



greater WELLINGTON
THE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Report 03.191

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 11 March 2003 at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Evans, Kirton, McDavitt, Thomas, Werry and Yardley and Messrs Gilbert and Ross

Officers Present

Messrs Ballantine, Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Muller, Oliver, Waititi, Dr Crisp, Amanda Cox and Tina Walker

Public Business

Procedural Items

LC 90 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)

That the apologies for lateness from Councillors Evans and Werry be confirmed.

LC 91 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

LC 92 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr Yardley/Cr Shields)

That the minutes of the meeting of 19 November 2002, Report 02.987, be confirmed.

Matters for Decision

LC 93 **Proposed Motorcross Events in Moonshine Park**

Report 03.93

File: N/03/09/08

Councillor Werry arrived at 9.35am.

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Barr)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents of the report be noted.*
- (2) That approval be granted to the Kapi-Mana Motorcycle Club to hold motorcross events on Moonshine Park in 2003 and 2004 in accordance with the conditions of the resource consent granted by Upper Hutt City Council on 3 December 2002 and subject to a written agreement with the Motorcycle Club.*
- (3) That it be agreed any future requests to Greater Wellington – The Regional Council to hold motorcross events at Moonshine Park after 2004 will be subject to an assessment of environmental effects resulting from the two previous events.*

LC 94 **Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan**

(1) Report of Hutt River Advisory Committee Meeting – 27 February 2003

Report 03.89

File: E/6/10/6

Councillor Evans arrived at 9.40am.

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Yardley)

That the open part of the Hutt River Advisory Committee meeting held on 27 February 2003, Items HRA 25 to HRA 32 inclusive, be adopted.

(2) Stopbank Strengthening Works and Opahu Stream Pumping at Ava Bridge

Report 03.92

File: N/03/20/03

Resolved

(Cr Yardley/Cr Laidlaw)

1. *That the report be received and the contents noted.*
2. *That Option 1D is the preferred, and most cost effective, option to improve the waterway capacity of the Ava Railway Bridge, and that provision has been made in the proposed Flood Protection 2003–2013 Operating Plan for the construction of these improvements (years 2004/05 to 2007/08) be noted.*
3. *That an integral component of Option 1D as a pumping station to pump stormwater from upstream of the Opahu floodgates to the Hutt River be noted.*
4. *That the construction of the pumping station by Hutt City Council (HCC), and the construction of the stopbank improvements and removal of the existing Opahu Stream training bank by Greater Wellington – The Regional Council (GWRC), needs to be co-ordinated, be noted.*
5. *That the cost sharing arrangement between GWRC and the HCC to fund the proposed Opahu Stream pumping improvements be approved in principle.*
6. *That the proposed cost share agreement includes a payment of up to \$495,000 to HCC for constructing the pumping station be noted. Also the mechanism for such payment is still to be determined be noted.*
7. *That officers be requested to prepare a formal Agreement (GWRC and HCC) for the proposed Opahu Pumping capital improvements, their subsequent operation, and for the future management of the Opahu Stream, based on the Guiding Principals contained in Attachment 1. Such Agreement to be approved by GWRC before being formally offered to the HCC.*
8. *That the current total estimated cost of Option 1D, including the proposed GWRC contribution to the proposed Opahu pumping station, is \$5,690,000, which is greater than the \$5,450,000 provision in the proposed Flood Protection 2003–2013 Operating Plan be noted. However no change to the proposed Flood Protection Operating Plan is recommended at present.*
9. *That the HCC be advised of the Committee's resolutions once adopted by Council.*

Matters for Information

LC 95 Wellington Conservation Board (WCB) Meeting: 14-15 February 2003

Report 03.94

File: E/07/10/07)

Resolved

(Cr Barr/Cr Thomas)

1. *That the report be received and the contents noted.*
2. *That the paper on Longfin eels and its results be noted.*
3. *That officers be asked to jointly discuss, with the Department of Conservation and Kapiti Coast District Council, the case for a linking walkway, including legalising public access to Mt Wainui, and report back to the Landcare Committee.*
4. *That the Greater Wellington – The Regional Council’s (GWRC) Environment Division staff be requested to note and use the Department of Conservation’s “coastal foredunes vegetation report” in their management and review of the GWRC’s Coastal Strategy and Plan.*

LC 96 Divisional Manager’s Report

Report 03.108

File: E/06/16/03

Environmental Awards

Members requested officers to investigate ways to award individuals and organisations who make outstanding contributions in the community.

Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr Yardley)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 97 Questions

There were no questions.

LC 98 General

There were no matters of general business.

LC 99 **Exclusion of the Public****Report 03.114**

File: E/06/16/2

*Resolved**(Cr Kirton/Cr Laidlaw)*

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Report of the public excluded part of the Hutt River Advisory Committee held on 27 February 2003

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons 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:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Belmont Encroachments</i>	<i>To enable the Council to carry on negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage.</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (i.e. to enable the Council to carry on negotiations (including commercial negotiations) without prejudice or disadvantage.</i>

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 or section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

The Greater Wellington Regional Council

The open part of the meeting closed at 10.55am.

Cr C LAIDLAW
Chairperson