

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Council

Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street,
Nelson

On Monday 19 January 2015, commencing at 9.04am

Present: Her Worship the Mayor R Reese, Councillors L Acland, I Barker, R Copeland, E Davy, M Lawrey, P Matheson, B McGurk, G Noonan, P Rainey, T Skinner, and M Ward

In Attendance: Chief Executive (C Hadley), Group Manager Infrastructure (A Louverdis), Group Manager Corporate Services (N Harrison), Group Manager Community Services (C Ward), Group Manager Strategy and Environment (C Barton), Manager Communications (P Shattock), Senior Accountant (T Hughes), Administration Manager (P Langley), and Administration Adviser (S McLean)

Apology: Councillor K Fulton

Opening Prayer

Councillor Skinner gave the opening prayer.

1. Apology

Resolved

THAT an apology be received and accepted from Councillor Fulton.

Her Worship the Mayor/Matheson

Carried

2. Confirmation of Order of Business

Her Worship the Mayor said that Item 6 of the agenda, Temporary Road Closures, would likely be dealt with before Item 5 of the agenda. She also advised that the order of public forum speakers would be different to that shown on the agenda, with Mr Ledingham speaking first, followed by Mrs Mardon.

3. Interests

There were no updates to the Interests Register, and no interests with agenda items were declared.

4. Public Forum

4.1 Proposed Road Closure on Collingwood Street

Roger and Susan Ledingham spoke about their concerns regarding the proposed road closure on Collingwood Street for the Monster Slide event. Mr Ledingham suggested the applicant had acted as if their application would succeed, which had put pressure on Council. He also raised concerns about objector details being made available in the public domain. Mr Ledingham emphasised that Collingwood Street should not be treated as a public playground.

Mr Ledingham confirmed that after discussion with the applicant, his primary concern was the noise generated from the event.

Her Worship the Mayor advised Mr Ledingham that an offer of accommodation in Kaiteriteri for affected Collingwood Street residents had been received.

4.2 Proposed Road Closure on Collingwood Street

Kathy and Vern Mardon spoke about their concerns regarding the proposed road closure on Collingwood Street for the Monster Slide event. Mrs Mardon suggested that the event would attract an inappropriately large number of people to the residential area, with significant flow-on effects for other residents. Mrs Mardon spoke about the precedent the approval would set, the lack of consultation with objectors by the applicant, and the personal inconvenience the event created.

In response to a suggestion, Mrs Mardon confirmed that it would be helpful to have parking reserved on Bronte Street for affected residents of Collingwood Street.

5. Mayor's Report

There was no Mayor's Report.

6. Temporary Road Closures

Document number A1299736, agenda pages 9-41 refer.

The Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, offered apologies to Council and the community for the legislative interpretation error in relation to temporary road closures. She added that an internal audit function would be a useful tool in highlighting these types of situations. Mrs Hadley advised that resourcing for internal audit functions would be looked into as part of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 process.

Shane Davies, Manager Operations, presented the report. He provided updated information in terms of the Monster Slide application, being: Bronte Street was no longer required to be closed, parking would be organised within St Joseph's School, the road closure times were now

between 6am and 6pm, and the use of volunteers in setting up and packing down would result in fundraising for local charities.

In response to a question, Mr Davies advised that officers had not been provided with details of the local charities that would be supported.

In response to questions, Mrs Hadley confirmed that the current temporary road closure application form was inconsistent with legislation and would be reviewed.

Mr Davies advised that Council officers had no concerns in the areas of traffic management plans and public liability insurance for any of the applications listed in the report.

Mrs Hadley reiterated that every temporary road closure application for events was now a decision of the Council, therefore the setting of precedents lay in the Council's hands.

Mr Davies confirmed that the limit for closing a road or part of a road was 31 days in any year. It was clarified that a bond amount had not been considered for the Monster Slide application, and that a bond was not usually recommended due to potential claim disputes between applicants and residents.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 9.39am to 9.40am.

Her Worship the Mayor highlighted that each application would need to be dealt with on its own merits.

In response to questions, Mr Davies confirmed that Fairfield Park had not been considered as an option for the Monster Slide event. He advised that a liquor ban had not been part of the consideration of the Monster Slide application, and that there would be no time to action this under legislation.

Attendance: Councillor Acland left the meeting at 9.41am and returned at 9.43am.

It was clarified that draft traffic management plans were provided by applicants, and that they could be changed at a later date but if any issues should arise, the event may not be able to proceed.

Mrs Hadley advised that any additional conditions for applicants would need to be decided at the meeting or delegated to elected members to approve. She added that consideration of temporary road closures may be delegated to a committee of Council in time, but that this was still being investigated.

A suggestion was made to add a condition to the two Collingwood Street events that the traffic management plans include reserved parking in Bronte Street for affected Collingwood Street residents.

A suggestion was made that reserved parking for Collingwood Street residents could also be provided at St Joseph's School for the Monster Slide event. It was pointed out that Council should not be seen to direct private land owners as to the use of their land, so this would need to be a discussion with the School.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 9.51am to 9.52am.

Mrs Hadley advised that the Local Government Act 1974 allowed for Council officers to close a road in certain circumstances, allowing them to work with applicants on their traffic management plans.

It was agreed to take the recommendation in parts.

Resolved

THAT the report Temporary Road Closures (A1299736) and its attachments (A1300604, A1300190, A1300156, A1272238, A1300546, A1300192 and A1300172) be received;

Her Worship the Mayor/Copeland

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the Tug of Peace temporary road closure of Trafalgar Street, from Hardy Street to Selwyn Place, on 28 January 2015;

Davy/McGurk

Carried

Attendance: Councillors Copeland and Rainey declared an interest and left the meeting at 9.54am.

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the Buskerburgoo Street Theatre and Buskers Festival temporary road closure of Trafalgar Street, from Hardy Street to Selwyn Place, from 29 to 31 January 2015;

Her Worship the Mayor/Noonan

Carried

Attendance: Councillors Copeland and Rainey returned to the meeting at 9.55am.

Concern was raised that the Monster Slide event was not a locally organised event and that Collingwood Street was a residential area as opposed to an industrial or commercial area.

Attendance: Councillor Copeland left the meeting at 10.00am and returned at 10.03am.

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the Monster Slide temporary road closure of Collingwood Street, from Manuka Street to Brougham Street, on 2 February 2015;

AND THAT as part of the traffic management plan, reserved parking is provided in Bronte St West and East to meet the need of Collingwood Street residents;

AND THAT organisers discuss with St Joseph's School the possibility of providing reserved parking for Collingwood Street residents on the School's grounds;

Her Worship the Mayor/Davy

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Noonan declared an interest and left the meeting at 10.10am.

It was agreed that the matter of reserved parking for Collingwood Street residents should be considered for the Trolley Derby. Her Worship the Mayor highlighted that this application had not previously been considered by Council and that it was an opportunity to assess its merits.

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the Mike Pero Trolley Derby temporary road closure of Collingwood Street, from Manuka Street to Brougham Street, on 14 March 2015;

AND THAT as part of the traffic management plan, reserved parking is provided in Bronte St West and East to meet the need of Collingwood Street residents;

McGurk/Ward

Carried

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the World Cup Cricket Festival and Uniquely Nelson Market temporary road closure of Trafalgar Street, from Bridge Street to Selwyn Place, and Selwyn Place from

***Trafalgar Square West to Trafalgar Street East,
on 14 February 2015;***

Matheson/Davy

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Noonan returned to the meeting at 10.14am.

Resolved

AND THAT Council approve the application for the Celtic Pipe Band Championships temporary road closure of Halifax Street from Trafalgar Street to Halstead Street, and Trafalgar Street from Grove Street to Bridge Street, and Bridge Street from Trafalgar Street to Montgomery Carpark, and Hathaway Court car park, on 14 March 2015;

Rainey/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

In response to a question, Mr Davies advised that the public had not been notified of the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon and Stopping Distance Demonstrations, therefore Council should not consider the applications until an opportunity for public feedback had been given.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 10.19am to 10.20am.

Resolved

AND THAT Council note the application for the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon temporary road closure of Beach Road from 17 Beach Road to Golf Road, and Golf Road from Beach Road to Parkers Road and Hounsell Circle, on 8 March 2015;

AND THAT the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon temporary road closure be considered at a meeting on 12 February 2015;

AND THAT Council note the application for the Organised Stopping Distance Demonstrations temporary road closures of Nile Street on 16 March 2015, Bisley Walk on 17 March 2015, Tipahi Street on 19 March 2015, and Atawhai Crescent on 20 March 2015;

AND THAT the Organised Stopping Distance Demonstrations temporary road closures be considered at a meeting on 12 February 2015.

Acland/Davy

Carried

7. Temporary Extension of Liquor Ban – Saxton Field Reserve

Document number A1298345, agenda pages 5-8 refer.

Chris Ward, Group Manager Community Services, presented the report and was joined by Inspector Tim Crawford of the New Zealand Police.

In response to a question, Inspector Crawford confirmed that no alcohol ban was in place for the One Day International match on 20 January 2015, and the focus was on the Cricket World Cup (CWC) matches.

Mr Ward advised that the majority of Saxton Field Reserve would be used for CWC matches, and that Council officers were not aware of any other events at the Reserve that would be disrupted by the proposed liquor ban.

Inspector Crawford confirmed that there was a Major Events Management Plan and a Match Venue Alcohol Management Plan in place for the CWC matches. He added that the focus of the Police was on prevention.

It was noted that considering the intoxication regulations in the existing Management Plans, the conditions of tickets, and the license, a liquor ban may not be required.

After discussion, it was agreed that the recommendation in the officers report should be more specific in relation the area to be excluded by the proposed liquor ban.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for morning tea from 10.44am to 10.58am, during which time Councillor Acland left the meeting.

Those in support of the recommendation pointed out that the Police were asking Council to help with the reduction of risks, and that the Council should think of the venue as a licensed premises.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 11.04am to 11.05am.

A division was called:

Councillor Acland	Apology
Councillor Barker	Aye
Councillor Copeland	Aye
Councillor Davy	No
Councillor Fulton	Apology
Councillor Lawrey	Aye

Councillor Matheson	Aye
Councillor McGurk	Aye
Councillor Noonan	Aye
Councillor Rainey	Aye
Councillor Skinner	Aye
Councillor Ward	Aye
Her Worship the Mayor	Aye

The motion was passed 10-1.

Resolved

THAT the report Temporary Extension of Liquor Ban – Saxton Field Reserve (A1298345) and its attachment (A1299664) be received;

AND THAT a temporary 24 hour liquor ban be confirmed for Saxton Field Reserve (with the exception of the Cricket World Cup Saxton Oval venue) for the following specific events:

- ***Cricket World Cup Match West Indies v Ireland on Monday February 16, 2015;***
- ***Cricket World Cup Match Zimbabwe v United Arab Emirates on Thursday February 19, 2015;***
- ***Cricket World Cup Match Bangladesh v Scotland on Thursday March 5, 2015.***

Matheson/Barker

Carried

There being no further business the meeting ended at 11.06am.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

_____ Chairperson _____ Date