
Council

OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin on Wednesday 5 March 2025 at 11:00 am.

PRESENT

Mayor	His Worship The Mayor Bernie Wanden
Deputy Mayor	Councillor David Allan
Councillors	Councillor Mike Barker
	Councillor Rogan Boyle
	Councillor Ross Brannigan
	Councillor Clint Grimstone
	Councillor Nina Hori Te Pa
	Councillor Sam Jennings
	Councillor Paul Olsen
	Councillor Jonathan Procter
	Councillor Justin Tamihana
	Councillor Alan Young

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer	Monique Davidson	Chief Executive
	Daniel Haigh	Group Manager - Community Infrastructure
	Jacinta Straker	Group Manager - Organisation Performance
	Brent Harvey	Group Manager - Community Experience and Services
	David McCorkindale	Group Manager – Community Vision and Delivery
	Blair Spencer	Group Manager – Housing & Business Development
	Ashley Huria	Business Performance Manager
Meeting Secretary	Grayson Rowse	Principal Advisor – Democracy
	Alice Petersen	Democracy Support Officer

1 Apologies

Resolution Number CO/2025/18

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Tamihana:

That an apology from Councillor Paul Olsen be received and accepted.

CARRIED

2 Late Items

Acceptance of Late Item

Resolution Number CO/2025/19

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Grimstone:

That Item: State Highway Speed Limit Reversals be considered as a late item.

This item was not available at the time the agenda was published as this was not a matter that had been previously signaled as requiring a Council decision;

And consideration on this item cannot wait until the next scheduled Council meeting as the closing date for submissions is before the next scheduled Council meeting.

CARRIED

Councillor Young joined the meeting at 11:03 am.

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declaration of interest

4 Reports for Decision

4.1 Endorsement of Local Waters Done Well Consultation Document

The purpose of this report was to endorse the draft consultation document – ‘Have your say on Who Manages Local Water Services?’ – be approved for community consultation between 10 March and 10 April 2025.

Horowhenua District Council (HDC) will adhere to the simplified consultation process for decision making outlined in the Local Government (Water Services Preliminary Arrangements) Act 2024.

Resolution Number CO/2025/20

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Grimstone:

That Report 25/68 Endorsement of Local Waters Done Well Consultation Document be received.

That this matter or decision is recognised as significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

Councillor Barker joined the meeting at 11:10 am.

*Councillor Boyle joined the meeting at 11:15 am.
Councillor Hori Te Pa joined the meeting at 11:15 am.*

Resolution Number CO/2025/21

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Cr Young:

That Council notes its previous preferred option a Joint Council Water Services Arrangement with Kāpiti Coast District Council is no longer a practicable option.

CARRIED

Resolution Number CO/2025/22

MOVED by Cr Procter, seconded Cr Tamihana:

That Council endorse Option 1: A Water Services Organisation jointly owned by Horowhenua District Council, Palmerston North City Council, Manawatū District Council, and Kāpiti Coast District Council as preferred option.

CARRIED

Resolution Number CO/2025/23

MOVED by Cr Procter, seconded Cr Allan:

That Council adopt for consultation the draft consultation document – ‘Have your say on Who Delivers Local Water Services?’ - for consultation, attached as Attachment A.

CARRIED

Resolution Number CO/2025/24

MOVED by Cr Jennings, seconded Cr Brannigan:

That Council consults with the community following the streamlined process for consultation and decision making regarding the transfer of water services outlined in the Local Government (Water Services Preliminary Arrangements) Act 2024.

CARRIED

Resolution Number CO/2025/25

MOVED by Cr Young, seconded Cr Grimstone:

That the hearings of any submissions on this matter be heard by Council.

That the Council delegates to the Chief Executive to make minor editorial changes to the consultation document.

CARRIED

4.2 State Highway Speed Limit Reversals

This report requested a Council decision whether to submit to NZTA's proposed state highway speed limit reversals and; requested that Council confirm its position of either supporting or opposing the two proposed speed limit changes within the District.

Resolution Number CO/2025/26

MOVED by Mayor Wanden, seconded Cr Allan:

That Report 25/90 State Highway Speed Limit Reversals be received.

That this matter or decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

MOVED by Cr Proctor; seconded Cr Jennings

That Council requests the Chief Executive to draft a submission, circulate to Councillors for feedback and submit on behalf of Council, on NZTA's consultation on the Manawatū-Whanganui Region speed limits which;

- opposes the reversal of the SH1 speed limit and,
- supports the reversal of the SH57 speed limit

LOST

Resolution Number CO/2025/27

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Tamihana:

That Council requests the Chief Executive to draft a submission, circulate to Councillors for feedback and submit on behalf of Council, on NZTA's consultation on the Manawatū-Whanganui Region speed limits which:

- Opposes the SH57 SH1 to Heatherlea East Road speed limit reversal
- Opposes the SH1 Ohau to Pukehou overbridge speed limit reversal

CARRIED

11.42pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

DATE:

CHAIRPERSON: