

**MINUTES OF CARTERTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE CARTERTON EVENTS CENTRE, 50 HOLLOWAY ST, CARTERTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 2:00 PM**

PRESENT: Cr Brian Deller (Chair), John Booth (Member - Deputy Chair), Mayor Steve Cretney, Cr Rachel Round, Cr Steve Gallon, John McFadzean (Member), Neil Wadham (Member), Grant Smith (Member)

IN ATTENDANCE: Elected members in attendance

Cr Simon Casey

Staff

Lawrence Stephenson (Group Manager Infrastructure), Jeet Kiran (Waters Compliance and Monitoring Officer), Melvin Pike (Water Race Overseer), Jason Rose (Water Race Overseer 2IC), Serah Pettigrew (Democratic Services Officer)

Other

Sue Teodoro (Stuff)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA

The meeting opened with a karakia by all members.

2 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Geoff Hamilton.

3 CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARATION

There were no conflicts on interest declared.

4 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

5 DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC FORUM

Not applicable.

6 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

6.1 MINUTES OF THE WATER RACE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2025

MOVED

1. That the Minutes of the Water Race Committee Meeting held on 12 November 2025 are true and correct.

Mayor S Cretney / J Booth

CARRIED

7 REPORTS

7.1 WATER RACE REPORT

1. PURPOSE

To provide the Water Race Committee with an update on the management of the Water Races.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

J Booth / N Wadham

CARRIED

MOVED

2. **Agreed** the following actions (after discussion at the Water Race Committee meeting on 12 November 2025 on the Water Race overflowing in Cobden Road):
 - (a) Schedule a site meeting on Cobden Road by the end of February 2026.
 - (b) Prepare costs for improvements at Cobden Road for the next Water Race Committee meeting

MOVED

Cr B Deller / N Wadham

CARRIED

7.2 WATER RACE WATER QUALITY REPORT**1. PURPOSE**

For the Committee to be informed about water quality in the water races and water race reconsent applications.

NOTED

- Council officers to contact Christine Foster (consultant) and ask staff at SWDC/MDC for information on the process of making a submission to the Natural Environments Bill.

ACTIONED

- Jeet emailed members with an update that Council was not doing a submission.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

J Booth / G Smith

CARRIED**8 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA**

The meeting closed with a karakia by all members.

The Meeting closed at: 3:00pm

Minutes confirmed:

Date: