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**Report 17.173** 

24/05/2017

File: CCAB-8-1149

# Public minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, 24 May 2017 in the Level 2 East meeting room, Westpac Stadium, Waterloo Quay at 1.00pm

#### **Present**

Councillors Laidlaw (Chair), Blakeley, Brash, Donaldson, Gaylor, Kedgley, Lamason, McKinnon, Ogden, Ponter, Staples and Swain.

#### **Public Business**

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Donadson)

That the Council accepts the apology for absence from Cr Laban.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### 2 Declarations of conflict of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

#### 3 **Public participation**

There was no public participation.

## 4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of 5 April 2017 and 4 May 2017, and the Public Excluded minutes of 5 April 2017

Moved

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Blakeley)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of the meeting on 5 April 2017, Report 17.114, and the public minutes of the meeting on 4 May 2017, Report 17.136.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Moved

(Cr Staples/ Cr Blakeley)

That the Council confirms the Public Excluded minutes of the meeting on 5 April 2017, Report PE17.115.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### **Strategy/Policy/Major Issues**

5 Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project: approval of terms of reference

**Report 17.153** File: CCAB-8-1119

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the Terms of Reference for the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project Management Team and the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project Governance Group.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### Governance

6 Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resources Plan Committee – adoption of terms of reference

**Report 17.157** File: CCAB-8-1121

Cr Chris Laidlaw, Chair, spoke to the report.

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Blakeley)

That the Council:

Moved

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the updated name of Te Upoko Taiao Natural Resources Plan Committee.
- 4. Adopts the updated terms of reference for Te Upoko Taiao Natural Resources Plan Committee.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 Authority to appoint hearings commissioners for certain matters and delegations given to those appointees

**Report 17.77** File: CCAB-8-1043

Cr Chris Laidlaw, Chair, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Staples)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Disestablishes the resource consent hearing appointments group.
- 4. Delegates to Chief Executive and the General Manager, Environment Management (acting severally) the following powers with regard to resource consent applications:
  - The authority to appoint appropriately qualified people to act as commissioners on behalf of the Council.
  - The power to establish a hearing panel.
  - The power to choose, on a case-by-case basis, whether to conduct a hearing through a single commissioner, or a hearing panel.
  - The power to decide, on a case-by-case basis, the appropriate commissioner or composition of each hearing panel.
- 5. Delegates to a commissioner or panel of commissioners appointed by either the Chief Executive or the General Manager, Environment Management to determine a particular matter, all of the powers, functions and duties of the Council under the Act to:
  - Hear, consider and make decisions on any application for a resource consent under the Act, including the determination of any preliminary matters and matters necessary for the conduct of the hearing.
  - Hear and determine a review of a resource consent.
  - Hear and determine an application to change or cancel conditions of a consent.
  - Hear and determine an objection made under the Act.
  - Hear and determine coastal activity applications.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

**Noted:** Officers advised that they would consult the Chair of the Environment Committee and the Council Chair when considering hearing commissioner appointments.

#### 8 Appointment of Harbourmaster and Enforcement Officer

**Report 17.152** File: CCAB-8-1120

Moved (Cr Lamason/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Appoints Grant Nalder as Harbourmaster for the Wellington Region.
- 4. Appoints James Allen as an Enforcement Officer for the Wellington Region.
- 5. Authorises James Allen, Enforcement Officer to exercise the powers set out in section 33F(1)(c) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### 9 Appointment to the Kapiti Ecological Restoration Maintenance Trust

**Report 17.126** File: CCAB-8-1085

Moved (Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Kedgley)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Appoints Cr Penny Gaylor as the Council's representative on the Kapiti Ecological Restoration Maintenance Trust.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 Ara Tahi increase in meeting fee

**Report 17.166** File: CCAB-8-1129

Nick Robinson, Acting Te Pou Whakarae, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Donaldson)

#### That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the meeting fee of \$400 for non-elected iwi members of Ara Tahi inclusive of travel and preparation time.
- 4. Approves the updated terms of reference for Ara tahi that reflect the change in meeting fee.
- 5. Notes that no budget increase is required to fund the new approved fees structure.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### **Corporate**

Summary report for the third quarter 2016/17

**Report 17.142** File: CCAB-8-1104

Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, and Dave Humm, General Manager, Corporate Servcies, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr Ponter/ Cr Staples)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Requests the Chief Executive to initiate discussion with KiwiRail, the Ministry of Transport and the Member of Parliament for Wairarapa on the upgrading and maintenance of the Wairarapa Line.
- 4. Requests the Chief Executive to call a meeting with KiwiRail for an explanatioon of locomotive performance on the Wairarapa Line.
- 5. Requests the Chief Executive to call a meeting with Transdev for an explanation of capacity issues on the Wairarapa Line.
- 6. Invites the Chair to make a press statement on the above three recommendations.

Moved as an amendment (as an addition to the motion) (Cr Blakeley/Cr Swain)

7. Requests the Chief Executive to meet with the Chief Executive of NZ Bus to convey the Council's sense of urgency for handover of the prototype bus from Wrightspeed to NZ Bus for testing, with the objective of the Wrightspeed conversion being completed by 31 October 2017.

Moved as a procedural motion

(Cr Ponter/Cr Lamason)

That the motion under debate now be put.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The amendment was put to the vote and was **CARRIED**, and became part of the substantive motion.

The following substantive motion was put to the vote:

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The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### 12 Exclusion of the public

**Report 17.171** File: CCAB-8-1139

Moved (Cr McKinnon/ Cr Swain )

That the Council:

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

- 1. Appointment of non-Councillor members to Te Upoko Taiao Natural Resources Plan Committee
- 2. Appointment to the Farming Reference Group
- 3. Appointment of Chair of the Lower Ruamahanga Valley Floodplain Management

- Advisory Committee
- 4. Appointments to Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee and Lower Ruamahanga Valley Floodplain Management Advisory Committee
- 5. Appointments to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust
- 6. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 4 May 2017

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:

## matter to be considered:

### 1. Appointment of non-Councillor members to Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resources

Plan Committee

#### General subject of each Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment non-Councillor of members to Te Upoko Taiao -Natural Resources Plan Committee (the Committee). Release of this information would prejudice the proposed members' privacy by disclosing the fact that they have nominated, and been have expressed interest in, becoming members the Committee. of Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) has not been able identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individual concerned.

#### 2. Appointment to the *Farming* Reference Group

The information contained in this report relates to the appointment of a member to the Farming Reference Group. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of the person proposed for appointment by disclosing the fact that they have expressed interest in, and are being considered for, appointment to the Group. GWRC 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) this for the passing of 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 reason which good withholding would exist under section 7(2)(a) of the Act (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

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3. Appointment Chair ofthe Lower Ruamahanga Valley Floodplain Management **Advisory** Committee

of

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment of a non-Councillor member as Chair of an advisory committee. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed Chair's privacy bvdisclosing the fact that they have nominated, been and have expressed interest in, becoming Chair of an advisory committee. GWRC has not been able to identify public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individual concerned.

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4. Appointments to Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee and Lower Ruamahanga Valley Floodplain Management **Advisory** Committee

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointments of non-Councillor members to a subcommittee and an advisory group. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed members' privacy by disclosing the fact that they are considered, and being have expressed interest in, becoming members of an advisory group. GWRC has not been able to identify public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individuals concerned.

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5. Appointments to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment of trustees to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. Release of this information would prejudice each proposed trustee's privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered, and have expressed interest in, becoming a trustee of the Trust. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public

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6. Confirmation of the Restricted minutes of 4 May 2017

The information contained in these minutes relates to terms of GWRC's Public Excluded proposed procurement of public transport services. As negotiations are yet to be completed, GWRC considers that withholding the information is necessary to enable it to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

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)(i) of the Act (i.e to carry out negotiations without prejudice)

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Act 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 2.46pm.

Cr C Laidlaw (Chair)

Date: