

# ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

## Open Minutes

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Meeting Date: Commencing Monday, 27 May 2024; and  
Reconvened on:  
Tuesday, 28 May 2024; and  
Wednesday, 29 May 2024

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Time: 10.0am - 6.16pm  
9.00am - 4.30pm  
9.00am – 5.30pm

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Venue Small Exhibition Hall (27 and 29 May 2024)  
Breakout Room 2 (30 May 2024)  
War Memorial Centre  
Marine Parade  
Napier

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*Livestreamed via Council's Facebook page*

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Present **Chair:** Mayor Wise  
**Members:** Deputy Mayor Brosnan, Councillors Boag, Browne, Chrystal, Crown, Greig, Mawson, McGrath, Price, Simpson, Tareha and Taylor

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In Attendance Chief Executive (Louise Miller)  
Deputy Chief Executive/ Executive Director Corporate Services (Jessica Ellerm)  
Executive Director City Services (Lance Titter)  
Executive Director City Strategies (Rachael Bailey)  
Executive Director Infrastructure Services (Russell Bond)  
Executive Director Community Services (Thunes Cloete)  
Manager Communications and Marketing (Julia Stevens)  
Pou Whakarae (Mōrehu Te Tomo)  
Chief Financial Officer (Caroline Thomson)  
Manager Strategy and Transformation (Stephanie Murphy)

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Senior Advisor Corporate Planning (Danica Rio)

**Sign Language Interpreters:** (Sarah Billing and Cathie Siebert)

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Submitters speaking: Liz Church; Mervyn Kite; Jo Huata; Ron & Ngaire Swenson; Ryan Hambleton, Sue Smith and Tina Haslett (Sport Hawke’s Bay); Paul Eady; Dan Scott; John Sutherland; Glenn Marshall; Andrew Pearce and Joe McAllese (Kaiangaroa Residents Association); Phil Ryan; Sir Graeme Avery (Hawke’s Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust); Anna Pierard (Prima Volta Charitable Trust); Richard Catley (Pirimai Residents’ Association); Gordon Hart and Phillip Ellenberg; Ian McPherson; John Porter; Pene Johnstone; Andrew Watts; Georgie Robertson; Mark Brown-Thomas; Andrew Torrens and Jacklyn Hankin; Karl Goodchild; John McGifford and Darran Mason / Andy Walker (Central Football / Westshore Resident and Development Assn Inc); Sue Macdonald and Sarah Appley (Ahuriri Estuary Protection Society); Fred Koenders; Dennis Hall; Dawn Bedingfield (Napier Housing Coalition); Michael Hayes and Mark Cleary (Napier Pilot City Trust)

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Administration Governance Advisors (Carolyn Hunt and Jemma McDade)

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### Karakia

The meeting opened with the Council karakia.

### Apologies

Nil

### Conflicts of interest

The following Councillors declared conflicts of interest in the following submissions and should not be considered as voting on these matters:

*Councillor Taylor:*

- Sports Hawke's Bay (#358)
- Hawke's Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust (#551)

*Councillor Boag:*

- Greypower (#820)

*Councillors Chrystal and Tareha*

- Ahuriri Rockpools Development Trust (#543)

### Public forum

Nil

### Announcements by the Mayor

The Mayor opened the proceedings and welcomed attendees, noting that the meeting was being both recorded and livestreamed.

### Announcements by the management

Nil

### Confirmation of minutes

Nil

#### **Standing Order 4.2 – Meeting duration**

*A meeting cannot continue more than six hours from when it starts (including any adjournments) or after 10.30pm, unless the meeting resolves to continue. If there is not such resolution any business on the agenda that has not been dealt with must be adjourned, transferred to the next meeting or transferred to an extraordinary meeting.*

*No meeting can sit for more than two hours continuously without a break of at least ten minutes unless the meeting resolves to extend the time before a break".*

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#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Mayor Wise / Deputy May Brosnan

The Council:

**Pursuant** to Standing Order 4.2 an extension of time until 7.30pm on 27 May 2024 be granted.

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Carried

# AGENDA ITEMS

## 1. SUBMISSIONS ON THE THREE-YEAR PLAN 2024-27 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

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<i>Type of Report:</i>	Legal and Operational
<i>Legal Reference:</i>	Local Government Act 2002
<i>Document ID:</i>	1759918
<i>Reporting Officer/s &amp; Unit:</i>	Danica Rio, Senior Advisor Corporate Planning Caroline Thomson, Chief Financial Officer Jessica Ellerm, Deputy Chief Executive / Executive Director Corporate Services

### 1.1 Purpose of Report

This report summarises submissions received on the Three-Year Plan 2024-27 Consultation Document and seeks final decisions for incorporation into Napier City Council's Three-Year Plan, due to be adopted at the Council meeting on 27 June 2024.

All submissions are provided in full as attachments to this report (multiple volumes due to the number of submissions and accompanying attachments), along with comments from officers where relevant for consideration by Elected Members.

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### PRESENTATION OF ORAL SUBMISSIONS

The following submitters spoke to their submissions.

**Liz Church (#211)** spoke to her submission supporting the retention of Council retirement housing and rather than retrofit, which is expensive, have new housing built to universal design standards for the older population. Improve and refurbish, have universal design in planning and pre-planning. Focus on retirement housing as cannot do both well.

**Mervyn Kite (#327)** spoke to his submission in regard to the Rural Residential Zone development which includes Poraiti, Tironui Drive area, Kaimata Heights, Esk Hills area and northern Hill Road. In Kaimata Heights and Esk Hills a stormwater rate has been applied. However this has not been applied to Poraiti, northern Hill Road, Eskdale Lane and Esk View Road, despite many of these properties being smaller than the "threshold".

**Jo Huata (#322)** spoke to her submission which did not support building a new Civic Centre and Library or redesign of Emerson Street only a year since Cyclone Gabrielle. Sad to know looking to spend \$58m when there are houses needing to be built. She also did not support the increase in gym fees for Ocean Spa.

**Ron and Ngaire Swenson (#460)** – spoke to their submission in opposition of the proposed 140% rate increase to their 1.7 hectare property. Rates to increase from \$2750 to \$8994. The charge for stormwater is a new charge. They are on a private road maintained by residents, with their own septic tank.

*The submitters were advised a significant portion of 140% increase relates to the change in the land value. Council does not set land value and cannot prevent changes to land value. The Quotable Value process is independent of council.*

**Ryan Hambleton CE (Sue Smith – General Manager, Tina Haslett Places and Spaces Lead #358)** spoke on behalf of the Sport Hawke's Bay submission requesting financial support of two priority regional planning projects – the Regional Spaces and Places Plan and the Regional Aquatics Plan.

**Paul Eady #494** spoke to his submission highlighting the following:

- Opposed both housing options and suggested a Housing Trust model with trustees appointed by Council.
- The best spending should be done through good district planning, community strategies and engagement, and development of vertical infrastructure and networks.
- CCTO's should include all Council owned buildings and facilities to ensure maximum return and investment.
- Fees and charges should be based on user pay with minimum top up from general rates.
- Tourism facilities become CCTOs.
- Co-locate the library with Council offices in the Library Tower.
- Opposed to spending money on a new library, street upgrade or new Council offices.
- In the current economic environment, all capital expenditure should be limited to getting core infrastructure and services to minimum agreed level of service and generating good data from which to develop the 2027 LTP, which should be one that uses reality as the basis for its aspirations.

*The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 11.00am  
and reconvened at 11.15am*

**Dan Scott (#168) via zoom link** spoke to his submission in opposition to selling off Council housing, he would rather Council continue to invest in council housing for those on low incomes and with special housing needs.

Mr Scott supported:

- building resilience and suggested that measures to reduce emissions be added.
- The CCTO option, but only if there is a guarantee that the investment will be ethical and meeting social obligations (e.g. not investing in initiatives that would increase emissions, fund conflict, etc.).
- Increasing fees and charges beyond CPI as long as it is done equitably.

**John Sutherland (#214)** spoke to his submission in regard to the 50% increase in Ocean Spa fees, with a fee reduction for seniors, as there are in many other Council facilities. Mr Sutherland suggested a 25% reduction for seniors for full use or a 50% reduction for seniors with reduced hours i.e. 10.00am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday during the quiet times. Offer casual 25% reduction for swim.

**Glenn Marshall (#459)** spoke to his submission and highlighted the following:

- The preferred housing option is discriminatory based on age.
- Sell all social housing - should not be Council's responsibility.
- Aquarium should be closed down as it is a loss making luxury item.

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- Office premises – intergenerational loans instead of prioritising and keeping debt under control
  - Opposed the proposed rate increase.

**Andrew Pearce and Joe McAleese (#716)** spoke on behalf of the Kaiangaroa Residents Association to a very comprehensive submission, also displaying a PowerPoint presentation (Doc Id 1763442) in regard to proposed rate increases to properties in Kaingarora Place and proposed remedies.

**Phil Ryan (#560)** spoke to his submission opposing the sale of Council housing, the proposed rate increase and the resilience rate. He supported the sale of non-performing assets and felt that the land on Marine Parade should be made available for small scale commercial development.

**Sir Graeme Avery (#551)** spoke on behalf of the Hawke's Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust displaying a PowerPoint presentation (Doc Id 1763821) requesting funding of \$1m and an annual grant of \$150,000 towards the cost of developing and delivering well-being programmes to Napier citizens.

**Anna Pierard (#601)** spoke on behalf of the Prima Volta Trust displaying a PowerPoint presentation (Doc Id 1763820) in support of the consultation topics.

**Mark Brown-Thomas (#823)** spoke to his submission that there was a need to prioritise projects which could be deferred, delayed or discarded. Opposed the sale of Council housing. Strategic review came out last week and four strategic recommendations accepted by government. Change of direction for social investment in housing, looking at upgrading commercial housing providers, commercial / community housing authority. Councils and government will merge social housing and jointly have a commercial housing provider.

