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<b>COUNCIL</b>	<b>MONDAY 14 MAY 2018</b>	<b>8.30AM</b>

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Council held on Monday 14 May 2018, commencing at 8.30am in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Mayor Helen Worboys	(Chairperson)
	Cr Steve Bielski	
	Cr Barbara Cameron	
	Cr Stuart Campbell	
	Cr Shane Casey	
	Cr Michael Ford	
	Cr Hilary Humphrey	
	Cr Phil Marsh	
	Cr Andrew Quarrie	
	Cr Alison Short	
	Cr Howard Voss	
 <b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	 Richard Templer	 (Chief Executive)
	Shayne Harris	(General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory)
	Brent Limmer	(General Manager - Community and Strategy)
	Hamish Waugh	(General Manager – Infrastructure)
	Frances Smorti	(General Manager – People and Culture)
	Tracey Hunt	(Strategy Manager)
	Colleen Morris	(Chief Financial Officer)
	Michael Hawker	(Project Delivery Manager)
	Nichole Ganley	(Governance Support Officer)
	Paul Stein	(Communications Adviser)
	Danielle Balmer	(Communications Officer)
	Janine Hawthorn	(Community Development Adviser)
	Mat Bayliss	(Community and Strategy Manager)
	Brook Rush	(Community and Strategy Operations Officer)
	Carl Johnstone	(Parks and Property Team Leader)
	Kirsten Pike	(Parks and Property – Legal and Planning)
	Brittney Evans	(Corporate Projects Advisor)
	Rachel Raggett	(Executive Assistant - Community and Strategy)
	Rārite Mātaki	(Principal Advisor – Māori)
	Sue Cavanagh	(Regulatory Support Officer)
	Sonya Stevens	(Business Support Officer)
	Allie Dunn	(Governance Team Leader)

#### MDC 18/428 MEETING OPENING

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting open.

#### MDC 18/429 APOLOGIES

##### **RESOLVED**

**That apologies for Stuart Campbell, Phil Marsh and Hilary Humphrey for parts of the meeting be accepted.**

**Moved by: Her Worship the Mayor**

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**Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short**

**CARRIED**

#### MDC 18/430 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Alison Short – Submission #218 Oroua Catchment Care Group, Submission #268 Federated Farmers, Submission #207 Manawatū Youth Ambassadors

Councillor Barbara Cameron - Submission #Submission #248 District Health Board, Submission #343 Sport Manawatū and Submission #104 Creative Communities Assessment Committee

Councillor Hilary Humphrey Submission #104 Creative Communities Assessment Committee

Her Worship the Mayor Helen Worboys - Submission #268 Federated Farmers

Councillor Stuart Campbell – Submission #268 Federated Farmers

Councillor Andrew Quarrie – Submission #268 Federated Farmers

Councillor Steve Bielski – Submission #268 Federated Farmers

Councillor Michael Ford - Submission #248 Feilding Little Players Inc

Councillor Phil Marsh – CBD Building Owner

#### MDC 18/431 HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS

Strategy Consultant Tracey Hunt and Communications Manager Paul Stein spoke to a PowerPoint presentation outlining the range of consultation undertaken, highlighting what worked well and the level of engagement received and provided an analysis of the submissions received.

The Council then heard from submitters that wished to speak to their submissions.

##### SUBMISSION # 003 – MANAWA FARM LTD, CHRIS WALL SUBMISSION

Chris Wall spoke to his submission noting he had made his submission two months ago and was opposed to the Council's proposal to increase rural rates. He expressed concern with the rural roading network, felt the Council lacked transparency and was concerned about the next three years' rates rises which increase by 35 to 50%.

##### SUBMISSION #002 – RYLEY SHORT

Ryley Short, accompanied by Mike Short, requested consideration for funding for a pedestrian and cycleway from Mt Stewart Halcombe Road to Mt Biggs Primary School. She noted the increase in development resulted in increased traffic and people with children. She noted that a number of members of the community were happy to help with the construction and maintenance of the walkway. Councillor Shane Casey encouraged Ryley Short to contact the Halcombe Community Committee. It was noted the Council would need to be involved / provide a traffic safety management plan for any works.

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**SUBMISSION #028 – STEPHEN BRAY**

Stephen Bray brought two presentations with him - Draft Porirua ki Manawatū Inquiry District: Local Government Issues Report and Kai Iwi Women both in regards to Māori Wards and representation. His key issue was regarding pedestrian crossings in Feilding and the lack of safe crossings. He advised most crossings were difficult for wheelchair users and people with prams. He noted the metal hoops around town in particular at the medical centre. He also noted the lip on the kerb outside of work and income, which many vulnerable people – elderly and disabled needed to manoeuvre. He noted he had received little response from Kiwirail regarding the new crossing in town.

**SUBMISSION #032 – MAKINO LEISURE AND FLOW PARK GROUP**

Army Officer Jeremy Corkery, Air Force Officer Matt Williams, Corey Kotuhi, Craig McLay, and Constable Andrew Royds presented on behalf of the Feilding Leisure and Flow Park Group who are skate boarders requesting a skate park in Feilding and would like to advocate for a new central and vibrant park with a good location on behalf of Council.

**SUBMISSION #052 – BARRY FOSTER AND DEIDRE FARR**

Barry Foster and Deidre Farr spoke to their submission and their concerns around stormwater management of Makino Stream. Their concerns were also in regard to the increase in in-fill housing and with the Precinct 4 developments. Concerns have been ongoing for a number of years. It was noted that their specific questions in their submission would be addressed in their response letter.

**SUBMISSION #161 - GARRY SIMPSON**

Garry Simpson spoke to his submission regarding the rural rates increase and the impact that would have on his property by the end of year three. He noted it was important for Council to not encourage development in areas that could flood. He requested the figures for harmonizing of the storm water rates as he could not comment whether he was for or against it based on not enough information.

*Councillor Phil Marsh left the meeting at 10.16am.*

*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.16am and reconvened at 10.32am.*

**SUBMISSION #063 - MIKE AND LYNN HOGGARD**

Mike and Lynn Hoggard spoke to their submission regarding their opposition to the removal of the current differential on the general rate between the urban and rural sector.

