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**Minutes of a meeting of the Nelson City Council to deliberate on submissions to the draft Long Term Plan 2015-25**

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

**On Wednesday 20 May 2015, commencing at 9.00am**

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

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

Apology: Councillor K Fulton

## **Opening Prayer**

Councillor Matheson 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**

Late Item Memo A1357876 refers.

Her Worship the Mayor advised of two late items for the public part of the meeting, and the following resolutions needed to be passed for the items to be considered:

Resolved

***THAT the item regarding Chief Executive's Report for the Long Term Plan 2015-25 Deliberations be considered at this meeting as a major item not on the agenda, pursuant to Section 46A(7)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to enable the sign off of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 before the end of the financial year.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Lawrey

Carried

Resolved

***THAT the item regarding Deliberations on Submissions to the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25 and Concurrent Consultations be considered at this meeting as a major item not on the agenda, pursuant to Section 46A(7)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to enable the sign off of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 before the end of the financial year.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Noonan

Carried

Her Worship the Mayor advised that item 3 on the agenda, Confirmation of Minutes 6-8 May and 11 May would be considered later in the meeting.

Attendance: Councillor Rainey joined the meeting at 9.08am.

### **3. Interests**

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

### **4. Hearing of Submissions**

Submission number 532, Category 8, page PAR313 refers.

Ray Gebert spoke to his submission.

Mr Gebert said he had concerns around the promotion of the opening of the Trafalgar Centre, as he knew from experience it can take approximately twelve to eighteen months to promote and secure performers. He added that someone needed to be appointed to conduct the marketing.

Mr Gebert advised the flat floor seating at the Trafalgar Centre needed improvements.

Questions for Officers

- Staff to advise what the marketing budget for the Trafalgar Centre is
- Staff to advise on the flat floor seating situation
- Staff to consider the management contract for the Trafalgar Centre

**5. New Effective Date for Landfill Fee Increase**

Document number A1356125, agenda pages 72-73 refer.

Resolved

***THAT the report New Effective Date for Landfill Fee Increase (A1356125) be received;***

***AND THAT the change to the effective date for the increase in landfill charges to 1 June 2015 (previously resolved as effective 15 May 2015 by Council on 30 April 2015) be noted.***

Davy/McGurk

Carried

**6. Chief Executive's Report for the Long Term Plan 2015-25 Deliberations**

Document number A1347035, late item A1358740 refers.

Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, presented the report.

In response to a question, Mrs Hadley advised the report contained new material which was not included in submissions. However, Councillors needed to be aware of this new material in order to make informed decisions.

Resolved

***THAT the report entitled Chief Executive's Report for the Long Term Plan 2015-2025 Deliberations (A1347035) be received;***

***AND THAT the additional information provided be considered in deliberations on the Long Term Plan 2015-25.***

Noonan/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

6.1 Transport

Resolved

***THAT Council stops offering the senior parking pass as the first hour free parking is available to all.***

Noonan/Ward

Carried

6.2 New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) Indicative Funding Level for Maintenance Operations and Renewal

Senior Asset Engineer – Transport and Roading, Rhys Palmer, presented the report.

Her Worship the Mayor advised that officers needed to make provision for match funding should NZTA funding become available.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer said there had been a significant increase in funding from NZTA compared with the previous three years, however NZTA had limited funding and could not match our Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) request at this point in time.

Resolved

***THAT a total of \$325,000 be retained in years two and three of the Long Term Plan so Council will be in a position to take up any additional funding should the New Zealand Transport Agency make it available for transportation renewals as proposed by the Regional Land Transport Plan and draft 10 year programme.***

Davy/McGurk

Carried

6.3 Urban Cycle Programme

Mr Palmer advised Council that an application to the Urban Cycling Programme had been made.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised of the draft Long Term Plan 2015-25 (LTP) project details under table 1, section 5.2.7 of the Officers report. He said the Maitai Path – Saltwater Bridge would be constructed in year 4 and was currently in the LTP. He added the approximate cost would be between \$370,000 to \$380,000.

He said the Rocks Road to Maitai project would be constructed in years 4 and 5 at a cost of approximately \$1.8 million and this was also included in the LTP.

The Rocks Road Walking and Cycling project would be constructed in year 3 at an approximate cost of \$3 million and lastly the Tahunanui

Network would be constructed years 2 and 3 at an approximate cost of \$860,000.

Mr Palmer clarified that these projects could be managed within the debt cap.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised a large component of the funding would come from Central Government for these projects, and that the recommendation was making the provision for the local share of funding to comply with the Urban Cycling Programme criteria of construction complete by 30 June 2018 should Council's application for this fund be successful.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer acknowledged that Council would need to resource up, to achieve the accelerated programme.

Resolved

***THAT the budgets for the Rocks Road to Maitai Path and Saltwater Creek Bridge projects be brought forward to comply with the Urban Cycleway Programme criteria of construction completion by 30 June 2018.***

Rainey/Davy

Carried

## ENVIRONMENT

### 6.4 Building (Earthquake Prone Buildings) Amendment Act

Resolved

***THAT an allocation be made in the Long Term Plan 2015-25 of \$99,250 in 2015/16 and \$127,000 thereafter for the Fire Management Services Contract.***

Noonan/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 9.37am until 9.39am at which time Councillor Ward left the meeting.

### 6.5 Landfill

Her Worship the Mayor said that she continued communications with Tasman District Council (TDC), and she advised that TDC had recently published a media release which Council needed to get clarity on.

Attendance: Councillor Ward returned to the meeting at 9.42am.

### 6.6 Signage costs for Alcohol Ban Areas

There was a discussion regarding section 5.5 of the Officer's report and that a recommendation was required for a provision for funds to be available for the implementation of the Urban Environments Bylaw.

In response to a question, Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, advised communications would be required in relation to sandwich boards and the liquor ban areas. She added that signage would be improved.

It was discussed that a breakdown of the costs could be provided, however Mrs Hadley advised the costs could equate to less than \$20,000.

Resolved

***THAT provision of \$20,000 be set aside for effective implementation of the Urban Environments Bylaw.***

McGurk/Acland

Carried

## **SOCIAL**

### 6.7 CCTV Cameras

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 9.52am until 9.53am.

Resolved

***THAT provision be made for \$3,500 in each of 2016/17 and 2017/18 for the ongoing operational costs of the CCTV cameras installed at Victory Square, noting that the Community Services Committee will make a decision on the issue at its 22 May 2015 meeting.***

Rainey/Noonan

Carried

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

In response to a question, Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, advised there was a budget for the marketing of the Trafalgar Centre, however seating was separate as it was not part of the construction costs. She added that seating would be considered in year 2.

It was discussed that a breakdown of the expenditure for the Trafalgar Centre which did not relate to construction would be beneficial, along with the years the items would be considered.

In response to a question, it was highlighted the \$250,000 was being brought forward so the work could be progressed. It was clarified this would have a slight effect on rates.

Resolved

***THAT \$250,000 be brought forward from 2015/16 into the current financial year to cover additional expertise engaged to***

***contribute to the early contractor involvement process for the Trafalgar Centre.***

Noonan/Davy

Carried

**CORPORATE**

6.8 Contingency Budget

There was a discussion regarding concerns relating to emergency fund provisions. However, it was noted that in the case of an event a report would need to come to Council and then would be considered in the annual plan retrospectively.

In response to a question, Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, advised that the Disaster Recovery Fund remained.

In response to a question, Group Manager Corporate Services, Nikki Harrison, advised the contingency budget had not been used over the last two to three years.

Resolved

***THAT contingency funding of \$150,000 per annum be removed from the Long Term Plan and if/when funding required, Council allocate additional funds for unbudgeted expenditure that cannot be met through reallocation of operating budgets.***

Barker/Noonan

Carried

**PARKS AND RECREATION (Cont.)**

6.9 Rutherford Park

Parks and Facilities Asset Planner, Andrew Petheram, illustrated on the concept plan for Rutherford Park map (A1344245) where the proposed roading and carpark would be and said the roading needed improvements for trucks, walkers and cyclists.

In response to a question, Mr Petheram said the major costs incurred for soil would be the transport costs and that contaminated soil would be considered if suitable.

In response to a further question, Mr Petheram advised the road link to the Trafalgar Centre would be close to the path and that the Institute of Landscape Architects' solution was to create a paved transition zone which would be used as a shared space.

Mr Petheram advised that if the Rifle Shooting Club was not removed in December a temporary link to Paru Paru Road could be provided in the meantime.

It was noted that the Community Art Works utilised this space also.

There were concerns raised that a temporary solution would be a waste and that Council should wait for a permanent solution.

Mr Petheram advised that this was the most efficient way to proceed with this project.

The recommendation was split into two parts.

Resolved

***THAT \$300,000 be brought forward from 2016/2017 budget to 2015/16 for Rutherford Park Walkways and Cycleways;***

Her Worship the Mayor/Acland

Carried

Resolved

***AND THAT an additional \$200,000 is provided to complete the levelling and sowing of grass for the Rutherford Park redevelopment.***

Ward/Rainey

Carried

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 10.40am until 10.53am.

**7. Deliberations on Submissions to the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25 and Concurrent Consultations**

Document number A1337282, late item A1357876 refers.

Resolved

***THAT the report *Deliberations on Submissions to the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25 and Concurrent Consultations (A1337282) and its attachments (A1353191, A1354077, A1354078, A1358090, A1358177, A1351910, A1354997, A1358294, A1358299, A1358304 and A1272431) be received;****

***AND THAT the spreadsheet in Attachment 1 (A1353191), as amended, be used as the basis of responses to submitters on matters raised and to amend the draft Long Term Plan 2015-25 as necessary.***

Noonan/Davy

Carried

## 8. Transport (category 1 of submissions)

Attendance: Councillor Copeland left the meeting at 10.59am.

In response to a question, Group Manager Infrastructure, Alec Louverdis, said the Transport Asset Management Plan would come back to Council for approval and footpaths and reseals would be considered at this time.

Attendance: Councillor Copeland returned to the meeting at 11.01am.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer said the work being undertaken on the footpaths for ultra fast broadband had been taken into account in relation to the renewals programme.

In response to a further question, Mr Palmer clarified the section of footpath referred to under 6.4.3 of the officer's report was Tasman Street between Manuka and Bronte Streets.

Mr Palmer advised that stakeholder engagement was a continuous process and that feedback from various forums was fed back into the Asset Management Plans. He believed this process worked well.

It was suggested that with regards to walking and cycling there could be segregated areas such as the Brook for cycling and the Maitai area for walking. It was highlighted that the Brook Recreation Reserve Management Plan was still to come back to Council.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised the western side of Tipahi Street had a footpath but there were stormwater and berm issues.

It was discussed that Nelson was doing well in terms of attracting mountain bikers, however Council needed to be conscious of the ageing population and their need for high quality walking areas. It was highlighted that these issues would be discussed at the workshop.

Her Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Davy moved the recommendation in the report.

With agreement of the mover and seconder the fifth clause of the motion was further amended to include 'a budget contribution of up to \$10,000 for contracted outcomes'.

Resolved

***THAT a Councillor workshop be held to discuss the cycling activity, both as a means of transport and for recreational activity, and its impacts on other users of shared paths and off road walking tracks;***

***AND THAT following the workshop, officers engage with key stakeholders from***

*organisations such as Bicycle Nelson Bays, Greypower, Positive Ageing Forum, NZ Transport Agency, Tasman District Council, Nelson Marlborough District Health Board and others, such as Friends of the Maitai, for site specific issues, to investigate solutions to conflict between cyclists and pedestrians on Council's shared tracks and paths;*

**AND THAT the principles agreed in any workshop and subsequent community engagement be developed into policy to be reported back to Council by September 2015;**

**AND THAT a programme of work from that engagement be reported back to Council by November 2015;**

**AND THAT after feedback from the workshop, off road cycling stakeholders be encouraged to identify a lead agency to gather information for an off road track strategy, which establishes priorities within allocated budgets for agreed areas, with a budget contribution of up to \$10,000 for contracted outcomes.**

Her Worship the Mayor/Davy

Carried

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised that if the funding was not carried forward then it would not happen.

There was general support for the recommendation.

Resolved

**THAT funding of \$600,000 for upgrading the Maitai Walkway between Collingwood and Nile Streets be carried forward to 2015/16**

**AND THAT Council review the project as part of its workshop on cycling, and gain feedback from stakeholders, before further consideration by Council in September 2015.**

Davy/Ward

Carried

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised that SBL were not required to operate on public holidays.

It was noted that it would be useful to be provided with historic information in relation to the days of the year SBL operate.

Resolved

***THAT the first-hour-free parking in the central business district be confirmed, with one quarter of the revenue foregone to be allocated to the inner city commercial differential rate and the remainder funded by general rates.***

Davy/McGurk

Carried

There was a discussion around 6.22 in relation to retaining walls and it was suggested that it would be beneficial to discuss with the Urban Design Panel.

In response to a question, Mr Palmer advised that no provision at this time was included to connect Montreal Street to Princes Drive as it would set a precedent for Council funding internal development road layouts, and that the scope and costs of development contributions still needed to be considered.

Attendance: Councillor Lawrey left the meeting at 11.45am and returned to the meeting at 11.47am.

#### **9. Stormwater (Category 4 of submissions)**

In response to a question, Senior Assets Engineer, Phil Ruffell, advised that it was a low lying area issue at the Nelson Golf Club. He added that it was heavily influenced by the tide and that an environmental approach to the open channel would be beneficial.

Attendance: Councillor Noonan left the meeting at 11.53am.

In response to a further question, Mr Ruffell advised that Nelmac were ensuring debris was removed from pipes and that pipes were well maintained at Fifeshire Crescent.

Attendance: Councillor Noonan returned to the meeting at 11.56am.

In response to a question, Mr Ruffell advised that the erosion at Jenkins Stream had occurred since the storm event in 2011. He added that an investigation would be completed this year and once a long term solution for the stream had been identified it would be progressed.

There was a suggestion that a text alert service to warn residents in relation to weather events could be beneficial.

#### **10. Flood Protection (Category 5 of submissions)**

In response to a question, Mr Ruffell advised that Main Road Stoke and Saxton Field would be well integrated in the final design.

Resolved

**THAT Council confirms its intention to upgrade Saxton Creek, to a 1 in 100 year design level, as a two staged project as detailed below:**

- **Stage A: Champion Road to Main Road Stoke;**
- **Stage B: Main Road Stoke (including the culvert under Main Road Stoke) to the sea;**

**AND THAT funding for modelling, consultation, design and consenting for Stage B be brought forward from 2018/19 - 2019/20 to 2015/16 - 2016/17 in the amounts of \$100,000 and \$80,000 respectively, to enable work to be completed that will inform the development of the next LTP with respect to construction of Stage B;**

**AND THAT Council note that existing consultants, as allowed for by Council's procurement policy, will be used to commence this work;**

**AND THAT Council approve the advertising of a single physical works tender for all three stages of Stage A such that Stage 1 can be completed in 2015/16, noting that work on the gravel trap will be commencing shortly as part of the TDC culvert contract;**

**AND THAT Council note that officers will continue to work towards securing agreements with residents of Stage 2 (Stage A) to enable physical works to continue in 2016/17.**

Davy/Matheson

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Ward left the meeting at 12.00pm.

In response to a question, Mr Ruffell advised there was no capacity in terms of budget for work on Poormans Stream but design work was happening in relation to the culvert on Main Road Stoke in 2014/15.

Attendance: Councillor Ward returned to the meeting at 12.08pm.

## **11. Environment**

There was a discussion about the amount of funding for the Nelson Nature project, however it was noted that this was a real success story and had strong support through submissions.

Resolved

***THAT funding for the Nelson Nature project of \$500,000 in 2015/16 rising to \$717,000 in 2018/19 be confirmed.***

McGurk/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

In response to a question, Group Manager Strategy and Environment, Clare Barton, advised the National Environmental Standard dictated the process for contaminated materials.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.12pm until 12.50pm, during which time Councillors Copeland, Acland and Barker left the meeting.

The Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, suggested that fees for contaminated material classified as being on the Hazardous Activities and Industries List (HAIL) could be set at a percentage of landfill fees. She added that this would capture a broader range of users and would be easily adjustable if charges fluctuated over time.

There was some support to set fees for HAIL material at 25% of landfill fees. There was also some support for the officer recommendation for a fee of \$15 per tonne, as the material would be used by Council.

It was confirmed that adjusting fees for HAIL material would not have an impact on rates as the landfill account was a closed account.

It was agreed that further work would be done by the Works and Infrastructure Committee to determine an appropriate discounted rate.

Resolved

***THAT further work be done on a discounted rate for contaminated material from sites classified as being on the Hazardous Activities and Industries List and requiring resource consent for excavation, to be considered at the Works and Infrastructure Committee.***

Her Workshop the Mayor/McGurk

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Copeland returned to the meeting at 1.04pm.

There was discussion on the need to engage with the community regarding Nelson 2060. It was proposed that \$50,000 could be allocated for promoting the Nelson 2060 strategy.

Attendance: Councillor Barker returned to the meeting at 1.07pm.

It was agreed that an update on promoting Nelson 2060 would be included in the quarterly report to the Planning and Regulatory Committee.

It was clarified that the \$50,000 proposal would include the \$30,000 recently allocated by the Planning and Regulatory Committee to work on the Nelson 2060 strategy.

Resolved

***THAT Councillor Mike Ward be appointed as Sustainability Champion for Nelson City Council;***

***AND THAT \$50,000 per annum be allocated to promote the Nelson 2060 strategy (including staff time).***

Ward/Rainey

Carried

In response to a question, it was confirmed there had been no variations to the resource consent for the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust.

In response to a question, Group Manager Infrastructure, Alec Louverdis, advised that the resolution was required to ensure the funding originally set aside for the deck replacement was not spent on the Old Railway Iron Bridge.

Resolved

***THAT funding not be allocated at this time for an upgrade to the Old Railway Iron Bridge;***

***AND THAT health and safety requirements be addressed through appropriate signage limiting numbers on the bridge at any one time.***

Noonan/Rainey

Carried

Councillor Rainey agreed to take the comments on active transport from Mr Olorenshaw (Submission 467) to the Nelson Youth Council.

In response to concerns about freedom camping, Mrs Hadley suggested that concerned councillors lobby the local Member of Parliament on this matter.

## **12. Social**

There was discussion on home insulation funding and community assistance funding.

Councillor Rainey, seconded by Councillor Copeland, moved the following motion:

***THAT an allocation of \$100,000 per annum of partnership funding for home insulation as part of the***

*Warmer Healthier Homes Nelson Tasman project be confirmed for the next three years;*

*AND THAT Council recognise its role in community assistance is in setting the purpose, process and a financial contribution;*

*AND THAT officers meet with representatives of other funding and social agencies (including Nelson Marlborough District Health Board, Canterbury Community Trust, Ministry of Social Development, Department of Internal Affairs and Tasman District Council and others experienced in the field of social development) to understand strategic outcomes for community funding in Nelson and to agree the purposes for which the fund should be applied;*

*AND THAT an annual allocation of \$200,000 be approved in the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for Community Assistance, noting the need to meet existing commitments to ongoing agreements;*

*AND THAT of the \$200,000 allocation a maximum sum of \$50,000 be set aside as funding for small scale projects;*

*AND THAT as the contracted amounts for 2016/17 and 2017/18 reduce, the Community Assistance Fund increase;*

*AND THAT for the avoidance of doubt, total Community Assistance funding is \$400,000 (including the Warmer Healthier Homes Nelson Tasman project) per annum for the period of the Long Term Plan.*

Her Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Noonan, moved an amendment:

*THAT an allocation of \$100,000 per annum of partnership funding for home insulation as part of the Warmer Healthier Homes Nelson Tasman project be confirmed for the next three years;*

*AND THAT Council recognise its role in community assistance is in setting the purpose, process and a financial contribution;*

*AND THAT officers meet with representatives of other funding and social agencies (including Nelson Marlborough District Health Board, Canterbury Community Trust, Ministry of Social Development, Department of Internal Affairs and Tasman District Council and others experienced in the field of social development) to understand strategic outcomes for*

*community funding in Nelson and to agree the purposes for which the fund should be applied;*

*AND THAT an annual allocation of \$150,000 be approved in the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for Community Assistance, noting the need to meet existing commitments to ongoing agreements;*

*AND THAT of the \$150,000 allocation a maximum sum of \$50,000 be set aside as funding for small scale projects;*

*AND THAT as the contracted amounts for 2016/17 and 2017/18 reduce, the Community Assistance Fund increase;*

*AND THAT for the avoidance of doubt, total Community Assistance funding is \$400,000 (including the Warmer Healthier Homes Nelson Tasman project) per annum for the period of the Long Term Plan.*

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 2.07pm to 2.09pm.

It was clarified that clauses 6 and 7 of the amendment were no longer required, and the total pool of Community Assistance would be \$300,000 based on the intentions of the amendment. These corrections were accepted by the mover and seconder of the amendment.

The amendment was put and carried, and became the substantive motion.

Resolved

***THAT an allocation of \$100,000 per annum of partnership funding for home insulation as part of the Warmer Healthier Homes Nelson Tasman project be confirmed for the next three years;***

***AND THAT Council recognise its role in community assistance is in setting the purpose, process and a financial contribution;***

***AND THAT officers meet with representatives of other funding and social agencies (including Nelson Marlborough District Health Board, Canterbury Community Trust, Ministry of Social Development, Department of Internal Affairs and Tasman District Council and others experienced in the field of social development) to understand strategic outcomes for community funding in Nelson and to agree the purposes for which the fund should be applied;***

**AND THAT an annual allocation of \$300,000 be approved in the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for Community Assistance, noting the need to meet existing commitments to ongoing agreements;**

**AND THAT of the \$300,000 allocation a maximum sum of \$50,000 be set aside as funding for small scale projects.**

Her Worship the Mayor/Noonan

Carried

It was suggested that Council express its preference for the Arts Festival to remain an annual event. Some councillors were of the view that this type of direction should be left up to the new governance structure.

Attendance: Councillor Barker left the meeting from 2.22pm to 2.24pm.

In response to a question, the Chief Executive, Clare Hadley advised the cost to establish the governance structure would be approximately \$15,000.

Resolved

**THAT an independent governance structure be established for the Nelson Arts Festival with transfer of operations to occur in time for the new entity to be responsible for the 2017 Arts Festival.**

Lawrey/Ward

Carried

Resolved

**THAT Council express its preference for the Arts Festival to remain an annual event.**

Lawrey/Ward

Carried

Resolved

**THAT the Masked Parade and Readers and Writers Week be transferred with the Nelson Arts Festival to the independent governance structure.**

McGurk/Ward

Carried

In response to concerns about resourcing the new entity, Mrs Hadley confirmed that current resources and tasks would be assessed and funding would be split accordingly.

Resolved

**THAT the allocation in the draft 10 year budget for the Nelson Arts Festival, Masked Parade and Readers and Writers week be confirmed at current levels;**

**AND THAT an allocation of \$15,000 be made for the expense of establishing the governance structure, including meeting all Local Government Act requirements.**

Ward/Rainey

In response to a question, Ms Harrison confirmed that the annual events fund contribution was approximately \$460,000 and this was an accumulating fund.

Resolved

**THAT for the 2015/16 year only, the Events Fund criteria be relaxed to allow support to be given to community events, and that organisers be encouraged to direct applications to that process.**

Ward/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

There was discussion on the Light Nelson event. Concern was raised that Council would be supporting a commercial event. It was questioned what percentage of total costs would be paid for by Council's contribution.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 2.40pm to 2.44pm, during which time Councillor Acland joined the meeting. Councillor Matheson left the meeting from 2.48pm to 2.50pm. Councillor Lawrey left the meeting at 2.50pm.

Resolved

**THAT the funding for Light Nelson of \$150,000 over each two year period for base/partnership funding be confirmed to provide the opportunity for Light Nelson to lever additional funding, noting that this will be funded from the Events Fund budget;**

**AND THAT the Light Nelson organisers be asked to keep the Chief Executive informed of project performance.**

Rainey/Ward

Carried

Attendance: Councillors Rainey and Copeland left the meeting at 2.51pm.  
Councillor Rainey returned to the meeting at 2.53pm.

Resolved

***THAT Council endorse the bid by Te Tau Ihu o Te Waka a Maui Maori Culture Council to host the Te Matatini Kapa Haka Competitions in 2025 and to consider an appropriate level of support during development of the Long Term Plan 2018-2028.***

Davy/Matheson

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Matheson left the meeting at 2.58pm.

There was discussion on the Refinery, Community Art Works and Arts Council Nelson.

In response to a question, Group Manager Community Services, Chris Ward, advised that Council allocated \$70,000 per year to Arts Council for its service.

Several councillors were not in favour of providing the additional funding for the development of the Refinery.

Attendance: Councillor Matheson returned to the meeting at 3.00pm.

Resolved

***THAT Arts Council Nelson be allocated \$30,000 in each of 2015/16 and 2016/17 to develop the Refinery as a community art space.***

Ward/Rainey

Carried

There was discussion on the Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust. It was suggested that discussions should be had about the Trust at a strategic level. It was agreed there was no need to encourage the Trust to apply to the small projects fund.

There was discussion on the Nightingale Library Memorial. In response to a query, Senior Strategic Adviser, Nicky McDonald, advised that community engagement on the refurbishment of the Library would be reported back to Council.

Councillor Matheson, seconded by Councillor Davy, moved a motion:

***THAT provision be made within the 10 year budget for an additional \$138,000 of funding for refurbishment of the Nightingale Library Memorial and development as a community hub, should engagement with the Tahunanui community confirm this as a preferred location.***

It was suggested that the line about engagement was not required, this amendment was agreed to by the mover and seconder.

Concern was raised about potential conflict with the existing strategy and objectives for the Library.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 3.17pm to 3.28pm, during which time Councillor Lawrey returned to the meeting.

Resolved

***THAT provision be made within the 10 year budget for an additional \$138,000 of funding for refurbishment of the Nightingale Library Memorial and development as a community hub.***

Matheson/Davy

Carried

Resolved

***THAT in accordance with Standing Orders paragraph 3.3.7 the meeting continue beyond six hours.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Davy

Carried

In response to a question, it was confirmed that Council provided \$10,000 per annum to Fairfield House.

Resolved

***THAT \$15,000 be allocated in 2015/16 to complete repointing of Isel House;***

***AND THAT the other funding requests from the Isel House Charitable Trust be considered and discussed as part of the process of developing business plans as provided for in the draft Heritage Activity Management Plan.***

Noonan/Ward

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Davy left the meeting at 3.30pm.

It was agreed that submission 484 regarding Kodak sites would be referred to the current Nelson Plan review process in the submitter response.

Attendance: Councillor Davy returned to the meeting at 3.32pm.

Concern was raised that there was no plan for Albion Square.

It was suggested that Live Nelson be used for Smokefree communications.

### 13. Parks and Active Recreation

There was discussion about the proposed Greenmeadows facility in Stoke. A view was expressed that a youth facility should be combined with the Greenmeadows development, and the two should at least be concurrent projects.

Resolved

***THAT funding of \$5.6 million in 2015/16 and 2016/17 of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for a new facility at Greenmeadows reserve be confirmed.***

Noonan/Barker

Carried

There was discussion about the groups that occupied buildings at Rutherford Park.

It was confirmed that officers had worked with the Smallbore Rifle Club to look at an alternative site at Saxton Field, and no indication of Council funding for this had been provided to the Club.

Attendance: Councillor Skinner left the meeting at 4.03pm.

In response to a question, Parks and Facilities Asset Planner, Andrew Petheram, spoke about the risk of not finishing the Rutherford Park development if a temporary road was installed around the Smallbore Rifle Club building.

Councillor Matheson, seconded by Councillor Davy, moved a motion:

*THAT in principle Council resolve to give effect to the Rutherford Park concept development plan;*

*AND THAT Community Art Works and Smallbore Rifle Club be advised of the need to vacate their buildings by the end of 2015;*

*AND THAT the Smallbore Rifle Club and Community Art Works buildings be demolished at Council's cost by the end of 2015/2016, and that \$50,000 for this be included in the Long Term Plan;*

*AND THAT a temporary road deviation be provided until the Smallbore Rifle Club building is demolished;*

*AND THAT Council officers be asked to provide limited assistance (if sought) to the tenants to find alternative accommodation outside of Rutherford Park;*

*AND THAT officers report back to Council on 11 June 2015 on any legal issues, other effects, and any*

*necessary revocation of previous Council resolutions, of the above clauses.*

After further discussion, it was suggested that the fourth clause in the motion was not required. This was agreed to by the mover and seconder.

Concern was raised about limiting the assistance officers would provide to the tenants. The Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, emphasised that officers were committed to working with the affected groups, however it was the groups' responsibility to find alternative accommodation.

Resolved

**THAT in principle Council resolve to give effect to the Rutherford Park concept development plan;**

**AND THAT Community Art Works and Smallbore Rifle Club be advised of the need to vacate their buildings by the end of 2015;**

**AND THAT the Smallbore Rifle Club and Community Art Works buildings be demolished at Council's cost by the end of 2015/2016, and that \$50,000 for this be included in the Long Term Plan;**

**AND THAT Council officers be asked to provide limited assistance (if sought) to the tenants to find alternative accommodation outside of Rutherford Park;**

**AND THAT officers report back to Council on 11 June 2015 on any legal issues, other effects, and any necessary revocation of previous Council resolutions, of the above clauses.**

Matheson/Davy

Carried

It was noted that the above decision was unanimous.

Councillor Acland, seconded by Councillor Rainey, moved a motion:

*THAT funding of \$614,000 in 2016/17 of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for a play space in Rutherford Park be confirmed.*

Resolved

**THAT the meeting be adjourned.**

Her Worship the Mayor/Ward

Carried

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 4.24pm.

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**Minutes of a reconvened meeting of the Nelson City Council to deliberate on submissions to the Long Term Plan 2015-25**

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

**On Thursday 21 May 2015, commencing at 9.01am**

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

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

Apology: Councillor K Fulton

**14. Parks and Active Recreation (Cont.)**

A memo was tabled with speaking notes and further comments on general topics from submitter 462 (A1359465).

There was discussion on the play space in Rutherford Park. It was noted that a destination playground had been recommended through the Heart of Nelson strategy as a way to keep visitors in the area.

It was clarified that 50% of the funding for a play space would be allocated from the playground budget.

Some concern was raised that the allocated area was too small for a destination playground. There was some support for the funding to be postponed in the Long Term Plan.

Parks and Facilities Asset Planner, Andrew Petheram, advised that the final budget for the playground would be determined after the design phase.

It was highlighted that there were currently no facilities for youth in the CBD.

Resolved

***THAT funding of \$614,000 in 2016/17 of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 for a play space in Rutherford Park be confirmed.***

Acland/Rainey

Carried

It was suggested that Council consider allocating funding for a relocateable building in the carpark area immediately north of the Refinery building.

There was discussion on the need for a Marina Strategy.

In response to a question, Group Manager Corporate Services, Nikki Harrison, advised that officers understood the default position of Council was to increase the marina fees by the Consumer Price Index in 2012/13.

Her Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Copeland, moved a motion:

*THAT Council notes the need for a Marina Strategy to fully address the issues raised by submitters, including the appropriateness of the development levy;*

*AND THAT the marina fees for 2015/16 be increased by the rate of inflation until such time as a Marina Strategy is developed and consulted on.*

Concern was raised that the proposed motion did not suggest that Council would definitely create a Marina Strategy. The mover and seconder agreed to amend the first clause to reflect this.

It was confirmed that at least half of the work on a Marina Strategy would be outsourced. It was also confirmed this work would coincide with the Akersten Street development, but would remain separate.

It was suggested that a Strategy be ready in time for consultation with the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

In response to a question, Mrs Hadley confirmed that Council could fund the Strategy entirely out of the marina account.

Resolved

***THAT Council will develop a Marina Strategy to fully address the issues raised by submitters, including the appropriateness of the development levy;***

**AND THAT the marina fees for 2015/16 be increased by the rate of inflation until such time as a Marina Strategy is developed and consulted on.**

Her Worship the Mayor/Copeland

Carried

Councillor Davy, seconded by Councillor Ward, moved a motion:

*AND THAT \$50,000 funding be provided for developing and consulting on a Marina Strategy, with \$30,000 being charged to general rates and \$20,000 being charged to the Marina Account;*

*AND THAT the Marina Strategy be delivered by February 2016.*

Councillor McGurk, seconded by Councillor Copeland, moved an amendment:

*THAT \$50,000 funding be provided for developing and consulting on a Marina Strategy, to be charged to the Marina Account;*

*AND THAT the Marina Strategy be delivered by February 2016.*

Attendance: Councillor Acland left the meeting at 9.43am.

The amendment was put and lost.

Resolved

***THAT \$50,000 funding be provided for developing and consulting on a Marina Strategy, with \$30,000 being charged to general rates and \$20,000 being charged to the Marina Account;***

***AND THAT the Marina Strategy be delivered by February 2016.***

Davy/Ward

Carried

It was noted that funding for the hardstand would not be within the marina account.

Resolved

***THAT funding of \$1.54 million for provision of an area for hardstand in 2016/17 be confirmed.***

Ward/Copeland

Carried

Resolved

***THAT the allocation of \$578,000 in 2016/17 and 2017/18 for a shared sea sports facility at the marina be confirmed.***

Ward/Rainey

Carried

It was confirmed that Council was in year two of a five year agreement with the Natureland Wildlife Trust.

Councillor Davy, seconded by Councillor Noonan, moved a motion:

*THAT the operational allocation provided to support the Natureland Wildlife Trust be confirmed at \$200,000 in 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18, \$150,000 in 2018/19 and \$100,000 per annum thereafter and no additional capital grant beyond existing amounts be allocated.*

There was concern raised that the Trust should be looking to attract funding from other sources, and there was no evidence of securing ongoing support. It was suggested that providing ongoing funding to the Trust signalled to the community that Council was involved in running a wildlife establishment.

Councillor Rainey, seconded by Councillor Skinner, proposed an amendment:

*THAT the operational allocation provided to support the Natureland Wildlife Trust be confirmed at \$200,000 in 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18, with no funding allocated thereafter and no additional capital grant beyond existing amounts be allocated.*

The amendment was put and lost.

There was discussion on the level of funding requested in the Natureland Wildlife Trust's submission, with concern raised that the Trust would not be able to make up the difference in funding requested to that allocated. It was suggested that the community would need to eventually fund Natureland in order for it to be sustainable.

It was suggested that a reporting mechanism should be established so the Trust could advise on progress of seeking sponsorship.

Resolved

***THAT the operational allocation provided to support the Natureland Wildlife Trust be confirmed at \$200,000 in 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18, \$150,000 in 2018/19 and \$100,000 per annum thereafter and no additional capital grant beyond existing amounts be allocated.***

Davy/Noonan

Carried

In response to a question, Senior Strategic Adviser, Nicky McDonald, advised that Tasman District Council supported the Kohatu Park but had not allocated any funding in its Long Term Plan.

In response to a question, Mr Petheram advised that a second site design had not been received from the Surf Lifesaving Club.

Councillor Rainey, seconded by Councillor Copeland, moved a motion:

***THAT Council work with the Surf Lifesaving Club to pursue new clubrooms on the dunes at Tahunanui Beach.***

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 10.10am to 10.12am.

The mover and seconder agreed to add the below clause to the motion:

***AND THAT Council notes that in resolving to work with the Surf Lifesaving Club to pursue new clubrooms at Tahunanui Beach, this decision is significantly inconsistent with the Reserve Management Plan (Section 80, Local Government Act) in that the Reserve Management Plan does not allow for building on the dunes, and Council does not intend to amend its Reserve Management Plan.***

Mr Petheram provided detail on the types of strict measures that would be required if a building was built in the Tahunanui dunes.

It was agreed that the reasons for making a decision inconsistent with the Reserve Management Plan were:

- Council was concerned about protecting the safety of residents and visitors at Tahunanui Beach.
- To ensure a lower impact on the reserve as the Surf Lifesaving Club would be located closer to the sea, reducing the use of the reserve as a thoroughfare.

- To avoid Surf Lifesaving Club members and staff needing to cross a road to access the sea.

It was agreed that the location would need to be carefully considered and Council would need to be involved in the design of the building.

The Chief Executive, Clare Hadley recommended that a clause be added regarding the building being subject to consent processes, to ensure that due processes were followed and the need for them fully understood. Further changes were made to the motion with the approval of the mover and seconder.

It was confirmed that there would be preliminary discussions on the project between now and the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

Attendance: Councillor Acland returned to the meeting at 10.32am.

Resolved

***THAT Council work with the Surf Lifesaving Club to develop new clubrooms on the dunes at Tahunanui Beach;***

***AND THAT Council notes that in resolving to work with the Surf Lifesaving Club to develop new clubrooms at Tahunanui Beach, this decision is inconsistent with the Reserve Management Plan (Section 80, Local Government Act) in that the Reserve Management Plan does not allow for building on the dunes, and Council does not intend to amend its Reserve Management Plan;***

***AND THAT any proposal for clubrooms for the Surf Lifesaving Club at Tahunanui would be subject to all statutory resource and building consent processes.***

Rainey/Copeland

Carried

Attendance: Councillors Lawrey and Rainey left the meeting at 10.33am. Councillor Lawrey returned to the meeting 10.35am, and Councillor Rainey returned to the meeting at 10.38am. Councillor Noonan left the meeting at 10.41am.

Attendance: Councillor Noonan returned to the meeting at 10.43am.

Senior Strategic Adviser, Nicky McDonald, advised that the officer report was incorrect at item 13.19.3, and the showers at Victory Park had not been upgraded. Mr Petheram advised the upgrade would be a matter of agreement between the Football and Cricket Clubs.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for morning tea from 10.50am to 11.03am, during which time Councillor Ward left the meeting.

## 15. Economic

Resolved

***THAT the New Zealand Rugby Union be advised that Nelson City Council wishes to continue with its bid for the hosting of a match in the 2017 British and Irish Lions tour under the terms advised in December 2014.***

Davy/Matheson

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Rainey declared an interest and left the meeting at 11.05am. Councillor Ward returned to the meeting at 11.06am.

In response to a question, Ms Harrison advised that the Nelson Enterprise Loans Trust was for the Nelson Tasman region. Mr Ward advised that Tasman District Council was contributing to the Trust, but was not increasing any funding allocated.

It was highlighted that councillors should consider the value of growing businesses across both regions.

Councillor Noonan, seconded by Councillor Matheson, moved a motion:

***THAT the interest free loan to the Nelson Enterprise Loans Trust be increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000 and extended for a three year period through to July 2018, with the additional \$25,000 being allocated to support businesses based in Nelson City only.***

There was discussion on limiting the additional funding to the Nelson region and how it may be seen as an obstacle.

Councillor Acland, seconded by Councillor McGurk, moved an amendment:

***THAT the interest free loan to the Nelson Enterprise Loans Trust be increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000 and extended for a three year period through to July 2018.***

The amendment was put and carried, and became the substantive motion.

Resolved

***THAT the interest free loan to the Nelson Enterprise Loans Trust be increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000 and extended for a three year period through to July 2018.***

Acland/McGurk

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Rainey returned to the meeting at 11.16am.

It was confirmed there was no cost to Council of engaging with the Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology and other education providers to develop a partnership strategy.

Resolved

***THAT Council officers engage with the Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology and other education providers to develop a partnership strategy.***

Her Worship the Mayor/McGurk

Carried

Resolved

***THAT Council officers enter into discussions with the Nelson Regional Economic Development Agency as to ways of supporting the Education Nelson Tasman initiative.***

Davy/Copeland

Carried

## 16. Corporate

There was discussion on the submissions relating to working with iwi.

It was pointed out that individual memorandums of understanding with iwi would be presented to Council in the future.

It was suggested that words be added to the Long Term Plan to reflect the desired Wakefield Quay panel project. It was highlighted there was no budget line for this in the Long Term Plan, and that iwi should lead this project.

It was suggested that a report be prepared regarding working in a post-treaty environment. It was highlighted that all three Top of the South councils would need to consider this matter jointly.

Resolved

***THAT Council continues to engage with iwi of Te Tau Ihu, and supports the development of a mayors and iwi chairs forum.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Acland

Carried

Resolved

***THAT the Stormwater and Flood Protection Rate is a fixed charge per rating unit.***

Noonan/Matheson

Carried

Resolved

***THAT the annual charge for a water connection be shown as an annual charge on the rates assessment.***

Davy/Matheson

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Copeland left the meeting at 11.50pm.

Resolved

***THAT Council agree to purchase water in bulk from Tasman District Council and charge Nelson South residents for water used noting that the Chief Executive will sign the Engineering Services Agreement with Tasman District Council as previously delegated.***

Davy/Noonan

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Copeland returned to the meeting at 11.53am.

It was emphasised that the movement in rates instalment dates was not intended to create penalties, and there would be no penalties if a ratepayer contacted Council to make arrangements while adjusting to the new dates.

Resolved

***THAT Council resolve to move the rates instalment dates from 27th August, November, February and May to 20th August, November, February and May (or the next business day) from the 2015/16 rating year.***

Rainey/McGurk

Carried

Attendance: Councillors Lawrey and Skinner left the meeting at 11.55am, and returned at 11.57am.

It was confirmed that the Governance Committee would be receiving the Economic Development Services review shortly, and the funding would need to remain in the Long Term Plan to ensure options were available.

It was noted that the figures for street stalls in item 15.9 of the officer report were incorrect.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 12.08pm to 12.09pm.

In response to concerns about rental increases for street stalls, it was confirmed that the Works and Infrastructure Committee did not resolve to increase rents by the Consumer Price Index, as a review of rents was to be undertaken.

It was noted that the income from street stalls went to the inner city enhancement account, and if this was changed, the inner city differential would increase.

## 17. Resource Consent Fees and Charges

Resolved

***THAT the Resource Consent and Resource Management Act Planning Document Fees and Charges under the Resource Management Act 1991 for 2015-16 be adopted as detailed in Attachment 1 to Report A1317553;***

***AND THAT the Resource Consent and Resource Management Act Planning Document Fees and Charges apply as from 1 July 2015 until such time as they are varied or amended by Council;***

McGurk/Ward

Carried

## 18. Financial Policies (Revenue and Financing Policy, the Funding Impact Statement (Rates) and the Rates Remission Policy

It was confirmed that no submissions had been received regarding financial policies.

Resolved

***THAT the Revenue and Financing Policy, the Funding Impact Statement (Rates) and the Rates Remission Policy be adopted as detailed in Attachments A1323785, A1323806 and A1323787 to Report A1317555.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Barker

Carried

## 19. Infrastructure Strategy

Resolved

***THAT the Infrastructure Strategy be adopted as detailed in Attachment A1250365 to Report A1317555;***

***AND THAT factors such as climate change and population growth will receive increased***

*analysis as the Infrastructure Strategy is reviewed in future years.*

Davy/Copeland

Carried

## 20. Financial Strategy

Resolved

***THAT the Financial Strategy be adopted as detailed in Attachment A1328267 to Report A1317555.***

Barker/Acland

Carried

## 21. Other Matters

It was advised that the late submission regarding Muslim burials (Submission L18) would be dealt with at an operations level.

In response to a question, the Chief Executive, Clare Hadley, advised that \$52,500 per annum was budgeted for marketing Council facilities.

In response to questions, Mrs Hadley advised the design of the Greenmeadows facility would be presented to Council at a future meeting. She said the Modellers Pond would also be considered by Council in the near future.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for lunch from 12.26pm to 12.52pm, during which time Councillors Acland, Barker and Noonan left the meeting.

There was discussion on the Trafalgar Centre. It was highlighted that a report on the matter would be presented to Council in June. A document was tabled (A1367210) which provided detail on Trafalgar Centre capital expenditure.

Attendance: Councillor Noonan returned to the meeting at 12.54pm.

There was discussion on performing arts centre project investigations. It was agreed that it was prudent for Council to consider this matter in the future.

Resolved

***THAT \$25,000 be allocated to support a review and update of the material previously prepared for a performing arts centre in Nelson in 2017/18.***

Rainey/Davy

Carried

There was discussion on the Theatre Royal.

Attendance: Councillor Acland returned to the meeting at 1.04pm.

Councillor Rainey, seconded by Councillor Ward, moved a motion:

*THAT consideration of Council ownership of the Theatre Royal be undertaken in 2016/17 by Council in consultation with the Nelson Historic Theatre Trust and the public at large;*

*AND THAT a review of options to both resolve the Theatre's residual debt, as well as the provision of appropriate ongoing long term operational funding be undertaken in 2016/17;*

*AND THAT the concept of combined management of local performing arts venues be included in the work being undertaken by Council officers on venue management and marketing.*

In response to a question, Group Manager Corporate Services, Nikki Harrison, advised that Council was paying the interest on its loan to the Theatre Royal and no principal payments were being made.

There was discussion on debt and the wording in the Long Term Plan on this matter.

Her Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Copeland, moved an amendment:

*THAT the ownership and management of local performing arts venues, including but not limited to the Theatre Royal, be included in the work undertaken by Council officers on venue management and marketing.*

It was agreed that first discussions on this matter would be had in six to nine months. It was noted that the issue of debt had not been addressed.

The amendment was put and carried, and became the substantive motion.

Resolved

***THAT the ownership and management of local performing arts venues, including but not limited to the Theatre Royal, be included in the work undertaken by Council officers on venue management and marketing.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Copeland

Carried

Attendance: Councillor Davy left the meeting at 1.30pm.

There was discussion on the matter of fluoridating water. There was some support for continued discussions with the District Health Board.

It was suggested that Her Worship the Mayor write to the Minister of Health regarding this matter.

It was agreed that the Mayor's letter would be provided to councillors for their information and any further updates would be provided through the Mayor's Report.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 1.44pm to 1.51pm.

Resolved

***THAT the Council supports the Mayor in writing to the Minister of Health expressing the view that fluoridation of water is a public health issue best dealt with by central government.***

McGurk/Noonan

Carried

Councillors reviewed the proposed submitter responses in attachment 1 (A1353191).

Attendance: Councillor Lawrey left the meeting at 1.54pm.

It was agreed that the request to name streams/rivers on Council bridges (Submission 261) would be undertaken, with a small number of signs to be installed per year within budgets.

Attendance: Councillor Lawrey returned to the meeting at 1.58pm.

It was agreed that the suggestions regarding safety at the Nile St/Alton St junction in Submission 266 would be looked at by the Works and Infrastructure Committee in relation to other priorities.

It was agreed that an update on Submission 316 regarding Days Track would be provided to the Deputy Mayor.

It was agreed that further detail on the practicality of lighting trees would be provided to Submitter 558.

It was agreed that additional commentary from the Consultation Document would be provided to submissions about Nelson Nature.

It was noted that the response to Submitter 306 regarding Paremata Reserve should refer to the use of farm management plans.

In response to a question about Submission 251, Senior Strategic Adviser, Nicky McDonald, advised that there was public access to the Wakapuaka Hall bathrooms. She said that signposting would be assessed, and if signs were required and could be installed within existing budgets, this would be completed.

It was asked that Council officers talk further with the Women's Centre (Submission 333).

It was also asked that officers promptly identify any organisations at risk due to the reduction in Community Assistance funding.

Attendance: Councillor Skinner left the meeting from 2.20pm to 2.22pm.

It was noted that the Kohatu Motor Sport Park had been made a charitable trust.

It was agreed that Submitter 527 would be referred to the Nelson Resource Management Plan.

Attendance: Councillor Copeland left the meeting at 2.30pm.

It was suggested that the score clocks referred to in Submission 465 should be permanently secured to the Trafalgar Centre wall.

Attendance: Councillor Copeland returned to the meeting at 2.30pm. Councillor Matheson left the meeting from 2.37pm to 2.38pm.

It was noted that the response to Submission 572 should include reference to the weekly direct debit that was available for rates payments.

It was agreed that the urban design champion should lead progress on the panel referred to in Submission 33. It was also suggested that the response about fairy lights could be more positively worded.

It was agreed that Eureka Park would be incorporated into the Brook Recreation Reserve Management Plan, and it was asked that the response to Submission 39 in relation to this be worded more positively.

It was agreed that the response to Submission 462 would reference appropriate levels of engagement.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned from 2.58pm to 3.00pm, during which time Councillor Acland left the meeting.

Councillors requested further information on closing Trafalgar Street between Hardy Street and Selwyn Place in summer. It was agreed that the Group Manager Infrastructure would discuss this with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Works and Infrastructure Committee

## **22. Confirmation of Minutes – 6-8 May and 11 May 2015**

The Chief Executive highlighted several minor amendments required to the minutes.

Resolved

***THAT the amended minutes of the meeting of the Nelson City Council – to Hear Submissions to the Long Term Plan 2015-25, held on 6-8***

**May and 11 May 2015, be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

Ward/Her Worship the Mayor

Carried

Her Worship the Mayor provided detail on the indicative rates rise as a result of the deliberations decisions, being 3.6% in year one, 3.7% in year two and 3% in year three. It was confirmed that the debt to revenue ratio remained at 124%.

Attendance: Councillor Skinner left the meeting from 3.20pm to 3.21pm.

It was suggested that response to submitters could highlight that Council costs were higher than the Consumer Price Index, and provide the reasons for this.

Resolved

***THAT the resolutions previously passed throughout the meeting 'in principle' be confirmed.***

Her Worship the Mayor/Ward

Carried

There being no further business the meeting ended at 3.30pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Date