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm  
and reconvened at 2.00pm*

**Richard Catley (#547)** – spoke on behalf of the Pirimai Residents Association submission requesting funding and construction of an access bridge across the Te Awa drain or (Cross country drain) between Ulyatt Road and McNaughton place, to extend the scope of walking and cycling activities for the dozens of daily users. Bupa is to contribute \$30,000 to a community project.

**Gordon Hart and Phillip Ellenberg (#643)** spoke on behalf of the volunteers working at the Faraday Museum of Technology displaying a PowerPoint presentation (Doc Id 1769207). Their submission requested a preference that in finalising the 2024-27 Three-Year Plan, Council commits to ensuring that no short-term expediencies would be enacted that would affect the long-term preservation of culture or heritage assets, or adversely affect the financial and economic plans necessary to support these longer-term plans.

Other volunteers spoke in support of the Faraday Centre's submission.

*Mayor Wise thanked the volunteers for their work at the Faraday Centre and advised that the option of purchasing and upgrading the building will be considered and volunteers will be involved in the business plan.*

**Ian McPherson (#619)** spoke to his submission as a volunteer of the Faraday Museum of Technology and his concern that the operation was under review. Mr McPherson supported

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the submission of Gordon Hart and did not support the moving of the Museum to another location.

**John Porter (#733)** spoke to his submission objecting to the proposed rate increase of 23.7% and the \$9.76m for staff wages without deciding where it is going.

**Pene Johnstone (#762)** spoke to her submission in support of Retirement Only for the Housing Strategy and selling Nelson Place, Wellesley Place and Carlyle Place with the sale proceeds used for building more retirement housing. Ms Johnstone objected to the proposed rates increase and did not support the Resilience rate, Council Control Trading Organisations or the new library building. She supported an increase in some fees and charges. Library Tower be strengthened and redeveloped to house the new library, council chambers and staff. Napier ratepayers cannot afford the increase in rates.

**Andrew Watts (#720)** spoke to his submission objecting to the proposed rate increase for properties in the Rural / Lifestyle / Residential properties of Esk Hills or Kaimata Road. Mr Watts supported the submission of Andrew Pearce (#716). He requested a cap of 30% on rate increases be explored.

*Mayor Wise advised:*

*That the stormwater map will be discussed in deliberations on Wednesday, 30 May 2024.*

*That the QV valuations was an independent process which Council has no input into or ability to change the valuations and suggested that residents submit an objection to QV on their land valuation.*

**Georgie Robertson (#781)** via zoom link spoke to her submission objecting to the proposed rate increase in the Rural and Rural Lifestyle/Residential areas including Esk Hills, Kaimata Heights and Kaimanawa Heights. Ms Robertson supported the submission of Andrew Pearce (#716).

**Steve Liddle (#791)** spoke to his submission addressing the consultation topics and acknowledging it was good to be consulted. Mr Liddle supported Council keeping social housing for emergency or retired people or for people on limited incomes. He suggested that Council not allow tourist dollars to override social concerns – even the “untidiness” of rough sleepers who have no options because of previous underplanning, outsourcing. Idea that private business does it better has been disproven.

*It was noted that Mr Liddle’s reference to other councils accessing rental subsidies was not something NCC was able to do. Christchurch had a separate Community Housing Trust that allows them to access to this fund. Although Council has advocated having access there has been no support from Central Government.*

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.15pm  
and reconvened at 3.45pm*

**Andrew Torrens (#711) and Jaclyn Hankin (#714)** spoke to their submissions highlighting:

- Review of fees and charges to minimise general rate increases.
  - Library Tower be strengthened and developed at the lowest cost option.
  - Support the zoning for targeted stormwater rates be revisited.
  - Consider a maximum rate increase rather than the current inequitable increases.
  - Significant rate increases proposed over the next two years.
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- Did not support the \$58m budgeted for Te Aka.
  - Proposed Three Year Plan is contrary to strategy and does not align with published policy statements.
  - Consider capping rate increases.

**Karl Goodchild (#734)** spoke to his submission highlighting the following points:

- Objected to the proposed rate increase and that the library \$58m project be put on hold.
- Land where new library is proposed could be leased.
- Opposed the 11.57% of the proposed 23.7% rate increase for labour costs.
- Tourist facilities must make a profit.

**Darren Mason and John McGifford (#633)** spoke on behalf of Central Football submission that Council has currently approved budget in the 2021/22 year of \$500,000 as a contribution to the Artificial Foot Turf as identified and adopted in the Park Island Masterplan.

No funding is identified in Council's Draft Three Year Plan for the Southern Sports Hub development including additional carparking and changing rooms. However, it was never intended that Central Football fund the additional carparking and changing rooms.

Four years has passed and there is an expected 50% increase taking the total to \$2.7m. A 50% increase from Council has been factored in and requested that Council's funding contribution increase from \$500,000 to \$750,000.

**John McGifford Secretary/Treasurer and Andy Walker President (#797)** spoke on behalf of the Westshore Residents and Development Association Incorporated also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763561). The submission sought support from Council to complete the following projects:

- Traffic calming measures to be introduced along The Esplanade and Charles Street
- Closing laneway exit which runs parallel with Ferguson Avenue and The Esplanade.
- Commence a footpath renewal programme.
- Demolish and replace the toilet block on The Esplanade.
- Commence a targeted planting/landscaping programme on the beach reserve and The Esplanade.
- Removal of debris lying around the suburb, particularly the beach area.
- Commence work on a 9 year project plan for Westshore over the next three year cycles of Council's Long Term Plan.

**Sue Macdonald and Sarah Appley (#646)** spoke on behalf of the Ahuriri Estuary Protection Society submission for the continual improvement of water quality for the Estuary. Disappointed that the funding for the Ahuriri Regional Park which is part of flooding resilience and water quality improvement intentions has been deferred. The Society supports the Regional Park concept.

**Michael Hayes (#719)** spoke to his submission highlighting the following:

- Opposed the proposed rate increase and did not support the consultation topics.
- Money not spent on infrastructure is huge.
- Did not support the new library for next generation to pay for.

*The meeting adjourned for dinner break at 5.00pm  
and reconvened at 5.35pm*

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**Fred Koenders (#303)** spoke to his comprehensive submission in regard to the Ocean Spa and submitted that Council continue to fund some tourist facilities with deficits of rates. The majority of people who use Ocean Spa were local and the fee increase too high. In his submission he outlined an alternative strategy on how to minimise the deficit. He did not consider a CCTO the way forward for Ocean Spa however, relocating a commercial operator could be.

**Dennis Hall (#686)** spoke to his submission highlighting the following:

- Objected to the proposed rate increase in the Esk Hills subdivision
- His current rates were \$4088 and were rising to \$7767 per annum an increase of 90% in one year.
- Rates in 21/22 were \$2025
- Opposing the redevelopment of Emerson Street and the new library building.
- Fund a cap of 25% increase for all rate payers through general rate or UAGC.
- Valuation of properties ratio of land to capital value was too high.

**Dawn Beddingford (#535)** spoke on behalf of the Napier Housing Coalition submission highlighting:

- Opposing the sale of either pensioner or social housing. Rents and profits have helped to fund other projects rather than maintenance work on the properties.
- Opposed to the proposed rate increase.
- Defer the library project.
- Many vulnerable people in the social housing are struggling with new rents.
- Employ the right people to manage the housing properly.

**Mark Cleary (#718)** spoke on behalf of the Napier Pilot City Trust submission on Homeless and Houseless people in Napier and requested that Council take a more proactive role in helping this vulnerable group with a dedicated outreach centre which is needed to provide food, shelter and support.

*The meeting adjourned at 6.15pm and would reconvene  
on Tuesday, 28 May 2024 at 9.00am*



## 1. SUBMISSIONS ON THE THREE YEAR PLAN 2024-27 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT (cont)

### Presentation of Oral Submissions (Cont.)

The following submitters spoke to their submissions.

**Ani Tylee (#739)** spoke to her submission to build resilience. Fees and charges should be kept as low as possible. She also sought support from Council to look at introducing rewilding in urban space in the city. Rewilding has benefits of reduced costs including less mowing, less fuel and wages creating increased biodiversity. Communication to the community to understand rewilding and not seen as neglect.

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	Mayor Wise / Deputy May Brosnan
	That Council: <b>Pursuant</b> to Standing Order 4.2 an extension of time to 5.00pm on 28 May 2024 be granted.
	Carried

**Peter Goss (#707)** spoke to his submission opposing the proposed rate increase for Esk Hills in excess of 100%. He requested that Council consider:

- Revisiting the approach to setting the targeted rates to ensure the assessed rates comply with the Council's Rates Policy, by fully recovering the annualised cost of capital expenditure.
- Adjust the rating differential for residents who do not receive one or more of the targeted services to fully offset the amount currently recovered through the general rate.

**Chris Francis (#816) accompanied by Mark Cleary** spoke to his submission highlighting the following points:

- Homeless in Napier seeking support in keeping the Outreach Centre open as a safe place for homeless to go to.
- Homeless felt they were being judged as outcasts of society and often are homeless through trauma or addiction.
- Requested more toilets open 24/7, showers and food. WHIT only provide food 3 days a week.
- Reintegration of homeless into society and provide positive things to do during the day.
- If homeless have a safe place to go the positive is it keeps them out of the eyes of the public and can assist them to get off drugs and alcohol.
- Council can lead this - Hastings have a shelter.

**Chris Hay (#795)** spoke on behalf of the Locales and Heritage Services submission and also displayed a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763621) of a proposed new tourism experience for Napier through a map based digital story telling. Requested a financial contribution of 20%-30% towards establishing digital story telling project.

**Lynne Anderson (#626)** spoke on behalf of the Save the Dotterels Hawke's Bay submission also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763823). The submission sought consideration for inclusion of Cat Management within the review of the Animal Control Bylaw.

*It was noted that without overarching legislation from Government, Council could not issue fines making compliance difficult. It would need to be voluntary guidelines on Cat Management rather than a bylaw.*

**Lynne Anderson (#627)** spoke on behalf of the Napier Branch of Forest and Bird submission regarding conservation advocacy and animal control. She also urged Council to move towards requiring (and exemplifying through existing housing) things like water sensitive design, provision of solar panels, on-site water tanks to store rainwater, and planting of shrubs and flax instead of grass for lawns. The submitter requested:

- Continuation of Significant Natural Areas to designate some of Napier's coastline
- Include reference in the Fire Control Bylaw regarding restriction of fires on beaches.
- A bylaw to ban vehicles on the beach
- Look at communication for the public on the website as there is conflicting information regarding fires on beaches.

*It was noted that beaches are covered by the Parks and Reserves and that having a specific Beach Bylaw could be a good idea.*

**Kathryn Stonehouse (Operations Manager) and Tina Haslett (Chair, Board) (#782)** spoke on behalf of the Hawke's Bay Netball submission also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763619) providing an overview of the facility. The following points were highlighted:

- Remedial work on the Sports Pavilion be undertaken as cannot insure the building until the work has been done.
- Remedial work will cost \$15,000
- HB Netball signed the lease in 2015 however, Council never signed.
- Undertake a seismic strengthening report prior to the work being done.
- Request Council offer HB Netball a new lease for an interim period until a decision on the future of the Aquatic Centre is made.

**Guy Panckhurst (#667)** spoke to his submission on the consultation topics, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1764588). The following points were highlighted:

- Web pages good but complicated, difficult to find how to make a submission.
- Selling housing short term solution and suggested Council consider independent delivery and a Community Housing Trust.
- CCTO greater focus on better return on investment and having independent board does not always work.
- Fees and Charges to increase fees to cover actual Council costs incurred e.g. Resource Consent change to minimum charge with hourly rate charge above to recover actual cost.
- Supported loan funding tourist facilities.
- Support redeveloping Library building and retaining ownership of building.
- Financial Contributions Policy set figures back in 2004 and rolled over a reduced price index each year.
- Did not submit on the Financial Contributions Policy and did not know it was separate to the Three Year Plan.

*Councillor McGrath withdrew from the meeting at 10.18am and rejoined the meeting at 10.23am*

**Craig Waterhouse and Janene Dixon-Smith (#285)** spoke to the Regional Indoor Sports and Events Centre Trust's submission, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763557). The submitter requested the following:

- An increase in the operational expenses currently provided from \$100,000 to \$300,000 per annum, plus GST.
- Proposed new operational and renewal support figures be inflation adjusted annually.
- Increase operational support by \$150,000 per annum.
- Insure the buildings
- Buildings owned by the Trust on Council land.

**Stephen Daysh and Graham Duncan (#543)** spoke on behalf of the Ahuriri Rock Pools Development Trust submission also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763559) on the future aquatic project set down for four years' time with a vision that Napier is a tourism destination and mecca. The following points were highlighted:

- \$70,000 has been spent on the pre-feasibility study.
- Liaising with New Brighton Hot Pools, Christchurch and full costs will be completed in the next stage.
- Entire design concept worked around Spriggs Park.
- There will be shade provision but not intended to cover the pool in.

*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.37am  
and reconvened at 10.55am.*

**Pip Thompson (#777)** spoke on behalf of the Napier City Business Incorporated submission in support of the revitalisation of Emerson Street highlighting the following:

- Vehicle access remains in Emerson Street during trading hours
- Improved retail area amenities
- Establishing inner city identity
- Prioritise pedestrians without sacrificing vehicle access
- More inner city living opportunities
- Integration of more planting and green to connect with the beach.
- Additional seating and one way traffic flow
- Improved lighting and night time appeal
- Installation of retractable bollards
- Collaborate approach with Council

**Emily Otto (#804)** spoke on behalf of the Taradale Residents Association submission in support of retention/reimagining the Aquarium and Faraday Centre in a cost effective way. The submitter also requested Council install secure suitable fencing to the dog exercise park at Riverside Park and Napier Park Island. The 2012 Masterplan at Park Island focussed on sport and residential housing.

**Bruce Carnegie (#820)** spoke on behalf of the Grey Power Napier submission opposing the proposed rate increase and asked how members would be able to afford to pay their rates. He suggested it would be helpful if Council could offer payment options to residents on how to pay their rates.

Grey Power Napier supported selling the social housing, resilience rate and the creation of CCTOs. Consideration be given to offering superannuants and community service holders discounts on dog registrations and parking within the CBD.

**Peter Grant #447** spoke to his submission that Napier is a great place to live. He submitted that the Plan needs to be modified and presented in a better way providing background and lead people into what the rate increase is going to be. The rate increase should be at the end of the Plan not at the beginning. Reprioritise expenditure and works.

**Peter Grant and Alexia Puna (#561)** spoke on behalf of the Positive Ageing Strategy Action Group and their submission highlighting:

- Opposing the proposed rate increase
- Investigate a CCTO for community housing
- PSAG be included in any consultation for a prospective CCTO
- Napier recognised as an Age Friendly City
- Napier City Council's commitment to being an Age Friendly City be clearly articulated in Council documents and translated into action in Council's Three-Year Plan for the city to achieve positive outcomes for all older people living in our City.

**Trevor Adsett (#661)** spoke to his submission, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763616) supporting selling all Council housing, building resilience, increasing some fees and charges and a change to how tourist facilities were funded. However, he did not support any increase in labour costs and additional staff increase. He suggested the following:

**Proposal 1**

- Freeze employing new/more staff
- Review current roles and performance
- Rate individuals' outcomes vs KPI's of their role
- Pay increases for more responsibility and better outcomes?
- Do we need 600+ employees for 67,000 population

Include labour costs to Ocean Spa, Kennedy Park and Napier Events Centre into the loans to support these facilities over next three years.

**Proposal 2**

- Include the labour costs for Ocean Spa, Kennedy Park and Napier Events Centre into the loans to support these facilities over next 3 years
- Est 100 FTE over 3 facilities @ \$90k = **\$9m savings**

Mr Adsett concluded increasing inflation affordability and live within our means. A rates increase of 23.7% is not living within our means.

**Piripi Smith and Te Kaha Hiwaikirangi (#737)** spoke on behalf of the Ātea a Rangi Educational Trust submission, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763417) in support of the new waka hub development in Ahuriri. The Trust agreed that they could fundraise for any shortfall.

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.06pm  
and reconvened at 1.00pm*

**Susan Jacobs and Tania Wright (#841)** spoke on behalf of the Creative Arts Napier submission requesting that Council waives the annual rent of \$16,740 it charges Creative Arts Napier as it is intended that NCC rolls over its service agreement funding of Creative Arts

Napier for 2024-2025. Ms Jacobs also displayed a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1764168) of projects and programmes that they had been involved with.

**Simon Baker #776** via zoom link spoke on behalf of Health New Zealand's (Te Whatu Ora) submission highlighting the following points:

- Did not support Council selling social housing.
- Urged Council to prioritise the retention of initiatives that enhance Māori wellbeing and reduce inequities.
- Supported Napier becoming a more resilient city.
- Previously supported and continues to support the investment in restoring the Ahuriri Regional Park to improve water quality and

*It was noted that the healthy home standards will be met for all Council housing by the end of June 2024.*

**Nick Aitken (#746)** read his submission objecting to the proposed rate increase in the Esk Hills area and stormwater charges. He submitted that Council return to the differentials in place up to 2021. He also submitted that Napier City Council develop and implement a programme to:

- Repair the historic lighthouses between the Hawkes Bay Airport and Bay View.
- Repair the WW2 era pillboxes along and to the south of Marine Parade and between Westshore and Bay View.
- Set up social infrastructure based resilience projects centred on local communities and facilities (schools, community halls, marae) and protect community halls recognising their resilience value.
- Give streetlights a repaint and the cobbles/pavement and footpaths some maintenance and cleaning.

**Sally Davenport (#135)** spoke to her submission highlighting the following points:

- Opposed the sale of Council housing
- Supported a new approach to managing Council investments
- Review of fees and charges she suggested that non-regulatory fees could be increased as not essential.
- Live in a flood plain and climate change is happening.
- The office accommodation at \$58m could be scaled back without the "nice to have" component.
- Emerson Street redevelopment does it really need to happen?. She reiterated that Council needed to "cut its cloth accordingly".

**Vanessa Moon (#796)** read her oral submission (Doc Id 1765156) in support of the preferred housing option, creating a resilient city, inter-generational investment, change to tourism facility funding, but would prefer discounted entry prices. In regard to office accommodation she preferred refurbishing rather than demolishing and rebuilding.

**John Cockrem (#72)** spoke to his submission, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763558) on the community and conservation value of the Aquarium and the importance of retaining this asset. The Aquarium would benefit from improvements and would be very worthwhile.



**Paul Jarvis #824** spoke to his submission opposing the new library building and the revitalisation of Emerson Street. He did not support relocating the Faraday Museum from its historic building, which was 130 years old.

*Mayor Wise thanked and acknowledged the work Mr Jarvis did as a volunteer work at the Faraday Centre.*

*She also advised that there will be a business case to look at various options on how the museum will go forward whether it is in the existing building or relocated and volunteers will be an integral part of the discussion.*

**David Dyde (#216)** spoke to his submission opposing the proposed rate increase and suggested a cap be put on the rating

*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.35pm  
and reconvened at 3.00pm*

**Jonathan Wallace (#603)** spoke on behalf of the Soho Group, also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763620) on public and affordable housing as an alternative to Council housing. Soho partners with Commercial Entities, Community Housing Providers, Iwi Groups, District Councils, and other key stakeholders across New Zealand to manage their tenant-lead Build to Rent properties for optimum tenant outcomes.

**Jonathan Wallace (#753)** spoke on behalf of the Wallace Development Company Limited (WDC), also displaying a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763822) of developments that have been completed. The submitter highlighted the following:

- WDC specialises in strengthening and refurbishment and could have a building ready to occupy by 2027.
- Suggested best outcome for Council and ratepayer is sale and leaseback.
- WDC could deliver a sale and leaseback arrangement resulting in lower short term and long term costs.
- WDC could accept all development risk.
- Lease terms could be structured to deliver long term certainty of rents.
- WDC could work with council to design a building that meets Council's needs.
- Council would have right to purchase the premises back after a period of time.

**Phil Ross (#558)** spoke on behalf of the Whatever it Takes Trust Incorporated (WHIT) submission requesting consideration be given to the following:

- Funding an in-depth study of the services available within Napier to the homeless.
- Additional Community Services staff resource
- Commitment from Council to remain involved with regional and national initiatives to support the homeless and provide pathways out of homelessness.
- Support and enhance NCC's frontline staff's understanding of homelessness, providing advice on engagement with people experiencing homelessness
- Provide a link into support services to people experiencing homelessness and/or people with multiple and complex needs
- Council has bylaws and overarching Local Government legislation that sets out how public spaces can and should be used but this can discriminate against those who need to use these spaces in a way that is different to those who have a home to go to.
- To recognise the homeless as members of the community,

- Funding for a night shelter with essential amenities for safe living: a warm, dry bed; a safe space, privacy; lockers; hygiene facilities; access to nutritious food; safety measures.

*Mayor Wise advised that Council was committed to working alongside all agencies who are working with these key partners for a solution. Trying to find a location to set up a more fully serviced Outreach Centre. Understand the need and how important it is to find solutions for the homeless people.*

**Selwyn Hawthorne (#814)** spoke to his submission on the following:

- He is vehemently opposed to the revitalisation of Emerson Street as there other projects of high priority
- Obligation should be to retain social housing as there were expert Retirement Housing operators available to cater for older persons.
- Opposed the proposed rate increase.

**Ben Kingsford and Jorja Miles (#513)** spoke on behalf of the Napier Youth Council submission on the following:

- Supported selling the social housing villages and focussing on retirement housing.
- A rate to build resilience is important in protecting the community against extreme weather events.
- Establishing Council Controlled Trading Organisations could ensure rates increases in 24/25 are still reasonable and also benefit from long term investment.
- Supported the increase in car parking fees.
- Existing building for office accommodation should be refurbished taking into consideration being environmentally sustainable. Including solar, recycling material rooftop rainwater, LED light bulbs.
- Support the Te Aka project. Advocated for youth space in the library and will continue to do so.
- Supportive of Ocean Spa being commercial model the recreational facilities are slowly dwindling. Cater for young people with off peak entry and discount for students so have recreational activities for young people.
- Requested an additional \$7000 to create a Youth Led Events Fund alongside the Youth Grants. A competitive fund open to only Napier youth to create events.
- Support shortfalls with loans for now. Once financially sustainable should repay the debt from profits they are making.

**Lucy Miller and Mark Bayliss (#720)** spoke on behalf of Abbeyfield Hawke's Bay submission, also displayed a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1763618) on the benefits of establishing an Abbeyfield House in Hawke's Bay for older people. The following points were highlighted:

- Everyone that moves into an Abbeyfield Home is one less in social housing.
- Lease land on peppercorn rent reduces the cost that is needed to be raised. Have very good system for programme maintenance and does maintenance on the buildings as required.
- Any existing pensioner housing site use would be retained and preserved, the Council interest would be protected via covenant or other instrument
- Abbeyfield Home would be complementary to existing pensioner housing provisions
- Medium density development, high quality housing delivered

- Abbeyfield is the not-for-profit developer, building owner and manager – national expertise plus local knowledge
- The Abbeyfield model is a unique and proven supplier of elder housing, registered Community Housing Provider meeting high performance standards
- Abbeyfield can access central government funding – Income Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) / Operating Supplement from Housing and Urban Development or Affordable Housing Fund (depending on availability)
- Land required 2000m<sup>2</sup> can make work houses work with 2 storey building anything from 1200m<sup>2</sup>.

This concluded the hearing of submissions where submitters had chosen to speak to Council.

*The meeting adjourned at 4.30pm and would reconvene to commence deliberations on Wednesday, 29 May 2024 at 9.00am in Breakout Room 2, War Memorial Centre*

**Minutes of a Reconvened Council Meeting Held In the  
Breakout Room 2, War Memorial Centre, Marine Parade, Napier held on  
Wednesday, 29 May 2024 at 9.00am**

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Present	<b>Chair:</b> Mayor Wise <b>Members:</b> Deputy Mayor Brosnan, Councillors Boag, Browne, Chrystal, Crown, Greig, Mawson, McGrath, Price, Simpson, Tareha and Taylor
In Attendance	Chief Executive (Louise Miller) Deputy Chief Executive/ Executive Director Corporate Services (Jessica Ellerm) Executive Director City Services (Lance Titter) Executive Director City Strategies (Rachael Bailey) Executive Director Infrastructure Services (Russell Bond) Executive Director Community Services (Thunes Cloete) Manager Communications and Marketing (Julia Stevens) Pou Whakarae (Mōrehu Te Tomo) Chief Financial Officer (Caroline Thomson) Manager Strategy and Transformation (Stephanie Murphy) Senior Advisor Corporate Planning (Danica Rio) Financial Controller (Talia Foster) Financial Analyst (Dirk Steyn) Manager Community Strategies (Anne Bradbury) Corporate Finance Manager (Garry Hrustinsky) Manager Property (Bryan Faulknor) Business Improvement Manager (Alister Edie) Team Leader Transportation (Robin Malley) Team Leader Open Spaces (Tania Diack) Team Leader City Design and Urban Renewal (Georgina King) Strategic Programmes Manager (Darran Gillies) Manager Business and Tourism (Steve Gregory) Manager Arts, Culture and Heritage (Elizabeth Caldwell)  <b>Sign Language Interpreters:</b> (Sarah Billing and Cathie Siebert)
Also in Attendance:	Dr Troy Virgil and Nataylia Rik – Consultants, SIL Research Mike Wakefield (Simpson and Grierson) [via zoom link]
Administration	Governance Advisors (Carolyn Hunt and Jemma McDade)

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## 1. SUBMISSIONS ON THE THREE YEAR PLAN 2024-27 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT (cont)

The Mayor welcomed everyone back to Day 3 and deliberations on the Three Year Plan and advised that the meeting was being livestreamed and recorded.

The Mayor reminded the meeting of the following Standing Orders and that as the meeting would be longer than six hours under the Standing Order of 4.2 an extension of time would be requested.

- **21.2 Time limits on speakers** – *The following time limits apply to members speaking at meetings:*
  - a) *Movers of motions when speaking to the motion – not more than 5 minutes;*
  - b) *Movers of motions when exercising their right of reply – not more than 5 minutes;*  
*and*
  - c) *Other members – not more than 5 minutes.**Time limits can be extended if a motion to that effect is moved, seconded and supported by a majority of members present.*
  
- **21.6 Limits on number of speakers** –*If three speakers have spoken consecutively in support of, or in opposition to, a motion, the Chairperson may call for a speaker to the contrary. If there is no speaker to the contrary, the Chairperson must put the motion after the mover’s right of reply.*  
*Members speaking must, if requested by the chairperson, announce whether they are speaking in support of, or opposition to, a motion.*

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

#### Extension of Meeting Time

Mayor Wise / Deputy May Brosnan

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That Council:

**Pursuant** to Standing Order 4.2 an extension of time until 5.00pm on 29 May 2024 be granted.

Carried

### INTRODUCTION

The Deputy Chief Executive / Executive Director Corporate Services, Ms Ellerm advised that the agenda for the meeting would be:

- Introduction of paper prepared by Council staff summarising submissions received on the Three Year Plan.
- Dr Virgil Troy and Nataylia Rik, SIL Research presentation analysis of submissions.
- Overview of the consultation
- Analysis of the paper and comments provided by officers
- Officers will present subject by subject and respond to any questions
- Deliberation on Three Year Plan

Dr Virgil Troy and Nataylia Rik, SIL Research had prepared the analysis of submissions and displayed a brief powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1765186) outlining the methodology used for analysing the submissions.

The Senior Advisor Corporate Planning, Ms Rio displayed a powerpoint presentation (Doc Id 1765185) providing a brief overview of the report. The key consultation topics were:

1. The future of Council housing
2. Building up our community resilience
3. A new approach to managing Council's investments
4. Reviewing Fees and Charges
5. A change to how some Tourist Facilities are funded
6. Napier City Council office accommodation

Other topics raised by submitters in addition to the consultation topics included:

- Concern about rates increase and Council spending
- Labour costs and preservation of cultural assets such as Faraday Centre and Aquarium

Other recommended changes included:

- Funding of the Coastal Hazards Strategy
- Minor operational amendments recommended changes to the financial information underlying the 3 year plan.
- Roll back of the stormwater map

## **DELIBERATION OF THE THREE YEAR PLAN 2024-2027 CONSULTATION ITEMS**

The meeting commenced consideration of the consultation items in the Three Year Plan in conjunction with the management comments and decisions would be made as Council progressed through the items. The order would be:

- Consultation Topics
- Council led changes through submissions, not part of the consultation topics
- Officer led changes for deliberation
- Funding requests

*Prior to commencing discussion on the consultation topics the Mayor addressed **Recommendation 1.***

### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Deputy May Brosnan / Councillor Tareha

That Council:

1. **Receive**, thank and acknowledge all community members that made submissions on the Three-Year Plan 2024-27 Consultation Document.

Carried

### **The Future of Council Housing**

It was noted that Chris Ryan Wakefield representative from Simpson and Grierson joined the meeting online assist with deliberations for this topic.

The Manager Community Strategies, Ms Bradbury advised that officers had listened to the submissions presented on 27 and 28 May 2024 and had read all the submissions noting that some submitters did not want to sell any Council assets however, there was general support

for the preferred option *shift Council's focus to delivering retirement housing only and divest some Council-owned housing (mixed delivery approach)*. Based on the submissions Council officers did not wish to change their recommendation.

### **Officer's Recommendation 2a)**

**The future of Council housing:** shift Council's focus to delivering retirement housing only and divest some Council-owned housing (mixed delivery approach), as per Council's preferred option.

- i. Direct officers to develop an implementation plan for shifting Council's focus towards delivering retirement housing only, under a mixed delivery approach, and
- ii. Direct officers to execute the divestment of NCC's three social housing villages (Nelson Place, Wellesley Place, and Carlyle Place), and
- iii. Direct officers to engage with affected tenants, community members and interest parties as appropriate.

### **Officer's comments**

*Over the last few years costs to provide council housing for our community have increased and the current way we provide housing is not financially sustainable. This is due to increases in maintenance, insurance, rent subsidies, renovating units and debt servicing.*

*As noted in the Three Year Plan Consultation Document, Council wants to be able to provide housing that is affordable for our tenants and our ratepayers. Council is committed to ensuring that all current tenants have a house and are looking to maintain or increase our retirement housing.*

*Further engagement with tenants and the community will be undertaken once plans are more formally developed.*

*Community feedback for question one reflects Council's desire to focus on retirement housing only to help us continue to meet the needs of the community, while also ensuring we are financially well positioned for the future.*

*Community feedback on question two shows a strong support for Council's preferred option of taking a mixed delivery approach.*

### **Points highlighted:**

- Divesting the three social housing properties, taking into account the five priorities of Council. No one will lose their home when divest but Council has not been any more prescriptive in the Three Year Plan about how divestment will occur.
- Through the mixed delivery approach Council could look at transferring some of the units to a community housing provider. Mixed delivery also looked at redeveloping some of the villages.
- There is more opportunity under the mixed delivery approach. The independent approach means that the service will be provided by other housing providers on Council's behalf. Mixed delivery provides slightly more flexibility on who the other partner is. Through the independent approach there could be redevelopment of some of the villages.
- The decision today is what to include in the Three Year Plan and how go out for a procurement approach to deliver.
- Currently the officer's recommendation is a mixed delivery model, submissions presented on an independent delivery and do not want to preclude Council from further investigations.



*Mr Ryan advised that if Council included in the resolution that when Council goes to market and looks at delivering housing priorities under mixed or independent delivery model approach to explore those options, it was important to note that this increases the chance of having to consult again, once there is a particular proposal. If there is going to be transfer of a strategic asset, which includes Council's housing stock that proposal needs to be provided for in the Long Term Plan. The greater likelihood of any particular proposal Council settles on later will not be provided for.*

- If the resolution was clear that the potential divestment was only for the three social housing villages as the only strategic assets through any proposal that would remove the requirement to re-consult.

*Councillor Simpson withdrew from meeting 9.47am rejoining at 9.51am*

- *Mr Ryan advised the risk would, depend on the commercial arrangement that was put in place for the remainder of the villages. That may cost the transfer of control to which Section 97 also applies. The more that is included in the resolution the better.*
- Need to be as prescriptive and clear as possible around the control and transfer of any strategic asset as there is always the possibility of having to consult with the community, dependant on market negotiations.
- *Mr Ryan added that it was important that the resolution does not go beyond the scope of what was consulted on. In the consultation document the public were not consulted on the criteria with which independent or mixed delivery model might be delivered. Ensure resolution provides for the ability for the community to have further input as necessary.*
- Council previously agreed to the mixed model to enable flexibility in going out to the market.
- Mixed delivery vs independent delivery it is not around selling the asset, it is allowing an independent party to provide the services to the tenants.
- Include key principles of housing as part of resolution
- Next steps following the decision will be looked at by the Strategy and Transformation Team and will be set up as a project.
- Tenants are the number one priority. They are waiting to hear the decision and will be kept informed.
- Develop procurement approach to go out to market and how the preferred provider would be identified and reported back to Council.
- Councils are not eligible for government funding for housing.
- Meeting agreed to divest the three villages.
- Develop criteria and have a workshop.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Greig / Boag

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That Council:

2. **Adopt** the following recommendations based on feedback received during the consultation process for the Three Year Plan, and the analysis provided in the body of the report.
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- 2a) **The Future of Council Housing:** shift Council's focus to delivering retirement housing only and divest some Council-owned housing (mixed delivery approach), as per Council's preferred option.
- i. **Adopt** the following 5 strategic priorities for the future of Councils Housing Portfolio
    - All current tenants will have a home.
    - It is financially sustainable for council and the tenants.
    - Over time, move away from providing social housing.
    - Portfolio maintains, and increases over time, the retirement housing unit numbers.
    - Enable Investment in the condition of the housing portfolio including ensuring all are warm and dry.
  - ii. **Agree**, to the divestment of NCC's three social housing villages (Nelson Place, Wellesley Place, and Carlyle Place). Noting that these are Council strategic assets.
  - iii. **Note** the funds from the sale of any social housing villages is ringfenced for investment into the retirement housing portfolio.
  - iv. **Deliver** Council's strategic housing priorities, under a mixed or independent delivery model approach.
  - v. **Note** a mixed or independent delivery model may include transferring control of the retirement housing assets to an external body.
  - vi. **Direct** officers to develop a procurement and divestment approach including a timeline, to be approved by Council, that includes a call for proposals, and preferred provider.
  - vii. **Direct** officers to develop, for approval by council, key criteria for delivery of the model based on the 5 strategic priorities for the future of Councils Housing Portfolio.
  - viii. **Direct** officers to engage with tenants, community members and interested parties to communicate councils' decisions as appropriate.
  - ix. **Note** Council maintains delegation on the criteria and final decisions on divestment and contracting a delivery model.

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Carried

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### Building up our community resilience

The Financial Controller, Ms Foster introduced the community resilience topic advising it is currently 2.45% and that there was not general support in the submissions, but was quite close.

#### Officer Recommendation 2b)

**Building up our community resilience:** continue with a rate to build resilience, as per Council's preferred option.

Direct officers to include the Resilience Rate as a Uniform Annual General Charge of \$85.90 per rating unit, on all rating units in Napier.

### Officer Comments

Community feedback acknowledges the importance of proactively preparing for future disasters by investing in the resilience of the city.

Officers can confirm that Resilience Rate funds will be ring fenced in a reserve, with the opening balance, income, expenditure, and closing balance reported in our Annual Report every year.

The rate would be used for activities related to emergency preparedness such as civil defence planning, working with other organisations to get the community prepared for emergencies, improving our stormwater network so businesses can continue to operate and residents are safe from flooding, etc.

### Points highlighted:

- Further development of the Coastal Hazard Strategy aligns to building resilience and agreed to the additional \$110,000 contribution for the Strategy being used from this fund.
- Concerns raised regarding the establishment of a resilience fund without set principles and criteria.
- Clarify the appropriate use for the fund so it is not used for operational matters.
- Suggest reducing the amount collecting in Year 1 of the Three Year Plan to provide time for the development of criteria.
- Identified by Greypower and PSAG that emergency preparedness for the elderly and those with disability has not been funded. This is estimated between \$15,000-\$20,000 for audio and sign language. Relay to officers in overarching emergency management planning so it is included in their considerations.
- Transparent and open communication about the resilience fund should be evident through the COMS Team.
- Significantly extending what is currently undertaken in terms of emergency management operations identified through the review by Council post Cyclone Gabrielle.

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Councillors Simpson / Taylor

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That Council:

- 2b) **Building up our Community Resilience:** continue with a rate to build resilience, as per Council's preferred option.
- Resolve** not to include the full proposed Resilience Rate.
  - Resolve** to include .45% rates impact in year 1, (2% saving from proposed rates) as a Uniform Annual General Charge.
  - Phase** in the resilience rate, of 1% in year 2, and 1.5% year 3.
  - Ringfence** the resilience rate to fund the emergency management operations, and the coastal hazards strategy joint committee contributions in year 1.
  - Note** the annual plan for years 2 and 3 to detail the ringfencing funding criteria for the resilience rate in years 2 and 3.
  - Establish** principles and criteria for the use of the Resilience Fund.

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Carried

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*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.43am  
and reconvened at 11.00am*

### **A New Approach to Managing Council's Investment**

The Corporate Finance Manager, Mr Hrustinsky advised that creation of a Council Controlled Trading Organisation would need consideration to be given to the development of the framework, Statement of Intent, policy, capability within the Team and CCTO and any skill gaps noted. The development of a CCTO entity would be a specialist unit with a focus on trying to make money for Council to reduce the burden on the ratepayer.

He emphasised that any assets managed or transferred to a CCTO are owned by Council and are answerable to Council. Guidelines on how it operates will include socially responsible investing and would be set by Council.

### **Officer Recommendation 2c)**

**A new approach to managing Council's investments:** create a Council Controlled Trading Organisation to establish a commercially focused investment portfolio, as per Council's preferred option.

- i. Direct officers to begin the process of creating a Council Controlled Trading Organisation (CCTO) by commencing work on the Statement of Expectations.

