
MINUTES
of the
TASMAN DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING
Kaunihera Katoa
held
9.30am - Annual Plan Hearings, Thursday, 14 May 2026
at
Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Present: Mayor T King, Deputy Mayor B Maru, Councillors C Butler (via Teams), J Ellis, K Ferneyhough, M Greening (via Teams), J Gully, M Hume, M Kininmonth, K Maling (via Teams), D McNamara, P Morgan (via Teams), T Neubauer, T Walker and D Woods

In Attendance: Golden Bay Community Board Chairperson (G Knowles), Chief Executive Officer (L Rae), Chief Operating Officer (S Manners), Group Manager - Service and Strategy (J Ridd), Acting Chief Financial Officer (M McGlinchey), Group Manager - Community Infrastructure (R Kirby), Group Manager - Environmental Services (R Smith), Kaihautū (R Thomas), Governance Manager (R Byrne) and Governance Officer (R Grover)

1 OPENING KARAKIA, WELCOME

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 LATE ITEMS

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil

7 REPORTS**7.1 Annual Plan 2026/2027 and Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/2027 - Submissions Hearing**

Senior Community Policy Advisor, Amy Smith presented the report and noted that 360 submissions had been received.

**Moved Councillor McNamara/Councillor Ellis
CN26-05-3**

That the Tasman District Council

1. **receives the Annual Plan 2026/2027 and Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/2027 - Submissions Hearing RCN26-05-11; and**
2. **accepts and considers all submissions received on the Annual Plan 2026/2027 and Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/2027; and**
3. **accepts and considers the late submissions received before 6 May 2026 as follows:**

Submitter	Date received
Bruce Whitwell	4 May 2026
Terry Forrest (Alpine Buildings)	4 May 2026
Phil Ferris	4 May 2026
Jynnene Wastney	4 May 2026
Lionel Hume (Federated Farmers)	6 May 2026
Kristie Paki Paki (Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui)	6 May 2026

and;

4. **declines to accept any late submissions on the Annual Plan 2026/2027 and Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/2027 received after 5pm on 6 May 2026.**

CARRIED

Attachment 1 Peter Verstappen Speaking Notes - 35328

Attachment 2 Peter Verstappen Speaking Notes - 35369

Attachment 3 Trish Palmer Speaking Notes - 35377

Attachment 4 Trish Palmer Speaking Notes - 35382

Attachment 5 Joanne Leyland Speaking Notes - 35490

Attachment 6 Rachel Moffitt Speaking Notes - 35408

Attachment 7 Rachel Moffitt Tabled Document - 35408

Attachment 8 Adam Langley Speaking Notes - 35586

Attachment 9 Chris Rutledge Speaking Notes - 35591

- Attachment 10 Steve Hayden Speaking Notes - 35340
- Attachment 11 Michelle Payne Speaking Notes - 35388
- Attachment 12 Helen Bro Speaking Notes - 35507
- Attachment 13 Stephanie Bryant Speaking Notes - 35381
- Attachment 14 Fred Overmars Speaking Notes - 35481
- Attachment 15 Ray Hellyer Speaking Notes - 35367
- Attachment 16 Adrienne Matthews Speaking Notes - 35528
- Attachment 17 Wayne Mackey Speaking Notes - 35481
- Attachment 18 Wayne Mackey Tabled Presentation - 35603
- Attachment 19 Barry Evans Speaking Notes - 35607
- Attachment 20 Gary Polwart Speaking Notes - 35429
- Attachment 21 David Young Speaking Notes - 35521

The following submitters spoke to their submission:

- 1.1 Peter Verstappen (group submission) - Waimea South Community Facility Charitable Trust (Waimea South Facilities) - 35328

Mr Verstappen on behalf of Waimea South Community Facility Charitable Trust, spoke to the submission (tabled). There were no questions.

- 1.2 Peter Verstappen submission (Waimea South Facilities) - 35369

Mr Verstappen spoke to his submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding the Wakefield Hub (multipurpose hub) and the proposed site location.

- 1.3 Richard Martin - Wakefield Community Council (Waimea South Facilities) - 35516

Mr Martin spoke to his submission and answered questions regarding flood zoning and the proposed Wakefield Hub location and potential community funding via targeted rates for the facility.

- 1.4 Robert Robinson (Waimea South Facilities) – 35460

Speaker did not attend.

- 1.5 Joyce Robinson (Waimea South Facilities) - 35339

Ms Robinson spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

- 1.6 Trish Palmer - Tapawera & Districts Community Council (Tapawera Community Hub) - 35377

Ms Palmer spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered a question regarding the size of the community council (107 members).

