
MINUTES

TUESDAY 27 MARCH 2012

**9.17AM – 10.31AM
10.52AM – 12.30PM
1.16PM – 2.35PM**

**Committee Room One
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield St
Wellington**

PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 10.53am, 10.57am – 12.30pm, 1.18pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Best (Deputy Chair)	(9.47am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 1.58pm, 2.00pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Cook	(10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Coughlan	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.11pm, 12.14pm – 12.20pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Eagle	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 11.32am, 11.33am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Foster (Chair)	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Gill	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Lester	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor McKinnon	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 2.31pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Marsh	(9.17am – 9.39am, 9.41am – 10.31am, 10.58am – 12.26pm, 1.18pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Morrison	(9.19am – 10.31am)
Councillor Pannett	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 11.32am, 11.33am – 11.59am, 12.00pm – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Pepperell	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 11.06am, 11.07am – 11.20am, 11.21am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.35pm)
Councillor Ritchie	(9.17am – 10.31am, 10.52am – 12.30pm, 1.16pm – 2.02pm, 2.04pm – 2.30pm, 2.31pm – 2.35pm)

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Best (lateness)

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Luka Dujmovic - Committee Advisor

Antoinette Bliss - Committee Advisor

076/12P **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/IM)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor McKinnon, the motion that the Strategy and Policy Committee accept apologies for lateness from Councillor Best.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Accept apologies for lateness from Councillor Best.*

077/12P **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

Councillor Marsh indicated that he had been advised that he was seeking advice on whether he had a conflict of interest on Report 1. He withdrew from the table for Report 1, please see 080/12P, pending receiving legal advice from the General Counsel.

(Councillor Morrison arrived 9.19am.)

078/12P **SIR PAUL CALLAGHAN**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

The Mayor commenced the meeting with a minutes silence to remember Sir Paul Callaghan who passed away on 24 March 2012.

079/12P **DEPUTATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

1. Wilbur Dovey representing the Otari Wilton Bush Trust addressed the Committee in regards to the Report of the Zealandia Working Group. Stated the report clearly outlines that the current Zealandia business model is unsustainable. The option selected will not change this in any significant way given the current Zealandia management and economic climate. A new CCO structure with the Zealandia issues is not the best way forward.

TABLED INFORMATION: Speaking notes from Wilbur Dovey and Otari Wilton's Bush Trust - reference 079/12P(a).

2. Catherine Isaac, Graeme Mitchell, Dr Russ Ballard, Professor Charles Daugherty ONZM, George Hickton representing Zealandia addressed the Committee in regards to the Report of the Zealandia Working Group. Touched on issues that may arise from a change in governance arrangements by aggregating separate entities under a single governance and executive arrangement. Did not support the proposed CCO structure.

TABLED INFORMATION: Speaking notes from Catherine Isaac, Graeme Mitchell, Dr Russ Ballard, Professor Charles Daugherty ONZM, George Hickton - reference 079/12P(b).

(Councillor Marsh left the meeting at 9.39am.)
(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 9.41am)
(Councillor Best joined the meeting at 9.47am)

080/12P **REPORT OF THE ZEALANDIA WORKING GROUP** (10.08AM - 2.34PM)

Peter Garty - Chief Financial Officer and Danny McComb - Manager
Treasury and CCO's.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.31am and reconvened at 10.52am.)

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

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Lester, the substantive motion, with the following changes to the Officers' recommendations:

- (b) Option 4, ECO – City CCO, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report is the **preferred** option of the Working Group and requires funding support from Council of \$365k in 2012/13, \$483k in 2013/14 and \$490k in 2014/15.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 10.53am.)
(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer returned to the meeting at 10.57am.)
(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 10.58am.)
(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 11.06am.)
(Councillor Pepperell returned to the meeting at 11.07am.)
(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 11.20am.)
(Councillor Pepperell returned to the meeting at 11.21am.)

(Councillor Eagle left the meeting at 11.32am.)
(Councillor Pannett left the meeting at 11.32am.)
(Councillor Eagle returned to the meeting at 11.33am.)
(Councillor Pannett returned to the meeting at 11.33am.)

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Pepperell, the following amendment.

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

4. Agrees to recommend to Council that:

~~4(a) Old recommendation~~

~~The options, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report, be consulted on concurrently with the Long Term Plan.~~

4(a) New recommendation

Option 3 – “Council Parks and Gardens Model” but without a Trust; and Option 4 “Eco-City CCO Model” as detailed in Section 5.2 of this report be consulted on concurrently with the Long Term Plan

~~4(b) Old recommendation~~

~~Option 4, ECO – City CCO, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report is the recommended option of the Working Group and requires funding support from Council of \$365k in 2012/13, \$483k in 2013/14 and \$490k in 2014/15.~~

4(b) New recommendation

Note that Consultation to establish any new CCO be deferred until the outcome of the public consultation and the Council's decision.

