

# MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ASSET AND SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014, AT 2.50PM

### PRESENT:

James Leslie (Chairman)  
Claire Barlow (Mayor)  
Cr Graham Smith  
Cr Murray Cox  
Cr Russell Armstrong

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)  
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)  
Suzy Ratahi (Roading Manager)  
Geoff Horler (Water Manager)  
Arlene Goss (Committee Clerk)

### APOLOGIES:

An apology was received from Cr Evan Williams and Cr Noel Jackson.

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

### MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Asset and Services Committee held on April 29, 2014, be confirmed as an accurate record.

**Murray Cox/Graham Smith**

### SUB COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the following rural water supply meetings be received:

- The meeting of the Ashwick/Opuha Water Race Committee on May 6, 2014.
- The meeting of the Kimbell Water Supply Committee on May 8, 2014.
- The meeting of the School Road Water Race Committee on May 8, 2014.
- The meeting of the Allandale Water Supply Committee on May 8, 2014.

**Graham Smith/Murray Cox**

### REPORTS:

#### ASSET MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT – JUNE 2014:

The Asset Manager discussed his report on page 27 of the agenda. The following matters were included in the discussion:

**Roading:** Roading manager Suzy Ratahi said the recent rain has caused some big pot holes, but the damage is not too bad. Biggest problem to note is farmers continuing to put their cows out. She will put an article in the Accessible regarding this. It's good to have cows grazing roadsides over summer when they don't cause damage to culverts and drains, but not in winter.

The bridge replacement programme has been delayed due to the Land and Water Regional Plan being repealed. Can't wait any longer or council won't get the construction done in this NZTA funding period. The money needs to be spent.

Bernie Haar said the NZ Army have bought some heavy vehicles for use for training. Axle loadings are nine tonne on the front and ten tonne on the back axle. There is concern regarding the potential damage to Braemar Road that they could cause. We need to understand if structures like bridges can take the load, so we are investigating this.

The chairman congratulated Suzy on decreasing the cost of unsealed road grading. She said she has reduced the frequency of grading on some roads that were graded too frequently. Councillors asked questions regarding work carried out, or planned for, individual roads.

**Essential Services:** Water Manager Geoff Horler spoke. Wastewater is on budget at this stage. The Fairlie supply is having blow outs. There are still some fragile lines that haven't been replaced. Once you fix one line the others blow because the pressure goes on them.

In Tekapo there is an issue with the bakery water supply going through the motel meter - this will be sorted next week. This issue have been going on a number of years so a separate meter will be installed for each business.

In Twizel samples have been taken of asbestos concrete pipes to gauge the condition of the pipes. One line is in very poor condition. Another sample will be taken to assess the extent of the problem. Cr Smith asked if pipes have blown out in Twizel. No but we shouldn't wait for them to blow out. Chlorine is not affecting their life span. Bernie Haar outlined the need for future planning on pipe replacement.

Geoff Horler described a new radio communication system to keep track of the water systems. Council is collaborating with Timaru District Council on this.

**Solid Waste:** Bernie Haar has received an annual report from the Paper for Trees programme. He has not yet heard from ESL regarding construction work in Twizel. Waste cartage volume is dropping as it always does at this time of year.

The chairman thanked Bernie Haar and his team for their reports.

Resolved that the report be received.

**Graham Smith/Murray Cox**

#### ALBURY DOMAIN RESERVE:

Community facilities manager Garth Nixon said this item is to gain approval for what has been happening for some time. An arrangement was made in 1989 that the Albury School Board grow trees on this reserve land, and they are now requesting permission to replant. He suggests that council gives permission to replant and set it up with a lease. The school is using this income for the community so this is a good outcome.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

**Graham Smith/Russell Armstrong**

2. That Council approve of the ongoing use of the Albury domain land by the Albury School Board for forestry.

**Claire Barlow/Graham Smith**

3. That a lease be established with the Albury School Board for the forestry and that a lease be established for the balance of the land.

**Claire Barlow/Graham Smith**

**PUBLIC EXCLUDED:**

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

1. South Canterbury Rooding Collaboration (attached).
2. Twizel Water Upgrade Fee Approval (attached).

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
South Canterbury Rooding Collaboration	Commercial sensitivity	48(1)(a)(i)
Twizel Water Upgrade Fee Approval	Commercial sensitivity	48(1)(a)(i)

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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: *South Canterbury Rooding Collaboration and Twizel Water Upgrade Fee Approval under section 7(2)(b)(ii).*

**Graham Smith/Claire Barlow**

The Asset and Services Committee continued in open meeting.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE  
CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 3.45PM**

**CHAIRMAN:** \_\_\_\_\_

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