



**Minutes of a meeting of the
Nelson City Council
Te Kaunihera o Whakatū**

Held in the Council Chamber, Floor 2A, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson on Thursday 27 June 2024, commencing at 9.02a.m.

Present: His Worship the Mayor N Smith (Chairperson), Councillors M Anderson, T Brand, M Courtney, J Hodgson, R O'Neill-Stevens (Deputy Mayor), K Paki Paki, P Rainey, C Rollo, R Sanson, T Skinner and A Stallard

In Attendance: Chief Executive (N Philpott), Group Manager Environmental Management (M Bishop), Group Manager Community Services (A White), Group Manager Corporate Services (N Harrison), Group Manager Strategy and Communications (N McDonald), Acting Group Manager Infrastructure (D Light), Acting Team Leader Governance (A Andrews) and Governance Adviser (A Bryce)

Apologies : Councillor Benge

Karakia and Mihi Timatanga

1. Apologies

Resolved CL/2024/135

That the Council

- 1. Receives and accepts the apologies from Councillor Benge for attendance.***

Rollo/Hodgson

Carried

2. Confirmation of Order of Business

Item 7 was taken before Item 6.

3. Interests

There were no updates to the Interests Register, and no interests with items on the agenda were declared.

4. Public Forum

There was no public forum.

5. Confirmation of Council Minutes of 23 May 2024

Document number R28623, agenda pages 10 - 56 refer.

Resolved CL/2024/136

That the Council

- 1. Confirms the minutes of the meeting of the Council, held on 23 May 2024, as a true and correct record.***

Sanson/Hodgson

Carried

7. Adoption of Final Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25

Document number R28597, agenda pages 70 - 86 refer.

Strategic Adviser Community Services, Martin Croft, Strategic Adviser Infrastructure, Mark Macfarlane and Strategic Adviser, Michelle Joubert spoke to the report and acknowledged the work of staff behind the report. They answered questions on swimming pool charges and related CPI increases.

Resolved CL/2024/137

That the Council

- 1. Receives the report Adoption of Final Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25 (R28597) and its attachment (1598046314-154); and***
- 2. Notes that with the exception of fees for the Crematorium, staff have incorporated in the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25 the decisions made at the deliberations meeting on 23 and 24 May 2024 following public consultation between 27 March and 28 April 2024; and***
- 3. Adopts the Final Schedule 2024-25- Fees and Charges for Council approval (1598046314-154) that require Council approval; and***

4. ***Notes that staff will notify submitters of Council's decisions on the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25; and***
5. ***Notes that staff will provide a report to council by the conclusion of the calendar year 2024 on aquatic facilities' charges.***

Brand/Rollo

Carried

6. **Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2024-2034**

Document number R28343, agenda pages 57 - 69 refer.

Group Manager Corporate Services, Nikki Harrison and Group Manager Strategy and Communications, Nicky McDonald spoke to the report and explained the amendments tabled due to the feedback received from Audit New Zealand. They explained the intent of these amendment and its impact. They answered questions on interest rates at different years of the LTP, proportion of rates paid as interest, Council's expectation from CCOs and other partner organisations to reduce emissions.

Audit New Zealand Auditor, John Mackey, spoke to the audit and explained the scope of the audit and covered topics like the capital programme, levels of service, borrowing and delivery of services. He acknowledged the difficulty of the process going into this LTP. He answered questions on footnotes provided on climate change, accountability to the community, and assumptions and forecast made in the report.

Group Manager Community Services, Andrew White, answered questions on 100 percent cost recovery for crematorium and its timelines.

The meeting was adjourned from 9.59a.m. until 10.07a.m.

Resolved CL/2024/138

That the Council

1. ***Receives the report Adoption of the Long Term Plan 2024-2034 (R28343) and its attachments (1852948764-715, 336940202-11146, 336940202-9003); and***
2. ***Adopts the following policies:***
 - a. ***Revenue and Financing Policy (pages 253-279 of Attachment 1 1852948764-715); and***

- b. Rates Remission Policy (pages 283-291 of Attachment 1 1852948764-715); and**
 - c. Policy on Development Contributions (pages 294-374 of Attachment 1 1852948764-715).**
- 3. Adopts the Nelson and Tasman Tier 2 Urban Environment: Housing and Business Assessment (Attachment 2 336940202-11146) and the Nelson City Housing and Business Capacity Assessment (Attachment 3 336940202-9003).**

His Worship the Mayor/O'Neill-Stevens

Carried

Resolved CL/2024/139

That the Council

- 4. Adopts the Long Term Plan 2024-2034 (Attachment 1 1852948764-715)), including amendments as tabled at the meeting (1852948764-1211), in accordance with Section 93 of the Local Government Act 2002; and**
- 5. Agrees the Mayor and Chief Executive be delegated authority to approve any minor editorial amendments required to the document prior to the public release of the Long Term Plan 2024 - 2034; and**
- 6. Sets the land value for the Low Valued Properties Rates Remission at \$10,000, in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and Council's Rates Remission Policy.**

His Worship the Mayor/O'Neill-Stevens

Carried

Resolved CL/2024/140

That the Council

- 7. Sets the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the district for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2024 and ending on 30 June 2025.**

The revenue approved below will be raised by the rates and charges that follow.

Revenue approved:

<i>General Rate</i>	<i>\$56,253,939</i>
<i>Uniform Annual General Charge</i>	<i>\$7,610,966</i>
<i>Stormwater Charge</i>	<i>\$7,199,211</i>

Storm Recovery Charge	\$6,702,202
Flood Protection Rate	\$3,931,527
Waste Water Charge	\$12,486,739
Water Annual Charge	\$4,807,647
Water Volumetric Charge	\$11,217,842
Rates and Charges (excluding GST)	\$110,210,073
Goods and Services Tax (at the current rate)	\$16,531,511
Total Rates and Charges	\$126,741,584

The rates and charges below are GST inclusive.

(1) General Rate

A general rate set under section 13 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, assessed on a differential land value basis as described below:

- a rate of 0.40825 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "residential – single dwelling" category.**
- a rate of 0.40825 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "residential empty section" category.**
- a rate of 0.44908 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "multi residential" category. This represents a plus 10% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.39620 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "commercial – excluding inner city and Stoke commercial" category. This represents a plus 241.9965% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.97767 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "commercial inner city" category. This represents a plus 384.427% differential on land value.**
- a rate of 1.69506 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "Stoke**

commercial" category. This represents a plus 315.201% differential on land value.

- **a rate of 0.26536 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "rural" category. This represents a minus 35% differential on land value.**
- **a rate of 0.40825 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "forestry" category.**
- **a rate of 0.36743 cents in the dollar of land value on every rating unit in the "small holding" category. This represents a minus 10% differential on land value.**

(2) Uniform Annual General Charge

A uniform annual general charge under section 15 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$344.23 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.

(3) Stormwater Charge

A targeted rate under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$385.79 per rating unit, excluding Rural rating units, Saxton's Island and Council's stormwater network.

(4) Storm Recovery Charge

A targeted rate under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$300.00 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.

(5) Flood Protection Rate

A targeted rate under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of 0.03725 cents in the dollar of land value, excluding Saxton's Island and Council's stormwater network.

(6) Waste Water Charge

A targeted rate for waste water disposal under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of:

- **\$640.09 per separately used or inhabited part of a residential, multi residential, rural, forestry and small holding rating units that is connected either directly or through a private drain to a public waste water drain.**

- **For commercial rating units, a waste water charge of \$160.02 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit that is connected either directly or through a private drain to a public waste water drain. Note: a trade waste charge will also be levied.**

(7) Water Annual Charge

A targeted rate for water supply under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 per connection on all rating units where a water meter is installed for the property, of:

Water charge (per connection) \$251.66

(8) Water Volumetric Rate

A targeted rate for water provided under Section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of:

Price of water:

Usage up to 10,000 cu.m/year 2.626 per m³

Usage from 10,001 – 100,000 cu.m/year \$2.232 per m³

Usage over 100,000 cu.m/year \$1.838 per m³

Summer irrigation usage over 10,000 cu.m/year \$2.442 per m³

Other Rating Information:

Due Dates for Payment of Rates

The above rates (excluding water volumetric rates) shall be payable in four instalments on the following dates:

Instalment Number	Instalment Date	Due Date for Payment	Penalty Applied
Instalment 1	25 July 2024	20 August 2024	26 August 2024
Instalment 2	25 October 2024	20 November 2024	26 November 2024

Instalment 3	27 January 2025	20 February 2025	26 February 2025
Instalment 4	28 April 2025	20 May 2025	26 May 2025

Rates instalments not paid before the Penalty Applied date will incur penalties as detailed in the section "Penalty on Rates".

Due Dates for Payment of Water Volumetric Rates

Water volumetric rates shall be payable on the following dates:

Billing Month	Due Date for Payment
July 2024	20 August 2024
August 2024	20 September 2024
September 2024	21 October 2024
October 2024	20 November 2024
November 2024	20 December 2024
December 2024	20 January 2025
January 2025	20 February 2025
February 2025	20 March 2025
March 2025	21 April 2025
April 2025	20 May 2025
May 2025	20 June 2025
June 2025	21 July 2025

Penalty on Rates

Pursuant to Sections 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the council authorises the following penalties on unpaid rates (excluding volumetric water rate accounts) and delegates authority to the Group Manager Corporate Services to apply them:

- ***a charge of 10% of the amount of each rate instalment remaining unpaid after the due date stated above, to be added on the penalty date as shown in the above table and also shown on each rate instalment notice.***
- ***a charge of 10% will be added on 8 July 2024 to any balance from a previous rating year (including penalties previously charged) remaining outstanding on 1 July 2024.***
- ***a further additional charge of 10% will be added on 8 January 2025 to any balance from a previous rating year (including penalties previously charged) to which a penalty has been added according to the bullet point above, remaining outstanding on 8 January 2025.***

Penalty Remission

In accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and Council's Rates Remission Policy, the Council will approve the remission of a penalty where the criteria of the policy has been met.

Payment of Rates

Rates shall be payable at the Council offices, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson between the hours of 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm Wednesday.

Where any payment is made by a ratepayer that is less than the amount now payable, the Council will apply the payment firstly to any rates outstanding from previous rating years and then to current year rates due.

His Worship the Mayor/O'Neill-Stevens

Carried

Attachments

- 1 1852948764-1211 Updates to LTP for Council Meeting 27June2024
- 2 1982984479-7709 Independent Auditor's Report on NCC's 2024-2034 long-term plan

8. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved CL/2024/141

That the Council

- 1. *Excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.***
- 2. *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:***

His Worship the Mayor/Paki Paki

Carried

Item	General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interests protected (where applicable)
1	Confirmation of Council Minutes of 23 May 2024	Section 48(1)(a) The public conduct of this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	The withholding of the information is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(a) To protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person

The meeting went into confidential session at 11.23a.m. and resumed in public session at 11.26a.m.

The only business transacted in confidential session was to confirm the minutes. In accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, no reason for withholding this information from the public exists, therefore this business has been recorded in the open minutes.

Resolved CL/2024/142

That the Council

- 1. *Confirms the minutes of part of the meeting of the Council, held with the public excluded on 23 May 2024, as a true and correct record.***

His Worship the Mayor/Courtney

Carried

Karakia Whakamutanga

There being no further business the meeting ended at 11.26a.m.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings by resolution on 01 August 2024.

That the Council

1. Confirms the minutes of the meeting of the Council, held on 27 June 2024, as a true and correct record.