

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING OF THE GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE, ON TUESDAY 25 AUGUST 2009, AT 7:30 pm

PRESENT His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks JP), Crs Bolger, Davis, Dixey, Harvey, Heller, Highsted, Gardyne, Grant, McLennan and Sharp.

IN ATTENDANCE The General Manager, Corporate Services (Mr Russell Duthie), General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Asset Manager, Utilities (Mr Ross Haslemore), Building Control Manager (Mr Russell Paterson), HR/Administration Manager (Susan Jones), 8 members of St John and two members of the public in the gallery.

APOLOGIES Cr Dixon and the Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry) apologised for absence.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixey, seconded by Cr Sharp, **THAT** the Minutes of the Ordinary Monthly Meeting of the Gore District Council, held on Tuesday 21 July 2009, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Highsted, seconded by Cr Davis, **THAT** the Report of the Meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be accepted as an accurate and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Sharp, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the Regulatory and Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Gardyne, seconded by Cr Davis, THAT the Report of the Meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be accepted as an accurate and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Gardyne, seconded by Cr Highsted, THAT the recommendations contained within the report of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Sharp, THAT the Report of the Meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be accepted as an accurate and complete record.

Cr Grant declared an interest in Clause 2 of the report, and withdrew from the meeting.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Highsted, THAT the recommendations contained within the report of the Operations Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be ratified.

Cr Grant returned to the table.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Gardyne, THAT the Report of the Meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee, held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be accepted as an accurate and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Heller, THAT the recommendations contained within the report of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2009, as presented, be ratified.

2. MATAURA COMMUNITY BOARD REPORT (46.36.2)

A copy of the report of the ordinary meeting of the Maitaura Community Board held on 3 August had been circulated.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McLennan, seconded by Cr Dixey, THAT the report of the meeting held on 3 August be received,

AND THAT the recommendations contained within the report be ratified.

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3. DRAFT BYLAW – KEEPING OF ANIMALS, BEES AND POULTRY
IN AN URBAN ENVIRONMENT (22.20)

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive following recommendations made at the Regulatory and Planning Committee meeting on changes to the draft Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw 2009, that followed the hearing of submissions.

The draft Bylaw had been amended to take cognisance of the recommended changes and a copy had been circulated with the agenda.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grant, seconded by Cr McLennan, THAT the revised Keeping of Animal, Poultry and Bees Bylaw 2009 be adopted.

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4. CIVIC AMENITIES REFUND – ANNUAL REPORT (17.4.1)

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive advising that he and Cr Bolger met throughout the year to consider applications received for the waiver of fees and hire charges. The Council had a budget of \$3,000 which covered the waiver of mainly hall hire costs. A schedule of the recipients for the 2008-09 year had been circulated.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Harvey, seconded by Cr Dixey, THAT the information be received.

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5. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS (46.12.9)

Cr Harvey attended the Local Government New Zealand conference. He said it had been excellent with some very good speakers.

His Worship concurred and said the Minister of Local Government, Hon Rodney Hide had spoken very well. The two highlights for him were addresses from Peter Biggs and Principal Youth Court Judge, Andrew Becroft. The conference had been well worth attending.

Cr Highsted reported on his involvement with judging the Sister City speech competition and hearing submissions to the Alcohol Strategy. He had also visited the Life Education bus earlier in the day.

His Worship also reported on:

- His attendance at the Hokonui Fashion Awards which had been outstanding.
- Meetings with Venture Southland.
- He and the Mayoress had presented prizes for the Winter Warmers programme at the Gore Library.
- Attended a Hokonui Horizons forum.
- Launch of an exhibition about Ted Bullmore at the Gallery.
- Sister City speech competition – the event continued to go from strength to strength and this year’s participants were excellent.
- Met with Ministry of Social Development representatives about the job opportunity plans released by the Government.
- Annual General Meeting of Citizens Advice Bureau. He added the Bureau did a marvellous job for the community and was grateful for the assistance provided by the Council
- The first pre-event meeting held with Young Farmer of the Year representatives.
- Attended a meeting with Sport Southland held in Gore earlier in the day.

The meeting concluded at 7:45 pm