WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE UTILITIES AND ROADING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA ON TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017 AT 4.00PM

PRESENT
Councillor R Brine (Chairperson), Mayor D Ayers, Deputy Mayor K Felstead, Councillors J Meyer, S Stewart and P Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE
Councillors D Gordon, P Allen, S Stewart and W Doody.
Messrs J Palmer, (Chief Executive), G Cleary (Manager Utilities and Roading), K Simpson (3 Waters Manager), Ms J Fraser (Utilities Planner), O Davies (Drainage Asset Manager), S Collin (Infrastructure Strategy Manager), B Rice (Senior Transport Engineer), K Graham (Journey Planner/Road Safety Coordinator), and L Courtney (Governance Secretary).

1 APOLOGIES
Moved Deputy Mayor Felstead seconded Councillor Meyer
THAT an apology be received and sustained from Mayor Ayers for early departure at 5pm.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
Deputy Mayor Felstead declared an interest in relation to item 6.1.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
3.1 Minutes of a meeting of the Utilities and Roading Committee held on Tuesday 18 April 2017

Moved Deputy Mayor Felstead seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Confirms, as a true and correct record, the circulated minutes of a meeting of the Utilities and Roading Committee held on Tuesday 18 April 2017.

CARRIED

4 MATTERS ARISING
There were no matters arising.

5 PRESENTATION
There were no presentations.
6 REPORTS

6.1 Approval to seal the remaining unsealed section of North Eyre Road between No 10 Road and Logans Road under the rural seal extension policy – K Stevenson (Roading Manager)

Deputy Mayor Felstead, having declared an interest, left the table.

K Stevenson spoke to the report, elaborating on the plan included in the report and highlighting that it meets the criteria in the Council’s policy for sealing roads.

Councillor Doody sought clarification that the entrance to the Mandeville Sports Centre would be sealed. K Stevenson replied that sealing roads includes sealing driveways to the property boundary. He advised that he had spoken with Green Space Manager regarding the driveway itself, which would be followed up by the Green Space unit.

Moved Councillor Meyer seconded Mayor Ayers

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Receives report No 170607058034.
(b) Approves the sealing of the remaining unsealed length of North Eyre Road between No 10 Road and Logans Road as shown on the attached plan (Doc 170612059857).
(c) Notes that this sealing complies with the rural seal extension policy where financial contributions are available.
(d) Notes that funding is available in the Roading Subdivision Contribution Budget in the 2017/18 year to fund this work.
(e) Circulates this report to the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board.

CARRIED

Councillor Meyer and Mayor Ayers spoke briefly in support of the road sealing.

Councillor Doody commended staff taking action and bringing the work forward.

With business concluded, Deputy Mayor Felstead returned to the table.

6.2 Closure of Stock Water Race R1-A in Eyrewell Forest Area – O Davies (Drainage Asset Manager) and J Fraser (Utilities Planner)

K Simpson spoke to the report. New information provided by Heritage New Zealand has shown that closing the race, from an archaeological perspective, would have a minor impact. Also, Environment Canterbury (ECan) have provided a memo which states that this particular section of the water race is not of significance for managed aquifer recharges.

Deputy Mayor Felstead queried whether there was a second race going through the property. K Simpson confirmed there was a second race on the property, as indicated by the white line on the map on page 29 of the agenda; the second race would remain open for some time. He added that other races border the Ngai Tahu farms in the north and that there were other water races that would provide stock water and would be charged rates.
Councillor Williams queried whether the second water race was legal and whether it could be closed by anyone. K Simpson advised that the water races belonged to the Council, so due process must be adhered to for a water race to be closed, which included consultation.

Moved Councillor Brine seconded Councillor Meyer

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Receives report No 170608058199.
(b) Approves closure of the Water Race R1-A at a point approximately 520m east of Poyntz Road.
(c) Notes that at the point of closure of the race any surplus water will be discharged to ground via a soak pit, in accordance with a consent to be obtained from Environment Canterbury.
(d) Notes the reduction in stock water race rate income following closure of part of R1-A would be approximately $8,012.
(e) Notes it is unclear whether any improved operating efficiencies resulting from the race closure would be sufficient to cover the loss of rates revenue.
(f) Circulates this report to the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board and the Water Race Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Felstead expressed concern on rates being removed from the rating system, and its impact on other water race ratepayers. Continued closures of water races could have a significant impact on future stock water race rates.

Mayor Ayers acknowledged Deputy Mayor Felstead’s comments, and that the impact on ratepayers should be a consideration, however he was not convinced it should be a reason not to close a water race that is no longer used.

Councillor Doody commented on the history of the water race and believed it was important that it was recorded. K Simpson advised that keeping a record of the water race had been identified as part of the archaeological assessment. Heritage New Zealand (HNZ) were content with the water race being closed, however, they were interested in the “filling in” process by landowners and wanted to ensure that a record was kept of the locations of old water races.

Councillor Stewart had heard through the community the preference for the water race not to be fill in, for flood and drainage management purposes, and queried staff on the matter. K Simpson replied that in the past, it had been left to the property owners, with the proviso that any secondary functions, for example drainage, were not adversely affected. He noted that the HNZ report acknowledged that the race would be filled in, although a permit would be required for that to occur.

Mayor Ayers queried whether the HNZ report included a thorough investigation of the whole water race. O Davies replied that it was a thorough process which included historic research. Mayor Ayers commented on the background to the water races and questioned the need for archaeological assessment being completed for all water race closures.

7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Nil.
8 PORTFOLIO UPDATES

8.1 Roading – Councillor John Meyer

- Commented and commended staff on communications in relation to roading projects around the district.

8.2 Drainage and Stockwater – Councillor Sandra Stewart

- Attended full round of drainage and stockwater advisory group meetings. Now starting second round of meetings for the year.
- Advised of meeting with Cam River irrigators.

8.3 Utilities (Water Supplies and Sewer) – Cr Paul Williams

- Councillor Williams advised the success of the Oxford Rural 1 drilling.
- Met with Councillor Gordon and local resident regarding concerns and resident went away satisfied with outcome.

8.4 Solid Waste – Cr Robbie Brine

- Provided update on Landfill Committee.

9 MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Moved Mayor Ayers  seconded Councillor Felstead

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution, are as follows:

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<td>Minutes of the public excluded portion of a meeting of the Utilities and Roading Committee 18 April 2017</td>
<td>Confirmation of Minutes</td>
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<td>9.2</td>
<td>Report of Simon Collins (Infrastructure Strategy Manager)</td>
<td>Waterways and Drainage Maintenance Contract</td>
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This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

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<td>9.1 and 9.2</td>
<td>Protection of privacy of natural persons To carry out commercial activities without prejudice</td>
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CARRIED
CLOSED MEETING AT 4.34PM

OPEN MEETING 4.36PM

10 QUESTIONS
There were no question under Standing Orders.

11 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS
There was no urgent general business.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4.37PM.

CONFIRMED

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Chairman

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Date

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STAFF BRIEFING

At the conclusion of the meeting there was a workshop to discuss:

2018-28 LTP - ROADING LEVELS OF SERVICE AND BUDGET LEVEL EXPECTATIONS, FEEDBACK ON FUTURE PROJECTS, ONRC AND NZTA PROGRAMME AND BUSINESS CASES