Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee held on Thursday 7 December 2017, commencing at 8.30am in the Manawatu District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT:  
Cr Phil Marsh (Chairperson)  
Mayor Helen Worboys  
Cr Steve Bielski  
Cr Barbara Cameron  
Cr Stuart Campbell  
Cr Shane Casey  
Cr Michael Ford  
Cr Hilary Humphrey  
Cr Andrew Quarrie  
Cr Alison Short  
Cr Howard Voss

IN ATTENDANCE:  
Richard Templer (Chief Executive)  
Shayne Harris (General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory)  
Bridget Simpson (Acting General Manager – People and Culture)  
Brent Limmer (General Manager - Community and Strategy)  
Hamish Waugh (General Manager – Infrastructure)  
Colleen Morris (Chief Financial Officer)  
Tracey Hunt (Strategy Manager)  
Stacey Bell (Economic Development Adviser)  
Michael Hawker (Project Delivery Manager)  
Brittney Evans (Corporate Projects Adviser)  
Lisa Thomas (Policy Adviser)  
Paul Stein (Communications Manager)  
Danielle Balmer (Communications Officer)  
Allie Dunn (Governance Team Leader)

SPP 17/123 MEETING OPENING

Councillor Marsh declared the meeting open.

SPP 17/124 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

SPP 17/125 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

SPP 17/126 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee meeting held 2 November 2017 be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford  
Seconded by: Councillor Howard Voss  
CARRIED
SPP 17/127 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items of business notified.

SPP 17/128 PRESENTATION - LONG TERM PLAN – COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Communications Manager, Paul Stein tabled a draft communications and engagement plan for the Long Term Plan. He explained the approach that was planned to be taken, the method that was proposed along with the key messages for communicating. He sought input from elected members around methods of engagement, and asked that members come back to him with any amendments for incorporating into the plan.

SPP 17/129 PRESENTATION - LONG TERM PLAN – ACTIVITY STATEMENTS

Policy Adviser, Lisa Thomas circulated a copy of the draft Long Term Plan Activity Statements to members, noting that these form part two of the Long Term Plan, and provide information on the Council’s groups of activities. These include measures and targets, and how each activity is funded. She gave a presentation that explained the key changes that had been made to each activity statement. Amendments were proposed by elected members to clarify the wording of some of the measures and statistics used within the document. The next steps will be to update the activity statements based on the feedback provided and seek inclusion of the proposed activity statements in the draft Long Term Plan from the committee at its February 2018 meeting.

Her Worship the Mayor left the meeting at 9.52am.

SPP 17/130 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY – HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 20 November 2017 that provided the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee with a copy of the submissions received in relation to the draft Economic Development Strategy.

Her Worship the Mayor returned to the meeting at 9.55am.

RESOLVED

1. That the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee consider submissions on Council’s draft Economic Development Strategy.

2. That the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee notes that subsequent to the hearing, deliberations on and adoption of the draft Economic Development Strategy would be considered at the 14 December 2017 Council Meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Alison Short
Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.02am and reconvened at 10.22am.

SPP 17/131 GAMBLING VENUE POLICY REVIEW – CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS

RESOLVED

1. That the proposed Gambling Venues Policy, as notified, be amended to include those minor changes outlined in Paragraph 3.5 of the report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 16 November 2017.

2. That the final Gambling Venues Policy, incorporating a change in the total number of gambling machines from 81 to 90 be presented for adoption by Council on 22 February 2018.

Moved by: Councillor Howard Voss
Seconded by: Mayor Helen Worboys
CARRIED

SPP 17/132 MANAWATU DISTRICT QUARTERLY ECONOMIC UPDATE


RESOLVED

That the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee receives the Manawatu District Quarterly Economic update dated 7 December 2017.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford
Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey
CARRIED

SPP 17/133 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICY


RESOLVED

That the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee approves the Statement of Accounting Policies, as appended to the report of the General Manager Corporate and Regulatory dated 23 November 2017, for inclusion in the draft Long Term Plan 2018-28.

Moved by: Councillor Stuart Campbell
Seconded by: Councillor Barbara Cameron
CARRIED

SPP 17/134 RATES REMISSION AND POSTPONEMENT POLICY


Councillor Andrew Quarrie declared an interest, took no part in the discussion and did not vote.
RESOLVED

That the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee approves the Rates Remission and Postponement Policy, as appended to the report of the General Manager Corporate and Regulatory dated 23 November 2017, for inclusion in the draft Long Term Plan 2018-28.

Moved by: Councillor Howard Voss
Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short

CARRIED

SPP 17/135 LGOIMA REQUESTS – NOVEMBER 2017


RESOLVED

That the report detailing the requests for information received under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the month of November 2017 be received.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford
Seconded by: Councillor Howard Voss

CARRIED

SPP 17/136 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items for consideration.

SPP 17/137 MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 11.10am

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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CHAIRPERSON                DATE