

Please note these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Council meeting on 23 February 2023.

Report 22.543

Public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 15 December 2022

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 9.30am

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly (from 9.36am)
Councillor Duthie
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee (until 10.46am)
Councillor Nash
Councillor Ropata
Councillor Saw
Councillor Woolf

Karakia timatanga

The Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga

Public

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Lee / Cr Saw

That Council accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Kirk-Burnnand, apology for lateness from Councillor Connelly, and apology for early departure from Councillor Lee.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Chris Bishop, National List MP and Ginny Andersen, Labour MP (Hutt South) spoke to Wainuiomata to Wellington buses.

Councillor Connelly arrived at the meeting at 9.36am, during the above public participation.

Councillors Briggs and Brown, Hutt City Council, spoke to Agenda item 12 – Greater Wellington’s Quarter One Summary Report 2022/23.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Inaugural Council meeting of 28 October 2022, and as reconvened on 24 November 2022 - Report 22.471

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Gaylor

That Council confirms the Public minutes of the Inaugural Council meeting of 28 October 2022, and as reconvened on 24 November 2022 - Report 22.471

The motion was **carried**.

5 Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting of 24 November 2022 - Report PE22.499

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Saw

That Council confirms the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting of 24 November 2022 - Report PE22.499

The motion was **carried**.

6 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Council meeting of 1 December 2022 - Report 22.518

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Laban

That Council confirms the Public minutes of the Council meeting of 1 December 2022 - Report 22.518

The motion was **carried**.

Governance

7 Terms of reference for committees, subcommittees and advisory groups (including delegations to committees): 2022-25 triennium – Report 22.524

Councillor Ponter spoke to the report, noting additional wording regarding accessibility to be included in the terms of reference of the Transport Committee.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Ropata

That Council:

- 1 Renames the Hutt Valley Flood Management Committee as the Te Awa Kairangi/Hutt River Valley Subcommittee
- 2 Adopts the Terms of Reference for Committees, Subcommittees and Advisory Groups (including delegations to Committees): 2022-25 triennium (Attachment 1).
- 3 Transfers Council's appointment of four Councillor's from the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee (Councillor Appointments (Report 22.480)) to the Te Awa Kairangi / Hutt River Valley Subcommittee.
- 4 Requests that a review is completed of the Terms of Reference for Committees, Subcommittees and Advisory Groups (including Delegations to Committee): 2022-25 Triennium, in twelve months' time.

The motion was **carried**.

8 Establishment of the Long Term Plan Committee – Report 22.487

Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Connelly

That Council:

- 1 Establishes the Long Term Plan Committee.
- 2 Adopts the proposed Terms of Reference for the Long Term Plan Committee (Attachment 1).
- 3 Appoints the following Councillors to the Long Term Plan Committee
 - a Councillor David Bassett
 - b Councillor Ros Connelly
 - c Councillor Quentin Duthie
 - d Councillor Penny Gaylor
 - e Councillor Chris Kirk-Burnnand
 - f Councillor Ken Laban
 - g Councillor David Lee
 - h Councillor Thomas Nash
 - i Councillor Daran Ponter
 - j Councillor Hikitia Ropata
 - k Councillor Yadana Saw
 - l Councillor Adrienne Staples
 - m Councillor Simon Woolf.

- 4 Appoints the Council Chair, Councillor Daran Ponter, as Chair of the Long Term Plan Committee.
- 5 Agrees to appoint up to six mana whenua members to the Long Term Plan Committee, as well as providing for up to six alternate members and up to six rangatahi observers.
- 6 Notes that mana whenua are invited to consider if and how the Long Term Plan Committee engages with mātāwaka Māori.
- 7 Notes that nominations will be sought from mana whenua partners and that the mana whenua members, alternate members and rangatahi observers will be appointed at Council's meeting in February 2023.
- 8 Notes that engagement with mana whenua partners regarding the Long Term Plan Committee is ongoing and that officers will provide any relevant updates to Council at the meeting.

The motion was taken in parts. Parts 1 to 4 were put and were **carried**. Parts 5 and 6 were put and were **carried**. Part 7 was put and was **carried**. Part 8 was put and was **carried**.

Noted: Councillors Gaylor and Woolf requested that their votes against Parts 5, 6 and 7 of the motion be recorded.

Councillor Lee left the meeting at 10.46am, during the above item and was not present for the vote. Councillor Lee did not return to the meeting.

9 Adoption of the 2023 Meeting Schedule – Report 22.475

Councillor Ponter spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Gaylor

That Council:

- 1 Adopts the meeting schedule for Council and committees for the 2023 calendar year as outlined in Attachment 1 – Meeting Schedule for 2023.
- 2 Notes the 2023 meeting schedules of joint committees that Council is a member of (Attachment 2).
- 3 Notes that the schedule does not include meetings of advisory bodies or external organisations to which Councillors have been appointed.
- 4 Authorises the Kaiwhakahaere Matua | Manager, Democratic Services, to circulate the adopted meeting schedule to key stakeholders and to modify the meeting schedule as, and when, required.

