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Ordinary Meeting of Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee Ngā Meneti | Minutes

9:30 am Rāpare, 8 Haratua 2025

9:30 am Thursday, 8 May 2025

Ngake (16.09), Level 16, Tahiwī

113 The Terrace

Pōneke | Wellington



PRESENT

Councillor Abdurahman

Councillor Apanowicz

Councillor Brown (Chair)

Councillor Calvert

Councillor Chung

Deputy Mayor Foon

Councillor Free

Pouiwi Hohaia

Pouiwi Kelly

Councillor Matthews

Councillor McNulty

Councillor O'Neill

Councillor Pannett

Councillor Randle

Councillor Rogers

Mayor Whanau

Councillor Wi Neera

Councillor Young

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting (hui) open at 9:30am and read the following karakia to open the hui.

**Whakataka te hau ki te uru,
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.
Kia mākinakina ki uta,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.
E hī ake ana te atākura.
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.
Tihei Mauri Ora!**

Cease oh winds of the west
and of the south
Let the bracing breezes flow,
over the land and the sea.
Let the red-tipped dawn come
with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
a promise of a glorious day

1.2 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Approves the minutes of the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 20 March 2025, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

1.6 Public Participation

There were no requests for public participation.

(Councillor O'Neill joined the hui at 9:33am)
(Councillor Wi Neera joined the hui at 9:33am)

Secretarial note: In accordance with standing order 19.1, the chairperson accorded precedence to some items of business and announced that the agenda would be considered in the following order:

Item 2.3 Submission on the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Sales on Anzac Day Morning, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Day) Amendment Bill

Item 2.1 Dixon Street and Te Aro Park Upgrades - Update and Approval to Proceed

Item 2.2 Business Improvement District (BID's) Policy Amendment

Item 2.4 Housing Action Plan 6-Monthly Report

Item 2.5 City Noise and Music Venues: Advice on District Plan Changes and Other Methods

Item 2.6 Johnsonville Investigative Report

Item 2.7 Decision register updates and upcoming reports

2. General Business

(Councillor Randle left the hui at 9:40am)

(Councillor Wi Neera left the hui at 9:43am)

(Councillor Wi Neera rejoined the hui at 9:43am)

(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 9:44am)

(Councillor Randle left the hui at 9:44am)

(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 9:47am)

(Councillor Randle left the hui at 9:50am)

(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 9:51am)

(Councillor Randle left the hui at 9:55am)

(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 9:57am)

2.3 Submission on the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Sales on Anzac Day Morning, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Day) Amendment Bill

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Approve the attached submission on the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Sales on Anzac Day Morning, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Day) Amendment Bill (Attachment 1).
3. Agree to delegate authority to the Chief Executive to make amendments to the draft submission (Attachment 1) to reflect any feedback of the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 10:17am and returned at 10:30am with the following members present: Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

(Councillor McNulty rejoined the hui at 10:38am)

2.1 Te Aro Park and Dixon Street Upgrades - Update and Approval to Proceed.

Moved Councillor Wi Neera, seconded Holden Hohaia the following amended substantive

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. **Receive the information.**
2. **Direct Note that officers will progress officers to progress an upgraded design** for Dixon Street, working alongside mana whenua, Te Aro Pā Trust, local businesses, and key stakeholders ensuring integration with Te Aro Park, ~~in preparation for traffic resolution consultation in early 2026.~~
3. **Direct officers to bring a business case and design for the Dixon Street/Te Aro Park Project, to a committee of the whole in early 2026, in preparation for traffic resolution consultation.**
4. **Note that the business case will outline how this project contributes to a connected cycle network in the central city.**

Carried

Secretarial Note: The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer's report, the changes are marked in red.

Secretarial Note: A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, Tim Brown, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Georgie Rogers, Nikau Wi Neera

Against:

John Apanowicz, Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Tony Randle, Nicola Young

Majority Vote: 13:5

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:06am and returned at 11:19am with the following members present: Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Rogers, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 11:21am)

Secretarial note: In accordance with standing order 19.1, the chairperson accorded precedence to some items of business and announced that the agenda would be considered in the following order:

Item 2.4 Housing Action Plan 6-Monthly Report

Item 2.2 Business Improvement District (BID's) Policy Amendment

Item 2.5 City Noise and Music Venues: Advice on District Plan Changes and Other Methods

Item 2.6 Johnsonville Investigative Report

Item 2.7 Decision register updates and upcoming reports

(Mayor Whanau left the hui at 11:26am)

(Mayor Whanau rejoined the hui at 11:28am)

(Pouwi Hohaia left the hui at 11:36am)

(Pouwi Hohaia rejoined the hui at 11:41am)

(Councillor O'Neill left the hui at 11:45am)

(Councillor O'Neill rejoined the hui at 11:45am)

2.4 City noise and music venues: advice on district plan changes and other methods.

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Wi Neera the following amended substantive

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information;
2. Direct officers to prepare a **draft** District Plan change on noise, **with input from music venue representatives and central city residents**, for notification and consultation in the new triennium **with music venue representatives**, to:
 - a. Add or amend Temporary Activities chapter policy to include more support for live outdoor music events and event organisers;
 - b. Address other issues identified in noise provisions that are not part of Plan Change 1 "Omnibus";
3. Direct officers to include in a future draft submission on resource management reform:
 - a. Issues with the current noise enforcement system as it relates to live music.
 - b. Options for resource management reform, including:
 - i. National direction on noise in mixed use environments
 - ii. Alignment between noise enforcement provisions under the Resource Management Act (RMA) and District Plan noise limits
 - iii. How to increase certainty for noise emitters;
4. Note that officers may include minor fixes to noise provisions through the District Plan Change 1 "Omnibus".
5. **Direct officers investigate whether current provisions for temporary outdoor events could be expanded to include indoor events, including those held on public holidays, to better reflect the operating patterns of the city's creative and cultural sector.**
6. **Note that the RMA'S current guidance for noise control is subjective.**
7. **Direct officers to investigate the feasibility of incorporating standard sound level measurements as part of the enforcement process for noise complaints under Section 326, where practical and within resource constraints (e.g., weather conditions, equipment availability).**

8. Note that the Independent Music Venues Aotearoa (IMVA) report is expected in May 2025
9. Request that officers assess the potential inclusion of the Cuba Street Heritage Area within the Moderate Noise Area overlay or identify alternative planning tools to manage reverse sensitivity and support live music activity, and report back with advice at that time.

Carried

Secretarial Note: The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer's report, the changes are marked in red.

(Councillor Matthews left the hui at 12:09pm)

(Councillor Matthews rejoined the hui at 12:11pm)

2.2 Business Improvement District (BID's) Policy Amendment

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Abdurahman

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Adopt the key amendments of the policy as set out in this paper.

The meeting adjourned at 12:12pm and returned at 12:35pm with the following members present: Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Rogers, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera.

(Councillor Free rejoined the hui at 12:35pm)

(Councillor Matthews rejoined the hui at 12:35pm)

(Deputy Mayor Foon rejoined the hui at 12:36pm)

(Councillor Young rejoined the hui at 12:37pm)

Moved Councillor McNulty, seconded Councillor Wi Neera the following amendment

Resolved

2. Adopt the key amendments of the policy as set out in this paper **with the following adjustments:**
 - 2.1 Agree officers will provide ongoing and clear guidance to BID's for consultation and engagement with mana whenua
 - 2.2 Note that council can take an active role if required to facilitate engagement between BIDs and mana whenua
3. Agree that all BIDs will have a triennial Audit requirement (except those with an annual revenue of more than \$250k) and that Council maintains the right to request an Audit and/or review account at any time at the BIDs expense

Carried

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Abdurahman the following amended substantive

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. 2. Adopt the key amendments of the policy as set out in this paper **with the following adjustments:**
 - 2.1 Agree officers will provide ongoing and clear guidance to BID's for consultation and engagement with mana whenua
 - 2.2 Note that council can take an active role if required to facilitate engagement between BIDs and mana whenua
3. Agree that all BIDs will have a triennial Audit requirement (except those with an annual revenue of more than \$250k) and that Council maintains the right to request an Audit and/or review account at any time at the BIDs expense

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 12:47pm and returned at 1:10pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Rogers, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

(Mayor Whanau rejoined the hui at 1:11pm)
(Councillor McNulty rejoined the hui at 1:12pm)
(Deputy Mayor Foon rejoined the hui at 1:13pm)

2.5 Housing Action Plan 6-monthly Report

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
2. Note the updates included in the fourth six-monthly Housing Action Plan 2023-25 Report and Housing Strategy Risk Dashboard.
3. Agree to extend the timeline for the Te Kainga 1,000-unit target by 24 months to the end of June 2028, and update the Housing Action Plan with this revised timeline.

(Councillor Abdurahman left the hui at 1:49pm)
(Councillor McNulty left the hui at 1:52pm)
(Councillor Free rejoined the hui at 1:52pm)
(Councillor McNulty rejoined the hui at 1:53pm)
(Councillor Abdurahman rejoined the hui at 1:54pm)
(Mayor Whanau left the hui 2:08pm)
(Mayor Whanau rejoined the hu at 2:09pm)

Moved Councillor Rogers, seconded Councillor Matthews the following amendment:

Resolved

4. Agree to extend the suggested delivery of 100 units per year by an additional 5 years beyond the revised 2028 deadline, taking the deadline to 2033 and the target to 1500 units.
5. Direct officers to provide a briefing to the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee before the next Housing Action Plan update on the consenting improvement programme underway within city consenting and compliance to enable the development aspirations of the district plan.
6. Request officers review our fee structures for Resource Consents compared to other councils and report back to the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee.

Carried

Secretarial note: Voting was taken in parts. All clauses carried. A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

Clause 4:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Geordie Rogers, Nīkau Wi Neera

Against:

Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Tony Randle, Nicola Young

Majority Vote: 14:4

Carried

Clause 5:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Tony Randle, Geordie Rogers, Nīkau Wi Neera, Nicola Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 18:0

Carried

Clause 6:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Tony Randle, Geordie Rogers, Nīkau Wi Neera, Nicola Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 18:0

Carried

**Moved Councillor McNulty, seconded Councillor Abdurahman the following amendment
Resolved**

7. Direct officers to approach Te Toi Mahana to discuss whether there are opportunities that can assist achieving the Te Kāinga unit target and assist in the HUP2 rehousing of tenants, to be reported back through the next Housing Action Plan update.

Carried

Secretarial note: A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Tony Randle, Geordie Rogers, Nikau Wi Neera

Against:

Nicola Young

Majority Vote: 17:1

Carried

**Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon the following amended substantive
Resolved**

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
2. Note the updates included in the fourth six-monthly Housing Action Plan 2023-25 Report and Housing Strategy Risk Dashboard.
3. Agree to extend the timeline for the Te Kainga 1,000-unit target by 24 months to the end of June 2028, and update the Housing Action Plan with this revised timeline.
4. Agree to extend the suggested delivery of 100 units per year by an additional 5 years beyond the revised 2028 deadline, taking the deadline to 2033 and the target to 1500 units.
5. Direct officers to provide a briefing to the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee before the next Housing Action Plan update on the consenting improvement programme underway within city consenting and compliance to enable the development aspirations of the district plan.
6. Request officers review our fee structures for Resource Consents compared to other councils and report back to the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee.
7. Direct officers to approach Te Toi Mahana to discuss whether there are opportunities that can assist achieving the Te Kāinga unit target and assist in the HUP2 rehousing of tenants, to be reported back through the next Housing Action Plan update.

Carried

(Councillor O'Neill left the hui at
(Councillor O'Neill rejoined the hui at 2:23pm)
(Councillor Free left the hui at 2:40pm)

2.6 Johnsonville Investigative Report

Moved Councillor McNulty, seconded Councillor Randle

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the attached Johnsonville Investigation Report.
2. Agree that officers will report back to Council within the first quarter of 2026 with a project brief which would outline:
 - a. The Community and Recreation Facility Leasing Opportunities within the Johnsonville Metropolitan Town Centre; and
 - b. The Integrated Transport Opportunities, alongside GWRC's business case development, working with aligned partners and stakeholders.

Carried

Secretarial note: Voting was taken in parts with clause 2b taken separately. A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

Clause 2b:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Laurie Foon, Sarah Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Geordie Rogers, Nīkau Wi Neera

Against:

Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Tony Randle, Nicola Young

Absent:

Sarah Free

Majority Vote: 13:4

Carried

All remaining clauses:

For:

Nureddin Abdurahman, John Apanowicz, Tim Brown, Diane Calvert, Ray Chung, Laurie Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Rebecca Matthews, Ben McNulty, Teri O'Neill, Iona Pannett, Tony Randle, Geordie Rogers, Nīkau Wi Neera, Nicola Young

Against:

Absent:

Sarah Free

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

(Councillor Free rejoined the hui at 2:48pm)
(Councillor Wi Neera left the hui at 2:48pm)

2.7 Decision register updates and upcoming reports

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Rogers

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information

Carried

The hui concluded at 2:50pm with the reading of the following karakia:

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana,	Draw on the supreme sacredness
te wairua	To clear, to free the heart, the body
I te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

Authenticated: _____
Chair