

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE REGULATORY AND BUSINESS SUPPORT OF THE GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL**Held in Council Chambers, 105 Tainui Street, Greymouth****on Tuesday 22 October 2024 commencing at 1:00 pm**

PRESENT: Mayor Tania Gibson (Chair)
Councillor Allan Gibson, Councillor John Canning, Councillor Peter Davy, Councillor Kate Kennedy, Councillor Robert Mallinson, Councillor Jack O'Connor, Councillor Tim Mora, Cr Rex MacDonald (arrived 1.03pm)

IN ATTENDANCE: Joanne Soderlund (Chief Executive), Neil Engelbrecht (Finance Manager), Trish Jellyman (Democracy Advisor), Megan Bourke (Communications Officer)

Her Worship chaired the meeting due to Cr MacDonald being delayed.

1 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1.1 APOLOGIES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FRABS 24/10/022

Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson

Seconded: Cr John Canning

1. That the apology from Cr MacDonald for lateness be accepted.
2. That the apology from Kaiwhakahaere Tumahai be accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Carried Unanimously

1.2 UPDATES TO THE INTERESTS REGISTER

There were no updates to the Interest Register.

1.3 IDENTIFY ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS IN THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

1.4 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE FINANCE REGULATORY AND BUSINESS SUPPORT COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2024

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FRABS 24/10/023

Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson

Seconded: Cr Tim Mora

That the minutes of the Finance Regulatory and Business Support Committee held on 9 September 2024 be confirmed as true and correct.

Carried Unanimously

3 AGENDA ITEMS

3.1 MATTERS UNDER ACTION

Refer page 17 of the agenda.

Cr O'Connor noted that faecal incidents at WRC are costing around \$1,400 to \$1,500 an hour per incident. He wondered if it would be worth investigating the subsidising of "Little Swimmers" or offering free "Little Swimmers", to babies using this facility and whether or not this would be a viable option.

Her Worship stated that this could be looked into.

Cr Kennedy stated that dialling down the water temperature can help to reduce these type of incidents.

3.2 REGULATORY, RECREATION, BUSINESS SUPPORT AND CUSTOMER SERVICES REPORT

Refer page 18 of the agenda.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FRABS 24/10/024

Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson

Seconded: Cr Allan Gibson

That the Finance Regulatory and Business Support Committee:

1. Receives the report and notes the contents.

Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FRABS 24/10/025

Moved: Cr Mallinson

Seconded: Cr Rex MacDonald

That the financial report for the July period be put to the 31 October Council meeting

Carried Unanimously

Cr Mora asked if recruitment is underway for the Systems and Cataloguing role at the Library.

The CE advised that there are budgetary constraints in this area, she agreed to follow up on the priority of replacing this role. She stated that modelling for staffing levels for the new library is now underway.

Cr Gibson noted that there is a high number of overdue debtors. He asked if there is something being put in place around this issue.

The CE advised that the Acting CE was actively working on ways to manage debt recovery, there are a few issues that are now being followed up on.

The FM advised that the Acting CE had written a debt recovery policy which is yet to be finalised. He stated that staff are now catching up in this area.

In response to a query from Cr Kennedy, the CE agreed to follow up on when the Economic Strategy Review is likely to be put to Council.

In response to a query from Cr MacDonald regarding the Health and Safety Plan for the Greymouth Street Races, Her Worship confirmed that this is in place. She stated that the committee works closely with Council's Health & Safety staff for this event.

Cr Kennedy spoke of issues she has experienced with Snap Send Solve and issues around the work Council Contractors are doing. It was agreed this matter would be raised at this afternoon's meeting of the Operations & Capital Programme Delivery Committee as the GMO will be able to assist with this.

Cr O'Connor commented that it is great to see the implementation of Procurement to Pay as this will assist with keeping projects to budget and will also allow for live updates.

Her Worship asked the FM for an update on pan rates for schools as schools were previously advised not to pay at the moment.

The FM responded that he is currently working through this process.

Discussion took place on communication issues with Snap Send Solve. The CE advised that ELT are working on ways to improve feedback and contractor involvement. She is looking forward to seeing improvements in this area.

Her Worship stated that those residents that will be required to carry out separation of onsite services (stormwater and foul water), and connection to the new sewer only system will need time to be able to engage plumbers to carry out this work and it is important that assistance is provided wherever possible to these residents.

4 IN COMMITTEE ITEMS

That the public is excluded from this part of the meeting in relation to:

Agenda item 4.1

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each 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:

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FRABS 24/10/026

Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson

Seconded: Cr Allan Gibson

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
4.1 - CONFIRMATION OF IN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF FINANCE REGULATORY AND	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the

<p>BUSINESS SUPPORT COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2024</p>	<p>disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>
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Carried Unanimously

5 SUB-COMMITTEE RESUMES IN OPEN MEETING

CLOSURE OR RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS IN OPEN MEETING.

The meeting concluded at 1.20 pm.

Confirmed

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R MacDonald **Date**
Chairperson

