

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL DELIBERATIONS OF THE DRAFT 2025-26 ANNUAL PLAN HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA, COMMENCING AT 9AM ON TUESDAY, 27 MAY 2025.

PRESENT:

Mayor D Gordon, Deputy Mayor Atkinson, Councillors A Blackie, R Brine, B Cairns, T Fulton, J Goldsworthy, N Mealings, J Ward and P Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE:

J Milward (Chief Executive), N Robinson (General Manager Finance and Business Support), G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Rooding), C Brown (General Manager Community and Recreation), S Hart (General Manager Strategy, Engagement and Economic Development), K LaValley (General Manager Planning, Regulation and Environment), J McBride (Rooding and Transport Manager), K Simpson (3 Waters Manager), J Recker (Stormwater and Waterways Manager), C Fahey (Water and Wastewater Asset Manager), K Waghorn (Solid Waste Manager), G MacLeod (Greenspace Manager), D Roxborough (Strategic and Special Projects Manager), A Gray (Communications and Engagement Manager), P Christensen (Finance Manager), M Harris (Customer Services Manager), H Davies (Special Projects Team Leader), H Street (Corporate Planner), K Rabe (Governance Advisor) and C Fowler-Jenkins (Governance Support Officer).

The meeting adjourned for refreshments at 10.37am and reconvened at 11am.

1. APOLOGIES

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receive and sustain** an apology for leave of absence from Councillor Redmond.

CARRIED

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. TABELING OF LATE REPORT

Mayor Gordon indicated that a late report had been submitted via a supplementary agenda, which needed to be formally received.

Moved: Mayor Gordon

Seconded: Councillor Ward

That the Council:

- (a) **Resolves** to receive the late report, "*Budgeted Carry Forwards from 2024-25 to 2025-26 Financial Year*".

CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Waimakariri District Council Annual Plan 2025/26 Budget meeting held on Tuesday, 28 January 2025

Moved: Councillor Mealings

Seconded: Councillor Fulton.

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Confirms**, as a true and correct record, the circulated Minutes of the Waimakariri District Council Annual Plan 2025/26 Budget meeting held on Tuesday, 28 January 2025.

CARRIED

4.2 **Minutes of the Waimakariri District Council Annual Plan 2025/26 Submissions Hearing held on Tuesday, 6 May 2025**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Blackie

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Confirms**, as a true and correct record, the circulated Minutes of the Waimakariri District Council Annual Plan 2025/26 Submissions Hearing held on Tuesday, 6 May 2025.

CARRIED

5. PRESENTATIONS

N Robinson recapped the timeline of the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 and noted that staff had done considerable work to ensure the rate increases were aligned with the Council's 2024-34 Long Term Plan (LTP). The Council proposed a rates increase of 4.98%, which was reasonably consistent with the rates increase outlined in the Long Term Plan. N Robinson highlighted the financial environment in which the Council was operating and the impact it had on budgets. She noted that the budget was not without risk, as the Council constantly faced inflationary pressures, including contract renewals, service levels, and costs. The growth that underpinned the budget was based on 743 building consents received in 2024. There had been consistent growth; however, there was always a risk that it may slow down.

N Robinson advised that there were some changes regarding the proposed General and Roding Rates increase, which were less than those outlined in the LTP. This was due to significant changes in the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) funding and their impact on the Council's Capital roading projects. Additionally, the Council had a valuation conducted of its water infrastructure, which increased the value of its water infrastructure assets, subsequently impacting targeted rates. She noted that there were certain targeted rates, and the impact that the revaluation had on certain properties could be higher than the proposed rate increase.

In conclusion, N Robinson reminded the Council of the topics that were consulted on as part of the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 process and provided a brief summary of the proposed changes to the draft Annual Plan.

J Millward confirmed that the proposed changes to the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 and the changes to what was predicted in the LTP were not significant. He noted that staff recommendations provided to Councillors, which indicated an increase in rates or a grant, were included in the numbers presented.

Councillor Ward thanked staff for their work in keeping the proposed rate increase as low as possible without compromising on the services and development the Waimakariri District needed as a growing Council. She sought clarity on the number of building consents used to underpin the budget, and N Robinson noted that 743 building consents were used for budget purposes.

Councillor Fulton questioned whether there were any changes to the Council's projected debt. J Millward explained there had been significant changes in the cost of Capital Works, particularly since the LTP. Hence, staff had to make adjustments to the Council's Capital Works Programme and effectively adjust devaifieldelopment contributions, rates, and debt.

Councillor Goldsworthy inquired about the potential interest savings in the future. J Millward advised that the savings could result in a future drop in rates. At this stage, the Council had forecasted based on its BERL forecasts that it may drop. However, there was a fair bit of interest rate hedging included in the numbers, which meant that the interest number would not generally change radically in order to change the rates.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Draft Annual Plan 2025-2026 Special Consultative Procedure – S Docherty (Policy and Corporate Planning Team leader) and H Street (Corporate Planner)

H Street spoke to the report, noting that public consultation on the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 was undertaken from 14 March 2025 to 21 April 2025. The Council sought feedback on five key issues, namely, the delivery of Water Services, the Transport Programme, outside factors driving cost increases, the Rates Policy and the Development Contributions Policy. Submissions were received via an online system, feedback forms on the Local Water Done Well and email.

H Street reported that the Council received 787 submissions and 1,005 associated submission points from submitters. Of the 787 submissions, 764 included feedback on Local Water Done Well, of which 97.2% supported the Council's preferred option. The Council did not accept 247 submissions because no identifiable submitter details were provided. Hearings were held on Tuesday, 6 May 2025, with 23 submitters heard by the Council.

Moved: Councillor Blackie

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250501075488.
- (b) **Receives** the Draft Annual Plan 2025 – 2026 Summary of Submissions and Officers Recommendations (Trim 250509081584).
- (c) **Notes** that consultation on the Draft Annual Plan 2025 – 2026 took place between 14 March and 21 April 2025 and received 787 submissions and 1,005 associated submission points from submitters.
- (d) **Notes** 764 (97%) of the submissions included a response to the Local Water Done Well proposal. A letter outlining the Local Water Done Well (LWDW) service delivery options and preferred option was issued to ratepayers in the District that resulted in 668 paper submissions. In addition, 54 LWDW submissions were received online and 42 via email.
- (e) **Notes** that Hearings were held on Tuesday 6 May 2025, with 23 submitters heard by the Council. A paper copy of all submissions received was provided to Council in advance of the hearing session.
- (f) **Notes** 247 additional submissions were not accepted as they had no identifiable submitter details provided.
- (g) **Notes** that staff are now in the process of finalising the draft Annual Plan. This is noting that the Council may wish to make final changes as part of the deliberations process.
- (h) **Notes** the Council is due to adopt the Annual Plan on 17 June 2025.
- (i) **Circulates** the report to the Community Boards for their information.

CARRIED

Councillor Ward commended the staff on the work done to facilitate the public consultation process.

6.1A Consideration of Submissions to the Draft Annual Plan 2025-2026

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Brine

THAT the Council

- (a) **Receives** all public submissions, proforma, noting that the decisions would be finalised at the end of the meeting.
- (b) **Notes** that Councillors were welcome to suggest amendments to recommendations as each public submission point is discussed through the agenda.
- (c) **Notes** minor wording changes to the public responses are considered by Councillor agreement as each submission is discussed through the agenda.

CARRIED

6.2 Local Water Done Well – Water Services Delivery Model – J Millward (Chief Executive) and G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roading)

G Cleary spoke to the report, noting that approval was being sought for the delivery model for the Waimakariri District's water services. A total of 764 submissions were received on the topic of Local Water Done Well as part of the consultation of the draft Annual Plan 2025/26, of which 97.2% supported the proposal for an in-house water services business unit. Staff were planning to submit a report to the Council in June 2025 requesting approval to submit the Water Services Delivery Plan, which was in line with having an in-house business unit. G Cleary noted that throughout the process, there had been and would be the ability to have shared service arrangements with the Hurunui and Kaikoura District Councils.

Councillor Fulton observed that a few submitters believed that a Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) would provide a greater level of transparency. He asked if there was any reason to believe that this was correct. G Cleary noted that there was no reason why a CCO would provide a greater level of transparency. The CCO's independent governance structure places a greater separation between elected members and the business. The Castalia modelling had indicated no significant difference in what people would be charged for services going forward. However, establishing a CCO would incur additional overhead costs, and the efficiencies gained by sharing overheads with the Council would be lost.

Mayor Gordon noted that some points were made at the submission hearings and in the media, implying that the Council's position indicated a failure, which led to chlorination. He asked for the staff's perspective on this matter. G Cleary did not agree, as the chlorination of water in New Zealand was mandated by law. The chlorination of water therefore had no bearing on how the Council managed its water service delivery.

Moved: Mayor Gordon

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250410062754.
- (b) **Notes** that a total of 764 submissions were received on the topic of Local Water Done Well as part of the consultation of the draft Annual Plan 2025/26. Of those submissions that indicated a preference, 733 submitters (97.2%) supported the proposal for an in-house water services business unit, while 21 submitters (2.8%) did not support it.
- (c) **Notes** that the majority of the community who responded are supportive of the proposal for an in-house business unit model and agreed that the proposal is the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, while ensuring the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (d) **Approves** the adoption of an in-house water services business unit model, as consulted within the draft Annual Plan 2025/26.

- (e) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (f) **Authorises** staff to finalise a Water Services Delivery Plan (WSDP), on the basis of an in-house business unit, ready for submission to Government.
- (g) **Notes** that a separate report will be presented at the June Council meeting seeking approval to submit the finalised Water Services Delivery Plan to the Government.
- (h) **Notes** that the Water Services Delivery Plan will detail the scope of the ring-fenced in-house business unit and how it will accommodate Water Supply, Wastewater, Urban Stormwater, Rural Land Drainage and Stockwater.
- (i) **Notes** that a Water Services Delivery Plan must be submitted to Government by 3 September 2025, and the programme proposed allows for submission to Government in June 2025.
- (j) **Supports** staff to continue to investigate shared services arrangements with Waimakariri District Council and the Hurunui and Kaikoura District Councils.

CARRIED

Mayor Gordon commented that the Council could be proud of its role regarding Three Waters. The Council worked hard in conjunction with other councils to counter the previous Government's proposal. The Council had a significant influence on the work prepared for Communities for Local Democracy, with the new government building on that work to develop its Local Water Done Well policy. Local Water Done Well made it clear that it was a choice for councils and communities on how they wished to provide water services. The key point was that the Council met the test for financial sustainability, and through the independent work done by Castalia, the Council could demonstrate its financial sustainability.

Mayor Gordon further noted that the Council had clearly outlined the various options as part of the public consultation. However, 97.2% of the submitters preferred the Council's recommendation of an in-house business unit. Although the Council suggested an in-house business unit, it would also be able to continue working with the Hurunui and Kaikoura District Councils. He acknowledged the Work of H Davies (Special Projects Team Leader) and K Simpson (3 Waters Manager).

Deputy Mayor Atkinson observed that transparency appeared to be a common concern raised in the submissions received on "Local Water Done Well." He therefore suggested that the Council advise the public on the steps the Council had taken to ensure transparency.

In his right of reply, Mayor Gordon acknowledged the leadership of the Chief Executive, J Millward and the General Manager Utilities and Rooding, G Cleary, whose knowledge in this space ensured the Council had the right information to make informed decisions.

6.3 Drainage Staff Submission to Annual Plan 2025/26 – G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Rooding), K Simpson (3 Waters Manager) and J Recker (Stormwater and Waterways Manager)

J Recker took the report as read, noting that following the preparation of the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 budgets, a detailed review of the proposed Capital Works Programme had been conducted to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme. Subsequently, an additional budget of \$66,820 for central rural drain maintenance was proposed to ensure an adequate budget for annual drain maintenance. The change brought the Central Rural Scheme more in line with other similar schemes in terms of size, drain length, and total budget and was supported by the Central Rural Drainage Advisory Group.

Responding to Councillor Fulton's question, J Recker advised that the revised budget allocation of \$400,000 for Stage 1 of the Mandeville Resurgence Channel Upgrade Project included the work to be done in Ohoka.

Councillor Cairns questioned if the deferral of the Coastal Urban Pines Kairaki Drainage Improvements Project would negatively impact stormwater drainage into the sewer system. K Simpson explained that the rain events which occurred on 29 April 2025 and 1 May 2025 were useful in terms of observing how the drainage network operated. The Council had a number of drainage projects in the Pines Kairaki area it would be observing, particularly in Dunns and Featherstone Avenues, to ascertain what upgrades were needed.

Moved: Councillor Williams

Seconded: Councillor Brine

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250428071765.
- (b) **Approves** the deferral of \$1,650,000 budget from 2025/26 to 2026/27 on Stage 1 of the Mandeville Resurgence Channel Upgrade project, to give a revised budget allocation of \$400,000 in 2025/26 and \$1,650,000 in 2026/27.
- (c) **Approves** the deferral of \$240,810 budget from 2025/26 to 2026/27 on the Pines Kairaki Drainage Improvements project.
- (d) **Approves** the deferral of \$41,880 (design) budget from 2025/26 to 2026/27 and \$418,800 (construction) from 2026/27 to 2027/28 on the Sunday School Drain project.
- (e) **Approves** additional operational budget of \$66,820 for Central Rural drain maintenance to give a revised budget of \$153,180 to \$220,000 annually.
- (f) **Approves** a new operational budget of \$15,000 annually for deployment of temporary pumps to Swindells Road and the Waikuku Campground in response to potential flooding in Waikuku Beach.
- (g) **Notes** that the rating impact from the above proposed budget changes is as summarised below:

Project	Proposed change	Average rating impact on scheme	Average rating impact by area	Average rating impact across the district
Mandeville Resurgence Channel Upgrade Project Stage 1	Deferral of \$1,650,000 in 2025/26	The deferral of capital works budgets will result in a slight reduction in rates for the 2026/27 financial year. However, since the overall total project budget remains unchanged, the long-term impact on rates will be minimal.		
Coastal Urban Pines Kairaki Drainage Improvements Project	Deferral of \$240,810 in 2025/26			
Kaiapoi Urban Sunday School Drain Project	Deferral of \$41,880 (design) budget from 2025/26 to 2026/27 and \$418,800 (construction) from 26/27 to 27/28			
Central Rural Drain Maintenance	Additional budget of \$66,820	28.94% (\$83.34 per connection)	2.26%	0.07%
Coastal Urban Flood Pumping	New budget of \$15,000	2.08% (\$5.59 per connection)	0.14%	0.02%

- (h) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken, and only essential changes have been proposed to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.

- (i) **Notes** that the net overall rating impact of the proposed changes to the Drainage budgets is 0.09%.
- (j) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards for their information.

CARRIED

Councillor Williams supported the motion and thanked the staff for their work.

Councillor Brine commented that staff were doing good work and also supported the motion.

Mayor Gordon supported the motion, especially the deferral of Stage 1 of the Mandeville Resurgence Channel Upgrade project, as he believed the Council still had work to do with the community, the Drainage Advisory Group, and Mandeville residents before the consultation was finalised.

6.4 Water Supply – Utilities and Roading Department Staff Submission to the Draft 2025/26 Annual Plan – G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roading), K Simpson (3 Waters Manager) and C Fahey (Water and Wastewater Asset Manager)

C Fahey took the report as read, noting that all the changes to the Water Supply Budgets for the 2025/26 Annual Plan were required for the Council to ensure compliance.

There were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Councillor Brine

Seconded: Councillor Fulton

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250501075461.
- (b) **Approves** removal of \$43,160 of water renewals budget (from \$293,160 to \$250,000) to deliver the planned pipeline renewal works in 2025/6 for the Mandeville water supply due to revised engineer's estimate for the work.
- (c) **Approves** bringing forward available budget of \$600,000 in 2033/34 to \$300,000 in 2025/26, \$200,000 in 2026/27. \$100,000 in 2027/28 to allow the Mandeville Source Upgrade (Bore 4) project to be delivered over 3 financial years from 2025/26 to 2027/28. Noting that this is required due to Bore 3 being unable to deliver the required flow to meet the required level of service and growth demands for the water supply.
- (d) **Approves** new budget of \$62,820 required to upgrade the restrictor connections to ensure that adequate boundary backflow protection is provided for the Ohoka water supply following restrictor upgrade works carried out in 2024/25 that have identified this need.
- (e) **Approves** new budget of \$188,460 for construction of water main renewal on McGraths Road, Oxford Rural 1 water supply, noting that this has already been designed.
- (f) **Approves** new budget of \$20,940 for a communication system upgrade between Rockford Road Water Treatment Plant site and the View Hill reservoir site to ensure that a reliable telemetry system is maintained to ensure that the Oxford Rural 1 water supply continues to meet the compliance requirements under the Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules.
- (g) **Approves** removal of \$256,515 of water renewals budget (from \$350,745 to \$94,230) due to reduced scope of renewals work identified for the Oxford Rural 2 water supply.
- (h) **Approves** deferral of \$104,700 of water renewals budget to 2026/27 with additional budget request of \$41,880 in 2026/27 (total of \$146,580) to be able to carry out construction of water renewals identified for the West Eyreton Water Supply in 2026/27.

- (i) **Approves** part deferral of \$225,105 of water renewals budget (from \$314,100 to \$88,995) to 2026/27 to complete design only in 2025/26 and additional budget request of \$277,455 in 2026/27 (total of \$607,260) to complete the construction (installation of 856m of 180mm ODPE pipe) in 2026/27 for the Woodend-Pegasus water supply.
- (j) **Approves** deferral of \$167,520 of allocated budget to 2026/27 for the Woodend-Pegasus source generator project due to additional bore currently being installed in the area.
- (k) **Approves** new budgets sought for all the urban supplies, being Rangiora, Kaiapoi, Woodend-Pegasus, Waikuku Beach and Oxford Urban to upgrade the restricted connections as part of a backflow improvement item identified in the Drinking Water Safety Plans. This includes \$60,000 for Rangiora, \$10,000 for Kaiapoi, \$10,000 for Woodend, \$35,000 for Waikuku Beach and \$30,000 for Oxford.
- (l) **Approves** new budget of \$52,350 for the District Water account to provide monitoring redundancy to all water supplies to ensure that there is monitoring redundancy to meet compliance requirements.
- (m) **Notes** that the rating impact from the proposed budget changes are summarised below:

Project	Proposed Change	Average Rating Impact on Scheme	Average Rating Impact by Area	Average Rating Impact across District
Mandeville water renewals	Removal of \$43,160 in 2025/26	-0.2% (-\$1.5 per connection) from 2026/27	-0.03%	0.00%
Mandeville source upgrade	Bringing forward \$600,000 from 2033/34 (\$300,000 in 2025/26, \$200,000 in 2026/27, \$100,000 in 2027/28)	Growth project Development Contribution funded.		
Ohoka restrictor upgrade	New budget of \$62,820 in 2025/26	6.72% (\$33.38 per connection) from 2026/27	0.65%	0.00%
Oxford Rural 1 water renewals	New budget of \$188,460 in 2025/26	0.29% (\$8.77 per connection) from 2026/27	0.14%	0.01%
Oxford Rural 1 comms upgrade	New budget of \$20,940 in 2025/26			
Oxford Rural 2 water renewals	Removal of \$256,515 in 2025/26	-1.51% (-\$16.39 per connection) from 2026/27	-0.38%	-0.02%
West Eyreton water renewals	Deferral of \$104,700 in 2025/26, addition of \$41,880 in 2026/27	0.65% (\$10.89 per connection) from 2027/28	0.26%	0.00%
Woodend-Pegasus water renewals	Part deferral of \$225,105 in 2025/26, additional of \$277,455 in 2026/27	0.94% (\$4.48 per connection) from 2027/28	0.11%	0.02%
Woodend-Pegasus source generator	Deferral of \$167,520 in 2025/26			
Woodend-Pegasus restrictor upgrade	New budget of \$10,470 in 2025/26			
District Water backup analysers	New budget of \$52,350 in 2025/26	0.19% (\$0.17 per connection) from 2026/27	0.00%	0.00%

Project	Proposed Change	Average Rating Impact on Scheme	Average Rating Impact by Area	Average Rating Impact across District
Urban restrictor upgrades Rangiora	New budget of \$62,820 in 2025/26	0.11% (\$0.50 per connection) from 2026/27	0.00%	0.01%
Urban restrictor upgrades Kaiapoi	New budget of \$10,470 in 2025/26	0.04% (\$0.12 per connection) from 2026/27	0.00%	0.00%
Urban restrictor upgrades Waikuku	New budget of \$36,645 in 2025/26	0.79% (\$5.25 per connection) from 2026/27	0.13%	0.00%
Urban restrictor upgrades Oxford Urban	New budget of \$31,410 in 2025/26	0.46% (\$2.29 per connection) from 2026/27	0.04%	0.00%

- (n) **Notes** that no additional budget has been requested for in this staff submission for the additional cost that could be incurred for the Ohoka Water Treatment Plant land purchase if the new subdivision (PC31) were to proceed. This was agreed as a condition in the approved land purchase agreement.
- (o) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken and only essential changes have been proposed to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.
- (p) **Notes** that the net overall rating impact of the proposed changes to the Water supply budgets is 0.02%.
- (q) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards for their information.

CARRIED

Councillor Brine commented that staff were doing good work and supported the motion.

Councillor Fulton noted that he had seen evidence of substantial work being done to safeguard the Waimakariri District's water supply, which was no small feat.

6.5 **Wastewater – Utilities and Roothing Department Staff Submission to the Draft 2025 Annual Plan** – G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roothing) and K Simpson (3 Waters Manager)

C Fahey took the report as read, noting that all the changes to the Wastewater Budgets for the 2025/26 Annual Plan were required for the Council to ensure compliance.

There were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Councillor Williams

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250504076671.
- (b) **Approves** part deferral of \$52,350 of allocated budget (from \$104,700 to \$52,350) to 27/28 for the Rangiora aeration basin project.
- (c) **Approves** removal of \$52,350 budget allocated in 2025/26 for replacement of positive displacement pump at Bradleys Road wastewater pumps station (WWPS) as this is no longer required due to existing pump being refurbished in 2024/25.

- (d) **Approves** removal of \$47,115 budget allocated in 2025/26 for replacement of 2nd irrigator at Oxford Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) as this is no longer required due to project being delivered in 2024/25.
- (e) **Approves** new budgets in 2025/26 (\$57,585 for Kaiapoi, \$52,350 for Woodend, \$52,350 for Oxford) required for the upgrade of existing plant washdown water supplies at the Kaiapoi, Woodend and Oxford Wastewater Treatment Plants to ensure that there is sufficient flow and pressure to carry out plant maintenance on critical equipment.
- (f) **Approves** new budgets in 2025/26 (\$31,410 for Kaiapoi and \$20,940 for Woodend) required for the installation of pressure transducers at various wastewater pump stations to enable monitoring of pump performance as part of the wastewater pump renewal strategy.
- (g) **Notes** that the rating impact from the proposed budget changes is summarised below:

Project	Proposed Change	Average Rating Impact on Scheme	Average Rating Impact by Area	Average Rating Impact across District
Rangiora Aeration Basin	Part deferral of \$52,350 in 2025/26 to 2027/28	Growth project Development Contribution funded.		
Mandeville wastewater headworks renewals	Removal of \$52,350 in 2025/26	0.05% (\$0.36 per connection) from 2026/27	0.01%	0.01%
Washdown water supply upgrade Kaiapoi and Woodend WWTP	New budgets of \$57,585 for Kaiapoi and \$52,350 for Woodend in 2025/26			
Pressure transducer installation at Kaiapoi and Woodend WWPSs	New budgets of \$31,410 for Kaiapoi and \$20,940 for Woodend in 2025/26			
Washdown water supply upgrade Oxford WWTP	New budget of \$52,350 in 2025/26	0.03% (\$0.41 per connection) from 2026/27	0.01%	0.00%
Oxford irrigator replacement	Removal of \$47,115 in 2025/26			

- (h) **Notes** that no new budget has been requested for implementation of additional monitoring and reporting requirements in the new proposed National Wastewater Environmental Performance Standards due to uncertainty regarding whether the proposed rules will be adopted at this stage. Any budget required at the time of the new standards being adopted will be requested of the Council in a separate report.
- (i) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken and only essential changes have been proposed to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.
- (j) **Notes** that the net overall rating impact of the proposed changes to the Wastewater budgets is 0.01%.
- (k) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards for their information.

CARRIED

6.6 **Roading Staff Submission to the 2025/26 Annual Plan – Request Changes to the Rooding Capital Works Budget** – G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Rooding) and J McBride (Rooding and Transport Manager)

J McBride spoke to the report, noting the programme of works had been further reviewed in terms of the ability to deliver works, time constraints which could impact delivery, consideration of development-related projects, and including carry-overs from the 2024/25 financial year. Consequently, several changes were proposed to the Rooding Capital Works Programme and its budgets. She highlighted that the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) co-funding had become available for the Townsend Road culvert replacement project, so staff were requesting that the project be brought forward and the Southbrook culvert be pushed out by one year.

Councillor Mealings inquired whether the Townsend Road culvert replacement project was the reason for the movement in the Rooding rates. J McBride explained that overall, there was minimal impact on Rooding rates due to the proposed changes, as the changes primarily reallocated budget between financial years. Therefore, these small changes could be smoothed to achieve a zero increase overall.

Moved: Councillor Mealings

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250514085447.
- (b) **Approves** the budget changes to the Rangiora Eastern Link Project as shown in Table One below, noting this change redistributes the budget over the period of the Long Term Plan and brings forward budget in outer years:

Rangiora Eastern Link Road	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	TOTAL
Current Budget	\$100,000	\$375,000	\$325,900	\$2,700,000	\$550,000	\$15,500,000	\$15,600,000	\$35,050,900
Proposed Updated Budget for 2025/26 Annual Plan	\$100,000	\$375,000	\$255,000	\$5,000,000	\$14,370,900	\$14,950,000	-	\$35,050,900

- (c) **Approves** additional budget of \$65,000 in 2025/26 financial year for the Old Waimakariri River bridge Handrail renewal.
- (d) **Approves** bringing forward funding of \$650,000 to the 2025/26 financial year to allow the Townsend Road Culvert replacement to progress.
- (e) **Approves** the following projects having budget deferred to future years:
 - i. Bridge and Culvert Renewals - Southbrook Road (Middlebrook) Culvert Replacement – Increasing the budget to \$1.1M to reflect attracting New Zealand Transport Agency subsidy and deferring \$1M of budget to 2026/27.
 - ii. Priors Road Upgrade – Defer \$150,000 of budget out to 2026/27.
 - iii. Mulcocks Road and Fernside Road intersections with SH71 Lineside Road - Defer budget of \$78,000 to 2026/27.
 - iv. Fernside Road / Todds Road Intersection Improvements – Defer budget of \$500,000 to 2026/27.
 - v. Blake Street Land Purchase – Defer budget of \$50,000 to 2026/27.
 - vi. Oxford Road / Lehman's Road Intersection Upgrade - Defer budget of \$50,000 to 2026/27.
 - vii. Ravenswood Park and Ride – Defer budget of \$320,000 to 2026/27.
 - viii. Southbrook Futures – Defer the 2025/26 and 2026/27 budgets totalling \$50,825 to 2027/28.
 - ix. Support for MUBA – Defer budget of \$305,000 to 2026.
 - x. Widening Skewbridge Road - Skew Bridge to Mulcocks – Defer budget of \$25,000 to 2027/28.
 - xi. Widening Skewbridge Road – Mulcocks Rd to Threlkelds Rd – Defer budget of \$25,000 to 2027/28.

- (f) **Notes** that all the Transport Choices Cycleways Funding has a carryover budget of \$320,000 from 2024/25 to 2025/26 for the Woodend to Ravenswood footpath connection as approved by Council, with the remaining budget of \$640,000 in this area not being spent, and as such is a savings.
- (g) **Notes** that all proposed changes are outlined in Table Two as follows:

Project	LTP Budget 2025/26 (\$)	Proposed AP Budget 2025/26 (\$)	Budget Change	Comments
Old Waimakariri River Bridge – Renewals	404,495	469,494	Increase	Increase budget by \$65,000
Bridge and Culvert Renewals (Middlebrook)	651,000	0	Defer	Move next 2025/26 budget of \$651k out to 2026/27 and increase overall budget to \$1.1M, which will now allow for subsidy of 51% from NZTA (no financial impact to Council as the WDC share is already funded).
Townsend Road Culvert Replacement	50,000	700,000	Bring forward	NZTA co-funding has become available. Bring budget of \$650,000 forward from 2027/28 into 2025/26 year. There is currently \$50,000 in 2025/26. The total budget in 2025/26 will be \$700,000.
Priors Road Upgrade	200,000	50,000	Defer	Retain budget of \$50,000 in 2025/26 for design and move the remaining budget out to 2026/27, with the construction budget of \$1.012 million (total budget in 2026/27 will be \$1.162 million).
Mulcocks Road and Fernside Road intersections with SH71 Lineside Road	98,000	20,000	Defer	Retain budget of \$20,000 in 2025/26 and move the remaining \$78,000 of budget out to 2026/27.
Fernside Road / Todds Road Intersection Improvements	660,000	160,000	Defer	Retain budget of \$160,000 in 2025/26 and move the remaining \$500,000 out to 2026/27.
Blake Street Land Purchase	100,000	50,000	Defer	Retain \$50,000 of budget in 2025/26 for design. Move \$50,000 out to 2026/27. The 2026/27 year will therefore have a total budget will be \$690,000.
Oxford Road / Lehman's Road Intersection Upgrade	100,000	50,000	Defer	Retain budget of \$50,000 in 2025/26 for design and move the remaining budget \$50,000 out to 2026/27.
Ravenswood Park and Ride	0	0	Carry over	Currently working through land purchase. Budget is currently in 2024/25. Move budget of \$320,000 out to 2026/27.
Southbrook Futures	0	0	Defer	Move the 2026/27 budget \$25,000 out to 2027/28.
Support for MUBA	50,000	0	Defer	Move budget of \$50,000 in 2025/26 out and evenly split total budget of \$1M across 2026/27 and 2027/28 as timing of development is not yet clear.
Widening Skewbridge Road - Skew Bridge to Mulcocks	50,000	25,000	Defer	Retain \$25,000 in 2025/26 and move the remaining \$25,000 out to 2027/28 (therefore having a total of \$648,000 in 2027/28).
Widening Skewbridge Road – Mulcocks Road to Threlkelds Road	50,000	25,000	Defer	Retain \$25,000 in 2025/26 and move the remaining \$25,000 out to 2027/28 (therefore having a total of \$691,000 in 2027/28).
Rangiora Eastern Link Road	325,900	255,000	Defer	Reduce budget in 2025/26 and change the timing of the remaining budget as per Table One below, bringing the budget for delivery forward in the Long Term Plan.
TOTAL	\$2,739,395	\$1,804,494		

- (h) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken, and only essential changes have been proposed. The review has including confirming the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.
- (i) **Notes** that overall, there is minimal overall impact on the Roding rates due to the proposed changes, as these changes are primarily moving budget between years, and therefore these small changes can be smoothed to achieve a zero increase overall. As such, the Roding Rate remains unchanged from that included in the Draft Annual Plan 2025/26 of 5.1%.
- (j) **Notes** that should projects progress quicker than anticipated, then a separate report would be brought to Council, requesting consideration of the budget being brought forward.
- (k) **Circulates** this report to the Community Boards for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Mealings commented that roading seemed to be a movable feast, staff had done a fine job of juggling the various projects and funding, and she appreciated the efforts.

Councillor Ward supported the motion and thanked staff for their work. She noted that the Council was fortunate to have knowledgeable engineers.

Mayor Gordon acknowledged the staff for the work that went into compiling the Roding Capital Works Programme. He thought the Council could be pleased with the Central Government's investment in roading in the region, such as the proposed Woodend Bypass.

In her right of reply, Councillor Mealings noted that the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) did not align with the Council's LTP processes, and there had also been changes in Government. She acknowledged that staff had done an excellent job in compiling the roading budgets.

6.7 Roding Staff Submission May 2025 – Transport Programme Summary of Submissions
– G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roding) and J McBride (Roding and Transport Manager)

J McBride spoke to the report, noting that the public had been consulted on the Transport Programme as part of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan consultation. The Council had indicated that it would take a multi-layer approach to managing and progressing critical transport projects. During public consultation, 34 submissions were received, of which 83.3% supported the Council's proposed approach.

There were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Fulton

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250514085446.
- (b) **Approves** the Transport Programme as consulted upon in the Draft Annual Plan 2025-26.
- (c) **Notes** that the Transport Programme was developed using a balanced approach to considering options for reducing capital project spending to balance the funding shortfall, with a multi-layered approach agreed to progressing these projects dependent on current progress and criticality.

CARRIED

6.8 **Solid Waste Staff Submission to Annual Plan 2025-2026** – K Waghorn (Solid Waste Manager), D Young (Senior Engineering Advisor) and R Hunt (Senior Project Manager)

K Waghorn took the report as read, noting that since the report was written, she had been notified of a 1.35% increase in the Combined Disposal and Transport Costs; however, the current operational budget could cover the resulting \$30,000 annual increase.

Mayor Gordon inquired whether this would not place pressure on the current budgets, and G Cleary noted that, with efficiencies made and careful management, he was comfortable that the Operational Budget could absorb the cost.

In response to a question from Councillor Fulton about the Cust Recycling Centre, K Waghorn advised that this service was paid for by waste minimisation, and residents were, therefore, not rated for the service.

Moved: Councillor Brine

Seconded: Councillor Fulton

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250429073789.
- (b) **Approves** the deferral of \$80,000 budget from the Southbrook Transfer Station – Access Roads from 2025/26 to 2026/27 to give a revised budget allocation of \$0 in 2025/26 and \$80,000 in 2026/27.
- (c) **Approves** the deferral of \$740,000 budget from the Southbrook Transfer Station – Land Purchase for future upgrades from 2025/26 to 2026/27 to give a revised budget allocation of \$0 in 2025/26 and \$740,000 in 2026/27.
- (d) **Approves** the deferral of \$70,000 budget from the Southbrook transfer Station – Landscaping/shelter belts from 2025/26 to 2026/27 to give a revised budget allocation of \$0 in 2025/26 and \$70,000 in 2026/27.
- (e) **Approves** the bringing forward of \$64,000 budget from the Southbrook transfer Station – Pit Upgrade & Road Realignment from 2027/28 to 2025/26 to give a revised budget allocation of \$169,000 in 2025/26, noting that the budget for 2027/28 will reduce to \$4,131,370.
- (f) **Approves** the deferral of \$20,000 budget from the Closed Landfills – Screening planting Oxford from 2025/26 to 2026/27 to give a revised budget allocation of \$0 in 2025/26 and \$50,000 in 2026/27.
- (g) **Approves** the removal of \$20,000 budget from the Waste Minimisation – Cleanfill pit Infrastructure from 2025/26 to give a revised budget allocation of \$0 in 2025/26, noting that this project will not proceed.
- (h) **Approves** the deferral of \$10,000 budget from the Minimisation – Oxford TS Infrastructure to give a revised budget allocation of \$10,000 in 2025/26, noting that the budget for 2026/27 will increase to \$76,100.
- (i) **Approves** the bringing forward of \$88,000 budget from the Waste Minimisation – New Works account from 2026/27 to 2025/26 to give a revised budget allocation of \$288,000 in 2025/26, noting that the budget for 2026/27 will reduce to \$3,718,536.
- (j) **Notes** there are financial implications of the decisions sought by this report, (being the delayed budgets) but there are no rating impacts due to Solid Waste having accumulated funds, and no rates or loans are required to fund the projects at this stage.
- (k) **Notes** that as the design process proceeds, further reports on the timing of expenditure in later years will be brought to the Council.

- (l) **Notes** that the Council staff have recently become aware of an issue with the Cust recycling facility, but at this stage a solution has not been determined, and so this will be the subject of a separate report.
- (m) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken, and only essential changes have been proposed to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.

CARRIED

Councillor Brine acknowledged the benefit of deferring several projects to later years; however, the work still needed to be done and would eventually have to be reconsidered by the Council.

6.9 Greenspace and Strategic and Special Projects Staff Submission to the 2025/26 Annual Plan – G MacLeod (Greenspace Manager) and D Roxborough (Strategic and Special Projects Manager)

G MacLeod took the report as read, and there were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Councillor Blackie

Seconded: Councillor Goldsworthy

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250508080952.
- (b) **Approves** the proposed change of the 154 Eastbelt Cricket Oval project by moving \$255,500 from year two of the Long-Term Plan (2025-26) into year three of the Long-Term Plan (2026-27).
- (c) **Approves** the proposed change of the Woodend Beach Domain project (that includes the car park, toilet and playground) by having \$100,000 available in year three of the Long-Term Plan (2026-27).
- (d) **Approves** the proposed change of the Pegasus Community Centre project by having a budget in year two of the Long-Term Plan (2025-26) of \$2,710,000.00.
- (e) **Approves** the proposed change of the Pegasus Community Centre project by having a budget in year three of the Long-Term Plan (2026-27) of \$1,160,000.00.
- (f) **Notes** that a detailed review of the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan budgets has been undertaken, and only essential changes have been proposed to confirm the project budgets and the deliverability of the overall programme, such that the net overall rating impact is minor.
- (g) **Circulates** this report to the Rangiora-Ashley and Woodend-Sefton Community Boards for their information.

CARRIED

6.10 Surf Life Saving New Zealand Submission (point number 730.1) – G MacLeod (Greenspace Manager)

G MacLeod took the report as read, noting that Council approval was being sought to allocate an additional budget to Surf Lifesaving New Zealand and approve the additional dates for lifeguarding proposed in their submission to the draft 2025/26 Annual Plan.

Mayor Gordon inquired whether the additional dates had been clarified with Surf Lifesaving New Zealand. G MacLeod confirmed that an agreement had been reached on the dates for lifeguarding.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Cairns

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250508081207.
- (b) **Approves** an additional budget allocation of \$41,502 for Surf Life Saving New Zealand to extend the patrol season from 99 to 110 days, with annual inflation adjustments to be incorporated into future budgets.
- (c) **Notes** that a budget of \$120,690 (excluding GST) is currently allocated to Surf Life Saving New Zealand for the 2025/2026 financial year.
- (d) **Notes** that the proposed funding increase would result in a total budget of \$162,192 for the upcoming season, with inflationary adjustments applied annually for the duration of its inclusion in the budget.
- (e) **Notes** that the additional funding is classified as a community grant, financed through rates, leading to a 0.04% increase in the rating.
- (f) **Notes** staff will continue collaborating with Surf Life Saving New Zealand and the Woodend-Sefton Community Board to finalize patrol dates and communicate relevant details to the wider community.
- (g) **Notes** that staff will report back to Woodend-Sefton Community Board the exact dates of the upcoming season by its August 2025 meeting.

CARRIED

Mayor Gordon supported the motion, as he was in favour of Surf Lifesaving New Zealand patrolling Waimakariri beaches on the additional dates to ensure the safety of beach goers during the summer holiday period. Mayor Gordon requested that staff report back to the relevant Community Boards regarding the decision made and the dates agreed upon for the upcoming summer season.

6.11 **Fees and Charges – Adoption of Fee Charges to Take Effect from 1 July 2025 –**
M Harris (Customer Services Manager)

M Harris took the report as read, noting that notification had already been sent; however, this was subject to the decision made by the Council that day.

There were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250501075152.
- (b) **Approves** the schedule of changes to fees and charges to be included in the Annual Plan 2025/2026 and to take effect from 1 July 2025.

CARRIED

6.12 **Adoption of Proposed Changes to Rating Policies** – M Harris (Customer Services Manager)

M Harris took the report as read.

In response to a question from Councillor Fulton, M Harris responded that the option of paying rates in advance would still be available, however; there would be no discount offered for early payment.

Moved: Mayor Gordon

Seconded: Councillor Cairns

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 250506078966.
- (b) **Amends** the Rates Policy by removing Section 4, Discount for the early payment of rates in the current financial year to take effect from 1 July 2025.
- (c) **Amends** the Rates Policy by adding a new rates remission policy as section 6.16 Fixed charges on multiple dwellings.
- (d) **Amends** the definition of a Separately Used or Inhabited Part of a Rating Unit (SUIP) for use in calculating liability for targeted rates under Clause 7, Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.
- (e) **Notes** the removal of the discount for early payment was taken into account in the budgets included in the Draft Annual Plan 2025/2026.

CARRIED

Mayor Gordon noted that he had received no strong feedback regarding the proposed amendment to the Rates Policy and therefore supported the motion. He requested that an extensive explanation be provided to submitters. He also suggested that it would be helpful if the Council's Communications and Engagement Team could provide an explanation of the proposed amendment to the Rates Policy on the Council's website.

Councillor Cairns concurred that the submitters did not appear to be opposed to the amendment of the Rates Policy. However, the public did not seem to be clear on the various options available; hence, it would be good to clarify the Council's position in the response to submitters.

Councillor Fulton supported the motion, given the advantages to the Council when paying rates early.

6.13 **Budgeted Carry Forwards from 2024-25 to 2025-26 Financial Year** – P Christensen
(Finance Manager)

P Christensen took the report as read and there were no questions from elected members.

Moved: Councillor Ward

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 250523091983.
- (b) **Adopts** the carry forwards as listed (250523091987) for inclusion in the 2025-26 Annual Plan.
- (c) **Notes** the rate effect of the carry forwards is nil. Rating effect of carry forwards will be "smoothed" over future years. There will be no rating effect to 2025/26.

CARRIED

7. CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS TO THE DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2025-2026

Note: Submissions related to each Council Department were considered in conjunction with Council Department's reports. The submission point numbering below aligns with that in the Summary of Submissions and Officer recommendations provided to Councillors in a separate folder.

Refer to Item 6.1A.

At the beginning of the meeting:

Moved: Deputy Mayor Atkinson

Seconded: Councillor Brine

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Resolves** that all proforma recommendations be adopted and subject to debate during the meeting.

CARRIED

At the end of the meeting:

Moved: Mayor Gordon

Seconded: Councillor Ward

THAT the Council:

- (a) **Resolves** that all proforma recommendations are adopted as per the debate and motion that occurred during the meeting.

CARRIED

1. LOCAL WATER DONE WELL

1.1 Local Water Done Well

1.1, J Davey	2.1, A Gray
4.1, M Cassidy	6.1, Identity information withheld
7.1, E Pavey	12.1, R L McPherson
10.1, S Fisher	13.1, Identity information withheld
14.1, J Carter	15.1, B Nelson
16.1, K B and C Harris	17.1, J and A Macphail
19.1, B Warren	21.1, Pand G McLeay
22.1, H Hartles	23.1, I Simonsehi
24.1, C and W Woods	25.1, P and M Lucking
26.1, C McClelland	27.1, J Irvine
28.1, A Murray	29.1, B and S Deverell
30.1, K Pamment	31.1, I and R Bywater
34.1, K Burgess	35.1, G Timms
36.1, J and R Hill and Lenser	37.1, D Dickson
38.1, S Williams	39.1, T Barrett
40.1, D Blackledge	41.1, A Kennett
42.1, H Nau	43.1, A Wilson
45.1, N Wood	47.1, Identity information withheld
48.1, R Cumming	49.1, S Wilkinson
50.1, P Drake	51.1, J Paul
52.1, S Idiens	53.1, B Peck
54.1, R Columbus	55.1, J and M Whyte
56.1, D Wayland	57.1, K and R Robinson

58.1, K and R Marsh	59.1, E Densem
60.1, K Clarke	61.1, A Blackie
62.1, C and J Grabowski	63.1, N Dellow
64.1, G Richardson	65.1, T and O De Rek
66.1, M Wright	67.1, D and K Quigley
68.1, E Williams	69.1, D and M Reynolds
70.1, R Pounamu	71.1, DJ and JA Powers
72.1, K and M Pateman	73.1, M Brown
74.1, S Johnson	75.1, I Burton
77.1, L Graveson	78.1, A Mills
79.1, A F Rapley	80.1, R Sutherland
81.1, Ngapuke Forestry Ltd	82.1, S and G Roberts
83.1, D Matterson	84.1, F Ritchie
85.1, J Wang	86.1, R Johnson
87.1, R Ritchie	88.1, K and I Shepherd
89.1, Riverine Farms Trustees Ltd	91.1, W Wills
92.1, R Arthur	93.1, B Churchill
94.1, R and D Newton	95.1, M Thomson
96.1, G Harper	97.1, D McConnell
98.1, J Bond	99.1, S Morrell
100.1, N Harrison	101.1, S Trewheela
102.1, M Gobbsworthy	103.1, K Krauze
104.1, A Buchan	105.1, K and S Wayne
106.1, D and J Johns	107.1, G Reid
108.1, A G Bishop	109.1, M and B Cumming
110.1, S Mackay	111.1, * Johnson
112.1, B Norton	113.1, J J Malthus
114.1, R Tester	115.1, M Stephens
116.1, * Sunyar	118.1, P Ready
119.1, PL and JE Archer	120.1, R and FB Walkyier
121.1, S B Stokes	122.1, G and D Hutchison
123.1, C and G Wilson	124.2, A Clearwater
125.1, K Rowe	126.1, J Cassidy
127.1, C Musgrove	128.1, M and K Hodson
129.1, B and S Howard	130.1, H Shaw
131.1, AW Peter	132.1, J Gray
133.1, B Myatt	134.1, J and A Clarke
136.1, K and P Whitehead	137.1, SA McLaughlin
138.1, P Lochhead	139.1, R Chapman
140.1, D and S Swift	144.1, R and D Wallace
142.1, H Sparrow	143.1, R and L Prins
144.1, R and D Wallace	145.1, J Scott
146.1, C Judson	147.1, J and N Watherston
148.1, P Bay	149.1, A and G McElroy
150.1, M and O Veltman	152.1, Mr and Mrs Patterson
153.1, J Wilson	154.1, T Jellie
155.1, B Cattermole	156.1, R Brown
157.1, I Blenkinsop	158.1, B and D Ransby and Lacey
159.1, R Scarlett	160.1, D Sandom

161.1, S Walls	162.1, H and M Walls
163.1, D and T Williams	164.1, C Malone
165.1, E Brocherie	166.1, G Gillman
167.1, R Wolsfold	168.1, G and R Tarawhiti
169.1, R and J Wills	170.1, C Greenfield
171.1, C Price	172.1, E Worsfold
174.1, * Ramsay	175.1, P Bush
176.1, S Sharman	177.1, B and D McGuire
178.1, B Monteba	179.1, M and L Foster
180.1, H Duxbury	181.1, J Thompson
183.1, S and D Taylor	184.1, A Hughston
185.1, R Todd	186.1, G and L Henderson
187.1, H Brouwer	188.1, J Crawford
189.1, RE and KA Parratt	191.1, B Craig
192.1, N and P Wright	193.1, P Akester
194.1, P Birch	195.1, M-A Bradley
196.1, D Schumacher	197.1, L and M Underhill
198.1, IF and MD Pavitt	199.1, B and M Kiddey
200.1, JF and AA Davison	201.1, A McDougall
202.1, G Titmuss	203.1, VC Parker
204.1, D Lyon	205.1, K Kelly
207.1, R and M Gee	208.1, G Richards
209.1, GH Grant	210.1, J Vermeer
211.1, D and J Johnson	212.1, J Boxell
213.1, D Powell	214.1, M Jarvis
215.1, A Russell	216.1, LJ and SA Whitwell
217.1, A and S Cotton	218.1, K van Doorn
219.1, B and G Holland	220.1, N Shaw
221.1, JA McGowan	222.1, N Batts
224.1, S Hollander	225.1, YE Taylor
226.1, GA Martin	227.1, A Gill
228.1, W Potts	229.1, PJ Reid
230.1, E and L Eacock	231.1, J Laffey
232.1, M Westenra	233.1, HW and JY Burson
234.1, W Vance	235.1, J Allan
236.1, P Arnold	237.1, D Edes
238.1, C and V Bennett	239.1, Rangiora Engineering and Structures
240.1, P Gill	241.1, P and B Hickland
242.1, G Marshall	243.1, WDB Johnstone
244.1, M Jenkins	245.1, J and Y Somiya and Heng
246.1, SR Stafford	247.1, A and ME Smith
248.1, C Bertenshaw	249.1, A Pilbrow
250.1, ET Dring	251.1, C Cross
252.1, I and L Bisman	253.1, N and S Maginness
254.1, J Creamer	255.1, AS Creamer
256.1, J Buschl	257.1, P Osborne
258.1, A and G Dawe and Morris	259.1, A Senior
260.1, P Mason	265.1, * Macpherson
261.1, R Bennie	262.1, H Moriarty

263.1, B McLaughlin	264.1, P Glassey
266.1, D Leeson	267.1, H Johnstone
268.1, P and J Wilcox	269.1, Fespasific Group Ltd
270.1, P Gread	271.1, K Steffert
272.1, S and R Hough	273.1, N and J Trolove
274.1, R Langton	275.1, R Clark
276.1, V and S McAllister	277.1, I and H Larcombe
278.1, S and H Chaw	279.1, CM and SD Stricker
280.1, G and S Salton	281.1, P Tayler
282.1, K Smith	283.1, D and E Price
284.1, P and I Kinsman	285.1, G Cederman
286.1, PK Crew	287.1, C Ross
288.1, M Cosgrove	289.1, R Whitty
290.1, R Lee	291.1, B and J Walden
292.1, T and P Bedford	293.1, * Whiteford
294.1, E and P Mclver	295.1, A Holden
296.1, Faye Not provided	297.1, G Gooch
298.1, S and I Hill	300.1, R and P Morris
301.1, M Johnson	302.1, D and P Burwell
303.1, E and E Johnson	304.1, C Hadlee
305.1, CP and SA Rutherford	306.1, BT Jacobs
307.1, Luisetti Seeds	308.1, J and R Mitchell
310.1, G and L Devlin	311.1, D Cinninghame
312.1, T Moore	313.1, G Maguire
314.1, Mindrum Holdings Limited	315.1, M Fortune
316.1, A and S Scott	317.1, H Williams
318.1, CJ Perrior	319.1, L Gdanitz
320.1, R and C Whittaker	321.1, DB Kettle
322.1, JA Harris	323.2, * Payne
324.1, M Barrington	325.1, C and C Thompson
326.1, S Archer	327.1, V Finlay
328.1, R Perry	329.1, J and J Walker
330.1, D and D Thomas	331.1, Nuttyherbs and More Limited
332.1, A and H Clarke	333.1, A Kane
334.1, C Johnstone	335.1, J Gilmore
336.1, M Price	337.1, Frews Transport
338.1, J Grant	339.1, R and R Stringfellow
340.1, R and C Isle	341.1, T and B Forrester
342.1, GH Kelly	343.1, P Armstrong
344.1, J Nihoniho	345.1, W and F Johansen
346.1, J Glue	348.1, M and L Mountford and Russell
349.1, B Sintes	350.1, C Wilson
351.1, V Stephens	352.1, A and J David and Jenkins
353.1, G Lowe	355.1, Mr and Mrs Dashari
356.1, K Keith-Gillon	357.1, WD Lark
358.1, S and G Court	359.1, R Winson
360.1, R and K Winson	361.1, E Guard
362.1, L O'Donnell	363.1, A Abernathy
364.1, M Summerfield	365.1, G and C Shanks

366.1, Identity information withheld	367.1, M Farrelly
368.1, S Greig	369.1, R Newton
371.1, C and I Thomas	372.1, M and BM Fane
373.1, D Laing	374.1, S Earl
375.1, N Tjandrawidjaja	376.1, R and G Coppard
377.1, WM and TJ Calvert	378.1, A Breach
379.1, C Amataiti	380.1, D Clutterbuck
381.1, L Shore	382.1, D and K Berry
383.1, J Barwell	384.1, K and P Salt
385.1, J and M Field	386.1, L Palmer
387.1, J Woodgate	388.1, G Winfield
389.1, R and I Webb	390.1, C Scott
391.1, D Moody	392.1, D Jefferd
393.1, A McNeill	394.1, J and J Gregan
395.1, M and B Shaw	396.1, J Lawson
397.1, L Harvey	398.1, KR Hamilton
399.1, G Appleby	400.1, AR and NR Middleton
401.1, S Wilce	402.1, DR Bell
403.1, T Wright	404.1, E Gilbert
406.1, AR and ML Tupara	407.1, J Anderson
408.1, T Black	409.1, A and J Robb
410.1, TA and HD Jackson	411.1, B Byers
412.1, D and S Curran	413.1, D Didham
414.1, L Todd	415.1, M Laws
416.1, B Crampton	417.1, A and A Acton Adams
418.1, K and T Goldstone	419.1, WJ de Beer
420.1, T Chinnery	422.1, AI Goodare
423.1, N Boote	424.1, J Simpson
426.1, S Pettigrew	427.1, N Vavasour
428.1, M Kuchlein	429.1, I Johnson
435.1, S Lynch	430.1, J and G Lathan and McPeake
431.1, CA van Rees	432.1, M and YD Cook
433.1, M and A Close	434.1, K Lack
436.1, PJ and EA Rapson	438.1, J Garrick
439.1, D and S Townsend	440.1, P Stocks
441.1, Dahlc Trustees Ltd	442.1, L and R Collins and Skerten
443.1, JM Derry	444.1, A and D Ward
445.1, A Woods	446.1, J and A Parsons and Heyes
449.1, B Leopold	450.1, K Robinson
454.1, J and D van der Wende and Unwin	455.1, U and J Kusche
456.1, L Rix	457.1, S Manning
458.1, GR and DL Campbell and Parsons	459.1, J and J Borrie
460.1, NM Stickings	461.1, D and K Frisken
462.1, R Schat	463.1, K Curtis
464.1, B Spence	465.1, D Begley
466.1, * Welch	467.1, J Stanley
468.1, J Howard	470.1, M Henry
471.1, R and C Moore	472.1, A and E Whiteman

473.1, L and C Hurley and Stephen	474.1, GR and S Thomas
475.1, AR and CA Bruce	476.1, A Marsden
477.1, MHG Helsen	478.1, P McKee
479.1, D Home	480.1, M and J Searle
481.1, N and N Fine	482.1, R and P Graham
483.1, M and A Lang	484.1, B James
485.1, I and S Marsden	486.1, L and J Overend
487.1, J Stone	488.1, B and L Hehoff and Lichtwart
490.1, D and L Wethey	491.1, W and J Hamlin
492.1, B Emslie	493.1, LM Holland
494.1, C Blair	495.1, J and F Currie
496.1, C Taylor	497.1, K and J Milne
498.1, PA Hills	499.1, A Baker
500.1, LM Parsons	501.1, G and C Wyat
502.1, DJ Wordsworth	503.1, * Growcott
504.1, A Putu	505.1, R and LA George
506.1, K Higgins	507.1, NR and SE Brown
508.1, G Alsop	510.1, J Turvey
511.1, A Petrie	512.1, P Nicholas
513.1, A and P Cornish	514.1, I Cherry
515.1, K Barnett	517.1, A Williams
520.1, I and G Hamilton	521.1, S Legge
523.1, B and F Hogan	522.1, DA Wilson
524.1, R Jose	525.1, R Mauger
526.1, K Baldwin	527.1, D Farrow
528.1, P and S Aitken	529.1, K Balk
530.1, W and G White	531.1, G Harry
532.1, White and Roulston	533.1, RG and NL McKissock
534.1, P and D Robertson	535.1, B Sutherland
536.1, R Vaughan	537.1, H Macnab
538.1, K Jones	539.1, L and J Lange
540.1, M Parkinson	541.1, O and C Knowles and Harrison
542.1, K Heyworth	543.1, C Jacobs
544.1, BJ Donald Holdings Ltd	545.1, S Milne
547.1, M Jones	548.1, M Johnson
549.1, B and J Townshend	550.1, J and V Blay
551.1, M Wafelbakker	552.1, C Peverill
553.1, A Hughes	554.1, A Balsom
555.1, L and K Wason	557.1, RW and MH Larsen
558.1, L Russell	559.1, K and W Lawton
560.1, G and B Joseph	561.1, RJ and KM Jameson
562.1, AW Rhodes	563.1, M Barrish
565.1, M Parkes	566.1, J and A Dehn and Soliman
567.1, Windehn Holdings Ltd	568.1, J Dehn
569.1, KJ and RF Earl	571.1, B de Their
572.1, D and J Burton	574.1, R Moody
575.1, J Raumati	576.1, JR and DJ Parry
577.1, * Kiatiaki	578.1, L and A Stokes
579.1, * Benson	580.1, AJ and ZB Evans

581.1, * Lamont	582.1, J Hickmott
583.1, G Foster	584.1, G Johnson
587.1, Identity information withheld	589.1, M Sparrow
590.1, A and S Ford	591.1, Identity information withheld
592.1, C Gray	593.1, E Benton
594.1, L Tiweka	595.1, J Todd
596.1, E Anderson	597.1, M Schluter
598.1, B White	599.1, P Hammersley
600.1, S Thompson	601.1, BT Swaney
602.1, T Walmsley	603.1, A and H Halder
604.1, J Hutt	605.1, P Bowen
606.1, J and B Chandler	608.1, R Evans
611.1, B Williams	612.1, BE and WE Cust
613.1, P and J Scott	614.1, L Hogg
615.1, G Hogg	616.1, K Hawke
617.1, F and M Taylor and Chirnside	619.1, P Dawson
620.1, H Kemp	621.1, GD Fox
623.1, A Childs	624.1, MC Reynolds
625.1, A and J Breeze	626.1, L Hayward
627.1, G and D Sharp and Brandish	628.1, G Byrne
629.1, D Ward	630.1, C Wilson
631.1, D and R Lewis and Ramsay	632.1, P Etienne
633.1, Kaiapoi-Tuahwi Community Board	635.1, Identity information withheld
637.1, D and I Wilkins	638.1, AV Jones
639.1, FG Stewart	641.1, JD Gray
642.1, D Roche	643.1, RJ Mackenzie
644.1, P van Herp	645.1, R Bressington
646.1, R and G Webb	647.1, J Pearson
648.1, M Mehrtens	649.1, A McFie
650.1, P and T Oliver	651.1, R Lambert
652.1, O and N Duff	653.1, R Armstrong
654.1, D Cattermole	655.1, P Cattermole
656.1, S Henderson	657.1, DL and MR Parker
658.1, Olansa Ltd	659.1, B Tebay
660.1, J van den Burg	661.1, * Harrison
662.1, M Berger	663.1, A and B Waters
664.1, J Atkinson	665.1, RH Bricknell
666.1, BG Rose	667.1, G and M Johnston
668.1, L Simpson	669.1, L MacMillan
670.1, P and P Goddard	671.1, A Jemmett
672.1, DL Alliston	673.1, R and A Smith
674.1, G Goile	675.1, E Cochrane
676.1, D and L Edwards	677.1, Grant and Denise
678.1, L Ardell	679.1, S and T Martin
681.1, P Quinlan	683.1, Ohoka Domain Advisory Group
684.1, Mandeville Sports Club	686.1, B Chatterton
687.1, J Balloch	688.1, C Muir
690.1, A Moore	691.1, C Rossiter
692.1, E Cole	693.1, L Waters

694.1, A McCracken	695.1, J Pentecost
696.1, B and C Middleton	697.1, W and JA Lyons and Bradley
698.1, R Birch	699.1, G and P Hurrell
701.1, I Dingwall	702.1, M and A Blaikie
703.1, AB Tudehope	704.1, N and M Weineck
705.1, C and N Pennell and Meikle	706.1, W Schwalger
707.1, EN and ZI Hattingh	708.1, M Cross
709.1, S Beatson	710.1, T and S Sander and Hardie
712.1, T Beauvais	713.1, N and K Worsfold
714.1, P Chronican	715.1, D Kirkby
716.1, M and M Luisetti	717.1, Mr and Mrs Hewitt
719.1, S Ayers	720.1, R Ayers
721.1, Northern A&P Association	723.1, A Barber
724.1, H Fowler	725.1, Mr and Mrs Marks
727.1, W Hawkyard	729.1, G Batchelor
731.1, D Prosser	732.1, I Brown
733.1, R Gargett	734.1, M Planner
743.1, J and R Roy	748.1, K Fraser
750.1, K Fraser	751.1, D Ransley
752.1, G Thompson	753.1, MJ Murphy
754.1, SK Taylor	755.1, T Taylor
756.1, D and D Brown	757.1, DK and CJ Shepherd
758.1, J Alexander	759.1, Lock Box Storage Rangiora Ltd
760.1, C Hurley	761.1, Taibry Properties
762.1, M Hartley	763.1, Toru Hoa Ltd
764.1, J de Wys	766.1, D Stewart
767.1, I Knaapen-Huisman	768.1, P Bitmead
769.1, D Jones	770.1, S Smith
771.1, B Liddicoat	772.1, A Sanders
773.1, M Dickinson	774.1, A Drake
775.1, S Drake	776.1, T Barnhill
777.1, J van Wijk	778.1, D Martin
779.1, A Paterson	780.1, L Mitchell
781.1, G van Leeuwen	782.1, NW and DP Cossar
783.1, W and K Banks and Foster	784.1, L and S Hartley
785.1, G Forrest	786.1, G van Keppevelt
787.1, K Sheehan	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.

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1.2 Local Water Done Well

5.1, N Wilkinson	135.1, B and S Higham
141.1, I Brooklands	151.1, G and K Campbell
489.1, R Forward	640.1, Gabrielle Gebbie
680.1, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board	685.1, Woodend Sefton Community Board
726.1, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board	405.1, GR Henderson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the delivery plan Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council will continue to provide support to our neighbouring councils with shared service arrangements as needed moving forward.

1.3 Local Water Done Well

9.2, Submitter information withheld as requested
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council has targeted rates for 3 Waters and solid waste services, meaning that only those that receive these services are rated for them, and that no changes to this approach are proposed under the Council's preferred delivery model.

1.4 Local Water Done Well

3.1, Identity information withheld	8.1, G Sperry
20.1, R Devlin	354.1, Chris *
469.1, K and W Tapley and Logeman	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.

- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025, which will take into account any further legislative changes.
- (d) **Notes** that the Water Services Delivery Plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed Water Services Delivery unit will engage key stakeholders (such as iwi) moving forward.

1.5 Local Water Done Well

190.1, D and W Fenby and Cunningham

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that full and clear financial separation from “non-water” activities and between drinking water, wastewater, and urban stormwater is required to meet the new economic regulation.

1.6 Local Water Done Well

347.1, I and B Frazer

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council has invested in its water services, both in terms of renewing its older assets and upgrading for growth, and has managed its financial situation such that it does not need to borrow beyond current debt-to-revenue limits.
- (e) **Notes** that councils may make amendments to their proposed delivery model prior to 3 September 2026 under specific circumstances outlined in the Local Government (Water Services) Bill.

1.7 Local Water Done Well

421.1, J Leslie

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.

- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Government has made transitional support funding available for Councils to support Local Water Done Well activities, including this consultation process and development of a water services delivery plan.

1.8 Local Water Done Well

425.1, Submitter information withheld as requested
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council has targeted rates for 3 Waters and other Council services, meaning that only those that receive these services are rated for them, and that no changes to this approach are proposed under the Council's preferred delivery model.

1.9 Local Water Done Well

522.1, DA Wilson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council charges for water services through targeted rates, and no changes to the current rating system are proposed under the Council's preferred delivery model.

1.10 Local Water Done Well

299.1, S Camp	556.1, C and S Harris
570.1, P Bone	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.

- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that final decisions on the preferred delivery model are not predetermined, and the Council remains open-minded to consider all options, taking into account the feedback received.

1.11 Local Water Done Well

564.1, W Duff

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council is committed to maintaining a strong working relationship with Ngai Tuahuriri irrespective of the preferred delivery model.

1.11 Local Water Done Well

516.1, A and Susan Lewis	585.1, Submitter information withheld on request
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council will continue to align their planning and levels of service with community outcomes, and to work more closely together to find effective ways of achieving these common goals.

1.12 Local Water Done Well

609.1, E Morgan	700.1, DI Riddell
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that various water services delivery model options were investigated, including joint delivery options with our neighbouring councils, and the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.

- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the preferred delivery model will need to meet the Government's new economic, environmental and infrastructure regulation requirements.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council was not in support of the previous proposal as it was considered to take away local control of water services, which would not have been beneficial for the Waimakariri community.

1.13 Local Water Done Well

722.1, J Thompson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the preferred delivery model will need to meet new environmental regulation requirements.

1.14 Local Water Done Well

744.1, M Soufflet	765.1, R Greatorrex
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council will continue to align their planning and levels of service with community outcomes, and to work more closely together to find effective ways of achieving these common goals.
- (e) **Notes** that the preferred delivery model will need to meet the Government's new economic, environmental and infrastructure regulation requirements.

1.15 Local Water Done Well

18.1, S Naidu

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option is the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.

- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the water services delivery plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will meet targeted cost efficiencies.
- (e) **Notes** that a large portion of the signalled rate increases is due to additional costs shifted to the Council from Central Government, such as an additional \$360,000 from ratepayers to cover new Commerce Commission and Water Services Authority levies.

1.16 Local Water Done Well

76.1, A Woolhouse

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the Three Waters Reform proposal put forward by the previous government took control and ownership of water services away from the local community.
- (b) **Notes** that various water services delivery model options were investigated, including joint delivery options with our neighbouring councils, and the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council was not in support of the previous proposal as it was considered to take away local control of water services, which would not have been beneficial for the Waimakariri community.

1.17 Local Water Done Well

173.1, C Arps

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option is the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the water services delivery plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will meet targeted cost efficiencies.

- (e) **Notes** that Council will continue to align their planning and levels of service with community outcomes, and to work more closely together to find effective ways of achieving these common goals.

1.18 Local Water Done Well

573.1, G Williams	689.1, B Mason
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option represents the best long-term option for the Waimakariri community and avoids higher establishment and operating costs of a CCO.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the preferred delivery model will need to meet the Government's new economic, environmental and infrastructure regulation requirements. However Council will continue to align their planning and levels of service with community outcomes, and to work more closely together to find effective ways of achieving these common goals.

1.19 Local Water Done Well

586.1, D Hawkins

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option represents the best long-term option for the Waimakariri community and avoids the higher establishment and operating costs of a CCO.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Castalia's financial assessment concluded that each Council must consider their own unique financial, operational and strategic situations to decide on which model works best for their district. Castalia's assessment assumed finite future efficiency savings for joint options, and did not consider the dis-economies for the parent councils or the duplication of overheads created by having two separate organisations.
- (e) **Notes** that Council will continue to provide support to our neighbouring councils with shared service arrangements as needed moving forward.
- (f) **Notes** that Council remains open-minded to consider all options, taking into account the feedback received.

1.20 Local Water Done Well

607.1, K Nelson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option is the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.
- (b) **Notes** that various water services delivery model options were investigated, including joint delivery options with our neighbouring councils, and that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council will continue to provide support to our neighbouring councils with shared service arrangements as needed moving forward.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council intends to undertake a review of its rating for 3 Waters services in 2026.

1.21 Local Water Done Well

736.2, M Pinkham

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option represents the best long-term option for the Waimakariri community and avoids the higher establishment and operating costs of a CCO.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that Council will continue to align their planning and levels of service with community outcomes, and to work more closely together to find effective ways of achieving these common goals.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council has significant water reserves that have been retained for future years' replacement of water assets, along with maintaining adequate debt headroom for any future unplanned events.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon requested that M Pinkham's submission be responded to in full.

1.22 Local Water Done Well

738.1, J Holland

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option represents the best long-term option for the Waimakariri community and avoids higher establishment and operating costs of a CCO.

- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and will utilise existing staff and staffing structures, and develop new internal processes to meet increased financial ring-fencing requirements and new economic regulation.
- (c) **Notes** that Castalia's financial assessment concluded that each Council must consider their own unique financial, operational and strategic situations to decide on which model works best for their district. Council also conducted their own internal financial assessment, taking into account other Council operations, which concluded that the most cost-effective way to provide water services for ratepayers is through an in-house business unit.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025. The plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will meet targeted cost efficiencies.
- (e) **Notes** that the Water Services Act requires a residual disinfectant (chlorine) in all its water supplies unless an exemption is obtained. The council is committed to exploring options with the water regulator to provide chlorine-free water for its on-demand supplies in the district.

1.23 Local Water Done Well

117.1, J McPhee	206.1, JM and D Risuleo
223.1, D Miller	437.1, J Hay
610.1, Y Isle	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit represents the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.

1.24 Local Water Done Well

634.1, Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Runanga	636.1, Te Runanga o Ngāi Tahu
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission from Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (Te Rūnanga).
- (b) **Acknowledges** the concerns held by Te Rūnanga with regard to the Local Water Done Well process and the position Te Rūnanga takes more broadly on the provision of water services.
- (c) **Notes** that Council has received a submission from Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Te Rūnanga (Ngāi Tūāhuriri), and acknowledges the views of Ngāi Tūāhuriri as mana whenua.

- (d) **Notes** that Council has worked extensively to investigate options for the delivery of water services within the district, and believe that the in-house business unit is currently the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District under the Local Water Done Well process, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through Council.
- (e) **Notes** that Council welcomes the Partnering and Services Agreements between Whitiara and Council that enable Ngāi Tūāhuriri, through its agents Whitiara, to provide ongoing strategic advice and guidance to Council on a range of important matters.
- (f) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.

1.25 Local Water Done Well

711.1, National Public Health Service

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission from the National Public Health Service (NPHS) Te Waipounamu of Health New Zealand – Te Whatu Ora.
- (b) **Acknowledges** the views of NPHS Te Waipounamu as expressed within their submission to the Annual Plan, in particular the importance of safe drinking water and protecting public health.
- (c) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (e) **Notes** that the Water Services Delivery Plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will engage key stakeholders (such as iwi) moving forward.

1.26 Local Water Done Well

742.2, A Saunders	746.1, R Stevens
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option is the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that the preferred delivery model will need to meet the Government's new economic, environmental and infrastructure regulation requirements.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (e) **Notes** that the Water Services Delivery Plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will meet targeted cost efficiencies.

1.27 Local Water Done Well

788.1, I and T MacDonald and Whiteford

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point as the internal business unit option is the most effective use of ratepayers' money and is the most affordable option in the long term for the Waimakariri community.
- (b) **Notes** that the in-house business unit has been independently shown to be the best water services delivery model for Waimakariri District, and ensures the community retains control of their water services through the Council.
- (c) **Notes** that Council staff will work with the Government to prepare a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.
- (d) **Notes** that the Water Services Delivery Plan will include an implementation plan for how the proposed water services delivery unit will meet targeted cost efficiencies.

2. TRANSPORT FUNDING

2.1 Transport Funding

1.2, J Davey

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Acknowledges** the importance of undertaking safety improvements in a timely manner, to support our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further National Land Transport programme (NLTP) funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.

Council Comments: The Mayor requested that the Council's achievements and work during the last year be included in the responses to submitters to Transport Funding, including information on the Woodend Bypass. It should also be noted that the Council would continue to advocate for funding for roading projects to meet the needs of the Waimakariri District's roading network. Also, a link to a summary with a map on the Council's website would be useful.

2.2 Transport Funding

3.2, Submitter information withheld on request	8.2, G Sperry
10.2, S Fisher	586.2, D Hawkins
684.2, Mandeville Sports Club	733.2, R Garget
738.2, J Holland	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that it is important to undertake improvements in a timely manner to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.

2.3 Transport Funding

4.2, M Cassidy	5.2, N Wilkinson
7.2, E Pavey	12.2, R L McPherson
589.2, M Sparrow	635.2, Submitter information withheld on request

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the importance of undertaking improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that rating impacts are an important consideration for the Council.
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that the Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.

2.4 Transport Funding

6.2, Submitter information withheld on request
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's suggestion that a localised tax be put back into funding within the district.

- (c) **Notes** that the decision around any charges/taxes relating to the use of the Woodend Bypass will sit with the Minister of Transport with input from the New Zealand Transport Agency, and is not a Local Authority decision. There is also currently no requirement for the revenue gathered to be reinvested in the local transport system.
- (d) **Notes** that additional taxes/charges could likely impact local communities, resulting from those travelling through the state highway choosing to move off onto local roads.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.

2.5 Transport Funding

9.3, Submitter information withheld on request

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's comments on using tax money for infrastructure.
- (c) **Notes** that funding of transport infrastructure is shared between both Local Government (Council through rates) and Central Government (through the National Land Transport Fund).
- (d) **Notes** that Central Government funding for transport is collected from all vehicles travelling on public roads by paying Road User Charges (RUC), Registrations and Fuel Taxes.

2.6 Transport Funding

13.2, Submitter information withheld on request

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that it is important to undertake improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that regular condition rating is undertaken of the district's roads and benchmarked against other districts around the country, and that generally our roads compare well against others.

2.7 Transport Funding

18.2, S Naidu

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's support for public transport options in North Canterbury.
- (c) **Notes** that decisions about Central Government funding are not within Council control.
- (d) **Notes** that the Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.

2.9 Transport Funding

45.2, N Wood

That the Council:

- (a) **Receive** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council aims to take a balanced approach to transportation, as this is critical infrastructure needed to support its communities' health and wellbeing. This includes providing for public transport and alternative modes (such as walking and cycling), so people have a choice in how they travel.
- (c) **Notes** that the provision of an effective and efficient transport network is key to the way we live and work, including providing access to key activity centres, education, and social services. It provides access for our people and freight to move around and through the Waimakariri District.
- (d) **Notes** that with a growing district, there is an increase in the number of people who need to move around the district. It is important that we consider how we can efficiently move people while considering the impacts on the environment.

2.10 Transport Funding

50.2, P Drake

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council aims to take a balanced approach to transportation, as this is critical infrastructure needed to support its communities' health and wellbeing.
- (c) **Notes** that this includes providing for public transport and alternate modes (such as walking and cycling), so there is a choice in how people might travel.
- (d) **Notes** that the provision of an effective and efficient transport network is key to the way we live and work, including providing access to key activity centres, education, and social services. It provides access for our people and freight to move around and through our district.
- (e) **Notes** that with a growing district, there is an increase in the number of people who need to move around the district.

- (f) **Notes** that there are rating impacts from both improved infrastructure and also from improvements to public transport services (through Environment Canterbury as the Public Transport provider).

2.11 Transport Funding

515.2, K Barnett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the importance of undertaking improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that prioritisation of roads is being undertaken and our key arterial roads have been a focus, with significant investment in renewal activities.

2.11 Transport Funding

517.2, A Williams

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council aims to take a balanced approach to transportation, as this is critical infrastructure needed to support its communities' health and wellbeing. This includes providing for public transport and alternative modes (such as walking and cycling), so people have a choice in how they travel.
- (c) **Notes** that the provision of an effective and efficient transport network is key to the way we live and work, including providing access to key activity centres, education, and social services.
- (d) **Notes** that with a growing district, there is an increase in the number of people who need to move around the district.
- (e) **Notes** that, as per the consultation document, some projects have needed to be moved out due to a reduction in central government funding.
- (f) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (g) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.

- (h) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (i) **Notes** that Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.

2.11 Transport Funding

585.2, Submitter information withheld on request

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the importance of undertaking improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that prioritisation of roads is being undertaken and our key arterial roads have been a focus, with significant investment in renewal activities.
- (h) **Notes** that the Council aims to take a balanced approach to transportation, as this is critical infrastructure needed to support its communities' health and wellbeing. This includes providing for public transport and alternative modes (such as walking and cycling), so people have a choice in how they travel.
- (i) **Notes that** the provision of an effective and efficient transport network is key to the way we live and work, including providing access to key activity centres, education, and social services.
- (j) **Notes** that the Council has continued to advocate for improvements to the central government transportation funding model and to explore alternate funding opportunities when they become available.

2.12 Transport Funding

587.2, Submitter information withheld on request

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that it is important to undertake improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).

- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.
- (h) **Notes** that if improvements are only undertaken when subsidy is available, this would result in increasing safety issues within the Transport Network and increased risk to the Community.

2.13 Transport Funding

591.2, Submitter information withheld on request
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that it is important to undertake improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing district's needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that the Council continues to advocate at a national level for increased funding in the area of Transport.
- (h) **Notes** that Council is progressing the planning and Business Case for the Rangiora Eastern Link Road, to help address the issues through Southbrook, which is a very busy corridor carrying approximately 26,000 vehicles per day.

2.14 Transport Funding

633.2, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board's support for undertaking the Woodend to Ravenswood Walking Connection work as early as possible.
- (c) **Agrees** to move the 2024/25 budget to undertake this work into 2025/26.

- (d) **Note** that construction is subject to New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) approval, as this work impacts the State Highway network.
- (e) **Notes** that staff are actively working to progress this with the NZTA.

2.16 Transport Funding

685.2 Woodend Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the Woodend Sefton Community Board's support for undertaking the Woodend to Ravenswood Walking Connection work as early as possible.
- (c) **Agrees** to move the 2024/25 budget to undertake this work into 2025/26.
- (d) **Note** that construction is subject to New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) approval, as this work impacts the State Highway network.
- (e) **Notes** that staff are actively working to progress this with the NZTA.

2.17 Transport Funding

726.2, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that Tram Road / No. 10 Road intersection received co-funding from the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP), and that the funding for design is in the 2025/26 financial year, with construction to follow in 2026/27.
- (c) **Notes** that Bennetts Road / Tram Road / Oxford Road intersection, Tram Road / Two Chain Road intersection and Ashley Road / German Road intersections all have budget for design in 2026/27 and construction in 2027/28. These two intersections are likely to include the use of variable speed limits (subject to required approvals) when a vehicle is on the side road.
- (d) **Notes** that Road Safety funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) has an approved programme including a focus on RIDS (restraints, impairment, distraction and speed) to support the New Zealand Police's focus, and for the Waimakariri District there is a focus on young drivers, elderly drivers and motorcycles, all of which are the highest risk groups within our District. Advertising and promotion are no longer funded at a local level, and are led nationally.

2.19 Transport Funding

731.2, D Prosser

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Acknowledges** the importance of undertaking improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and the growing Waimakariri District's needs.

- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (e) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that it is important to provide for public transport and alternate modes (such as walking and cycling), so there is a choice in how people might travel.
- (h) **Notes** the provision of an effective and efficient transport network is key to the way we live and work, including providing access to key activity centres, education, and social services. It provides access for our people and freight to move around and through our district.
- (i) **Notes** that with a growing district there is an increase in the number of people who need to move around the district.
- (j) **Notes** that there are rating impacts from both improved infrastructure and also from improvements to public transport services (through Environment Canterbury as the Public Transport provider).

2.20 Transport Funding

732.2, I Brown

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's comment on public transport.
- (c) **Notes** that there has been significant work undertaken through the Greater Christchurch Partnership on future public transport needs in conjunction with the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan, Greater Christchurch Transport Plan and Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) Investigation work, and that this work is ongoing.
- (d) **Notes** that concrete pedestrian refuge islands serve the purpose of helping provide a safe place for pedestrians to cross the road in a two-stage crossing, which is an entirely different function from building roads which simply accommodate more vehicles. The cost of installing pedestrian refuges is minimal compared to the cost of building new roads.

2.21 Transport Funding

733.2, R Gargett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council aims to take a balanced approach to transportation, as this is critical infrastructure needed to support its communities' health and wellbeing.

- (c) **Notes** that providing walking and cycling infrastructure provides options for alternate modes of transport at low cost, which have health and wellbeing benefits for the Community.
- (d) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (e) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality.
- (f) **Notes** that, should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (g) **Notes** that, should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.

Council comments: To include the updated figures on people using the cycleways within the response.

3. **OUTSIDE FACTORS DRIVING COST INCREASES**

3.1 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

5.3, N Wilkinson	19.3, B Warren
47.3, Submitter information withheld on request	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council always strives to keep rates affordable, while still fulfilling its responsibilities.

3.2 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

8.3, G Sperry

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council always strives to keep rates affordable, while still fulfilling its responsibilities. The Council prepares a Long Term Plan every three years, which includes budgets for the following 10 years. Each year, a budget for the upcoming year is prepared as part of the Annual Plan process. The Council uses debt as a tool to spread the cost of assets over time. The Council is responsible for three waters, recreation and roading assets in the District. The Council's debt was forecast in the Long Term Plan to remain under 180% of its revenues, which is a conservative level of debt for a Council which experiences constant growth.

3.3 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

9.4, Submitter information withheld on request
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** that the Council strives to keep rates affordable while still fulfilling its responsibilities. The Council provides a range of facilities and amenities which support community health, fitness and improved quality of life. It incorporates a diverse range of community buildings, parks and reserves and streetscape features such as trees and gardens. These settings encourage constructive use of leisure time and provide opportunities for positive social interaction as well as the promotion of biodiversity within the parks and reserves.

3.4 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

10.3, S Fisher	586.3, D Hawkins
587.3, Submitter information withheld on request	591.3, Submitter information withheld on request
633.3, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board	635.3, Submitter information withheld on request
684.3, Mandeville Sports Club	685.3, Woodend Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

3.5 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

18.3, S Naidu

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council strives to keep rates affordable, while fulfilling its responsibilities. The Council has a range of funding mechanisms including rates, fees and external funding. The Council seeks to maximise its revenue from Central government. There has been a drop in the funding received from New Zealand Transport Agency across New Zealand. The Council has changed its roading programme to work within the available budget. The Council has obtained a government grant to construct a new 32 unit complex for Council's Housing Elderly service.

3.6 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

19.3, B Warren	45.3, N Wood
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council uses an insurance broker, Marsh New Zealand, to negotiate for its insurance cover. Marsh are risk advisors and insurance brokers, and leverage their relationships with the market and global scale to secure the best value on behalf of the Council.
- (c) **Notes** the Council strives to keep rates affordable, while fulfilling its responsibilities. These responsibilities are wider than roads, 3 water and rubbish and includes providing community buildings, aquatic centres, parks, libraries and regulatory responsibilities like building and resource consenting, food and liquor licensing, animal control and emergency management.

3.7 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

585.3, Submitter information withheld on request
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the Local Government Act requires the Council to balance its budget, which means to have enough revenue to cover its expense.
- (c) **Notes** that there is work being done at a central government level on an all of government insurance brokering contract that the Council will be eligible to join, The Council will review this, to look for any advantage to the Council.

3.8 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

585.3, Submitter information withheld on request	680.3, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Long Term Plan sets out a financial plan that balances affordability for residents while delivering on the services and infrastructure. The capital programme will maintain the District's infrastructure while keeping the debt to income ratio within Receiveable limits.

3.9 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

589.3, M Sparrow

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council has a policy that rates received for depreciation are ring-fenced to spend on the renewal of assets. This will maintain infrastructure assets.

3.10 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

726.3, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council has a plan to increase the funding of depreciation which is reflected in the Long-Term Plan.

3.11 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

731.3, D Prosser

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council rates for depreciation as it is required to under the Local Government Act.

3.12 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

732.3, I Brown

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that it is important to undertake improvements in a timely manner, to support safety and our growing districts needs.
- (c) **Acknowledges** that the Council must balance affordability for residents while delivering on the services and infrastructure that makes Waimakariri a great place to live.

3.13 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

736.3, M Pinkham

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that rates for depreciation are ring-fenced to be spent on the renewals of assets, which helps to maintain the standard of its infrastructure network.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council uses an insurance broker to get appropriate insurance for its assets.

3.14 Outside Factors Driving Cost Increases

736.3, M Pinkham	738.3, Joe Holland
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the consultation document states that growing insurance premiums and inflation are making balancing the budget a challenge. Local Government inflation continues to run higher than CPI. The Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) is 3.4% compared to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which is now 2.2%. As asset values have inflated, insurance premiums need to rise sharply, and this has been between 12% and 30% in the last few years.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council budget balances affordability for residents while delivering on the services and infrastructure that make Waimakariri a great place to live.

4. **RATING POLICY CHANGES**

4.1 Rating Policy Changes

4.3, M Cassidy	5.4, N Wilkinson
6.3, Submitter information withheld on request	8.4, G Sperry
9.5, Submitter information withheld on request	10.4, S Fisher
11.1, J O'Brien	12.3, RL McPherson
13.3, Submitter information withheld on request	18.4, S Naidu
19.4, B Warren	20.2, R Devlin

45.4, N Wood	47.4, Submitter information withheld on request
49.2, S Wilkinson	50.3, P Drake
367.2, M Farrelly	426.2, S Pettigrew
442.2, L and R Collins and Skerten	509.1, D Kingi-Patterson
517.3, A Williams	518.1, J Griffiths
585.4, Submitter information withheld on request	586.4, D Hawkins
587.4, Submitter information withheld on request	591.4, Submitter information withheld on request
593.2, E Benton	633.4, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board
635.4, Submitter information withheld on request	680.4, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board
684.4, Mandeville Sports Club	685.4, Woodend-Sefton Community Board
726.4, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board	727.3, W Hawkyard
728.2, E and J Hamilton	731.4, D Prosser
732.4, I Brown	738.4, J Holland
742.1, A Saunders	786.3, G van Keppevelt

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

Council Comments: It was requested that the responses to all submitters be expanded to explain clearly the changes to the Rating Policy including that rates were still able to be paid in advance.

5. **DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS**

5.1 Development Contributions

5.5, N Wilkinson	7.3, E Pavey
8.5, G Sperry	9.1, Submitter information withheld on request
10.5, S Fisher	12.4, RL McPherson
18.5, S Naidu	19.5, B Warren
20.3, R Devlin	50.4, P Drake
585.5, Submitter information withheld on request	586.5, D Hawkins
587.5, Submitter information withheld on request	589.4, M Sparrow
591.5, Submitter information withheld on request	633.5, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board
680.5, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board	685.5, Woodend-Sefton Community Board
727.4, W Hawkyard	731.5, D Prosser
740.1, Oxford Arts and Arts Waimakariri	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

5.2 Development Contributions

618.1, Summerset Group Holdings Limited

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the proposed Development Contribution Policy (DC Policy) does provide adequate provision to factor in both the population factor, and the demand factor associated with retirement villages.
- (c) **Notes** the current DC Policy requires a bespoke assessment of these factors to be undertaken with each application received with the applicant required to provide supporting evidence to justify a reduction in DCs.
- (d) **Request** staff consider feedback in this submission point as part of the next review of the DC Policy.

5.3 Development Contributions

684.5, Mandeville Sports Club

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the Development Contributions Policy includes levies for community infrastructure.

5.4 Development Contributions

728.3, E and J Hamilton

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the current Development Contributions Schedule, guidance and a worked example are available for information on the Council website.

5.5 Development Contributions

736.4, M Pinkham

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that a fee structure for each area and service is provided in the Development Contributions Policy to provide transparency.

5.6 Development Contributions

738.5, Joe Holland

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council has reviewed its Development Contribution Policy to confirm that the elements of the policy are still relevant for administration of development contributions.
- (c) **Notes** that submissions to the Annual Plan are received on a range of matters beyond the five consultation topics identified.

6. UTILITIES AND ROADING

6.1 Cycle and Pedestrian Safety

1.3, J Davey

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Acknowledges** the importance of undertaking improvements, including to support walking and cycling.
- (c) **Notes** that the current Government Policy Statement (GPS) on Transport provides very limited support for walking and cycling infrastructure, and as such it is unlikely that improvements would be undertaken at this time.
- (d) **Notes** that should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects.
- (e) **Notes** that while interim cycleways can be constructed at a lower cost, they need to be fit for purpose and meet safety requirements. This often means they need to be constructed away from busy through roads such as Southbrook Road.

6.2 Highfield Lane

77.2, L Graveson	519.1, L Turner
682.1, J Smithson	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the submitter for raising the concerns about Highfield Lane.
- (c) **Notes** that Highfield Lane is a short lane with a small number of properties feeding off it.
- (d) **Notes** Highfield Lanes narrow lane-way characteristics do not support a high speed environment, and there is good visibility along the lane.
- (e) **Notes** that it has been agreed to install signage at the start of the road to help remind drivers that pedestrians may be present, and to install No Stopping around the call-de-sac head.
- (f) **Notes** that future improvements in terms of a footpath can be considered, however would need to be prioritised against a number other roads around the district, and is likely to be long term.

- (g) **Notes** that should activities such as road widening occur, then this would likely result in increasing speeds in the lane.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon requested an update of the regulatory aspects of the business on Highfield Lane. K LaValley noted that the business owner had reduced the size of the sheds to meet the requirements for setbacks on the property line. The vehicle movements fell within the threshold for that type of activity and there were no other breaches to the rules and regulations therefore the matter was in the process of being signed off as compliant.

In response to a question from Councillor Williams regarding the property boundaries, K LaValley advised that the Council took property boundaries as presented and did not survey land boundaries.

Councillor Williams advised that he visited Highfield Lane and asked if it would be possible to install a gravelled footpath in the short term to assist with pedestrians safety.

Mayor Gordon requested that a workshop be arranged for the Utilities and Rooding Committee in either in June or July 2025 to discuss the potential options and costs for Highfield Lane. The Mayor also requested that the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board Chairperson be invited to the workshop.

Mayor Gordon requested that a draft response be sent to the submitters advising them of the proposed workshop and also to provide an update on the regulatory matters, with copies sent to all Councillors.

6.3 Rangiora Eastern Link Road

680.6, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the importance of undertaking improvements in a timely manner, to support both safety and our growing districts needs.
- (c) **Notes** that this is a short-term approach to address a reduction in central government co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (d) **Notes** that a balanced approach has been taken to re-prioritising projects dependent on project criticality and affordability.
- (e) **Notes** that should further NLTP funding become available, then the Council will be well placed to seek this.
- (f) **Notes** that should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects in the future.
- (g) **Notes** that the Council will consider whether to progress with the Rangiora Eastern Link Road construction after the Business Case is complete and a funding decision has been made by the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA).
- (h) **Notes** that the NZTA has recently approved funding for the Townsend Road Culvert and as such this project is proposed to progress.
- (i) **Notes** that discussions are continuing with the NZTA on the Fernside Road and Mulcock Road connections to SH71 Lineside Road.

6.4 Main Street Oxford

726.5, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board for raising the issue of road surface damage on Main Street in Oxford.
- (c) **Notes** that Oxford Road from Campbell Lane to High Street is on the Draft Reseal Programme for 2025/26 sealing season.
- (d) **Notes** that some minor shoulder widening and sealing will be undertaken as part of reseal repair works which will be undertaken shortly.
- (e) **Notes** a recent condition survey has been carried out across the Waimakariri District of sealed road surfaces, and that once this information is available this site will be prioritised against other roads across the district and consideration given as to how it will fit into the forward works programmes.

6.5 Rural Roads

726.6, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board for raising the issue of unsealed road maintenance.
- (c) **Notes** that there has been a significant programme of remetallaing undertaken over the last three years, and that Council through the Long term Plan approved an increase in funding for this area.
- (d) **Notes** that auditing of unsealed roads is continuing to ensure that the required levels of service is being met.

6.6 Footpaths - Oxford

726.7Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board for raising the issue of footpath in Oxford and around rural schools.
- (c) **Notes** that there is a New Footpath Programme which has identified and prioritised the installation of footpaths on streets within urban areas that currently have no footpath.
- (d) **Notes** that feedback is sought from the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board annually with the Roding Capital Works Programme.
- (e) **Notes** that new footpaths on Matai Place, Redwood Place and Knight Street are programmed over the next four years, with Harewood Road currently sitting beyond the current programme.

- (f) **Notes** that existing footpaths are condition rated on a three yearly basis, with the most recent rating being completed in March 2025. This rating information is then used to develop the footpath renewal programme and also footpath maintenance needs. Park Avenue and Main Street will be considered alongside other footpaths in the district and prioritised accordingly.
- (g) **Notes** that further work is required to consider needs around rural schools, however there is currently no National Land Transport Programme funding to support improvements in this area.

6.7 Speed Limit Oxford Main Street

726.14, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board's continued support for a 40 km/h speed restriction on Main Street, Oxford
- (c) **Notes** that the Council had agreed to hold work around speed limits until the Setting of Speed Limit Rule 2024 came into effect.
- (d) **Notes** that the first tranche of speed limit reviews is focuses around schools, and this is underway now to meet the June 2026 time frame for having these in place.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council may then consider any other areas where they may wish to make change.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon requested that this information be included in the response to the submitter.

Councillor Fulton noted that the community had requested, via the Community Board, that the reduction of speed limits on Main Street, Oxford be reconsidered. He queried whether the matter could be brought to the Council again given it was over a year since it was previously considered. J McBride replied that a report on reviewing speed limits would be presented to the Council after the elections which would include Main Street, Oxford. Also, speed limits would be discussed at the All Boards session in July 2025.

6.8 Ohoka-Rangiora-Kaiapoi Cycle connectivity

728.4, E and J Hamilton

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the request for improved cycling facilities between Ohoka, Rangiora and Kaiapoi.
- (c) **Notes** that Council approved a Walking and Cycling Network Plan for the district in October 2022, which identifies gaps in the network and set priority one projects to be delivered as funding is available.
- (d) **Notes** that a connection between Ohoka and Rangiora / Kaiapoi does not sit within the current prioritised projects and as such is likely to be some time away.

- (e) **Notes** that the current Government Policy Statement (GPS) on Transport provides very limited support for walking & cycling infrastructure, and as such it is unlikely that improvements would be undertaken at this time.

Council Comments: Councillor Mealings requested that staff clarify that the Council had limited funding support for the development of walking and cycling ways in the response to submitters

6.9 Speed Limits - Loburn

732.5, I Brown

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

6.10 Cycleways Development/Mafeking Bridge Improvements

735.1, Kaiapoi Promotions Association Inc

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the funding for widening of the Mafeking Bridge has been moved out to 2028/29 (for design) and 2029/30 (for construction) due to a lack of co-funding through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
- (c) **Notes** that the current Government Policy Statement (GPS) on Transport provides very limited support for walking & cycling infrastructure, and as such it is unlikely that improvements would be undertaken at this time.
- (d) **Notes** that should national funding continue to be constrained, consideration would need to be given to alternative options for funding important projects. That the Council only Receives this submission point.

6.11 Gresson Road/Rangiora Woodend Road Intersection

739.1, C Coomber

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the submitter's concerns about parking on the roadside on Rangiora Woodend Road, at the Gressons Road intersection.
- (c) **Notes** that the installation of No Stopping lines will be investigated and staff will liaise with the submitter.
- (d) **Notes** that this will need to go through a formal decision making process with the Community Board and Council.

6.12 Pot Holes

742.3, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** the submitter's concerns about potholes within the Roothing network.
- (c) **Notes** that staff are continuing to work closely with the Road Maintenance Contractor to ensure a robust programme of pavement repairs is developed which carefully considers the repair type / method.
- (d) **Notes** that there will be times where holding repairs will be required, until such time as a larger pavement repair or full pavement renewal can be programmed and undertaken.

6.13 River Road Realignment

742.4, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's comments about River Road.
- (c) **Notes** that further widening work was carried out along the length to address the concerns raised about width during construction.
- (d) **Notes** that the road is considered to be suitable for the heavy vehicles which use this route with a design cross section of 7.85m carriageway width, which allows for two 3.5m traffic lanes, a 0.5m sealed shoulder on the north side and 350mm between the kerb fender and the edge line marking on the south side of the road.
- (e) **Notes** that a second coat of road marking will be undertaken through this area.

6.14 Road Cones

742.5, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the importance of ensuring work is carried out in an efficient and cost effective manner.
- (c) **Notes** that work also needs to be done safely and that COPTTM (Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management) has been the industry guide for working on the road for over 20 years.
- (d) **Notes** that a new Guide (NZ Guide to Temporary Traffic Management or NZGTTM) has been trialled by NZ Transport Agency and is slowly starting to be adopted across the construction industry, however this will take time to implement.
- (e) **Notes** that this new guide may help reduce costs for lower risk sites, however traffic management is likely to remain at a similar level for high risk sites. That the Council only Receives this submission point.

6.15 Speed Bumps

742.6, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** the submitter's concerns about speed humps.
- (c) **Notes** that the installation of speed humps can help reduce speed in areas of high risk, or where vehicle speeds are causing damage to infrastructure (such as the Waimakariri Gorge Bridge).
- (d) **Notes** that the installation of speed humps or other traffic calming devices has to go through a formal decision making process with the Community Board and Council.

Council Comments: Councillor Fulton queried if speed was the underlying factor for the Waimakariri Gorge Bridge surface deterioration. J McBride noted that whenever there was a breach in the seal it would cause vibrations and noise.

Mayor Gordon requested an update from the Communications and Engagement Team on the status of the Waimakariri Gorge Bridge and public feedback received since the work was completed on the bridge.

6.16 Roads Red Safety Paint

745.1, Waimakariri Access Group

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the request to carry out improvements at the thresholds leading into Oxford.
- (c) **Confirms** that budget has been signalled through the Minor Safety Programme in 2025/26 for consideration by the Community Boards and Utilities and Roading Committee.
- (d) **Notes** that Red Slurry is very weather sensitive and needs to be installed during warmer weather due to drying times, and as such would likely be programmed for the Spring / early Summer.

Council Comments: Councillor Cairns requested that staff inform the Oxford-Ohoka Community Borad that the red slurry treatment at the thresholds of Oxford to highlight the change of speed would be carried out to assist in reducing the speed on Main Street Oxford.

6.17 Visibility Rangiora High Street

745.5, Waimakariri Access Group

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the concerns about driver / pedestrian intervisibility at the zebra crossings on High Street.
- (c) **Notes** that plantings are regularly trimmed and this is being audited.
- (d) **Notes** that this is a low speed environment.

Council Comment: Mayor Gordon asked if any investigation had been undertaken regarding the height of the planters in High Street. J McBride replied that a full safety audit had been carried out on the whole traffic treatment of High Street when the planters were installed and there were no concerns raised. Also she assured the Mayor that the contractors were diligent in keeping the plantings trimmed. Councillor Cairns noted that the issue was not the height of the plantings per se but more the height of the planter boxes themselves.

It was acknowledged that to lower the height of the planters, which were solid, fixed planters would require considerable work and entail considerable cost and major work. Mayor Gordon requested that this matter be the topic of a workshop to the Utilities and Roding Committee.

Councillor Ward stated that she believed that the planters gave protection to pedestrians waiting to cross the road and that speeds on High Street were sufficiently slow to enable safe passage for all pedestrians. She stated that she did not believe this was a significant problem.

The Mayor also noted that the bollards in High Street required some maintenance and requested that these be attended to as soon as possible.

6.18 Kaiapoi Intersection / Ranfurley Smith Charles Streets

747.1, N Price

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the concerns of the submitter.
- (c) **Notes** that consideration of a mechanism to limit heavy vehicle use of Charles Street is underway and a report is to be taken to the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board for consideration.
- (d) **Notes** that consideration of a one-way restriction would require further investigation and a decision by Council. That the Council only Receives this submission point.

6.19 Sealing on Priors Road

749.1, C and T O'Brien

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the request from the submitter to seal the last 750m of Priors Road to Mt Thomas Road.
- (c) **Notes** that this sits outside of the Development area and is not currently programmed for sealing.
- (d) **Notes** that it is unlikely, even with development occurring in the area, that traffic volumes would be sufficient to trigger the need for sealing to occur.

6.20 Spokes Canterbury

789.1, Spokes Canterbury

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Thanks** Spokes Canterbury for their submission.
- (c) **Notes** that there is budget within the Annual Plan for addressing speed limits around schools, with this work required to be completed by June 2026.
- (d) **Notes** that the connection between Woodend and Ravenswood is a high priority, and Council has committed to progressing this connection as soon as possible and likely within the 2025/26 financial year.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council has also supported progressing the connection between Kaiapoi and Pine Acres, however the section between Pine Acres and Woodend will need further consideration in conjunction with the Woodend Bypass works being undertaken by NZ Transport Agency.
- (f) **Notes** the on road cycle connection between High Street and Southbrook Road has needed to be postponed following the withdrawal of the Transport Choices funding by Central Government.
- (g) **Notes** that the Council has continued to advocate for a shared path as part of the Woodend Bypass, however New Zealand Transport Agency have indicated that this is not a Government Priority and as such will not be funded.
- (h) **Notes** that the current Government Policy Statement (GPS) on Transport provides very limited support for walking and cycling infrastructure, and as such it is unlikely that further improvements would be undertaken at this time.

6.21 Woodend Bypass

742.9, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Belfast to Pegasus RoNS Project (including the Woodend Bypass) is an New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) led project, with Waimakariri District Council involvement due to the interface with the local road network.
- (c) **Notes** that the Woodend Bypass is considered critical infrastructure for Canterbury and our District, and as such Council fully support this project.
- (d) **Notes** that the closure of Wards Road is being considered by the NZTA as part of the RoNS project, due to safety concerns about the operation of the Wards Road intersection.
- (e) **Notes** that the NZTA are liaising with property owners regarding specific property impacts. That the Council only Receives this submission point.

6.22 Road linking Pegasus and Gladstone Park

685.7, Woodend-Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Thanks** the Woodend-Sefton Community Board for raising the issue of a second road connection between Pegasus and Woodend.

- (c) **Notes** that previous reports to the Community Board and the Council had supported delaying further investigation into a second road connection between Pegasus and Woodend until a construction time for the Woodend Bypass was confirmed.
- (d) **Notes** that now that there is more certainty around this project progressing, consideration of this matter is being given and a briefing will be held with the Community Board and Council.
- (e) **Notes** that careful coordination of this work will be required with the proposed Woodend Bypass works, and that this has been raised with NZ Transport Agency staff at this early design stage.

6.22 Chlorination of Drinking Water

12.5, RL McPherson	34.2, K Burgess
162.2, H and M Walls	180.2, H Duxbury
323.1, * Payne	382.2, D and K Berry
397.2, L Harvey	449.2, B Leopold
498.2, PA Hills	545.2, S Milne
546.1, PE Vickery	584.2, G Johnson
622.1, S Hoffman	647.2, J Pearson
760.2, C Hurley	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** all public water supplies are now required by law to have chlorine as a residual disinfectant in the water unless an exemption is obtained from the regulator, Water Services Authority-Taumata Arowai.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon requested a full explanation of the UV project and how the Council had arrived at that and the rationale of why we needed to chlorinate to be included in the response to the submitter.

Councillor Mealings was curious about the submission from S Hoffman which stated that they went to Burnside Park to fill their bottles with unchlorinated water. She questioned how that was possible. C Fahey explained that Christchurch City Council had some unchlorinated stations which was essentially an isolated well that was not connected to the community water supply that had a final source treatment.

6.22 Chlorination of Drinking Water

14.2, J Carter	32.1, R Fogden
36.2, J and R Hill and Lenser	489.2, R Forward
537.2, H Macnab	

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** all public water supplies are now required by law to have chlorine as a residual disinfectant in the water unless an exemption is obtained from the regulator, Water Services Authority - Taumata Arowai.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council currently has no plans to fluoridate our water supplies.

6.23 Chlorination of Drinking Water

124.1, Alister Clearwater

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Ashley Water Scheme is managed by Hurunui District Council.

6.23 Chlorination of Drinking Water

325.2, C and C Thompson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council currently has no plans to fluoridate our water supplies. Under the Health (Fluoridation of Drinking Water) Amendment Act 2021 the Director General of Health may instruct the Council to fluoridate any of its water supplies with a population over 500. To date we have not received any such direction from the Director General of Health.

6.24 Chlorination of Drinking Water

556.2, C and S Harris

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council currently has no plans to fluoridate our water supplies.

6.25 Chlorination of Drinking Water

786.2, G van Keppevelt

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** all Council's drinking water supplies comply with the nitrate limits set by the Water Services Regulator-Taumata Arowai through the Drinking Water Standards.
- (c) **Notes** the Council regularly monitors the nitrate levels in the water in accordance with the Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules to ensure that we are within the maximum allowable limits.

6.26 Backflow Prevention

28.2, A Murray

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** the review of the Backflow Prevention Policy in 2027 will consider the recommendations to change the current ownership model for backflow devices and the potential to introduce charging for testing of backflow devices to offset the costs of ownership.

6.27 Water Testing - Mandeville

472.2, A and E Whiteman

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that water quality results for all our drinking water supplies can be found on the Council's website.

6.28 3 Water Services and Water Quality

546.2, PE Vickery

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** as part of the Council's Activity Management Plan process, the Council's 3 Waters infrastructures are regularly assessed to identify upgrades that are required to meet the growth demands in the district. This ensures that Council is able to continue meeting its level of service for all its 3 Waters services.

6.29 Pineacres to Woodend Water Supply

630.2, Colin Wilson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** extension of the water supply networks are typically triggered by development activities occurring in the area and there is currently no planned development in that area that will bring about extension of the drinking water supply.

6.30 Water Supply for Summerhill Scheme

680.11, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** district-wide rating for water and wastewater will be considered as part of the 2027-37 Long Term Plan.

Council Comments: Councillor Fulton asked if there was still a Summerhill Scheme. C Fahey explained the source supply was at West Eyreton, however, they were still individually rated.

6.31 Rating for 3 Waters

726.16, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** district-wide rating for wastewater will be considered as part of the ongoing Oxford Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade project to ensure that there is a compliance solution for Oxford wastewater prior to consent expiry in 2031.

6.32 Wastewater and Water Servicing

456.2, L Rix

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that identification of the property is required to allow staff to investigate further.

6.33 Open Drain

366.2, Submitter information withheld as requested

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the open drain at 3 Fraser Place is maintained by Council and still conveys stormwater from parts of King Street and nearby properties.
- (c) **Notes** the Council prefers to keep such drains open due to their stormwater management, environmental, and biodiversity benefits.
- (d) **Notes** the property owners may request to pipe the drain, but this would be at their own expense.

6.34 Review of Drainage Rates

633.6, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that flooding remains an ongoing concern in both Oxford and Mandeville.
- (c) **Notes** that in Oxford, Flannigans Drain has limited capacity, which restricts outflows. Two capital projects are planned to improve the capacity of Flannigans Drain and the downstream network.
- (d) **Notes** that for Mandeville Stage 1, Council staff will explore opportunities to improve drainage to the west of the project area; however, the most significant improvements for affected properties are expected to result from Stage 2.
- (e) **Notes** that for Mandeville Stage 2, understanding subsurface flows is critical to inform the design. Council staff have initiated preliminary discussions regarding a groundwater assessment

Council Comments: Councillor Mealings noted the answer to this submission seemed to be incoherent to what the Community Board had said.

6.35 Flooding

726.10, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that flooding remains an ongoing concern in both Oxford and Mandeville.
- (c) **Notes** that in Oxford, Flannigans Drain has limited capacity, which restricts outflows. Two capital projects are planned to improve the capacity of Flannigans Drain and the downstream network.
- (d) **Notes** that for Mandeville Stage 1, Council staff will explore opportunities to improve drainage to the west of the project area; however, the most significant improvements for affected properties are expected to result from Stage 2.
- (e) **Notes** that for Mandeville Stage 2, understanding subsurface flows is critical to inform the design. Council staff have initiated preliminary discussions regarding a groundwater assessment.

6.36 Consistency

368.2, S Greig

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the inconsistency in water race flow is due to several factors, including upstream takes and river intake conditions.
- (c) **Notes** that if the water race stops flowing at any time, a service request should be lodged so Council staff can investigate the issue in collaboration with Waimakariri Irrigation Limited and work to restore flow as soon as possible.

6.37 Rubbish and Recycling

680.9, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the proposed upgrades at Southbrook resource recovery park are intended to provide improved infrastructure which will make it easier for residents and businesses to divert more materials from landfill

6.38 Future-proofing Oxford's infrastructure

726.8, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the draft Waste Management & Minimisation Plan is intended to direction on what the Council and community do to reduce waste generation as well as increase diversion from landfill.

6.39 Kate Valley Landfill

726.9, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that all current landfill waste for the District is sent to Kate Valley Landfill with no plans to change this arrangement.

7. COMMUNITY AND RECREATION

7.1 Protection of River Birds

469.2, K and W Tapley and Logeman

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the administration for the enforcement of vehicle access is covered through the Northern Pegasus Bay Bylaw 2024 along the coastal and estuary areas.
- (c) **Notes** the Waimakariri District Council does not have designated authority within the river corridors themselves, this is administered by Environment Canterbury and the Department of Conservation having authority under the Wild Life Act for enforcement.
- (d) **Notes** there have been ongoing conversations with user groups and education around the Northern Pegasus Bay Bylaw 2024 and the protection of flora and fauna within this environment.
- (e) **Notes** that some gates have been locked to restrict activities which were having a detrimental impact on flora and fauna, in particular the multi agency approach to managing the event known as "Crate Day".
- (f) **Notes** that there is ongoing advocacy and support through Pest Free Waimakariri and the Northern Pegasus Bay Advisory Group in relation to protection of bird species within the Estuary and River areas.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon requested that information on the Ashley River Care Group be included in the response. He believed that promotion of their work would be beneficial as well as encouraging residents to become volunteers in the work protecting this unique ecological treasure.

7.2 Weed control at Matawai Park

588.1, Submitter information withheld as requested

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that staff are reviewing the service delivery for natural parks which includes investigation into the setting up of a ranger team.
- (c) **Notes** that the Biodiversity team will meet with our contractor to discuss the feedback within the submission and review performance on the current specifications.

- (d) **Notes** that the Biodiversity team are keeping members of the advisory group informed of any specific works within the reserve and maintaining a general communication channel with them.

7.3 Toilets at Milton Reserve/Ashley Dog Park

515.4, K Barnett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Rangiora Ashley Community Board approved the installation of one toilet at Millton Memorial Park at its March 2025 meeting. The toilet project is expected to be constructed during the winter of 2025.

7.4 Environment and Greenspace areas

633.7, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Greenspace work covering the area from 46 Main North Road (in Kaiapoi) through to the Kaiapoi Lakes (along the Courtney stream) should be presented to the Arohatia Te Awa working party to establish its priority in the overall programme of works.
- (c) **Notes** that the Passchendaele Advisory Group are keen to look at the planting of the pathway and have reached out to staff about this. Keep Rangiora Beautiful is also interested in supporting this project at the Rangiora end of the pathway.
- (d) **Notes** that staff are working across departmental boundaries with both Community and Recreation staff and Utilities and Roading staff attending Arohatia Te Awa meetings.

7.5 Town Entrances

633.8, Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** Greenspace staff are working on delivering the entrances projects from the Kaiapoi Tuahiwi General Landscaping Budget.
- (c) **Request** that Greenspace staff keep the Kaiapoi Tuahiwi Community Board updated via memorandum at each monthly Community Board meeting on progress and delivers an accurate timeline for delivery.

Council Comments: Acknowledgement of an updated timeline had been given to the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board at its May 2025 meeting.

7.6 Southbrook Sports Club

680.7, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that staff are currently working alongside the Southbrook Sports Club to further the proposed facility renewal project they presented in 2021 through a feasibility study.
- (c) **Notes** that staff are to provide a report back to Council and the Rangiora Ashley Community Board prior to the 2026 Annual Plan process to outline the status of Southbrooks progress. This report should look to give Council a position on where Southbrook may be in their fund raising and the likelihood of the project proceeding.

7.7 Southbrook Sports Club

742.8, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council has set aside \$1.3 Million in the first year of the 2027-2037 Long Term Plan and that all budget items would be reviewed through that process.
- (c) **Notes** the budget does not sit within the Annual Plan timeframes for this years process.

7.8 Landscape Budgets

685.6, Woodend-Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Approves** staff to review and report back to Council on general landscaping budgets prior to the Draft Long Term Plan 2027-2037. The review should include recommendations about methodology for how the level of funding is set and how this takes into account growth.

Council Comments: After a brief discussion it was agreed that this work would occur prior to the next Annual Plan process and should be included in that process.

7.9 Waikuku Beach Skate Ramp

685.9, Woodend-Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that staff will undertake some design work to understand what the cost would be to renovate the existing skate ramp. This information will form the basis of the replacement program that will be presented to Council as part of the comprehensive Long Term Plan process.

7.10 Waikuku Beach Public Toilets by Surf Lifesaving Club

685.10, Woodend-Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Approves** that staff should update the Public Toilet Strategy 2017 prior to the Draft 2027-2037 Long Term Plan to ensure that it has updated information.
- (c) **Notes** that the strategy update should look to adjust budgets where required and ensure existing toilet provision is adequate according to agreed levels of service and is mindful of growth.
- (d) **Notes** that staff are currently undertaking public consultation to determine the community's priorities for development of the Waikuku Surf Life Saving beach area. This will be reported back to the Woodend-Sefton Community Board and may include prioritisation of existing replacement funding as a recommendation from the Board to Council.

Council Comments: The Mayor requested that the response include the information from the recent Community and Recreation Committee's discussion on this matter which had requested an information memo regarding the state of the toilets, the costs to refurbish and replace them, and the options for changing facilities as well as the option for a lesser car park renewal and a repaint and cleanup of the toilets.

Deputy Mayor Atkinson noted that the impact of providing an upgraded service i.e. changing rooms by prioritising this above other projects. He also noted that the patronage of all the beaches in the district had increased and it may be that all the carparks be reviewed for renewal/maintenance work in the future

7.11 Heritage Notation Removal

718.1, Rangiora Bowling Club

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Approves** \$10,000 of operational funding to support further feasibility analysis of options for the future of Rangiora Bowls. This will include an accurate valuation being completed that will inform the viability of potential options.
- (c) **Notes** that greenspace staff are to work with planning staff to understand what the process would be for the lifting of a heritage order, and if this can be done. This would then require a report back to Council and the information to be shared with Rangiora Bowls.
- (d) **Notes** that staff are to continue to work alongside Rangiora Bowls and provide them with support as they progress through options for the future of their club in Rangiora.

Council Comments: This had already been dealt with earlier in the meeting by looking for a pathway forward on the Rangiora Bowling Club's Heritage status.

7.12 Land purchase for second Cricket Oval

726.11, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that that land for the second cricket oval at 154 Eastbelt is already owned by Council and was purchased with thoughts that it could support a second cricket oval.
- (c) **Notes** that the project is identified as a cost share with Canterbury Cricket and Canterbury Country Cricket, with details currently being worked through in regards to how the cost share agreement would work. This is to be reported back to Council with progress updates by the end of the financial year.

7.13 Rangiora Airfield

726.12, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the airfield is currently undergoing a fee review that will be reported back through to Council for decision.

Council Comments: Further narrative on the changes already made, the employment of the Airfield Manager and information on the ten year strategy to be included in the response.

7.14 Adderley Terrace / Fuller Street Landscaping

736.1, M Pinkham

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the land in question is owned by Central Government and is not currently under any administration by Council. If Council was to enter into a lease or license, it would then be responsible for the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of this area of land, which would need to be a variation to the current Parks and Reserves Contract, this would also incur an ongoing operational cost.
- (c) **Notes** that as this is not growth related or capital, the use of Development or Reserve Contributions is not applicable. This would need to be rate funded as it is ongoing operational works.
- (d) **Notes** that staff have contacted and Information New Zealand (LINZ) who administer the land in question. Staff will report back to the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board regarding progress of any negotiation or discussion.

Council Comments: Deputy Mayor Atkinson questioned the safety aspect of the commentary and was advised it was for easier access to the railway corridor itself.

Deputy Mayor Atkinson noted that this was no longer a railway line through an urban area but a line along an important arterial road and more pressure should be placed on Kiwirail to keep this area in the appropriate state. C Brown replied that the matter was further complicated as some of the land was owned by LINZ who believed that it was cost prohibitive to cede the land to the Council and was not interested in the state of the land for aesthetic reasons. Staff would, however, continue to work with all parties to achieve the desired outcomes.

7.15 Dudley Skatepark Mobility Parking

745.2, Waimakariri Access Group

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Approves** staff to investigate the establishment of an accessible car park adjacent to Dudley Skate Park so that there is access onto the recently installed platform that the youth Council instigated.
- (c) **Notes** that staff should report this change through to the Rangiora Ashley Community Board for their approval once design and any associated costs are understood.

7.16 Construction of a Recreational Cycle Route

735.3, Kaiapoi Promotions Association Inc

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that there is an increase in cycle visitors into the Kaiapoi central town area and this is supporting local businesses with more people visiting.
- (c) **Notes** that Enviroment Canterbury (ECan) has carried out works to the pathway in recent years which has seen improvements to its condition. This is also an asset on ECan land and is currently maintained by the Regional Council.
- (d) **Notes** that staff should review the current track and discuss with ECan what the intention is for this asset into the future. This is to be reported back to Council for awareness on its future and if there is a role for Council to play in regards to funding or track condition intervention.

Council Comments: Deputy Mayor Atkinson requested that a firmer response be made to this submitter that the Council would not fund the mapping project which was raised every year.

7.17 Mainpower Stadium

742.10, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** at its April meeting in 2025, Council approved a Management Agreement and a lease to be held with the North Canterbury Sport and Recreation Trust.
- (c) **Notes** that the report outlined the importance of having a facility that is available to the community and affordable for the general public to participate.
- (d) **Notes** under this agreement, Waimakariri District Council will receive all revenue from the stadium including, hire fees, naming rights and signage income and commercial lease income from NCSRT for the gym, cafe and physio rooms. This will offset the majority of the operating cost for the areas covered under this agreement.

7.18 Targeted Services Rate for Pegasus

685.8, Woodend-Sefton Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Approves** staff reviewing the tree rates for Pegasus and providing a report back to both the Woodend-Sefton Community Board and Council to outline concerns raised and identify the future requirement for this rate.
- (c) **Notes** that there should be a level of service comparison as part of this against other newly developed subdivisions.

Council Comments: Acknowledged that tree rates for Pegasus would be reviewed this calendar year. Mayor Gordon also raised a concern that the Elm trees near the Pegasus Bay School made the footpath unsafe. C Brown noted that a report would be submitted to the Woodend-Sefton Community Board in July 2025 regarding a staged removal and replacement plan for the Elm trees.

7.19 CCTV Network

680.12, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** staff are currently preparing a draft Crime Camera Policy that should be presented to Council within the current term.
- (c) **Notes** staff work with both Police and local Neighbourhood Watch Groups to ensure they have access to the camera network.

7.20 Mandeville Sports Club

684.6, Mandeville Sports Club

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's kind words of support.

7.21 Dudley Pool mobile hoist

745.3, Waimakariri Access Group

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the District Aquatic Plan has identified the continued growth in demand for space within our facilities, which includes the disability access changing spaces.
- (c) **Notes** that as part of our ongoing replacement and maintenance works we are working to address some of the more minor issues such as replacing the doors with a lighter model making them easier for customers to operate.
- (d) **Notes** that the space within these rooms is limited due to the nature of the building and its construction.
- (e) **Notes** that planning for the development of new spaces and services such as a hydrotherapy pool and upgraded changing spaces has been progressed, however funding for these has moved out of the current Long Term Plan cycle to focus on Councils other projects, the current financial context and to balance rates affordability.

7.22 Dudley Pool Changing Places

745.4, Waimakariri Access Group

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the District Aquatic Plan has identified the continued growth in demand for space within our facilities, which includes the disability access changing spaces.
- (c) **Notes** staff are committed to working with the Waimakariri Access Group to promote access to public facilities creating a barrier-free, inclusive environment for all. This will include seeking input into the upgrade and further development of facilities which might benefit their users and the wider community through the placement of accessible toilets and changing areas.
- (d) **Notes** the decision during the 2024 - 34 Long Term Plan budget process to move funding out of the current Long Term Plan cycle to focus on Councils other projects, the current financial context and to balance rates affordability.
- (e) **Notes** that design work for the extension to the Rangiora Library is currently underway. The potential for a changes places facility to be incorporated into this building will be explored. Funding for the extension starts in the 2027 financial year.

7.23 Food Security and Sustainability

680.8, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.

- (b) **Notes** that Council's Community Development and Greenspace Teams acknowledge and appreciate the value of food forests and community gardens and continue to work with Food Secure North Canterbury and Kaiapoi Food Forest to identify appropriate locations for new community gardens and good forests, and engaging with communities interested in these.
- (c) **Notes** community development staff ongoing involvement in the Food Secure North Canterbury (FSNC) Network and the associated acquisition of significant funding to support its endeavours.
- (d) **Notes** that should staff identify a need for Council funding support for FSNC, a report will be brought to Council at the appropriate time.

7.24 Community Health and Safety

680.10, Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the support already indicated through provision for staff to undertake voluntary duties with Rangiora Fire Brigade.
- (c) **Notes** community development staff support via the Waimakariri Health Advisory Group, around the establishment of the successful St John Ambulance medical shuttle, that enables many of our local elderly residents to get to appointments at the various Christchurch Hospitals.
- (d) **Notes** community development staff support for Neighbourhood Support's governance group, including support with strategic planning, funding, and process, as well as a regular grant made to support the endeavours of North Canterbury Neighbourhood Support in facilitating neighbourhood connection across the District.
- (e) **Notes** the support offered to Community Patrols, via provision of rent-free accommodation for its monitoring function.
- (f) **Notes** that Council has already offered considerable financial support to ensure the progressing of the Health Hub project.
- (g) **Notes** that community development staff have supported local networks, including Social Services Waimakariri and Youth Council in making submissions to national consultations around vaping.
- (h) **Notes** the intention of Environmental Services Unit staff to include vaping as a consideration in a pending review of Council's Smoke Free Bylaw.

7.25 GLOW Initiatives

742.12, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Acknowledges** the value of Global Locals of Waimakariri (GLOW) in engaging, connecting and empowering local migrants and newcomers, so that they can to actively participate in the district's communities and have equitable access to its services and supports.
- (c) **Notes** community development staff provide support with connections and the acquisition of external funding, so that these initiatives are sustainable.

7.26 Waimakariri Public Arts Trust

182.1, Waimakariri Public Arts Trust

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Approves** an increase to the annual grant for the Waimakariri Public Arts Trust from \$5,000 (currently identified in the draft Annual Plan) to \$8,500.
- (c) **Notes** that the grant amount is a contribution towards the operational requirements of running the trust.
- (d) **Notes** that the Waimakariri Public Arts Trust offers a valuable service to our Community and the work and processes they follow have enriched our public realm and the Art offering people can enjoy.
- (e) **Notes** that there may be alternative funding sources for the Waimakariri Public Arts Trust to investigate that would assist with a range of costs, and that the staff from the Community and Recreation Department could assist in how they apply for such funding.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon queried whether the grant was linked to inflation. C Brown confirmed it was and explained that while the original grant was for auditing costs, the Waimakariri Public Arts Trust no longer required a full audit. However, there was now an expectation that the Trust would provide significant financial and administrative reports to the Council to ensure transparency and good governance. The result being that the Trust had now had to employ a treasurer to ensure these obligations were met.

Councillor Blackie noted that generally the trustees, who were volunteers, did not have the skills required to produce the required reports and thus spend much of their time on administration instead of the promotion of public art. While some of the rules and regulations were unavoidable there was bureaucracy which was unnecessary. Trustees constantly raised concerns that they were overworked and stressed as they did not have sufficient time to undertake the work they were supposed to be concentrating on.

7.27 Ohoka Domain Advisory Group

683.2, Ohoka Domain Advisory Group

Councillor Mealings queried if the grant to the Ohoka Domain Advisory Group excluded the purchase of weed spray, noting the commentary had mentioned removal of weeds by hand. She stated that most of the weeds in public areas were removed by hand however there were areas in the “bush” that required spraying. C Brown replied that the grant was not limited in anyway and the Group could use it to purchase spray, however they encouraged restraint in this area.

Councillor Blackie noted that the recommendation mentioned maintenance for the Lodge, however in the original agreement it was specified that the Council would not cover any maintenance costs in the future, and suggested the word lodge be removed from the recommendation. Mayor Gordon noted that he did not believe this was important as the Council had provided funding towards the Lodge before. He acknowledged the work done by this Group which had reduced costs for the Council in improving the reserve and keeping it well maintained for public enjoyment.

Mayor Gordon suggested that the \$500 saving made earlier be used to increase the grant to the Group.

Moved: Mayor Gordon

Seconded: Councillor Mealings

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission point.
- (b) **Approves** an annual grant of \$9,000 per annum (an increase from \$8,500) for the next three years to cover pest control, lodge restoration/maintenance, mulch and purchase of additional plants.
- (c) **Notes** that the playground is on a regular maintenance cycle and has been designed to support growth in its use through the surrounding residential area and also noting the influx of visitors to the domain through the likes of the farmers market.
- (d) **Notes** that the BMX track does not have a specific budget for renewal, however BMX tracks are to be included in the Play and Active Recreation Strategy.
- (e) **Notes** there is hard surface budget in year nine of the 2024 Long Term Plan (this being the first year of that program budget) and Ohoka Domain tennis court is noted as being in poor condition.
- (f) **Notes** that the domain currently accommodates commercial activities that generate more revenue than the requested grant total.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Atkinson and Councillor Blackie Against

Mayor Gordon suggested that the rental from the Ohoka Market be transferred to this grant as he believed it appropriate that the Market supported the work done in the Domain. Mayor Gordon supported the fact that this grant was inflation linked and noted that the Lodge had become a significant historical feature which would require maintenance from time to time.

Councillor Mealings agreed that this suggestion was sound and appropriate and drew attention to the work the Group did and the amount of community engagement and social integration achieved by the Group.

Deputy Mayor Atkinson acknowledged the fantastic work done by the Group however he would not support the motion as he believed it set a precedent.

Councillor Fulton believed that the volunteer labour and effort outweighed the cost of an extra \$500 which would go a long way in garnering further support of the reserve.

Councillor Mealings noted that there had been an administrative error by the Group in not applying for funding during the Long Term Plan process, and therefore the Group had received no funding for the previous year which had put pressure on the volunteers. She hoped other Councillors would support this motion for a very worthwhile cause.

7.28 Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Association

721.2, Northern A&P Association

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council and Northern A and P Association had a license to occupy agreement that stipulated specific conditions for use of the A and P Showgrounds (Rangiora) by Council.
- (c) **Notes** that Notes that there is no proposed change to current budgets with the submission put forward by the Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

- (d) **Notes** that staff are continuing to work with the Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Association to review Councils role, funding and what if any agreement should be put in place between the two organisations to safe guard continued community sport usage of the grounds.
- (e) **Notes** that staff should hold a workshop with Council to detail discussions between the two parties and what the future arrangement could be to safe guard community sport continuing to use the showgrounds.

Council Comments: Councillor Brine provided a brief background on this matter including that the Council leased the land to the Association and granted it \$40,000. In exchange the Council could hold events on the grounds if required. The Association was now requesting that the lease be forfeited, meaning the grounds would be unavailable to the Council for events; however, requested the continuation of the \$40,000 grant. He stated he would support the change however did not understand the logic in the change. C Brown agreed that there were consequences for both sides which may not be advantageous and agreed that discussions were ongoing. He believed that budget should be set aside until an agreement was reached prior to the grant be paid.

The Mayor requested that a workshop be held to understand the ramifications of this matter and requested that representatives from the Association attend the workshop.

Councillor Cairns requested information on the cost of running the lighting when the Council used the venue for evening events be included at the workshop.

That the response to the A&P Association should reflect the discussion.

7.29 Surf Lifesaving NZ

730.1, Surf Life Saving New Zealand Inc

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** a staff report has been submitted addressing this submission. The report has options for the Council to consider in regards to the proposal put forward by Surf Life Saving New Zealand.

Council Comments: That the response to incorporate the decision made earlier in the meeting.

7.30 Kaiapoi Promotions Association

735.2, Kaiapoi Promotions Association Inc

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the proposal has good merit and potential to support the Waimakariri Visitor Strategy.
- (c) **Notes** that there is potential to work through Enterprise North Canterbury to look at fund raising the \$15,000 through local commercial and businesses representatives.
- (d) **Notes** that Council supports this project and believes this would be of benefit for the local businesses and visitors to Kaiapoi.

Council Comments: That the responses to the Kaiapoi Promotions Association submission points and the ones from Martin Pinkham be aligned to ensure consistency.

7.31 North Canterbury Dog Training Club

737.1, North Canterbury Dog Training Club

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Approves** staff to make contact with the North Canterbury Dog Training Club to have open conversations about their proposal and how this would be funded. The conversation should indicate that at this time Council does not have funding it can contribute to such a facility and that any land would be subject to availability and Council approval via a staff report.

Council Comments: Councillor Cairns suggested that the Dog Training Club be offered the old croquet club grounds. C Brown replied that this could only be offered on a temporary basis as there were future plans for that ground and the club house would be demolished and therefore was not really a suitable option in the long term.

7.32 Oxford Arts Trust

741.1, Oxford Arts Trust

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Approves** staff investigating potential increases to ongoing annual compliance / building warrant of fitness costs across the community building network and report this back to Council.
- (c) **Notes** the report should indicate the likelihood of this being a cost that several or more community building owners / operators may look to seek if Council approves this for Oxford Arts Trust.
- (d) **Notes** these are costs which are required to operate publicly accessible buildings due to safety standards.

Council Comments: That it be confirmed that the grant was inflation linked.

8. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

8.1 Property Management

726.15, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

- (b) **Notes** the Council Property Unit will work with Activity / Asset owning Business Units within Council to explore opportunities to gain revenue from property, where they are no longer needed for operational purposes and are not proposed to be re-purposed or sold. This will form part of the property review currently being progressed by the Property Unit, under the direction of the Property Portfolio Working Group. The specific forestry properties referenced by the Community Board will be investigated in response to the concerns raised and included in the property review mentioned earlier.

9. **PLANNING AND REGULATIONS**

9.1 Solar Farms

192.2, N and P Wright	742.7, A Saunders
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

9.2 Building in Flood Prone Areas

215.2, A Russell

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

9.3 Suburban Estates development

742.15, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission
- (b) **Notes** that the process followed by the Council was as required by the Resource Management Act.

10. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

10.1 Earthquake Loan

515.3, K Barnett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the total earthquake rates revenue will increase by 5% in 2025/26. The financial model has forecast the earthquake loan to be repaid in the 2043/44 year, which is 32 years from when it was first raised.

10.2 Earthquake Loan

742.14, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.

Council Comments: Requested that the response be expanded to include an explanation on the positive aspects of utilising the full 25 years loan to manage rate rises.

10.3 Health Hub Rangiora

742.11, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** the submitter's feedback, however does not support the comments made.

Council Comments: The response to be expanded to advise that it was not a private practice but a Trust and that there would be increased services and doctors available with this initiative.

10.4 Debt

742.13, A Saunders

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission point.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council has a responsibility to provide infrastructure for the District, for Roading, Water, Drainage and recreation and community facilities. The use of debt to fund the purchase of these assets is an Received practice as it allows for the cost of the asset to be paid over time by the ratepayers who will receive the benefit of those assets.

Council Comments: Expand the response to explain that not all the Council's expenditures were paid using rates and that other income streams such as fees and charges, Development Contributions and subsidies were used.

11. STRATEGY, ENGAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

11.1 Engagement

10.6, S Fisher

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council always strives to make sure our engagement information on the issues, options and finances is simple and easy to understand.
- (c) **Notes** that staff will see merit in putting together Q&As on the main topics for engagement and this is something that will be investigated and considered for our next Annual and Long Term Plans.

11.2 Engagement/Affordability

585.6, Submitter information withheld as requested	509.2, D Kingi-Patterson
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That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission.
- (b) **Acknowledges** that rates increases impact on the budgets of people in the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.
- (c) **Notes** the importance of the work undertaken by Council, including Council's Community Team, in supporting more vulnerable members of our community.

11.3 Affordability

4.4, M Cassidy	8.6, G Sperry
9.6, Submitter information withheld as requested	18.6, S Naidu

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11.4 Affordability

49.3, Steve Wilkinson

That the Council:

- (c) **Receives** this submission.
- (d) **Acknowledges** that rates increases impact on the budgets of people in the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.
- (e) **Notes** that the Council prepares budgets for Annual and Long Term Plans, which publicly consulted on before being confirmed, and that some budget lines represent a range of individual work activities that are similar in nature, and more detail is provided for these at an operational level.
- (f) **Notes** that a district wide customer satisfaction survey is conducted every three years seeking feedback from residents on the wide range of Council activities provided. And overall satisfaction for the services Council provide was 85% in 2016 and 2019, and 86% in 2022, highlighting that while views about the variety of services Council provide will vary, residents are generally very satisfied and supportive of the range of Council activities.

11.5 Affordability

726.13, Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Acknowledges** that rates increases impact on the budgets of people in the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.
- (c) **Notes** that the project is identified as a cost share with Canterbury Cricket and Canterbury Country Cricket, with details currently being worked through in regards to how the cost share agreement would work. Notes that this is to be reported back to Council with progress updates by the end of the financial year.

11.6 Affordability

733.3, R Gargett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Acknowledges** that rates increases impact on the budgets of people in the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible (4.98% average rates increase signalled in the 2025/25 Annual Plan) while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.

12. OTHER

12.1 Central Government Responsibilities

5.6, N Wilkinson

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Acknowledges** that rates increases impact on the budgets of people in the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.
- (c) **Notes** that the Council advocates regularly on topics of relevance to Central Government, on behalf of the Waimakariri and our community, and will continue to undertake this advocacy work.

Council Comments: Expand response to include information on the submissions made to Central Government on changes.

12.2 Use of Consultants

33.1, G Crossett

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.

- (b) **Acknowledges** that being financial responsible is important particularly given the impact the increasing cost of living is having on people within the community, and that significant work has been undertaken to keep the rates increase as low as possible while providing for continued growth, and maintaining current levels of service for the community.
- (c) **Notes** that during the 2024 -34 Long Term Plan process, budgets were reviewed to ensure the use of consultants was minimised and wherever possible work was reassigned to staff and prioritised as appropriate, and that this approach has continued through the development of the 2025/26 Annual Plan.
- (d) **Notes** that on occasions where specialised knowledge or skills are required, or short term urgent work is required to be undertaken, Council may require the support of consultants to ensure critical and important work is undertaken within appropriate timeframes.

12.3 Local Government New Zealand

45.5, N Wood

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** the Council has considered the educational, informational and sector collaboration benefits of staying with Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) at the present time as being of value. Council will continue to remind and advise LGNZ of their role to support elected members who are working for the best interests of the communities their memberships represent.

Council Comments: Mayor Gordon noted that he would be happy to meet with the submitter to discuss his submission further.

12.4 Christchurch Stadium

157.2, I Blenkinsop

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission.
- (b) **Notes** that the Council currently has made no provision to fund either operational or capital expenditure associated with the Christchurch Stadium within the Annual or Long Term Plan.

12.5 Digital Signage

281.2, P Tayler

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** this submission.
- (b) **Notes** that staff are currently reviewing the Council's Signage Bylaw and will include this feedback into that process for consideration.

13. **GENERAL COMMENTS**

13.1 General Comments

19.6, B Warren

That the Council:

- (a) **Receives** the submission.
- (b) **Notes** the submitters kind words of support.

Mayor Gordon noted that he had attended a public meeting at Pegasus and commented that most people who attended were reasonably new to the district and all of them wanted to commend the Council and staff on how great they found the district to live in. A resident from Nelson had stated that they thought the Council's communication and engagement was outstanding. He noted it was nice to hear positivity about what the Council was achieving in the district.

Deputy Mayor Atkinson stated that while it was good to hear from submitters, he believed that year one of the ten year plan (Long Term Plan) was too early to get significant feedback and maybe, given the cost and resources used to produce the required documentation, the Council should consider skipping year one in future.

Councillor Ward stated that Annual Plan and Long Term Plans were significant work especially for the finance team. She believed that the letter sent to residents prior to consultation on Water Done Well had paid off and had a positive outcome for the community.

Mayor Gordon stated that he preferred to do public consultation every year however a review of the costs and resources and time spent should be undertaken. He thanked the Management team for their support, direction and advice given during the process. Mayor Gordon stated he was proud of the Council and on the discussions that had occurred to achieve a positive outcome. Mayor Gordon thanked both the Council and staff for a successful undertaking.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1.36PM.

CONFIRMED



Chairperson
Mayor Dan Gordon

17 June 2025

Date