

# MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON TUESDAY 12 AUGUST 2008 AT 1.40 PM

### PRESENT:

Dave Pullen (Chairman)  
John O'Neill (Mayor)  
Evan Williams  
Graeme Page  
Graham Smith

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Glen Innes (Chief Executive Officer)  
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)  
John O'Connor (Asset Supervisor) for part of the meeting.  
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager) for part of the meeting  
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

### **I** APOLOGIES:

Resolved that apologies be received from Crs McDermott and O'Sullivan.

**Graham Smith/ The Mayor**

### **II** MINUTES:

*Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Operations Committee held on Tuesday 24 June 2008, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.*

**Dave Pullen/The Mayor**

### MATTERS ARISING:

#### 6. **Access to Opuha River from Gudex Road**

Cr Williams reported that David Morgan had advised that the access would be completed prior to the fishing season. The Asset Manager undertook to address the legal aspects of the project with Mr Morgan.

### MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

#### 5. **Review of Council Leases:**

Cr Page referred to the requested review of Council's leases and in particular those held by Whitestone Ltd in Lake Tekapo and Twizel. The Chief Executive Officer undertook to have the issue followed up.

#### 6. **Twizel Water Supply Investigation:**

The Asset Manager referred to the meeting to be held in Christchurch with technical advisors and clarified that it would provide an opportunity to discuss the implications of the project and servicing issues. He said the bulk of the work in terms of the proposed supply had already been done and the meeting would provide supplementary information to that work.

9. **Proposed Vesting of Haldon Camp in the Mackenzie District Council:**  
The Community Facilities Manager advised that the proposal had been forwarded to LINZ and the Haldon Camp Committee for assessment, and cost estimates were being obtained. He said the project was proceeding slowly.
14. **Andrews Stream Bridge:**  
The Asset Manager advised that he had been invited to attend a meeting in Geraldine with representatives of the Timaru District Council which had been convened by the bridge users.

### **III REPORTS:**

#### 1. DOWNLANDS WATER SUPPLY:

The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting of the Downlands Water Supply Joint Standing Committee held on 16 June 2008, at which it had been represented by Cr Graham Smith.

Cr Smith reported that he had raised the need for extra water from the scheme for the Albury area. It had been advised that Downlands was seeking to buy more water which would provide better service to the Albury and Cave areas.

He said that management contract for the scheme had been awarded to CityNet for the next year.

The next meeting of the Committee was to be held in October 2008.

#### 2. EVERSLEY RESERVE SEWERAGE OPTIONS:

This report from the Asset Manager reported on the outcome of the presentation to the community of the MWH report on the sewerage options for the Reserve.

He circulated a replacement for the letter from residents which had been included with his report. He noted that the replacement letter, as signed by residents, differed in two respects from the original, ie the requirement for extra connections needed to be confirmed by way of a resident questionnaire and the request that the Council fund the difference between the cost of the gravity fed and STEP systems.

Resolved that the report be received

**Evan Williams/Graeme Page**

Resolved:

1. *That the Council endorses the construction of a community sewerage scheme for the Eversley Reserve.*
2. *That the Council rules out the provision of a gravity scheme on the grounds of cost and absence of subsidies.*

3. *That Council's decision be conveyed to the residents and that the design work for a STEP scheme and development of an appropriate funding regime proceed.*

*The Mayor/ Evan Williams \*

**Resolved that the Fairlie Community Board consider the proposal that financial assistance to the scheme be limited to the waiving of the sewer financial contributions of \$1,214.96 per property for the existing 27 houses.**

**Dave Pullen/ Graham Smith**

In response to the suggestion that a further meeting be held with the residents of the Reserve, the Asset Manager suggested that, in the light of the Committee's policy decision, it would be appropriate for elected members to support the policy at any future meeting.

2. **KERBSIDE RECYCLING OPERATIONS**

This report from the Asset Manager referred to the outcome of negotiations with the Timaru District Council and Transpacific Industries Group (NZ) Ltd, of the recent recycling trial at the Twizel Resource Recovery Park. The report also advised of an alternative method of processing and disposing of recyclable material which had been introduced at the RRP.

Concern about the cost of transporting loose plastics from Twizel to the Fairlie RRP for baling and transport on to Christchurch was raised. The Asset Manager emphasised that the proposed system was on trial and it was intended to examine all possible permutations for the activity to ensure that dealing with recyclables was undertaken in the most cost effective manner.

Resolved that the report be received

**The Mayor/Evan Williams**

The Asset Manager noted that cardboard was already transported to Fairlie for baling. He assured the Committee that a report on the trial would be provided.

**V PUBLIC EXCLUDED:**

Resolved that the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

1. Manuka Terrace Proposed Water Supply

<b>Reason for passing General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Ground(s) under this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
Manuka Tce Proposed Water Supply	Commercial Sensitivity	48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or

the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows: *Manuka Terrace Proposed Water Supply*, To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, section 7(2)(b)(ii).

**The Mayor/ Graham Smith**

The Committee continued in Open Meeting.

**MANUKA TERRACE PROPOSED WATER SUPPLY:**

Resolved that the following resolution taken with the Public Excluded be adopted in Open Meeting:

1. *That the Council confirms its intention to proceed with a community water supply for the Manuka Terrace area as detailed in the Opus Report.*
2. *That the Council endorses the following recommendations contained in the report including to:*
  - *proceed with a detailed design for the scheme. This work will include:*
    - *confirming the yield and suitability of the existing bores in the area. Then, if necessary considering drilling a new bore for the supply of water to the Manuka Tce area*
    - *consulting with the appropriate land owner to obtain access to a possible reservoir site and a bore site.*
    - *preparing and lodging the required resource consent applications*
  - *determine an efficient and equitable funding strategy for the project.*

**The Mayor/Evan Williams**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE  
MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED  
AT 3.25 PM**

**MAYOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_