**SUBMISSION #078 – HAMISH DAVIDSON**

Hamish Davidson spoke to his submission noting he is a rural, commercial and urban rate payer. Hamish thanked the Council for its hard work on the plan. He encouraged the Council to lobby central government harder for more funding. He is opposed to Council funding private or potentially private developments like Turners Road. He felt the cost of development should sit firmly with the developers or through a co-funding model. Hamish asked whether there was a way for Council to collect more from developers and commercial businesses based on a levy or taxation model. He noted that the costs of the districts road should be on a purely user pays basis. Hamish supported

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the roading targeted rate with the differentials but felt the differentials needed to reflect the areas better. He felt that business and rural needed to pay more with less reliance on residential for funding of roads and thinks the proposed changes do this in part but did not think it goes far enough. He noted the Council should consider a heavy traffic route due to the increasing number of trucks that were getting heavier. He noted that Halcombe Road was fast becoming a dangerous road. He did not think that anyone's rates should be decreasing as rates help to fuel the local economy and community. He noted that the parks and reserves were for all of the public to use and should be paid for equally.

#### SUBMISSION #172 - FEILDING CIVIC CENTRE TRUST

Feilding Civic Centre Trust members David Stroud, Stuart Osbourne and Carla Bennett spoke to their submission requesting funding for the redevelopment of the civic centre. The funding was needed for improvements, in particular the ablution block. Other concerns were the non-compliant stairwell, inability to meet demands of small groups and working within the Heritage B classification which restricted expansion out the front of the complex. Concern was raised regarding the heritage status and as it was a Council building, if Council could do anything regarding the heritage issues and classification. David Stroud noted that they were aware of the study underway for a Sports and Recreation Facilities Plan for Feilding and were interested in being a contributor to that.

#### SUBMISSION #232 - REG JAMES

Reg James spoke to his submission regarding the lack of services rurally but the increase in rates not associated with rising property values. A main concern of his was the safety of Colyton Road and Spur Road West. Another concern was powerlines on rural properties, and poor drainage resulting in the inability to use the phone and internet in wet weather.

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11.55am and reconvened at 1.10pm.*

*Councillor Phil Marsh returned at 1.10pm*

#### SUBMISSION #120 – TE MANAWA MUSEUMS TRUST

Te Manawa Museums Trust Chief Executive Officer Andy Lowe and Trust Board Chair John Fowke were in attendance and spoke to their submission. They thanked Council for its ongoing commitment of \$20,000. Andy Lowe highlighted a number of successful events held recently and the desire to continue to develop the museum over the next several years and work with Council.

#### SUBMISSION #148 – GEORGE SEARLE

George Searle spoke to his submission regarding the proposed changes to the rating differentials. George felt too much in the Long Term Plan benefits Feilding based projects and did not benefit rural ratepayers. He did not find the consultation document and the supporting material easy to read. George acknowledged that rural ratepayers needed to contribute but the divide needs to be reasonable.

#### SUBMISSION #164 - JULIA HILL

Julia Hill spoke to her submission seeking information and answers to a number of questions. The main issue raised was the proposed changes to the differential rate. Julia

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Hill was advised that her questions would be addressed in the response letter to her submission.

**SUBMISSION #170 - SIDNEY HILL**

Sidney Hill spoke to his submission highlighting roading issues. He advised that he lived on a state highway with no curbing or street lights and was concerned about the amount he pays versus the services he receives. He felt that increasing the rates differential was no benefit to rural ratepayers and was unequitable. He acknowledged rural ratepayers did need to pay for some parts of the town.

**SUBMISSION #235 - LOWER KIWITEA SCHEME – DAVID WILKINS**

David Wilkins spoke to the submission submitted by the ratepayers of the Lower Kiwitea Scheme. In support were Ross Evans and Michael Jacqui. He advised that the schemes ratepayers were opposed to the rate increase and considered it unfair and inequitable considering that the flood control work undertaken by the scheme benefits not only the individual landowners involved but everyone downstream including the Feilding township. He noted there were about 15 ratepayers in the scheme.

**SUBMISSION #253 - JO HAYES**

Jo Hayes spoke to her submission, with Ken Thompson from the Apiti Community Committee in support. She advised she was opposed to the proposed changes to the rates differentials which she felt would penalise rural ratepayers and favour urban ratepayers. She spoke of other ways to generate funds such as a fuel tax. She felt with the increased accessibility to Palmerston North City these days residents needed to support Feilding town and the rates proposal only divided the community. She felt that there had not been enough consultation prior to the draft Long Term Plan being released. She noted that her community benefitted from the community committee funds but questioned how her community benefitted from CEDA and what CEDA did for rural Manawatū. She said that the free tickets offered to Manfeild was no benefit to rural ratepayers. She raised concerns regarding Civil Defence in Apiti, and stormwater. She felt that those who benefit from a service should pay. Roading is the essence of a rural community and the maintenance of these roads was important. She encouraged more discussion for business owners lead by Central Government and Local Government New Zealand regarding options for Earth Quake Prone Buildings. She noted the future of Manfeild and she would like to see it used every day, every weekend, it was a big space and it had a lot of potential. It was clarified that the Grand Prix tickets had been provided by the organisers of the event. She also would like to see more public and private partnerships.

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.50pm and reconvened at 3.15pm.*

**SUBMISSION #319 – LOW VISION MANAWATŪ**

Gill Absolon spoke to her submission on behalf of the Low Vision Manawatū Group. She requested that the Council make all of its buildings and properties which the public use more accessible for people affected by low vision. She noted the Feilding Little Theatre and the Manawatū Community Trust Hall. She noted it is not only the elderly who have impaired vision.

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#### SUBMISSION #294 – SOCIAL ISSUES NETWORK COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Gill Absolon, Ruth Dalzell, and Diana Macdonald spoke to their submission on behalf of the Social Issues Network Council of Social Services. Their concern was over the sale of the Feilding Community House and the lack of notice. On average there were 386 meetings per year in the community house from 30 to 35 different groups. They highlighted the importance of social services in a community and that it was an important role for Council to be a part of. This was a needed community space and they would like to be considered for another Council owned building. Any building that houses this service would need to be able to be easily accessed but it would also need to be suitable for vulnerable people to use the facilities. Chief Executive Richard Templer noted that no decision had been made regarding the sale of the Community House, and in any case Council would find a suitable home for the occupants before any changes were made.

#### SUBMISSION #320 – CONCERNED SENIOR CITIZENS

Gill Absolon spoke to the submission from Concerned Senior Citizens, requesting pedestrian traffic lights to be installed near the BP roundabout and Police Station on Kimbolton Road, neighbouring Aorangi Road. Her concerns were regarding the large amount of people who needed to cross Aorangi Road and the impact the New World in its new location would have on pedestrian numbers.

#### SUBMISSION #309 – MANFEILD PARK TRUST

Manfeild Park Trust Chief Executive Officer Julie Keane spoke to the submission from Manfeild Park Trust. She noted the number of events held at Manfeild in 2017 and the BERL report to review the economic and social benefits the facility provides to the ratepayers of the Manawatū. Manfeild Park Trust requested an increase in grant funding of \$200,000 per annum. They also requested the Council consider an increase in major event funding. They support the extension to Turners Road and the realignment of Kawakawa Road and asked that Council make provision for the redevelopment in future plans of the eastern entry to Kowhai Park which was adjacent to the South Street entry to Manfeild Park. In questions Julie confirmed the request to council for an extra \$100,000 was for operating expenses predominantly deferred maintenance.

#### SUBMISSION #333 – SOURCE TO SEA

Tom Shannon and Stuart Harrex spoke to the submission from Source to Sea. Source to Sea is a community-led initiative and has been developed by the Biodiversity Cluster Group of Environment Network Manawatū, and members of the wider public including interest groups. They are requesting Council becomes an active participant in the Community driven project, Manawatū River Source to Sea – a project that will enhance biodiversity and bring economic benefits to the Community; and that Council includes funding within the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 of \$20,000 per annum, over the next three years. They are hoping to secure funding \$20k of funding from each neighbouring territorial authority for a coordinator as they are predominately volunteer based and are currently establishing an operation plan. They have had brief talks with Accelerate 25. They requested to be invited back in an informal situation to discuss what they do and can offer further.

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**SUBMISSION #307 – LYN MCCURDY**

Lyn McCurdy spoke to her submission. She is the chair of the Halcombe Community Trust. Her concerns are regarding the rates differential, and she is opposed to the changes. She felt there had not been enough time for consultation. She felt that the Turners Road extension, and wastewater centralisation projects needed further consultation outside of the Long Term Plan as not enough information was provided.

**SUBMISSION #345 – GAYNA BROWN AND PAULA SCOTT**

Kiwitea School pupil Amy Silk was in attendance and spoke to the submission regarding a 70km speed zone through Kiwitea for a safe environment for the school. A hump in the road and roadside foliage were the main causes of poor visibility when approaching the school. Councillor Short acknowledged the letters sent to the school from council officer Matt Williams regarding the Safer Journeys for Schools. It was noted that the Council would send the Safer Speed Zones for Schools document through again.

**SUBMISSION #207 – MANAWATŪ YOUTH AMBASSADORS**

Youth Ambassadors Alex Short and Eric Schuster spoke to their submission. Topics covered included their support for the Resource Recovery Centre and a suggestion to encourage and educate not just primary school age but teens and adults, as well as businesses about recycling. They acknowledged that the library redevelopment and the seismic strengthening was important, but would like to see the outdoor area utilised better and sought more information regarding the re-development and whether it would be fit for today's purpose. They supported the Kowhai Park Bridge, and would like to keep the playground under the trees as it is, and suggested fencing for the new playground. They disagreed with the proposal to remove the Timona Park changing rooms/storage and toilet facilities. They were surprised that the Quail Ave walkway was taken out and were disappointed that Development Contributions from developers had not been taken for the walkway. They supported the decision to remove the hydrotherapy pool from the Makino Aquatic Centre but looked forward to its benefit to the elderly in the future when funds allow.

**SUBMISSION #299 TE ARAROA WALKING NEW ZEALAND**

Frank Goldingham spoke to the submission from the Te Araroa Manawatū Trust. He requested that funding for the Feilding to Palmerston North shared walkway be brought forward instead of being deferred. He noted that Palmerston North City Council had included the funding in their Long term Plan. He noted as it was a joint effort he would approach both Councils for funding when available. He suggested in the interim creating a mowed berm to help keep walkers off the road. He noted that increased mowing of the berms would be needed between the months of October to April. He was in support to change the trail route if possible.

*The meeting adjourned for dinner at 5.20pm and reconvened at 6.28pm.*

**SUBMISSION #027 - BARB AND PETE DAVIES**

Pete Davies spoke to their submission, asking that Council not change the differential in rates. He did not believe the comparison used to justify changing the differentials was a factual comparison. He compared the Feilding rates with Palmerston North City Council rates, and reminded Council that rural ratepayers do not benefit from wastewater rates. He also compared Feilding rates with Horowhenua rates, and spoke about a survey he

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did of his neighbours comparing their values and rates charges. He believes there needed to be more consultation prior to making any changes. Submits that increasing rating burden on rural ratepayers would create a divide between residential and rural ratepayers.

**SUBMISSION #282 - HALCOMBE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE AND SUBMISSION #165 - BAINESSE – RANGIOTU COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

Rachel Lane gave a presentation on behalf of the Halcombe Community Committee, and on behalf of the Bainesse – Rangiotu Community Committee. She was accompanied by Jeanette Henderson, Richard Bain, and Greg Lambert. She thanked Council for their continued support for the Halcombe Community Walkway, support for Anzac Day service noting that approximately 400 people attended this year. She also thanked Council for the mobile recycling centre which is well utilised.

She expressed disappointment with consultation information, both in social media and at community meetings, advising they had insufficient information. There were other projects with big budgets but very little detail so they felt they were only being told half the story. Concerned that the approach would also drive a wedge between rural and urban residents.

She spoke about the following issues:

- Issue One - changes to the rating system – asking Council not to change the rating differentials
- Issue two – supports option of harmonised stormwater rate
- Requested carryover of unspent funds as detailed in their presentation
- Asked that funding for sealing of Kimber street be included in draft Long Term Plan
- Requested provision for roof replacement of Halcombe Memorial Hall before 2020.

**SUBMISSION #259 - RACHEL AND JEFF LANE**

Jeff Lane spoke on behalf of their submission. With regard to the rural rate differentials he felt data used had been selected to support a specific viewpoint. Concerned there was no referencing to data used in the Long Term Plan. He spoke about proportion of arterial roads in the rural area, these are equally vital to both rural and residential ratepayers and are vital to growth and tourism. Proposes that the rural rating differentials remain unchanged to ensure the guiding principles of the Long Term Plan are adhered to.

Feilding Library investment – questions the high cost proposed. Asks why there were no plans or details available to the public. Understands the building requires strengthening, they have reviewed the KOA seismic report and this does not appear to be a major works. The budget estimate appears to be related to the library redevelopment and if limited to just earthquake strengthening then costs would need to be revised. Spoke about his concerns with the proposed budget.

Proposed Turners Road extension. They oppose building of a public road on private land, using public money.

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Mt Taylor to Homelands Ave walkway – asked that funding for this project be reinstated in the Long Term Plan with a budget of \$100,000.

He also gave an example of a project at Horowhenua District Council where a project with an estimated high cost was done with a much lower budget by taking a creative approach to a solution. It was possible that by being more creative the walkway may be able to be built for less than the proposed \$100,000 cost.

#### SUBMISSION #133 – MANAWATŪ BLOKART CLUB

Julian Steven, President, with Bruce Buckland and Michael Long of Manawatū Blokart Club spoke to their submission. They sought improvement of the access from SH1 to the domain to make it safer. They would also like the sealing extended further into the car park and possibly an additional entrance at the southern end. They asked for a public toilet to be installed, and that selected gum trees be removed from the southern boundary. Lastly they asked that the car park’s wooden barrier fence be extended, with an extension to the southern boundary. Their highest priority would be the removal of the trees, then second priority the installation of a public toilet. The car park improvements could be scheduled after that.

#### SUBMISSION #270 - RANGIWAHIA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Fiona Morton and Geoff Le Quesne, along with Shelley Dew-Hopkins and Doug Brodie spoke to their submission. They highlighted the following points – Mangaweka bridge, asking that the cantilever bridge be retained once the new bridge is built.

Playground fence – would like \$1300 towards materials for the fence.

Dress Circle – having increased traffic, which is increasing the need for additional maintenance required. Would like Council to consider tar sealing that route, and concerned that the current level of maintenance is not keeping up with the work required. Does not believe their current contractor is doing a good enough job and not getting value for money.

Think big projects – identified in their community plan – disabled toilet and shower block and would need to upgrade the wastewater system, would also like to upgrade their hall kitchen. Flagging that for information for the ten year plan.

With regard to proposed changes to the rural differentials, expressed disappointment in the proposal. Concerned that could only see the effect over the next financial year. Understands that council is signalling that a change is going to occur, but has not presented all of the options including status quo. Believes Council has limited itself with a phased change which only looked at three years rather than ten years.

Does not believe Council has a mandate to initiate that change. She looked at previous submissions on LTP and Annual Plans and circulated her analysis of previous requests. Their committee believes no change should be made to the rating differential.

#### SUBMISSION #290 - IAN HOPKINS AND SHELLEY DEW-HOPKINS

Shelly Dew-Hopkins and Ian Hopkins spoke to their submission. She understood the differentials were historically formed on the basis that rural ratepayers would not be unfairly paying for more services than they use.

She noted the use of capital values of farms is not an indication of ability to pay.

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Their returns on investment are lower than that of building owners in the CBD.

She expressed concern about difficulty in extrapolating data from the system as only the one year of rate information provided.

She did not think Feilding businesses capitalise enough on the events held in Feilding.

With regard to the roading differentials, she did not believe they get the full benefit from that. The main arterial roads are used to convey people out of the district to spend their money in other areas as well as rural people to come into Feilding. Believes the proposed rating differentials would be unfair.

With regard to parks and reserves – she noted they do not receive any benefit but as part of the community accept they need to contribute to it. Their concern was that it was a disproportionate amount being sought.

She believed there should be a further option included for consultation of no change in the differentials.

#### MDC 18/432 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8.30pm, to reconvene Tuesday 15 May 2018 at 8.30am in the Council Chambers 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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<b>APOLOGY:</b>	Cr Stuart Campbell	
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	Bridget Simpson	(People and Culture)
	Brook Rush	(Community and Strategy Operations Officer)
	Brittney Evans	(Corporate Projects Adviser)
	Maree Brown	(Human Resources Administrator)
	Kylie Iwikau	(Executive Assistant – General Manager Infrastructure)
	Glenn Young	(Utilities Manager)
	Carl Johnstone	(Parks and Property Team Leader)
	Rārite Mātaki	(Principal Advisor – Māori)
	Chris Pepper	(Special Projects Manager)
	Rachel Raggett	(Executive Assistant – General Manager Community and Strategy)
	Sue Cavanagh	(Regulatory Support Officer)
	Michael Hawker	(Project Delivery Manager)
	Michael Taylor	(Project Engineer – Utilities)
	Mel Rush	(Information Team Leader)
	Kirsten Pike	(Parks and Property Officer - Legal and Planning)
	Nichole Ganley	(Governance Support Officer)
	Allie Dunn	(Governance Team Leader)

#### MDC 18/433 MEETING OPENING

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting open.

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## MDC 18/434 HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS - CONTINUED

### STRATEGY CONSULTANT

Strategy Consultant Tracey Hunt provided an opportunity for Councillors to seek clarification on any matters raised in the hearing of submitters on Monday 14 May 2018.

The Council then continued with hearing from submitters that wished to speak to their submissions.

### SUBMISSION #285 – WARRICK AND FALLAN ZANDER

Warrick and Fallan Zander spoke to their submission. They wanted to know when and how the rural classification was introduced. They expressed concern about the increase to the general rate for Feilding Rural and not being offered flexibility to adjust over a three year period. Other concerns were the increase in the Parks Reserves and Sports Grounds rates. They expressed their disappointment that although the Parks Reserves and Sports Grounds rates had been increased, 14 projects had been left out of the plan. They supported the Quail Ave Walkway and the submission from Mike and Lynn Richardson.

### SUBMISSION #251 – FEILDING WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT NEIGHBOURING PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS GROUP

Dr Jim Wilson and Nicci Simpson spoke to the submission from the Feilding Wastewater Treatment Plant Neighbouring Property Owners and Residents Group and gave a PowerPoint Presentation. Their main concerns were the proposed rural rates increases and wastewater treatment and disposal. They felt a uniform general rate for roads would be the fairest way and requested that the Council review all of the 'nice to have' expenditure, they felt there was too much in the parks and reserves budget. They also raised concerns regarding the budget expansion for the Feilding Wastewater Treatment Plant and were concerned about cost for consent conditions. They also raised their concern regarding the quality of the planting at the treatment plant.

### SUBMISSION #146 - PAUL ARGYLE

Paul Argyle spoke to his submission, noting that he was against the rating proposal, he felt it was unfair and inequitable as was the capital value rating system.

### SUBMISSION #029 – MIKE AND LYNN RICHARDSON

Mike and Lynn Richardson spoke to their submission. They advised that they were both retired and rates equated to 10% of their income. With a background in local government he felt the proposal was a poor decision in natural justice. He noted that the level of service in Mt Taylor is significantly lower than in Feilding and questioned the contribution to depreciation and maintenance costs of a number of infrastructure facilities e.g. footpaths, drainage, street lights. Mike Richardson sought information about how much was spent from the roads operating budget in Mt Taylor. He felt that the actual depreciation of roading assets in Mt Taylor was significantly less than that assumed in Council's proposal. He would like the footpath link to Feilding reinstated and felt it was important to have that connectivity down to Feilding and referred to the New Zealand Recreation Standards. He felt that the treated waste that came from Mt Taylor was of a benefit to the Feilding Wastewater Treatment Plant and wanted the differentials to be reduced from 80% to 40% for water and 25% for waste water.

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#### SUBMISSION #085 – RICHARD FERNANDO

Richard Fernando of Hiwinui spoke to his submission. He felt that rural and urban ratepayers did not benefit equally and was therefore opposed to the changes in the rates. He spoke about the lack of safety for residents to walk to the shop, noting they had to use stormwater drains to walk in. He said that residents wanted better value for money from their rates. He spoke of sustainable growth and not sacrificing greenspaces for growth. He spoke of the World Wildlife Fund Global Hectares data in relation to his points in maintaining rural areas as rural. He wanted local jobs filled by the local youth, and felt that proper training, for gaps in the local market, and incentives to stay in the district were needed. He felt some of the money going to CEDA could be used for this. Business growth was also important and he suggested start up grants for youth trying to get into business. Richard has an IT company and employs 5 but is looking for more but finds it hard to attract people to the area.

*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.06am and reconvened at 10.15am*

#### SUBMISSION #252 - WAYNE CHRISTENSEN

Wayne Christensen spoke to his submission, advising of his opposition to the increases proposed for the Development Contributions. He said it would be an 19 to 88 percent increase. He would like to see development continue, not drop off. He compared neighbouring Councils' development contributions for the same size section – 4000sqm and subdividing it into 4. He asked Council to consider holding any current proposals at the 2017 level. He then spoke in support of the Turners Road development and the benefit of attracting new industries to town.

#### SUBMISSION #144 - HIMATANGI BEACH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Marty O'Fee (Chair) Reuben Ebrey (Vice Chair) and Chris Rosvall (Secretary) spoke to their submission. They requested that unspent community committee funding be carried over, which would be used for the BBQ area they proposed to build next to the tennis courts. They gave an update on progress with projects the community committee were involved in, requesting funding for their signage project. With regard to stormwater improvements, they were in favour of the proposed harmonised rate. The expressed concern with the level of service for roading in the village, and the proposed rates for roading. They acknowledged Recreation Services for maintaining the village to a respectable standard. They also spoke about the Freedom Camping Bylaw, the need to eradicate yucca and acacia plants. The spoke in support of the service provided by the Himatangi Beach Community patrol asking for ongoing support from the Council for this service. They spoke in favour of the City to Sea Pathway project, supporting it moving forward from the Council. They also talked about horses in the park, and concern with horse floats taking all the room.

#### SUBMISSION #346 - ANN FULLERTON

Ann Fullerton spoke to her submission, expressing concern about the growth in staff numbers and effect on rates increases. She also spoke about an information request she had made regarding the Feilding Community Committee. She spoke about Community Committees and community boards, asking why did Council prefer the Community Committees over community boards. Her submission covered advances in long term exotic pest plant control, encouraging the growing of native plants, reducing berm and farm flooding, and was against the proposal for Maori Ward to be established.

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**SUBMISSION #278 – JOANNA SAYWELL**

Joanna Saywell expressed concern about the rates, noting they were exorbitantly high. She expressed concern about the level of spending and the 20% increase in staff. She could not see any savings being offered and increase in the level of service. She spoke about the proposed wastewater centralisation project, making points about risk and processes for pump station failures, Barrows road intake, gravity line, agreements with farmers to pipe across their land, there are offtakes and access to it.

**SUBMISSION #291 – BAINESSE AND DISTRICTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST**

Alisa Halford spoke to their submission requesting funding towards the City to Sea Rail Trail.

**SUBMISSION #329 – JIM WILSON**

Jim Wilson spoke to his submission, expressing concern with the proposed rating differentials and the amount of information provided. He also spoke against the CV based system of rating

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.00pm and reconvened at 1.10pm*

**SUBMISSION #358 HAMISH AND LEANNE BROWN**

Hamish and Leanne Brown, Ridge Road farmers, spoke against the proposed change to the rating differentials, noting they did not see the proposal as fair and equitable.

**SUBMISSION #104 - MDC CREATIVE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – JILL DARRAGH**

Councillor Barbara Cameron noted an interest as a member of the Creative Communities Assessment Committee.

Jill Darragh spoke to their submission, informing Council about the role of the committee. She spoke about the need for an arts policy.

**SUBMISSION #167 - BRIAN KOUVELIS**

Brian Kouvelis spoke to his submission on three aspects of the draft Long Term Plan - Rates, asset management policy and the wastewater treatment plant. He believed Council should maintain the status quo for rating differentials. With regard to the wastewater treatment plant, he spoke about ensuring compliance requirements of the consent are met. With regard to the asset management plan, he felt there was a mismatch of the plan and the draft Long Term Plan consultation document.

**SUBMISSION #248 - FEILDING LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS INC**

Joan Ford and Beth Evenson spoke to their submission with a powerpoint presentation containing a number of photos. They spoke about the benefits of the theatre, and spoke about the need to maintain and upgrade the facility. They spoke about the urgency for the roof replacement, and safety regarding the fire exits.

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#### SUBMISSION #279 – MANAWATŪ COMMUNITY TRUST

Tyson Schmidt, John Culling and Colin McJannet elaborated on their submission seeking lending facility provided for in the Long Term Plan for the purpose of increasing the provision of affordable housing.

#### SUBMISSION #342 - FEILDING AND DISTRICT PROMOTION INC

Jason Smith and Yumiko Olliver-Gray spoke to their submission and their need for additional funding. They talked about the number of visits to the information centre, with an increase to the website and email, and the need to upskill staff for this. They are required to have a minimum of two staff on at all times for health and safety requirements. They also talked about technology increasing the ways to promote our town internationally.

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.02pm and reconvened at 3.28pm*

#### SUBMISSION #125 – ROGER SMAILES

Roger Smailes spoke to his submission regarding the proposed changes to the rates differential, asking that the status quo remain.

#### SUBMISSION #344 – GRAHAM AND JENNY TEAHAN – MT LEES RESERVE

Graham and Jenny Teahan circulated copies of books for Council's information, including a visitors book. They spoke about the book that was written by Scott Eastham, and read a poem from the book. There was a need for a cattle stop to prevent cattle from getting into the grounds. They spoke about the need for increased maintenance on the house, noting it had been 15 years since last painted, the house needed insulating. They advised that they were frustrated and struggling with the lease. They discussed separating the camping area away from the day visitors.

#### SUBMISSION #354 – INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP

The General Manager – Infrastructure spoke in support of the submission, noting there were no requests for additional money and outlined the projects that were underway for which carry forward of funding was requested.

#### SUBMISSION #355 – CORPORATE AND REGULATORY GROUP

The General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory spoke in support of the submission, seeking carry forward of funding for projects that were underway.

#### SUBMISSION #356 – COMMUNITY AND STRATEGY GROUP

The General Manager – Community and Strategy gave a presentation outlining the Group's activities over the past twelve months and seeking carry forward of unspent funding.

*The meeting adjourned for dinner at 5.10pm and reconvened at 6.31pm*

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### SUBMISSION #311 - NGĀ MANU TĀIKO MANAWATŪ DISTRICT COUNCIL

Kipa Arapere, Amiria Arapere and Rosemary Tait were in attendance on behalf of Ngā Manu Tāiko Manawatū District Council. Kipa Arapere gave apologies from other members that were intending to be at the hearing but were no longer able to attend.

*Councillor Phil Marsh returned to the meeting at 6.32pm.*

To introduce their submission, Kipa Arapere provided a mihi speaking about places of significance and waahi tapu. He advised the focus is their streams and places of significance. The submission of Ngā Manu Tāiko covered the following concerns:

- Lack of water flow in streams and sedimentation, impacting on fish life in the waterways
- Consideration of local marae, hapu and iwi aspirations in the proposed changes to the rating system
- Wastewater centralisation project – benefit of removing waste from neighbouring rivers but seek guarantee that once waste comes out of those rivers that nothing else goes in. Other opportunities such as rectifying Hato Paora wastewater
- Appearance and content of draft Long Term Plan – questioned whether it reflected tangata whenua
- Also resubmitted the submission made by Ngā Manu Tāiko the 2015-25 draft Long Term Plan.

Elected members and officers acknowledged their submission with a Waiata.

### SUBMISSION #107 – MARTIN PRATT

Martin Pratt spoke to his submission, asking that Council not change the rating differentials.

### SUBMISSION #323 - JOHN KEY

John Key spoke to his submission regarding the development contribution policy, outlining his general criticism of the policy and highlighting some specific issues with the policy. He also expressed concern about the process followed by the Council in bringing the policy before Council.

### SUBMISSION #280 – LOIS AND NICK CHEER

Lois and Nick Cheer spoke to their submission, pointing out where benefits were equal between rural and urban ratepayers and expressing their concern about the unfairness that the changes to the rating differential would bring.

They made suggestions around flooding and increased water that flows as a result of climate change, noting they would like to see in district plan a consideration of building housing away from flood plains or other problem areas, and suggests that the Council works closely Horizons Regional Council on this.

### SUBMISSION #183 – CHELTENHAM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Keith Robertson and Dave Scott presented their submission, outlining their concerns about changes to rating differential and the impact this would have on the rural

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community. They asked that the differentials be left as they were. They also talked about the low level of maintenance in their area. They felt the cost budgeted for earthquake strengthening of library was excessive and lower cost alternatives should be investigated.

They sought information about the ownership of the Turners Road land, and noted they felt the development of the road should be financed by the land owners / developers.

They spoke in support of the harmonised stormwater rate proposal.

They expressed disappointment that their public toilets were not being replaced, noting the high usage of these, averaging 60 visits per day. They felt the toilets could be replaced in an affordable way for approximately half the amount stated within the draft Long Term Plan.

With regard to recycling, they did not believe kerbside recycling would work in their community but had been unable at this stage to find a suitable location for a mobile recycling centre. Once they find a location they would like to pursue the issue.

They would also like a cycleway / bridleway established to increase road safety in the area and asked whether this could be done after the pipe was laid for the wastewater centralisation project.

In closing they noted their support for the Halcombe Community Committee's presentation.

#### SUBMISSION #224 - RONGOTEA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE AND SUBMISSION #225 – MURRAY AND MARGARET GILES

Margaret Giles spoke on behalf of the Rongotea Community Committee's submission.

She talked about the need for Council to construct footpaths in Rongotea, spoke against the proposed increase in rural rates and asked for budget to be put aside to prune the cherry trees.

With regard to the Rongotea village update, she was concerned that it was cancelled.

She asked Council not to forget about the villages, and to keep funding in for some of their projects.

With regard to the playground, they would like smooth sealing put in place in the middle under the goal. There was a safety problem with the concrete pad that was there as it has a lip which could be a trip hazard. She would also like some equipment for older people included in the parks.

#### SUBMISSION #239 – HIWINUI COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Arthur Wood spoke to the submission on behalf of the committee. He noted that they had provided a copy of drone footage of the walkway; unfortunately this was not available at the hearing to show to Council. He introduced the School Board Chairperson Duncan Baker and Johanna wood.

There were two points that he spoke to – firstly their concern about the impact of increased rates on that area and their concerns about growth of the area without growth of infrastructure. Their second point was about the safety of children walking and biking

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to school. They had compiled a community plan with their vision being a safe and walkable community. There was a need for more infrastructure to support the community plan. He explained how it was not a safe environment for children to walk. They sought Council's support to make it a safer place for the children. They had plans and suggestions for a walkway on Watershed Road which would help with safety, however Reids Line needed urgent action to improve safety. The speed limits also need to be reduced.

#### MDC 18/435 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8.26pm to reconvene at 8.30am Wednesday 16 May 2018, in the Council Chambers 135 Manchester Street, Fielding.

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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Minutes of a reconvened extraordinary meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 16 May 2018, commencing at 8.30am in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Mayor Helen Worboys	(Chairperson)
	Cr Steve Bielski	
	Cr Barbara Cameron	
	Cr Stuart Campbell	
	Cr Shane Casey	
	Cr Michael Ford	
	Cr Hilary Humphrey	
	Cr Phil Marsh	
	Cr Andrew Quarrie	
	Cr Alison Short	
	Cr Howard Voss	
 <b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	 Richard Templer	 (Chief Executive)
	Shayne Harris	(General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory)
	Brent Limmer	(General Manager - Community and Strategy)
	Frances Smorti	(General Manager – People and Culture)
	Tracey Hunt	(Strategy Consultant)
	Colleen Morris	(Chief Financial Officer)
	Paul Stein	(Communications Manager)
	Danielle Balmer	(Communications Officer)
	Janine Hawthorn	(Community Development Adviser)
	Nichole Ganley	(Governance Support Officer)
	Michael Hawker	(Project Delivery Manager)
	Lisa Thomas	(Policy Adviser)
	Rārite Mātaki	(Principal Advisor – Māori)
	Jeff Graham	(Emergency Management Officer)
	Linda Griffith	(Business Support Team Leader)
	Karel Boakes	(Regulatory Manager)
	Brittney Evans	(Corporate Projects Adviser)
	Grace Donaldson	(Business Support Officer)
	Sonya Stevens	(Business Support Officer)
	Bree Oldfield	(Senior Finance Officer)
	Ross Wheeler	(Strategic Accountant)
	Brook Rush	(Community and Strategy Operations Officer)
	Carl Johnstone	(Parks and Property Team Leader)
	Maria Brensell	(Executive Assistant – Mayor)
	Beryl Mingins	(Technical Infrastructure Support Officer)
	Aimee Flanders	(Infrastructure Support Team Leader)
	Rachel Raggett	(Executive Assistant - Community and Strategy)
	Deborah Bell	(Infrastructure Support Officer)

#### MDC 18/436 MEETING OPENING

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting open.

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SUBMISSION #343 – SPORT MANAWATŪ

Craig Pedley, Trevor Shailer and Janette Pease spoke to the submission regarding support for further developments and upgrades. They also talked about engagement with the Council through the community development strategy.

*Councillor Michael Ford left the meeting at 8.54am and returned at 8.56am*

SUBMISSION #268 - FEDERATED FARMERS AND SUBMISSION #271 - JAMES STEWART

Coralee Matena, Andrew Hoggard and James Stewart spoke to their submissions. They talked about the history of the rates from 1989. They noted they opposed changes to the system six years ago rating system and questioned why the proposal was back before the Council.

LATE SUBMISSION - LIZ BROOK

Liz Brook spoke to her submission, expressing her concern with the proposed change to the rating differentials.

SUBMISSION #158 - PAUL KELLY

Paul Kelly spoke to his submission outlining his opposition to the proposed change to the rating differentials noting he did not believe the proposed changes would be fair and equitable. He suggested using land value for rating purposes.

*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.05am*

*Councillor Hilary Humphrey left the meeting at 10.05am*

*The meeting reconvened at 10.30am*

SUBMISSION #159 - AWAHURI FOREST – KITCHENER PARK TRUST

Chairperson Geoff Lovegrove spoke to their submission. He spoke about the development and renewal at the park, and the progress that was being made, and the funding sought by the Trust.

SUBMISSION #160 - HIWINUI SCHOOL

Brenda Leigh with School Leaders Curtis, Mckenzie and Jacob spoke about the safety concerns they face walking to and from school. They noted there were no school buses for their school, their car park was too small. They currently had a walking school bus that up to 20 children used. They talked about plans for a footpath / cycleway to provide a safer way to get to school.

SUBMISSION #213 - KIMBOLTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Tony Waugh and Rodney Wilson spoke to their submission, outlining two projects for consideration: the Oroua Valley lookout replacement and the viewing platform in Kimbolton near the school.

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SUBMISSION #211 – CLIFFORD HEATH

Clifford Heath spoke to his submission expressing his opposition to the proposed changes to the rating differentials. He also talked about his concerns with the roading in the rural areas, and the impact of the heavy weight restrictions on both the Mangaweka Bridge and the Otara Bridge.

*Councillor Andrew Quarrie left the meeting at 11.35am and returned at 11.37am*

SUBMISSION #263 - VISUALISE-THE-FUTURE GARY STONELEY

Gary Stoneley spoke to his submission seeking recognition and Council support of Neighbourhood Support.

SUBMISSION #341 – PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Grant Smith thanked Council for its support of CEDA and Te Manawa. He asked that Council consider increasing its contribution to Te Manawa. He outlined the Palmerston North City Council's support for the Feilding to Palmerston North cycleway and asked that Manawatū District Council provide funding in anticipation of a successful business case. He spoke about additional industrial land at Turners Road, noting their support for providing additional industrial land in a manner consistent with the work completed by both Councils on the Joint Industrial Land Review. He spoke about shared services and working together.

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.00pm and reconvened at 1.00pm*

SUBMISSION #042 - SUSAN GALEA - ALT ENERGY FARM

Susan Galea noted she had a small organic dairy farm. She spoke against the rating system noting it was not fair. She would prefer a poll tax plus a rate. She contrasted rural rates to the benefits in town such as water, waste, sewage, parks, recreation.

SUBMISSION #173 - BRUCE DYER

Bruce Dyer felt that the draft Long Term Plan was not easy to understand. He suggested that to finance the roading a fuel tax be implemented– user pays. He believed Council needed to plan to reduce the amount of debt and interest expense and rates expense. He proposed there be a more in depth consultation process with interested parties. He advised he doesn't agree with supporting Manfeild.

SUBMISSION #218 - OROUA RIVER CATCHMENT CARE GROUP

Denis Emery, Ann Nuku and Councillor Alison Short spoke about the history of the Manawatū River Leaders Accord and Mana Whakahaere which provide for a strategic approach to the whole of the river. They gave a presentation that outlined the objectives of their submission, being:

- The promotion, restoration and health of the Manawatū River and its tributaries via Manawatū River Leaders Accord
- To seek improved water quality and ecology within the Oroua River and empower its mauri and life-force as a valued and respected taonga of the community

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- To support the Manawatū District Council in developing a large network of the recreational cycle/ walkway for its community along both the Mangakino and Oroua Rivers
- To assist the Awahuri Forest – Kitchener Park in achieving their environmental and ecological goals
- To enhance and foster community engagement, spirit and pride amongst the wider community, local marae, hapu and Iwi, and
- To narrate good stories of the Awa, improve community projects and enhanced water quality for the whole community

They spoke about projects for community planting, Rata Street Walkway and community clean up such as Timona Park clean up.

#### SUBMISSION #288 – POHANGINA VALLEY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Liz Besley spoke on behalf of the Pohangina Valley Community Committee outlining plans for development at the Pohangina domain, developing a multipurpose asset, and the funding sought towards the cost of these projects.

#### SUBMISSION #292 – CENTRAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Linda Stewart, Chief Executive of the Central Economic Development Agency spoke in support of the proposal to establish a regional events fund and sought ongoing commitment to the core funding of CEDA.

#### SUBMISSION #296 – STRAHAN LAND COMPANY LTD, CARNLOUGH LTD

Ian Strahan spoke against the proposed changes to the rating differentials, and gave a presentation showing a graph illustrating his concerns with projections on future rates for a sheep farm example.

#### SUBMISSION #308 – MILTON PEDLEY

Milton Pedley spoke to his submission and noted that the press (Stuff, Fairfax) refused to print any of his letters. He outlined his concerns with the draft Long Term Plan, proposed rating differentials and loan funding.

#### SUBMISSION #293 - FEILDING COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Laura Banks, Vice Chairperson, along with members Ellen Witt and Gary Stoneley spoke to their submission, talking about the Reserves Management Plan, proposed sale of assets such as caretakers house at Kowhai Park.

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.00pm and reconvened at 3.15pm*

#### SUBMISSION #287 – HORIZONS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Bruce Gordon Chairperson, and Michael McCartney Chief Executive, spoke to their submission. They acknowledged Council's support of the Manawatū River Leaders' Accord and contribution to community projects in support of the Freshwater Improvement Fund. They talked about wastewater and the national debate around water quality and their encouragement for Councils to recognise the focus nationally on water quality improvement. Their submission also covered stormwater and flood protection and compliance with New Zealand Drinking Water Standards. With regard to

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transport they asked Council to include funding for the Feilding to Palmerston North Cycleway in the Long Term Plan.

**SUBMISSION #316 – APITI COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

Ken Thomson spoke to his submission outlining his reasons for opposing the proposed change to the rating differentials. He also supported other submitters that also opposed the rates change. He spoke about the need for improvements to the road from Feilding to Apiti noting that it was busy with tourism. He asked that their unspent community funding be carried forward.

**SUBMISSION #324 – WILFLORA MARTIN WILSON**

Martin Wilson spoke to his submission, outlining his opposition to the proposed change in the rating differentials. He also opposed the rates being based on capital value. He expressed concern with the costs for the Feilding Wastewater Treatment Plant, its compliance and spoke about his observations of the irrigator trial.

**SUBMISSION #326 – MANAWATŪ DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT**

Ngaire Lines spoke on behalf of Manawatū District Neighbourhood Support. She thanked Council for funding provided to the organisation and talked about the history of neighbourhood support. They would like to work more closely with Council.

**SUBMISSION #327 – BLAIR CROSBIE**

Blair Crosbie spoke to his submission, outlining his objections to the proposed change in the rating differentials.

*Councillor Alison Short left the meeting at 4.20pm and returned at 4.25pm.*

**SUBMISSION #067 – ROGER BIRD**

Roger Bird spoke to his submission regarding the upgrade and maintenance of country roads.

**MDC 18/438 MEETING CLOSURE**

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4.43pm

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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