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MINUTES OF TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1 - 90 DEVONPORT ROAD, TAURANGA 26 - 29 MAY 2025 - ANNUAL PLAN DELIBERATIONS

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, (via teams) Cr Rod Taylor

IN ATTENDANCE:

Note: All staff that attended the meeting over the four day time period are listed here. Marty Grenfell (Chief Executive), Paul Davidson (Chief Financial Officer), Barbara Dempsey (General Manager: Community Services), Nic Johansson (General Manager: Infrastructure), Alastair McNeill (General Manager: Corporate Services), Sarah Omundsen (General Manager: Regulatory & Compliance), Gareth Wallis (General Manager: City Development & Partnerships), Jeremy Boase (Acting General Manager: Strategy & Growth), Kathryn Sharplin (Manager: Finance), Tracey Hughes (Financial Insights & Reporting Manager), Susan Braid (Finance Lead Projects Assurance), Jim Taylor (Manager: Rating Policy & Revenue), Alison Law (Manager: Spaces & Places), Ross Hudson (Strategic Planning & Partnerships), Mike Seabourne (Head of Transport), Karen Hay, (Manager: Network Safety & Sustainability), Chris Barton (Programme Director: Major Transport Projects), Will Hyde (Senior Transportation Engineer, Wally Potts (Director of City Waters) Stephen Burton (Transformation Lead - Water Services), Stacey Mareroa-Roberts (Manager: Strategic Māori Engagement), Janine Speedy (Team Leader: City Planning), Andrew Mead (Manager: City Planning & Growth), Ben Corbett (Team Leader Growth Funding), Carl Lucca (Team Leader: Structure Planning), Cashy Ball (Programme Manager & Advisor), Shawn Geard, (Centre City Infrastructure Lead), Reece Wilkinson (Parking Strategy Manager), Emily McLean (Programme Leader: city Development), (Clare Sullivan (Team Leader: Governance Services), Caroline Irvin (Governance Advisor),

EXTERNAL:

Paul Dunphy, Bay Venues

Timestamps are included beside each of the items and relate to the recording of the meeting held 26 – 29 May 2025 which can be found on <u>Council Website</u>.

1 OPENING KARAKIA

Cr Rolleston opened the meeting with a karakia

2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

3.1 Neil Pollett – Demographically Sound Survey

Mr Pollet commented on the demographically-sound survey and the use of such surveys alongside submissions received from the public.

3.2 Tim Maltby

Tim Maltby commented on issues regarding the establishment of a Council-Controlled Organisation (CCO) for Local Water Done Well. Positions on the board of a CCO should be based entirely on merit.

4 ACCEPTANCE OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

5 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS TO BE TRANSFERRED INTO THE OPEN

Nil

6 CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Item 4 Aquatics Projects Report was taken at 1pm on Tuesday 27 May, followed by 11.3 Spaces and Places Options paper
- Item 5 Local Water Done Well report was taken at 11.30 am on Wednesday 28 May 2025.
- There were other changes to the order of business to allow the meeting to flow without interruption.

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil

8 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

9 **DEPUTATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS**

Nil

10 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Nil

11 **BUSINESS**

11.1 Annual Plan 2025/26 - Consultation and submission summary

Timestamp: 18

Staff Jeremy Boase, Manager: Strategy & Corporate Planning Ceilidh Dunphy, Community Relations Manager

RESOLUTION CCO/25/14/1

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

That the Council:

(a) Receives the report "Annual Plan 2025/26 - Consultation and Submission Summary".

CARRIED

11.2 Executive Report to the 2025-26 Annual Plan

Timestamp: 57

Staff Paul Davidson, Chief Financial Officer Kathryn Sharplin, Manager: Finance Tracey Hughes, Financial Insights & Reporting Manger

Please refer also to Thursday 29 May pg. 30 of the minutes for the resolutions

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/2

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

(a) Receives the report "Executive Report to the 2025-26 Annual Plan".

CARRIED

11.3 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Spaces and Places - Issues and Options papers

Timestamp: 1.27

Staff Barbara Dempsey, General Manager; Community Services Alison Law, Manager: Spaces & Places Ross Hudson, Manager: Strategic Planning & Partnerships

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/3

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

(a) Receives the report "Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Spaces and Places - Issues and Options papers".

CARRIED

11.3 Continued: The resolutions for items (b), (c), and (d) can be found on the following pages:

- Page 29
- (b) Provision of temporary toilets at Blake Park for Winter Netball season (Attachment 1)
- Page 30
- (c) Mt Maunganui Cricket Club proposed pavilion and changing rooms (Attachment 2)
- Page 33
- (d) Development of Pāpāmoa shared path (Attachment 9)

Timestamp: 1:45

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/4

Moved: Cr Steve Morris Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

Multi-use Community Sports Hub at Gordon Spratt Reserve - Pāpāmoa Tennis Club (Attachment 3)

That the Council:

(d) Endorses the vision of a multi-use community sports hub through the completion of a feasibility study and business case and requests staff work with the Pāpāmoa Tennis Club on this project.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 1.55

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/5

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Steve Morris

Pāpāmoa Rugby – facility and potential relocation (Attachment 4)

That the Council:

(e) Supports Pāpāmoa Rugby Club's aspirations for a new, relocatable clubroom facility, acknowledges their interest in relocating to a future active reserve, and requests staff partner with the submitter and other stakeholders at Gordon Spratt Reserve to deliver the proposed new facilities using existing budgets.

CARRIED

At 3.14 pm the meeting adjourned.

At 3.32pm the meeting reconvened.

Timestamp 2:32

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/6

Moved: Cr Rick Curach Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

Development of a sports facility hub at Arataki Park (Attachment 5)

That the Council:

(f) Supports the development of a dedicated **multi-use** sports facility at Arataki Park and request staff work with Arataki Sports Club and other park users to progress. The result may be a budget included in the next draft long-term plan.

CARRIED

Timestamp 2.42

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/7

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Glen Crowther

Investment into development Judea Community Sport Club (Attachment 6)

That the Council:

(g) Notes that a portion of existing budget for sports field capacity improvement (if determined to be appropriate) will be prioritised towards the installation of lighting with additional funding to be considered following the completion of a feasibility study.

Timestamp: 3:00

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/8

Moved: Cr Rick Curach Seconded: Mayor Mahé Drysdale

Funding for ARGOS Gym Sports for new kitchen and café facility (Attachment 7)

That the Council:

- (h) Declines the funding request of \$67,000.
- (i) Request staff review the Community Funding Policy to consider the requirement for organisations to have charitable status to be eligible for community grant funding.
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler
- Against: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Rod Taylor

CARRIED

Timestamp: 3.09

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/9

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

Funding for upgrade of third green at Bowls Matua (Attachment 8)

That the Council:

- (j) Declines funding of \$180,000 for Bowls Matua and recommends that staff work with bowling clubs across Tauranga to understand how to optimise their facilities and funding.
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler, Cr Rod Taylor
- Abstain: Cr Glen Crowther

CARRIED

Timestamp:3.46

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/10

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

Additional funding to support paid lifeguard services at Tay Street beach (Attachment 10)

That the Council:

(I) Approves an increase of \$16,080 in the 2025/26 annual grant to Surf Life Saving New

Zealand to provide additional paid lifeguard service at Tay Street beach.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 3.50

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/11

Moved: Cr Hautapu Baker Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Funding for a SEATRAC sea access device (Attachment 11)

That the Council:

(m) Acknowledges the potential value of the SEATRAC system and requests staff work with the submitter to prepare a feasibility study to inform any future investment in the system.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 3.53

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/12

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

Funding for Nature and Biodiversity Initiatives (Attachment 12)

That the Council:

(n) Retains the Nature and Biodiversity AIP budget at \$800,000 per annum.

CARRIED

ADJOURN MEETING

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/13

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting until 9.00am on Tuesday 27 May 2025.

CARRIED

Cr Hēmi Rolleston closed the meeting with a karakia.

CONTINUATION OF THE MEETING ON TUESDAY, 27 MAY 2025 AT 9.02AM IN TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1 - 90 DEVONPORT ROAD, TAURANGA

11.6 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Other Issues and Options Papers

Timestamp: .3

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Karen Hay, Manager: Network Safety & Sustainability

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/14

Moved: Cr Steve Morris Seconded: Cr Rick Curach

Pāpāmoa Primary School request for Parton Rd footpath widening (Attachment 1)

That the Council:

(a) Receives the report "Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Other issues and options papers".

Pāpāmoa Primary School request for Parton Rd footpath widening (Attachment 1)

(b) Widens the 105m section of Parton Road path along the eastern boundary of Pāpāmoa Primary School, between the zebra crossing and Dickson Road, to achieve an effective width of at least 1.8 metres, funded within the approved Transport budget.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 20

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Karen Hay, Manager: Network Safety & Sustainability

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/15

Moved: Cr Glen Crowther Seconded: Mayor Mahé Drysdale

Vale Street – Request for pathway between Landscape Road and Bureta Road and additional pedestrian crossing facilities (Attachment 2)

That the Council:

- (c) Requests staff to collaborate with the submitter, who has offered to develop an early design for a path on the northern side of Vale Street (along the golf course) at no cost.
- (d) Requests that the outcome of this investigation be reported to the September City Future Committee meeting.
- (e) Work with schools and community to understand pedestrian demand at various locations to support accessibility and safety to and from school.
- (f) Ensures that the outcomes of these investigations are shared with the submitters, and that, where feasible, the projects are to be prioritised within the transport capital programme against other projects to determine their priority.
- (g) Allocates \$10,000 operational expenditure to support further investigation into accessible crossing facilities between Vale Street and Pillans Point School, noting that

the majority of work will be undertaken using in-house capability.

(h) Adds these projects to the Community Response Programme, where they may be progressed if there is available budget within the transport programme.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 37

Staff Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Karen Hay, Manager: Network Safety & Sustainability

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/16

Moved: Cr Hautapu Baker Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

Public Place Recycling Bins and Charity Waivers (Attachment 3)

That the Council:

- (i) Reduce the number of co-mingled and glass recycling bins by converting to general waste bins and implement enhanced education.
- (j) Retains the Charity Waiver Programme and completes the ongoing review.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 1:03

Proposal from Creative Bay of Plenty (Attachment 4)

Please refer to page 30 for the resolution for this item

Timestamp: 1:26

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Andrew Mead, Manager: City Planning & Growth

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/17

Moved: Cr Hautapu Baker Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

Transport Connections for Welcome Bay and Ohauiti Suburbs (Attachment 5)

That the Council:

(I) Approves staff undertaking a high-level study (in-house) and initiate discussions with key partners identified in the report.

Timestamp: 1:41

Staff: Stacey Mareroa-Roberts, Manager, Strategic Māori Engagement Janine Speedy, Team Leader: City Planning

Action:

That staff schedule a workshop on support for Papakāinga

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/18

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Funding for Papakāinga Developments (Attachment 6)

That the Council:

- (m) Allocates \$400,000 to establish a Council managed fund focused on assisting Tangata Whenua to progress papakāinga development being \$200,000 in 2025/26 funded from the unapplied allocation of elder housing proceeds included in the 2024/25 budget with a review before allocating a further \$200,000 in 2026/2027 also funded from the elder housing sale proceeds.
- (n) Approves staff also undertaking further work to identify the criteria on when and how the fund will be allocated to provide assistance for tangata whenua to overcome current barriers to develop papakāinga.

CARRIED

- At 11.07am the meeting adjourned.
- At 11.20am the meeting reconvened.

11.7 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations – Connecting Mount Maunganui – Issues and Options Report

Timestamp: 2:21

Staff: Chris Barton, Programme Director: Major Projects Kathryn Sharplin, Manager: Finance Susan Braid, Finance Lead Projects Assurance

Please refer to page 19 for the resolution for this item

11.11 Transport Resolutions Report No.55

Timestamp: 2:42

Staff: Karen Hay, Acting Manager: Safety and Sustainability Will Hyde, Senior Transportation Engineer

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/19

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "Transport Resolutions Report No.55".
- (b) Resolves to amend the Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2023 by adopting the proposed traffic and parking controls relating to new subdivisions and minor changes for general safety, operational or amenity purposes, as per Attachment A of this report.
- (c) The changes are to become effective on or after the 26th of May 2025 subject to installation of appropriate signs and road markings, where appropriate.

CARRIED

Motion to transfer public excluded attachment 7 – Accessible Properties, into the open section of the meeting

Timestamp: 3:01

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/20

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Glen Crowther

That publicly excluded attachment 7 – 'Accessible Properties' be transferred into the open section of the meeting.

CARRIED

13.1 Attachment 7 – Accessible Properties

Staff: Andy Mead, Manager: City Planning & Growth Carl Lucca, Team Leader: Structure Planning

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/21

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

1. Provides for supporting infrastructure investigations and planning (3-waters, movement, open space) by Council in the immediate term, to be undertaken alongside

their own development planning, in line with the following:

- (a) Commitment of staff time including planning, 3-waters, movement and open space, as appropriate.
- (b) Scope of investigations and planning by Council shall include integrated consideration of the following matters to support delivery of medium density housing by APL and private sector within the Gate Pā area:
 - (i) Stormwater, wastewater and water supply
 - (ii) Movement, utilising existing studies and programmes developed to date
 - (iii) Open space considerations, particularly in relation to rationalising existing open space to support growth and community wellbeing
 - (iv) Engagement with APL and other key landowners in the area, as required.
- (c) Provision of funding for the above technical investigations and planning continuing to be allocated from the \$5m previously allocated to APL, which remain in the 2027/28 year budget per the Long Term Plan (this may be brought forward in subsequent Annual Plans once timeframes are clearer). This includes a \$200,000 allocation for spend in 2025/26 which will be funded from the unutilised Housing Funds from 2024/25. This approach effectively widens the matters to which that funding can be applied.
- (d) Establish Engagement Protocols with APL through a non-binding memorandum of understanding, in line with APL's submission and above scope. In particular, this shall align Council investigations and planning with key milestones of APL development plans.

CARRIED

At 12.19pm the meeting adjourned. At 1.07pm the meeting reconvened.

PUBLIC FORUM FOR ITEM 11.4

Timestamp: 4:08

1. Mount Maunganui Aquatic Trust

Mr Scott Bartlett, Manager Mr Donal Boyle, Trustee Mr Bevan Wood, Builder Ian Glover, Trustee

The submitters noted the ability to build a 50 meter pool, which would be a facility for wider community. It would free up space in the Mount and wider Tauranga area. They would work with external community user groups and establish a ten year arrangement with the college and the pool would be available to user groups outside school hours, provide pool to other groups as well

2. Otūmoetai Working Group

Mr Matt King, Chair Otūmoetai College Amanda Lowry

The working group noted that water safety, water knowledge and rescue is vitally important and that most pools run at a deficit but some things must be funded and this is needed in the area. The Memorial Pool is not sufficient for the needs of the community. While there is a hoist in Otūmoetai other facilities are needed for those with a disability or health problems also for changing and getting dressed after swimming. The building code requires provision of a ramp into pool and a wet wheelchair access.

3. Suzie Edmonds

The due diligence done by the working group for the Otūmoetai Pool was acknowledged. Council and Bay Venues needed to acknowledge effort from the community. The submitter requested a formal investigation around the previous information provided on the pool.

11.4 Aquatic Project Update and Next Steps

Staff: Alison Law, Manager: Spaces & Places Ross Hudson, Manager: Strategic Planning & Partnerships Cashy Ball, Program Manager: Tsunami Awareness & Advisor to the Commission

Cr Baker left the meeting at 1.54 pm and returned at 2.11 pm

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/22

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Glen Crowther

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "Aquatic Projects Update and Next Steps"; and
- (b) Notes the updates provided through this report on:
 - (i) Memorial Park Aquatic Centre
 - (ii) Ōtūmoetai Pool
 - (iii) Mount College Pool.

Memorial Park Aquatic Centre

(c) Notes that the site investigations currently underway for the existing Memorial Pool site (including geotechnical) will be available in early August 2025. If the results are favourable, this could present an opportunity to locate the new Memorial Aquatics Centre on that site and to retain the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre for circa 15 years.

Ōtūmoetai Pool

- (d) Supports the Ōtūmoetai Pool Working Group's recommendations to retain and upgrade the Ōtūmoetai Pool and signals its intent to allocate indicative capital funding of \$3.28m (uninflated) in 2027/28 and \$2.43m (uninflated) in 2032/33 through the next Long Term Plan in line with those recommendations.
- (e) Notes that if the Ōtūmoetai Pool is retained in the network the Development

Contributions Policy will need to be amended to reflect the implications of that decision.

Mount Maunganui College 50m pool

- (f) Confirms in-principle support for the Mount Maunganui College 50m Pool expansion proposal, including ongoing Council support to subsidise the community use of the pool, with:
 - (i) a \$4.945m initial 10-year loan-funded operational grant for the pool construction, paid to the Mount Maunganui Aquatic Centre Trust over 2025/26 (2.59m) and 2026/27 (\$2.355m), and
 - (ii) up to \$340,000 annual operational grant, based on actual net operational costs, on an ongoing basis to meet the extra cost of providing a 50m community pool,

as outlined in the Mount Maunganui Aquatic Centre Trust proposal (attachment 4). Subject to: Annual Plan decisions and their impacts on the balanced budget financial benchmark, formal support for the proposal from Ministry of Education and Mount Maunganui College Board of Trustees, and the outcomes of resolution (f).

- (g) Instructs staff to continue further due diligence and financial modelling, and to work with the Mount Maunganui Aquatic Centre Trust to finalise a funding agreement that provides:
 - (i) the legal and financial framework for the upgrade and ongoing operation of a new 50m pool,
 - (ii) long-term confidence to the Mount Maunganui Aquatic Centre Trust and the Council regarding the financial sustainability of the proposal, and
 - (iii) fair, equitable and safe community use of the pool, including non-structured community open use.

If resolution (e) and (f) are not successfully implemented, signal in-principle support for option 2, 33m pool expansion to a wider 33m x 25m pool in 2025/26 and 2026/27 approving:

- (i) an initial 10-year loan-funded operational grant of \$2.6 mil for construction, and
- (ii) an ongoing operational grant of up to \$20,000 to cover the additional cost of meeting Pool Safe requirements,

as the alternative preferred option. Subject to Annual Plan decisions and their impacts on the balanced budget financial benchmark and formal support for the proposal from Ministry of Education and Mount Maunganui College Board of Trustees.

Aquatic Network Plan

- (i) Approves the development of an Aquatics Network Plan, as outlined in this report, including targeted stakeholder engagement and broader community consultation.
- (j) Notes that, subject to the above resolutions, staff will prepare an Aquatic Network Plan that outlines a roadmap for the future of aquatics in Tauranga, including:
 - (i) An aquatic centre at Memorial Park,
 - (ii) Retention of Ōtūmoetai Pool for at least 15 years,
 - (iii) Support for the development of a 50m training pool at Mount Maunganui College and
 - (iv) Options to bring forward investment into aquatic facilities in Papamoa East and/or Tauriko .

The draft Network Plan will be brought back to Council to endorse for consultation.

CARRIED

THE MOTION WAS PUT IN TWO PARTS:

1. Recommendations (a) - (j) (iii)

2. Recommendation (j) (iv) Options to bring forward investment into aquatic facilities in Papamoa East and/or Tauriko

For: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler

Against: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Rod Taylor

CARRIED

At 3.13pm the meeting adjourned.

At 3.32pm the meeting reconvened.

11.8 2025/26 Development Contributions Policy Deliberations

Staff Ben Corbett, Team Leader: Growth Funding Andy Mead, Manager: City Planning & Growth

Timestamp: 5:32

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/23

Moved: Cr Marten Rozeboom Seconded: Cr Glen Crowther

- (a) Receives the report "2025/26 Development Contributions Policy deliberations".
- (b) Approves the responses to external submissions received on the draft Development Contributions Policy 2025/26 (Attachment B).
- (c) Notes that some minor refinements have been made to the Development Contributions Policy since it was notified for consultation and that these will be included in the final Policy for Council adoption.
- (d) Notes that the proposed final Development Contributions Policy 2025/26 will be reported to Council in June 2025 for consideration and approval. This will incorporate the impact of decisions made by Council through the Annual Plan 2025/26 deliberations process.
- (e) Notes the following two matters are currently under consideration by Council and may have an impact on Development Contributions charges:
 - (i) The timing and capital expenditure budget for Cameron Road Stage 2 which will impact the Te Papa Infill catchment; and
 - (ii) The future of the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre and Otūmoetai Pool facilities which will impact the community infrastructure component of the citywide Development Contribution.

11.7 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Connecting Mount Maunganui - Issues and Options Report

Staff Chris Barton, Programme Director: Major Transport Projects Paul Davidson, Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/24

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

- (a) Receives the report "Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations Connecting Mount Maunganui Issues and Options Report".
- Approves a bring-forward of \$2,000,000 of expenditure (\$1,000,000 capital expenditure and \$1,000,000 operational expenditure) into the 2025/26 Annual Plan from the 2027/28 FY to fund and progress the Connecting Mount Maunganui Detailed Business Case;
- (c) Notes that a further bring-forward of \$1,000,000 of expenditure (\$500,000 capital expenditure and \$500,000 operational expenditure) into the 2026/27 Annual Plan will be required to complete the Detailed Business Case. Note \$500k currently budgeted in 2026/27, so bring forward of \$1m will result in \$1.5m total budget in the 2026/27 FY;
- (d) Notes financing for the full expenditure will be budgeted via the Infrastructure Funding and Financing Levy (IFF), resulting in no rates impact and no additional IFF Levy impact;
- (e) Notes decisions for the Detailed Business Case development to proceed will be subject to decisions of the City Futures Committee following further reporting on external funding commitments and further confirmation of IFF financing eligibility, and; new e as on proforma
- (f) Notes Council is required to notify the Local Government Funding Agency of any roading projects that are not funded by NZTA for their consideration.
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston
- Abstained: Cr Hautapu Baker

Timestamp: 6:17

PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

Resolution to exclude the public

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/25

Moved: Cr Marten Rozeboom Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting at 4.19 pm.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
Confidential Attachment 8 - 11.6 - Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Other issues and options papers	s7(2)(b)(ii) - The withholding of the information is necessary to 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	s48(1)(a) the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7

CARRIED

At 4.48pm the meeting reconvened in open.

Cr Hautapu Baker closed the meeting with a karakia.

At 4.49 the meeting adjourned and resumed at 11.32am on Wednesday, 28 May 2025.

CONTINUATION OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY 2025 AT 11.32AM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1 - 90 DEVONPORT ROAD, TAURANGA

1 KARAKIA

Cr Hautapu Baker reopened the meeting with a karakia.

2 APOLOGY

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/26

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rick Curach

That the apology from Cr Steve Morris be accepted.

CARRIED

3 LATE ITEMS

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/27

Moved: Cr Rick Curach Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

That the Council:

Accepts the following late item for consideration at the meeting:

11.13: Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations- Further Issues and Options Papers

The above item was not included in the original agenda because it was not available at the time the agenda was issued, and discussion could not be delayed until the next scheduled meeting of the Committee because decisions were required in regard to this item.

CARRIED

11.5 Local Water Done Well - Deliberations

Timestamp: :6

Staff: Paul Davidson, Chief Financial Officer Stephen Burton, Transformation Lead - Water Services Kathryn Sharplin, Manager: Finance Wally Potts, Director of City Waters

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "Local Water Done Well Deliberations".
- (b) Notes the community consultation findings, as presented by this report.
- (c) Approves an integrated, three-waters approach for the delivery of water services, with all three water services (water supply, wastewater and stormwater) delivered through

the same organisation.

- (d) Approves that a multi-Council Controlled Organisation continues to be the preferred model, noting that a Council workshop on the in-house developed financial model will be held in June, with the final decision on the water delivery model being made by Council prior to the finalisation of the Waters Service Delivery Plan.
- (e) Notes that Council will receive the following future reports:
 - (i) Approval of a Water Services Delivery Plan for submission to the Department of Internal Affairs by the government prescribed deadline of 3 September 2025.
 - (ii) Approval of key establishment principles / guidelines which will guide the establishment process if a multi-council controlled organisation is the final approved approach for Tauranga.
 - (iii) Notes that Council will receive an in-house developed financial model.

AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED:

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Rick Curach

That recommendation (d) be amended to "Notes"

Amendment "d" was put to the meeting

For: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Hēmi Rolleston

Against: Mayor Mahé Drysdale. Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler, Cr Rod Taylor

CARRIED

A FURTHER AMENDMENT WAS MOVED

Moved: Cr Glen Crowther Seconded: Cr Rick Curach

That new clause (e) (iv) be added to the resolution:

(iv) Further financial analysis of impacts of CCO options for both the CCO and the remaining council, including NPV analysis and any sensitivity analysis.

For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Kevin Shuler, Cr Rod Taylor

Against: Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler, Cr Rod Taylor

THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION WAS PUT TO THE MEETING

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/28

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "Local Water Done Well Deliberations".
- (b) Notes the community consultation findings, as presented by this report.
- (c) Approves an integrated, three-waters approach for the delivery of water services, with all three water services (water supply, wastewater and stormwater) delivered through the same organisation.
- (d) Notes that a multi-Council Controlled Organisation continues to be the preferred model, noting that a Council workshop on the in-house developed financial model will be held in June, with the final decision on the water delivery model being made by Council prior to the finalisation of the Waters Service Delivery Plan.
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 - (ii) Approval of key establishment principles / guidelines which will guide the establishment process if a multi-council controlled organisation is the final approved approach for Tauranga.
 - (iii) Notes that Council will receive an in-house developed financial model.

(iv) Further financial analysis of impacts of CCO options for both the CCO and the remaining council, including NPV analysis and any sensitivity analysis

CARRIED

At 1.48pm the meeting adjourned.

At 3pm the meeting reconvened.

LATE ITEMS

Timestamp 3:30

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/29

Moved: Cr Rick Curach Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

Moved: Cr Rick Curach Seconded: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular

That the Council:

Accepts the following late item for consideration at the meeting:

11.14: Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations- User Fees & Charges - Parking

The above item was not included in the original agenda because it was not available at the time the agenda was issued, and discussion could not be delayed until the next scheduled meeting of the Committee because decisions were required in regard to this item.

Timestamp 3:36

11.9 2025/26 User Fees and Charges Deliberations

StaffPaul Davidson, Chief Financial OfficerBarbara Dempsey, General Manager: Community Services

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/30

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Mayor Mahé Drysdale

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "2025/26 User Fees and Charges Deliberations".
- (b) Provides transparent reporting on the street dining revenue and engages with those paying the fees on what it is being spent on.
- (e) Adopts the Schedule of User Fees and Charges 2025/26 contained in **Attachment 1**, with amendments from resolutions (b) and c.
- (f) Authorises the Chief Financial Officer to make any necessary minor drafting or presentation amendments to the Schedule of User Fees and Charges 2025/26 before going to print.
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston
- Against: Cr Glen Crowther

CARRIED

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/31

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Mayor Mahé Drysdale

That the Council:

- (c) Adopts the Licence to Occupy Fees as consulted on in the draft User Fees & Charges
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston
- Against: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Glen Crowther

11.10 Rating Policy 2025/2026 Annual Plan

Timestamp: 4:15

Staff Jim Taylor, Manager: Rating Policy & Revenue Paul Davidson, Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/32

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

- (a) Receives the report "Rating Policy 2025/2026 Annual Plan".
- (b) Confirms the changes to the definition of Industrial rating category to exclude any rating unit with a land area less than 250m2, (or exclusive use area less than 250m2 for cross lease or unit titles), which will be classified in the commercial rating category.
- (c) Continues with the Long-term Plan decision to move to a fixed proportion of the general rates for each rating category and change the proportions for the residential rating category to 65%, the Commercial rating category to 15% and the industrial rating category to 20% by the 2027/28 rating year.

CARRIED

Cr Rolleston closed the meeting for the day with a karakia.

At 4.32pm the meeting adjourned until 9 am on Thursday 29 May 2025

CONTINUATION OF THE MEETING ON THURSDAY 29 MAY 2025 AT 9.02AM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1 - 90 DEVONPORT ROAD, TAURANGA

KARAKIA

Cr Hautapu Baker opened the meeting with a karakia.

The Mayor noted that Crs Morris and Shuler were attending via audiovisual link.

12 APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/33

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor That the apology for lateness from Cr Rolleston be accepted.

13 PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

Resolution to exclude the public

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/34

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

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

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
Confidential Attachment 8 - 11.6 - Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Other issues and options papers	s7(2)(b)(ii) - The withholding of the information is necessary to 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	s48(1)(a) the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7

CARRIED

The public were excluded at 9.07 am

At 9.16 am the meeting resumed in open.

Timestamp:16

11.13 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Further Issues and Options Papers

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Jamie Lunam, Manager: Business Alignment

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/35

Moved: Cr Steve Morris Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

(a) Receives the report "Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations – Further Issues and Options Paper.

Domain Road (Attachment 1)

 b. Directs staff progress the investigation of Option 3: Do Something (existing land use), which includes refreshing the business case for inclusion of the project into the 2028–31 National Land Transport Programme for implementation in 2027/28 to 2028/29 subject to Council approval.

c. Directs staff to work with the submitter to investigate the option of a shared pathway.

CARRIED

Timestamp :47

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Martin Taylor, Manager, Transport Network Operations

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/36

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Hautapu Baker

Pāpāmoa Beach Road (Attachment 3)

That the Council:

d. Continues to support the current road surfacing policy, recognising that it provides the long-term least-cost benefit to the ratepayer, by ensuring fit for purpose sealing is provided to all roads across the city, in a manner that continues to secure NZTA's 51% funding contribution.

CARRIED

At 10.39am the meeting adjourned.

At 10.51am the meeting reconvened.

Cr Rolleston entered the meeting at 10.51 am.

Timestamp: 1:36

Staff: Mike Seabourne, Head of Transport Shawn Geard, City Centre Infrastructure Lead

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/37

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Pāpāmoa park and ride (Attachment 5)

That the Council:

(b) Does nothing at this point in time, but notes that a park and ride in Pāpāmoa will be considered within future transport network planning (Transport System Plan and Regional Land Transport Plan).

Timestamp: 1:57

Staff: Barbara Dempsey, General Manager: Community Services

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/38

Moved: Cr Glen Crowther Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Shared tsunami pathway (Attachment 7)

That the Council:

- e. Adopt Option 3 (Implemented targeted interim improvements and provides recommendations on capital expenditure in time for inclusion in the 2027-2037 Long-term Plan) which includes continuing to work with the community working party to implement, review and educate the community, while reviewing capital options to a timeline that ensures the new modelling and recommendations are consistent, for including a budget into the 2026/27 Annual Plan and 2027-2037 Long-Term Plan.
- f. Engage proactively with the developer to provide options for connections from Papamoa East Interchange into the Bell Road area.
- g. Investigate any synergies between any agreed legs of the proposed Eastern Arterial Cycleway and evacuation routes for consideration for the 2027 Bay of Plenty Regional Land Transport Plan and funding via the 2027 National Land Transport Fund.

CARRIED

11.14 Annual Plan Deliberations - User Fees & Charges - Parking

Timestamp: 2:28

Staff Shawn Geard, City Centre Infrastructure Lead Reece Wilkinson, Parking Strategy Manager Nic Johansson, General Manager: Infrastructure

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/39

Moved: Cr Rod Taylor Seconded: Cr Kevin Schuler

That the Council:

- (b) Approves Adoption of rates as detailed within the table noted within Option 1 (Standardised with differing all day rates)
- (c) Authorises the Chief Financial Officer to make any necessary minor drafting or presentation amendments to the Schedule of User Fees and Charges 2025/26 before going to print.
- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston
- Against: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular and Cr Glen Crowther

At 12.10pm the meeting adjourned.

At 12.54pm the meeting reconvened.

11.3 Continued: Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Spaces and Places - Issues and Options Papers

Staff Barbara Dempsey, General Manager; Community Services Alison Law, Manager: Spaces & Places Ross Hudson, Manager: Strategic Planning & Partnerships

Timestamp: 3:37

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/40

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Provision of temporary toilets at Blake Park for Winter Netball season (Attachment 1)

That the Council:

(b) Notes that Council can provide additional facilities at Blake Park within existing Council budgets and acknowledges offers of donations made by the public.

CARRIED

Timestamp: 3:42

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/41

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Glen Crowther

Mt Maunganui Cricket Club proposed pavilion and changing rooms (Attachment 2)

(c) Notes that Council can provided the additional facilities for the Mount Maunganui Cricket Club at Blake park within existing Council budgets and acknowledges offers of donations made by the public

CARRIED

Timestamp: 3:48

Development of Pāpāmoa shared path (Attachment 9)

Refer to pg. 33, resolution (k), of the minutes for this item.

Timestamp 4.20

11.6 Annual Plan 2025/26 Deliberations - Other Issues and Options Papers

Staff Barbara Dempsey, General Manager: Community Services

Moved: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

Proposal from Creative Bay of Plenty (Attachment 4)

That the Council:

- (k) Approves an increase of \$77,500 in the annual grant to Creative Bay of Plenty for the 2025/2026 financial year with a review in late 2025 to coincide with the review of funding partnership agreements.
- For: Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Hēmi Rolleston, Cr Rod Taylor

Against: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Rick Curach, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Shuler

LOST

At 2.13pm the meeting adjourned.

At 2.23pm the meeting reconvened.

11.2 Executive Report to the 2025-26 Annual Plan (continued)

Timestamp: 4:35

Staff Paul Davidson, Chief Financial Officer Kathryn Sharplin, Manager: Finance Tracey Hughes,

A MOTION WAS PROPOSED Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Rod Taylor

That the Council:

(b) Agrees to the following changes to annual plan operational budgets from the draft annual plan to reduce Council expenditure by a further \$10m to \$589m, which brings the overall rates increase for the annual plan to 9.9% after growth. These adjustments include the following:

- i. reductions in operational expenditure of \$9.85m, which are a net result of the reset savings partially offset by corrections and other cost adjustment updates as summarised in Attachment 1.
- ii. an additional \$156k to fund Bay Venues Limited to continue to operate the indoor sports centre at Memorial Park.
- (c) Agrees to amendment to the capital programme as outlined in Attachment 3, with the revised programme sitting at \$498m including loan funded projects reported as operational costs.

- (d) Notes the revised financials after all impacts from b and c above with total expenditure of \$589m, total revenue of \$636m, total capital of \$498m, an overall rate increase of 9.9% and net debt at 30 June 2026 of \$1.65b.
- (e) Notes that resolutions (b) to (d) are subject to any changes that occur through other reports during deliberations
- (f) Notes the revised balanced budget will continue to exceed 100% and meets the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA) requirements for a bespoke covenant.
- (g) Notes that the key financials in this report do not include additional budget requested for the potential Ratepayer Assistance Scheme (RAS) investment. It also excludes the impact of decisions sought from the community as presented in issues and options reports and other matters to be considered through deliberations.
- (h) Approves \$500,000 funding to support ongoing development of the Ratepayer Assistance Scheme (RAS) subject to Council approval of the scheme on 10 June.
- (i) Notes that this funding will be accounted for as capital on the basis the RAS will be established, and this contribution forms part of an equity share in the RAS.
- (j) Notes that further work is required to assess the risks and priorities in the digital services budget. This may lead to the need to amend budgets throughout the year. This will be delivered within the overall Annual Plan budgets and be brought to the City Delivery Committee for approval.

AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED

Moved: Cr Glen Crowther Seconded: Cr Rick Curach

That the Council:

Amends recommendation (c) as follows:

• Reduces the Public Art Framework budget funding from \$1,657,696 (being 50% of the Capital Expenditure excluding Water capex) to no more than 0.25% of eligible capital spend

For Cr Glen Crowther and Cr Rick Curach

Against: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Marten Rozeboom, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston

LOST

AN AMENDMENT WAS PROPOSED:

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/42

Moved: Cr Steve Morris Seconded: Mayor Mahé Drysdale

AMENDMENT

That the Council:

(k) Delivers the Papamoa shared Pathway – Parton Road to Taylor Reserve within the \$498m capital programme envelope at a cost of no more than \$1m.

- For: Mayor Mahé Drysdale, Deputy Mayor Jen Scoular, Cr Hautapu Baker, Cr Glen Crowther, Cr Steve Morris, Cr Kevin Schuler, Cr Rod Taylor and Cr Hēmi Rolleston
- Against Cr Rick Curach and Cr Marten Rozeboom

CARRIED

THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION WAS THEN PUT TO THE MEETING

RESOLUTION CO/25/14/43

Moved: Mayor Mahé Drysdale Seconded: Cr Marten Rozeboom

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- (j) Notes that further work is required to assess the risks and priorities in the digital services budget. This may lead to the need to amend budgets throughout the year. This will be delivered within the overall Annual Plan budgets and be brought to the City Delivery Committee for approval.
- (k) Agrees to deliver the Papamoa Shared Pathway Parton Rd to Taylor Reserve within the \$498m capital programme envelope, at a cost of no more than \$1M.

14 CLOSING KARAKIA

Cr Baker closed the meeting with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 2.45 pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed as a true and correct record at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 26 June 2025.

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Mayor Mahé Drysdale CHAIR