



# EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MINUTES – FURTHER DELIBERATIONS RELATING TO THE FORWARD STAFFING BUDGET ON THE DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

## MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF WESTLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 36 WELD STREET, HOKITIKA AND VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2024 COMMENCING AT 2 PM

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The Council Meeting was live streamed to the Westland District Council YouTube Channel and presentations are made available on the council website.

### 1. MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

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Chairperson:	Her Worship the Mayor
Deputy Mayor & Southern	Cr Cassin
Ward Member:	
Northern Ward Members:	Cr Burden,
Hokitika Ward Members:	Cr Baird, Cr Davidson, Cr Gillett
Southern Ward Members:	Cr Manera
Iwi Representatives:	Kw Madgwick

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### NGĀ WHAKAPAAHA APOLOGIES

Cr Neale. Cr Phelps. Kw Tumahai.

Moved Cr Burden, seconded Cr Gillett and **Resolved** that the apology from Cr Neale, Cr Phelps and Kw Tumahai be received and accepted.

### STAFF PRESENT

S. Baxendale, Acting Chief Executive; T. Cook, Group Manager Regulatory, Planning and Community Services; L. Crichton, Group Manager Corporate Services, Risk and Assurance; D. Maitland, Executive Assistant; E. Rae, Strategy and Communications Advisor (on Zoom); P. Coleman, Governance Administrator; L. Truman, Finance Manager; E. Bencich, Operations Manager; J. Visser, Facilities and Properties Manager.

### 2. WHAKAPUAKITANGA WHAIPĀNGA DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Interest Register had been circulated. There were no changes to the Interest Register noted.

### 3. PŪRONGO KAIMAHI STAFF REPORTS

- **Further Amendment to the Draft Annual Plan 2024/2025: Removal of a Number of Vacant Positions.**

Emma Rae, Strategy and Communications Advisor spoke to this item and advised the purpose of this report is for the Council to resolve on the further amendment to the draft Annual Plan 2024/2025: Removal of vacant positions.

- These are vacant positions that have not been filled for quite some time.
- These positions have been previously left in the budget for possible future use.
- 3 positions total.
- This has a savings of approximately \$200,000 which will help to reduce rates.

Moved Deputy Mayor Cassin, seconded Cr Burden and **Resolved** that:

1. The report be received.
2. The Council resolve to remove a number of vacant positions from the budget for the draft Annual Plan 2024/2025.

**DATE OF NEXT EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 24 JUNE 2024**  
**DATE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 27 2024**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 36 WELD STREET, HOKITIKA AND VIA ZOOM**

**MEETING CLOSED AT 2.17 PM**

Confirmed by:

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**Her Worship the Mayor  
Chair**

**Date: 27 June 2024**