### **Officer Comment**

*Overall, community feedback generally favours Council's preferred option.*

*The intention of the Council Controlled Trading Organisation (CCTO) is to improve overall returns and grow Council investment assets well above where they are now. The net effect is to put Council and the community in a better position.*

*A simple way to look at it is if Council currently earns one dollar, the CCTO may cost 50 cents, but provides Council the opportunity to make two dollars – there is a cost, but the net benefit is greater.*

*It is important to note that the gain is not immediate, but it will provide intergenerational benefits, with increasing community benefits as the years go on.*

*Management and investment decisions on the investment portfolio would be done by dedicated experts, according to the wishes of Council. Council would set these expectations through a formal document called a Letter of Expectations.*

*The CCTO would be accountable to the community and to Council on the investment portfolio's performance through a statement of corporate intent that is approved by Council. Details such as reporting terms would be included as part of this.*

### **Points Highlighted**

- Council has seen a draft statement of investment policies and objectives for a managed portfolio and within that document was information on the requirements for ethical and socially responsible investing.
- Values of Council need to reflect the values of the community in which it operates and these would be part of the consideration for setting up any CCTO.
- The process would be to establish the legal entity for the CCTO, then recruit for the Board appointments and the Board would recruit for their staff ie Chief Executive and any other staff for the CCTO.

- Selection and construct of the Board appointments would be Council decision. Council could decide to appoint a subcommittee or the whole Council could decide whether the Board is made up from all independent directors or a combination of Councillors and independent directors.
- CCTO will manage financial investment and focus on its portfolio. It will regularly report to Council.
- An example of a successful CCTO was Keyside Holdings. There were also numerous examples of CCTOs that have failed that provide key learnings.
- Investment framework be included in resolution.
- Guidance of having Council representation and social ethical responsibility.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Simpson / Crown

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2c) **A new approach to managing Council's investments:** create a Council Controlled Trading Organisation to establish a commercially focused investment portfolio, as per Council's preferred option.

That Council:

- Direct** officers to begin the process of creating a Council Controlled Trading Organisation (CCTO) by commencing work on the Statement of Expectations for adoption by Council.
- Note** the criteria in the development of the investment framework to include:
  - Governance structure; and
  - Social and ethical responsibilities

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Carried

*Councillor Boag and McGrath voted AGAINST the Motion*

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### Reviewing our Fees and Charges

The Business Improvement Manager, Mr Edie advised that the proposed increase in fees and charges was to support the ratepayer by maximising cost recovery for Council services and not subsidising something they are not using. The targets that have been set for the private versus public aspect of different activities are governed by the Revenue and Finance Policy.

#### Officer Recommendation 2d)

**Reviewing our fees and charges:** increase some fees and charges beyond the CPI increase of 5.6%, as per Council's preferred option.

- Adopt the attached schedule of proposed Fees & Charges 2024/25, noting:
- It is the same schedule that was consulted on as part of Three-Year Plan consultation, but
- The Animal Control fees and charges schedule has been excluded as they have been increased through a separate process in accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996 (adopted at 18 April 2024 Council meeting, with updated fees and charges for Animal Control effective 1 July 2024).

#### Officer Comment

*The analysis shows that many respondents commented on their concern around rates increases and the high cost of living. The analysis also notes that submitters believed that*

*increasing some fees and charges by more than the CPI increase of 5.6% would exacerbate existing financial pressures on households.*

*The financial information provided below shows that Council’s preferred option of increasing some fees and charges by more than CPI results in \$8.7million more fees and charges revenue in 2025 compared to the 2024 annual plan. It also shows that if we were to only increase fees and charges by 5.6% CPI, this would only increase fees and charges revenue by \$4.5m in 2025.*

FEES & CHARGES	2024 AP	2025 3-Year Plan	\$ Increase	% Change
Preferred	\$34.5m	\$43.2m	\$8.7m	25.3%
5.6% CPI Increase	\$34.5m	\$39.0m	\$4.5m	13.2%
Rates Increase vs. Preferred	-	-	\$4.2m	4.7%

*Only increasing fees & charges by 5.6% effectively costs the rate payer \$4.2million or \$140 extra per household, which is equivalent to a 4.7% rates increase in addition to the 23.7% increase proposed as part of Three-Year Plan consultation.*

*Council and Retirement Housing fees and charges revenue would increase materially in both scenarios reflecting the setting of new rent agreements, and Animal Control fees and charges have increased through a separate process in accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996 (adopted 18 April 2024 Council meeting).*

*As shown by the above information, Council’s preferred option reduces the overall rates burden on households when compared to the community’s preferred option.*

*As noted by those submitters in support of Council’s preferred option, user pays should be the guiding principle for setting fees and charges. Increasing some fees and charges by more than CPI is in line with this principle and helps ensure the cost burden of services sits with the user, rather than being distributed across households that may not use a particular service.*

*Due to this, officers are still recommending Council adopt their preferred option, even though it was not heavily supported by the community.*

**The Business Improvement Manager, Mr Edie** spoke to the review and charges. The officer recommendation was to proceed with the preferred option.

**Points highlighted**

- Mr Edie confirmed that where it was proposed to increase the fees and charges beyond the CPI was where it had been demonstrated that costs incurred were exceeding the CPI.
- Council does not charge any fees and charges to generate profit.
- Local Government cost index is probably more relevant than CPI and highlights the reason why not focussing on that as Council costs have increased above that. Going forward Council could look at Local Government index has a better measure than CPI.
- From submissions people do prefer user pays.

*It was noted that Ocean Spa fees would be raised as a separate issue later in the meeting to direct officers to do further work, then potentially adopt different fees later.*



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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Mawson / Taylor

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- 2d) **Reviewing our fees and charges:** increase some fees and charges beyond the CPI increase of 5.6%, as per Council's preferred option.

That Council:

- i. **Adopt** the schedule of proposed Fees and Charges 2024/25 (Doc Id 1762296), noting:
  - 1) It is the same schedule that was consulted on as part of Three-Year Plan consultation;
  - 2) The Animal Control fees and charges schedule has been excluded as they have been increased through a separate process in accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996 (adopted at 18 April 2024 Council meeting, with updated fees and charges for Animal Control effective 1 July 2024).

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Carried

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### **A Change to how we Fund Some Tourist Facilities**

The Manager Business and Tourism, Mr Gregory advised that in 2023 all the tourism facilities were engaged in a business review and their commercial viability assessed. The Napier Conferences and Events, Ocean Spa and Kennedy Park Resort were identified as three facilities that had the greatest opportunities to generate a net profit.

#### **Officer Recommendation 2e)**

**A change to how we fund some tourist facilities:** loan-fund the deficits (losses) of the three-facilities that will become financially self-sufficient commercial businesses, as per Council's preferred option.

- i. Direct officers to loan-fund the deficits (losses) of the Napier Conferences & Events, Ocean Spa, and Kennedy Park Resort for a maximum term of three years while they move towards being financially self-sufficient.

#### **Officer Comment**

*Council's preferred option was largely supported by the community.*

*Some responses signalled community doubt around Ocean Spa as a tourism facility and suggestions were made that it should be a community facility. Since our Community Aquatic Strategy is largely being delivered and achieved through the Napier Aquatics Centre in Onekawa, Ocean Spa can be used to pursue commercial benefits for the community.*

*When Ocean Spa, along with the other two facilities do achieve breakeven and generate net profits, this will have positive impacts on the community as these profits could be used to fund other community projects and help to reduce overall rates funding Council requires.*

#### **Points highlighted**

- Officers will report back regularly to Council if other options are identified prior to the next Long Term Plan.



- Internal reports on how well these facilities are doing in this current financial year and operating as a commercial business.
- Monthly meetings to scrutinising expenditure and report to the Executive Leadership Team and Elected Members.
- Since Council has taken over Ocean Spa there has been a steady growth and consistent performance.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Price / McGrath

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- 2e) **A change to how we fund some tourist facilities:** loan-fund the deficits (losses) of the three-facilities that will become financially self-sufficient commercial businesses, as per Council's preferred option.

Councillor Price/ Councillor McGrath

That Council:

- i. **Direct** officers to loan-fund the deficits (losses) of the Napier Conferences and Events, Ocean Spa, and Kennedy Park Resort for a maximum term of three years while they move towards being financially self-sufficient.

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Carried

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### Napier City Council Office Accommodation

The Strategic Programmes Manager, Mr Gillies advised that this is year 7 of a very long term project. This is the next step in delivering back the accommodation and library to the original precinct. The land is an opportunity to develop and return offices to one accommodation block.

#### Officer Recommendation 2f)

**Napier City Council office accommodation:** Council strengthens and redevelops the Library Tower for its staff, as per Council's preferred option.

- i. Direct officers to commence work to strengthen and redevelop the Library Tower for its staff, noting that officers intend to use the same project team that is working on Te Aka to gain efficiencies between these two projects.

#### Officer Comment

*Council's preferred option of strengthening and redeveloping the Library Tower for staff is a budget-conscious approach that minimises the financial burden on ratepayers.*

*Under this option, the same team of architects and consultants that are currently working on Te Aka (the new library project) would be used. We believe this is the best option because developing the two projects under one construction contract would save time and money.*

*Having most Council staff work in the same building would improve operational efficiency, and maintaining ownership of the building provides certainty in the long term.*

*The meeting agreed with the officer's comments*

#### Points highlighted

- A number of submissions suggested to sell to a developer

- There were additional complexities with the land if Council were to sell the property to a developer. One of the things to consider was whether Council wanted to be renter or a landlord of its own accommodation.
- A subdivision of the land would be required for a leaseback option and usage of the land would require some planning procedures. Even though it is still a strategic asset because it is of significance, any change of use of that land would require it to be publicly notified.
- \$45m is the cost of the project included in the supplementary paper year plan and includes all the professional fees, construction costs and fit out of the building.
- Rebuilding would cost approximately \$53m.
- The rating impact in Year 1 is 0.8% (\$23.21pa) and Year 2 is 3.9% (\$93.81pa).

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Deputy May Brosnan / Councillor Chrystal

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2f) **Napier City Council office accommodation:** Council strengthens and redevelops the Library Tower for its staff, as per Council's preferred option.

That Council:

- i. **Direct** officers to commence work to strengthen and redevelop the Library Tower for its staff, noting that officers intend to use the same project team that is working on Te Aka to gain efficiencies between these two projects.

**ACTION:** *Direct officers to provide further clarification to the public on the Te Aka and Office Accommodation projects.*

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Carried

*Councillor Boag and McGrath voted AGAINST the Motion*

*The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.05pm and*

*reconvened at 12.45pm*

## **OFFICER-LED CHANGES FOR DELIBERATIONS**

*Mayor Wise advised that Recommendation 3 and 4 would be addressed as one item.*

The Corporate Finance Manager, Mr Hrustinsky displayed a powerpoint presentation (Doc ID 1765885) providing a brief overview of themes observed during the submission i.e. property revaluations, stormwater, UAGC, changes to rating of Rural Residential differential.

Mr Hrustinsky advised that the current stormwater map does not reflect the development that has occurred in the last few years in coverage of the Esk Hills and surrounding areas.

Officers are recommending the stormwater catchment area map used to determine the targeted rate for stormwater is rolled back to the original map area (see attachment 14).

This would not change the total targeted rates collected for stormwater but would re-distribute the rates collected by Council back across the properties within the original map area. This results in an increase for an average residential property of \$54 per annum compared to the Three Year Plan consultation document due to the cost being spread across a lesser number of properties. In the Three Year Plan consultation document the stormwater targeted rate for an average residential property was \$222. This would now increase to \$276 per annum.

### Officer Recommendation 3)

Consider and accept recommendations for officer-lead amendments to the financial information underlying the Three-Year Plan 2024-27.

### Officer Recommendation 4)

Consider and accept the recommendation for the rollback of the Stormwater map from the updated area map (Doc Id 1762291, Attachment 15) to the original area map (Doc Id 1762292, Attachment 14).

### Points Highlighted

- Letter sent to residents from QV regarding the extension of time was confusing and had the incorrect extension date.
- Where applicants for review of valuations was declined, QV did speak to the applicants directly, prior to the letter being issued.
- The current rating policy on the website is dated 2017 and has not been updated to reflect the changes in the Financial Impact Statement. Within the Policy it says if the funding impact statement has been updated refer to the current Funding Impact Statement .
- Stormwater map roll back will remove the new properties and enable officers to undertake a more detailed analysis to determine stormwater catchment areas.
- Through submissions a number of ratepayers have been concerned around the significant increase to their rates, which has been predominantly driven by the increase in their property value.
- All suggestions brought forward through submissions sit outside the Three Year Plan and sit within the Revenue and Financing Policy. The recommendation should include in the a review of that policy.
- Acknowledge there will still be significant increases to some parts of the community.
- Prior to adoption of the Three Year Plan officers undertake further analysis to determine if there are potentially some levers or slight changes to policy to relieve the burden for year 1 of the Three Year Plan.

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	Mayor Wise / Councillor Price
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	That Council:  3) <b>Accept</b> recommendations for officer-lead amendments to the financial information underlying the Three-Year Plan 2024-27.  4) <b>Accept</b> the recommendation for the rollback of the Stormwater map from the updated area map (Doc Id 1762291 - Attachment 15) to the original area map (Doc Id 1762292 - Attachment 14).  a) <b>Direct</b> officers to undertake a Revenue and Financing Review Rates policy review in the 2025/26 financial year with focus on the rating differentials in the Rural Residential units.  b) <b>Direct</b> officers to undertake further analysis and modelling for the significantly impacted properties to see if there are any levers or policy changes that could be initiated to alleviate the financial impact in Year 1  .Carried

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*Councillor Browne voted AGAINST the Motion*

## COUNCIL LED CHANGES FOR DELIBERATION

Consider and make the following resolutions on other items, based on submissions and feedback received during the consultation process

- Staff Costs/Efficiency
- Homelessness
- Ocean Spa
- Beach Bylaw / Fire communication
- Emerson Street
- Faraday Centre/ Aquarium/ Facilities
- Waka Hub
- Strategic Planning
- Capital Plan Programme

The meeting discussed each of the above topics.

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### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Mayor Wise / Councillor Crown

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#### Staff Costs / Efficiency

That Council:

- 1) **Note** it is signalling a clear shift in focus in this Three Year Plan, better commercial return from assets for rate payers, funding core infrastructure, and being enabling as per our strategic objectives, acknowledge that were not able to deliver all outcomes for all priorities whilst maintaining affordability.
- 2) **Direct** the Chief Executive to review the efficiency of the organisation, to deliver the 3 year plan.
- 3) **Direct** the Chief Executive to find 1.75% rates reduction across the business labour costs in Year 1.
- 4) **Cap** current Year 1 staff levels for the remainder of the 3 year plan with a direction to reduce further where possible by utilising vacancy loading and sinking lid policies.
- 5) **Direct** the Chief Executive to proactively seek out shared services opportunities.
- 6) **Finalise** and implement the operational reviews which have been undertaken during the last twelve months to realise additional efficiencies.
- 7) **Initiate** procurement across capital programme to drive efficiencies

.Carried

*Councillor Taylor voted AGAINST the Motion*

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Boag / Chrystal

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**Homelessness**

That Council:

- a) **Acknowledge** the homelessness issue is multifaceted, and that Council (as a ratepayer funded body's) role is to enable, co-ordinate and advocate to the mandated central government agencies.
- b) **Direct** officers to continue working with the whanau pounamu, strategic partners and government providers to enable solutions for whanau pounamu, and report back to Council six monthly on progression on homelessness.
- c) **Note** the support of the Regional Recovery Agency as the lead agency leading a regional response to housing and associate homelessness issues.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Taylor / Mawson

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**Ocean Spa**

That Council:

- a) **Recognise** the majority of Ocean Spa customers are local.
- b) **Review** the fees and charges for the 2024/25 year, to investigate rates for supergold card holders, residents discounts, off peak time access and compartmentalised facility access i.e. gym/pool only, combined.
- c) **Direct** officers to review the Ocean Spa pricing structure, product design and number of staffing resources, to work towards councils' direction of a commercially viable business in year 3.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Deputy May Brosnan / Councillor Tareha

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**Beach Bylaw / Fire communication**

That Council:

- a) **Direct** officers to review the Forest and Bird "driving out our coastal wildlife" report, along with successful other Council bylaw examples, and make recommendations to the Future Napier Committee on existing bylaws/changes to better protect coastal species into the future.
- b) **Direct** officers to review the online communications for fires in Council reserves, including beaches, with the aim to simplify and provide clear advice.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Browne / Crown

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**Emerson Street**

Councillor Browne/Councillor Crowne

That Council:

**Note** the 0.05% rates impact of the proposed project in Year 1 and commit to the project proceeding as outlined in the 3 year plan.

- a) **Support** the wastewater and stormwater infrastructure replacement works for Emerson Street.
- b) **Support** “above ground” works to Emerson Street that enable the accessibility, safety, security, resilience, CBD attraction and economic stimulation.
- c) **Direct** staff to identify and apply for external funding for aspects of the project, as appropriate.

Carried

*Councillor Boag voted AGAINST the Motion*

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*The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.47pm*

*and reconvened at 3.05pm*

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Mayor Wise / Councillor Mawson

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**Faraday Centre/ Aquarium/ Facilities**

That Council:

- a) **Acknowledges** the passion and contribution of the volunteer and wider communities that support Council facilities.
- b) **Acknowledge** the re-imagining process is challenging for those connected with the effected facilities.
- c) **Re-confirm** council’s decision to review and undertake a business case to explore options for the future of the facilities, which will be developed in the 2024/25 year.
- d) **Commits** that the volunteers and the wider community are to be actively engaged with prior to any decision of council.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Boag / Tareha

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**Waka hub**

Councillor Boag/Councillor Tareha

That Council:

- a) **Note** formal support for the concept, preferred location and delivery of the waka hub by the Ātea a Rangi Educational Trust.
  - b) **Provide** funding of \$2.2m from Council’s “better off funding”, for the design/concept of the waka hub at the preferred site.
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- c) **Direct** Council officers to have a conversation with Ātea a Rangi Educational Trust regarding asset ownership, lease agreement and their ability to raise external funds to contribute to the project.
  - d) **Note** the \$3.3m funding currently in the 3 year plan remains, subject to the outcome of lease ownership conversation and funding is conditional on a model that these assets on the reserve are owned by Napier City Council and market lease is charged.
  - e) **Support** the Trust's funding efforts to external sources for the balance of funds required for the delivery of the waka hub.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Browne / Simpson

**Strategic Planning**

Councillor Browne/Councillor Simpson

That Council:

- a) **Reconfirm** the Council's strategic priorities as adopted 31 August 2023.
- b) **Direct** the Chief Executive to produce enhanced performance reporting to the standing committees, providing Key Performance Indicator monitoring against their assigned strategic priority, first draft by end of Quarter 3 (30 September 2024).
- c) **Signal** Council's intention in 2024 to develop a Levels of Service matrix for our significant assets and key activities to guide the development of the 2025 Annual Plan.
- d) **Refer** to the Audit and Risk Committee to develop recommendations on the development of a key risk assessment report for Napier.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Mawson / McGrath

**Capital Plan Programme**

That Council:

- a) **Amend** the capital plan programme as follows:
  - i) **Approve** that \$300,000 be brought forward for the Disability Strategy implementation from Year 2 to Year 1 of the capital plan – including continued upgrades and additions to mobility car parking, address universal design in the CBD, pedestrian improvements and footpath renewals, focussed on accessibility

.Carried

Councillor McGrath raised the issue of removing the Library Project from the Plan.

**Point of order** raised by Deputy Mayor Brosnan advised that this was a project of significance and a Notice of Motion must be lodged in accordance with Council's Standing Orders.

**Point of Order Upheld** – Mayor Wise referred to the Point of Order advising no Notice of Motion had been received for the removal of the Library Project from the Long Term Plan, so discussion could not continue.

