



Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee Ordinary Meeting

Date	19 August 2015
Venue	Council Chamber 515 Mackay Street Thames

Present

PA Brljevich (Chairperson)	LA Fox
Mayor GL Leach (part meeting)	PL French
	JT Wells
	S Goudie

In attendance

Name

Bruce Hinson, Matt Busch, Ian Smith, Darren Teulon, Ariana Wickliffe, Whangamata Deputy Chair Walker.

Meeting commenced 09:01

Adjournments and absences

Adjournment	Start	Finish	Reason
Chairperson Brljevich	10:50	11:03	Morning Tea

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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

All members were present.

1.2 Public forum

There were no speakers at the public forum.

1.3 Items not on the agenda

No further items were added to the agenda.

1.4 Conflict of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.5 Infrastructure Committee minutes for confirmation

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2015 as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

1.6 28 July 2015 Thames-Coromandel Transportation Forum minutes

The Infrastructure Committee was presented with the Thames-Coromandel Transportation Forum meeting minutes held on 28 July 2015.

Chairperson Brljevich noted the low numbers of representatives at the meeting. He queried whether or not the forum was of value given the amount of time and resources required to administer the forum. Roading Manager, Matt Busch, suggested the Committee review the forum as part of whose terms of reference at the first meeting following the triennial election.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the minutes for the Thames-Coromandel Transportation Forum held on 28 July 2015.

Moved/seconded by: French/Goudie

2 Water Services

2.1 Water Demand Management Strategy

Ian Smith, Water Service Manager, presented an update on the Water Demand Management Strategy. Staff informed the Committee of the proposals to implement the Strategy moving forward. The Strategy was to be presented to the Community Board workshops in September. The Committee was advised that Tairua -Pauanui area was the priority and that staff would apply the engagement model used at Thames South of a working group.

Mayor Leach joined the meeting and advised that the immediate wastewater issues at Herewaka Street had been resolved but asked staff to keep track of any new matters that arose at this address. The Committee requested that this be included on the action schedule for staff to investigate further, with Deputy Mayor French as the point of contact.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the 'Water Demand Management Strategy 2015' report, dated 10 August 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Brijevich

2.2 Biosolids Composter update

The Infrastructure Committee was provided with an update on the progress of the Whitianga Biosolids Composter trial.

Darren Teulon, Water Services Engineer informed the Committee that the contract with Veolia was close to being finalised. Staff noted that they were still in the initialising phase and that the Biosolids would be introduced when the optimal temperature was reached. Staff anticipated that by the end of September A grade waste would be produced.

In response to a query from Councillor Goudie, staff advised that the monitoring of the organic product would be done by the contractor. Staff noted that a further appraisal would be provided at the November meeting.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the 'Biosolids Composter update' report, dated 3 August 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

3 Reports

3.1 June 2015 - Infrastructure Committee action schedule

Infrastructure Committee was provided with an update to the action schedule.

Existing use rights

Chair Brljevich requested that investigations into existing use rights be included onto the action schedule. He requested that further work be completed to examine the risks and exposures to Council capacity levels. He suggested that a policy or methodology be applied to large users so that each consumer had certainty about future supply.

The issue had been raised at both Audit and Judicial standing committees, and was included on the Council's Risk Register for monitoring.

Herewaka Street wastewater issues

As previously mentioned in item 2.1 the Herewaka Street issue would be placed on the action schedule. The Committee requested that staff investigate optimisation options for the address concerned.

Legalisation of houses built on road reserves

Councillor Goudie suggested that MP Scott Simpson could produce an Omnibus Bill which would contain a collection of owners confronted with the same issues. Staff noted that they would pass the request to Council's Legal Counsel, Paul Davies to draft the letter of request for the local MP.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the 'June 2015 - Infrastructure Committee action schedule' report, dated 3 August 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Wells

3.2 August 2015 - Infrastructure Group Manager monthly report

Infrastructure Group Manager, Brue Hinson, updated the Infrastructure Committee on progress of key activities across the group.

He highlighted that the infrastructure capacity issues were to be included on the action schedule and he would work with the appropriate staff on the issue. In addition Bruce Hinson tabled the Infrastructure monthly group status report which included an evaluation of performance from the previous month.

Matt Busch, Roding Manager, noted that Bluff Road resource consents were on track and were expected to be approved by end of September 2015, with physical works projected to be completed by early December.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the 'August 2015 - Infrastructure Group Manager monthly' report, dated 7 August 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

3.3 Members' reports

Councillor Wells requested that the Roding staff provided the Whangamata Community Board with an explanation surrounding the project cost and construction for Tui Avenue footpath.

Councillor Fox noted his ongoing concerns with 'request for service' and he urged that further communication improvements were needed.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the Members' reports.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Wells

4 Public excluded

Resolved

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

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of the resolution</i>
Public excluded Infrastructure Committee minutes for confirmation	7(2)(b)(ii) – Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.	48)(1)(a) – That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.
Lease Right of Renewal and Rent Review - Thames Valley Emergency Operating Area	(7)(2)(i) – Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	(48)(2)(a)(i) – Any proceedings before a local authority where a right of appeal lies to any Court or tribunal against the final decision of the local authority in those proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Wells

Resolved

That the public be re-admitted to the meeting and resolutions taken with the public excluded be confirmed in the public session except for the following items which are to remain in the public excluded minute book.

Item	Description
4.1	Public Excluded Infrastructure Committee minutes for confirmation
4.2	Lease Right of Renewal and Rent Review - Thames Valley Emergency Operating Area

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Brljevich

Meeting closed at 11:06 am

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the Infrastructure Committee held on 19 August 2015.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____