
MINUTES
of the
STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
Komiti Rautaki me te Kaupapahere
held
9.31 am, Thursday, 18 September 2025
at
Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

The [video recording](#) of this meeting is available on the Council's YouTube channel

Present: Councillor K Maling (Chair), Mayor T King, Councillors C Butler (Deputy Chair), G Daikee, B Dowler, J Ellis, M Greening (Zoom), C Hill (Zoom), B Maru, and T Walker

In Attendance: Group Manager - Service and Strategy (J Ridd), Governance Manager (R Byrne) and Senior Governance Advisor (K McLean)

1 OPENING KARAKIA, WELCOME

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved Councillor Maru/Councillor Butler
SPC25-09-1

That the apologies from Deputy Mayor Bryant and Councillors D Shallcrass and C Mackenzie be accepted.

CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

- 3.1 Timo Neubauer spoke about Plan Change 81, in particular his opinion around the proposed rezoning of productive land between Hope and Richmond. He noted that a petition had been presented to the Council that opposed industrial rezoning between Hope and Richmond.

He noted his further opinions around Council decisions being undertaken in the pre-election period, processes being streamlined and the Ombudsman's involvement with Tasman District Council around confidential workshops and transparency.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 LATE ITEMS

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Councillor Daikee/Councillor Butler
SPC25-09-2

That the minutes of the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting held on Thursday, 7 August 2025, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Moved Councillor Kininmonth/Councillor Daikee
SPC25-09-3

That the confidential minutes of the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting held on Thursday, 7 August 2025, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Moved Councillor Maling/Councillor Kininmonth
SPC25-09-4

That the minutes of the Waimea River Park Management Plan Deliberations meeting held on Thursday, 21 August 2025, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

8. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

8.1 Procedural motion to exclude the public

Moved Councillor Butler/Mayor King
SPC25-09-5

8.2 Notification of Change 1 to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement and Plan Change 81 to the Tasman Resource Management Plan - Urban Growth

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 follows.

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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) applies to any proceedings before a local authority where a right of appeal lies to any court or tribunal against the final decision of the local authority in those proceedings.	s48(1)(d) The exclusion of the public from the part of the meeting is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation.

CARRIED**7 REPORTS**

The meeting was adjourned at 10.28am and reconvened at 10.39am.

7.1 Waimea River Park Management Plan - Adoption

Group Manager Environmental Services, Rob Smith, presented the report and acknowledged the Waimea River Park Management Plan Panel Members.

**Moved Councillor Kininmonth/Councillor Maling
SPC25-09-6**

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

1. receives the Waimea River Park Management Plan - Adoption RSPC25-09-4; and
2. agrees to amend the wording of the Waimea River Park Management Plan, as per the Hearing Panel recommendations included as Attachment 1 to the agenda report, noting that all amendments have been incorporated into the version included as Attachment 2 to this report; and
3. adopts the Waimea River Park Management Plan dated September 2025 as contained in Attachment 2 to the agenda report; and
4. delegates authority to the Group Manager – Environmental Science, Rob Smith, to approve any minor amendments to the Waimea River Park Management Plan, prior to publication.

CARRIED**7.2 Chair's Report**

The Chairperson presented his report and thanked Elected Members for their efforts with what had been achieved during the 2022-2025 triennium.

**Moved Councillor Maling/Councillor Daikee
SPC25-09-7**

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

1. receives the Chair's report RSPC25-09-3.

CARRIED

7.3 Transportation Policies and Procedures Manual for Approval

Transportation Manager, Jamie McPherson and Transportation Planning Advisor, Jane Murray, presented the report and answered questions.

An alternative to the officer's recommendation was moved and seconded with the inclusion of clause 4.

**Moved Councillor Butler/Councillor Maru
SPC25-09-8**

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

1. receives the Transportation Policies and Procedures Manual for Approval RSPC25-09-5; and
2. approves the updated version of the Transportation Policies and Procedures Manual; and
3. agrees to undertake further engagement on the low use bridges policy with Federated Farmers and the rural sector more generally, before bringing a decision to the Council on this policy.
4. delegates authority to the Group Manager Community Infrastructure to make minor amendments to the Transportation Policies and Procedures Manual.

CARRIED

7.5 Drinking-Water Quality Management Policy Approval

Team Leader Water Quality & Safety, Evan McKenzie and Senior Infrastructure Planning Advisor, Kim Arnold, presented the report and answered questions.

Action: officers to review notations and add the words 'however, the Act does place a responsibility on the Council' under the application section.

**Moved Councillor Maru/Councillor Dowler
SPC25-09-9**

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

1. receives the Drinking-Water Quality Management Policy Approval Report RSPC25-09-6; and
2. approves the updated Drinking Water Quality Management Policy; and
3. delegates authority to the Chief Executive or Group Manager - Community Infrastructure to approve minor edits to the policy arising from this meeting.

CARRIED

7.6 Quarterly Climate Change Update

Team Leader Community Policy, Alan Bywater and Senior Community Policy Advisor, Anna Gerraty presented the report and answered questions.

Moved Councillor Butler/Councillor Kininmonth
SPC25-09-10

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Quarterly Climate Change Update Report RSPC25-09-7.**

CARRIED

7.7 Motueka Masterplan Update

Environmental Policy Manager, Barry Johnson and Team Leader Natural Resources Policy, Diana Worthy presented the report and answered questions.

Moved Councillor Maru/Councillor Dowler
SPC25-09-11

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Motueka Masterplan Update Report RSPC25-09-8; and**
- 2. approves integrating Motueka Masterplan background work with early work on the Regional Spatial Plan (e.g. collection of data/information and filling data/information gaps), and for Motueka the scope can be informed by the draft masterplan problem definition, project objectives and extent of masterplan area as detailed in Paragraphs 5.2–5.4 of this report; and**
- 3. requests that staff report back to Council in early 2026, once the confirmed scope of the Regional Spatial Plan is known, to determine next steps for engaging with the Motueka community on the Motueka Masterplan project.**

CARRIED

7.8 Port Tarakohe Spatial Plan

Policy Planner, Tania Bray, presented the report and answered questions.

Moved Councillor Butler/Councillor Hill
SPC25-09-12

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Port Tarakohe Spatial Plan RSPC25-09-9; and**
- 2. adopts the Port Tarakohe Spatial Plan (Attachment 1 to the agenda report).**

CARRIED

7.9 Update of the Nelson Tasman Inundation Practice Note 2019

Mr Johnson and Policy Planner, Paula Hammond, presented the report and answered questions.

Councillor Trindi Walker asked that her vote against the motion be noted in the minutes.

Moved Councillor Butler/Councillor Daikee
SPC25-09-13

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Update of the Nelson Tasman Inundation Practice Note 2019 RSPC25-09-10; and**
- 2. approves the update of the Inundation Practice Note independently of Nelson City Council; and**
- 3. approves the draft Tasman Inundation Practice Note (2025) in Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 of this report for feedback; and**
- 4. approves Tasman Inundation Practice Note – Feedback Information in Attachment 3 of this report; and**
- 5. delegates to the Chair of the Strategy and Policy Committee and the Chief Executive authority to make any further minor amendments or corrections required to the draft Tasman Inundation Practice Note (2025) or feedback material prior to seeking feedback; and**
- 6. notes that should Nelson City Council decide to update their Practice Note in the future, consideration will be given to either ensuring consistency or adopting a Joint Inundation Practice Note.**

CARRIED

7.10 Strategic Policy and Environmental Policy Activity Report

Mr Bywater, Mr Johnson and Team Leader Infrastructure Planning, Michael Goldingham, presented the report and answered questions.

Councillor Walker left the meeting at 11:51am.

Moved Councillor Ellis/Councillor Maru
SPC25-09-14

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Strategic Policy and Environmental Policy Activity Report RSPC25-09-11.**

CARRIED

7.11 Brightwater - Wakefield Catchment Management Plan - Approval to consult

Senior Infrastructure Planning Advisor, Ian McComb, presented the report and answered questions.

Councillor Walker returned to the meeting at 12.01pm.

**Moved Councillor Kininmonth/Councillor Ellis
SPC25-09-15**

That the Strategy and Policy Committee

- 1. receives the Brightwater - Wakefield Catchment Management Plan - Approval to consult Report RSPC25-09-12; and**
- 2. approves the commencement of public consultation on the draft Brightwater-Wakefield Catchment Management Plan (Attachment 1); and**
- 3. delegates authority to the Group Manager – Service and Strategy to finalise consultation questions and make minor editorial changes to the draft Catchment Management Plan prior to public release.**

CARRIED

Group Manager Service and Strategy, John Ridd, acknowledged the Chair, Officers and Elected Members for their commitment with what had been achieved during the triennium.

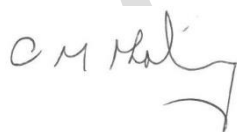
RESTATEMENTS

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

- 1 Notification of Change 1 to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement and Plan Change 81 to the Tasman Resource Management Plan - Urban Growth**
- 6. agrees that the report, attachments and decision be made publicly available when the proposed Change 1 to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement and Plan Change 81 to the Tasman Resource Management Plan is notified.**

The meeting concluded at 12.09pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE UNDER STANDING ORDER 26.4:



Chairperson 10 October 2025
Kit Maling



Chief Executive 10 October 2025
Leonie Rae