

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 2021 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 (via Zoom), S McInnes, G S F Miller, R H Mugford and N C Reid

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Messrs. D Ward (Chief Executive), K Mason (Group Manager Organisational Performance), S Hill (Group Manager Communication and Customers), M Washington (Group Manager Infrastructure), G Morgan (Service Delivery Manager), M Johnston (Chief Licensing Inspector), M Chamberlain (Team Leader, Transportation), G Huggins (Roading Maintenance Engineer), B Rhodes (Planning Manager), J Richmond (Manager, Active Selwyn), M England (Asset Manager Water Services), R Love (Team Leader Strategy and Policy), R Raymond (Communications Advisor), S Sudarsanan (ICT Desktop Support Officer), B Smith (Probity Auditor), M Logan (Senior District Arts, Culture and Lifelong Learning Coordinator), L Sole (District Digital Futures coordinator) and S Tully (Mayor's Advisor), Mesdames D Kidd (Group Manager Community Services and Facilities), E McLaren (Water Services Delivery Manager), S Cotter Tait (Consultant), G Hughes (Personal Assistant), N Smith (Executive Assistant), T Fraser (Senior District Arts, Culture and Lifelong Learning Coordinator), J Thornley (Community Learning Librarian), N Moen (Manager Arts, Culture and Lifelong Learning), P Parata-Goodall (Pou Ahurea), H Browne (Library and Service Centre Operations Manager), C Grant (District Collections and Content Coordinator), N Faigan (Community Library / Service Centre Assistant), C Wilson (Community Library / Service Centre Assistant), S Bloor (Community Learning Librarian), E Sibbald (Community Learning Librarian), G Bowden (Manager Community Spaces) and Ms T Davel (Governance Coordinator)

Selwyn Youth Council members: Reece Mutohori; Issy Kennedy and Z'Arn Payne

*The meeting was livestreamed.*

Mayor Broughton opened the meeting with the karakia and Councillor Affirmation.

**APOLOGIES**

None

**IDENTIFICATION OF ANY EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS**

None identified.

## CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Standard conflicts were applied to this meeting, e.g. Councillor Hasson in respect to the item on District Licensing.

## PUBLIC FORUM

### Davina Penny, Land Issues in Selwyn District Council

Davina Penny presented to Council on Land Issues in Selwyn, in particular the setbacks to quarries and the environmental and health impact this has. (*Refer attached presentation and statement as read during the Council meeting.*)

Councillors Hasson, Reid and Alexander stepped away from the table during the discussion as these Councillors will be Hearing Commissioners on the proposed District Plan.

Davina told Council that quarrying causes valuable soil to be removed. She said it was well known that rehabilitation in this region is not undertaken in a timely manner, and also that it was likely to be in the form of just 30cm of soil which is grassed.

Davina said that Council had previously indicated they were adequately serviced by currently consented quarries. Christchurch also has adequate supply. Recent reporting from a consent hearing indicated that there is between 23 - 28 years of available aggregate. Ms Penny continued asking if we have 30 years supply, isn't it the right time to pause the consenting until we know what the needs will be in 30 years?

Ms Penny then talked about setbacks, noting that all Councils have a duty under S23 of the Health Act to protect or improve health. She asked Council to consider 1km as a setback. By doing so Ms Penny said Council will take the significant step of ensuring they were intent on being compliant with the Health Act.

Councillor Lemon said it was a fantastic presentation with clearly a lot of work done. He asked that her presentation be circulated, as well as any submission to the District Plan. Ms Penny said she had indicated her intent to be heard during the submission process.

The Mayor thanked Ms Penny for her presentation.

### Selwyn District Youth Council

Three members of the Selwyn Youth Council presented and introduced themselves and the rest of their colleagues by way of a video. They told Council why they joined the Youth Council and what their specific interests are. They said it was a pleasure to be of service to the community and help the next generation coming through.

The Mayor thanked the group for the changes they make and their impact on their peers and the community. The group told the Mayor they think Council can engage more with young people through social media and involving them in whatever they were passionate about, listening to them and using existing structures in schools to connect with young people.

Councillor Epiha asked them how they engaged young people to move into employment and was told there was a Youth Council workstream working on mahi.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

- 1. Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday 24 March 2021**

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

*‘That the Council confirms the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held on Wednesday 24 March 2021’*

**CARRIED**

## CURRENT MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION

Reduction of speed limits – interim review	Council 24 February 2021	Staff to report back on possible interim review on speed limit reductions	26 May 2021
Quarry setbacks	Council 14 April 2021	Report back on issues raised in public forum, in particular quarry setbacks	12 May 2021

## REPORTS

### 1. Mayor's Report

*Mayor's Report – March 2021*

The Mayor took his report as read but briefly noted a meeting on tourism he recently attended.

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

*'That Council receives the Mayor's report for March 2021, for information.'*

**CARRIED**

### 2. Chief Licensing Inspector

*Joint District Licensing Committee and Chief Licensing Inspector Monthly report for period 1 February 2021 to 28 February 2021*

*Councillor Hasson stepped away from the table due to a conflict of interest.*

The Chief Licensing Inspector, Mr Malcolm Johnston took his report as read but added the recent Selwyn Sounds event was a highlight with very few issues from it. Councillor Miller noted he spoke to police on the day and was also told there were no issues with drink driving after the event.

In response to a question from Councillor Mugford as to a new establishment on the site of the former Kirwee Tavern, Mr Johnston noted he had not received an application for an alcohol license yet but believes the new build is progressing. It will be a tavern.

**Moved** – Councillor Miller / **Seconded** – Councillor Mugford

*'That the Council receives the report on the activities of the District Licensing Committee and the Chief Licensing Inspector for February 2021.'*

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Hasson return to the table.*

### 3. Group Manager – Community Services and Facilities

*Community Services and Facilities Report - February*

Council's Group Manager Community Services and Facilities, Mrs Denise Kidd told Council that her team and Selwyn Youth Council undertook a Dragon's Den exercise to choose their skills and projects they will work on. She said it was good fun and a good outcome. Mrs Kidd then introduced Puamiria Parata-Goodall and Nicki Moen to present to Council.

Ms Parata-Goodall told Council about Te Ara Ātea and the names of the various spaces within the building. She showed images of what the spaces would look like and told Council the history behind the names. (*Refer PowerPoint presentation for reference*)

Ms Parata-Goodall explained the name Te Ara Ātea was the name rūnanga gave it and it means a pathway or unobstructed trail to space and beyond. It also talks about the traditional trails walked by our ancestors, trails used to find resource and food. It is the same trails we follow today.

She said within the building there are a number of places to stop, think, and gather thoughts. There were 3 main pai on the ground floor which carry names supporting the notion behind the name of the building. They are based on the theme and also horizons close to us and which we want our community to reach out to.

Ms Parata-Goodall said the first space would be called Huanui which means 'large pathway'. It is also a te reo word for a kaka perch which is representative of mahinga kai.

The second space would be called Tahatu, meaning 'horizon' and it encourages us to look out and beyond.

Thirdly there is a space called Te Whare Tapere or house of entertainment. It will boast a theatre and be open for exhibitions, performances and a place where we can practice our traditional art forms, but also create new art forms.

Other spaces would be called Wahi Tairongo, meaning sensory space, and also Wahi Auaha, meaning creative space and Wahi Waihanga or a workshop space to construct or create. Ms Parata-Goodall said room names were hierarchical.

On the first floor there were four main areas: Te Waka Huia, meaning a vessel storing our feathers. She explained only chiefs had tuia feathers as they were tonga and Te Waka Huia refers to the place where chiefs could hold their most precious tonga.

Another space was called Toi Huarewa referring to the traditions of pakeha and the acknowledgement of the acquisition of knowledge from pakeha.

The meeting room Pae Tata means 'near horizon', referring to our short to medium term goals.

Lastly the space Te Pae Tawhiti means a room without walls, which intends for us to look past what we already know and push ourselves to the beyond.

Ms Parata-Goodall then spoke about the Whakatau Whare (whakatau – to settle; whare – the building), or blessing coming up, on 11 October.

Mrs Moen told Council that from the date of the blessing, the team will be busy for around 5 weeks putting in furniture, shelving and the site will practically be a construction site again. She said on the day of the blessing anyone will be able to explore the building although it will be empty. Mrs Moen asked people to book tours and bring small community groups with them as this will provide a good learning opportunity for staff to get used to taking people through the building.

Mrs Moen said the official opening will be on Saturday 20 November 2021 and they were keen to make this a district-wide event. She asked Council for any ideas to make this a success. A glossary of te reo names and phrases used throughout Te Ara Atea were also handed out.

Councillor Alexander said they might consider putting up buses for townships further afield to be able to make it to an open day. The Mayor said it was exciting to see it all come together and transition to something new doesn't happen easily.

Mrs Kidd then talked about community committee workshops and Councillor McInnes asked whether there could be consideration for having some of those outside working hours so a wide range of people could attend. Councillor Epiha thanked the group for the presentation, noting more maori words were spoken in this presentation in the Chambers than in all of his time at Council so far. He said the building will be a jewel in the community. Councillor Epiha also thanked the Leeston Library team for reading books to his children and for how well they look after people using the services such as rates payments.

Councillor McInnes thanked Hayley Browne for running the Council waita group.

Councillor Bland asked whether the events marketing fund was advertised wider than just Selwyn District to which Mrs Kidd responded it was also advertised in Christchurch.

The team is looking at opportunities to incorporate Matariki events and also more events reaching out to the youth residential facilities.

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

*'That the Council receive this Report for information purposes only.'*

**CARRIED**

#### **4. Team Leader Strategy and Policy**

*Kirwee Water Treatment Facility – Notice of Requirement Decision*

Councillor Alexander asked that the Commissioners' report be included as part of the minutes of today's meeting.

**Moved** – Councillor Mugford / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

*'That the Council:*

- a) Pursuant to Section 168(4) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Selwyn District council accepts the recommendation of the independent Commissioner to confirm the Notice of Requirement for the Kirwee Water Treatment Facility outlined in the report dated 5 January 2021.*
- b) Waives its appeal rights under Section 174(1) to enable the designation to become operative with immediate effect.*

c) *Delegates to the Team Leader Strategy and Policy the delegation to take any steps necessary to give effect to recommendation (a) above.'*

**CARRIED**

## **5. Asset Manager Water Services, and Water Service Delivery Manager** *Water Services Monthly Update*

Council's Asset Manager Water Services and Water Service Delivery Manager went through the report, referring only to updates and in particular spoke to the draft LTP consultation document in relation to water matters.

It was proposed to upgrade the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in Rolleston to ensure Council can meet the future demands of the growth in the district. Also Ellesmere WWTP is connected to the Pines then Upper Selwyn Huts could also potentially be connected.

A project team has been appointed for the Waters Stimulus Project with the programme of construction being finalised to ensure the completion date of March 2022 will be met.

Staff said the consultation document includes information on chlorination; proposed increase in the volumetric charge and a rural water charge where properties require additional water units. In relation to chlorination staff said it was difficult to say when Councils can expect to get a direction from the new water regulator and that each Council would have to pay for its own review by an international expert panel. They added that there were only three water safety plans approved in New Zealand, of which Selwyn District Council has one. Councillor Miller challenged the notion that the water regulator will no longer approve water safety plans as it seemed to defeat the purpose and staff said it was their understanding that Councils would have to take the risk and manage it. They will report back on this as a matter of clarity.

The Mayor said there should be a user based charge to give people an opportunity to choose how they use water.

In relation to land drainage there was one matter in the consultation document, i.e. Osbornes' Drain. Staff reported a working party started working well together back in 2016, and members include staff from ECan, rūnanga, staff from Selwyn District Council as well as a number of members from the land drainage working committee.

Councillor Miller remarked on the weed boat which will soon be ready to re-launch.

Council thanked staff for their work and Councillor Lemon in his capacity as Chairperson of the Audit and Risk Subcommittee thanked them in particular for the recent site visit. He said the quality of workmanship and liaison with staff from Sicon gave him assurance about the quality of water to residents.

**Moved** – Councillor Lemon / **Seconded** – Councillor Epiha

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



## GENERAL BUSINESS

### REGISTER OF DOCUMENTS SIGNED AND SEALED

**Moved** – Councillor Miller / **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	Orion NZ Ltd
	Transaction type	Licence agreement for Site licences for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
	Transaction description	Lincoln Library, 18 Lyttelton Street Leeston Library, 17 Gallipoli Street Dunsandel Community Centre, 1456 Tramway Road

2	Name of other party	Thomland Trust
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Reserve 1508 Telegraph Road, Hororata 2.0234 hectares

3	Name of other party	Alastair Tomes
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Part Reserve 4363 Pacific Drive, Rakaia Huts 3.5640 hectares

4	Name of other party	Saba Amalinde Polderman-Charles
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Part Reserve 1566 Auchenflower Road, Darfield 0.17 hectares

5	Name of other party	Jacqui Rosewall
	Transaction type	Deed of Licence
	Transaction description	Foster Dog Park, Springston-Rolleston Road

### DISCUSSION ON ITEMS RAISED IN PUBLIC FORUM

The Chief Executive would provide advice on the issues raised by Ms Penny at a future meeting.

### RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

**Moved** – Councillor Bland / **Seconded** – Councillor Epiha

*‘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>	Section 48(1)(a)	
2.	Awarding of Network Maintenance Contract			14 April 2021

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, 2,	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**

The public meeting ended at 2.40pm for a brief break before moving into Public Excluded at 2.50pm.

The meeting resumed in open meeting at 3.23pm.

**RESOLUTION MADE PUBLIC**

In relation to the item in the public excluded agenda on 'Award of Contract No. 1420 Selwyn District Road Network Maintenance Term Contract 2021 – 2026' the recommendation was resolved to be made public as from this day.

**Moved** – Councillor Alexander / **Seconded** – Councillor Bland

*'That the Council:*

- (a) *Receives the report 'Award of Contract No. 1420 Selwyn District Road Network Maintenance Term Contract 2021 – 2026'.*
- (b) *Awards the Contract C1420 to HEB Construction in the sum of \$65,602,078.50 .*
- (c) *That the resolution moves to Public.'*

**CARRIED (9 / 3)**

Voted against: Councillor Lemon, Miller and Epiha.

The meeting ended at 3.23pm.

DATED this 28 day of April 2021

  
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**MAYOR**