

**MINUTES OF CARTERTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
POLICY AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE CARTERTON EVENTS CENTRE, 50 HOLLOWAY ST, CARTERTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 22 APRIL 2026 AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT: Cr Steve Gallon (Acting Chair), Mayor Steve Cretney, Cr Brian Deller, Cr Lou Newman, Cr Steve Laurence, Cr Simon Casey, Cr Jane Burns, Joel Ngātuere (Ngāti Kahukuraāwhitia)

IN ATTENDANCE: Staff

Geoff Hamilton (Chief Executive), Solitaire Robertson (Group Manager Planning and Regulatory), Glenda Seville (Group Manager Community and Facilities), Marc Ferguson (Chief Financial Officer), Lawrence Stephenson (Group Manager Infrastructure), Jeet Kiran (Waters Compliance and Monitoring Officer), Sarvesh Tiwari (Waste Management and Minimisation Officer), Christo Heyns (Project Manager), Ricky Utting (Climate Change Coordinator), Victoria Ross (Events Centre Manager), Sara Renall (Senior Communications and Engagement Advisor), Serah Pettigrew (Democratic Services Officer)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA

The meeting opened with a karakia by all members.

2 APOLOGIES

MOVED

That apologies be received from Deputy-Mayor Grace Ayling, and Cr Rachel Round.

Cr B Deller/Cr L Newman

CARRIED

3 CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARATION

There were no conflicts of 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 POLICY AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2026

MOVED

1. That the Minutes of the Policy and Projects Committee Meeting held on 18 February 2026 are true and correct.

Cr S Laurence / Cr J Burns

CARRIED

7 REPORTS

7.1 NEW ROAD NAME

1. PURPOSE

For Council to consider a proposal for a new road name.

NOTED

- The developer had followed council policy and consulted with local groups, and chosen a name endorsed by most, but not all parties that had been consulted. The Committee noted the thorough consultation and pragmatic approach, and accepted the developer's preferred name.

MOVED

That the Council:

1. **Receives** the report.
2. **Adopts** the proposed public road names for the subdivision by 67 Lincoln Limited off Lincoln Road to be known as Puanani Green.
3. **Instructs** officers to notify the District Land Registrar and Chief Surveyor, in accordance with Section 319A Local Government Act 1974.

Mayor S Cretney / Cr S Casey

CARRIED

7.2 EVENTS CENTRE REPORT

1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to receive the activities report for the Wairarapa Events Centre.

NOTED

- Event Centre Business Plan – Officers will provide more information on usage, value to the community, and financials. A workshop will be considered to discuss long-term business planning and user/community funding balance.
- Community Survey – The results will come to the next Council meeting on 6 May.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Cr L Newman / Mayor S Cretney

CARRIED

7.3 2024/25 COUNCIL EMISSIONS REPORT

1. PURPOSE

To provide the Council with visibility of the 2024/25 emissions report, a new baseline for Council.

NOTED

- Wastewater is by far the largest source of CDC's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and water treatment and pumps are the greatest user of CDC's electricity. Amalgamation of the Wairarapa Councils' water services under Waiti Water by July 2027 will see big changes to CDC's scope and emissions after the transition.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.
2. **Notes** the contents of the report.
3. **Notes** that this report becomes the baseline for comparison for the 2025/26 financial year.

Cr S Casey / Cr J Burns

CARRIED

7.4 UPDATE ON MAJOR PROJECTS

1. PURPOSE

To update the Committee on the progress of major projects.

NOTED

- Wastewater Intake Project – Officers will update the project page on the website with a high-level explanation of the Wastewater Intake project and benefits.
- Composting Pilot Programme - Officers will report on the Composting Pilot results and consider commercial opportunities depending on the outcome.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Cr L Newman / Cr J Burns

CARRIED

7.5 UPDATE ON OPERATIONAL CONSENTS

1. PURPOSE

To update the Committee on the status of the existing consents.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Cr B Deller / Cr J Burns

CARRIED

7.6 WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION UPDATE

1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to be updated on Carterton District's Waste Management and Minimisation services.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Mayor S Cretney / Cr S Laurence

CARRIED

7.7 RUAMĀHANGA ROADS UPDATE

1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to receive the report on the performance of Ruamāhanga Roads and the delivery of the roading contract with Fulton Hogan. The report also outlines the assessments for last year on the most critical bridges in the region.

DISCUSSION

NOTED

- Officers will conduct further detailed bridge inspection for the Atiwhakatu bridge to inform long-term planning and budget discussions, especially for critical bridges.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report on the Local Government Act Section 17A transportation review.
2. **Receives** the report on critical bridges within Carterton.

Cr S Casey / Mayor S Cretney

CARRIED

7.8 RUAMĀHANGA ROADS AND CORRIDOR ACCESS REPORT

1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to be updated on Ruamāhanga Roads and Corridor Access activities.

NOTED

- Officers will:
 - develop a roading risk register for future Policy & Projects Committee meetings.
 - ensure pricing and planning for the Ahiaruhe Settlement Road pavement reconstruction is included in Long-Term Plan discussions.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Mayor S Cretney / Cr B Deller

CARRIED

7.9 WATER OPERATIONS REPORT

1. PURPOSE

For the Committee to be updated on the water operations.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Cr B Deller / Mayor S Cretney

CARRIED

7.10 UPDATE ON PLANNING RESOURCE CONSENTS

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to update the Committee on the resource consents issued since the previous update.

MOVED

That the Committee:

1. **Receives** the report.

Mayor S Cretney / Cr S Casey

CARRIED

8 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

MOVED

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter 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 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	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
7.1 - Solar panel options	s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7

Mayor S Cretney / Cr B Deller

CARRIED

MOVED

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

Mayor S Cretney / Cr B Deller

CARRIED

9 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA

The meeting closed with a karakia by all members.

The Meeting closed at 11.19 am

Minutes confirmed:

Date: