

# PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Council Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 15 May 2024, commencing at 9am.

**Members Present:** Grant Smith (The Mayor) (in the Chair) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta (early departure)

### Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb opened the meeting with karakia.

### 76-24 **Apologies: Sessions 1 and 2 – 15 May 2024**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 76-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### Declaration of Interest

Councillor William Wood declared an interest in Submission 252 Josephine Gutry, for the Cancer Society of Manawatū (252) and sat in the gallery for this submission.

### 77-24 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### RESOLVED

1. That the minutes of the Council meeting of 1 May 2024 Part I Public and Part II Confidential be confirmed as a true and correct record.

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Clause 77-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**78-24 Extension of meeting time**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council resolve as per Standing Order 2.1.7 that the meeting be extended until 8.00pm on Friday 17 May 2024.

Clause 78-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**79-24 Appointment of Chairs for following sessions**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council agree the Chairs for the remaining sessions as follows:

Date	Session	Timeslot	Chair
15 May	3	1.30pm-3pm	Cr Debi Marshall-Lobb
	4	3.30pm-5pm	
	5	5.30-7.30pm	Cr Pat Handcock
16 May	6	9am-10.30am	Cr Mark Arnott
	7	11am-12.30pm	
	8	1.30pm-3pm	Cr Karen Naylor
	9	3.30pm-5pm	
	10	5.30-7.30pm	Cr William Wood
17 May	11	9am-10.30am	Cr Kaydee Zabelin
	12	11am-12.30pm	
	13	1.30pm-3pm	Cr Roly Fitzgerald
	14	3.30pm-5pm	

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	15	5.30-7.30pm	Mayor Grant Smith
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Clause 79-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Ophée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**80-24 Hearing of Submissions - Long-Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Council hear submissions from presenters who indicated their wish to be heard in support of their submission.
2. That the Council note the Procedure for Hearing of Submissions, as described in the procedure sheet (Attachment 1).

Clause 80-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Ophée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Council considered submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024/34, Rates Review and Waste Management and Minimisation Policy together with supporting oral statements including additional tabled material.

The following persons appeared before the Council, made oral statements in support of their submissions and replied to questions from Elected Members.

**John Holmes (236)**

John Holmes spoke to his submission and made the following additional comment:

- Opposed Featherston Street changes especially the bus stop in the middle of the road.

**Keith Beverage (1184)**

Keith Beverage spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

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### **Niuvaka Trust (503)**

Dana Kunaiti spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Susan Baty (809)**

Susan Baty spoke to her submission and made the following additional comments:

- Annual rates review - Council should look at costing multiple unit properties differently (add a differential).
- Gold Card parking fees exemption card - should increase from \$10 to \$25-50 per annum to protect it. It should be cost neutral. The extension of hours has meant parking spaces can be used all day by working seniors.
- Awapuni Community Hub – it was a good idea to purchase the land. Council should use the Te Aroha Noa model to reduce the scale to \$5M. A partnership could be with Rangitāne at Maxwell's Line.
- Cycleway to Ashhurst - would like to see finished.

### **REACH – Roslyn Education and Community Health Group (814)**

Susan Baty (Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta left the meeting at 9:58am.

### **River Stop Awapuni (573)**

Beverley Page supported by David Chapple from Menz Shed spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Supportive of the new Awapuni hub as the current Awapuni Library is too small and the current Awapuni community centre is always fully booked.
- The proposed new Awapuni hub will only be used as the central library when it is closed for earthquake submission.
- New building would allow groups such as Menz Shed to be accommodated in the hub
- Prefer a more modest building as the proposed design is the right size but does not need a big foyer area.

### **Joe Hollander (688)**

Joe Hollander spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Supports the improvement of heritage projects as costs only increased over time.

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- Of the 19 priority items listed in his submission, Council should prioritise advancing the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan (3) creating a City Heritage Plan (8) and the Creation of a Heritage Advisory Panel (14).

### **Brian Goldfinch (750)**

Brian Goldfinch spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **David Chapple (855)**

David Chapple spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Manawatū Rugby Union (874)**

Doug Tietjens spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **St Peter's College Year 13 Geography Class (436)**

The St Peter's College Year 13 Geography Class spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

The meeting adjourned (Session 1 finished) at 11.00am.  
The meeting resumed (Session 2 started) at 11.20am.

Councillor Billy Meehan was not present when the meeting resumed at 11:20am.

### **Cancer Society of Manawatū (252)**

Josephine Gutry spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

**Note:** Councillor Wood declared an interest in Submission 252 and sat in the gallery.

### **Ross Linklater**

Ross Linklater spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Feilding – Palmerston North cycleway: he would like to see a 5km extension to follow the Te Araroa pathway, this could possibly seek additional central government funding.
- An off-road cycle path is preferable to following a busy road.

Ross tabled a map of the route he thought the cycleway should follow

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(attached separately).

### **Senior Reference Group (790)**

Jim Jefferies (Chair) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Rates increases – significantly affects people on fixed incomes.
- Wastewater Project - concerned around the \$1000 levy being unaffordable for individuals. Questioned whether other projects should be eliminated to reduce the impact of the Wastewater Project.

### **Jim Jefferies (911)**

Jim Jefferies spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **ACROSS Te Kotahitanga o Te Wairua (890)**

Susan Turner, and Gail Wood spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Renee and Hugh Dingwall (921)**

Renee and Hugh Dingwall (921) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Importance of social housing in the city.
- Age friendly city with options for everyone.
- Need to have accessible public bathrooms for large powered wheelchairs.

### **Naoki Sakai (828)**

Naoki Sakai spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Worried about affordability of proposed rates increase - 40% increase in rates expected on lifestyle blocks.
- Rating system - Staged increased is appreciated.
- Council needs to encourage growth and reduce spending during this period.

### **Kim Penny (945)**

Kim Penny spoke to her submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

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### **Paul Barris (985)**

Paul Barris spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments.

- Council needs to decide the amount it wants to spend on items each year rather than offering all these projects unfunded.
- City Growth – need to allow more land to be developed. eg Golf course on Railway Road.
- Development contributions changes make sense but more analysis needs to be done.

### **Walter Davis (1228)**

Walter Davis spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 2 finished) at 1.01pm.  
The meeting resumed (Session 3 started) at 2.00pm.

**Members Present:** Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb (in the Chair), Grant Smith (The Mayor) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### **Apologies:**

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb took the Chair.  
Councillor Lew Findlay joined the meeting for the new session.

### **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin declared an interest in Submission 864 Simon Ferry and sat in the gallery for this submission.

### **Hearing of Submissions - Long-Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy**

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### **North Street Development Ltd (1126 and 1127)**

William Wallis and Hannah Wallis spoke to their submissions and made no additional comments.

### **Dale O'Reilly (428)**

Dale O'Reilly spoke to her submission and tabled a document (attached separately).

### **Brett Neill (773)**

Brett Neill and Donna Whale spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Wendy Brock (725)**

Wendy Brock spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Simon Ferry (864)**

Simon Ferry spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments.

- He would like to see a greater push back on some of the directives from central government.
- He would like to see Council as visionary leaders rather than managers.

**Note:** Councillor Kaydee Zabelin declared an interest in Submission 864 and sat in the gallery.

### **Matthew Willey (902)**

Matthew Willey spoke to his submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Central Economic Development Agency (949)**

Jerry Shearman (Chief Executive) spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Unions Manawatū (957)**

John Shennan, and Ben Schmidt spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments.

- Suggested Council seek a sister city in Palestine preferably in Gaza.
- Commended Councillors who voted in favour of retaining Māori



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wards.

The meeting adjourned (Session 3 finished) at 3.33pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 4 started) at 4.00pm.

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald was not present when the meeting resumed at 4:00pm.

Councillor Billy Meehan returned to the meeting at 4:00pm.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta returned to the meeting at 4:00pm.

### **Environment Network Manawatū (WMMP 291)**

Helen King, spoke to their submission on the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and made no additional comments.

### **Helen King (WMMP 304)**

Helen King, spoke to her submission on the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and made no additional comments.

### **Mike Clement (565)**

Mike Clement spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments.

- There is no need to implement every directive from central Government.

### **Athena Women's Collective (1013)**

Jean Hera and Maryanne Mechen, spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Graham Brocklebank (1117)**

Graham Brocklebank spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

The Mayor entered the meeting at 4.47pm.

### **Te Araroa Manawatū Trust (1017)**

Brian Way, (Chair) and Anthony Behrens (Trustee) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald entered the meeting at 4.52pm.

### **Kim Ace (1034)**

Kim Ace spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Central Football (1040)**

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Darren Mason, (Chief Executive) and Donald Piper (Chief Operations Manager) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta left the meeting at 5.13pm.

### **Manawatū Multicultural Council (1173)**

Rangita Sengupta (President) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Hancock Community House is a learning hub and the space restricts numbers for larger social events. With a larger facility they would be able to utilise it every day of the year.

### **John Aitken (439)**

John Aitken spoke to his submission and made a presentation (separately attached).

### **Te Pū Harakeke – Community Collective Manawatū (791)**

Tim Kendrew, (Manager) spoke to the submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 4 finished) at 5.38pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 5 started) at 6.08pm.

**Members Present:** Councillor Patrick Handcock (in the Chair), Mayor Grant Smith and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors Billy Meehan, Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett (late arrival), Roly Fitzgerald (early departure).

Councillor Patrick Handcock took the Chair.

## **81-24 Apologies - Session 5, 15 May 2024.**

Moved Patrick Handcock, seconded Grant Smith.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies from Councillor Billy Meehan, Brent Barrett (late arrival), Roly Fitzgerald (early departure), Leonie Hapeta.

Clause 81-24 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick

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Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

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Councillor Orphee Mickalad entered at 6.12pm.

#### **Manawatū District Council (1131)**

Mayor Helen Worboys, Hamish Waugh (General Manager – Infrastructure) and Lisa Thomas, (Senior Policy Advisor) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Manawatū District Council (WMMP 294)**

Mayor Helen Worboys, Hamish Waugh, (General Manager – Infrastructure), and Lisa Thomas, (Senior Policy Advisor) spoke to their submission on the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and made no additional comments.

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 6.27pm

#### **Manawatū Estuary Management Team (1123)**

Brett Russell (Chair) spoke to the submission and made the following additional comments:

- It is Council's responsibility to oversee the discharge to the river from the city.
- Ignore the information in his submission on the impact of climate change on Himatangi as he now realises this is the responsibility of the Manawatū District Council.

#### **Manawatū Skating Club (574)**

Lisa Thomas (Coach) and Nina Mercer (Co-President) spoke to the submission and made the following additional comments:

- Bell Hall in its current state is fit-for-purpose for what they primarily use it for. However, their competing skaters use Arena 3 for the floor size because Bell Hall is not an international sized rink.
- Need to be a part of the planning process for any new facilities so the builders know what they need for their skaters such as no

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pillars down the middle for safety reasons, and storage requirements.

### **Bobbi Murray on behalf of Denial Mudgway (608)**

Bobbi Murray spoke to the submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald left the meeting at 6.53pm  
Councillor Brent Barrett entered the meeting at 6.55pm

### **Palmerston North Heritage Trust (1037)**

Margaret Tennant spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- They have members belonging to a range of heritage organisations such as Secondary and Tertiary Teachers, Te Manawa Society, Caccia Birch Advisory Committee, Archives and Records Association, Historic Places Manawatū, local genealogist and military history – although not speaking for them, they have a wide interest that goes beyond archives.

### **Brett Hill and Tom Santing (1064)**

Brett Hill and Tom Santing spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Rates review – 11% circa does not seem unreasonable.
- The additional \$1000 over next 30 years is not affordable.
- Do not like any of the options.
- Support the nice to haves which are sometimes needs – the bigger need is for people to be able to afford to pay their rates so the city can continue to provide a service.

### **Mandy Shaw (1081)**

Mandy Shaw spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Manawatū Rugby Football League (497)**

Lawrence Erihe, (General Manager) and Kiri Rimene, (Administrator) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Current infrastructure concerns for hosting opportunities such as the Tamariki Māori league competition and International Masters.
- Insufficient facilities capacity to hosting large sporting events.

### **New Zealand Manawatū Rugby Museum (1115)**

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Stephen Berg, (Director) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb closed the day with karakia.

The meeting adjourned (Session 5 finished) at 7.45pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 6 started) at 9.00am, Thursday 16 May 2024

**Members Present:** Councillor Mark Arnott (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith), Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors William Wood (late arrival), Orphee Mickalad, Rachel Bowen (early departure), The Mayor (early departure on Council business), Vaughan Dennison (early departure).

Councillor Mark Arnott took the Chair.

### **Karakia Timatanga**

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin opened the day with karakia.

## **82-24 Apologies - Session 6 and 7, 16 May 2024.**

Moved Mark Arnott, seconded Pat Handcock.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 83-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

### **Hearing of Submissions - Long-Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy.**

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### **Horizons Regional Council (1140)**

Chair Rachel Keedwell and Councillor Wiremu Te Awe Awe spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Soala Wilson (793)**

Soala spoke to her submission and made the following additional comments:

- Questions whether Council is really listening.
- Made comparison to life in Auckland where there was no consultation and the same issues such as Featherston Street.
- Projects need to be planned with all members of the community in mind.

### **Malia, Kate and Adaline (704)**

Malia, Kate and Adaline spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- They conducted their own survey of 429 participants. 82.3% of participants felt unsafe walking outside in the dark and in particular around the Manawatū river walkway.
- Lights should be strategically placed.
- Some areas around town such as Broadway Avenue and The Square are unsafe after dark and could do with more lighting.

### **Bainesse and Districts Community Development Trust (913)**

Alice Williamson spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Manawatū Kiwi Canoe Polo Club (961)**

Greg Sawyer, (Treasurer) and Paul Hocquard, (Committee Member) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments,

### **Paul Perry (982)**

Paul Perry spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Rachel Bowen left the meeting at 10.00am during consideration of submission 982.

### **Sheridan O'Hara (1090)**

Sheridan O'Hara spoke to his submission and made the following

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additional comments:

- Consider a Park 'n' Ride service. Possible locations on the outskirts of Napier Road and the like.
- Would consider attending more public planning sessions but can be difficult to attend with small children.

### **Ann Atkinson (1108)**

Ann Atkinson spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Geoff Watson (1118)**

Geoff Watson spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Zains Alsamaræ (994)**

Zains Alsamaræ spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 6 finished) at 10.48am

The meeting resumed (Session 7 started) at 11.05am

Councillor William Wood entered the meeting at 11.05am

The Mayor and Councillor Billy Meehan were not present when the meeting resumed.

### **West Te Wanaka Road Group (1182)**

Neil Wright and Grant Binns spoke to the submission and made no additional comments.

Councillors Rachel Bowen, Leonie Hapeta and Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 11.10am during submission 1182.

### **Ruth Jackson (1122)**

Ruth spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Bowls Palmerston North (1120)**

John Dunlop, Gary Fryer, (President) and Mike Symons (Vice President) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments. A video was shown at the meeting (available on Youtube).

- They have a lot of support for a covered green which will cost around \$2m and they would like some support from Council.
- National event capabilities with current undertaking from Bowls New Zealand to bring a televised event to the Manawatū if the

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facility is in place.

### **Les Fugle (950)**

Les spoke to his submission and made the following additional comment.

- Development contributions acts as a barrier to development.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison left at 11.44am after consideration of Submission 950.

### **Manawatū Regional Volleyball Association Incorporated (1164)**

Kelsey Higgins (General Manager) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Supports investment towards the masterplan around Central Energy Trust Arena – Option 1.
- This is their primary community sport hub and it is an irreplaceable asset for volleyball and other sports.
- Sport has a positive impact on the community.
- Arena states it has over 3000 bookings annually. One volleyball booking alone would easily be over 300 participants per night.
- They need to be able to plan long-term for the city and around its use.
- Between volleyball, basketball and netball they use the main areas. With the proposed growth of these sports and the growth of the city, the current infrastructure – it is not sustainable.
- Advocates for its commercial viability.
- Would like to see more cost breakdown.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 11.56am

### **Helen King (1116)**

Helen King spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Ian Staples (1176)**

Ian Staples spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Creative Sounds Society Incorporated – The Stomach (1179)**

Abi Symes, (Manager) and Amelia Shad spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.



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The Mayor entered the meeting at 12.14pm during consideration of Submission 1179.

### **Sport Manawatū (1185)**

Kelly Shanks, (Chief Executive) and Carl Johnston (General Manager Partnerships – Environments) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Kelvin Grove Community Association Incorporated (1227)**

John Charlton (Treasurer) spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Environment Network Manawatū (1128)**

Helen and Mads Batachei spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 7 finished) at 12.55pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 8 started) at 1.45pm.

**Members Present:** Councillor Karen Naylor (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors William Wood (early departure), Orphee Mickalad, Billy Meehan (early departure)

Councillor Karen Naylor took the Chair.

### **83-24 Apologies - Sessions 8 and 9, 16 May 2024.**

Moved Karen Naylor, seconded Brent Barrett.

#### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 83-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

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### **Hearing of Submissions - Long-Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy.**

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Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 1.49pm

#### **Disability Reference Group (848)**

Hugh O'Connell (Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Summerset Group Holdings Limited (1119)**

Tom Calvin, (Senior Development Manager) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Robert Cuff (1124)**

Robert Cuff spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Regarding cycleways and all other projects, he has not seen anything in the budget for ongoing maintenance costs. Has Council factored this in?

#### **Jackie Wheeler (1177)**

Jackie Wheeler spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Neil Jepsen (1183)**

Neil Jepsen spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Rowan Bell (908)**

Rowan Bell spoke to his submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

#### **James Irwin (265)**

James Irwin spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Proud of our multiculturalism; opportunities for our children in Palmerston North.

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- Changes to occur in our urban environment need to be city-wide.
- Council needs to introduce mode-shift to our population; other forms. No benefit if nobody is using it.
- There is a hierarchy involved in design- as published in the Roads and Streets framework where pedestrians are given the highest priority.
- Safety is important.

### **Agness Ruwangalegedara (Grace) (462)**

Grace spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Robert Gibb (1187)**

Robert Gibb spoke to his submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

### **Awapuni Park Community & Recreation Centre (1219)**

Dan Mateer, (Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Billy Meehan left at 3.23pm during Submission 1219

The meeting adjourned (Session 8 finished) at 3.27pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 9 started) at 4.00pm.

Councillors Vaughan Dennison, Billy Meehan and Orphee Mickalad were not present when the meeting resumed.

### **Julia Manssen (962)**

Julia Manssen spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Palmy Youth Council (1166)**

Malia and Zaina (Co-Chairs) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Developments should not overlook the youth perspective and their future.
- Voices of youth are not only voices of tomorrow but also voices of today.

### **Caccia Birch Trust Board (959)**

Jill Brider (Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

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### **Peter W French (1089)**

Peter W French spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments. Peter presented an image (attached separately).

- He would like Council to consider his idea of introducing two give way signs in Vogel Street to allow free flowing traffic and mitigate speed. Better flow to all traffic.
- He would like officers to provide a third option to allow public participation in the design.

### **Eric Constantine (690)**

Eric Constantine spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- This consultation has been the worst consultation in the past 34 years.
- Openness and transparency has been ignored and replaced by deception.
- Council's rating data is not accurate and he questions the calculations.
- Calculations are chaotic where the only simple option Land Value.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison entered the meeting at 4.51pm during Submission 690.

### **Paul Robertson (1169)**

Paul Robertson spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments.

- When he talks to others he says Palmerston North is the best city to live but currently he does not see his opinion staying this way.
- Every house he has owned he built, 3 houses. First house 1983, he cut back on spending, was an apprentice etc to save for his deposit. He took on extra jobs to cover costs. Since then was divorced 10year separation that cost a lot. Also been made redundant twice. Now he owns his own home, another home and is mortgage free. He has been able to achieve all this by putting in effort and thinking about how he manages finances. He thinks if he can do this why can't Council do this.
- He encourages Council to save money, get best value for money and reduce debt. Would like to see Council to focus on core services.
- Thinks social housing should be covered by central Government.
- Rent for social housing he knows is around \$100 per week. As a

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homeowner with the proposed increases around 20-22% his rates will be around \$5k per year. People on social housing don't have to pay for that – he does.

- Land value is best as it discourages land banking.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 4.58pm during submission 1169.

### **Nigel Fitzpatrick (1172)**

Nigel Fitzpatrick spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Manawatū Tenants Union (1221)**

Cameron Jenkins (Union Coordinator) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Supports Te Pū Harakeke's request to double Strategic Priority Grant funding.
- Average person looks at CPI and not the other market labour force index or other measures.
- When a tenant cannot pay their rent they are homeless, when a landlord cannot pay their rates they sell the house and keep the capital gains.

The meeting adjourned (Session 9 finished) at 5.20pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 10 started) at 6.00pm.

**Members Present:** Councillor William Wood (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Lorna Johnson, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors Billy Meehan, The Mayor (early departure – Council business)

Councillor William Wood took the Chair.

### **84-24 Apologies - Session 10, 16 May 2024.**

Moved William Wood, seconded Patrick Handcock.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 83-24 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

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### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### **Declaration of Interests**

Councillor Leonie Hapeta declared a conflict of interest in submission 1002 Sam Illing and did not participate in discussion.

### **Hearing of Submissions: Long Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy**

Council considered submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024/34, Rates Review and Waste Management and Minimisation Policy together with supporting oral statements including additional tabled material.

The following persons appeared before the Council, made oral statements in support of their submission and replied to questions from Elected Members.

#### **Peter and Isobel Wilson (339)**

Peter and Isobel Wilson spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Sam Illing (1002)**

Sam Illing spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments.

- People are struggling with the costs of living, and so Council needs to be mindful of its expenditure.
- Debt is not a solution – recognise need for some of the expenditure

**Note:** Councillor Leonie Hapeta (online) declared a conflict of interest and did not participate in the discussion.

#### **Aaron Fox (1060)**

Aaron Fox spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Palmerston North Surf Life Saving Club (1074)**

Alec MacKay spoke to their submission and made the following additional comment:

- They would like annual funding for the Surf Lifesaving Club included in the Long Term Plan.

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### **Stewart Hubbard (1158)**

Stewart Hubbard spoke to his submission and made the following additional comment:

- Supports the shared pathway to Ashhurst being completed.

### **Malcolm Frith (1160)**

Malcolm Frith spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Jeff Cruickshank (1168)**

Jeff Cruickshank spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Housing Advice Centre (983)**

Peter Grey and Susan Baty spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Additional Council support is needed across the community sector as the combination of increased need and increased costs is putting significant pressure on community services' ability to deliver.

### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor William Wood closed the day with karakia.

The meeting adjourned (Session 10 finished) at 7.25pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 11 started) at 9.01am, Friday 17 May 2024.

**Members Present:** Councillor Kaydee Zabelin (in the Chair), and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad and Karen Naylor

**Apologies:** Councillors William Wood and Roly Fitzgerald, Mayor Grant Smith (late arrival - Council business).

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin took the Chair.

### **Karakia Timatanga**

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin opened the day with karakia.

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**85-24 Apologies - Sessions 11 and 12 - 17 May 2024.**

Moved Kaydee Zabelin, seconded Patrick Handcock.

**RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 85-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Hearing of Submissions: Long Term Plan 2024-34 and the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy**

Council considered submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024/34, Rates Review and Waste Management and Minimisation Policy together with supporting oral statements including additional tabled material.

The following persons appeared before the Council, made oral statements in support of their submission and replied to questions from Elected Members.

**Jacqueline Yvonne Carr (1199)**

Jacqueline spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

**Maurice Job (694)**

Maurice Job spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

**Neighbourhood Support (Summerhill/Titirangi Drive), (863)**

David spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

**Mason Ngatoa-Spooner (526)**

Mason spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- He is a DJ and concerned there is nothing in the Long-Term Plan for the night life of Palmerston North.
- Process around liquor licensing needs to be faster.
- There is no collective voice for the night life socialites.
- He sees extra safety systems could be introduced such as scanning IDs like in Taupo.
- He would like to see a Social Worker type representative.



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- He would like to see more youth see Palmerston North as a place they want to go.
- Council could play a part to make it look appealing and to draw in the crowds.

### **Jonathan Mason (853)**

Jonathan Mason spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Born and raised in the Manawatū with great amenities that are well maintained – he is very privileged to live here.
- He would like to see further adherence to good governance.
- Increase in rates could be onerous but happy to pay more if he knew where it was going.
- Priority should be given on what is essential at this point in time and not on what is a nice to have such as street frontages.
- Get in step with the rest of the country to try and curb expenditure, thinking of future costs of fuel and the flow on effect through to transport and then onto production of food.
- Projects in the past have not been completed and money needs to be put towards completing these such as stormwater.
- Supports the principle of majority rather than consensus.

### **Karen Keenan (1153)**

Karen Keenan spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **John Farquhar (1001)**

John Farquhar spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Fairness definition has different interpretations.
- Rates from business and farmers are a deductible expense.
- No benefit from rating roads.
- Half the debt is sewage systems and the other half should be scrutinised.
- He is not comfortable with the increase in debt.
- He is not sure how to reduce the debt, referenced Kaipara as an example of what we do not want to happen.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison left the meeting at 10.18am.

### **Amanda Coats (1052)**

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Amanda Coats spoke to her submission and made the following additional comment:

- Some major projects are completely unaffordable especially where external funding is not committed and this is a major risk.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison entered the meeting at 10.26am.

### **Lydia I (1054)**

Lydia I spoke to her submission and made the following additional comments:

- She is not part of any lobby group.
- The community is more valuable than the building they meet in. She has been to many cultural gatherings and it is the people that make it not the building itself.
- She supports a user pays approach as the process of fundraising builds community.
- It is unfair to force all rate payers to contribute – this may divide the community rather than bring it together.
- Please keep rates low so people will have more time to spend with each other.
- Spend on sensible things – building roads, maintenance, water and core things which are essential.
- Removing car parks in the town centre may have opposite effect. It causes lack of convenient car parking where weather is not always good and supports shops.
- A utopian idea is not always practical in Palmerston North.

### **Joanne Wilson (917)**

Joanne Wilson spoke to her submission and made the following additional comments:

- She believes wholeheartedly in Palmerston North.
- All the proposed projects have merit if there was unlimited funds.
- Council needs to consider flow-on impact.
- Increases are unsustainable and unaffordable. They need to be fair and equitable and priority given to essential services.
- Fixed income households will need to reduce expenses to afford rates. Such as cutting insurances, not heating their homes and cancelling doctors' appointments.
- Not everyone can tap into the rates rebate.
- Younger folk are being saddled with the high cost of living.
- One aspect that needs to be central is the wellbeing of people.

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Importance of relationship is important. Money being spent on strengthening these services as suicide rates are terrible and for continued work around social housing.

- Is Council prepared to saddle the people of Palmerston North in the debt? – they need to be good stewards of our money.
- Non-essential examples are Awapuni library, marae complex, Arena, Cuba St, Cycleway to Ashhurst and Feilding.

The meeting adjourned (Session 11 finished) at 10.49am.

The meeting resumed (Session 12 started) at 11.29am.

### **Chris Teo-Sherrell (WMMP 295)**

Chris Teo-Sherrell spoke to his submission on the Waste Management and Minimisation Policy and made no additional comments.

### **Chris Teo-Sherrell (1134)**

Chris Teo-Sherrell spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb left the meeting at 11.49pm.

### **Manawatū Business Chamber (1133)**

Amanda Linsley (Chief Executive), Steve Davey (Chair) and Nikki Maw, (Vice Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Planetary Accounting Network, (1129)**

Sue Lund and Lauren Boyd spoke to their submission and made a presentation (attached separately).

The meeting adjourned 12.11pm due to a fire alarm.

The meeting resumed at 12.31pm.

The Mayor and Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb entered the meeting when the meeting resumed at 12.31pm.

### **Federated Farmers of New Zealand (1135)**

Ian Strahan, James Stuart and Hamish Easton spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Kiwi Property Holding Limited (1230)**

Daniel Minhinnick (Counsel for Kiwi Property Holding Limited) and Andrew Heaphy (Plaza, Centre Manager) spoke to their submission and

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made the following additional comments outlined in their tabled document (attached separately).

### **Mapperley Family Trust (1136)**

Michael Sharpe spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Introduced himself as the owner of the Sanitarium complex.
- To increase Council's revenue they could consider expanding the electronic parking system and widen their rates base and build more houses.

### **Te Awa Community Foundation (1138)**

Cat Rikihana (Co-General Manager) and Clive Pedley (Chair) spoke to their submission and no additional comments

The Mayor left the meeting at 1.04pm during Submission 1141.

### **Whatunga Tuao Volunteer Central (1141)**

Chris Atherton (Chair) and Kate Aplin (Manager) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 12 finished) at 1.23pm.  
The meeting resumed (Session 13 started) at 2.00pm.

**Members Present:** Councillor Roly Fitzgerald (in the Chair) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillor Billy Meehan, Mayor Grant Smith (late arrival – Council business)

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald took the Chair.

### **86-24 Apologies - Sessions 13 and 14, 17 May 2024.**

Moved Roly Fitzgerald, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 85-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### **Hearing of Submissions: Long Term Plan 2024-34 – Session 13, 2.00pm, 17 May 2024**

Council considered submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024/34, Rates Review and Waste Management and Minimisation Policy together with supporting oral statements including additional tabled material.

The following persons appeared before the Council, made oral statements in support of their submission and replied to questions from Elected Members.

#### **Papaioea Pasifika Community Trust (566)**

Sunlou Liuvaie spoke to their submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 2.18pm.

#### **Pasifika Reference Group (1170)**

Andrew Jamieson and Courtney Sowman (Co- Chairs) spoke to their submission and showed a video (available on Youtube).

#### **Foodstuff New Zealand Limited (1043)**

Simone Williams and Matt Norwell spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Te Manawa Museum (947 & 948)**

Susana Shadbolt (Chief Executive) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comment:

- Art and culture are an essential service not a luxury.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) entered the meeting at 2.40pm.

#### **Kevin Low (974)**

Kevin Low spoke to his submission and made a Powerpoint presentation (attached separately).

#### **Hugh Wilde (991)**

Hugh Wilde spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

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### **Mark Gunning (1130)**

Mark Gunning spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Council should focus on what it can afford rather than what we want.
- Awapuni community hub – questioned the need for a new facility as there are a good range of facilities across city. Is there potential to improve existing facilities rather than build a new facility.
- Anzac Park – site of significance but struggles to see commercial viability of the project particularly the café.
- Believes it is harsh to start charging interest payments on development levies.

### **Marianne Poole (1157)**

Marianne Poole (1157) spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Jeremy Neild (1161)**

Jeremy Neild spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Grant Stevenson (1162)**

Grant Stevenson (1162) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

The meeting adjourned (Session 13 finished) at 3.45pm.

The meeting resumed (Session 14 started) at 4.01pm.

Councillors Lorna Johnson and Billy Meehan were not present when the meeting resumed.

### **Manawatū Toy Library (1210)**

Emma Ochei (President) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Lorna Johnson entered the meeting at 4.11pm during Submission 1210.

The Mayor left the meeting at 4.13pm.

### **Amanaki Stem Academy(1026)**

Taupo Tani (Board member) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

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Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 4.17pm.

### **Lisa Wilde (1175)**

Lisa Wilde spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

The Mayor returned to the meeting at 4.25pm.  
Councillor Brent Barrett left the meeting at 4.27pm.

### **Hockey Manawatū (1186)**

Dilan Raj, (General Manager) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments. Dilan showed a video of the hockey turfs (available on Youtube).

### **Pathways Presbyterian Church (1220 and 1226)**

Roy Tankersley, and Judy Secombe spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Lesley Shaw (1174)**

Lesley Shaw spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Jeanine Gribbin (1041)**

Jeanine Gribbin spoke to her submission and made no additional comments.

### **Annette Nixon (687)**

Annette Nixon spoke to her submission and made the following additional comments.

- Congratulated Council on the creation of the Asset Management Plan for Property which looks at maintenance needs for the next 30 years and shows a pictorial of Council's property portfolio.
- The Awapuni Community Hub should include civil defence facilities.

### **John Bent (1229)**

John Bent spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- Public notices are not all on Councils website.

### **John Monro (1031)**

John spoke to his submission and made the following additional

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comments:

- He would like to propose relocating the canoe polo venue at the Lagoon as it is very close to homes, it is a loud sport with lots of shouting.
- Consider creating a dedicated facility for this sport so it does not cause stress to residents. It causes him a lot of distress and he does not enjoy looking out on it.
- Residents have never been consulted regarding compliance with the RMA and access of this sport at the Lagoon. He thinks it's a breach of the Act as it is so close to residents.
- Proposed to have this moved up the other end of the Lagoon between a stretch where there are no homes right next to it.
- It would not be expensive to move it.

The meeting adjourned (Session 14 finished) at 5.39pm.  
The meeting resumed (Session 15 started) at 6.02pm.

**Members Present:** Mayor Grant Smith (in the Chair) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors Billy Meehan, William Wood (early departure).

Mayor Grant Smith took the Chair.

### **87-24 Apologies - Session 15– 5.30pm, 17 May 2024.**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 85-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared a conflict of interest in Submission 1213 Homes for People and took no further part in



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discussion.

### **Hearing of Submissions: Long Term Plan 2024-34 – Session 15, 5.30pm, 17 May 2024**

Council considered submissions on the Long Term Plan 2024/34, Rates Review and Waste Management and Minimisation Policy together with supporting oral statements including additional tabled material.

The following persons appeared before the Council, made oral statements in support of their submission and replied to questions from Elected Members.

#### **Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust (749)**

Sue Mordaunt (Secretary) and Simon Barnett (Chair) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 6.10pm after Submission 749.  
Councillor Pat Handcock entered the meeting at 6.12pm after Submission 749.

#### **Homes for People (1213)**

Darren Birch (Chief Executive Officer and Founder) Cheri Birch (Team Leader and Founder) and Vaughan Dennison spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

**Note:** Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared a conflict of interest, in Submission 1213 Homes for People and took no further part in discussion.

#### **Central Palmerston North Business Improvement District Incorporated, (1207)**

Mathew Jeanes (General Manager) spoke to the submission and made no additional comments.

#### **Bruce Wilson (1181)**

Bruce Wilson spoke to his submission and made the following additional comments:

- He lost a week to review the hard-copy of the document.
- Consultation style surprised him as it restricted the audience.
- Supplementary booklet design was not easily to navigate, page number, contents page – not well put together. The last one was very good.

#### **Marilyn Rossiter and Andrew (1056)**

Marilyn spoke to her submission and made the following additional

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comments:

- Keep expenditure to a reasonable level and not going for all the non-essentials.
- Focus on the core infrastructure projects such as Nature Calls
- Anzac Park and Awapuni Library hub are not essentials.
- CET, she has concerns on cost but knows it is well used.
- Seismic upgrades - wait and see what the final results are from Government before any work is done. Some common sense will prevail on what needs to be done.
- User pays on council facilities and services.
- She sees Palmerston North as an urban service centre and intends to retire here if rates are not exorbitant.
- Do not take away car parks and no more cycleways. She wants to be able to get near the shops. People should know the road code so you should not need separated cycleways.
- She accepts the legality that rates are a tax and not a fee for service.
- Wealth and the ability to pay tax are not related. For example, you could have a wealthy property but the income can be non-existent.

### **Roslyn Commons Project (1125)**

Joshua Parsons spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

### **Paul Smillie (317)**

Paul Smillie spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Peter Claridge (1188)**

Peter Claridge spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

### **Swamp City Roller Derby (1204)**

Katherine Parlane spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 7.29pm during Submission 1204.

### **Manawatū Basketball (1231)**

Mike Ryan (General Manager) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

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- More cameras down Pascal Street could deter assaults, which are a regular occurrence.

### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb closed the meeting with karakia.

The meeting finished at 7.46 pm, 17 May 2024

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**Mayor**