

WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UTILITIES AND ROADING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, RANGIORA SERVICE CENTRE, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA, ON TUESDAY, 9 JUNE 2026 AT 9 AM.

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor P Redmond (Chairperson), Councillors T Bartle, T Fulton, N Mealings, and J Ward.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillors B Cairns, W Doody, B McLaren and S Powell (via audio/visual link).

J Millward (Chief Executive), G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roding), and K Rabe (Governance Advisor)

1. APOLOGIES

Moved: Deputy Mayor Redmond

Seconded: Councillor Bartle

THAT the Utilities and Roding Committee:

- (a) **Received** and **sustained** an apology for leave of absence from Mayor D Gordon.

CARRIED

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the meeting of the Utilities and Roding Committee held on Tuesday, 12 May 2026

Moved: Councillor Mealings

Seconded: Councillor Bartle

THAT the Utilities and Roding Committee:

- (a) **Confirms** the circulated Minutes of the meeting of the Utilities and Roding Committee held on 12 May 2026 as a true and accurate record, subject to changing ARI to major and removal of the phrase “had created a basin-like *bathtub effect*”.

CARRIED

3.2 Matters Arising (From Minutes)

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

4. DEPUTATION/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

5. REPORTS

Nil.

6. **PORTFOLIO UPDATES**

6.1 **Roading – Deputy Mayor Philip Redmond**

Focus areas for staff:

- Dig-outs and pavement repairs were continuing ahead of winter, assisted by the continuing unusually dry weather.
- Crushing metal ahead of remetalling of unsealed roads was being undertaken
- Asphalt resurfacing work had been completed on Percival Street / Victoria Street and also Tram Road / Island Road.
- Designs were about to begin for 2026/27 projects.

Roading Capital Projects:

- The Kaiapoi to Pineacres Cycleway construction was continuing. The contractor was currently working at the northern end of the path near the Kaiapoi Lakes. All work was due to be completed in July 2026.
- Kerb and Channel replacement work was progressing on Akaroa Street, Kaiapoi. Work was continuing on the western side of the road.
- Kerb and Channel replacement work was nearing completion on Seddon Street, Rangiora.
- Lees Valley – the installation of the concrete ford was progressing well. The concrete base had been poured and drift decks installed. Concrete was now curing.
- Installation of the electronic school variable speed signs was well progressed. Work had also begun on installing the static signs. All new speed limits were being loaded into the National Speed Limit Register. The new signs would remain covered until the speed limits come into effect. Communication was being prepared and would be shared ahead of the speed limits coming into effect. Now in the process of confirming the activation date.
- New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) funding confirmed for the next phase of the Rangiora Eastern Link project.

6.2 **Drainage, Stockwater and Three Waters (Drinking Water, Sewer and Stormwater) – Councillor Tim Fulton**

Drinking Water

- The Domain Road Bore 3, which supplied both Oxford Urban and Oxford Rural 2, had been successfully commissioned and was now operational.
- Mandeville bore development work on Bore 3 and Bore 4 on Two Chain Road had not been as successful as anticipated in terms of yield. A report would be brought to the Utilities and Rounding Committee in August to confirm next steps.

Wastewater

- Percival Street, Rangiora sewer main project was successfully completed ahead of schedule. Further on-site work was proposed for the next financial year to connect the newly installed laterals to the private sewer systems.
- The upgrade of inlet screens at Kaiapoi, Woodend, Waikuku Beach and Oxford Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTPs) was on schedule for completion by the end of June.
- Desludging works at the Kaiapoi WWTP had commenced and were due for completion in August 2026.
- Tree removal work at the Kaiapoi WWTP had progressed well. The next step was to install a bund, which would be completed by the end of June 2026, and planting was proposed for July 2026.

- Staff were currently planning an Elected Member visit to the Kaiapoi WWTP; dates for this visit were yet to be confirmed.

Drainage / Stockwater

- Mandeville Resurgence Drainage Upgrade Stage 1A was progressing well and was due for completion by the end of June 2026; however, it may extend into July 2026. Flow and groundwater monitoring sites were proposed for installation shortly to assist with optioneering for the Stage 2 works.

6.3 **Solid Waste– Councillor Niki Mealings**

- Trialling battery disposal at Kaiapoi Service Centre in a purpose-built disposal container which has a built-in fire extinguisher. Batteries the main cause of fires in rubbish trucks.
- Larger batteries can still be taken to the transfer station at Southbrook, which also has a purpose-built battery disposal container for smaller batteries.
- Request that this information be widely circulated and advertised so residents know where and how to dispose of their batteries, including toothbrushes, watches, etc.

6.4 **Transport – Mayor Dan Gordon**

Mayor Gordon was not present to give an update on his portfolio.

7. **REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

7.1 **Request to Approve a Change of Intersection Controls on Heywards Road and Baynons Road**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Redmond

Seconded: Councillor Mealings

THAT the Utilities and Recreation Committee:

- (a) **Receives** the information in item 7.1.

CARRIED

8. **QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**

Nil.

9. **URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

10. **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

In accordance with section 48(1) 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 (or sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may be), it was moved:

Moved: Deputy Mayor Redmond

Seconded: Councillor Ward

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:

- 10.1 Middlebrook Culvert Remediation Options.
- 10.2 Denchs Road Footpath Request.
- 10.3 Contract 25/91 Bridge Maintenance – Scour Remediation – Makerikeri River Scope Addition Variation Report

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public was 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 were as follows:

Item No.	Subject	Reason for excluding the public	Grounds for excluding the public.
REPORTS			
10.1	Middlebrook Culvert Remediation Options	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7	To protect the privacy of natural persons and enabling the local authority to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial) negotiations and maintain legal professional privilege. LGOIMA Section 7 (2)(a), (g) and (i).
10.2	Denchs Road Footpath Request	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7	
10.3	Assessment of Drinking Water Services	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7	

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING

The Public Excluded portion of the meeting commenced at 9.23am and concluded at 10.41am.

OPEN MEETING

Moved: Deputy Mayor Redmond

Seconded: Councillor Bartle

That the open meeting resumes, and the business discussed with the public excluded remains public excluded unless otherwise resolved in the individual resolutions.

CARRIED

11. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Utilities and Roothing Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, 14 July 2026, at 9am in the Council Chamber, Rangiora Service Centre, 215 High Street, Rangiora.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.41AM.

CONFIRMED



Chairperson

14 July 2026

Date

Workshop

(10.41am – 11.23am)
(Trim Ref: 260615141972)

- *Water Service Transition Overview – Kalley Simpson (3 Waters Manager), Paul Christensen (Finance Manager) and Jane Eggleton (Project Planning and Quality Team Leader) 45 mins*

Briefing

(11.23am – 12 noon)
(Trim Ref: 260615142169)

- *Chlorine Free Drinking Water Station – Caroline Fahey (Water and Wastewater Asset Manager) and Kalley Simpson (3 Waters Manager) 30mins*