
MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 24 MAY 2006

**9.20 – 10.37am
10.55am - 12.41pm
2.25 – 3.12pm**

**Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington**

PRESENT:

Councillor Armstrong (Chair)
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (9.20am – 12.41pm)
Councillor Cook (9.29am - 3.12pm)
Councillor Foster
Councillor Gill
Councillor Goulden (9.20 - 10.14am, 10.55am - 12.41pm)
Councillor McKinnon (9.20am - 3.08pm)
Councillor Morrison
Councillor Ruben
Councillor Shaw (9.20 – 10.05am, 10.16am - 3.12pm)
Councillor Wade-Brown
Councillor Wain (10.20am – 12.41pm)

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Prendergast
Councillor Pepperell
Councillor Ritchie (Leave of Absence)

105/06P **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 Mayor Prendergast and Councillor Pepperell.*

106/06P **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

Councillor Goulden advised that he had a conflict of interest in relation to Report 3 – Landfill Fees and Charges, and Report 4 – Stormwater Flood Protection Plan, and would subsequently withdraw from debating and voting on those papers.

107/06P **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

1. Christ Bright addressed concerns in relation to the proposed district plan changes to the property on the corner of Karori Road and Campbell Street. He noted that there is little public support for the change which will have a high impact on the community. He does not feel that Karori requires more commercial space.
2. Professor Haulton spoke to the Committee regarding the proposed district plan changes to the property on the corner of Karori Road and Campbell Street. He said that the site is not big enough for a retail space and should remain available for community use. He feels that more research should be carried out before a decision is made on the site.

(Councillor Cook joined the meeting at 9.29am.)

108/06P **MAKARA/OHARIU SPEED LIMITS – ORAL HEARINGS**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

NOTED:

1. Claire Bibby spoke on behalf of the Glenside Residents Association in support of the proposed speed reduction on Middleton Road. The Association would prefer that speed limits reduce to 60 km per hour rather than the suggested 70 km per hour. They note that Middleton Road has 15 bends within 2 km and that people do not drive to the conditions, making this a dangerous road which will suit a lower speed limit.
2. Anne Harris spoke on the proposed speed limit reduction in the Makara/Ohariu area. She feels that the current speed limit is impossible to achieve and a 50 km limit over the whole area is more appropriate. Ms Harris noted that many people drive in the centre of the road due to poorly maintained seal at the edge of the road. She feels that the speed reduction should be coupled with signs, maintenance of the road and public education.
3. Arnold Blades spoke in support of the proposed speed limit reduction in Makara/Ohariu as both a cyclist and a driver. He feels that cars do not allow enough space for cyclists, following too close and not leaving enough space when passing. He noted that there has been an increase in the number of cyclists in the area and a speed reduction will reduce the speed differential between cyclists and cars.
4. Ted Smith is also a cyclist and supports a speed reduction in the Makara/Ohariu area. He feels that the proposed 50 km speed limit through Makara Village should be extended to just past 478 Makara Road. He also noted that proper passing lanes should be installed, especially for Makara hill.

109/06P **FEES AND CHARGES: BUILDING CONSENTS AND LICENSING SERVICES**
Report of Brian Hannah – Planning and Research and Donna Stokes –
Building Consents and Licensing Services.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

(Councillor Shaw left the meeting at 10.05am.)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL (28 JUNE 2006):

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*

2. *Agree to recommend that the Council agree to the fees and charges as outlined in appendix one (of the Officers report) and that these apply from 1 July 2006.*

110/06P **SOUTHERN LANDFILL – REVIEW OF LANDFILL CHARGES**
 Report of Mike Mendonca / Johan Simeonov – CitiOperations.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

(Councillor Goulden withdrew from the table due to conflicts of interest.)
 (Councillor Shaw returned to the meeting at 10.16am.)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL (28 June 2006):

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that the decision to reduce landfill charges was agreed as part of the draft LTCCP deliberations and that no submissions have been received on the subject as part of that draft LTCCP Consultation process.*
3. *Note that in order to achieve financial targets revised fees have to be in place by 1st July 2006.*
4. *Note that 30 days notice to the public is required for any proposed fee charges and to achieve this timeframe, this report is being submitted in advance of the LTCCP deliberations.*
5. *Agree to restrict the acceptance of cleanfill at the Southern Landfill and terminate the current commercial rate of \$10.20 per tonne.*
6. *Agree to a new cleanfill rate of \$4.00 per tonne subject to the daily needs and prior approval before delivery.*
7. *Agree the approach for application of the special waste charges.*
8. *Agree to recommend that the Council approves the proposed fees and charges set out in Appendix 1 (of the Officers report), effective 1 July 2006.*

111/06P **STORMWATER FLOOD PROTECTION PLAN**
 Report of Maria Archer, Manager Infrastructure Planning.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 4)

(Councillor Wain joined the meeting at 10.25am.)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note the rationale and context of the Stormwater Flood Protection Plan.*
3. *Agree that to provide a defensible position for Council and to enable future growth*
 - a. *the rationale supporting the Stormwater Flood Protection Plan process is still valid.*
 - b. *Council continue with the broad aim of flood protecting the city against 1:50 year storm events.*
 - c. *Council continue adherence to the intervention triggers and Levels of Service outlined in the plan*
4. *Recommended to Council that it adopt option 2 for funding i.e.:*
 - a. *include \$200,000 a year in the LTCCP for the next 3 years for the provision of localised flood protection works **and reduce 09/10 from \$700,000 to \$300,000.***
 - b. *if funding is required for exceptional flood protection projects in the next 3 years, business cases will be prepared for Council consideration.*
5. *Agree that, as part of the asset management plan review, officers will bring back to Strategy and Policy Committee all currently proposed upgrades budgeted at \$2 million or greater for agreement prior to implementation.*

NOTED:

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

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

112/06P

PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE 44: GENERAL AMENDMENTS TO DISTRICT PLAN TEXT AND MAPS AND PROPOSED VARIATION 1 TO DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE 33

Report of Natasha Belt – Policy Advisor (Planning Policy).

(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 5)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*

2. *Agree to publicly notify the proposed District Plan zone changes and non-cadastral zone boundary ratifications, attached as Appendix 1 (of the Officers Report) in accordance with the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.*
 - a. *except for the proposal relating to rezoning of the corner of Karori Road and Campbell Street, to allow officers to re-communicate the rationale for the proposed plan change to Karori residents and report back to Strategy and Policy Committee within 3 months.*
 - b. *In respect of West Tawa Development land, approval is subject to satisfactory feedback from the Tawa Community Board.*

3. *Agree to publicly notify Variation 1 to District Plan Change 33 attached as Appendix 2 (of the Officers report) in accordance with the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.*

NOTED:

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

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

(The meeting adjourned at 10.37am for morning tea and reconvened at 10.55am. Councillor Goulden was present when the meeting reconvened.)

113/06P **PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LIQUOR CONTROL BYLAW – CONSULTATION PROCESS**
 Report of Giselle Baretta, Senior Policy Evaluator.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 6)

Moved Councillor Cook, seconded Councillor Wain the substantive motion.

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Shaw the following amendment.

“That the liquor ban be extended to Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights from 5pm - 8am the following morning.”

The amendment was put and declared LOST.

Moved Councillor McKinnon, seconded Councillor Gill the following amendment.

9. “Agree that officers report back in April 2007 on the results of monitoring of incidents and complaints around Oriental Bay and Mt Victoria lookout.”

The amendment was put and declared CARRIED.

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

Voting for: Councillors Armstrong, Gill, McKinnon, Ruben and Morrison.

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Foster, Wade-Brown and Shaw.

Majority vote: 5:4

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that 53 written submissions on the Proposal to Amend the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 1991 Part 23 (Liquor Control) were received during the special consultative procedure undertaken in accordance with section 156 of the Local Government Act 2002.*
3. *Note that a total of 11 oral submissions were heard by the Strategy and Policy Committee on the 20 April 2006 and the 11 May 2006.*
4. *Agree that the special consultative procedure has been completed pursuant to sections 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.*
5. *Agree that NZ Bill of Rights Act 1990 implications have been considered.*
6. *Agree to the Liquor Control Bylaw attached as Appendix 1 (of the Officers report) subject to any amendments arising from this meeting.*
7. *Recommend to Council that it:*
 - (a) *note that the Strategy and Policy Committee considered the draft bylaw and submissions, attached as Appendices 1 and 3 (of the Officers report) respectively, at the 24 May 2006 meeting.*
 - (b) *resolve to adopt the Liquor Control Bylaw attached as Appendix 1, pursuant to sections 83, 86, 147 and 156 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

- (c) *resolve that the commencement date for the bylaw is 8pm 29 June 2006 allowing for at least fourteen days public notice, following the 31 May 2006 Council meeting.*
 - (d) *resolve that the draft bylaw (attached as Appendix 1 of the Officers report) is part of the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 1991.*
 - (e) *resolve to amend the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 1991 by revoking Part 23 (Liquor Control) and replacing it with Part 23 (Liquor Control) attached as Appendix 1 (of the Officers report), to come into effect at 8pm, 29 June 2006.*
8. *Note that media releases, advertising and signage will be arranged to ensure that the public are aware of the bylaw coming into effect.*
9. ***Agree that officers report back in April 2007 on the results of monitoring of incidents and complaints around Oriental Bay and Mt Victoria lookout.***

(The meeting adjourned at 12.41pm for lunch. Councillors Wain, Ahipene-Mercer and Goulden were not present when the meeting reconvened at 2.25pm.)

NOTED:

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

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

114/06P

REVIEW OF COMMUNITY BOARD DELEGATIONS

Report of Michael Webster, City Secretary.
(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 7)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Recommend that Council agree to the revised terms of reference for the Tawa Community Board and the Makara/Ohariu Community Board (as set out in Appendix 3 of the Officers report).*
3. ***Agrees that a uorum of the Board shall consist of half the total number of members of the board (including vacancies) when that number is even and a majority of such members (including vacancies) when the number is odd.***

NOTED:

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

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

115/06P **LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND 'LEADING COMMUNITIES' CONFERENCE, WELLINGTON, 16-19 JULY 2006**
 Report of Michelle Starns, Committee Advisor (Administration) and Ross Bly, Special Projects Officer.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 8)

RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the attendance of the Mayor and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, McKinnon and Shaw, and the Chair of the Tawa Community Board, at the Local Government New Zealand Conference to be held in Wellington, 16-19 July 2006 and that the costs associated in attending the conference be met from the Elected Members' budget (GVEM01).*
3. *Note that Wellington City Council can appoint up to four delegates to attend the Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 19 July 2006.*
4. *Recommend that Council appoint:*
 - (a) *Mayor Prendergast as its presiding delegate, with authority to exercise Wellington City Council's votes;*
 - (b) *an alternate presiding delegate (in the event that the Mayor is absent from the floor of the meeting at any time), who shall be a Councillor; and*
 - (c) *two other delegates, who shall be Councillors*
 - (d) *to attend the Local Government New Zealand AGM to be held on Wednesday 19 July 2006.*
5. *Note that a report back on the conference will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.*

116/06P **NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS' FORUM 'MEETING EXPECTATIONS', LOWER HUTT, 14-15 JULY 2006**
Report of Michelle Starns, Committee Advisor (Administration).
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 9)

RESOLVED:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the attendance of up to three members of the Tawa Community Board and up to **two** members of the Makara/Ohariu Community Board at the New Zealand Community Boards' Forum to be held in Lower Hutt, 14-15 July 2006, and that the costs associated with attending the Forum be met from the Elected Members Budget (GVEMO1).*
3. *Approve the attendance of one Councillor at the New Zealand Community Boards' Forum to be held in Lower Hutt, 14-15 July 2006, and that the costs associated with attending the Forum be met from the Elected Members Budget (GVEMO1).*
4. *Note that a report back on the Forum from attendees of each community board will be presented to their respective Community Boards in accordance with Council policy.*

NOTED:

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

1. The Committee amended recommendation 2 as indicated with **bold**.

117/06P **2006 REPRESENTATION REVIEW: VISIT TO CHRISTCHURCH AND AUCKLAND**
Report of Ross Bly, Special Projects and Electoral Officer.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 10)

RESOLVED:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve Councillor Shaw as Governance Portfolio Leader and Councillors Foster, McKinnon and Morrison visiting Christchurch and Auckland City Councils as soon as possible to investigate the operation of community boards in those two cities and that the associated travel costs be met from the Democratic Process budget.*

118/06P **CLIMATE CHANGE AND GOVERNANCE CONFERENCE: 27 TO 29 MARCH 2006 – REPORT BACK ON CONFERENCE**

Report of Councillors Foster and Wade-Brown.
(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 11)

RESOLVED:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that the Resource Management (Energy and Climate Change) Amendment Act 2004 requires local authorities to plan for the effects of climate change, which includes land use planning, asset management planning and civil defence planning. The Act also requires the Council to have particular regard to the efficiency of end use of energy and the benefits of using renewable energy.*
3. *Note that officers ensure that the RMA requirements above are reflected in the business plans and Asset Management Plans of relevant Council business units.*
4. *Note that the draft LTCCP includes the development of an Energy Management Plan that will be implemented by an energy manager whose focus is initially corporate energy use.*
5. *Note that the Council is consulting on the Corporate CCP-NZ greenhouse gas reduction goal via the LTCCP and will be consulting on the Community CCP-NZ reduction goal during the Community Outcomes Measurement process.*
6. *Note that District Plan Change 32 focussed strongly on renewable energy and that we await the Environment Court outcomes before Chapters 24 and 25 can become operative.*

NOTED:

1. Recommendations 7-10 as follows were withdrawn to be referred to Officers for an appropriate report which will be placed on the Forward Programme.
7. *Agree that future reviews of Council's seven draft strategies include assessments of climate change impacts. Note these matters may arise earlier from public submissions in the LTCCP process.*
8. *Request that officers review the Council's policy responses to the threat of Climate Change and related energy issues.*
9. *Request the "supporting information template" be amended to include consideration of Climate Change issues.*

