

STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

THURSDAY 13 APRIL 2006

9.17AM

Committee Room One Ground Floor, Council Offices, Wakefield Street Wellington

PRESENT:

Mayor Prendergast

Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (9.19 – 11.16am)

Councillor Foster (9.19 – 11.16am)

Councillor Gill

Councillor McKinnon

Councillor Morrison

Councillor Pepperell

Councillor Ruben (9.17 – 10.27am, 10.44 – 11.16am)

Councillor Shaw (10.45 – 11.16am)

Councillor Wade-Brown

Councillor Wain

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Armstrong

Councillor Cook

Councillor Goulden

Councillor Shaw (lateness)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Councillor Ritchie

070/06P **APOLOGIES**

(1215/52/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Note Councillor Ritchie's leave of absence.
- 2. Accept apologies for absence from Councillors Armstrong, Cook and Goulden.
- 3. Accept apologies for lateness from Councillor Shaw.

(Councillors Ahipene-Mercer and Foster joined the meeting at 9.19am.)

071/06P CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interest.

072/06P PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

073/06P COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS – DRAFT STATEMENTS OF INTENT

Report of Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee. (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Approve the letters of expectation **as amended** (attached as appendix 1 to the officers report).
- 2. Approve the extension of the following funding deeds to 30 June 2007:
 - a. Positively Wellington Business
 - b. Positively Wellington Tourism
 - c. Wellington Museums Trust
 - d. Wellington Zoo Trust.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Committee added the text in **bold**.

074/06P PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION: LAMBTON QUAY AND WILLIS STREET

Report of Paul Barker – Road Safety Manager. (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Wade-Brown a new amendment 6:

"6. Monitor the results of the speed limit reduction and report back to the Strategy and Policy Committee by April 2007 on whether any further engineering work is required to support the speed limit change."

The amendment was accepted with leave of the meeting.

Moved Councillor McKinnon, seconded Councillor Morrison a new amendment 7:

"7 Direct that consideration be given immediately to further safety measures for pedestrians where there are bus contra lanes."

The amended motion was put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive as amended motion was put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Foster, Gill, Pepperell, McKinnon, Pepperell, Ruben,

Wade-Brown and Wain.

Voting against: Councillor Morrison.

Majority vote: 10:1

The substantive as amended motion was declared **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Receive the information.

2. Recommend to Council that it agree to make a resolution under clause 14.3.4 of the Wellington City Consolidated Bylaw to set a 30km/h speed limit on the following sections of road:

| Willis Street | From a point 30metres north of its intersection with Boulcott Street to its intersection with Lambton Quay | |
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| Mercer Street | From its intersection with Willis Street to a point 55 metres east of its intersection with Willis Street | |
| Willeston Street | From its intersection with Willis Street to a point 25metres east of its intersection with Willis Street | |
| Customhouse Quay | From its intersection with Lambton Quay to its intersection with Hunter Street | |
| Lambton Quay | From its intersection with Willis Street to a point 30metres south of its intersection with Bowen Street | |
| Lambton Quay | From its intersection with Whitmore Street to its intersection with Bunny Street | |
| Bunny Street | From its intersection with Lambton Quay to its intersection with Thorndon Quay | |
| Lambton Quay (Lambton Terminus) | From its intersection with Bunny Street to its intersection with Mulgrave Street | |

- 3. Note the results of the consultation process i.e. 143 Submissions were received, of which 101 supported the proposal, 30 were opposed while 12 agreed to a lower limit with some modifications.
- 4. Note that the process to change a speed limit as described in both the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits (2003) and Part 14 (Speed Limits) of the Wellington City Consolidated Bylaw, has been followed.
- 5. Note that in accordance with the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits (2003) and Part 14 (Speed Limits) of the Wellington City Consolidated Bylaw, the resolution will be recorded in a Register of Speed Limits and the relevant speed limits on the Council's Speed Limit Plans cease to have effect.

- 6. Monitor the results of the speed limit reduction and report back to the Strategy and Policy Committee by April 2007 on whether any further engineering work is required to support the speed limit change.
- 7. Direct that consideration be given immediately to further safety measures for pedestrians where there are bus contra lanes.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

1. The Committee added the words in **bold.**

075/06P PRIORITY SEQUENCE FOR UPGRADING COMMUNITY PARKS

Report of Joanna Gillanders – Open Space Planning Team Leader and Amber Bill – Biodiversity and Ecology Planner. (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Approve the framework for establishing a priority sequence for upgrading community parks
- 3. Approve the priority sequence for community park upgrades

<u>Note</u>

- That the next three years are already committed to implementing existing parks projects, which include the first priorities of the sequence. i.e. Central Park and Cog Park.
- Improving the links to and from Shorland Park will be considered through co-ordination with the safer roads programme.
- Implementation of the next community park upgrade will be in 2009/10. This aligns strongly with the Plimmer Bequest forward programme and Plimmer project idea of upgrading five suburban parks.
- Initial planning work for the community parks upgrades, identified in the sequence, will be undertaken prior to the Plimmer Bequest Report to consider the next Plimmer project(s) due in 2008/09. This initial planning work will define the scope of the upgrade and identify what components of the upgrade are eligible for Plimmer Bequest funding and what needs to be calculated into the relevant AMP's and LTCCP.

• It is important to acknowledge the Plimmer Bequest Criteria and Framework when considering implementation of the priority sequence.

(Councillor Shaw joined the meeting at 10.45am.)

076/06P PROPERTY FOR DISPOSAL UNDER SECTION 40 PUBLIC WORKS ACT 1981 – STAGE ONE: 21A STEBBINGS ROAD, GLENSIDE

Report of John Vriens – Property Advisor. (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 4)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Recommend that the Council, pursuant to Section 40 of the Public Works Act 1981:
- (a) Agree that the following Council-owned property is not required for a public work:
 - Vacant land situated at 21A Stebbings Road, Glenside
 (Sec 3 SO 336646, Computerised Freehold Register WN191484, Area 2021m2)
- (b) Authorise Council Officers to commission a Section 40 report from a suitably qualified consultant to identify whether the property must be offered back to the former owner or their successor in title, or whether an exemption from offer back applies.
- 3. Note that once the Section 40 report has been received, a further report will be provided to the Chief Executive, under his delegated authority, for approval to either offer the property back to the former owners or their successors in title, or to approve the exemption from offer back.
- 4. Note if the property is not required for an offer back or offer back not taken up, then Council officers may seek to exchange it for land situated on the adjoining property at 19 Stebbings Road. Part of the land at 19 Stebbings Road is required for the road construction linking Westchester Drive Extension to Middleton Road. In this event officers will prepare another report to Councillor's with the exchange details for approval.

077/06P EECA BIOFUELS CONFERENCE 2006, WELLINGTON 21 APRIL 2006

Report of Michelle Starns – Committee Advisor (Administration). (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 5)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Approve the attendance of **Councillor Pepperell** at the EECA Bio Fuels Conference 2006 to be held at the Duxton Hotel Ballroom Wellington on 21 April 2006, and that the costs associated with attending the conference be met from the Elected Members Budget (GVEM01).
- 3. Note that there is a Positively Wellington Tourism Board Meeting and a Wellington Zoo Trust Board Meeting scheduled on Friday 21 April 2006.
- 4. Note that a report back on the conference will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

1. The Committee added the words in **bold.**

078/06P SISTER CITIES NEW ZEALAND 25TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE 2006, WELLINGTON, 9 – 12 MAY 2006 – "CAPITALISING ON THE GAINS"

Report of Ross Bly – Electoral and Special Projects Officer. (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 6)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Receive the information.

- 2. Approve the attendance of **Councillors Ahipene-Mercer. Morrison and Wain** at the 'Capitalising on the Gains' Sister Cities New Zealand
 25th Anniversary Conference 2006 to be held in Wellington from, 9-12
 May 2006, and that the costs associated with attending the conference
 be met from the Elected Members Budget (GVEM01).
- 3. Note that there is a Strategy and Policy Committee Agenda meeting for 25 May 2006 Strategy and Policy Committee meeting, a Strategy and Policy Committee pre-meeting session and a 2020 Communications trust meeting scheduled on Tuesday 9 May 2006, an Elected Member Session and a Grants Subcommittee meeting scheduled on Wednesday 10 May 2006 and a Strategy and Policy Committee meeting and Tawa Community Board meeting scheduled on Thursday 11 May 2006.
- 4. Note that a report back on the conference will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

1. The Committee added the words in **bold.**

079/06P ORDER OF BUSINESS

(1215/52/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Agree to consider Report 8 "Forward Programme" next.

080/06P FORWARD PROGRAMME

Report of John McGrath – Director, Policy. (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 8)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree the Forward Programme for the Strategy and Policy Committee attached as Appendix One to the officer's report.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.27am and reconvened at 10.40am.

081/06P **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC** (1215/52/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy 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:

REPORT 8: Newland Community Centre Project – Alternative Development Option

Grounds: S48(1)(a) Local Government Official Information and

Meetings Act – that 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.

Reasons: S7(2)(a) protect the privacy of natural persons,

including that of deceased natural persons.

S7(2)(c)(ii) Protect information which is subject to an

obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment where the making available of the information; would be likely otherwise

to damage the public interest.

S7(2)(i) To enable a local authority holding the

information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

(The meeting moved into public excluded session at 10.40am.)

(For item 082/06P please see public excluded minutes)

The meeting concluded at 11.16am.

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