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Report 12.288

14/06/2012 File: E/11/04/03

Minutes of the meeting of the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee - Baring Head/ Ōrua-Pouanui Hearing, held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington, on 14 June 2012 at 9.34am.

Present

Councillors Wilson (Chair), Brash, Bruce, Greig, Lamason, Swain and Mrs Skelton.

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Process for considering submissions on Baring Head/ Ōrua-Pouanui draft amendment to Parks Network Plan

Report 12.248 File: PK/03/12/01

Moved (Cr Lamason / Cr Bruce)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Accepts the late submission received on the Head/Ōrua-Pouanui draft amendment.
- 4. Reports its findings and recommendations to the Council meeting on 27 June 2012.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

4 Hearing of oral submissions

A final schedule of oral submissions was circulated. Oral submitters were heard in the following order:

Time	Submission No.	Name and organisation
9.35 – 9.40	17	Alistair Smith – Great Harbour Way Trust
9.40 – 9.45	34	Russell Bell – Lower Hutt Forest and Bird
9.45 – 9.55	29	Kris Eriksen, Grant Firth, Chris Connelly and Ian Miller – Wellington Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club
9.55 – 9.59	38	Nic Cudby – Wellington Fish and Game
9.59 – 10.04	12	Strato Cotsilinis – Wellington Flyfishers Club Inc
10.04 – 10.10	7	Michael Curtis
10.10 – 10.17	4	Brent Cuttance
10.17 – 10.24	39	Chris Horne and Barbara Mitcalfe
10.24 – 10.33	42	Doug Mercer - MIRO
10.33 – 10.43	28	Paula Warren and Helen Beaglehole – Friends of Baring Head
10.43 – 10.54	35	Sacha Walters and David Rudd - New Zealand Historic Places Trust

Councillor Swain left the meeting at 9.45am and did not return.

Mrs Skelton left the meeting at 10.55am and did not return.

The meeting adjourned at 10.55am and reconvened at 11.15am.

5 Summary of submissions received on the Baring Head/ Ōrua-Pouanui draft amendment

Report 12.227 File: PK/03/12/01

Moved (Cr Lamason / Cr Bruce)

That the Committee:

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

The Committee commenced its deliberations.

That the Committee:

- 3. Agrees where general policies in the Parks Network Plan cover the issues raised by submitters, that no change is required to the Baring Head/Ōrua-Pouanui draft amendment.
- 4. Agrees that further explanation be included in the draft amendment where it would be useful for giving a context for a particular policy.
- 5. Agrees the brown trout fishery and scenic value of the Baring Head landscape are included in the key park characteristics.
- 6. Agrees to remove the word 'passive' from point 2 of the management focus.
- 7. Agrees that the significance of hang gliding in the area is noted in the background of the draft amendment
- 8. Requests officers to report back on the fire risks associated with removing grazing from the block, prior to a decision being taken on whether or not to continue grazing.
- 9. Agrees Policy (b) be amended to refer to plants/trees that are part of archaeological evidence of previous occupation of Maori.
- 10. Agrees Policy (g) be amended to ensure it aligns better with the definition of historic heritage in the Parks Network Plan and the Resource Management Act.
- 11. Agrees Projected change (13) be altered to include reference to the New Zealand Historic Places Trust as well as tangata whenua in the preparation of conservation plans for sites of significance.
- 12. Agrees that the draft amendment include reference to vehicle access for hang gliding and paragliding to be provided through the concessions process (with a maximum number of days of entry and number of vehicles).
- 13. Agrees under the Partnership in Parks section, the policy be altered to reflect that Greater Wellington will liaise with private landowners and agencies about ways to provide public access for walking and cycling from Eastbourne to Baring Head/Ōrua-Pouanui.
- 14. Agrees reference to Maritime NZ be included in the relevant policy clauses.
- 15. Agrees Projected change (9) referring to the carpark be retained but that it would only be developed in consultation with NIWA and with regard to the sensitive nature of this landscape.

- 16. Agrees to develop a permit system in conjunction with Fish and Game NZ to allow duck hunting along specified parts of the Wainuiomata River and to amend the Rules to provide for duck hunting as a managed activity.
- 17. Recommends to Council that these changes to the Baring Head/Ōrua-Pouanui amendment be approved.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Committee thanked officers for their work on the Baring Head/Ōrua-Pouanui draft amendment

The meeting closed at 12.10pm.

Cr Wilson (Chair)

Date: