

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL 2025 COMMENCING AT 1.00PM**

PRESENT

Mayor S T Broughton; Councillors P M Dean, S N O H Epiha, L L Gliddon, D Hasson, M B Lyall, S G McInnes, R H Mugford, E S Mundt, N C Reid & Ms McKay

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs., Steve Gibling (Acting Chief Executive); T Mason (Executive Director Infrastructure and Property), M McGrath (Chief Digital Officer), R Love (Executive Director Development and Growth), J Richmond (Head of Sports and Recreation), G Morgan (Head of Operational Delivery), T Heine (Advisor to Mayor), B Baird (Strategy Team Leader), Y Li (Transportation Asset Planning Manager), A Mazey (Strategic Transport Lead), J Wood (Senior Project Manager); Mesdames A Sneddon (Chief Financial Officer), D Kidd (Executive Director Community Services & Facilities), S Meares (Senior Counsel), N Cahill (Marketing Manager), P Ganda (Senior Communications Advisor), Ms T Davel (Senior Governance Advisor), Mrs M Mordaunt (Personal Assistant), B Adhikari (Governance Coordinator)

The meeting was livestreamed.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received in respect of Councillor Grant Miller.

Moved – Councillor Gliddon / **Seconded** – Councillor Mundt

'That the Council receives the apologies, as notified.'

CARRIED

IDENTIFICATION OF ANY EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 19 March 2025.**

Councillor Gliddon noted that the Community Board Chair referred to the Rolleston Resident's Association and not the Darfield Resident's Association when he presented to Council at the last meeting.

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

'That the Council confirms the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held on Wednesday 19 March 2025, as amended.'

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Sheffield Pool Deliberations held on Wednesday 19 March 2025.

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

'That the Council confirms the minutes of the Sheffield Pool Deliberations on Wednesday 19 March 2025.'

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 26 March 2025.

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

'That the Council confirms the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held on Wednesday 26 March 2025.'

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 2 April 2025.

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

'That the Council confirms the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council held on Wednesday 2 April 2025.'

CARRIED

PUBLIC FORUM (This item was taken after the Subcommittees' reports)

David Page – Safety concerns at the Springs Road / Verdecos Boulevard intersection

Speaking on behalf of 100 signatories, Mr David Page raised safety concerns regarding the Springs Road/Verdecos Boulevard intersection in Lincoln. He urged the Council to take immediate action to prevent any potential incidents and recommended conducting community consultation to address the issue.

Mr Page was thanked for his presentation.

Graham Evans – Upper Selwyn Huts response to the Engagement Summary by Jacobs

Mr Graham Evans, Chair of the Upper Selwyn Huts Owners Association, thanked Selwyn District Council for organising drop-in sessions in October and November 2024 regarding the future of the Upper Selwyn Huts. He described the Jacobs report as "biased," noting that it was prepared after consulting only 35 out of 95 households. He emphasised the need for an extended consultation period to ensure all homeowners have the opportunity to be heard.

Mayor Sam informed the Council that a report regarding a decision on Selwyn Huts is expected to be presented to the Council in due course.

Mr Evans was thanked for his presentation.

Mike Vincent, Baseline Group – Deg Tegh Fateh Sikh Society

Mr. Mike Vincent requested the Council's support in identifying suitable land, including the potential use of Council-owned sites, for a temple with parking and a community garden. He noted that the 6.1-hectare site purchased by the Society at 517 Hamptons Road in 2022 received 90 out of 100 public submissions in opposition, citing concerns about noise and traffic.

Mr Vincent was thanked for his presentation.

MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION

None.

REPORTS

1. Mayor

Mayor Broughton shared that during recent school visits, students wrote letters suggesting future Council priorities, including facilities like a movie theatre, Chipmunks, Mitre10, and LEGO stores.

He also presented data on police, housing, health, and education, highlighting a lack of central government investment in Selwyn despite residents' significant contributions. Comparing per capita contributions from 2013 to 2023 with neighbouring districts—Ashburton, Christchurch, and Waimakariri—he noted Selwyn's contributions were comparable or higher, warning that continued government underinvestment risks turning the district into a "forgotten land."

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

'That Council receives the Mayor's Report April 2025 for information'

CARRIED

2. REPORT BACK FROM SUBCOMMITTEES

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

'That Council receives the feedback from Subcommittee Chairpersons, for information'

CARRIED

2.1 Economic Development

Councillor Dean updated the Council regarding the subcommittee meeting held earlier this morning which discussed an update on the work programme, including dark sky, and the steering group, setting a timeline and pathway going forward.

2.2 Housing and Urban Development

Councillor McInnes informed the Council that the committee recently held a public-excluded workshop and a further meeting is expected in the next month.

2.3 Climate Change and Sustainability

Councillor Reid informed the Council that the subcommittee has not met since the last Council meeting. However, discussions are currently underway regarding the agenda for the upcoming meeting scheduled for 7 May.

2.4 Local Water Done Well

Mayor Broughton informed the Council that there will be no further subcommittee meetings on the subject. Papers related to the matter will be presented directly at the Council meetings.

2.5 Finance & Performance

Councillor Epiha informed the Council that the subcommittee met last week and informed that Council that capital projects were underway ahead of the schedule and under the budget of \$40.5 million.

2.6 Audit and Risk

No updates.

3. Chief Executive

Chief Executive's Report

Acting Chief Executive Steve Gibling presented the Chief Executive's report. He clarified that, in line with current practice, individuals may stand for election as Mayor, Councillor, or Community Board member, or as Mayor, Councillor at large, and Community Board member. However, individuals cannot stand for both Ward Councillor and Councillor-at-large positions.

In response to a submission concerning government legislation and wastewater charges, particularly in relation to Taumata Arowai's proposed wastewater standards, Mr Gibling informed the Council that staff are currently working on the draft submission. Once finalised, the submission will be circulated to Councillors for their awareness. He also noted that the Council is, in principle, supportive of the proposed environmental performance standards and several of the changes included in the draft. The submission deadline is 24th April but the final submission document will be circulated to the Councillors on 22nd April for feedback.

Mayor Broughton informed the Council that any elected members can make submissions on electoral reform submission proposed by local government. Councillor McInnes suggested that the Council make a collective submission on the electoral reform.

Moved – Councillor Mugford / **Seconded** – Councillor Lyall

'That Council:

(a) Receives the Chief Executive's report for information; and

(b) Retrospectively endorses the Council submission on the Canterbury Regional Council's Annual Plan 2025-26

CARRIED

4. Sheffield Memorial Pool Ownership

Head of Sports and Recreation / Senior Counsel

Councillor Gliddon proposed a motion to have an additional option "e. consider transfer of the demolition funds to legal entity post successfully transfer of the asset" to the existing four options in the staff report. It was lost 6-3.

Votes for: Councillors Mugford, Hasson, Gliddon

Votes against: Mayor Sam, Councillors Epiha, Reid, Mundt, McInnes, Dean

Moved – Councillor Epiha / **Seconded** – Councillor McInnes

That the Council:

*(a) **Receives** the Sheffield Memorial Pool Ownership report*

*(b) **Approves** transfer of ownership and operation of the Sheffield Memorial Pool (both land and assets owned by the Council) from Council to the Kowai Pass Reserve Trust*

(or not-for-profit nominee to be determined by the Trust), subject to:

- i. Transfer agreement being entered into by 30 June 2025;
- ii. Resolution of the certificate of title issues associated with the land on which the Pool sits by 30 June 2027;
- iii. Transfer being conditional on the Trust (or nominated entity) obtaining consent from the Department of Conservation title;
- iv. The Pool not being operated by the Trust (or nominated entity) until the transfer is completed.

(c) **Delegates** to the Chief Executive Officer, the power to negotiate and agree to the final terms and conditions of transfer to the Kowai Pass Reserve Trust on terms satisfactory to the Chief Executive Officer in their discretion, subject to the above conditions being met.'

(d) **Approves** demolition of the Sheffield Memorial Pool, in the event that:

- (i) mutually satisfactory terms of the transfer are unable to be agreed by 30 June 2025; or
- (ii) that the agreement to transfer otherwise comes to an end prior to transfer.

CARRIED

Afternoon tea break 3:00pm-3:15pm

5. Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2009

Head of Operational Delivery/Transportation Delivery Manager

Staff noted that the proposal will not amend the bylaw itself but will update Schedule Four of the bylaw, which lists the designated marked parking spaces within town centres that are not located on public streets. Staff advised that the Council delegate authority to the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Property to supplement, amend, or remove restrictions from the schedule, rather than requiring formal endorsement through a full Council meeting each time.

Moved – Councillor Mugford / **Seconded** – Councillor Epiha

a) That the Council adopts the new parking restrictions, as signed and marked at:

- i. Rōhutu Way – carparks 3 and 4
 - ii. Christensen Parade – carparks 5 and 6 (adjacent to RCC), and adjacent to Playground
 - iii. Tennyson Street (bounded by Markham Way and Peel Close – carpark 2
- And the parking restrictions to be added to **Schedule Four to the Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2009**.

b) That the Council delegates approval to supplement, alter or remove restrictions to **Schedule Four of the Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2009** to the Executive Director of Infrastructure & Property.

CARRIED

6. Advancing Spring Road / Ellesmere Junction Road / Gerald Street Intersection Signalisation Upgrade

Senior Project Manager / Transportation Asset Planning Manager

Staff informed the Council that the developer, Carter Group, has requested the advancement of the planned intersection works at Springs Road from the 2027–28 financial year to 2026–27. A full review was undertaken, and it was noted that the proposal could be considered feasible from a construction standpoint. In response to a question regarding whether the proposal could set a precedent for other developers seeking to bring forward their own projects, staff acknowledged that this was a possibility and noted that the Council would need to take this into account when making its decision. Staff noted that the proposed upgrades would provide two key benefits: improved road safety and enhanced traffic flow.

Each item was voted separately.

'That Council:

a) Receives this report for information;

CARRIED

b) Approves, subject to a satisfactory Development Agreement being entered into with the Carter Group, the advancement of the Springs Road / Ellesmere Junction Road / Gerald Street Intersection Signalisation within the early stages of the Lincoln Town Centre Stages 2 & 3 program, as outlined in Option 2 of the Report; against raising

*For: Councillors Lyall, Epiha, Dean, Mugford, Reid,
Against: Councillors Gliddon, McInnes, Mundt, Hasson*

CARRIED

c) Delegates the Executive Director Infrastructure and Property the authority to enter into a Developer Agreement with the Carter Group as anticipated by DEV-LI8 - Lincoln 8 Development Area in the Operative District Plan;

CARRIED

d) Delegates the Executive Director Infrastructure and Property the authority to approve to resource and award the design and construction for Option 2.'

CARRIED

7. Canterbury Museum Trust Board Update

Senior Legal Counsel

Staff member noted that the Council is required under legislation to pay operation levies to Canterbury Museum Trust (CMT) and recruit a Selwyn District Council representative for the CMT Board.

Moved (as amended)– Councillor McInnes / **Seconded** – Councillor Dean

'That Council:

- a) Receives the report "Canterbury Museum Trust Board Update"*
- b) Endorses the notice to Canterbury Museum Trust Board set out in the appendix to this Report; and*
- c) Endorses the notice of objection to the proposed levies prior to 25 April 2025.*
- d) Appoint councillors McInnes and Mundt to work with the chair on the councillor appointment to the Museum Board.'*

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

None.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC FORUM

In response to the Public Forum presentations, the Acting Chief Executive advised:

- Mr Page: Council staff will gather additional information, and a further update will be provided through the Chief Executive's Report at the Council meeting on 21 May.
- Mr Evans: The Council team is progressing to the next stage of engagement with the community. This will be presented as a formal report rather than an update.
- Mr Vincent: A further update on this matter will be provided at the 21 May Council meeting as part of the Chief Executive's report.

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.	Minutes	<i>Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7</i>	<i>Section 48(1)(a)</i>	
2.	Future Direction for the Sister City Programme			
3.	Commercial Update			

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, 3	protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons	Section 7(2)(a)
1, 3	Enable the local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities; or	Section 7(2)(h)
2	The making available of the information would be likely: to prejudice the ... international relations of the Government of New Zealand	Section 6(a)

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

CARRIED

The meeting went into public excluded at 4:09pm.

With no further business being discussed, the meeting closed at 4.52pm.

DATED this 28 day of May 2025



CHAIRPERSON