PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs J Palmer, (Chief Executive), G Cleary (Manager Utilities and Roading), K Simpson (3 Waters Manager), O Davies (Drainage Asset Manager), C Roxburgh (Water Asset Manager), Ms S Allen (Water Environment Advisor), A Smith (Committee Advisor)

The Chair acknowledged the recent passing of the former WDC Roading Manager Ken Stevenson and the significant contribution he made to the Council and the Waimakariri district during his time at the Council. Councillor Gordon also acknowledged Council Manager Utilities and Roading Gerard Cleary, who spoke at the funeral of Mr Stevenson, on behalf of the Council.

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of a meeting of the Utilities and Roading Committee held on Tuesday 19 June 2018

Moved Councillor Stewart seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Confirms, as a true and correct record, the minutes of a meeting of the Utilities and Roading Committee held on Tuesday 19 June 2018, with the inclusion of Cr Barnett as attending.

CARRIED

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.
5 DEPUTATION

5.1 Michael Bate

Mr Bate was invited to speak at the meeting by the Chairperson, following a presentation at a recent meeting of the Waimakariri Water Zone Committee, where he raised concerns regarding the Kaiapoi Wastewater Treatment Plant and the impact on Pines beach of the Ocean Outfall. Mr Bate tabled copies of a letter received from the Hon David Park, Minister for the Environment, in response to an email he had sent to Hon Kelvin Davis, also raising his concerns about the Kaiapoi Wastewater Treatment Plant and the ocean outfall. (Refer to subsequent Trim document 180912105171)

Mr Bate’s powerpoint suggests that the Kaiapoi Wastewater Treatment Plant is inadequate and is not using current best technology practice. It is using fifty year old technology. A basic filter removes solid objects from the wastewater at the start of treatment removing objects larger than 5mm. This very basic Treatment Plant consists of an aeration pond, two oxidation ponds and settling wetland ponds before discharging the effluent to the ocean outfall. A UV light is used to try and disinfect the effluent. The treatment is basically using algae feeding on nutrients. At times due to winds, a degree of solid particulates are discharged out to see with the wastewater. There is no filter to remove solid particulates and these produce a higher nutrient level in the ocean outfall. A series of photos were presented, showing firstly the aeration pond, which has four aeration pumps (Mr Bate noted that normally only two or three are in use at any one time) and then the oxidation ponds (with beginning of algae growth consuming nutrients), sludge floating on top. A series of photos of the wetland were shown, showing a building up of sludge over the years and no real vegetation growth. This has been planted twice in the past but all plants have died. There was health green algae growth shown on the edge of water but due to lack of oxygen in water, algae dies and there is a strong rotting smell. Water treatment is ineffective as algae is dead or dying. A combination of hot weather, nutrient rich, and lack of oxygen contributes to dead algae. Several photos of the dead birdlife were shown, as a result of the botulism toxin in the wetland, including protected species native Grey Teal and waterfowl. Midge carry the botulism toxins as they are not effected by them, but they are fatal to birdlife, wildlife and fish life. Mr Bate said there is around ten birds a week dying still. Mr Bate also raised concerns with the lack of technology observed where the wetland runs into the last pond before the Outfall and questioned whether this was best practice methods? Concerns were also expressed and photos shown, regarding the black toxic algae observed at the pump reservoir at the Ocean Outfall and also questioned if this is best practice. Mr Bate also showed several photos taken at Pines Beach near the Ocean Outfall, indicating discoloured foam and discoloured water and comparing this to natural clean foam. Mr Bate believes the discoloured sea foam is a by-product of the Ocean Outfall and it has only been there since the Ocean Outfall has been in operation. Mr Bate suggests there should be signs at the beach warning people. Two recent photos taken of Pines Beach on 13 and 20 August were also shared. Information from two other Councils on their wastewater treatment plans was shown and Mr Bate questioned why this serious issue is being ignored.

Following a question from Councillor Meyer on the letter response from the Minister for the Environment. Mr Bate suggests that the truth is not being told and the Minister has been misled.

Mr Bate was thanked for his presentation and it was noted the next item on the agenda deals with Council formalising an Avian botulism management plan.
6 REPORT

6.1 Avian botulism at the Kaiapoi Wastewater Treatment Plant and surroundings: 2017-18 season summary and proposed management – Sophie Allen (Water Environment Advisor) and Rob Frizzell (Wastewater Engineer)

Ms S Allen and Mr K Simpson presented this report which recommends refining current management with the formalisation of an Avian Botulism Management Plan.

Several management options have been considered, some that other Councils are using in other parts of the country. The recommended option is to continue, on an as-required basis, with increased removal frequency of bird deaths.

A long term option is to reduce the size of the wetland at the Kaiapoi WWTP, and the report considers the pros and cons for this. Staff are in the initial stages of looking at this option and it is too soon to say if this would have an impact.

During the past financial year the Council has spent $42,000 on the retrieval of bird carcasses and disposing of them safely. Staff will need to look at long term weather patterns as dryer, hotter summers impacts on this issue.

Councillor Atkinson asked about bird counts, and sought some confirmation that these counts are being undertaken and asked is there live bird counts being undertaken to compare the effect of the avian botulism? S Allen noted that bird carcass counts have been undertaken, but there has not been any counts of live birds by Council staff or contractors. There have been bird counts undertaken by relevant wildlife groups. Councillor Atkinson expressed concern that there didn’t appear to have been the remedial actions in place over the last four years. Mr Simpson confirmed that all these steps have been undertaken previously and they are now being collated together in a single management plan.

Councillor Blackie asked is there any experts that the Council could seek advice from regarding the suggestion of reducing the size of the wetland area. S Allen said this is a complex issue and it could be that advice on engineering and ecology would need to be sourced.

Councillor Brine spoke on the presence of sludge and suggested that some of the infrastructure in the WWTP looked older. Is the Council doing sludge removal and disposal? Mr Simpson said there has been some desludging works undertaken in the last 12 months which will improve the management of algae and sludge at the Kaiapoi WWTP.

Councillor Williams expressed concern that it appears the waste going out to sea is not clear enough and this could have impact on the birdlife there as well. Mr Simpson said while the Council has been fully compliant with the resource consent conditions for the ocean outfall, there is some operational challenges with avian botulism, smell, midges, sea foam, and the Council is looking at the overall improving the operation of the treatment plant. Councillor Williams suggested that the option of making the pond smaller could mean that there would be worse product going out to sea than what is going out now. Mr Simpson responded that a key part of the work would be to make sure that there is no compromise of the existing operation of the WWTP. Following a question from Councillor Williams on the collecting of samples of the sea form, it was advised that four samples of the sea foam have been taken but these were all on the same day.
Councillor Meyer noted that there had been thousands of plants planted when the wastewater treatment plant was developed and asked what would this look like if these plants were all still alive and what would the water quality be? S Allen noted that the water is too deep for these plants, and there could be different types of plants planted here. Mr Cleary said that to have a well-functioning WWTP, there is a lot of matters that need to come together. If the Council wishes, staff can engage specialists who can look at the operating function and design of the WWTP and answer all the questions. Mr Cleary said it is important to remember that this plant is still operating within the compliance requirements. Councillor Meyer believes it is time that the Council got this issue right and emphasised the need to improve the environment. Mr Cleary confirmed there could be improvements made to matters, but there is no guarantee that these improvements would correct the issues. Other Councils around New Zealand and around the world have the same kind of issues to manage. Mr Palmer added that there is always going to be challenges to this type of treatment system, being pond-based. If the Council is looking for a substantially higher quality output from the plant, there would need to be a lot of investigation undertaken to investigate what are the best options. The practical reality for Waimakariri is that there is not another affordable disposal choice in the near term. There are operational areas that are distressing to both Council and the community relating to the wildlife. Council could look at a longer term strategy if it was to look at treatment enhancement, which would be a significant piece of work, looking at it from a number of different points, including avian botulism, and also taking into account the growing population.

Councillor Gordon asked if it is time for a more detailed report to come back to the committee, particularly on the matters raised by Mr Bate, which he has raised on a number of occasions. What are the options going forward and is it unreasonable for this Council to be asking what work could be done to respond to the concerns of the community? Mr Palmer said any questions to be answered would need to be clearly scoped and to what degree of specific. Mr Cleary added if this involved a change to the system completely, this would be an infrastructure strategy for the Council to consider. This has been signalled in future strategy work this could mean a very substantial cost and could be over a decade timeframe. In terms of an investigation, Mr Cleary said the scope together could be brought back to this committee by the end of this calendar year. Any consultant fees relating to this are not included in the current budget.

Following a question from Councillor Gordon, Mr Simpson acknowledged that some of the photos shown in the deputation today of the sludge and bird carcasses at the Kaiapoi WWTP, are representative of the operational challenges faced at this Plant.

Councillor Barnett suggested there could be further testing done on the brown form on the beach to determine this is not as a result of the ocean outfall. Mr Cleary advised that it was the intention for further testing to be undertaken.

Regarding avian botulism, Councillor Barnett asked if there is a national response to this, as there appears to be cases of this in many places around the country. Ms Allen is not aware of this, and it is being dealt with by each Council individually. It was advised that this Council has been coordinating with Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury, who have an interest from a Regional Parks perspective as well.

Councillor Barnett commented on the difficulty in retrieving dead birds, having attended the tour of the facility last year when this was discussed. Mr Simpson said the current contractor does not have a safe operating
procedure to recover birds from the centre of the pond. Staff from the Council’s own Water unit have been involved in this but it was noted that there is some health and safety measures that need to be improved on. These risks that need to be considered are drowning and injury, rather than contamination.

Moved Councillor Stewart seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 180719080426.
(b) Notes the recommendation for the formalisation of a WDC Avian Botulism Management Plan that refines current management practices, and documents communication, collaboration, monitoring, reporting and other requirements.
(c) Notes the feasibility to reduce the size of Kaiapoi WWTP wetland area will investigated and reported to the Utilities and Roading Committee.
(d) Request staff to scope an investigation on improved operation of the Kaiapoi Wastewater Treatment Plant for a report back to the Committee by the end of 2018.
(e) Circulates this report to Council for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Brine believes this motion is a step in the right direction based on the discussion held. It is important that the staff scope the work, get the questions right and price the work required.

Councillor Atkinson supports this and does not believe that avian botulism is a natural occurrence and the Council needs to be looking at the causes. Councillor also questioned if the ocean outfall plant is working within the consent and believes the plant is not working effectively and there is the potential for the council to have to spend a significant amount to fix this issue.

Mayor Ayers said avian botulism is not just a national issue, it is a worldwide issue. The issue of sewerage is always the disposal of it, and this question will never go away.

Councillor Gordon believes it is a positive step to have the scoping report to come back to the committee before the end of the year.

Councillor Barnett would like to know what other Councils are doing with the avian botulism issue and would also like this matter raised with LGNZ.

The sea foam – Councillor Barnett does not support that this is a result of the ocean outfall, but supports having the testing to be repeated again. Investigation is needed but supports the Council using information that is available now.

Councillor Williams believes this is a very important matter for the Council to be progressing for the future.

Councillor Atkinson would like to be advised of dates when the testing of the beach foam is to recommence. Staff will follow this up.

6.2 Management of Nitrate Levels for WDC Community Water Supplies – Sophie Allen (Water Environment Advisor) and Colin Roxburgh (Water Asset Manager)
Ms S Allen, Messrs K Simpson and C Roxburgh presented this report which recommends that the Council adopt a position on limits for nitrate levels in community water supplies in the Waimakariri Water Zone. The Water Zone Committee is developing its ZIPA (Zone Implementation Programme Addendum), which will include the proposed limit for the groundwater nitrate levels to be introduced. This report seeks approval for the 3 Waters Staff to advocate for the management of nitrate leaching in groundwater. The draft ZIPA has a suggested median level of nitrate-nitrogen levels per litre and Council staff endorse the setting of a lower median nitrate limit is not exceeded. The staff wish to set a limit of having 95% percentile to not exceed 5.65 mg/L nitrate-nitrogen above the MAV, and only 5% below. This would allow for much more of a buffer.

Council staff are working with ECAn staff looking at the groundwater model as there have been concerns raised that there is uncertainty. The issue of private well supplies is being looked at with ECAn to let people know they may need to have their private water supplies tested. A report from Beca was noted. Future options are the blending of waters, or deepening of wells.

Councillor Stewart wants assurance that the Council’s view was being taken into account by the Water Zone Committee. There also needs to be alignment with the Christchurch West Melton Water Zone Committee. C Roxburgh noted it is important to align this.

Moved Councillor Williams seconded Councillor Meyer

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee recommends:

THAT the Council:

(a) Receives report No. 180719080422
(b) Acknowledges that 3 Waters staff, who are responsible for providing safe high quality drinking water, will advocate for the management of nitrate leaching to groundwater in the Waimakariri Water Zone to limit groundwater nitrate levels to not exceed more than 50% of the Maximum Allowable Value (MAV), as defined in the Drinking-Water Standards New Zealand, for community drinking water supplies.
(c) Notes that a groundwater nitrate limit will be proposed by the Waimakariri Water Zone Committee in the draft Zone Implementation Programme Addendum, to be presented to the Council on 11 September 2018.
(d) Notes staff are integrating management and monitoring of nitrate levels into current WDC management practices i.e. Activity Management Plans, and Water Safety Plans under the Drinking-Water Standards New Zealand.
(e) Notes that staff are working with Environment Canterbury for increased data input into the nitrate groundwater model from WDC water supply wells, to reduce modelled uncertainty and allow for more informed management.
(f) **Notes** that water treatment for nitrate removal is not considered a preferred option with current technology. However, options such as catchment management, and blending of water supplies are viable options.

**CARRIED**

Mayor Ayers noted that as knowledge improves, limits or measures will be able to be refined as necessary.

### 6.3 Strategy for Non-Standard Rural Water Supply Connections - Colin Roxburgh (Water Asset Manager)

C Roxburgh and K Simpson presented this report which seeks the committees approval of the proposed strategy for non-standard rural water supply connections. This is in response to issues on some properties that have been around for a long time. Some properties have just one unit connection which is less than the minimum required size for standard restricted connections of 2-units. The second issue is unrestricted connections which have the ability to unrestricted water supplies. C Roxburgh noted that these properties would need to be identified and meters installed. It is estimated to be approximately 20 of these properties in the district.

Councillor Stewart asked on the cost of metering and C Roxburgh said this is yet to be defined by the Council. Installation of meters could cost between $4,000 - $6,000 which could come from the Water Conservation and Leak Reduction budget. The goal is to reduce water use.

Moved Councillor Meyer seconded Councillor Williams

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) **Receives** report No. 180806088091.

(b) **Notes** that there are a small number of properties within the district with 1-unit connections which is less than the minimum required size for standard restricted connections.

(c) ** Approves** the recommended approach for addressing 1-unit restricted connections as outlined in this report which is to allow them to remain in place until such time that the property owner applies for an increase in allocation.

(d) **Notes** that there are some properties within the district that receive un-restricted, on-demand supply on restricted schemes which creates an issue of equity with other properties.

(e) **Notes** that the current Water Supply Bylaw provides mechanisms by which Council can address this.

(f) **Approves** staff to meter these properties with on-demand connections and adjust their targeted water rate if deemed necessary, in accordance with the methodology outlined in this report.

**CARRIED**
6.4 20 February 2018 Storm Event – Update on Service Requests – 
Kalley Simpson (3 Waters Manager)

K Simpson presented this second update following the 20 February storm 
event. Progress since the last update in June includes one upgrade project 
completed, (cnr South Belt and Southbrook Road – inlet capacity upgrades) 
and three drainage assessments completed It was noted that all 208 service 
requests from the storm event have been responded to or acknowledged and 
have now all be closed off.

The first version of a web page has gone live on the Council’s website, which 
provides an update on drainage works.

Following a question from Councillor Gordon, K Simpson noted that there has 
been some progress with the work at Waikuku Beach and there is some 
further negotiating required with the property owners. Councillor Gordon 
suggested that residents need to be kept informed of these matters by Council 
staff.

Moved Councillor Meyer seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 180809090003.

(b) Notes that of the 21 drainage assessments identified from the 208 
    service requests, 9 have been completed and the remaining 12 are 
    currently underway.

(c) Notes that of the 11 upgrade projects related to the 208 service 
    requests, 1 has been completed and a further 7 will be completed this 
    financial year.

(d) Notes that the webpage is being setup on the Council’s website to 
    provide updates on the status of drainage works underway.

(e) Circulates this report to the Council for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Stewart raised concerns that there are still so many issues that 
need to be resolved relating to the 20 February storm event and does not 
believe the current 3 Waters staffing resources is providing an acceptable 
level of service to the community. This department is working under stress, 
and Councillor Stewart welcomed a future response from Mr Palmer on this 
matter.

6.5 NZTA Investment Audit Report - Joanne McBride (Roading and 
Transport Manager)

Ms J McBride spoke to this report which presents the results of the NZTA 
Investment Audit that was carried out n March 2018. The final report was 
received by the Council on 27 June 2018. This audit is part of the NZTA 
Monitoring Investment Performance programme. The last audit was 
undertaken in October 2013. There were two recommendations made to the 
Council as a result of the audit (as noted in the recommendation) and work to 
review these is currently underway.

Councillor Stewart suggested the hourly charge out rates should be reviewed 
more regularly and it was confirmed that it was intended to do this in the 
future. Rates have remained static since 2009/2010 and as noted in the
report, need to be reviewed to determine whether the current rates are appropriate for recovering costs.

Overall the audit found the Council is utilising all its resources to good effect and achieving good value for money outcomes.

Moved Councillor Brine seconded Councillor Williams

**THAT** the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) **Receives** report No. 180809089507.

(b) **Notes** the NZTA Investment Audit Report provided a positive endorsement to way the Council is managing its land transport programme and noted “Council has effective controls in place for managing financial and business processes.”

(c) **Notes** the report made two recommendation relating to the Roading Procurement Strategy and one suggestion for improvement relating to reviewing administration costs and recovery charge out rates. Work to review these items is currently underway.

(d) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards.

CARRIED

6.6 **Approval of the 2018/19 Roading Programme - Joanne McBride (Roading and Transport Manager)**

Ms J McBride presented this report seeking the Committees approval of the Roading Programme for the 2018/19 year. It was noted that there is general allocation in the Roading Programme in the Councils LTP for Kerb and Channel renewals, footpath renewals and also minor safety improvements. There is some flexibility in these programmes. The Community Boards were asked for feedback on the draft programme during July and mostly the Boards supported the draft programme as presented.

Two items were highlighted:

- NZTA are looking at providing a 51% subsidy for footpath maintenance and renewal. This work has previously not attracted an NZTA subsidy and it is anticipated this will be formally approved late in August and confirmed to Council.

- A report will be brought to the Council in September regarding the Cones Road Upgrade (as mentioned in recommendation (f)).

Moved Councillor Meyer seconded Deputy Mayor Felstead

**THAT** the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) **Receives** report N° 180529059018;

(b) **Approves** the attached Roading Programme for the 2018/19 year (Doc 180529059012);

(c) **Authorises** the Roading Manager to make minor changes to this programme as a result of consultation or technical issues that may arise during the detailed planning phase, provided the approved budgets and levels of service are met, and the changes are reported to the Utilities & Roading Committee;
(d) **Endorses** the indicative Roading Programme for the 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 years;

(e) **Notes** that previously footpath maintenance and renewals have not attracted NZTA subsidy, however NZTA have indicated that this is to change and that a 51% subsidy is likely to be available to Council. Confirmation of this additional NZTA funding is expected to be received in late August;

(f) **Notes** that budget proposed for Cones Rd Upgrade which is included in the Minor Safety Improvements will be subject to project approval by Council and a separate report will be taken to Council on this matter;

(g) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards.

CARRIED

6.7 **Seal Extensions and Roading Subdivision Contribution Budget** – Joanne McBride (Roading and Transport Manager)

Ms J McBride presented this report providing an update on the sealing of unsealed roads, which follows on from previous briefing of the committee.

Ms McBride updated the committee on the Council policy for sealing unsealed roads:

- When the road meets NZTA criteria for sealing and is approved for subsidy
- When financial contributions are at least 30% of the cost of the sealing
- When property owners agree to contribute 50% of the cost of sealing. This has a limit of 1km per year.

There has been an increase in the amount of sealing that the Council has done in the last year, and this year there have been three requests for road sealing over 5km for three sites. These are Browns Road Rangiora Readymix, North Eyre Road and Broad Road/Rangiora-Leithfield Road. This report requests approval to carry out the sealing this year, noting that there is sufficient budget for these projects.

Following a question from Councillor Williams as to why the Council would be paying 50% of the sealing of Browns Road to enable Ready Mix to seal sections of this road. Ms McBride noted that Rangiora Ready Mix have presented to the Council in the past and Council have been in support. It was also noted that this is Council policy for a 50% cost share for seal extensions. This would be for the betterment of the district generally and would have less impact on adjacent residents and users of the road if it was sealed.

Councillor Stewart asked if there would be a possible budget issue for the Council, if there was a significant number of requests for road sealing of unsealed roads with the 50% cost share arrangement. Mr Cleary noted that generally the 1km limit is not exceeded in a 12 months period, this report being an exception. Having the limit of 1 kilometre sealing annually, is a good way of managing this, without putting demands on Council funding. Mr Cleary said the Policy is a good way to allow for the Council to manage this matter and the Policy is available to be viewed on the Council website. Ms McBride added that the general public may not be aware of this cost share being available, unless they were specifically looking for such information.
Moved Councillor Stewart seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 180511051675;

(b) Approves the price of $347,897.62 (Council share $174,000) from Ready Mix to seal sections of Browns Road south of South Eyre Road as detailed in the report;

(c) Approves an exemption to the 50% cost share policy of 1km/year to enable Ready Mix to seal the sections of Browns Road in the 2018/19 year;

(d) Supports the Brown Road and North Eyre Road property owners north of the Eyre River as detailed in the report to fund 50% of the cost of sealing the roads by agreeing to approve an exemption to the 50% cost share policy of 1km/year if they come up with their share of the funding and agrees to support in principle the option of a targeted rate to help them pay;

(e) Supports the Broad Road/Rangiora Leithfield Road property owners as detailed in this report to fund 50% of the cost of sealing the roads by agreeing to approve an exemption to the 50% cost share policy of 1km/year if they come up with their share of the funding;

(f) Notes that there is sufficient funding in the Roading Subdivision Share Budget over the next two years to fund the Council share of the sealing noted above;

(g) Notes that financial contributions will not be able to be taken after 18 April 2022;

(h) Agrees to only take financial contributions if they are likely to be used within 2 or 3 years until 2022 and work to develop alternative methods of mitigating effects from development to financial contributions;

(i) Notes that the Roading Subdivision Budget as detailed in the LTP will remain unchanged due to the likely commitments for 2018/19 being close to the $629,000 budgeted amount.

(j) Circulates this report to Council and the Boards.

CARRIED

Mayor Ayers suggested the Committee discuss the matter of the cost share road sealing, as there could be a situation where there are raised expectations which the Council could not meet.

6.8 Approval of the New Footpaths Programme – Joanne McBride (Roading and Transport Manager) and Hari Pillay (Roading Design Engineer)

Ms McBride presented this report which seeks approval of a new footpath programme – there have been three new footpaths requested and these have been considered and included in the programme. This programme has also been taken to the four Community Boards seeking their comments in July.
Currently the District Plan requires a footpath on one side of the road on urban local roads and given the number of requests, Ms McBride asked that the committee give consideration to having footpaths on both sides of roads. This could be referred onto the District Planning and Regulation Committee for further consideration.

There could be approx. $400,000 of additional funding available if the 51% subsidy funding did become available (previously discussed in Item 6.6 in these minutes). A report will come back to the committee once this is confirmed.

Ms McBride noted the footpath from the north end of Woodend to the roundabout at Pegasus and Ravenswood, and a report will come back to the committee on this. Funding for this could come from the central government funding shared cycleway and footpath.

Councillor Gordon queried about the footpath on Blackett Street, between Stephen Street and King Street (not Church Street).

Councillor Gordon questioned about a footpath on Coldstream Road with the proposed Multi-use sports facility.

Deputy Mayor Felstead sought confirmation of the footpath on Burnt Hill Road, and this is confirmed by Mr Palmer.

Moved Councillor Meyer seconded Councillor Brine

**THAT** the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(a) **Receives** report No. 180502047634:

(b) **Approves** the following programme for new footpaths over the next three years as per the following table:

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** Note - Harewood Rd and Burnt Hill Rd are subject to confirmation of NZTA subsidy and a subsequent Council approval.

(c) **Notes** that the cost estimates are derived from the rates in the Council’s Road Maintenance Contract plus a contingency of 20%.

d) **Supports** the construction of the footpaths being carried out under the Road Maintenance Contract on the basis this is the most cost effective method of completing this work as the contract rates are competitive and it avoids professional services and tendering costs which for straightforward work like this can be disproportionately high and would result in less footpath being constructed.

e) **Notes** that the programme beyond 2020/21 will be confirmed and submitted to Council in 2020/21 for approval as part of the 2021-2031 LTP process.

(f) **Notes** that Blackett Street at this location is a local road and it already has a footpath on the north side of the road so it meets the current level of service; however, there is a children’s playground on the south side, the remainder of Blackett Street has a footpath on both sides and the road functions more as a collector road and so a path on both sides is justified.

(g) **Notes** that a footpath was required on one side of the road only on Sandown Boulevard and the need is high, therefore it is recommended that this footpath is constructed in the short term.

(h) **Notes** the submission requesting a new footpath on Main North Road at the north end of Woodend and agrees to investigate this further for possible inclusion in the 2021-31 LTP.

(i) **Supports** the inclusion of new footpaths in Harewood Road and Burnt Hill Road in the programme, subject to NZTA confirmation of 51% subsidy for Footpath Renewals and subsequent approval to reallocate budget by Council;

(j) **Supports** referring the issue of footpaths and whether they should be constructed on both sides of local roads to the District Plan Review Committee for further consideration;

(k) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards and Council.

CARRIED
7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

7.1 Crayfish (Koura) Creek Pedestrian Footbridge – Owen Davies (Drainage Asset Manager)  
(report no. 180627071243 to the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meeting of 11 July 2018).

7.2 Request to Engage Nairn Electrical – Darnley Square Generator – Colin Roxburgh (Water Asset Manager)  
(report no. 180724082480 to the Management Team meeting of 30 July 2018).

Moved Councillor Stewart seconded Councillor Williams

THAT Items 7.1 – 7.2 be received for information.

CARRIED

8 PORTFOLIO UPDATES

8.1 Roading – Councillor John Meyer

Councillor Meyer noted the new street opening in Kaiapoi, which is certainly appreciated by the locals.

8.2 Drainage and Stockwater – Councillor Sandra Stewart

Councillor Stewart noted a Stockwater Race meeting last week, some closures were mentioned. Some of the group see this as a concern but with the extensive network of the system, these are quite minor. The Stockwater Race Bylaw is up for review this year. Ms Stewart has also been a Clarkville Rural Drainage Advisory Group meeting last month. Work of the Water Zone Committee is progressing with the ZIPA.

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

Councillor Williams noted his concerns with the restrictions already in place on the Ashley Rural Water Scheme and summer is not here yet. He has attended meetings with user groups for Poyntz Road and Summerhill water schemes

8.4 Solid Waste– Cr Robbie Brine

Councillor Brine noted a meeting of the SHWWP was held last week.

9 QUESTIONS

There were no questions.
10 **URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

There was no urgent general business.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6.16pm.

CONFIRMED

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Chairperson

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Date

**BRIEFING**

At the conclusion of the meeting a briefing was held on the following matters:

- *Update on Network Discharge Consents – Revised programme and potential change to approach for high risk sites.*
- *Update on Springbrook Flood Works – Revised Scope, H&S works on old WWTP and update on programme*
- *Water issues*