

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson

His Worship the Mayor, Michael Ford

Deputy Chairperson

Councillor Grant Hadfield

Members

Councillor Bridget Bell
Councillor Shelley Dew-Hopkins
Councillor Rob Duindam
Councillor Colin Dyer
Councillor Sam Hill
Councillor Raewyn Loader
Councillor James McKelvie
Councillor Jerry Pickford
Councillor Andrew Quarrie
Councillor Alison Short

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Shayne Harris', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Shayne Harris
Chief Executive

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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1. MEETING OPENING

Cr James McKelvie will open the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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Recommendation

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 05 August 2026 be adopted as a true and correct record.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Notification from elected members of:

- 4.1 Any interests that may create a conflict with their role as an elected member relating to the items of business for this meeting; and
- 4.2 Any interests in items in which they have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest as provided for in the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968

the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

There are no recommendations from committees.

9. NON-COUNCIL MEETINGS – FOR INFORMATION

Minutes of the following Council Committees and Community Committees meetings are uploaded to the Council’s website, as they become available.

Liaison councillors will have the opportunity to provide a verbal update.

The below meetings took place from 5 August to 18 August 2026:

COMMITTEE MEETINGS	
Manawatū Water Services	• 12 August 2026
https://www.mdc.govt.nz/about-council/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/agendas-and-minutes	

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10.2 FEILDING AND DISTRICT PROMOTION - ANNUAL REPORT TO JUNE 2026	55
Report of the General Manager – Community.	
Feilding and District Promotion Staff: Sarah Gilbertson, Kathy Graham, Denise Andrews, Tania Retter and Cherly O’Brien.	
Feilding and District Promotion Board Members: Evan Tull, Mark Marsden, Vonese Walker, Bill & Julie Campbell.	
10.3 ADOPTION OF THE HALLS MANAGEMENT POLICY	75
Report of the General Manager – Community.	
10.4 ADOPTION OF THE ROAD STOPPING POLICY	94
Report of the General Manager – Corporate.	

11. CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

12. PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS

COUNCIL TO RESOLVE:

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

16. MEETING CLOSURE

MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 05 August 2026, which commenced at 8.30 am at the Manawātū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT: Mayor Michael Ford Chairperson
 Councillor Bridget Bell
 Councillor Shelley Dew-Hopkins
 Councillor Rob Duindam
 Councillor Colin Dyer
 Councillor Grant Hadfield
 Councillor Sam Hill
 Councillor Raewyn Loader
 Councillor James McKelvie
 Councillor Jerry Pickford
 Councillor Andrew Quarrie
 Councillor Alison Short

IN ATTENDANCE: Shayne Harris Chief Executive
 Hamish Waugh General Manager – Infrastructure
 Frances Smorti General Manager – Corporate
 Lyn Daly General Manager – Community
 Steph Skinner Governance and Strategy Officer
 Jeena Baines Data, Insights and Research Analyst

MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

MDC 25-28/336

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

MDC 25-28/337

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no requests for public forum.

MDC 25-28/338

PRESENTATION - RES

MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

- How do we encourage people to stay in the district between the ages of 19 and 40?
- Our crime rates are below Horowhenua and Palmerston North, however 89% of the crime increase was attributed to theft and burglary.

MDC 25-28/340

NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items of business notified for consideration.

MDC 25-28/341

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

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MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

MDC 25-28/343

MARAE LIAISON COUNCILLORS

Councillors provided a verbal update on their attendance at marae meetings.

- Kauwhata Marae – Cr Raewyn Loader met with Melissa Edge, Chair of Kauwhata Marae committee for a general catch up, which included discussion about encouraging people back to the marae. Powhiri held at Kauwhata Marae to welcome the new General Manager Morehu Te Momo of Ngā Kaitiaki o Ngāti Kauwhata. This was a good opportunity for Raewyn to re-connect with whanaungatanga. Manawatu District Council staff were also present

MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

1. Confirmation of Minutes; 22 July 2026
2. Sale of part of 10 Eyre Street, Feilding

That 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:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
13. Confirmation of Minutes; 22 July 2026	<i>To consider the accuracy of the minutes of the public excluded Council</i>	

MEETING MINUTES	
COUNCIL	TIME
WEDNESDAY 05 AUGUST 2026	8:30 AM

MDC 25-28/350

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 12.12 pm.

Meeting Video

<https://www.mdc.govt.nz/about-council/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/videos-of-council-and-committee-meetings/manawatu-district-council-meeting-videos>

Section One

Policy Review

