

## MINUTES

**TITLE:** Tasman District Council – Extraordinary Meeting  
**DATE:** Thursday 19 February 2009  
**TIME:** 11.56 am  
**VENUE:** Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond  
**PRESENT:** Mayor R G Kempthorne, Crs T B King, S J Borlase, R G Currie, B F Dowler, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, M J Higgins, J L Inglis, T E Norriss, N Riley, E J Wilkins  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive (P Wylie), Corporate Services Manager (M W Staite), Environment and Planning Manager (D W Bush-King), Strategic Development Manager (S Edwards), Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy), Executive Officer – Strategic Development (S Hartley), Property Manager (J K Frater), Reserves Manager (B W Wilkes), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

### APOLOGIES

**Moved Crs Edgar/Borlase  
CN09/02/01**

**THAT apologies for absence from Cr S G Bryant be sustained.  
CARRIED**

### **1 UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE**

Mr Staite spoke to the report contained in the agenda which considered the level of the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) to be included in the 2009/2010 Funding Impact Statement and 2009 – 2019 LTCCP.

Cr Higgins expressed concern about the impact of increased UAGC on lower valued properties. He supported leaving the UAGC at \$220.

Cr Currie concurred with Cr Higgins. He said farmers can claim rates through their tax whereas the ordinary householder cannot.

Cr Inglis also concurred with Cr Higgins. He said people are really struggling and this would just add more burden to them.

Cr Riley reiterated that people are struggling and did not support the increase.

Cr Glover said it affects the poorer people and would not support the increase.

Cr King said people right across society are struggling. He supports the \$20 increase to the UAGC.

Mayor Kempthorne supports the increase to \$240, especially for the pastoral farmers who are facing huge increases in rates this year due to the revaluation process.

Cr Ensor said land prices are incredibly over-valued and have no relationship to productive value of farms. He does not support an increase in the UAGC.

Cr Norriss said rates and charges are supposed to be for services provided. He said because someone lives in a low-valued area in town, doesn't mean to say they are poor. While there is a tax deduction for farmers, in most cases there is a huge mortgage which isn't taken into account. He supported the increase.

Moved Crs Norriss/Borlase  
CN09/02/

THAT the UAGC for the draft 2009/2010 funding impact statement be increased by \$20.00 to \$240.00 per rateable property.

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## **2 REVENUE AND FINANCING POLICY**

Mr Staite spoke to the report contained in the agenda which sought Council approval of the attached Revenue and Financing Policy for inclusion in the draft 2009 – 2019 LTCCP.

Page 8 – under Development Contributions – to be noted that it is over 20 years of new lots.

Page 48 – add “yes” to Grants and Subsidies under Operating and Capital in Section 4.20.

Ms Edwards noted the following amendments:

Amend Takaka fire wells to Takaka fire fighting water supply (page 10)

Add Tourism Levy (page 10)

Add in a section 4.15 on Cultural Services and Community Grants, as tabled at the meeting.

Add in a table in section 4.18 on funding mechanisms, as tabled at the meeting.

**Moved Crs Edgar/Borlase  
CN09/02/02**

**THAT pursuant to Section 102(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 2002 the Tasman District Council approves the inclusion of the attached Revenue and Financing Policy, as amended, into the draft 2009 – 2019 Long Term Council Community Plan.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 12.40 pm for lunch.

**3****REPORT ON ASSET AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

Strategic Development Manager, Susan Edwards, spoke to the report contained in the Council agenda which requested Council receive the Asset and Activity Management Plans and seek Council's agreement to the documents being released to the public.

**Moved Crs Norriss/Riley  
CN09/02/03**

**THAT the Tasman District Council receives the following Asset and Activity Management Plans and agrees to them being made available to the public, incorporating any changes required as result of audit, as supplementary information, when the draft Long Term Council Community Plan is available for public consultation:**

- **Environmental Education, Advocacy and Operations Activity Management Plan**
- **Regulatory Services Activity Management Plan**
- **Environmental Information Activity Management Plan**
- **Resource Policy Activity Management Plan**
- **Resource Consents and Compliance Activity Management Plan**
- **Community Recreation Activity Management Plan**
- **Library Services Activity Management Plan**
- **Property Asset Management Plan**
- **Community Facilities and Parks and Reserves Asset Management Plan**
- **Aerodromes Activity Management Plan**
- **Wastewater Activity Management Plan**
- **Stormwater Activity Management Plan**
- **Solid Waste Activity Management Plan**
- **Rivers Activity Management Plan**
- **Coastal Structures Activity management Plan**
- **Transport Activity Management Plan**
- **Water Activity Management Plan**

**CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 1.21 pm.

Chair:

Date: