

# Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee meeting on Tuesday 1 October 2024

Taumata Kōrero - Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council  
100 Cuba St, Te Aro, Wellington at 10.00am.

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## Members Present

Darrin Apanui (Chairperson)                      Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust  
Council Chair Ponter (Deputy Chairperson)      Greater Wellington Regional Council

## Councils

Mayor Baker    Porirua City Council  
Mayor Barry (from 10.07am)                      Hutt City Council  
Mayor Caffell    Masterton District Council  
Mayor Connelly    South Wairarapa District Council  
Mayor Guppy    Upper Hutt City Council  
Mayor Holborow    Kāpiti Coast District Council  
Deputy Mayor Cretney                                      Carterton District Council  
Mayor Wanden    Horowhenua District Council  
Mayor Whanau    Wellington City Council

## Iwi

Jennie Smeaton    Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira Inc.  
Di Rump (from 10.14am)                              Muaūpoko Tribal Authority Inc.  
Huia Puketapu    Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust

Mayors Barry, Caffell and Whanau, Deputy Mayor Cretney and Huia Puketapu participated at the meeting remotely via MS Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25A of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002

## Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

## Public Business

### 1 Apologies

Moved: Darrin Apanui / Council Chair Ponter

That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Helmut Modlik and Hon. Mayor Ron Mark.

The motion was **carried**.

### 2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

Darrin Apanui declared a conflict of interest with regard to item 10 – Energy Briefing Note, Report 24.492.

### 3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

### 4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee meeting of 4 June 2024 - Report 24.300

Moved: Mayor Connelly / Council Chair Ponter

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Wellington regional Leadership Committee meeting of 4 June 2024 - Report 24.300

The motion was **carried**.

### 5 Meeting Schedule for 2025 – Report 24.425

Lucas Stevenson, Democratic Services Advisor, spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Baker / Mayor Guppy

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes that the Committee agreed at its meeting on 4 June 2024 that it would have two meetings a year.
- 2 Notes that there will be three meetings scheduled for 2025, due to local government triennial elections.
- 3 Adopts the meeting schedule as follows
  - a 18 March
  - b 16 September
  - c 2 December
- 4 Authorises the Head of Governance and Democracy, Greater Wellington, in consultation with the Head of Secretariat, Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Secretariat and the Committee Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson, to amend the schedule as required

- 5 Notes that, as the Administering Authority, Greater Wellington will circulate the meeting schedule to members and key stakeholders

The motion was **carried**.

Mayor Barry joined the meeting at 10.07am during introduction of the above item.

## **6 Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Annual Reporting 2024 – Report 24.450**

Allen Yip, Programme Manager, Darren Edwards, CE Kāpiti Coast District Council (as Project Sponsor for the PDA programme) and John Allen, CEO Wellington NZ spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Holborow / Mayor Baker

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the progress on the three projects outlined in this report and in Attachment.
- 2 Agrees to the content of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee (WRLC) Annual Report as presented in Attachment 2.
- 3 Agrees to the content of the Regional Economic Development Plan (REDP) Annual Summary as presented in Attachment 3.
- 4 Authorises the Programme Director to make any consequential amendments to Attachments 2 and 3 based on direction provided at this meeting and to correct any minor editorial, typographical, arithmetical, or formatting errors that are identified.

The motion was **carried**.

Di Rump arrived at the meeting at 10.14am during the questions of the above item.

## **7 Regional Adaptation Project: Endorsing The Scope – Report 24.530**

Tom FitzGerald, Regional Adaptation Project Lead and Hon. Dame Fran Wilde, Chair of the Lifelines Group spoke to the report. Presentation was tabled.

Moved: Council Chair Ponter / Mayor Baker

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the attached visual scoping report (Attachment 1) and the significant engagement undertaken as part of this scoping.
- 2 Notes that the delivery of the Regional Adaptation Plan is a critical enabler to support the intent and implementation of key regional plans, including the implementation of the Future Development Strategy.
- 3 Notes that the delivery of the Regional Adaptation Plan is also a critical to mobilising, supporting and undertaking locally-led adaptation planning and implementation – whether that is led by iwi or hapū Māori, councils, other entities or hāpori/communities.

- 4 Notes a Project Lead/Sponsor will be appointed for this work utilising the process being run by Greater Wellington with the process to include consultation with the Committee Chair and Deputy Chair.
- 5 Approves the scope of work and associated Regional Adaptation Plan key deliverables, including:
  - a the establishment of a new fixed-term position of Kaupapa Māori Adaptation Co-Navigator with immediate commencement
  - b the development of a regional spatial risk tool, for use by all members and in partnership with Lifelines
  - c the development of a regional adaptation framework and associated toolbox for practitioners
  - d the development of a regional communications and engagement plan.

The motion was **carried**.

## **8 Regional Deal Update – October 2024 – Report 24.479**

Daran Ponter, Deputy Chair Wellington Regional Leadership Committee and Kim Kelly, Programme Director, spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Holborow / Cr Ponter

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the progress on Regional Deals at the national level since the Committee's last meeting.
- 2 Agrees with regards to a Regional Deal:
  - a A Project Lead/Sponsor and Project Manager be appointed for this work now as a preparatory measure, utilising the process being run by Greater Wellington with the process to include consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee
  - b What work, if any, the Committee would want done on the Regional Deal between now and its next formal meeting in March 2025.
- 3 Agrees to develop a set of regionally important projects/proposals for submission to the Infrastructure Priorities Programme, noting that applications will then be made by each relevant organisation.
- 4 Agrees that the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee coordinate a Wellington Region response to our regional infrastructure priorities.

The motion was **carried**.

## **9 Census 2023 – Initial Findings – Report 24.483 [For Information]**

Andrew Ford, Manager Wellington Transport Analytics Unit, spoke to the report.

**10 Energy Briefing Note – Report 24.492 [For Information]**

Darrin Apanui, having declared a conflict of interest in Energy Briefing Report, vacated the chair for this item and did not participate in any discussion. Council Chair, Daran Ponter, assumed the chair for the rest of the meeting.

Kim Kelly, Programme Director, spoke to the report.

**11 Planning for Flood Hazards: Lessons from the Hawkes Bay – Report 24.539 [For Information]**

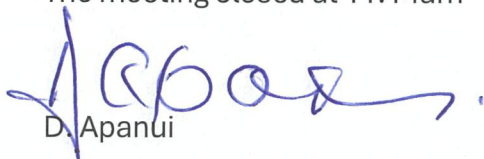
Graeme Campbell, Strategic Advisor Flood Resilience, spoke to the report.

The Committee Chair, Darrin Apanui, on behalf of the committee, acknowledged Kim Kelly and her work over the last three years as Programme Director.

**Karakia whakamutunga**

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga

The meeting closed at 11.14am



D. Apanui

**Chair**

Date: 18/3/2025.

