

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL
HELD VIA ZOOM
ON WEDNESDAY 9 MARCH 2022 COMMENCING AT 1PM**

PRESENT

Mayor S T Broughton, Councillors, M A Alexander, J B Bland, S N O H Epiha, J A Gallagher, D Hasson, M P Lemon, M B Lyall, S McInnes, G S F Miller, R H Mugford and N C Reid

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. D Ward (Chief Executive), T Harris (Group Manager Environmental and Regulatory Services), D Marshall (Group Manager Property), K Mason (Group Manager Organisational Performance), M Washington (Group Manager Infrastructure), S Hill (Group Manager Communication and Customer Services), G Morgan (Service Delivery Manager Infrastructure), P Millar (Acting Major Projects Property Manager), M England (Asset Manager Water Services), R Raymond (Communications Advisor), D Meehan (Surface Water Engineer) and S Tully (Mayoral Advisor); Mesdames D Kidd (Group Manager Community Services and Facilities), and N Smith (Executive Assistant), and Ms T Davel (Committee Advisor)

The meeting was livestreamed.

The Mayor opened the meeting with the karakia and Councillor Affirmation and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He also welcomed everyone online listening to the meeting.

APOLOGIES

None

IDENTIFICATION OF ANY EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None new.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held via zoom on Wednesday 23 February 2022

Councillor Reid wanted it minuted that she was not in the last meeting and therefore did not participate nor vote in the item on the District Plan (*Proposed Selwyn District Plan Variation in response to the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and other matters) Amendment Act*)

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor Alexander

‘That the Council confirms the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held on Wednesday 23 February 2022, as circulated.’

CARRIED

MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION

See table at the end of the minutes.

REPORTS

1. Mayor *Mayor’s Report*

The Mayor took his report as read but added that the District Health Board (DHB) decision to close and support patients to move elsewhere from Darfield and Ellesmere Hospitals was to ensure continuity of care. Long-term discussions on the hospitals will be with the new health authority and not with the DHB.

In response to a question as to a process to report on meeting attended by Councillors on behalf of him, the Mayor said he would talk his PA about how best to do this.

Moved – Mayor Broughton / **Seconded** – Councillor Lyall

‘That Council receives the Mayor’s Report for information.’

CARRIED

2. Chief Licensing Inspector

Joint District Licensing Committee and Chief Licensing Inspector Monthly report for period February 2022

Staff took the report as read, noting it had been very quiet on the licensing front.

Moved – Councillor Bland / **Seconded** – Councillor Gallagher

That the Council receives the report on the activities of the District Licensing Committee and the Chief Licensing Inspector for February 2022.'

CARRIED

3. Asset Manager Water Services; and Water Service Delivery Manager

Water Services Monthly Update

Staff briefly touched on key items in the report. Speaking on the Springfield water supply staff said it had one of the highest levels of treatment in the District in relation to UV treatment and chlorination. Unfortunately it also had the worst water quality in the District. After an aerial survey a slip was found which is causing a mass loading of sediment now being deposited into the Kowhai River. This may be part of the issue.

Staff said a new reservoir was being installed and was due to be completed in June 2022.

Regarding the 3 Waters reform and working party recommendations, a full report will come before Council at its 23 March meeting.

In relation to the question at the last Council meeting on oral health, staff presented some data on the matter. They acknowledged the current data they have seems to be related to regional information rather than detailed District-wide information. Staff will continue to work on the data.

COVID was picked up in wastewater samples but it was a good sign that the system at least picked it up.

A land owner neighbouring Osbornes Drain gifted an easement to Council to start construction of a wetland in the next 12 months.

The Mayor asked staff to work with the Communications Team to put something on Council's web page around Springfield's water. He also asked whether staff had any further update on their communication with the runanga on a Selwyn water strategy.

Regarding the funding model for construction the wetland, the costs will be borne by ratepayers around the drain. The budget for it was part of the draft Annual Plan discussions.

Moved – Councillor Alexander / **Seconded** – Councillor Lyall

That the Council receives the report Water Services Monthly Update for information.'

CARRIED

4. Group Manager Property

Further Funds required for Foster Park artificial Turf Project

Staff took the report as read. Councillors asked about variations which relate to at least 46 items that should have been included in the original design. They queried why it was missed off. There were questions about raising user fees after having agreed a set fee with clubs. Also the distance from the surface to the fence was not picked up earlier. Staff explained these were all part of tidying up the design and construction.

Staff also acknowledged that the \$46k shortfall over a period of 15 years will equate to \$3 per household (across the entire period).

Moved – Councillor Miller / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

‘That Council:

- (a) Receives the report outlining the progress on the Foster Park Artificial Turfs Project and associated variations and rationale for variations.*
- (b) Approves an increase to the project contingency budget from \$175,000 plus GST to \$259,864 plus GST being an additional \$85,000 plus GST, the additional cost being charged to the artificial turf construction project costs funded from a combination of user charges and district reserve targeted rate.*
- (c) Notes that the increase in the contingency budget will increase the contingency from 4.1% of the overall project price to 6.1% of the overall project price.*
- (d) Notes that the variations required will incur a likely delay of approximately two weeks to the overall practical completion of the project.*

CARRIED

5. Surface Water Engineer

Potential Stock Water Race Closure Hearing – Council Deliberation and Decision

Councillor Miller noted a conflict of interest in relation to Malvern part of the closure and would not participate nor vote on the matter.

Staff noted the supplementary report circulated in relation to correspondence from the Isaac Conservation and Wildlife Trust legal team. The request is to defer decision-making on the closure of the water race, in particular the portion on the Trust's land. The delay will ensure all parties have considerable time to be heard. Staff confirmed a decision to delay closure of that part of the race would not affect the other two sections.

Council discussed the issue noting that it would be fair to be deferred and that it was an interesting matter in that Selwyn District Councillors were in fact making a decision on an area within the Christchurch City Council boundaries.

Councillor Alexander noted a new hearing would be appropriate as this hearing had concluded. Anything further would need to have a new panel and a new hearing. He

said I would be a good idea to have a member of the relevant Community Board or Ward Councillor assisting the panel since it's their ratepayers being affected.

Moved (as amended) – Councillor Lemon / **Seconded** – Councillor Mugford

- ~~1) That Council endorse the recommendations of the Hearing Panel following the hearing held on 3rd December 2021;~~
- 2) As recommended by the Hearing Panel, that Council approve the closure of one length of water race, Closure 14 totalling approximately 9.6km as recommended;
- 3) That Council approve the closure of one length of water race, Closure 13 totalling approximately 3.6km where 100% and agreement from affected landowners was reached outside the hearing;
- 4) review and consider the attached additional correspondence received in respect of the Proposed Closure **of the McLeans Island Road section**; and
- 5) defer its decision in relation to the Proposed Closure until the Council has heard and considered any further submissions made on the Proposed Closure.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

REGISTER OF SIGNED AND SEALED DOCUMENTS

The Chief Executive would follow up and report back to Councillor regarding staff providing adequate information on the future of Selwyn Huts and sewage system.

Moved – Councillor Bland / **Seconded** – Councillor Gallagher

‘That the following transactions and the fixing of the Common Seal under authorised signatures have been approved.’

1	Name of other party	Robert James McIlraith
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Part Reserve 263 Shands Road, Prebbleton 2 hectares

2	Name of other party	Carol Marcia Gurney
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Hororata Hall Library Room, 55 Hororata Road

3	Name of other party	Philip Leslie Phelps
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence to occupy to 30 June 2020
	Transaction description	Transfer of Deed of Licence from Stephen Curtis to Philip Leslie Phelps following the sale of Hut 17 Upper Selwyn Huts

4	Name of other party	Merf Ag Services Limited and Matthew Reed
	Transaction type	Plan Change 63
	Transaction description	Rezone approximately 60 hectares of land from Rural Outer Plains to a mix of Living 1 and Living 1 Deferred zones, Darfield)

5	Name of other party	Rolleston Industrial Developments Limited
	Transaction type	Plan Change 66
	Transaction description	Rezone approximately 27.27 hectares of Rural land to Business 2A Zone industrial area on Maddisons Road, Rolleston)

6	Name of other party	Holly Farm
	Transaction type	Plan Change 62
	Transaction description	Rezone approximately 43 hectares of current deferred Residential and Rural land to Residential land, Leeston

7	Name of other party	Philip Leslie Phelps
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Lot 17 Upper Selwyn Huts

8	Name of other party	West Melton-Weedons Pony Club
	Transaction type	Deed of Variation Licence
	Transaction description	Newtons Road, West Melton

9	Name of other party	Malvern Community Vehicle Trust and Community Patrols of New Zealand
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Occupy some open bay sheds at the former Sicon Depot site in Darfield

10	Name of other party	Wendy Risdon
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Lot 31 Upper Selwyn Huts

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved – Councillor Reid / **Seconded** – Councillor Lyall

‘That the public be excluded from the following proceedings of this meeting. The general subject matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason of passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Date information can be released
1.	Public Excluded Minutes	<i>Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7</i>	<i>Section 48(1)(a)</i>	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) 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 or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, 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:

1	Enable the local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities; or	Section 7(2)(h)
1	Enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations); or	Section 7(2)(i)

2 *that appropriate officers remain to provide advice to the Committee.'*

CARRIED

Council had a short break from 1.52pm – 1.53pm

The public meeting moved into Public Excluded at 1.53pm.

The meeting resumed in open meeting at 2.23pm and ended at 2.23pm.

DATED this 30 day of March 2022


MAYOR

PUBLIC MATTERS UNDER INVESTIGATION

<i>Community Centres, Halls and Libraries Network Plan (Council, 13 October 2021)</i>	Report on landbanking - buying land now for future community facilities	11 May 2022
<i>Accessibility Report (Council, 13 October 2021): how staff can encourage applicants to ensure buildings were as accessible as possible</i>	Staff report to consider modifications after advice from Chief Executive	25 May 2022
<i>Vaccine mandate policy – advice from Medical Officer</i>	Invite CDHB Medical Officer to present evidence as to efficiency of vaccine mandate policy	23 March 2022