still underway on the Regional Policy Statement (page 31, section 5.21). She confirmed that staff are looking at useful areas to

pursue and will obtain further direction from Council before any work is progressed. Ms McDonald also advised that relevant feedback from resource consents and other areas of Council who would deal with the document frequently would be sought.

2.12 Highest Priority Compliance Issues

It was pointed out that the accuracy of the list (page 28, section 5.4) should be checked.

2.13 Strategic City Development Plan

It was stressed that the Strategic City Development Plan (page 6, section 2.19) needed further discussion at Council to avoid any disconnect. Nicky McDonald added that the first year was mainly an internal exercise, with minimal external funding required. The years following would involve community consultation and Council would have a strategy in place by then.

2.14 Solar Saver Scheme

The discussion turned to the Solar Saver Scheme again and it was clarified that this was not restrained by central government so local government could reassess the scheme as required. It was confirmed that feedback is to be provided by the scheme on why the uptake has been lower than expected.

2.15 Noise at Council Events

Noise at Council Events (page 29, section 5.12) was raised and there was discussion on the abatement notice served for Trafalgar Park. The Executive Manager Community Services explained that the Council holds resource consents for events and did not comply with noise levels, it was not because any complaints were received. Ms Coleman reported that community services are in the process of applying for a new consent regarding noise levels.

Resolved

THAT the Chief Executive Quarterly Report April 2011 be received.

Ward/Barker

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Rackley left the meeting at 10.05am

Public Excluded Business

3. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting in accordance with section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 on the grounds that the public conduct of this part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists.

i) Public Excluded Chief Executive Quarterly Report April 2011

Reasons:

To protect the privacy of natural persons; and

Protect information that is subject to an obligation of confidence.

Boswijk/Matheson

Carried

The meeting went into public excluded session at 10.08am and resumed in public session at 10.38am.

4. Re-admittance of the public

Resolved

THAT the public be re-admitted to the meeting.

Barker/Collingwood

Carried

There being no further business the meeting ended at 10.39am

CONFIRMED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

_____ CHAIRPERSON _____ DATE