



MINUTES

Extraordinary Council Meeting

29 April 2025

**MINUTES OF WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE FUNCTION ROOM, WAIMATE EVENT CENTRE, 15 PAUL STREET, WAIMATE
ON TUESDAY, 29 APRIL 2025, COMMENCING AT 9:30AM**

PRESENT: Mayor Craig Rowley (Chair), Deputy Mayor Sharyn Cain (via Microsoft teams), Cr John Begg, Cr Peter Collins, Cr Sandy McAlwee, Cr Tom O'Connor, Cr Colin Pankhurst, Cr Lisa Small, Cr Rick Stevens

IN ATTENDANCE: Stuart Duncan (Chief Executive), Rachel Holley-Dellow (Human Resources Manager), Michelle Jones (Executive Support Manager), Dan Mitchell (Asset Group Manager), Dylan Murray (Regulatory and Compliance Group Manager), Tina Stevenson (Corporate Services Group Manager), Shey Taylor (Strategic Planning/Policy Advisor), Melissa Thomson (Accountant), Karalyn Reid (Committee Secretary)

OPENING

1 WELCOME

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting, and advised that the meeting was being recorded.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no Public Forum offered for this Extraordinary Meeting of Council.

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 VISITORS

MartinJenkins: Cathryn Lancaster (in person)

MartinJenkins: Mike Chatterley, Cat Moody (via Microsoft teams)

5 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Chair called for Conflicts of Interest. There were no Conflicts of Interest identified.

6 IDENTIFICATION OF MAJOR (URGENT) OR MINOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Nil

REPORTS

7 GENERAL REPORTS

7.1 LOCAL WATER DONE WELL

Council considered the options for the future management of water services to be included in the community consultation in relation to the development of a Water Services Delivery Plan.

Staff from MartinJenkins attended the meeting: Cathryn Lancaster (in person), and Mike Chatterley and Cat Moody (via Microsoft teams).

The Chief Executive outlined the background for the report, and invited Cathryn Lancaster of MartinJenkins to present the Local Water Done Well Options Assessment Report leading to an extensive discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of the two presented options. The presentation was also emailed to Elected Members at the beginning of the meeting and tabled at the meeting to Elected Members and members of the public present.

The meeting was adjourned at 10.46am for morning tea.

The meeting was reconvened at 11:00am.

RESOLUTION 2025/51

Moved: Mayor Craig Rowley

Seconded: Cr John Begg

1. That the Local Water Done Well report is accepted; and
2. That Council agrees to consult on two options, being:
 - (a) Option 1: An in-house delivery of water services, with changes to meet new legislative requirements; and
 - (b) Option 2: A joint multi-council Water Services Council Controlled Organisation with Mackenzie and Timaru District Council.
3. That Council adopts, in principle, and as its preferred option for consultation, the modified current model of an in-house water service delivery unit.

Against: Cr Rick Stevens

CARRIED

Note:

Council noted it will be important for elected members to hold in-depth discussions with potential submitters at every opportunity and in public meetings around the district to give background information and answer questions.

Council thanked MartinJenkins for this and prior work for Council in the water delivery services area, and also the Chief Executive and relevant Managers and staff who have been involved over a substantial period of time.

Timelines for the Water Services Delivery Plan consultation, hearings and meetings were noted, and will be circulated to elected members.

MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 11.40am.

The Minutes of this meeting are to be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting scheduled for 20 May 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON