
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

**KŌRAU TŪĀPAPA | ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Time: 9:30am
Date: Thursday, 8 December 2022
Venue: Ngake (16.09)
Level 16, Tahiwī
113 The Terrace
Wellington

PRESENT

Mayor Whanau
Deputy Mayor Foon
Councillor Abdurahman
Councillor Apanowicz
Councillor Brown (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Chung
Councillor Free
Pouiwi Holden Hohaia
Pouiwi Liz Kelly
Councillor Matthews
Councillor McNulty
Councillor O'Neill
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Paul (Chair)
Councillor Randle
Councillor Wi Neera
Councillor Young

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 9:30am and invited members to read the following karakia to open the meeting.

**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

(Deputy Mayor Foon joined the meeting at 9:30am.)

1.2 Apologies

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Accept the apologies received from Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Young for lateness.

Carried

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

There were no previous minutes of this committee to approve.

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

(Councillor O'Neill joined the meeting at 9:34am.)

1.6 Public Participation

1.6.1 Ellen Blake – Living Streets Aotearoa

Ellen Blake, on behalf of Living Streets Aotearoa, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

1.6.2 Polly Griffiths and Liam Price – Sustainability Trust

Polly Griffiths and Liam Price, on behalf of Sustainability Trust, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.3 Zero Waste Strategy.

1.6.3 Sue Coutts – Zero Waste Network Aotearoa

Sue Coutts, on behalf of Zero Waste Network Aotearoa, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.3 Zero Waste Strategy.

1.6.4 Patrick Morgan and Khoi Phan – Cycle Action Network

Patrick Morgan and Khoi Phan, on behalf of Cycle Action Network, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

(Councillor Young joined the meeting at 9:51am.)

1.6.5 Helene Ritchie – Wellington Civic Trust

Helene Ritchie, on behalf of Wellington Civic Trust, addressed the meeting regarding the future of Frank Kitts Park and the central city green open space network.

1.6.6 Jonathan Coppard

Jonathan Coppard, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

1.6.7 Nick Ruane – Wellington City Council Accessibility Advisory Group

Nick Ruane, on behalf of Wellington City Council Accessibility Advisory Group, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

(Councillor Wi Neera joined the meeting at 10:04am.)

1.6.8 Jackson Jebaselvan – Beam Mobility

Jackson Jebaselvan, on behalf of Beam Mobility, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

1.6.9 Nick Hyland, Jacksen Love, and Trish Love – Flamingo Scooters

Nick Hyland, Jacksen Love, and Trish Love, on behalf of Flamingo Scooters, addressed the meeting regarding item 2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme.

Attachments

- 1 Helene Ritchie - Wellington Civic Trust

The meeting adjourned at 10:32am and returned at 10:48am with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouwi Holden Hohaia, Pouwi Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Randle, Mayor Whanau, Councillor Wi Neera, and Councillor Young.

2. General Business

2.1 Introductory Speech for Tākai Here Representative

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Mayor Whanau

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Thank Holden Hohaia for their introductory speech.

Carried

2.2 E-Bike Share Trial Scheme

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

Resolved

That Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree that the existing e-scooter licences granted to Flamingo and Beam be amended to allow up to 150 e-bikes for each operator to be phased in as demand warrants on a trial basis from 1 January 2023 until the end of the current licence 30 March 2024 or any time that Council chooses.
3. Agree that officers will report back to committee on the outcome of the trial late in 2023 to inform any future licence beyond 30 March 2024.

Carried

2.3 Zero Waste Strategy

Moved Deputy Mayor Foon, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

That Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
2. Agree to formally consult on the draft Zero Waste Strategy

Carried

2.4 Development of the new Wellington Region WMMP 2023-2029

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

Resolved

That Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree to formally proceed with the development of a new Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (2023-2029)

Carried

2.5 2021/22 Capital Carry-forward and Capital Programme Rescheduling

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor Apanowicz

Resolved

That Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
2. Note the capital programme underspend for 2021/22, as reported in the draft Annual Report, was \$65.1 million
3. Agree to carry-forward prior year underspends as detailed in the “Carry-forward” ledger of appendix 1 – “Recommended Capital Plan”
4. Note that the requested carry-forward value is \$52.2 million, not all underspends are required to be carried forward
5. Agree to reprogramme the 2022/23 Annual Plan and future years’ budgets as detailed in the “Plan Change” ledger of appendix 1 – “Recommended Capital Plan”
6. Note that it is intended that 99.3% of the current budget will still be delivered within the remainder of the Long-term Plan period
7. Recommend to Council – Te Kaunihera o Pōneke to agree budget changes as detailed in the “Budget Changes” ledger of appendix 1 – “Recommended Capital Plan”

Carried

2.6 Very High Critical Assets Report

Moved Mayor Whanau, seconded Councillor Brown

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Carried

2.7 Forward Programme

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Councillor Brown

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Carried

2.8 Actions Tracking

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Councillor Brown

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 12:12pm and returned at 12:46pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouiwi Holden Hohaia, Pouiwi Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Randle, Mayor Whanau, Councillor Wi Neera, and Councillor Young.

3. Public Excluded

Moved Councillor Paul, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
3.1 Appointment of District Plan Hearings Commissioners	7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
3.2 Te Kāinga programme update	7(2)(b)(ii) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. 7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. 7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.

2. Note that, following the meeting, the information that can be released pertaining to the resolutions will be made publicly available for the following items:
- a) 3.1 Appointment of District Plan Hearings Commissioners
 - b) b. 3.2 Te Kāinga programme update

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

For:

Mayor Whanau
Councillor Abdurahman
Councillor Apanowicz
Councillor Brown (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Chung
Deputy Mayor Foon
Councillor Free
Holden Hohaia
Liz Kelly
Councillor Matthews
Councillor McNulty
Councillor O'Neill
Councillor Paul (Chair)
Councillor Randle
Councillor Wi Neera
Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Pannett

Majority Vote: 17:1

Carried

The meeting went into public-excluded session at 12:47pm.

The meeting returned from public-excluded session and concluded at 1:28pm 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, te wairua	Draw on the supreme sacredness 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

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1. Helene Ritchie - Wellington Civic Trust

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TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS 8 December 2022.
FROM: HELENE RITCHIE CHAIR OF THE WELLINGTON CIVIC TRUST

FRANK KITTS PARK A WATERFRONT PARK- ONE OF ONLY TWO.
A green public open space recreational park

SUMMARY

- Frank Kitts Park is a park not a building site for development.
- The Wellington Civic Trust has fought for the public's waterfront for over 40 years.
- The Wellington Civic Trust supports a fale malae on the Waterfront but not on Frank Kitts Park.
- The Council has made no decision to release the Park to become a site for this building. (contrary to perception)
- Therefore we request that Council **investigate** thoroughly an **alternative** site for the Fale malae : the Transition site between Te Papa and Waitangi Park
- **We request** that the mayor and councillors, move a **resolution** asking the officers to investigate thoroughly an alternative site for the Fale Malae the Transition site between Te Papa and Waitangi Park and report back to the Council and the public.

BACKGROUND

- **COUNCIL DECISION FALE MALAE**

On 23 September 2021, “3. *Subject to landowner and resource consent processes, endorse in principle the Fale Malae Trust proposal to continue investigating Frank Kitts Park as the preferred site for the Fale Malae, being the south west corner of the park where the carpark building is currently located.*” (The carpark is underneath the Park. Council has agreed to demolish it, and with it the pedestrian bridge over Jervois Quay destroying that access to the Waterfront.)

At least two current councillors from the former council advocated against this building on Frank Kitts Park

- **COUNCIL DECISION: FRANK KITTS A PARK**

Contrary the above decision and within less than a month: On 26 October 2021 : Wellington Central Green Network Plan approved by Council: Frank Kitts Park was approved as a key city park - one (of only two) Waterfront park.

- **CIVIC TRUST BOARD RESOLUTION AND POLICY**

"At our Meeting on December 6 2021, the Civic Trust Board was presented with argument which supported the Transition site (called 'Te Papa Transition' in the Waterfront Framework), as a more readily suitable and available site, for a range of reasons. After discussion we confirmed:

- i. That the Trust's long held approach and policy regarding Frank Kitts Park is that the entire area remain green public open space, with no major buildings or excluded spaces;
- ii. That the Trust will continue to seek that the whole area (including the part of the Park area which is currently located above the to-be demolished car park) remains green open public space; and
- iii. That the Trust supports a fale malae

iv. That the Trust write to Wellington City Council, asking that there be a parallel investigation by the Council, regarding the suitability of that part of the Waterfront, called the Te Papa Transition site as a possible alternative site. This expert investigation of the Transition site should also report back to the public and Council, at the same time as the Fale Trust investigation into Frank Kitts Park. “

COMMENT

A building on this rare and scarce Waterfront Park is contrary to Council policies eg. *'The Wellington Central City Green Network Plan – October 2021* and *'The Waterfront Framework'* (reconfirmed only recently)

A major building there would be contrary to Council and Civic Trust policy and not in the public interest.

We therefore do not support this building on Frank Kitts Park.

The Wellington Civic Trust wishes to work with, not against the Fale Malae Trust, the mayor and councillors, to achieve for the public the most cost and environmentally successful outcome in the shortest possible time.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH COUNCIL

We wrote to the mayor, councillors and relevant staff several times in late 2021 of the last triennium and received far from satisfactory response from any.

We urge the current mayor and all councillors to seek out that correspondence and detail from officers. We are also available to discuss and would welcome each and all of you.

We wrote requesting a thorough investigation of the suitability of an alternative Waterfront site and have suggested the 'Transition' site between Te Papa and Waitangi Park.

'DEVELOPMENT PLAN' (in Forward programme 8 Dec 2022)

Where is the resolution for a 'Development Plan' for "Frank Kitts carpark and Fale Male" to proceed at all? (See P. 328 of the Forward Plan for this committee: "Until final **development plan** is confirmed this work will not fully progress")

Who resolved that Council create a development plan?

Who approved that a development plan by anyone be created?

By whom? For what?

WORKSHOPS: DEVELOPING PURPOSE AND PRINCIPLES: OPTIONS FOR THE PARK

We have participated in Council workshops which we were led to believe related to a landscape plan for Frank Kitts Park not to a Development Plan. But there seemed to be an underlying but covert assumption that a building (the fale malae) would be going on Frank Kitts Park and that this workshop and outcome(s) were to accommodate that.

SOME ADVANTAGES OF THE TRANSITION SITE.

The fale malae may never be able to be achieved on Frank Kitts Park.

The advantages that the transition site might have over Frank Kitts Park seem obvious to us

- **Structural:** The transition site is available and therefore no need to wait to demolish a carpark (with attendant public opposition);
- **Financial:** Less cost the ratepayers in eg. Court fees. (The fale malae Trust has said it intends to pay for the building).
- **Timeline:** Earlier completion and opening and without Court appeals
- **Environmental:** adds another (smaller) Waterfront park in the malae fronting the Fale
- **Environmental and Recreational:** Protects Frank Kitts Park for recreational purposes and green open public space
- **Adherence to Council policy:** to enhance and protect one of two only green open public space on the waterfront
- **Location:** next to the moana for incoming vaka and celebrations
- **Location :** Cultural, scientific and educational: close relationship with Te papa the National Museum
- **Location:** Cultural: close relationship to Waitangi park and Festivals
- **Location:** Cultural: Interrelationship with the market enabling infusion and inclusion of Pacific Island food
- **Location:** Proximity - Closer to most of Wellington's Pacific Island Churches
- **Location:** Economic and tourism : closer to the Tourism hub of Te Papa and Takina (the convention centre)
- **LEGAL:** Minimising significant public opposition with court delays and cost

IN CONCLUSION

The Trust prefers to work in collaboration with the Council and organisations rather than take an adversarial stance.

However, when necessary we have in the past taken matters to the Court.

Our concern for the Waterfront as a public open space asset has been core to our campaigns and success since founding over 40 years ago.

The fight to retain Frank Kitts Park as green public open space has ever been.

That recreation park status needs to be protected for our children grandchildren and all.

We urge the Council to resolve to thoroughly and as a matter of urgency , investigate the Transition site as an alternative site for the Fale malae.

Helene

Helene Ritchie Chair Wellington Civic Trust