1.7 Trish Palmer (Various matters inc. community facilities and fees) - 35382

Ms Palmer spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding utilising the existing building vs building a new community hub facility including potential costs for the current facility refurbishment.

1.8 Stuart Bryant – Tadmor Steering Group (Tapawera Community Hub) – 35315

Mr Bryant spoke to his submission and answered questions funding for community hub facility new building vs.the current facility.

The meeting adjourned from 10.14am until 10.30am.

1.9 Della Webby (Tapawera Community Hub) - 35264

Ms Webby spoke to her submission as a community connector and answered questions regarding the current challenges of existing local facilities for community use including accessibility.

1.10 Joanna Leyland (Tapawera Community Hub) - 35490

Ms Leyland spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding potential tourism growth and the benefits of having a new community hub facility.

1.11 Rachel Moffit (Tapawera Community Hub) - 35408

Ms Moffit spoke to her submission and provided a supporting summary document (tabled). There were no questions.

1.12 Ross Loveridge - Motueka Aquatic Centre Committee (Motueka Pool) - 35465

Mr Loveridge spoke to his submission and responded to questions regarding his views on a community-targeted rate to support the funding of the Motueka Pool.

Councillor Walker left the meeting at 11.04am.

1.13 Donna McLeod (Motueka Pool) - 33534

Ms McLeod spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

1.14 Jonathan Waddy (Motueka Pool) - 35463

Mr Waddy spoke to his submission and responded to questions regarding his views on prioritising ratepayer funding for river care as opposed to a new swimming pool facility.

Councillor Walker returned to the meeting at 11.14am.

1.15 Richard Hayward (Motueka Pool) - 35323

Mr Hayward spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.16 David Ogilvie (various inc. Motueka Matters) - 35571

Mr Ogilvie spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.17 Adam Langley, Jeanna Mason - Split Apple Rock Owners Association (Request: installation of a visitor counter and other matters) - 35586

Mr Langley and Ms Mason spoke to their submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding their views on forestry harvesting impacts and the environment and membership size of the association.

1.18 Chris Rutledge - Mārahau Sandy Bay Residents (Request: Maintenance of carpark, revetment and footpath, installation of adjustable lighting) - 35591

Mr Rutledge spoke about commercial forestry at separation point granite (tabled) and responded to questions regarding the number of residents in Sandy Bay and the extent of correspondence with residents in relation to concerns raised, and questions regarding controls and mitigation measures associated with commercial forestry harvesting and the National Environmental Standards.

1.19 Isobel Mosley (via Teams) - KMB for the Heritage Wharf Restoration Group (Request: Funding support) - 35396

Ms Mosley spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

1.20 Steve Hayden (Request: Maintain Tasman View Road) - 35340

Mr Hayden spoke to his submission (tabled) and responded to questions regarding road users of Tasman View Road, roading upgrades and costs associated with this work, including his views on a community contribution of \$15,000 toward the total one-off cost of \$30,000 for the roading upgrades.

1.21 Rachael Large, Kelsey Ardern (via Teams) - Neighbourhood Support Top of the South (Request: Partnership with TSNS) - 35395

Ms Large and Ms Ardern (via Teams) spoke to their submission and answered questions regarding funding model changes and national funding support.

1.22 Grant Knowles - Golden Bay Community Board (various matters inc. fees and recovery rate) - 35359

Mr Knowles on behalf of Golden Bay Community Board, spoke to the Board's submission and answered questions regarding capital rates and farming versus a capped fee (\$300-\$400), a rates cap regarding capital value and his views on high risk areas and ratepayers paying higher rates.

1.23 Michelle Payne – Hardyards Water Delivery (Fees: Bulk water charges) - 35388

Ms Payne spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding rural water costs (invoicing from Council), tanker sizing and bulk supply costs including high costs associated with potable water.

1.24 Tracey Charlett – Bayleys Nelson Tasman (Fees: property files) - 35390

Ms Charlett on behalf of Bayleys Nelson Tasman spoke to her submission and answered questions regarding accessibility to council property files, including the advantages of having the information readily available online and the ownership on real estate agents as system users.

1.25 Robert Merrilees (88 Valley Water Supply Scheme) - 35468

Mr Merrilees spoke to his submission and answered questions regarding potable water requirements and the forecasted costs of water supply schemes.

1.26 Andrew Fenemor (via Teams) - 88 Valley Rural Water Supply Committee (Fees: Urban water club charging system) - 35505

Mr Fenemor spoke to his submission and answered questions regarding tiered water schemes and his views on water charges for urban water users.

1.27 Jennifer Lamm and Andrew Galloway (via Teams) - Alcohol Healthwatch (Fees: Alcohol licensing) - 35413

Mr and Mrs Galloway spoke to their submission and answered questions regarding the consumption of alcohol and whether, in their option, it is increasing in the region.

1.28 Sue Brown (via Teams) - Golden Bay and Nelson Federated Farmers (various matters inc. rates and dog fee increases) - 35597

Ms Brown spoke to the Golden Bay and Nelson Federated Farmers group submission and responded to a question regarding the value of river care meetings.

1.29 Barry Dowler (various matters) – 35342

Mr Dowler spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

The meeting adjourned from 12.34pm until 1.05pm.

Mayor Tim King and Councillor Morgan were not present when the meeting resumed, Deputy Mayor Maru assumed the Chair.

1.30 Claire Hutt - Motueka Community Board (various matters inc. the Board's priorities for 2026/2027) - 35426

Ms Hutt, on behalf of Motueka Community Board, spoke to the Board's submission and answered questions regarding the Board's expectations of the scope for the Motueka High Street upgrade, and the estimated budget for the project.

1.31 Helen Bro (various inc storm/wastewater) - 35507

Ms Bro spoke to her submission (tabled). There were no questions.

Councillor Morgan (via Teams) rejoined the meeting at 1.15pm.

Mayor Tim King returned to the meeting at 1.18pm and assumed the Chair.

1.32 Stephanie Bryant (various inc storm/wastewater) – 35381

Ms Bryant spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered questions regarding procedures during weather events in relation to wastewater (sewerage storage tanks), and unpleasant odour reporting.

1.33 Fred Overmars, Paul Martin – Nelson Tasman Climate Forum (various matters inc. recovery rate and river works) - 35481

Mr Overmars and Mr Martin spoke to the Forum's submission (tabled), and answered questions regarding weather event recovery and the Long Term Plan, and nature based river management (reforestation and creating wetlands).

1.34 Paul Martin (various matters inc. climate resilience planning) – 35441

Mr Martin spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.35 Ray Hellyer (river works) - 35367

Mr Hellyer spoke to his submission (tabled) and answered a question regarding gravel removal and flood mitigation.

1.36 Bruce Gilkison (various matters inc. reducing emissions – 35484

Mr Gilkison spoke to his submission and answered questions regarding his views on transport solutions vs. land use solutions.

1.37 Adrienne Matthews (various matters) – 35528

Ms Matthews spoke to her submission (tabled) and answered a question regarding her views on ratepayer charges for weather event recovery.

1.38 Wayne Mackey (various, rate increase concerns) - 35603

Mr Mackey spoke to his submission and provided a written presentation for members (tabled).

1.39 Richard Johns (various, rate increase concerns) - 35565

Mr Johns spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.40 Bruce Struthers (various matters, Mapua) - 35601

Mr Struthers spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.41 Marion Satherley (various, rate increase concerns) - 35583

Ms Satherley spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

1.42 Barry Evans (various, rate increase concerns) - 35607
Mr Evans spoke to his submission. There were no questions.

1.43 Joyce Grant (various, rate increase concerns) - 35595
Ms Grant spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

1.44 Gary Polwart (various, rate increase concerns) - 35429
Mr Polwart spoke to his submission (tabled). There were no questions.

1.45 Peter Radford - Tasman Community Group (various, rate increase concerns) – 35563
Mr Radford on behalf of Tasman Community Group, spoke to the group's submission and answered questions regarding councils interest in residents being moved off their land due to rates increases.

1.46 Peter Radford (various, rate increase concerns) - 35431
Mr Radford spoke to his submission and answered a question regarding his views on rates affordability.

1.47 Sarah Priest (various, rate increase concerns) - 35548
Ms Priest spoke to her submission. There were no questions.

1.48 David Young (various, rate increase concerns) - 35521
Mr Young spoke to his submission (tabled). There were no questions.

1.49 James Wenn (various, rate increase concerns) – 35541
Speaker did not attend.

1.50 Hendrik Vermeer (various, rate increase concerns) – 35467
Speaker withdrew their submission and did not attend.

8 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

The meeting concluded at 2.57pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings by resolution on Enter date .

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