

Confirmed Public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 15 June 2023

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 1.03pm

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Duthie
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor Ropata (from 1.05pm)
Councillor Saw
Councillor Woolf

Karakia timatanga

The Chair invited Councillor Connelly opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Lee / Cr Bassett

That the Council accepts the apology for lateness from Councillor Ropata.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Conflicts of interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Pat van Berkel spoke, on behalf of Anya Pollock, to agenda item 8 – Establishment of the Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group (Report 23.239).

Councillor Ropata arrived at the meeting at 1.05pm, during the above public participation.

Pete Matcham spoke to agenda item 8 – Establishment of the Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group (Report 23.239).

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 18 May 2023 – Report 23.184

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That the Council confirms the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 18 May 2023 - Report 23.184.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 18 May 2023 - Report PE23.185

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Staples

That the Council confirms the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 18 May 2023 - Report PE23.185

The motion was **carried**.

Strategy, policy or major issues

6 Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee Chair report to Council – Report 23.200 [For information]

Martin Matthews, Chair of the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee, spoke to the report.

7 Amendments to Regional Pest Management Plan report – Report 23.214

Fathima Iftikar, Director Strategy, Policy and Regulation, and Richard Romijn, Team Leader Environment Restoration, spoke to the report. The Council was advised that the reference to “targeted rate” in paragraph 6 of Report 23.214 should instead read “general rate”.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Gaylor

That Council:

- 1 Resolves that the Council is satisfied, under section 100G(4) of the Biosecurity Act 1993, that the proposed amendments to the Regional Pest Management Plan 2019–2039 (to edit the Regional Possum Predator Control Programme and make the minor corrections, as set out in Attachment 1):
 - a. Do not have a significant effect on any person’s rights and obligations; and
 - b. Are not inconsistent with the national policy direction.
- 2 Resolves that the Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-39 be amended as set out in Attachment 1.

The motion was **carried**.

8 Establishment of the Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group – Report 23.239

Nicola Patrick, Director, Catchment, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Duthie

That Council:

- 1 Establishes the interim Whaitua Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group, to 30 June 2024.
- 2 Adopts the Terms of Reference for the interim Whaitua Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group (Attachment 1), subject to clause 8.1 being amended to read “The Whaitua te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group shall exist until 30 June 2024, but may be extended following a review by Council in June 2024.”
- 3 Appoints Councillors Quentin Duthie and Hikitia Ropata to the interim Whaitua Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group.
- 4 Notes that reports will be provided to a future Council meeting providing for the appointment of the community, mana whenua, and local government members to the interim Whaitua Te Whanganui-a-Tara Reference Group, and appointment of the Co-Chairs.
- 5 Notes that this is an interim arrangement while Council considers a more mana whenua and community-centred approach.
- 6 Agrees to review the interim arrangement by 30 June 2024.

The motion was **carried**.

9 Re-budgeting of capital and operation expenditure from 2022/23 to 2023/24 – Report 23.255

Ali Trustrum-Rainey, Chief Financial Officer and Darryl Joyce, Manager Accounting Services spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Nash

That Council:

- 1 Approves the operating expenditure items, as outlined in Attachment 1 to be re-budgeted from 2022/23 to 2023/24.
- 2 Approves the capital expenditure items, as outlined in Attachment 2 to be re-budgeted from 2022/23 to 2023/24.

The motion was **carried**.

Governance

10 LGNZ Conference and AGM - Report 23.213

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lee

That Council:

- 1 Approves the attendance of Councillors Ponter, Gaylor and Woolf, and Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, at the 2023 Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting.
- 2 Appoints Councillor Ponter as the Presiding Delegate for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2023 Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting.
- 3 Appoints Councillors Gaylor and Woolf, and Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, as Alternate Delegates for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2023 Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting if Councillor Ponter is absent.

The motion was **carried**.

Resolution to exclude the public

11 Resolution to exclude the public – Report 23.248

Moved: Cr Kirk-Burnnand / Cr Gaylor

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

Further appointments to the Public Transport Advisory Group - Report PE23.224

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:

| Further appointments to the Public Transport Advisory Group - Report PE23.224 | |
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| <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> |
| The information contained in this report includes personal information provided | The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section |

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| <p>by applicants for appointment to the Public Transport Advisory Group. Excluding the public from the proceedings of the meeting is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as holding this part of the meeting in public would release information that is private to the individuals concerned.</p> <p>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 the need to withhold the information.</p> | <p>7(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.</p> |
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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 2.08pm.



Councillor D Ponter

Chair

Date: 29/6/23.