

Council Briefing Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, 28 May, 2019
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Location: Council Chamber
Forum North, Rust Avenue
Whangarei

In Attendance	Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson) Cr Crichton Christie Cr Vince Cocurullo Cr Tricia Cutforth Cr Shelley Deeming Cr Sue Glen Cr Phil Halse Cr Cherry Hermon Cr Greg Martin Cr Sharon Morgan Cr Anna Murphy
Not in Attendance	Cr Gavin Benney Cr Greg Innes

Scribe: N Pestana (Team Leader Democracy)

Her Worship the Mayor convened the briefing at 10.30am.

1. Apologies

Cr Benney (leave of absence) and Cr Innes.

2. Reports

2.1 Annual Plan 2019 - 2020 update

Dominic Kula (General Manager, Strategy and Democracy) advised the purpose of this briefing is to allow Elected Members to preview the draft 2019-20 Annual Plan document.

A presentation was shown and the Elected Member were taken through the draft plan, page by page.

Elected Members feedback

- Page 12 2019-20 Key projects
 - The narrative around work being done to improve traffic flow in Dent Street should be looked at.
- Page 13 2019-20 Key projects
 - The airport site is still being investigated and the narrative around this should be reworded.
- Page 13 2019-20 Key projects
 - The lights at Ruakaka Sportsfield are going up now. This should be removed from the plan for this year.
- Page 13 2019-20 Key projects
 - There is confusion in the community around the term Civic Centre. There should be some narrative to clarify what the building will be used for.
- Page 14 Water
 - The different types of water should be clarified.
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 - The 9 million cubic metres of water used by Whangarei Residents should be clarified as drinking water.
- Page 16 Going places
 - The cents per dollar spent on transportation is more than what is stated.
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 - The wording around new bus shelters and footpaths should be expanded on.
- Page 18 Investing in community
 - The Ball Clock should be mentioned. It was advised that although it could be included in the narrative, the Ball Clock is not an investment from Council for this year.
- Page 20 Hot Community Topics
 - Spatial and Environmental are very generic.
- Page 21
 - The variance between what we said in the LTP and what we plan now was discussed. It was advised that what we are doing with this Annual Plan is specifying the changes from year 2 of the LTP.
- Page 135 Abbreviations and acronyms
 - Capex / Opex should be added.
 - The acronym RDF (Regional Development Fund) is not mentioned in the document, should be the PGF (Provincial Growth Fund).
- Page 31 – On the financial page of the transportation projects

- There was some discussion on the inclusion of the Springs Flat Roundabout project in the programme for this year. It was felt that this should be kept in the plan and if it does not proceed, it can be dealt with in next Annual Plan.

3. Closure of Meeting

The briefing concluded at 11.21am.