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**MINUTES OF POLICY & SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE WAR MEMORIAL CENTRE ON THURSDAY 7 MAY 2009 AT 10.00 AM.**

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**PRESENT**

The Deputy Mayor Mr N C Volzke (Chairman), Councillors A L Frost, V Milner, S M Pugh, J C Rowe, W J Sandford, K R Squire, R K Vickers and the District Mayor J D Edwards.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Chief Executive Mr M R Freeman, the Executive Administration Officer Mrs D J Christie, three representatives from the media and 17 members of the public.

**APOLOGIES**

An apology was received from Councillor R M Hignett.

PS/09/59

**SANDFORD/ROWE**

THAT the apology from Councillor Hignett be received.

Carried

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Speakers to Submissions**

File 01080

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Policy & Services Committee Meeting. He reinforced to Councillors that the purpose of this meeting is to hear submissions on the 2009/2019 Draft Long Term Council Community Plan. Councillors were asked to hear and consider all submissions with an open mind, to restrict their question time to the submitters to points of clarification or issues pertaining to subject matter. Councillors were requested not to get into direct dialogue with submitters as there is a tight timeframe scheduled for the day. Councillors may take notes whilst submitters are speaking.

1. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTEREST**

File 03104

There were no declarations of interest by Councillors.

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SUBMISSIONS**

File 01080

Attached are the 196 submissions received.

PS/09/60

**SQUIRE/MILNER**

THAT each of the 196 submissions within the agenda be received.

Carried

*(Later amended to 206 submissions received.)*

PS/09/61

EDWARDS/VICKERS

THAT each submitter be individually thanked for their submission, and a copy of the minutes of this Policy and Services Committee Meeting be provided to each submitter.

**Recommended Reason**

So that each submission is formally received and the submitter provided with information on decisions made.

Carried

3. **SUBMITTERS TO BE HEARD**

File 01080

Twenty submitters have requested an opportunity to be heard in support of their submission.

Barrie Smith Submission No. 30 – Page 174

Points noted:

- noted the recession and whether the community was able to pay rate increases for future demands in the LTCCP.
- reiterated points in his submission regarding the holiday park, the pool, water treatment and water supply, forestry roads. He suggested that Council consider hooking up to the Midhirst water supply.

Clive Wheeler Submission No. 23 – Page 168

Points noted:

- the main pool users come from structured swimming.
- there are 400+ learn to swim students each week, which is high usage. There has been an increase in demand for learn to swim schools, a need to enlarge the pool as the lanes are too narrow and unable to fit more than 4 swimmers.
- there were approximately 600 swimmers at the last swim champ event held in Stratford and this needed to be split between Hawera and Stratford as the pool was not big enough.
- the facility is well used and brings people to the township ie. accommodation, food, shopping required.
- the pool is 70 years old and requires work in the future so why not do it now. Look at other funding options ie. naming rights or set up a trust.

Federated Farmers Submission No. 37– Page 121

Points noted:

- operates a robust system for keeping our members informed, offers constructive solutions to Council.
- they are concerned with the sale of the farm. Lots of people question where the farm is and most community members think it is the Demonstration Farm.
- the option of selling the farm has happened in the past and didn't work then. Question the sale value with it being so close to the aerodrome.
- reiterated points in the submission regarding the holiday park, emissions and forestry roads.

Stratford Aero Club Inc Submission No. 38 – Page 282

Points noted:

- the Stratford Aero Club was incorporated in 1923, a long established Club.
- the farm was brought to fund the costs of the aerodrome and there was concern that if the farm was sold that funding would discontinue. It was noted that the farm provides funding for the operating cost of the airfield.
- Council has already tried to sell the farm, therefore we have been through this scenario once before.
- there was concern regarding development in the acoustic boundary (which is a virtual fence, allowing noisy activities). With housing activity nearby at Mercade Estate people could make noise complaints.
- there is no need to expand the runway, but definitely running out of room for hangars as business is growing.

Ian Benefield No. 49 – Page 198

Points noted:

- in his view explained which roads required extensive upgrading, advised that a time will come when it has to be done which would put pressure on funding for Council and the community.
- asked whether the government could be persuaded to fund 75% of the work and then Council could carry on with maintenance.
- speed restriction signs required on sweeping corners for traffic to slow down.
- made suggestions on how to improve visibility and safety on sweeping roads.

Jack Breen Submission No. 51– Page 203

Mr Breen went through his submission and in regards to Water Treatment, asked Council at what stage do we break the law. Water is very important and we must continue to carry on treating it. But why treat so much water when not all of it is used for drinking.

B J Coles Submission No. 57– Page 212

Points noted:

- supports Mr Wheelers submission in seeing that Council do the job properly.
- ask that Council talk with Taranaki Electricity Trust and the TSB Trust or pursue other sources of funding. Suggested putting the pool plans on hold until funding is obtained.
- Advised that Council needed to investigate more funding proposals before putting any options out for consideration.
- felt that through the Stratford Press a series of articles could be written on ideas to conserve water at little to no cost.
- asked if the signage into town could include: population, rainfall, level above sea level and be kept simple.

Helen O'Neill Submission No. 59 – Page 218

Points noted:

- congratulated Council for the work done in Broadway ie. the stone walls, pavers and the clocktower currently being completed, its looking good.
- asked that Council consider increasing the Community Grants fund to \$50,000.

Ronald Hayward Submission No. 78 – Page 250

Points noted:

- advised Council about how hard things are and that putting up the rates is a real burden.
- wants to see community grants abolished as there are other funders out there.

Stratford Athletic Club Submission No. 91– Page 276

Points noted:

- the increase of rental fees will go from \$320 to \$544 per season. This broken down equates to \$21 a night, currently paying \$13.
- asked when the next increase is and whether this current increase is going to be applied gradually over the next 10 years or just be a big hit all at once.
- the Club likes being at the ground and notes that all the grass is cut and spraying of the ground is done for them.

*The Meeting adjourned for 15 minutes at 11.35 am.*

*The Meeting reconvened at 11.50 am.*

Andrew Wood Submission No. 192– Page 413

Points noted:

- read a statement from his wife Jacqui Wood - submission on page 395. It reiterated points noted in her submission. Council should look at funding through Pub Charities, TSB Trust, Taranaki Electricity Trust, Southern Trusts. Many reasons as to why now is a good time to start this project ie. prices will never be cheaper for materials and contractors. Stratford is a central location and an upgraded facility would attract more swimmers, spectators, visitors, business to the community. If Council envisage a population of 12,000 then a top class facility is needed to offer life skills, healthy living and leisure.
- went through and reiterated points in his submission. Concern with regards to the health facility and asked that any ratepayer money put into the facility should be balanced ie. \$1.00 given, then \$1.00 service provided back. There should be 7 day 24 hour emergency service cover in Stratford as it is not pleasant to have a sick child at 2.00 am on a Sunday morning, then having to travel for 40 minutes to either Hawera or New Plymouth with the screaming child to get looked at.
- Council need to look at their vision for the pool, it is a good facility for tourism and it is doing more than providing an essential service. A new building would allow more efficient technology in the complex which would allow reduced costs in operating expenses.
- need to improve complex environment acoustics. Businesses could buy advertising space by having a huge billboard. There is an opportunity for spin-offs in the business community when large national events are held.

Stratford Amateur Swimming Club Submission No. 100– Page 302

Points noted:

- the Club is proud to promote an upgrade of the existing pool as it is an asset and can no longer be ignored. Need to look at the users current and future needs.
- the facility is open based on availability and is not accessible to the public at all times.
- there has been major growth in the learn to swim classes and the pool is not an adequate size any more.
- there is not pool designed for pre-school children to wander into without parents having to don swim wear, equating to lost revenue.

Venture Taranaki Submission No. 39 – Page 126

Points noted:

- very mindful of the Local Government Act regarding economic issues. Over a period of years we have been asked to help a young enterprise scheme in Taranaki which is funded through the private sector and bringing a programme to all students throughout the region.

- there is concern that Stratford secondary schools have not put in teams in 2009 for the Young Enterprise Scheme. It was felt that this is denying future leaders what all other secondary students have been offered.
- seek assistance from the Stratford District Youth Council to get in and challenge those youth to participate. Advising that business opportunities can be exciting and create money in the community.
- supports initiatives in broadband with a Team Taranaki regional approach.
- really value the partnership with Council.

Taranaki Gliding Club No. 96 – Page 288

Points noted:

- have the same concerns as the Stratford Aero Club and don't want to see the farm sold. The farm gives them a boundary that stops encroaching.
- in 1992 the attempt to sell the farm failed because of the way that the farm was gifted and that it is in four separate titles.
- if the money from the sale of the farm is reinvested, who covers the shortfall in income, is it the ratepayers or the users?
- The Taranaki Gliding Club has a growing membership which has expanded its operation since it has been there in the year 2000.
- if farm is sold is Council going to put aside funds to run the aerodrome.

Thomas Richard Mason Submission No. 193 – Page 419

Points noted:

- asked that Council give some thought to the parking in Broadway ie. angle parking, level of the road, vehicle access. Suggested that grates could be put in the gutter which would still allow water to flow and alleviate difficulty with people getting in and out of vehicles.
- asked that Council consider having a disabled park in front of the NZ Post building or allow disabled people to use the driveway at the side of the NZ Post building.

4. **DECISIONS ON SUBMISSIONS**

File 01080

A report was tabled for next weeks meeting. Alterations to the LTCCP require a resolution and reason. Any matter in a submission that does not impact the LTCCP should be referred to the Matters Outstanding for later consideration.

5. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

File 03032

PS/09/62

EDWARDS/MILNER

THAT the Policy and Services Committee Meeting be adjourned to 7.00 pm on Thursday 14 May 2009.

Carried

*The meeting adjourned at 12.35 pm.*

*The Meeting reconvened at 7.00 pm on Thursday 14 May 2009 in the Centennial Rest Rooms.*

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**MINUTES OF POLICY & SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE CENTENNIAL REST ROOMS ON THURSDAY 14 MAY 2009 AT 7.00 PM.**

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**PRESENT**

The Deputy Mayor Mr N C Volzke (Chairman), Councillors A L Frost, R M Hignett, V Milner, S M Pugh, J C Rowe, W J Sandford, K R Squire, R K Vickers and the District Mayor J D Edwards.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Chief Executive Mr M R Freeman, the Executive Administration Officer Mrs D J Christie, one representative from the media and 8 members of the public.

**APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Submissions

File 01080

The Chairman noted that 10 submissions were omitted from the process, but were received on time, this was due to a computer glitch. He asked that they be added to the process and that the total amount of submissions received be amended to 206.

PS/09/72

**EDWARDS/SANDFORD**

1. THAT each of the extra submissions within the agenda be received.
2. THAT each submitter be individually thanked for their submission, and a copy of the minutes of this Policy and Services Committee Meeting be provided to each submitter.

Carried

Standing Orders

File 03032

Councillors were given a revised list of recommendations and also a copy of Appendix 5 of the NZS9202:2003 Model Standing Orders. Appendix 5 provided a structure of meeting procedures and gave a direction on how it is to be conducted.

In terms of conduct of meeting, this effectively means that elected members will begin each discussion around the recommendations with a motion, then that recommendation is debated, and this has the effect of keeping the focus on the subject at hand.

6. **LTCCP DECISION MAKING PROCESS**

File 01080

Purpose

The purpose is to provide the decision making process for the 2009-19 Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP).

Discussion

These recommendations are summaries of the submissions, which cover either multiple or single submissions.

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

PS/09/73

EDWARDS/SQUIRE

- 7.1 THAT the LTCCP does not contain any proposal to amalgamate with any neighbouring authorities.

Discussion

It was noted that although Council do not favour amalgamation with neighbouring Councils, it still continues to work with neighbouring Councils in sharing as many services as possible which is a saving to our ratepayers and our community.

**Recommended Reason**

1. Amalgamation will bring about a loss of local democracy and governance without any significant savings or improvements in level of service.

Carried

PS/09/74

ROWE/SQUIRE

- 7.2 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised assumptions on inflation.

**Recommended Reason**

2. The LTCCP should use the latest industry projections for inflation assumptions.

Carried

PS/09/75

VICKERS/ROWE

- 7.3 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised assumptions on dairy payout levels.

**Recommended Reason**

3. The LTCCP should use the latest industry projections for dairy payout levels.

Carried

PS/09/76

FROST/EDWARDS

7.4 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised assumptions on interest rates.

**Recommended Reason**

4. The LTCCP should use the latest industry projections on interest rates.

Carried

PS/09/77

EDWARDS/VICKERS

7.5 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised capital work on the Miranda Street building roof.

**Recommended Reason**

5. The Miranda Street building roof requires replacement.

Carried

PS/09/78

PUGH/ROWE

7.6 THAT the LTCCP does not contain capital provision of \$80,000 (approx.) for improvements to the skate park.

Discussion

It was noted that there is currently no financial provision.

**Recommended Reason**

6. The impact on rates cannot be justified.

Carried

PS/09/79

SQUIRE/MILNER

7.7 THAT the LTCCP contains the additional funding for the District Plan Review.

**Recommended Reason**

7. The rolling review of District Plan requires funding.

Carried

PS/09/80

HIGNETT/MILNER

- 7.8 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised investment policy on interest utilisation from the Loan Financing Reserve.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 16, under the Heading 'Investment Policy'.

**Recommended Reason**

8. The change in policy utilises available funds.

Carried

PS/09/81

VICKERS/SANDFORD

- 7.9 THAT the LTCCP contains the revised works programme for the water treatment system as outlined in the consultants report.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to the MWH report on page 71.

*A representative of the media arrived and apologised for lateness.*

It was noted that this recommendation simply gives the preferred choice some direction, and adopts the work programme which will be contained within the LTCCP. The work programme has been purposely built so that the first three years is actually doing further investigation. This has been done partly to give Mr Hide time to review the Bill, if he does there is another LTCCP due in three years time at which time Council will be able to fully review. Therefore Council are working towards a solution but not at a great rate, depending upon government decision.

**Recommended Reason**

9. The consultants report on water options provides a necessary and achievable plan forward.

Carried

PS/09/82

EDWARDS/HIGNETT

- 7.10 THAT the LTCCP contains the no provision to sell the farm within the next three years, and states that the idea will be consulted upon again in the 2012 LTCCP.

Discussion

It was noted that this is the best scenario for Council given the submissions received. Circumstances have changed since consulting with the community.

It was suggested that there could be provision in the recommendation to have separate titles for the aerodrome and the farm, but it would have an implied cost of approximately \$30,000 - \$40,000 and would require public consultation because of the restriction on the titles.

**Recommended Reason**

10. The market is not right at present to sell.

Carried

PS/09/83

ROWE/FROST

- 7.11 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for continuation of seal extension for the next three years, and rates funding for road improvements in years four to ten, the needs to be determined by further information.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 8. It was noted that those with a vested interest in the Forestry Roads would keep in regular dialogue with the Roading Asset Manager.

**Recommended Reason**

11. Council wishes to continue seal extension in the short term with flexibility available as information on forestry needs becomes available.

Carried

PS/09/84

FROST/EDWARDS

- 7.12 THAT the LTCCP be amended by:
  - (a) removing the capital expenditure of \$250,000 from year one for the roof replacement.
  - (b) including in the narrative the Council's qualified support for the 25x25m (est. \$5.8m), subject to further investigations on external funding opportunities, construction and operating costs of that option.
  - (c) acknowledging that the outcome of the investigations is likely to require further public consultation and an amendment to the LTCCP.
  - (d) including funding in year one for the investigations of \$100,000 from the upgrade reserve.

Discussion

It was noted that the Swimming Pool was one of the most submitted items in the LTCCP.

It was noted that through the LTCCP process, a portion of the community have indicated that they want a pool that is improved and something they can go to all the time. Council need to work through making this happen without requiring ratepayer money, work with the right people to do the job and do it well.

In discussion elected members noted the following:

- concern that \$5.8 million is a huge amount of money to raise and if this is not met, where is the extra money going to come from. It would end up being covered by all ratepayers, but disproportionately by the higher value properties in which in the main are rural properties.
- surprise that no negative feedback was received on the actual design for the new concept and some people were supportive, but don't want to pay for it through rates.
- currently the recommendation provides for both groups, it allows the project to go ahead without directly affecting the rates.

**Recommended Reasons**

12. (a) Continuing with the roof replacement will not provide a facility that meets community desires.
- (b) Council do not wish to commit further ratepayer funds, but support the expanded if external funds can be found.
- (c) The level of expenditure is significant and therefore requires consultation.
- (d) The investigations require funding.

Carried

PS/09/85

**SQUIRE/FROST**

- 7.13 **THAT** the LTCCP amends the Funding Policy and Fees for Sports Fields to be 94% public, 6% private.

Discussion

It was noted that Council want to be seen as encouraging people to get involved in sport, not discouraging them by increasing fees for hireage.

It was also noted that by decreasing the proposed fees for hireage of sports fields etc, this would increase the rates. Therefore it is not a saving, it is merely shifting the burden from the users of the fields to the general ratepayer.

**Recommended Reason**

13. The proposed level of fees was seen as prohibitive to sporting clubs.

Carried

PS/09/86

ROWE/SANDFORD

7.14 THAT the LTCCP contains the fee for Signs.

**Recommended Reason**

14. A charge is required for signs.

Carried

PS/09/87

VICKERS/EDWARDS

7.15 THAT the LTCCP contains the mix of funding between UAGC, General, and Targeted rates and Loans as per the draft Funding Policy.

**Recommended Reason**

15. The Revenue and Financing Policy is considered the most equitable division of funding requirements.

Carried

PS/09/88

ROWE/SQUIRE

7.16 THAT the LTCCP contains the provision of meeting Council's commitments for the Emissions Trading Scheme, and supports any initiative to reduce these commitments.

Discussion

It was noted that there was strong support particularly for the second part of the recommendation '....., and supports any initiative to reduce these commitments',

**Recommended Reason**

16. The Council must obey the law, but can seek changes to the law.

Carried

PS/09/89

SQUIRE/PUGH

7.17 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the Information Centre activity to be delivered by contract, noting that any contract will only be entered into on a sustainable basis.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 17. Some clarification was given as to what this recommendation actually commits Council to:

- it would alter the LTCCP to say that the Councils preferred delivery method of the Information Centre is via contract.
- it would be the Chief Executive's responsibility to; (a) find somebody who could contract; and (b) to ensure that if there was such a person then it is a sustainable contract and that its not likely to be contracted out and then come back to Council in a couple of years time.
- a contract would save the ratepayers money. No alteration has been made in the LTCCP, as further investigations are required.
- a contract would have to ensure that all performance measures and levels of service that Council currently provides do not decrease from the current level.

**Recommended Reason**

17. A sustainable contract will deliver value to the ratepayer whilst retaining level of service.

Carried

PS/09/90

PUGH/SANDFORD

- 7.18 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the Community Grants Pool to be \$18,000 as provided in the draft LTCCP.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 13, second paragraph, this lists the organisations that receive regular grants outside of the Community Grants Pool.

**Recommended Reason**

18. The provision of some funding for community projects is beneficial.

Carried

PS/09/91

EDWARDS/VICKERS

- 7.19 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the Health Centre loan as provided in the draft LTCCP.

Discussion

It was noted that the Draft LTCCP provides a loan of \$400,000 to the Stratford Health Trust, to be repaid at \$20,000 per year with no interest. There will be no increase to the ratepayers as the loan will be funded from current reserves.

It was also noted that the Stratford Health Trust are trying to enlarge the facility for the benefit of the community, they have already tapped into outside funders. This Council would be seen as assisting this by providing an interest free loan over this period of time, the only loss is the interest that would have been accumulated on the investment.

**Recommended Reason**

19. Health is very high in the community outcomes.

Carried

PS/09/92

EDWARDS/SANDFORD

- 7.20 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the Vision as provided in the draft LTCCP, with the addition of a comment on the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 18, and advised that the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs is a New Zealand wide participation of Mayors, concentrating on full-time employment or courses for 16-25 year olds. It is a brilliant initiative to be supporting.

**Recommended Reason**

20. Employment is very high in the community outcomes.

Carried

PS/09/93

PUGH/FROST

- 7.21 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the sale of the Holiday Park as provided in the 2006 LTCCP and the draft 2009 LTCCP.

**Recommended Reason**

21. The community continue to support previous decisions.

Carried

PS/09/94

FROST/VICKERS

- 7.22 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for the maintenance of roads and roads beyond pegs as provided in the draft LTCCP, and that a report is prepared on the rationale and location of the peg for consideration leading up to the preparation of the 2012 LTCCP.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to page 159, it was felt that it is timely that a decent review be undertaken.

It was noted that the reason for the second part of the recommendation is to allow an appropriate review of the whole roading structure including provision of bridges, as mythical pegs beyond roads has not been reviewed for some years.

**Recommended Reason**

22. A full review of peg location is warranted.

Carried

PS/09/95

SANDFORD/MILNER

7.23 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for a bypass of central Broadway.

**Recommended Reason**

23. A bypass is not economically viable.

Carried

PS/09/96

ROWE/EDWARDS

7.24 THAT the submission on Opunake Road and Beaconsfield Road level of service be investigated as part of the Roding Asset Plan review for the 2012 LTCCP.

Discussion

It was noted that a review of Minor Safety Improvements Works is quite timely, especially with the additional traffic on Opunake Road becoming evident. The level of service and traffic volume will be reviewed appropriately.

**Recommended Reason**

24. A review of level of service is required before a decision can be made.

Carried

PS/09/97

EDWARDS/PUGH

7.25 THAT the level of service for the opening of the cemetery gates remains unchanged.

Discussion

It was noted that the level of service should remain unchanged and therefore Council still have control over who is and isn't going in there.

**Recommended Reason**

25. Very minimal support for an increase in level of service.

Carried

PS/09/98

SANDFORD/SQUIRE

7.26 THAT the level of service measures that require surveys to gather data remain unchanged.

**Recommended Reason**

26. Surveys are a low cost technique to measure level of service.

Carried

PS/09/99

VICKERS/HIGNETT

7.27 THAT the LTCCP contains the economic measure of reduction of the emergency roading budget expenditure line by \$100,000.

**Recommended Reason**

27. A reduction in this budget line is a low risk item that helps respond to current economic circumstances.

Carried

PS/09/101

SANDFORD/ROWE

7.28 THAT the LTCCP removes \$10,000 from the economic development projects budget; and the \$19,100 required for park improvements come from the RMA Open Park Reserve for a period of five years.

Discussion

Councillors were referred to pages 12, 13 and 15, these pages listed items that could be included/excluded from the budget.

**Recommended Reason**

28. These budget adjustments respond to current economic circumstances.

Carried

PS/09/102

EDWARDS/VICKERS

7.29 THAT the submissions on the Young Enterprise Scheme, Whangamomona Bridge, Transfer Station Bins, a bylaw on building appearance, water conservation through building requirements, and Disability Parking be referred to the Matters Outstanding list for further consideration. The submitters on these items are to be informed when their matter is further considered.

**Recommended Reason**

29. These matters are important, but do not impact the LTCCP, and can be dealt with through an alternative process.

Carried

PS/09/103

FROST/HIGNETT

7.30 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for the funding of replacement verandah's on Broadway.

**Recommended Reason**

30. The verandah's are private property and no support has been demonstrated for a replacement programme via targeted rates.

Carried

PS/09/104

ROWE/EDWARDS

7.31 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for a change in level of service for Street Cleaning.

**Recommended Reason**

31. No support has been shown for a change in level of service.

Carried

VICKERS/PUGH

7.32 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for Regan Street Kerb and Channel in 2010/11, still subject to external funding.

**Recommended Reason**

32. No support has been shown for a change in level of service.

Lost

Discussion

It was noted that if this recommendation is adopted then Council could be seeking external funding from the same source for two projects. Therefore do Council have a conflict of a priority.

It was noted that Council now need to consider whether it wishes to retain the kerb and channel in the plan and moving it out to another year, or not having it at all.

It was noted that there weren't major flooding issues with the kerb and channel, it is more the appearance of the guttering between Regan, Orlando and Juliet streets, as people (particularly the elderly) have trouble crossing the kerbs. The reason for this is that the gutters are deep.

It was noted that the work could not be diverted to the kerb and channel budget as there is no money for it.

Councillors were advised that the first issue is around the conflict of external funding, do Council defer the work until the fate of the swimming pool is determined; or alter the date.

**AMENDMENT TO MOTION**

PS/09/105

PUGH/VICKERS

7.32 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for Regan Street Kerb and Channel in 2012/13, still subject to external funding.

**Recommended Reason**

32. The delay of four years is due to external funding opportunities.

Carried

**SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

PS/09/106

PUGH/VICKERS

7.32 THAT the LTCCP contains provision for Regan Street Kerb and Channel in 2012/13, still subject to external funding.

**Recommended Reason**

32. The delay of four years is due to external funding opportunities.

Carried

PS/09/107

SANDFORD/FROST

7.33 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for a change in level of service for Street Lighting.

**Recommended Reason**

33. No support has been shown for a change in level of service.

Carried

PS/09/108

SQUIRE/VICKERS

7.34 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for a change in level of service for Stillborn Monuments.

**Recommended Reason**

34. No support has been shown for a change in level of service.

Carried

PS/09/109

HIGNETT/SANDFORD

7.35 THAT the LTCCP contains no provision for a change in level of service for Everite Pipe Replacement Programme.

**Recommended Reason**

35. No support has been shown for a change in level of service.

Carried

**GENERAL**

- Councillors were given the opportunity to make comments on behalf of any submitters that had not already been covered.
- The process from now will be that the Plan will get sent to the Auditors. The Auditors need to consider whether the LTCCP is a prudent plan or not. This is the last opportunity to make any changes or amendments to the Plan, very mechanical from here on in, adopt the Plan, strike the rates.
- The Chairman thanked everyone for coming out tonight, he noted that it was fantastic that members of the public attended.

The meeting concluded at 9.04 pm.

N C Volzke  
**CHAIRMAN**

Confirmed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009.

J D Edwards  
**DISTRICT MAYOR**