

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Engineering Services Committee  
**DATE:** Thursday 7 February 2008  
**TIME:** 9.30 am  
**VENUE:** Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond  
**PRESENT:** Cr T E Norriss (Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne, Crs S J Borlase, S G Bryant, R G Currie, B F Dowler, J Edgar, B Ensor, G Glover, M J Higgins, J L Inglis, T B King, E J Wilkins, N Riley  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Utilities Manager (J Cuthbertson), Utilities Asset Engineer (D Stephenson), Roading Manager (R Ashworth), Roading Asset Engineer (S Elkington), Roading/Rivers Asset Engineer (P Drummond), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

## APOLOGIES

**Moved Crs Bryant/Edgar**  
**WK08/02/01**

**THAT apologies for lateness from Cr M J Higgins be received and sustained.**  
**CARRIED**

## **1 PUBLIC FORUM**

### **1.1 P Heywood, Nelson AA Council**

Mr Heywood commented on the proposed increase in speed limit in Riwaka. He said Nelson AA Council and Tasman District Council should make a stand in regard to their support for changing the current 50 kph limit to the suggested 60 kph.

### **1.2 C Robinson**

Mr Robinson spoke about delegating consent to the Engineering Department to put no parking lines in Bateup Road and Church Street. He also spoke about the problems getting in and out of Dick Smith Electronics on Gladstone Road.

### **1.3 R Reay**

Mr Reay spoke about lighting in new subdivisions in the Tasman District and the need to have energy efficient full cutoff streetlighting which results in less wastage of light.

### **1.4 M Clark**

Mr Clark commented on the motor bike races held on Rabbit Island and congratulated all those involved in the organisation which was well attended and appreciated by the public. He thanked Council for allowing the event to occur.

Mayor Kempthorne left the meeting at 9.55 am.

## **2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Engineering Services Committee – 29 November 2007**

Bottom of page four, second to last paragraph. “man” should be “main”.

**Moved Crs Dowler/Inglis  
WK08/02/02**

**THAT the minutes of the Engineering Services Committee meeting held on 29 November 2007, as amended, containing resolutions numbered WK07/11/01 to WK07/11/14 be confirmed as a true and complete record of the proceedings of that meeting.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Higgins arrived at 9.56 am.

## **3 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

Cr Norriss congratulated all involved in the rugby match at Sports Park Motueka, and beach racing held over the holiday season in Tasman District. He believes Council has made a mistake in planning priorities set at the December 2007 Environment and Planning Committee meeting which placed priority on Western Golden Bay and the Waimea Estuary ahead of Brightwater and Wakefield. He has requested a report from the Engineering Manager on the matter.

Cr Higgins commented on the Environment and Planning priorities and said it would be possible that an opinion could be made on what infrastructure would be required for Brightwater and Wakefield.

**Moved Crs Borlase/King  
WK08/02/03**

**THAT the Chairman’s report dated 31 January 2008 be received.**

**CARRIED**

## **4 UTILITIES**

### **4.1 Utilities Management Report**

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to his report contained in the agenda. He noted that stage one of water restrictions are in place.

**Moved Crs Riley/Ensor  
WK08/02/04**

**THAT the Utilities Management Report dated 28 January 2008 be received.**

**CARRIED**

## **4.2 Old Mill Walkway**

Mr Stephenson spoke to the report contained in the agenda which updated the Committee on stage 1 construction of the works at Old Mill Walkway and its performance to date and sought approval to advance consent application and review funding arrangements.

**Moved Crs Ensor/King  
WK08/02/05**

**THAT:**

- a) Council staff undertake the necessary work to prepare an application for resource consent for protection of the remaining 530 metres of the Old Mill Walkway reserve;**
- b) The Engineering Manager report back to the Committee a revised estimate for the preferred option and an associated funding review.**

**CARRIED**

## **5 GENERAL**

### **5.1 Review Schedule of Charges**

The agenda contained a report which updated the Committee on proposed changes to the Schedule of Engineering Charges for the 2008/2009 Annual Plan.

Mayor Kempthorne arrived at the meeting at 11.42 am.

Cr Norriss asked that for next year another column be inserted in the table to show the previous year's charges.

Cr King left the meeting at 11.45 am.

**Moved Crs Borlase/Inglis  
WK08/02/06**

**THAT Council approve the changes to the Engineering Schedule of Charges for the draft 2008/2009 Annual Plan.**

**CARRIED**

## **6 TRANSPORTATION**

### **6.1 Transportation Report**

Mr Ashworth was in attendance to speak to the Transportation Report contained in the agenda.

#### **6.1.1 Paton Road Reconstruction**

Cr King returned to the meeting at 11.57 am.

The Paton Road reconstruction project is struggling to economically meet the requirements for subsidised funding from Land Transport NZ.

Cr Higgins said development in Richmond South is impacting on the road and believes there is a case for development levies to be used for this work.

Cr King said the minor works undertaken to date have had a significant impact on the way the road is being used.

### **6.1.2 Land Transport Management Amendment Bill**

The agenda contained a copy of Council's submission on the Land Transport Management Amendment Bill to the Transport and Industrial Relations Select Committee, submitted by the Chairman Engineering Services and the Engineering Manager under delegated authority.

### **6.1.3 Motueka River Flood Control**

A Councillor-only workshop will be held on Wednesday 12 March 2008 commencing at 1.30 pm.

**Moved Crs Borlase/King**  
**WK08/02/07**

**THAT the Transportation Report dated 29 January 2008 be received.**  
**CARRIED**

### **6.2 Roothing Policy and Procedures Manual**

The report and associated power point presentation updated the Committee on the Roothing Policy and Procedures Manual with revisions and updates, particularly focusing on the Licence-to-Occupy issue.

Cr Riley left the meeting at 2.16 pm.

**Moved Cr King/Mayor Kempthorne**  
**WK08/02/08**

**THAT Council adopt the licence for all significant occupation requests within Tasman District Council road reserve.**  
**CARRIED**

### **6.3 Pearse River Bridge Upgrade**

The report contained in the agenda requested the Committee to consider a contribution from the bridge maintenance budget towards upgrading the Pearse River Bridge to a standard that will accommodate over-capacity loads.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Wilkins  
WK08/02/09**

**THAT Council accepts the \$40,000 contribution from Tasman Forest Management Ltd towards the upgrade of the Pearse Valley Bridge and proceed with the selected tender process as soon as possible.**

**CARRIED**

#### **6.4 Rural Addressing Road Name Change – Moutere Highway**

Mr Elkington spoke to the report that recommended a proposed road name change of Moutere Highway between Edwards Road and Hursthouse Street, at Lower Moutere.

**Moved Cr Norriss/Mayor Kempthorne  
WK08/02/10**

**THAT Council approves the renaming of a section of Moutere Highway between Wildman Road/Hursthouse Street intersection and Edwards Road, as “Main Road, Lower Moutere”.**

**CARRIED**

#### **6.5 Moutere Highway Realignment at George Harvey Road**

Mr Thomson spoke to the report which sought the Committee’s approval to include realignment of the Moutere Highway at George Harvey Road in the 2008/2009 draft Annual Plan.

The option recommended (Option 2) is a significant realignment with a 95 km/h design speed, a new bridge across the company ditch, and turning bays into the two side roads. Significant land purchase is required from three landowners. Option 2 would have the best safety and efficiency performance. An economic comparison tool also indicates that from LTNZ’s perspective, Option 2 is preferred.

Cr Edgar left the meeting at 3.00 pm.

Cr King suggested that the Moutere Hills Complex could be given access off Kelling Road, with no access onto the Moutere Highway.

Cr Higgins supports the project going forward to the next stage.

Mr Thomson said at the Council’s workshop in December 2007 it seemed the intention was to carry this project into the draft 2008/2009 Annual Plan.

Cr Riley returned to the meeting at 3.07 pm.

Mr Thomson said Council could give an indication of which option it supported, if any, which would enable staff to look at land purchase and the project would then be reviewed with the 2009 – 2019 LTCCP.

Cr Bryant agreed the road is a black spot and has been for years and there have been a large number of accidents. He supports the recommendation.

Cr Norriss considered there is nothing wrong with the road, provided motorists watch their speed and believed there were roads in Tasman District with a higher priority for improvement.

**Moved Crs King/Norriss  
WK08/02/11**

**THAT:**

- a) **The Engineering Services Committee agrees that Option 2 is the preferred option for realignment of the Moutere Highway at the intersections of George Harvey Road and Kelling Road;**
- b) **A budget be included in the draft 2008/2009 annual plan with further design, including access to Moutere Hills Complex, and possible land purchase;**
- c) **Updated estimates and benefit cost ratio is provided to Council for possible inclusion in the 2009 – 2019 LTCCP.**

**CARRIED**

## **7 DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING**

### **7.1 Engineering Standards 2008 – Update**

The report contained in the agenda updated the Committee on progress with the production of the Engineering Standards and Policies 2008.

**Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Currie  
WK08/02/12**

**THAT the Engineering Standards 2008 – Update, dated 28 January 2008 be received.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 3.25 pm.

Chair:

Date: