

Report 10.660
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Minutes of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington on Tuesday, 14 December 2010 at 11.03 am

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson (11.03 am – 12.57 pm; Items 1 – 12), Glensor, Greig, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Ponter, Swain, and Wilson.

021 Apologies

There were no apologies.

022 Conflict of Interest declarations

Councillor Laidlaw declared an interest in Agenda Item 14: Fees for Stadium Trustees.

023 **Public participation**

Diane Strugnell, Nicky Chapman, and Andy Cockroft spoke on Agenda Item 10: Approval of Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan.

Brent Efford spoke on agenda item 12: Notice of Motion: Councillor Paul Bruce.

024 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved

(Cr Greig/Cr Donaldson)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the meeting of 27 October and 18 November 2010, Report 10.580.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Chair accorded precedence to Agenda Item 10 at this point in the agenda.

025 Approval of Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan

Report 10.658 File: PK/03/10/04

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Wilson)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Notes the recommendations of the Regional Sustainability Committee:
 - a. Approves the Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan, as set out in Attachment 2 for land which is not gazetted as reserves under the Reserves Act 1977.
 - b. Approves those parts of the Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan, as set out in Attachment 2, for which the Council holds delegated authority as required by section 41(6) of the Reserves Act 1977.
 - c. Agrees that the Plan shall take effect for those parts of the parks network covered by recommendations 3 and 4 from 1 November 2010.
 - d. Agrees to submit the Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan, as set out in Attachment 2, to the Minister of Conservation for approval of those parts of the Plan for which the Council does not exercise delegated authority, as required by section 41(6) of the Reserves Act 1977.
 - e. Delegates to the Chair of the Council authority to approve any minor editing changes to the Plan which do not affect substantive policy prior to submitting it to the Minister of Conservation.
- 4. Accepts the recommendations of the Regional Sustainability Committee with the exception of those provisions of the Greater Wellington Parks Network Plan that provide for a potential wind farm access road in Battle Hill Farm Forest Park (outlined in Attachment B).
- 5. Agrees that the Plan shall take effect for those parts of the parks network not subject to approval by the Minister of Conservation from 1 January 2011.

- 6. Agrees to undertake a further public consultation process on the proposed provisions providing for a windfarm access road and ancillary underground services in Battle Hill Farm Forest Park.
- 7. Establishes a subcommittee comprised of independent persons to consider and hear submissions and to make recommendations to Council on the **above** proposed provisions unfettered by any previous Council decisions and disregarding any previous contractual arrangements.
- 8. Approves the terms of reference for the subcommittee outlined in Attachment C.
- 9. Notes that a report recommending suitably qualified persons for appointment to the subcommittee will be reported to the Council's first meeting in 2011.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Struck-through text was deleted by the Council during consideration of the report, text in bold was added.

026 Greater Wellington Ingoa Māori

Report 10.655 File: X/16/01/01

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Wilson)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.
- 3. Adopts the name Te Pane Matua Taiao as the Maori name for the Greater Wellington Regional Council.
- 4. Thanks the tohunga reo group for their work in devising the name.
- 5. Notes the other names to be adopted by Council management.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Text in bold was added by the Council during consideration of the report.

O27 Committee and advisory group terms of reference and committee delegations

Report 10.649 File: E/06/02/04

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Laidlaw)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. Agrees to change the name of Te Upoko Taiao Natural Resource Plan Committee to Te Upoko Taiao Natural Resource Management Committee
- 4. Agrees to change the name of the Greater Wellington Farming Advisory Group to Greater Wellington Farming Reference Group.
- 5. Adopts the committee and advisory group terms of reference, as detailed in Attachment 1 to this report.

Moved as amendment

(Cr Bruce/Cr Wilson)

That Council:

Amends specific responsibility 10 of the Economic Wellbeing Committee by adding the words: "and to regional and local facilities".

The amendment was **LOST**.

6. Delegates statutory powers to committees, as detailed in Attachment 1 to this report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Officers were asked to make minor changes in wording to the terms of reference as agreed to by the Council during consideration of the report.

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028 **2011** meeting schedule

Report 10.653 File: E/06/02/02

Moved (Cr Donaldson/Cr Greig)

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the 2011 meeting schedule.
- 2. Authorises the Manager, Democratic Services, to circulate the schedule to key stakeholders, and to modify the schedule as and when required, in accordance with notification procedures specified in Standing Orders.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

O29 Policy on elected members' allowances and expenses Report 10.648

Moved (Cr Greig/Cr Aitken)

File: E/05/02/03

That Council:

- 1. Amends the Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses Policy that was adopted on 18 November 2010 by replacing the vehicle mileage allowance provision of 70 cents per km for up to 10,000 km a year with an allowance of 70 cents per km for up to 5,000 km and 35 cents per km for travel in excess of 5,000 km
- 2. Notes that the 30 km threshold per event before mileage may be claimed is unchanged.
- 3. Notes that the amended policy is subject to approval by the Remuneration Authority

The motion was **CARRIED**.

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O30 Appointment of members to the Regional Transport Committee and Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

Report 10.652 File: E/06/34/04

Moved (Cr Brash/Cr Donaldson)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Appoints Councillor Tim Sheppard as an alternate for Mayor Nick Leggett on the Regional Transport Committee
- 4 Councillor Ken Douglas as an alternate for Mayor Nick Leggett on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

031 **Building competitive cities - submission**

Report 10.647 File: ENV/10/02/02

Moved (Cr Aitken/Cr Laidlaw)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the submission in Attachment 1 (tabled at the meeting).
- 4. Delegates to the Chair of the Council any minor amendments to the submission.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

032 Notice of Motion: Cr Paul Bruce

Report 10.657 File: E/06/01/03

Moved (Cr Bruce/Cr Ponter)

1. That a full refurbishment program of the Ganz Mavag should not proceed until a decision has been made by the full Council on the N2A high quality public transport feasibility study project scope and context and route choices and those parts of the Corridor Plan/RON network that will be included, including conditions of wider PT network for future years (ie extent of train upgrade, form of bus network).

2. That Council recognizes the risk of pre-empting the N2A high quality public transport feasibility study and creating stranded investments by placing too much emphasis on rail vehicles that will have limited application.

The motion was LOST.

033 Financial report for the four months ended 31 October 2010

Report 10.644 File: CFO/13/02/01

Moved (Cr Aitken/Cr Greig)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

The Chair formally thanked Barry Turfrey, the retiring Chief Financial Officer, for his patience, commitment, and contribution over the six years he has been with the Council.

034 Fees for Stadium Trustees

Report 10.654 File: CFO/27/12/01

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Laidlaw)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the increase in fees for the Trustees and Chair of the WRST as detailed in section 4.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

035 Report on the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Plan Committee meeting on 24 November 2010

Report 10.656 File: E/06/37/03

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Laidlaw)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

036 Report on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting on 30 November 2010

Report 10.659 File: WRS/09/01/01

Moved (Cr Wilde/Cr Glensor)

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

037 **Exclusion of the public**

Report 10.651 File: E/06/01/04

Moved (Cr Lamason/Cr Greig)

That the Council

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- 1. Minutes of the public excluded part of the reconvened Inaugural Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held on Thursday 18 November 2010 - Item relating to Report PE 10.616 - Appointment of objective and cultural members to the Regional Transport Committee.
- 2. Proposed extension to the term of appointment of a member of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

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:

General subject of Reason for passing this resolution each matter to be in relation to each matter considered:

1. Minutes relating objective cultural members to the Regional **Transport** Committee

The information contained in these to the appointment of minutes relates to appointments to and the Regional Transport Committee. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of potential appointees by disclosing certain persons had expressed an interest in having their term of appointment extended. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override their privacy.

Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution

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 under section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect the privacy of natural persons).

2. Proposed extension to the term of appointment of a member of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

The information contained in this report relates to an existing member's term of appointment to the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee. Release of this information would prejudice their privacy by disclosing the fact that they have expressed interest in, and are being considered for, an extension their term of appointment extended. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override their privacy.

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 under section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect the privacy of natural persons).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 are as specified above.

The motion was CARRIED.

The public part of the meeting closed at 1.11 pm

Cr F H Wilde

(Chair)

Date: