

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DISTRICT PLANNING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA ON TUESDAY 16 JULY 2024 AT 1PM.

PRESENT

Deputy Mayor N Atkinson, Councillors T Fulton (Chairperson), A Blackie, B Cairns and J Goldsworthy.

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors P Redmond and P Williams.

J Millward (Chief Executive), K LaValley (General Manager Planning, Regulation and Environment), M Bacon (Development Planning Manager), P Daly (Journey Planner/Road Safety Coordinator) and C Fowler-Jenkins.

1 APOLOGIES

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson Seconded: Councillor Cairns

THAT an apology for absence be received and sustained from Mayor D Gordon.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Atkinson declared a conflict of interest for the briefing as he was a Commissioner on the Proposed District Plan Hearing Panel.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the meeting of the District Planning and Regulation Committee held on Tuesday 28 May 2024

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson Seconded: Councillor Blackie

THAT the District Planning and Regulation Committee:

- (a) **Confirms** the circulated Minutes of the meeting of the District Planning and Regulation Committee, held on 28 May 2024, as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

3.2 Matters arising (From Minutes)

Councillor Redmond noted that he had requested clarification regarding the designation of solar farms in the District Plan. K LaValley had explained that if the solar farms were small scale with a community scale of renewable energy generation of up to a maximum of 20 sites, or if the proposal was for assessing the suitability of a site and the infrastructure was not going to be on the site for more than 24 months, these were a permitted activity. Large scale solar farms would be restricted to certain areas.

4 DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

5 REPORTS

5.1 District Licensing Committee Membership Options – B Charlton (Environmental Services Manager)

Moved: Councillor Blackie Seconded: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

THAT the District Planning and Regulation Committee:

- (a) **Lays** the report on the table pending a workshop.

CARRIED

6 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

7 PORTFOLIO UPDATES

7.1 District Planning – Councillor Tim Fulton

- District Plan process and where to access that information concern that this was difficult process and hard for people to follow.
- The links to the Council website are below. The first page relates to the whole District Plan Review process, including submissions and further submissions, while the second was the link to the District Plan Hearings page. The second link had all of the recordings of the hearings, evidence, and minutes from the panel.

<https://www.waimakariri.govt.nz/council/district-development/district-plan-review>
<https://www.waimakariri.govt.nz/council/district-development/proposed-district-plan-hearings>

- Minute 1 (which could be found through the second link) outlined the process quite well and helped to explain the process and what happened after a hearing stream. Note that this document had been updated a number of times and those interested should visit the website to get the most up to date information.
- The current deadline for decisions is December 2024.

7.2 Civil Defence and Regulation – Councillor Jason Goldsworthy

- A Community Hub had been established at North Loburn School.
- The Civil Defence Team had been doing a lot of work on structuring future staff training with increased capacity in the EOC and working on processes to minimise the impact on business as usual operations.
- Regulation Team had been doing a good job keeping on top of applications – there was a team member helping Christchurch City Council catch up on their backlog.

7.3 Business, Promotion and Town Centres – Councillor Brent Cairns

Rangiora

- Hunnibell Lane, workers were currently getting things done in readiness for the opening of the stores.
- Parking signage had been changed, removing Monday to Friday from the parking restrictions to have seven day restrictions.

- Rangiora Promotions Association had rebranded and become more focused. Their new name was “Rangiora Promotions” “doing good in the Community” i.e. every event was financially viable.
- Next events – Winter Festival on 10th August 2024 would be run by BlueSky events, Harry Potter Quiz on the 21st September 2024, Christmas Fair on either 21/22nd November 2024, Santa parade on the 8th December 2024 and Sunday Funday would take place in March 2025.
- Attended Rangiora Inquiry by Design workshop which was attended by some business owners, staff and elected members. Really good outcomes which would guide town centre plans. As part of the review the likes of the Last Wednesday Club would not be hosted by Rangiora Promotions but by the likes of Bev Wright and Kimberley Tonkin.

Oxford

- Winter Lights – lighting of the very large tree by the library – lower key event this year.
- Dark Sky event at the school and observatory on the 2nd August 2024 from 6.30-9.30 events on Humantix. Tours, live music, food and drinks. \$5 per person and \$10 for family of up to six.
- Oxford Garage Sale event on the 4th August 2024 from 9am till 2pm.
- Water tower trail would be deferred until spring/summer.
- Oxford Promotions Action Committee had resignations of both its treasurer and secretary.

Kaiapoi

- Kaiapoi Promotions Association had their next event on the 17th July 2024 at 5,30pm at the Coast Guard, they would have Bianca Punt from Attraction Studio to talk marketing tips and the Committee would talk about the review of Christmas event location and how that event would expand into an evening music event.
- Fire and Ice – Blackwells reported a busy time in store.
- Kaiapoi Art Expo – 8000 visitors, slightly lower sales. Been testing time regarding funding of the event.
 - Matariki events – very large crowd 13,000/15,000, stall holders had long queues as did the toilets and the light show on Charles Street at one point the end of their queue was past Paris for the weekend, cars were parked over driveways and filled New World car park, lots of learnings to take through to next year’s event, 30% of the audience were from Christchurch, where as 5% would attend Rangiora events.
 - Installing power at Norman Kirk park has been budgeted for, which will help run future events.

Other

- Local Kaiapoi business owners had presented to bus and tour companies with the view of targeting Cruise ship customers regarding visiting Kaiapoi. Early days yet, however thus far the response is very positive.
- Mayor Gordon, Vanessa Thompson and Niamh Donnellan had been part of a Urban95 course which looked at designing our towns to take into account those at 95cms at height.
- Further to last week’s Council workshop as Portfolio holder, he had been appointed to the Enterprise North Canterbury funding application committee. The first being on the 29th August 2024. He hoped to communicate back to Governance any applications, so any groups that applied to Community Boards for funding, the Board could be told that ENC had also granted funds.

Councillor Redmond noted that parking restrictions was now for seven days a week. He asked what enforcement there would be over the weekends. K LaValley explained that first Council would like to get the word out and see how compliance went. They had done a bit during weekends in the past looking to see where the turnover was and

where there were potential issues. Staff could then look at where the issues were and start looking at resourcing.

8 MATTER REFERRED FROM THE RANGIORA-ASHLEY COMMUNITY BOARD

8.1 Proposed Changes to the Bus Stop Facility at North Loburn School – J McBride (Roading and Transport Manager) and P Daly (Road Safety Coordinator/Journey Planner)

(The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board considered report 240430068062 at its meeting on 10 July 2024. Staff will provide further update at the meeting).

P Daly spoke to the report noting that the Council was approached by the principal at North Loburn School to move the bus stop from its location outside the pedestrian gate, 40 metres north, in order to open up sightlines. The stop was being relocated to a second gate that had been used during covid. The move was supported by the Ministry of Education who had conducted a site visit.

Councillor Redmond asked if the Ministry of Education considered any funding towards the relocation. P Daly noted that they did not have any funding and the cost would be covered by the Road Marking budget.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Goldsworthy

THAT the District Planning and Regulation Committee:

- (a) **Approves** relocation of the existing school bus stop approximately 40 metres north, along the school boundary.
- (b) **Approves** the remarking and signage of the new bus stop location.
- (c) **Notes** the cost estimate of \$1000 - \$1200.
- (d) **Notes** the support of the principal of North Loburn School, and of the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

9 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

10 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the District Planning and Regulation Committee will be held on 20 August 2024.

Briefing (1:17pm to 1:33pm)

- *District Plan Update – M Bacon (Development Planning Manager)*

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1:33PM.

CONFIRMED



Councillor T Fulton

20 August 2024

Date