### FUNDING REQUESTS THROUGH THE 3 YEAR PLAN

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<u>Mayor Wise / Councillor Greig</u> That Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <b>Approve</b> funding of an additional one off grant of \$5000 from the Council Projects Fund to the <b>Napier Youth Council</b> for the creation of a Youth Led Events Fund alongside the Youth Grants.</li><li>b) Request a report be prepared by the Napier Youth Council on the implementation of the events funding programme</li><li>c) Suggest that the Napier Youth Council seek external funding opportunities</li></ul> .Carried
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<u>Deputy Mayor Brosnan / Councillor Boag</u> <b>Hawke's Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust (#551)</b> That Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <b>Decline</b> the funding request for \$1m capex for the Hawke's Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust.</li><li>b) <b>Decline</b> the funding request of \$150,000 per annum for programme delivery and development.</li></ul> Carried <i>Councillor Taylor having previously declared a conflict did not participate in decision making</i>
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<u>Councillors Chrystal / Price</u> <b>Chris Tremain #759</b> That Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <b>Support</b> the submission of Chris Tremain (#750) for four Pohutakawa trees and yoga decks project to be managed within existing budgets.</li><li>b) <b>Direct</b> Parks and Reserves Team work with the submitter (Chris Tremain) to deliver the project and that recommends that the submitter (Chris Tremain) seek external funding to support the project.</li><li>c) <b>Advise</b> submitter (Chris Tremain) to liaise with the Westshore Residents Association</li></ul> .Carried



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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Deputy May Brosnan / Councillor Mawson

**Sport Hawke's Bay (#358)**

That Council:

- a) **Support** the two regional priority planning projects (Regional Spaces and Places Plan and the Regional Aquatics Plan) with funding of \$35,000 from within existing budgets.

Carried

*Councillor Taylor having previously declared a conflict did not participate in decision making*

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillor Crown / Mayor Wise

**Pirimai Residents' Assn Access Bridge (#547)**

That Council:

- a) **Approve** a funding contribution of \$30,000 from the Council's Project Fund for the construction of an access bridge across the Te Awa drain or (Cross country drain) between Ulyatt Road and McNaughton Place subject to the Pirimai Residents' Association fundraising the balance to complete the project.
- b) **Note** that the Pirimai Residents Association work with the Council Parks and Reserves Team and Infrastructure Team on the project.

Carried

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**Central Football (#633)**

The Manager Property, Mr Faulknor advised Central Football were requesting the funding, but also a decision on the location on the site. The proposed site on the Shrimpton site is totally different to what is included in the Park Island Masterplan, which was the site behind the Napier City Rovers Bluewater Stadium field.

Unison overhead powerlines would require undergrounding for the original site to be used. Recent indication from Unison is that the cost of undergrounding would be approximately \$5m. \$1.25m has been spread over two years on the basis the undergrounding would cost \$2.5m, with 50% contribution from NCC and Unison, which would require approval from the directors. The \$5m would underground the length of the park.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Price / McGrath

**Central Football (#633)**

That Council:

- a) **Decline** the funding request from Central Football for an additional \$250,000 for the artificial football turf.

**Direct** officers to prepare a report for a future Sustainable Napier Committee meeting for a decision on the location for the artificial football turf at Park Island

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*Councillor Simpson withdrew from the meeting at 4.48pm*

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Mayor Wise / Councillor Greig

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**Regional Indoor Sports and Events Centre (#285)**

That Council:

- a) **Decline** the funding request to increase the operational expenses from \$100,000 to \$300,000 for the Regional Indoor Sports and Events Centre.

**ACTION:** *Direct officers to discuss with the lessee the insurance requirements.*

Carried

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**HB Netball Remedial Work & Court Upgrade (#782)**

Council's legal advice is that the Netball Hawke's Bay owns and is responsible for the Pavilion Building irrespective of the parties that have been involved in the lease as Hawke's Bay Netball have occupied the building all that time. The 10 netball courts are owned by Napier City Council and Hawke's Bay Netball book those through Council's Sportsgrounds Booking system and pay an annual fee. There is no title to the building only the underlying land.

*Councillor Simpson rejoined the meeting at 4.52pm.*

Council built the building and the extension. The remedial work has been identified through site investigations by the Club and the structural connection between the two buildings is a construction issue from when it was first built. Hawke's Bay Netball have advised without the remedial work being undertaken they would be unable to secure insurance for the building.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillor Chrystal / Deputy Mayor Brosnan

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**HB Netball Remedial Work & Court Upgrade (#782)**

That Council:

- a) **Approve a** one off grant of \$15,000 to Hawke's Bay Netball from the Council's Project Fund.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Simpson / Chrystal

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**Creative Arts Napier (#841)**

That Council:

- a) **Approve** a one off grant of \$15,000 for Creative Arts Napier from the Council projects fund for one year.

- b) **Direct** offers to complete the Service Level Agreement review of all the Service Level Agreements by the end of 2024 calendar year.

Carried

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*It was noted that a total of \$65,000 had already been committed from the Council projects fund from a total of \$200,000.*

### Locales Cultural Mapping (#795)

Due to the current financial hardship Council should not be supporting at this time. Direct them to talk to other partners i.e. Mana Whenua.

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Greig / Simpson

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**Locales Cultural Mapping (#795)**

That Council:

- a) **Note** support for the Napier Hill Story Telling project concept.
- b) **Decline** a funding contribution, including any staff resource to Locales Cultural Mapping (#795) for the Napier Hill Story Telling project.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Councillors Boag / McGrath

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**Biodiversity Hawke's Bay (#764)**

That Council:

- a) **Recommend** to Biodiversity Hawke's Bay that a funding application be made to the Keep Napier Beautiful Fund through the Napier City Council website.
- b) **Support** and acknowledge the work undertaken by Biodiversity Hawke's Bay in Napier.

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### TOPICS RAISED BY SUBMITTERS THAT WERE NOT FORMAL CONSULTATION ITEMS

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

Mayor Wise / Deputy Mayor Brosnan

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That Council:

**Re-wilding public parks**

**Support** the concept, request staff identify an appropriate trial area (not roadside/ roadway) and implement a re-wilding trial.

**Cat Management**

**Acknowledge** this is an issue, and that national legislation is needed to enable any meaningful action by Council.

**Dog Agility Parks / Fencing**

**Decline** expanding the fencing at the Riverside Dog Agility Park and Park Island due to constraints in budgets.

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**Westshore Residents' Association**

**Support** the Westshore Residents' Association Enhancement Plan and direct staff to continue working with the Westshore Residents Association to achieve the objectives in the plan

**Prima Volta Charitable Trust - Festival Opera**

**Support** the kaupapa and ongoing relationship, encourage an application to the Council Projects Fund and/or Creative Communities Funds as projects and opportunities arise.

**Ahuriri Rockpools Development**

- a) **Council** continues to support the project, endorse the Ahuriri Rockpools Development Trust continuing feasibility work and endorse the projects community led status.
  
- b) **Note** the project will be raised for consideration as part of the Regional Aquatic Strategy Development.

**Abbeyfield Hawke's Bay**

**Direct** officers to investigate the suitability of Essex Street Recreational Reserve and Tait Drive (adjacent to the Greenmeadows East Retirement Village) for an Abbeyfield housing development.

Carried

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**COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION**

**Mayor Wise / Councillor Price**

That Council:

- 1) **Direct** officers to prepare the final Three-Year Plan 2024-2027 in anticipation of adoption at the 27 June 2024 Council meeting.
  
- 2) **Note** that the final content of the Three-Year Plan 2024-27 is subject to minor corrections.

Carried

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**Attachments**

- 1 Ryan Hambleton, Sport Hawke's Bay #358 (Doc Id 1763617)
  - 2 Andrew Pearce, Kainga Ora Residents Association #716 (Doc Id 1763442)
  - 3 Sir Graeme Avery, HB Community Fitness Centre Trust #551 (Doc Id 1763821)
  - 4 Anna Pierard, Prima Volta Charitable Trust #601 (Doc Id 1763820)
  - 5 Gordon Hart, Faraday Centre Volunteers #643 (Doc Id 1762907)
  - 6 John McGifford, Westshore Residents' Association #797 (Doc Id 1763561)
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- 7 Chris Hay, Locales #795 (Doc Id 1763621)
  - 8 Lynne Anderson #626 and #627 (Doc Id 2763823)
  - 9 Tina Haslett, HB Netball (Doc Id 1763619)
  - 10 Guy Panckhurst #667 (Doc Id 1764588)
  - 11 Trevor Adsett #661 (Doc Id 1763616)
  - 12 Craig Waterhouse, Regional Indoor Sports and Events Trust (Doc Id 1763557)
  - 13 Ahuriri Rockpool Development Trust #543 (Doc Id 1763559)
  - 14 Piripi Smith, Ātea a Rangi Education Trust #737 (Doc Id 1763417)
  - 15 Susan Jacobs, Creative Arts Napier #841 (Doc Id 1764168)
  - 16 John Cockrem #72 (Doc Id 1763558)
  - 17 Jonathan Wallace, Soho Group #603 (Doc Id 1763620)
  - 18 Jonathan Wallace, Wallace Development #753 (Doc Id 1763822)
  - 19 Vanessa Moon #796 - oral presentation (Doc Id 1765156)
  - 20 Sue Myles #652 (Doc Id 1763560)
  - 21 Mark Bayliss and Lucy Miller, Abbeyfield Hawke's Bay #720 (Doc Id 1763618)
  - 22 SIL research methodology (Doc Id 1765186)
  - 23 3 year plan deliberation presentation (Dco Id 1765185)
  - 24 Rating Deliberations presentation (Doc Id 1765885)
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The Chief Executive noted the following:

A letter will be issued to Council tenants of the direction decided by Council today.

A press release will be made on Council decisions made.

A notice to the staff will be issued on the Council decisions made.

### Minor matters

There were no minor matters to discuss.

*The meeting closed with a karakia at 5.30pm*

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Approved and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Chairperson .....

Date of approval .....

