

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 107 TE HEUHEU STREET, TAUPŌ  
ON FRIDAY, 3 MAY 2024 AT 9.30AM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor David Trewavas (in the Chair), Cr Duncan Campbell, Cr Sandra Greenslade, Cr Kylie Leonard (via MS Teams from 9.35am), Cr Danny Loughlin (from 9.32am), Cr Anna Park, Cr Christine Rankin, Cr Rachel Shepherd, Cr Kevin Taylor, Cr Yvonne Westerman, Cr John Williamson

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive (J Gardyne), General Manager Organisation Performance (S Matthews), Acting General Manager Operations and Delivery (T Hale), General Manager Strategy and Environment (W Zander), Policy Manager (N Carroll), Team Leader Corporate Planning (A Smith), Finance Manager (J Paenga), Policy Advisor (A Wilson), Senior Financial Planner (J Caldwell), Revenue Manager (T Wilkinson), Communications Team Lead (D Beck), Senior Policy Advisor (P Caruana), Senior Policy Advisor (K Goode), Team Leader Policy – Resource Management (E O’Callaghan), Policy Advisor – Resource Management (C Pilkington), Programme Manager (J Walton), Senior Committee Advisor (K Watts)

**MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** No members of the public

Notes: (i) All present opened and closed the meeting with a karakia.

(ii) Cr Danny Loughlin entered the meeting at 9.32am. He was not present for resolution TDC202405/01.

(iii) Cr Kylie Leonard entered the meeting via MS Teams at 9.35am. She was not present for resolution TDC202405/01.

**1 KARAKIA**

**2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES**

**TDC202405/01 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anna Park

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Westerman

That the apologies received from Crs Karam Fletcher, Cr Kirsty Trueman for absence, and Cr Danny Loughlin for lateness be accepted.

**CARRIED**

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/01 above.

**3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Nil

**5 NGĀ KAUPAPA HERE ME NGĀ WHAKATAUNGA | POLICY AND DECISION MAKING****5.1 APPROVAL OF SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR THE DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN 2024-34 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT FOR AUDIT NEW ZEALAND CONSIDERATION**

*Cr Danny Loughlin entered the meeting at this point (9.32am).*

The Senior Policy Advisor advised that the Risk and Assurance Committee had considered the draft Consultation Document and supporting information at its meeting the previous day and had suggested some minor changes which she displayed on the screen (A3543853).

*Cr Kylie Leonard entered the meeting via MS Teams at this point (9.35am).*

Members commented that the independent Chair and independent representative of the Risk and Assurance Committee had challenged assumptions and considered all the documentation thoroughly. Members acknowledged and thanked all involved, particularly the Finance team given the pressure the team had worked under, and uncontrollable delays due to the changes imposed by central government.

**TDC202405/02 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Cr John Williamson

That Council approves the following draft supporting information subject to editorial changes recommended by the Risk and Assurance Committee for the draft Long-term Plan 2024-34 Consultation Document for consultation subject to changes required as part of the audit process:

- a. Draft Accounting Policies
- b. Draft Funding Impact Statement
- c. Draft financial information

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/02 above.*

**5.2 APPROVAL OF THE (DRAFT) DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY**

The Senior Policy Advisor summarised the report and highlighted that growth projects were higher so the total cost was divided by a higher number.

The General Manager Organisation Performance added that development contributions could only be collected for projects related to growth. Growth costs had increased as well as the projections so the number of extra projects since the last Long-term Plan had increased. This would result in more revenue overall. Water projects were largely levels of service, not growth projects so only the growth share of water projects had been identified. An external review had been carried out to test this and feedback was incorporated in the policy.

**TDC202405/03 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That Council approves the draft Development Contributions Policy subject to editorial changes recommended by the Risk and Assurance Committee provided in Attachment 1 for consultation subject to changes required as part of the audit process.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/03 above.*

**5.3 DRAFT 2024-34 FINANCIAL STRATEGY FOR CONSULTATION**

The General Manager Organisation Performance advised that the Risk and Assurance Committee had discussed the draft financial strategy in detail at its meeting the previous day. She summarised the report and highlighted that considering the challenging environment, Council had landed in a financially prudent place without sacrificing its objectives and priorities.

**TDC202405/04 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Yvonne Westerman

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That Council approves the draft Financial Strategy 2024-34 for consultation subject to changes required as part of the audit process and/or design process.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/04 above.*

**5.4 DRAFT 2024 INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY FOR CONSULTATION**

The Team Leader Corporate Planning summarised the report and the draft Infrastructure Strategy.

The Acting General Manager Operations and Delivery added that with a 30 year horizon a significant amount of work was required to be done so there were some placeholders for projects. Changes in the compliance and legislative space had been taken into account and asset managers had moved the focus accordingly in the roading and three waters areas. Changes suggested by the Risk and Assurance Committee would be taken into account.

One member disagreed with the base assumptions taken and statements made for the proposed Northern Access project.

**TDC202405/05 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That Council approves the draft Infrastructure Strategy 2024 subject to editorial changes recommended by the Risk and Assurance Committee for consultation subject to changes required as part of the audit process.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Council meeting except Cr Duncan Campbell voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/05 above. Cr Duncan Campbell voted against resolution TDC202405/05 above.*

**5.5 APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN 2024-34 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT FOR AUDIT NEW ZEALAND CONSIDERATION**

The General Manager People and Community Partnerships introduced the item and advised that it was around 24 pages providing a bite-size take of what was contained in all of the supporting Long-term Plan documents.

The Senior Policy Advisor added that following feedback from the Risk and Assurance Committee the previous day, one of the questions had been changed (A3543853).

Members were encouraged to attend community engagement sessions throughout June and be seen as the faces of the Long-term Plan 2024-34.

One member was not happy to take ownership of the capital works programme from year one of the Long-term Plan.

The Chief Executive confirmed that members were obliged to comply with the principles of consultation set out in section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002 which included receiving views with an open mind.

**TDC202405/06 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council approve the draft Long-term Plan 2024-34 Consultation Document subject to editorial changes recommended by the Risk and Assurance Committee for consultation subject to changes required as part of the audit process. A designed version will be presented for adoption on 31 May, this will have a different look and feel and some content changes as a result of suggestions through the audit process.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Council meeting except Cr Duncan Campbell voted in favour of resolution TDC202405/06 above. Cr Duncan Campbell abstained from voting on resolution TDC202405/06 above.*

**6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**The meeting closed at 10.35am with a karakia from all present.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 May 2024.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**