

# 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 06 November 2024, commencing at 9.02am.

**Members Present:** Grant Smith (The Mayor) (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, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Apologies:** Councillors Rachel Bowen, Lorna Johnson (late arrival) and William Wood (early departure).

Councillor Lorna Johnson entered the meeting at 9.19am during consideration of clause 188-24. She was not present for clause 187-24.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 12.26pm after consideration of clause 197.6-24. He entered the meeting again at 3.04pm after consideration of clause 198.5-24. He was not present for clauses 197.6-24 to 198.5-24 inclusive.

Councillor Billy Meehan left the meeting at 4.27pm during consideration of clause 199-24. He was not present for clauses 199-24 to 202-24 inclusive.

### Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb opened the meeting with karakia.

### 187-24 Apologies

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 187-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### Declarations of Interest

The Mayor Grant Smith (Item 13 and 14) and Councillor Vaughan Dennison (Item 13) declared an interest in clause 202-24 but stated

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they would consider the items with an open mind.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta declared a conflict of interest in Item 21 Confidential Recommendations from the Community Committee (clause 202-24) and took no further part in discussion or debate.

### **188-24 Public Comment**

Nigel Fitzpatrick spoke on Item 10 Transport Funding Implications (clause 197-24). He spoke in support of separated cycleways to improve the safety of the roads for bike riders (young and old) and drivers. He thanked Council for what they had done to improve the safety of Featherston St for bike riders and encouraged Council to continue funding shared pathways.

Karen Griffiths and Tom Poole, residents of Purdie Place, spoke on Item 8 Stormwater Improvements in Milson (clause 190-24). They stated that residents of Purdie Place are also vulnerable to flooding, and asked that Council officers engage with Purdie Place residents during the detailed design process. They requested that both sides of the waterway be equally protected from flooding, with a similar height wall on both sides.

Evelyn Strugnell, resident of McGregor St, spoke on Item 8 Stormwater Improvements in Milson (clause 190-24), in reference to the flooding caused by the stream opposite her property. She would like to see better drainage in the area; pipes need to be made bigger, stream needs to be widened, and drainpipes cleaned regularly.

Councillor Lorna Johnson entered the meeting at 9:19am.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council receive the Public Comments.

Clause 188-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### **Tributes - Peter Michael Willis, Baldeep Dhillon and Roger Clausen.**

Mayor Grant Smith, read out tributes to Peter Michael Willis, Baldeep Dhillon and Roger Clausen.

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**189-24      Petition: Flooding at Julia Wallace Retirement Village**

Petition presented by Elisabeth Gosse, resident of Julia Wallace Retirement Village. Elisabeth spoke, on behalf of residents, on the flooding of the Village and requested Council act to prevent the Village flooding in the future.

She corrected an error; the Mangaone stream should read the Milson Stream.

She requested environmental impact reports for the commercial area by the airport, the Pillars and the new health centre.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council receive the petition for information.

Clause 189-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**190-24      Progress on Stormwater Improvements for Milson**

Memorandum, presented by Mike Monaghan, Manager- 3 Waters and Ricki Freemantle, 3 Waters Activity Manager.

An additional motion was moved to ensure that affected residents were kept informed of remedial stormwater work in the area.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

**RESOLVED**

2. That Council provide regular communication updates to affected residents through to completion of physical works.

Clause 190-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

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1. That Council receive the memorandum titled Progress on Stormwater Improvements for Milson.

Clause 190-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

The meeting adjourned at 10.32am

The meeting resumed at 10.55am

### **191-24 Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Debi Marshall-Lobb, seconded Brent Barrett.

**RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting of 30 October 2024 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 191-24 above was carried 12 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Abstained:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillor Leonie Hapeta.

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb did not vote.

### **192-24 Standing Orders - Option C**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

That Council adopt Option C (SO 2.12.3) for Item 11 Annual Budget 2025-26 – Timing and Programme Budget.

Clause 192-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

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**193-24 Sustainability Committee Part I Public - 16 October 2024**

Councillor Barrett presented the recommendations below:

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council adopt the recommendations from the Sustainability Committee of 16 October 2024:

**Local Water Done Well Update (clause 32-24)**

Memorandum, presented by Mike Monaghan, Manager Three Waters and Julie Keane, Transition Manager.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the Local Water Done Well report include the following options:
  - (a) That any joint CCO proposal considers proportionality shareholding and electoral college arrangements, and
  - (b) That an option of establishing a single-Council CCO accountable to PN City Council be also brought back.
2. That Council note the recommendations from the Sustainability Committee of 16 October 2024:

**Manawatū River Pathway Project (clause 41-24)**

Memorandum, presented by Glen O'Connor, Manager Transport and Development and Michael Bridge, Service Manager Active Transport.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council consider 1b and 1c in conjunction with the 6 November 2024 report to Council regarding Transport Funding, with a view to enabling flexible progress on the Ashhurst riverside and the Feilding shared paths.

**Note**

- 1b Direct the Chief Executive to continue engagement with affected landowners and progress planning and preparations for the Notice of Requirement over the 2024-2027 Financial Years; with the Notice of Requirement to be lodged in Year 4 of the Long-Term Plan, or earlier if all directly affected landowners provide their written support prior to lodgement. (\$350,000)

OR

- 1c Direct the Chief Executive to continue engagement with affected landowners and lodge the Notice of Requirement over the 2024-2027 Financial Years; with land acquisition and construction commencing from Year 4 of the Long-Term Plan. (\$800,000).

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Clause 193-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Abstained:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith).

### 194-24 **Community Committee Part I Public - 23 October 2024**

Councillor Johnson presented the recommendations below:

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council adopt the recommendations from the Community Committee of 23 October 2024:

**Presentation: Disability Reference Group - Annual Report (clause 24-24)**

Presentation, by Hugh O'Connell, Chair, Lisa McElvoy and Denise Bethell, members of the Disability Reference Group.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council acknowledge the impact of recent changes to disability support services, and that the Mayor, on behalf of the Council, write to Hon Louise Upston asking her to amend the Purchasing Rules to restore flexible funding to the pre-18 March 2024 Levels.

**Presentation: MASH Trust (clause 25-24)**

Presentation, by Karleen Edwards, Chief Executive and John Fawke, Chair of MASH Trust.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council support the proposed concept of Te Whare Oranga outlined by MASH Trust.

**Presentation: Manawatū Tenants Union (clause 26-24)**

Presentation, by Cameron Jenkins, Coordinator of Manawatū Tenants Union.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council endorse the Healthy Homes Commitment in their role as landlord and housing provider, as presented by Manawatū Tenants Union.

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### **Palmerston North Age Friendly Action Plan (clause 29-24)**

Report, presented by Amy Viles, Acting Manager Community Development.

#### The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council endorse the Palmerston North Age Friendly Action Plan and accept the Options Report; and
2. That Council approve the reallocation of the existing \$30K of implementation budget towards .3 FTE, for a Community Development Advisor – Age Friendly to: guide the Council's commitment to be an Age Friendly City, develop a Palmerston North Age Friendly Implementation Plan and to coordinate the internal and external implementation of actions from that plan.

Clause 194-24 above was carried 14 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Abstained:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith).

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

#### **RESOLVED**

That Council adopt the following recommendation from the Community Committee of 23 October 2024:

### **Palmerston North Age Friendly Action Plan (clause 29-24)**

3. That Council approve Option 1 and refer an additional budget of \$50K for the development and implementation of the Palmerston North Age Friendly Implementation Plan to the draft Annual Budget.

Clause 194-24 above was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor.

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**195-24 Recommendation to Exclude Public**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting listed in the table below.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

	<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing this resolution</b>
20	Presentation of the Part II Confidential Sustainability Committee Recommendations from its 16 October 2024 Meeting	For the reasons set out in the Sustainability Committee meeting of 16 October 2024, held in public present.	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

Clause 195-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

The meeting went into Part II Confidential at 11.11am  
The meeting returned to Part I Public at 11.15am

**197-24 Transport Funding Implications 2024-2027**

Memorandum, presented by Glen O'Connor, Manager - Transport & Development, Scott Mancer, Manager - Finance and James Miguel, Senior Transport Planner.



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Officers noted that recommendation 2b. should read Increase rather than Decrease Operating Expenditure.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### RESOLVED

1. That Council approve adjustments to the Active and Transport Activity Budgets for the 2024/25 financial year as detailed below:
  - a. Decrease NZTA Subsidy Operating Revenue by \$736k as detailed in Attachment 1.
  - b. Decrease Operating Expenditure by \$1,283k as detailed in Attachment 1.
  - c. Decrease NZTA Subsidy Capital Revenue by \$883k for Renewal Programmes as detailed in Attachment 2.
  - e. Decrease NZTA Subsidy Capital Revenue by \$1,913k for Capital New/Growth Programmes as detailed in Attachment 3.

Clause 197.1-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

1D

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

### RESOLVED

Reinstate \$632,000 for Active Transport Capital Renewals in Financial Year 2024/25 (Attachment 2).

Clause 197.2-24 above was carried 9 votes to 6, the voting being as follows:

#### For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad and Kaydee Zabelin.

#### Against:

Councillors Mark Arnott, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### RESOLVED

1. That Council approve adjustments to the Active and Public Transport Activity Budgets for the 2024/25 financial year as detailed below:

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- d. Amend the Capital Renewal Programme Expenditure as detailed in Attachment 2 (as amended, including 1D above).

Clause 197.3-24 above was carried 11 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Mark Arnott, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

### 1F

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

**RESOLVED**

Reinstate \$150,000 for Capital New Prog 2505 City-Wide Shared Pathways - Slip Prevention in Financial Year 2024/25 (Attachment 3).

Clause 197.4-24 above was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillor Leonie Hapeta.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council approve adjustments to the Active and Transport Activity Budgets for the 2024/25 financial year as detailed below:
  - f. Amend Capital New/Growth Programme Expenditure as detailed in Attachment 3 (as amended including 1F and Part II-Sustainability resolutions).

Clause 197.5-24 above was carried 13 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Leonie Hapeta and Billy Meehan.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

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**RESOLVED**

2. That Council approve adjustments to the Roading Activity Budgets for the 2024/25 financial year as detailed below:
  - a. Decrease NZTA Subsidy Operating Revenue by \$60k as detailed in Attachment 4.
  - b. Increase Operating Expenditure by \$2,081k as detailed in Attachment 4.
  - c. Increase NZTA Subsidy Capital Revenue by \$305k for Renewal Programmes as detailed in Attachment 5.
  - d. Amend the Capital Renewals Programme Expenditure as detailed in Attachment 5.
  - e. Decrease NZTA Subsidy Capital Revenue by \$2,461k for Capital New/Growth Programmes as detailed in Attachment 6.
  - f. Amend the Capital New/Growth Programme Expenditure as detailed in Attachment 6.

Clause 197.6-24 above was carried 12 votes to 3, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 12.26pm.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

3. That Council amend the operational programme budgets (both NZTA Subsidy Revenue and Expenditure) for business cases and transport planning, as detailed in Table 1.
4. That Council note that by approving the changes in 1 – 3 that this will result in an operating deficit for the Transport Group of Activities of \$1,593M and that this will be funded by loans from a net reduction in the capital programme and a transfer of \$740k from loan funded Capital Programme 628 – Totara Road Wastewater Consent Renewal Upgrade.
5. That Council note that the recommendations above relate to the 2024/25 Financial Year and implications for the Transport Programme and future years (2025/26 & 2026/27) budget implications will be referred to the appropriate Annual Plan process.

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Clause 197.7-24 above was carried 12 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Leonie Hapeta and Billy Meehan.

**Note:** Recommendation 4 above was adjusted from the papers to reflect decisions made earlier in the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12.35pm.

The meeting resumed at 1.37pm.

### 198-24 **Annual Budget 2025/26 - Timing and Programme Budgets**

Memorandum, presented by Scott Mancer - Manager Finance and Steve Paterson - Manager Financial Strategy.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council note the process for, and timing of, the Annual Budget 2025/26 as outlined in Table 1 of the "Annual Budget 2025/26- timing and programme budgets" presented to Council on 6 November 2024.

Clause 198.1-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Note:** The Mayor, Grant Smith did not vote.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

2. That Council recommend the following programmes for inclusion in the draft 2025/26 Annual Budget:
  - a. Operating programmes as outlined in Attachment 1.

Clause 198.2-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

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**Note:** Councillor Brent Barrett did not vote.

**A\***

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

**Note:** On a motion: That Council reinstate Programme 2476 Bus Hub Detailed Business Case \$230K in draft Annual Budget 25-26 and \$235K in indicative Annual Budget 26-27. The motion was lost 6 votes to 8, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Against:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

**RESOLVED**

2. That Council recommend the following programmes for inclusion in the draft 2025/26 Annual Budget:

b. Transport operating programmes as outlined in Attachment 2.

Clause 198.3-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

**AA**

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

**RESOLVED**

That Council provide budget of \$150K in draft Annual Budget 2025-26 and \$150K in indicative Annual Budget 2026-27 for shared path planning and preparation for Notice of Requirement.

Clause 198.4-24 above was carried 12 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Billy Meehan and Karen Naylor.

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**B** Moved Kaydee Zabelin, seconded Brent Barrett.

### **RESOLVED**

That programme #2380 - City-wide - Transport - Emergency Reinstatements – be increased to \$500k in Financial Year 25/26 (Attachment 3).

Clause 198.5-24 above was carried 8 votes to 6, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson and Kaydee Zabelin.

#### **Against:**

Councillors Mark Arnott, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

Cr William Wood entered the meeting at 3.04pm.

**C** Moved Karen Naylor, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

**Note:** On a motion: That Programme 2456 - Cliff Road Upgrade remains as outlined in the Long Term Plan (Attachment 3). The motion was lost 6 votes to 9, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Mark Arnott, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

#### **Against:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson and Kaydee Zabelin.

**D** Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

### **RESOLVED**

That Council reinstate Programme 2505 City-Wide Shared Paths Slip Prevention to \$306k (capital) and \$51K (operational) in draft Annual Budget 2025-26, and to \$313k (capital) \$52K (operational) in the indicative Annual Budget 2026-27.

Clause 198.6-24 above was carried 10 votes to 5, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad and Kaydee Zabelin.

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**Against:**

Councillors Mark Arnott, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

### E

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

**Note:** On a motion: That Council partially reinstate 2390 Capital New Low Cost Low Risk at \$1M in draft Annual Budget 2025-26 and \$1M in indicative Annual Budget 2026-27. The motion was lost 6 votes to 9, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Against:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

### F

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Brent Barrett.

**Note:** On a motion: That Council include \$632,000 for Active Transport Capital Renewals in the 2025/26 and 2026/27 annual budget drafts. The motion was lost 6 votes to 9, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Against:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### RESOLVED

2. That Council recommend the following programmes for inclusion in the draft 2025/26 Annual Budget:
  - c. Transport capital programmes as outlined in Attachment 3 (as amended including resolutions AA, B and D).

Clause 198.7-24 above was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor.

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Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### **RESOLVED**

2. That Council recommend the following programmes for inclusion in the draft 2025/26 Annual Budget:
  - d. Non-Transport programmes as outlined in Attachment 4.

Clause 198.8-24 above was carried 13 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor

**Note:** Councillor Orphee Mickalad did not vote.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### **RESOLVED**

3. That Council provide direction to officers, for consideration as part of the Annual Budget 2025/26 and 2026-27 process, to support the Centrepont Theatre rebuild of up to \$200k over two years by:
  - a. In-kind support – officer time to support with fundraising, promotion, communications etc; and
  - b. Resource consent and building consent costs – the application process for this is already underway; and
  - c. Grant funding – the quantum to be determined by the Council as part of the Annual Budget process.

Clause 198.9-24 above was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor.



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**G** Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

### **RESOLVED**

That in response to the 2024 Residents Survey, Council include a budget of \$24,000 for focus group research in draft Annual Budget 2025-26.

Clause 198.10-24 above was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor.

Moved William Wood, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

On an amendment: That in response to the 2024 Residents Survey, Council include a budget of ~~\$50,000~~ **\$24,000** for focus group research in draft Annual Budget 2025-26.

The amendment was carried 14 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Lorna Johnson.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

### **RESOLVED**

4. That Council note directions given today will be brought back for Council consideration on 11 December 2024.

Clause 198.11-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Note:** Councillor Roly Fitzgerald did not vote.

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### **199-24 Māori Ward referendum implications**

Memorandum, presented by Waid Crockett, Chief Executive and Desiree Viggars, Legal Counsel.

Councillor Billy Meehan left the meeting at 4:27pm.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. That Council note the advice.
2. That Council note the Chief Executive will produce communications that encourage voter participation and explain Council's decisions with regard to Te Pūao Māori ward to date and what to expect in voting papers.

Clause 199-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### **RESOLVED**

3. That Council agree an unbudgeted \$20,000 in the 2024/25 financial year to facilitate the preparation, printing and dissemination of educative materials.

Clause 199-24 above was carried 12 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Against:**

Councillor Lorna Johnson.

**Note:** Councillor Karen Naylor did not vote.

### **200-24 Exemption of the Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Disaster Relief Fund, and Palmerston North Performing Arts Trust from being Council Controlled Organisations**

Memorandum, presented by Sarah Claridge, Governance Advisor.

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### **Palmerston North Performing Arts Trust - Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2023/24**

Memorandum, presented by Hannah White, Democracy & Governance Manager.

Items 13 and 14 were taken together.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. That Council exempt the Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Disaster Relief Fund from being a Council Controlled Organisation for three years to 31 August 2027.
2. That Council exempt the Palmerston North Performing Arts Trust from being a Council Controlled Organisation for three years from 30 June 2025 to 30 June 2028, pursuant to section 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. That Council receive the Palmerston North Performing Arts Trust Annual Report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 (Attachments 1-3).

Clause 200-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Abstained:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith).

### **201-24 Council Work Schedule**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. That Council receive its Work Schedule dated 6 November 2024.

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Clause 201-24 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, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

### 202-24

#### **Community Committee Part II Confidential - 23 October 2024**

Councillor Lorna Johnson presented the recommendations below:

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Council adopt the recommendations from the Community Committee of 23 October 2024:

#### **Provisional Local Alcohol Policy - progress update (clause 34-24)**

Report, presented by Peter Ridge - Senior Policy Analyst.

**The COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council advise the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority that it will discontinue the development of the Provisional Local Alcohol Policy 2021 and begin development of a new draft local alcohol policy (Option 4).
2. That the Chief Executive release the decision immediately following the meeting.
3. That the Chief Executive release the report titled "Provisional Local Alcohol Policy – progress update" and the report's attachments, with appropriate redactions (if any), immediately following the resolution of the appeals to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority on the PNCC Provisional Local Alcohol Policy.

Clause 202-24 above was carried 12 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillor William Wood.

**Note:** Councillor Leonie Hapeta declared a conflict of interest, withdrew from the discussion and sat in the gallery.

#### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb closed the meeting with karakia.

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The Public part of the meeting finished at 5.00pm.

Confirmed 11 December 2024

**Mayor**

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