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: Council noted that Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti will have wider responsibility than that outlined in the Implications for Māori section in the above report.

The meeting adjourned at 11.01am and resumed at 11.23am.

10 Territorial authority appointments to Greater Wellington committees – Report 22.532

Councillor Ponter introduced the report.

Moved: Cr Ponter/ Cr Staples

That Council:

- 1 Appoints to the Wairarapa Committee
 - a Mayor Gary Caffell to represent the Masterton District Council, and Deputy Mayor Bex Johnson as alternate.
 - b Hon. Mayor Ron Mark to represent the Carterton District Council, and Deputy Mayor Dale Williams as alternate.
 - c Mayor Martin Connelly to represent the South Wairarapa District Council, and Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter as alternate.
- 2 Appoints to the Te Awa Kairangi / Hutt River Valley Subcommittee:
 - a Mayor Wayne Guppy and Councillor Bill Hammond to represent the Upper Hutt City Council.
 - b Deputy Mayor Tui Lewis and Councillor Simon Edwards to represent Hutt City Council.
- 3 Notes that South Wairarapa District Council's appointments to the Wairarapa Committee are subject to confirmation by South Wairarapa District Council at its meeting on 14 December 2022.

The motion was **carried**.

11 Proposed Travel by Councillors to Australia – Report 22.533

Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Laban / Cr Bassett

That Council:

- 1 Notes that in accordance with Council's Sensitive Expenditure (Elected Members) Policy, overseas travel and related expenditure of Councillors must have prior authorisation by Council resolution in a public session.
- 2 Approves the Council Chair, Regional Transport Committee Chair and Transport Committee Chair's travel to Australia to meet with Australian counterparts regarding Mass Rapid Transit and digital ticketing.

The motion was **carried**.

12 Greater Wellington's Quarter One Summary Report 2022/23 – Report 22.521

Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Saw / Cr Woolf

That Council accepts Greater Wellington’s performance report for the three months to 30 September 2022 (Greater Wellington’s Quarter One Summary Report as at 30 September 2022 – Attachment 1).

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: Council noted that the State and Trend Assessments within the Environment and Flood Protection Activity Group, as outlined on page 7 of Attachment 1 of Report 22.521, was reported as “completed” but should have been reported as “near completed”. Council noted that the assessments will be completed by the time of the Quarter Two report.

13 Statements of Expectations for Council Organisations 2023/2024 – Report 22.527

Sarah Allen, Principal Advisor, Company Portfolio and Economic Development, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Nash

That Council:

- 1 Approves the key themes for the Statements of Expectations (Attachment 1), for the following Council Organisations:
 - a WRC Holdings Limited
 - b Wellington Regional Stadium Trust
 - c Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency
 - d Wellington Water Limited
 - e Local Government Funding Agency
 - f Civic Financial Services Limited
- 2 Delegates to the Council Chair authority to sign off the final Statements of Expectation for delivery to each Council Organisation.

The motion was **carried**.

Strategy, policy or major issues

14 Regional Pest Management Plan – Operational Plan for 2022/23 – Report 22.482 [For Information]

Wayne O’Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, spoke to the report.

Resolution to exclude the public

15 Resolution to exclude the public – Report 22.540

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Woolf

That Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Proposed Regional Policy Statement Change 1: Freshwater hearing panel nominations – Report PE22.492

Appointment of external Chair to the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee – Report PE22.520

Appointment of Trustee to Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – Report PE22.539

Appointment of Director to the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency – Report PE22.537

Additional Appointment to the Whaitua Kāpiti Committee – Report PE22.536

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 ground/s under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Proposed Regional Policy Statement Change 1: Freshwater hearing panel nominations – Report PE22.492	
<i>Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed nominees. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of those natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as releasing this information would disclose their consideration for the Freshwater hearings panel.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p>
Appointment of external Chair to the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee – Report PE22.520	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed appointees. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of those natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p>

<p>releasing this information would disclose their consideration for Chairperson of the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings.</p>	
<p>Appointment of Trustee to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – Report PE22.539</p>	
<p><i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i></p>	<p><i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i></p>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed appointees. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of those natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as releasing this information would disclose their consideration for trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p>
<p>Appointment of Director to the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency – Report PE22.537</p>	
<p><i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i></p>	<p><i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i></p>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed appointees. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of those natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as releasing this information would disclose their consideration for directorship of the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p>

disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings.	
Whaitua Kāpiti Committee appointment – Report PE22.536	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed appointees. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of those natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as releasing this information would disclose their consideration for membership of the Whaitua Kāpiti Committee.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p>

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

The motion was **carried**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.47am.

Councillor D Ponter

Chair

Date: