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COUNCIL	THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER 2020	8:32AM

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Thursday 3 December 2020, commencing at 8:32am in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT: Mayor Helen Worboys (Chairperson)
 Cr Steve Bielski
 Cr Stuart Campbell
 Cr Shane Casey
 Cr Michael Ford
 Cr Heather Gee-Taylor
 Cr Grant Hadfield
 Cr Phil Marsh
 Cr Andrew Quarrie
 Cr Alison Short

APOLOGIES: Cr Hilary Humphrey

IN ATTENDANCE: Shayne Harris (Acting Chief Executive)
 Hamish Waugh (General Manager – Infrastructure)
 Brent Limmer (General Manager – Community and Strategy)
 Frances Smorti (General Manager – People and Culture)
 Rebecca Bell (Strategy Manager)
 Catherine Knight (Senior Policy Adviser)
 Michael Hawker (Project Delivery Manager)
 Stacey Bell (Economist)
 Amanda Calman (Chief Financial Officer)
 Janine Hawthorn (Community Development Adviser)
 Mathew Bayliss (Community Facilities Manager)
 Rārite Mātaki (Principal Adviser – Māori) (via Zoom)
 Allie Dunn (Governance Team Leader)

MDC 20/556 MEETING OPENING

Her Worship the Mayor opened the meeting.

Councillor Heather Gee-Taylor joined the meeting at 8:33am.

MDC 20/557 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

That the apologies from Councillor Hilary Humphrey, and from Councillor Phil Marsh for early departure, be approved.

Moved by: Councillor Grant Hadfield

Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short

CARRIED

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MDC 20/558 REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED

That Councillor Andrew Quarrie be granted leave of absence from 15 December 2020 to 20 December 2020..

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford

Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey

CARRIED

RESOLVED

That Councillor Stuart Campbell be granted leave of absence for 17 December 2020.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford

Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey

CARRIED

MDC 20/559 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 19 November 2020 be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved by: Councillor Shane Casey

Seconded by: Councillor Phil Marsh

CARRIED

MDC 20/560 PUBLIC FORUM

There were no requests for public forum.

MDC 20/561 PRESENTATION - NEW ZEALAND RURAL GAMES

Margaret Kouvelis, Chairperson of the New Zealand Rural Games Trust, and James Stewart, Board Member, spoke to Council about the 2021 New Zealand Rural Games being held in Palmerston North 14-15 March 2021. They gave a presentation that outlined the aim of the event, which was to bridge the gap between rural and urban communities by encouraging town people to get involved in country events. They spoke about the television coverage the event would have and noted they would be working with Feilding and District Promotion Inc and the Council on any add on activities that could be held in Feilding in conjunction with the rural games.

MDC 20/562 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

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MDC 20/563 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items of business notified for consideration.

MDC 20/564 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

There were no recommendations from committees.

MDC 20/565 MINUTES OTHER COMMITTEES – FOR INFORMATION

The draft minutes of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee meeting held 10 November 2020, and the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held 12 November 2020, were circulated for information. It was noted that a report back on the Council Nursery operations would be provided in the near future.

MDC 20/566 TE KAWAU MEMORIAL RECREATION CENTRE ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 9 November 2020 presenting Te Kawau Memorial Recreation Centre Incorporated's Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2020. John Silvester, Chairperson spoke to the report, noting items planned to be undertaken in the next year including a community working bee. He also noted that with the age of the building there would be some additional maintenance requirements over the next few years.

RESOLVED

That the Te Kawau Memorial Recreation Centre Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2020 be received.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford

Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey

CARRIED

MDC 20/567 MANFEILD PARK TRUST AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT TO 30 JUNE 2020

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 16 November 2020 presenting the Manfeild Park Trust's 12-month Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 30 June 2020. Kathy Gibson, Chief Executive accompanied by Trustees John Baxter and Stefan Speller, and Financial Controller Jane McCulloch, were in attendance and spoke to their report. Kathy Gibson highlighted key points from their report and noted the improved financial result for the year. She spoke about the challenges from the Covid-19 lockdown. She thanked Council for its ongoing support and partnership, and noted the need for discussions with Council regarding programming future events.

RESOLVED

That the Manfeild Park Trust's 12-month Report and Financial Statement for the year ending 30 June 2020 be received.

Moved by: Councillor Phil Marsh

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Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

Councillor Michael Ford left the meeting at 9:32am.

MDC 20/568 TE KIWAI O TE KETE

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 20 November 2020 presenting Te Kīwai (o te kete) to Council for adoption.

Councillor Michael Ford returned to the meeting at 9:34am.

Rārite Mātaki joined the meeting at 9:38am via Zoom and spoke about Te Kīwai, explaining it was about how the Council sets up relationships, not just with Māori, but with the whole community. He spoke about the change of focus from the default of compliance with legislation, to that of focussing on relationships. It was noted Te Kīwai (o te kete) would be a living document, reviewed annually.

RESOLVED

That the Council adopt Te Kīwai (o te kete) as its approach to engagement with Māori.

Moved by: Councillor Alison Short

Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey

CARRIED

Councillor Andrew Quarrie recorded his vote against the motion

MDC 20/569 ADOPTION OF INTERIM STATEMENT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY REVIEW – PULSE CHECK

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 18 November 2020 presenting the interim statement on Council’s Economic Development Strategy for adoption.

RESOLVED

That the Council adopts the Growing Manawatū Pulse Check as an interim statement until a full review of the Growing Manawatū Economic Development Strategy is undertaken, scheduled to begin mid-2021.

Moved by: Councillor Alison Short

Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

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MDC 20/570 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION TO 19 NOVEMBER 2020

Report of the General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory dated 23 November 2020 presenting requests for information received by Council under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Her Worship the Mayor noted concerns with the response provided to the information request from NZ Herald as she believed there were some coding errors for the information provided, and noted that the deduction from her salary for private use of the Mayoral vehicle should have been included in the response.

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 2020 be received.

Moved by: Councillor Michael Ford

Seconded by: Councillor Stuart Campbell

CARRIED

MDC 20/571 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items notified for consideration.

MDC 20/572 PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- a) **Minutes of other Committees for Information**

That the general subject 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(1) 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	Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
a) Draft minutes of Joint Strategic Planning Committee, and Audit and Risk Committee meetings for information	Section 7(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons; Section 7(2)(b)(ii) – protect information where the making available of the	Section 48(1)(a) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to result in a disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding that

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information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information; and Section 7(2)(j) – to prevent the disclosure of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.

information would exist, under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

Moved by: Her Worship the Mayor

Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

The meeting went into public excluded session at 10:01am. For items MDC 20/573 to MDC 20/575 refer to public excluded proceedings. The meeting returned to open session at 10:19am.

MDC 20/576 MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 10:19am.