

# STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES**

## **TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2011**

9.15AM – 10.30AM 10.50AM – 12.27PM 1.05PM – 1.40PM 1.51PM – 2.15PM 2.16PM – 2.21PM 2.31PM – 3.36PM

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

### PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown

Mayor Wade-Drown	(7.13am – 10.30am, 10.30am – 12.27pm, 1.03pm – 1. <del>4</del> 0pm,
	1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm, 2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer	(9.28am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 12.27pm, 1.07pm – 1.40pm,
-	1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm, 2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Best	(9.15am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 11.47am, 11.51am -
	12.27pm, 1.05pm – 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm –
	2.21pm, 2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Cook	(9.15am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 12.27pm, 1.05pm – 1.40pm,
	1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm, 2.31pm – 2.49pm.
Councillor Coughlan	(9.15am – 10.30am, 10.51am – 11.48am, 1.05pm – 1.16pm,
	1.27pm - 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm,
	2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Eagle	(9.17am – 10.30am, 10.52am – 12.27pm, 1.05pm – 1.07pm,
	1.08pm - 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm,
	2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Foster	(9.15am – 10.08am, 10.21am – 10.30am, 10.50am –
	12.27pm, 1.05pm – 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm –
	2.21pm, 2.31pm – 3.36pm.
Councillor Gill	(9.15am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm, 1.05pm - 1.11pm,
	1.12pm - 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm – 2.21pm,

2.31 pm - 3.36 pm.

(9.15am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm, 1.05pm - 1.40pm,

Councillor Lester (9.15am - 9.16am, 9.17am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm,

1.05pm - 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm - 2.21pm,

2.31 pm - 3.36 pm.

Councillor Marsh (9.15am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm, 1.35pm - 1.40pm,

1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm - 2.21pm, 2.31pm - 3.30pm,

3.31pm - 3.36pm.

Councillor McKinnon (9.15am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm, 1.05pm - 1.40pm,

 $1.51pm-2.15pm,\, 2.16pm-2.21pm,\, 2.31pm-3.36pm.$ 

Councillor Morrison (9.15am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 11.52am, 11.59am -

12.27pm, 1.22pm – 1.40pm, 1.51pm - 2.15pm, 2.16pm –

2.21pm, 2.31pm – 3.36pm.

Councillor Pannett (9.15am - 10.30am, 10.50am - 12.27pm, 1.05pm - 1.40pm,

 $1.51pm-2.15pm,\, 2.16pm-2.21pm,\, 2.31pm-3.36pm.$ 

Councillor Pepperell (9.15am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 12.03pm, 12.04pm -

12.27pm, 1.06pm – 1.15pm, 1.16pm - 1.40pm, 1.52pm – 1.57pm, 2.04pm – 2.05pm, 2.07pm – 2.15pm, 2.16pm –

2.21pm, 2.31pm - 3.36pm.

Councillor Ritchie (9.15am – 10.30am, 10.50am – 12.27pm, 1.07pm – 1.16pm,

1.25 pm - 1.40 pm, 1.51 pm - 2.03 pm, 2.07 pm - 2.15 pm,

2.16pm - 2.21pm, 2.31pm - 3.36pm.

### **DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Svea Cunliffe-Steel – City Secretary Kirstin Harvey – Team Leader, Committee Services Maleik Edwards – Committee Adviser

### 041/11P **APOLOGIES**

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

There were no apologies.

### 042/11P CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

There were no conflicts of interest.

### 043/11P **DEPUTATIONS**

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

1. Tom Law and Bernie Harris addressed the Committee on behalf of the Federation of Wellington Progressive and Residents' Associations and discussed the need for meaningful consultation and engagement with the community over the Draft Annual Plan and Long Term Plan. Mr Law said that the Federation was concerned that the Council does not use the IAP2 systems of consultation and that there is a council ethos that consultation with the community is not required. Mr Harris discussed the Council's decision not to consult on Weathertight Homes funding proposals under Sections 82 to 90 of the Local Government Act, and said that the Revenue and Funding Policy should be prepared independently of Elected Members to ensure that there is no political bias in determining the revenue and funding proportions of council activities.

**TABLED**, Supplementary Information from the Federation of Wellington Progressive and Residents' Associations, Reference 043/11P(a).

(Councillor Eagle joined the meeting at 9.17am.) (Councillor Lester rejoined the meeting at 9.17am.) (Councillor Ahipene-Mercer joined the meeting at 9.28am.)

### 044/11P PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

There were no public participants.

# 045/11P **2011/2012 DRAFT WATERFRONT** (9.29AM – 10.30AM) **DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR CONSULTATION**

Report of Danny McComb – Treasury and CCO Portfolio Manager (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

### **NOTED:**

1. Danny McComb provided a presentation to the Committee which summarised the report, and subsequently answered questions from Elected Members.

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Best the substantive motion, as amended:

1. Receive the information as amended.

5. Delegate to officers in consultation with the **Built Environment Portfolio Leader** the authority to make any editorial changes **or changes agreed by the Committee** to the Waterfront Development
Plan that may arise as part of the publication process.

(Councillor Foster left the meeting at 10.08am.)

(In the absence of Councillor Foster, Councillor Best assumed the Chair.)

(Councillor Foster rejoined the meeting at 10.21am.)

## The substantive motion was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information as amended.
- 2. Agree the 2011/2012 Draft Waterfront Development Plan attached as appendix one for consultation.
- 3. Agree that the 2011/2012 Draft Waterfront Development Plan be included in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan for consultation.
- 4. Note that report five of this agenda "Consultation and Communication Plan: 2011/2012" details the communication and engagement tools that will support the Draft Annual Plan engagement programme.
- 5. Delegate to officers in consultation with the **Built Environment Portfolio Leader** the authority to make any editorial changes **or changes agreed by the Committee** to the Waterfront Development
  Plan that may arise as part of the publication process.

### **NOTED:**

1. Councillor Ritchie recorded her dissenting vote to Recommendations 1-5.

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am.)

(The meeting resumed at 10.50am.)
(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer Best, Cook, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown assumed the Chair.)

### 046/11P ORDER OF BUSINESS

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

The Chair advised the meeting that the agenda would be taken as follows:

- Report 2 Presentation on 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan: Report of the Funding and Activity Review Working Party
- Report 3 Presentation on 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan: Proposed Variances for year three of the 2009/2019 Long Term Plan
- Report 4 Presentation on 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan for Recommendation to Council
- Report 2 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan: Report of the Funding and Activity Review Working Party
- Report 3 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan: Proposed Variances for year three of the 2009/2019 Long Term Plan
- Report 4 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan for Recommendation to Council
- Report 5 Consultation and Communication Plan: 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan

## 047/11P **2011/2012 DRAFTANNUAL PLAN: REPORT** (10.50AM – 12.13PM) **OF THE FUNDING AND ACTIVITY REVIEW WORKING PARTY**

Report of Martin Read – Manager, Financial Planning (1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

1. Councillor Pepperell as Chair of the Finance and Activity Review Working Party introduced the report, with Martin Read subsequently answering questions from Elected Members.

(REPORT 2)

(Councillor Coughlan rejoined the meeting at 10.51am.)

(Councillor Eagle rejoined the meeting at 10.52am.)

(Councillor Best left the meeting at 11.47am.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 11.48am.)

(Councillor Best rejoined the meeting at 11.51am.)

(Councillor Morrison left the meeting at 11.52am.) (Councillor Morrison rejoined the meeting at 11.59am.)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 12.03pm.) (Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 12.04pm.)

# 048/11P 2011/2012 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN: (12.13PM – 2.14PM) PROPOSED VARIANCES FOR YEAR THREE OF THE 2009/2019 LONG TERM PLAN

Report of Baz Kaufman – Senior Planning Advisor (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 3)

#### **NOTED:**

1. Members of Management Board responded to questions from Elected Members on Report 3 – 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan: Proposed Variances for Year Three of the 2009/2019 Long Term Plan.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.27pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 1.05pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon and Pannett were present when the meeting resumed.)

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 1.06pm.)

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer rejoined the meeting at 1.07pm.)

(Councillor Eagle left the meeting at 1.07pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie rejoined the meeting at 1.07pm.)

(Councillor Eagle rejoined the meeting at 1.08pm.)

(Councillor Gill left the meeting at 1.11pm.)

(Councillor Gill rejoined the meeting at 1.12pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 1.16pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 1.16pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 1.15pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 1.16pm.)

(Councillor Morrison rejoined the meeting at 1.22pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie rejoined the meeting at 1.25pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan rejoined the meeting at 1.27pm.)

(Councillor Marsh rejoined the meeting at 1.35pm.)

(The meeting adjourned at 1.40pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 1.51pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 1.52pm.) (Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 1.57pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 2.03pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 2.04pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 2.05pm.) (Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 2.07pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie rejoined the meeting at 2.07pm.)

049/11P **2011/2012 DRAFTANNUAL PLAN: REPORT** (2.14PM – 3.36PM) **OF THE FUNDING AND ACTIVITY REVIEW WORKING PARTY** Report of Martin Read – Manager, Financial Planning (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

Moved Councillor Pepperell, seconded Councillor Eagle the substantive motion, as amended:

- 6. Agree to cease the shift in the commercial to residential general rate differential and retain it at 3.1:1 for 2011/12, and agree to review any further movements to the commercial to residential general rate differential as part of the 2012-22 long-term plan.
- 7. Agree that the Draft Annual Plan include the approach to the funding of weathertight homes Settlements for 2011/12 using a combination of funding from general rates (\$2.22m) and borrowings (\$6.58m) noting that this approach is an interim solution pending further consideration during the 2012/22 Long Term Plan.
- 8. Agree that the Revenue and Financing Policy be amended to give effect to recommendation 7 as follows:
  - Add the underlined type and remove the struck out text to Activity 6.2.1 on page 53 of the Long Term Plan 2009-19:

This activity is expected to be non-compliant to the user charges funding target in the 2009/10 and 2010/11 financial years due to the economic climate, however it is expected to achieve compliance again in 2011/12. and in 2011/12 due to the impact of weathertight homes settlements. In 2011/12 it is proposed that the general rates will fund \$2.22m of settlements under the Financial Assistance Package as an interim solution

prior to further consideration of the Council's funding approach during the development of the 2012/22 Long Term Plan.

 Add the following underlined section as a new bullet point to the "Policy Statement on funding operating expenditure" on page 5 of the Long Term Plan 2009-19:

Options available for funding Council services

- Borrowings Borrowings to fund the Council interim approach for the 2011/12 financial year for the funding of weathertight homes.
- 9. Delegate to Officers and the Chair of the Funding and Activity Review Working Group the authority to make any editorial amendments to the changes to fees and charges detailed in Appendix 1 and any changes agreed by the Committee.

(The meeting adjourned at 2.15pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 2.16pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

(The meeting adjourned at 2.21pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 2.31pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

## Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Morrison, the following amendment:

6. Agree to include the Revenue and Finance Policy shift in the commercial to residential general rate differential from 3.1:1 in 2010/2011 to 2.8:1 in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan.

(Councillor Cook left the meeting at 2.49pm.)

### The amendment was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh,

Morrison and Pannett.

Voting against: Councillors Eagle, Gill, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 10:4

### The amendment was declared CARRIED.

(Councillor Marsh left the meeting at 3.30pm.) (Councillor Marsh rejoined the meeting at 3.31pm.)

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendation 1 was put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendation 2 – Activity Component 2.5.2 (Recycling and Waste Minimisation and Disposal – Rubbish Bags) was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendation 2 – Activity Component 5.3.6 (Marinas) was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED.</u>

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendation 2 – Activity Component 7.3.1 (Parking) was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Foster,

Lester, Marsh, Pannett and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill,

Morrison, McKinnon and Pepperell.

Majority vote: 7:7

Recommendation 2 – Activity Component 7.3.1 (Parking) was declared CARRIED on the Chair's casting vote.

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendation 2 – Activity Component 5.3.1 (Swimming Pools) was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The remainder of the substantive motion, as amended, was  $\underline{\text{put}}$  and declared CARRIED.

### **NOTED:**

- 1. Councillors Eagle and Gill recorded their dissenting vote to Recommendation 2 Activity Component 2.5.2 (Recycling and Waste Minimisation and Disposal Rubbish Bags).
- 2. Councillors Eagle, Gill and Pepperell recorded their dissenting vote to Recommendation 2 Activity Component 5.3.6 (Marinas).
- 3. Councillors Coughlan, Eagle, Gill and Pepperell recorded their dissenting vote to Recommendation 2 Activity Component 5.3.6 (Swimming Pools).

### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree to consult on changes to fees and charges as detailed in Appendix one of this report.
- 3. Agree to consult on changes to water rates as detailed in section 5.1.1 of this report.
- 4. Note that Building Consents and Licensing Services fee changes listed in appendix one will go through a special consultative process to be approved by the Strategy and Policy Committee in March/April 2011.
- 5. Note that temporary non-compliance with Revenue and Financing Policy activity funding targets is anticipated for the activity components listed in 4.2.
- 6. Agree to include the Revenue and Finance Policy shift in the commercial to residential general rate differential from 3.1:1 in 2010/2011 to 2.8:1 in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan.
- 7. Agree that the Draft Annual Plan include the approach to the funding of weathertight homes Settlements for 2011/12 using a combination of funding from general rates (\$2.22m) and borrowings (\$6.58m) noting that this approach is an interim solution pending further consideration during the 2012/22 Long Term Plan.
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- Borrowings Borrowings to fund the Council interim approach for the 2011/12 financial year for the funding of weathertight homes.
- 9. Delegate to Officers and the Chair of the Funding and Activity Review Working Group the authority to make any editorial amendments to the changes to fees and charges detailed in Appendix 1 and any changes agreed by the Committee.

(The meeting adjourned at 3.36pm until 9.15am on Wednesday 9 March 2011.)

## **WEDNESDAY 9 MARCH 2011**

9.17AM – 10.31AM 10.49AM – 12.03PM 12.12PM – 12.30PM 1.04PM – 2.01PM 2.12PM – 2.41PM

### PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am - 12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm – 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer	(9.25am – 10.31am, 10.50am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm.)	
Councillor Best	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Cook	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am – 11.24am, 11.27am -	
	12.03pm, 12.12pm – 12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm –	
	2.41pm.)	
Councillor Coughlan	(9.17am – 10.16am, 10.18am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm,	
	12.12pm – 12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Eagle	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am – 11.28am, 11.30am -	
	12.03pm, 12.12pm – 12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm –	
	2.41pm.)	
Councillor Foster	(9.43am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Gill	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm – 1.07pm, 1.08pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm –	
	2.41pm.)	
Councillor Lester	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Marsh	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor McKinnon	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Morrison	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm – 2.41pm.)	
Councillor Pannett	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.49am -12.03pm, 12.12pm –	
	12.30pm, 1.04pm – 1.43pm, 1.44pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm –	

2.41pm.)

Councillor Pepperell (9.17am – 10.31am, 10.50am – 11.28am, 11.30am -

12.03pm, 12.12pm – 12.30pm, 1.04pm – 1.10pm, 1.11pm -

2.01pm, 2.14pm – 2.29pm, 2.32pm - 2.41pm.)

Councillor Ritchie (9.27am – 10.31am, 10.49am – 11.52am, 11.55am –

12.03pm, 12.12pm – 12.30pm, 1.04pm - 2.01pm, 2.12pm –

2.41pm.)

### **DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Svea Cunliffe-Steel – City Secretary Maleik Edwards – Committee Adviser

### 049/11P **APOLOGIES**

(1215/52/IM)

### **NOTED:**

There were no apologies.

# 050/11P 2011/2012 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN: (9.17AM – 2.25PM) PROPOSED VARIANCES FOR YEAR THREE OF THE 2009/2019 LONG TERM PLAN

Report of Baz Kaufman – Senior Planning Advisor (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 3)

## Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor McKinnon the substantive motion.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer joined the meeting at 9.25am.)

(Councillor Ritchie joined the meeting at 9.27am.)

(Councillor Foster joined the meeting at 9.43am.)

## **Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Cook the following amendment:**

3. Agree the savings options as detailed in appendix two and note that they will be included in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan statement of proposal to be presented to Council on 24 March 2011.

#	Variance	Proposed savings
		\$000
(d)	Botanic Gardens and local parks comprising:	118
	Reduce opening hours in winter for Begonia House shop (\$19,000)	
	Close Botanic Garden/Otari Wilton Bush library (\$24,000)	
	Reprioritise maintenance programmes (\$55,000)	
	Reduce park furniture maintenance (\$20,000)	
(e)	Reduce pest monitoring (\$14,000) and defer increase (\$77,000) for Biodiversity Action Plan	91
(f)	Mowing in public places – efficiencies	10
(g)	Defer increase to hazardous tree removal	100
	programme	
(h)	Defer decommissioning of Patent Slip jetty	100
(i)	Sportsfield efficiencies	108
<i>(j)</i>	Libraries comprising:	105
	Align opening hours (\$57,000)	
	• Close 1 (of 5) information desks (28,000)	
	• Newspapers in digital format only (\$20,000)	
(k)	Swimming pools – rephase school pool grant	500
	funding	
<i>(1)</i>	Targeted approach to dog control	36
(m)	Divest of under used properties	48
(n)	Cemeteries – reduce funding	31
<del>(0)</del>	Reduce contestable heritage grants	<del>100</del>
<i>(p)</i>	Wellington waterfront	170

- 4. Agree to increase the contestable heritage grants fund to \$329,000 per annum for 2011/2012.
- 5. Request that Officers bring back a report to the Strategy and Policy Committee by June 2011 on the proposed criteria and priorities for the Built Heritage incentive Fund for grants in 2011/2012.

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 10.16am.) (Councillor Coughlan rejoined the meeting at 10.18am.)

## The amendment, amended recommendations 3 and 4 were <u>put</u> and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Cook, Coughlan,

Eagle, Gill, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell

and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Foster, Lester and

Marsh.

Majority vote: 10:5

### The amendment was declared **CARRIED**.

## The amendment, amended recommendation 5, was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.31am.)

(The meeting resumed at 10.49am.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

## Moved Councillor Coughlan, seconded Councillor Morrison the following amendment:

- 6. Agree to consult in the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan on:
  - a) the construction of a deep water pool at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre at cost of up to \$18.9m - comprising \$13m for the pool and \$5.9m for car parking likely to be required for resource consent; and
  - b) note that the operating costs of such a pool would be up to \$1.577m per annum (includes interest and depreciation); and
  - c) undertake detailed design work in 2011/12 at a cost of \$1.250m (CAPEX).
  - d) do not progress the installation of the retractable roof at Thorndon Pool as currently included in the Community Facilities Policy and Implementation Plan Aquatics.
- 7. Note that officers are undertaking research on the aquatic needs for Wellington and that this is currently scheduled to be reported to SPC in April 2011, and that this report and feedback received through the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan will be considered prior to making a final decision on changes to the aquatics upgrade programme in June 2011.

8. Note that any changes to the aquatics upgrade programme agreed as part of the 2011/12 Annual Plan would need to be included in an update of the Community Facilities Policy and Implementation Plan - Aquatics.

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 10.50am.)

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer rejoined the meeting at 10.50am.)

(Councillor Cook left the meeting at 11.24am.) (Councillor Cook rejoined the meeting at 11.27am.)

(Councillors Eagle and Pepperell left the meeting at 11.28am.) (Councillors Eagle and Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 11.30am.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 11.52am.) (Councillor Ritchie rejoined the meeting at 11.55am.)

(The meeting adjourned at 12.03pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 12.12pm.) (Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

### **Moved Councillor Best the following foreshadowed amendment:**

- 6. Agree to consult in the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan on:
  - a) the construction of a deep water pool at the Wellington
    Regional Aquatic Centre at cost of up to \$18.9m comprising
    \$13m for the pool and \$5.9m for car parking likely to be
    required for resource consent; and
  - (a) \$250,000 of OPEX for a feasibility study for the construction of a deep water pool at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre for consideration at the 2012/2022 Long Term Plan.

### The amendment **FAILED** for want of a seconder.

(The meeting adjourned at 12.30pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 1.04pm.) (Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

(Councillor Eagle joined the meeting at 1.06pm.)

(Councillor Gill left the meeting at 1.07pm.) (Councillor Gill rejoined the meeting at 1.08pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 1.10pm.) (Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 1.11pm.)

# The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (a) was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill,

Lester, McKinnon, Marsh and Morrison.

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Cook,

Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 8:7

# The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (a,) was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

## The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (b) was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

## The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (c) was <u>put</u> and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill,

Lester, McKinnon, Marsh and Morrison.

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Cook,

Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 8:7

## The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (c), was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

# The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (d) was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Coughlan, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh,

Morrison, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Eagle, Foster and Pannett.

Majority vote: 11:4

# The amendment, amended recommendation 6 (d), was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The amendment, amended recommendations 7 and 8, were <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED.</u>

(Councillor Pannett left the meeting at 1.43pm.) (Councillor Pannett rejoined the meeting at 1.44pm.)

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (a), was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED.</u>

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (b), was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Foster,

Lester, McKinnon and Marsh.

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Cook, Eagle,

Gill, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 7:8

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (b), was <u>put</u> and declared <u>LOST.</u>

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (c) (i), was <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon, Morrison,

Pannett and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Eagle, Gill, Marsh and Pepperell.

Majority vote: 10:5

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (c) (i), was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion as amended, recommendations 3 (c) (ii) and 3 (c) (iii) were <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillor Eagle.

Majority vote: 14:1

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (c) (ii) and 3 (c) (iii), were declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) were <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion as amended, recommendations 3 (j) (i) and 3 (j) (ii) were <u>put</u> and a <u>DIVISION</u> called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Eagle and Gill.

Majority vote: 13:2

The substantive motion as amended, recommendations 3 (j) (i) and 3 (j) (ii), were declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (j) (iii) was  $\underline{\text{put}}$  and declared  $\underline{\text{CARRIED.}}$ 

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (k) was <u>put</u> and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Ahipene-Mercer,

Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon,

Marsh, Morrison, Pannett and Pepperell.

Voting against: Councillors Eagle, Gill and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 12:3

The substantive motion as amended, recommendation 3 (k) was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion as amended, recommendations 3 (l), (m), (n) and (p) were <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

# The substantive motion as amended, recommendations 1 and 2 were <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED.</u>

### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Note the responses to additional information requested at the 16 February workshop outlined in appendix one.
- 3. Agree the savings options as detailed in appendix two and note that they will be included in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan statement of proposal to be presented to Council on 24 March 2011.

#	Variance	Proposed savings
		\$000
(a)	Wellington Sculpture Trust	15
<del>(b)</del>	Cultural contestable grants	<del>78</del>
(c)	Economic grants and marketing comprising:  (i) Contestable grants (\$25,000)  (ii) Strategic economic grants (\$10,000)  (iii) Marketing support for events (\$25,000)	60

#	Variance	Proposed savings
		\$000
(d)	Botanic Gardens and local parks comprising:	118
	(i) Reduce opening hours in winter for Begonia House shop (\$19,000)	
	(ii) Close Botanic Garden/Otari Wilton Bush library (\$24,000)	
	(iii) Reprioritise maintenance programmes (\$55,000)	
	(iv) Reduce park furniture maintenance (\$20,000)	
(e)	Reduce pest monitoring (\$14,000) and defer increase (\$77,000) for Biodiversity Action Plan	91
<i>(f)</i>	Mowing in public places – efficiencies	10
(g)	Defer increase to hazardous tree removal programme	100
(h)	Defer decommissioning of Patent Slip jetty	100
(i)	Sportsfield efficiencies	108
<i>(j)</i>	Libraries comprising:	105
ū	(i) Align opening hours (\$57,000)	
	(ii) Close 1 (of 5) information desks (28,000)	
	(iii) Newspapers in digital format only (\$20,000)	
(k)	Swimming pools – rephase school pool grant funding	500
<i>(1)</i>	Targeted approach to dog control	36
(m)	Divest of under used properties	48

(n)	Cemeteries – reduce funding	31	ì
<del>(0)</del>	Reduce contestable heritage grants	<del>100</del>	ı
<i>(p)</i>	Wellington waterfront	170	ì

- 4. Agree to increase the contestable heritage grants fund to \$329,000 per annum for 2011/2012.
- 5. Request that Officers bring back a report to the Strategy and Policy Committee by June 2011 on the proposed criteria and priorities for the Built HeritageIincentive Fund for grants in 2011/2012.
- 6. Agree to consult in the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan on:
  - a) the construction of a deep water pool at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre at cost of up to \$18.9m - comprising \$13m for the pool and \$5.9m for car parking likely to be required for resource consent; and
  - b) note that the operating costs of such a pool would be up to \$1.577m per annum (includes interest and depreciation); and
  - c) undertake detailed design work in 2011/12 at a cost of \$1.250m (CAPEX).
  - d) do not progress the installation of the retractable roof at Thorndon Pool as currently included in the Community Facilities Policy and Implementation Plan Aquatics.
- 7. Note that officers are undertaking research on the aquatic needs for Wellington and that this is currently scheduled to be reported to SPC in April 2011, and that this report and feedback received through the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan will be considered prior to making a final decision on changes to the aquatics upgrade programme in June 2011.
- 8. Note that any changes to the aquatics upgrade programme agreed as part of the 2011/12 Annual Plan would need to be included in an update of the Community Facilities Policy and Implementation Plan Aquatics.

(The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.01pm.)

(The meeting resumed at 2.12pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillors Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, McKinnon, Morrison, Pannett and Ritchie were present when the meeting resumed.)

(Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 2.14pm.)

Under Standing Order 172 the Chief Executive provided fresh information regarding Recommendation 6 (c) of Report 3. Mr Poole explained that the funding agreed in this recommendation would not be CAPEX as resolved by the Strategy and Policy Committee, and would be OPEX and accordingly the Committees resolution could be revisited.

New wording of this recommendation was moved as:

- 6. Agree to consult in the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan on:
  - c) undertake feasibility study in 2011/2012 at a cost of \$650,000 (OPEX).

The motion to alter the wording of this recommendation was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u> by a majority of the Committee.

### **NOTED:**

1. Councillors Cook, Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie recorded their dissenting votes to altering the wording of Recommendation 6 (c).

#### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Note the responses to additional information requested at the 16 February workshop outlined in appendix one.
- 3. Agree the savings options as detailed in appendix two and note that they will be included in the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan statement of proposal to be presented to Council on 24 March 2011.

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- 8. Note that any changes to the aquatics upgrade programme agreed as part of the 2011/12 Annual Plan would need to be included in an update of the Community Facilities Policy and Implementation Plan Aquatics.

## 051/11P **2011/2012 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

(2.25PM - 2.26PM)

Report of Martin Read – Manager, Financial Planning (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 4)

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor McKinnon the substantive motion, as amended:

### 2. Agree:

The financial tables in this report are preliminary and subject to the resolutions agreed by the Strategy and Policy Committee on other reports on this agenda.

- a) The inflation adjusted business-as-usual OPEX and CAPEX projects and programmes for 2011/12 as detailed in appendix one as amended as a result of resolutions at this meeting.
- b) Note that capital expenditure (excluding carry forwards and loans to other organisations) is forecasted at \$152 million in 2011/12 an increase of \$8.4 million to the long-term plan
- c) That the funding effects of the inflation adjusted OPEX and CAPEX projects and programmes as amended as a result of resolutions at this meeting are reflected in the Funding and Borrowing Statements in appendix two.

The substantive motion, as amended, was put and declared CARRIED.

### **NOTED:**

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1. Councillors Foster and Ritchie recorded their dissenting votes to the motion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The movement from the long-term plan is the result of previous decisions of the Council, more detailed cost analysis for some key projects, and the funding impacts from the rephasing of some capital programmes.

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### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Receive the information.

### 2. Agree:

The financial tables in this report are preliminary and subject to the resolutions agreed by the Strategy and Policy Committee on other reports on this agenda.

- d) The inflation adjusted business-as-usual OPEX and CAPEX projects and programmes for 2011/12 as detailed in appendix one as amended as a result of resolutions at this meeting.
- e) Note that capital expenditure (excluding carry forwards and loans to other organisations) is forecasted at \$152 million in 2011/12 an increase of \$8.4 million<sup>2</sup> to the long-term plan
- f) That the funding effects of the inflation adjusted OPEX and CAPEX projects and programmes as amended as a result of resolutions at this meeting are reflected in the Funding and Borrowing Statements in appendix two.
- 3. Agree that the inflation adjusted Funding and Borrowing Statements and Financial Statements as detailed in appendix two and three be included in the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan (noting that any resolutions arising as part of these deliberations will be incorporated into the final statements presented to Council).
- 4 Agree that having due regard to the requirements of section 100 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council's forecasting assumptions and the Revenue and Financing Policy it is financially prudent not to set a level of operating revenue that meets the projected operating expenses of Council.
- 5 Agree that for 2011/12 it is financially prudent to forecast a surplus of \$55.559m, comprising:
  - *Unfunded depreciation on the following assets:* 
    - (a) Clearwater Sewerage Treatment plant (\$3.029m)
    - (b) Decommissioned Living Earth Plant (\$0.204m)
    - (c) *Transport Assets* (\$9.605m).
  - Revenue received for capital purposes:
    - (a) LTNZ capital subsidies (\$14.045m)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The movement from the long-term plan is the result of previous decisions of the Council, more detailed cost analysis for some key projects, and the funding impacts from the rephasing of some capital programmes.

- (b) housing capital grant and ring-fenced surplus (\$43.499m)
- (c) development contributions (\$5.753m)
- (d) bequests, trust and other external funding (\$1.452m).
- *Self Insurance and Weathertight Homes Reserve* (\$2.720*m*).
- 6. Note that none of the proposed savings options and changes to fees and charges require a formal amendment to the 2009-19 long-term plan.
- 7. Recommend that officers prepare the Draft Annual Plan 2011/12 statement of proposal based on the deliberations and recommendations of this Strategy and Policy Committee meeting (of 8 March 2011) and present this to the Council for adoption.
- 8. Note that the statement of proposal and summary will form the basis of the special consultative procedure on the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan and that consultation will run from 11 April to 12 May 2011.

## 052/11P CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION PLAN: 2011/2012 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

(2.26PM - 2.41PM)

Report of Baz Kaufman – Senior Planning Advisor (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 5)

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor McKinnon the substantive motion, as amended:

6. Delegate to officers in consultation with the Community Engagement and Finance Portfolio Leaders the authority to make any editorial changes or changes agreed by Council to the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan that may arise.

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 2.29pm.) (Councillor Pepperell rejoined the meeting at 2.32pm.)

The substantive motion, as amended, Recommendations 1-5 were <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion, Recommendation 6 was <u>put</u> and declared CARRIED.

### **NOTED:**

1. Councillor Ritchie recorded her dissenting vote to Recommendation 6.

### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree the key messages for the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan listed in section 3.3.
- 3. Agree the communication and engagement tools that will be used to support the consultation on the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan as outlined in section 3.4.
- 4. Agree that the Strategy and Policy Committee hear all oral Draft Annual Plan submitters in mid May 2011.
- 5. Agree that the formal consultation period start 11 April 2011 and close at 5pm on 12 May 2011 with hearings scheduled in mid May 2011.
- 6. Delegate to officers in consultation with the Community
  Engagement and Finance Portfolio Leaders the authority to make
  any editorial changes or changes agreed by Council to the
  2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan that may arise.

The meeting con	cluded at 2.41pm.	
Confirmed:		
	Chair	
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