~~4(c) Old recommendation~~

~~Consult on establishing a new CCO to manage the operations of the Karori Sanctuary Trust, the Wellington Zoo Trust and Botanical Gardens and Otari-Wilton's Bush; and to allow for the Karori Sanctuary Trust to become a CCO using the special consultative procedure concurrently with the Long Term Plan.~~

4(c) New recommendation

Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to finalise the public consultation document to give effect to recommendation 4(a).

~~4(d) Old recommendation~~

~~The Chief Executive Officer is delegated authority to finalise the outline statement of proposal in Appendix 3 of this report to present to Council on 3 April.~~

The amendment was put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Councillors Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon and Pannett.

Vote: 2:10

The amendment was declared LOST.

(Councillor Pannett left the meeting at 11.59am.)

(Councillor Pannett returned to the meeting at 12.00pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 12.11pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan returned to the meeting at 12.14pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 12.20pm.)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Cook, the following amendment.

New recommendations 4(b) and (c)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

4. Agrees to recommend to Council that:

- (b) **Option 3, Council Parks and Gardens model as detailed in Section 5.2 of this report is the preferred option and requests funding support from Council of \$311k in 2012/13, \$698k in 2013/14 and \$605k in 2014/15.**
- (c) **Include in the consultation** establishing a new CCO to manage the operations of the Karori Sanctuary Trust, the Wellington Zoo Trust and Botanical Gardens and Otari-Wilton's Bush; and to allow for the Karori Sanctuary Trust to become a CCO **in the event option 2 or 4 is selected by Council and if option 3 is selected and Council determines it requires the Trust to be a CCO**, using the special consultative procedure concurrently with the Long Term Plan.

(Councillor Marsh left the meeting at 12.26pm.)

The amendment new 4(b) and (c) was put and a DIVISION called:

Voting for: Councillors Cook, Eagle, Gill, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Foster and Lester

Vote: 6:6

The amendment new 4(b) and (c) was declared LOST on the Chair's CASTING VOTE.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm and reconvened at 1.16pm.)

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

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer returned to the meeting at 1.18pm.)

(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 1.18pm.)

Moved Councillor Best, seconded Councillor Coughlan, the procedural motion that the substantive be put.

The procedural motion was put and declared LOST.

(Councillor Best left the meeting at 1.58pm.)

(Councillor Best returned to the meeting at 2.00pm.)

Moved Councillor Eagle, seconded Councillor Gill, the following amendment.

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

4. Agrees to recommend to Council that:
 - b) Option 2, **Wellington Environmental Visitor Attractions, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report is the preferred option** and requires funding support from Council of \$365k in 2012/13, \$483k in 2013/14 and \$490k in 2014/15.
 - c) **Consult on establishing a new CCO to manage the operations of the Karori Sanctuary Trust and the Wellington Zoo Trust; and to allow for the Karori Sanctuary Trust to become a CCO using the special consultative procedure concurrently with the Long Term Plan.**
 - d) **The Wellington Environmental Visitor Attractions CCO will have at least one elected member (city councillor) from the Wellington City Council.**

The amendment new 4 (a), (b) and (c) was put and a DIVISION called:

Voting for: Councillors Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill and Pannett

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Foster, Lester, Marsh, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Vote: 5:8

The amendment new 4 (a), (b) and (c) was declared LOST.

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 2.02pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 2.04pm.)

NOTED:

The General Counsel advised the meeting that Councillor Marsh did not have a conflict of interest. (Councillor Marsh returned to the table).

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 2.30pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 2.31pm.)

(Councillor McKinnon returned to the meeting at 2.31pm.)

The substantive motion recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4(a) were put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendation 4(b) was put and a DIVISION called:

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon and Marsh.

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

Vote: 8:6

The recommendation 4(b) was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendation 4(c) was put and a DIVISION called:

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Foster, Lester, McKinnon and Marsh.

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

Vote: 8:6

The recommendation 4(c) was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendations 4(d) were put and declared CARRIED. (Councillor Ritchie requested that her dissenting vote be recorded.)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Note the Working Group was established at the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting of 15 December 2011 to review the request for funding from the Karori Sanctuary Trust of \$950k per annum for the three years commencing 2012/13 and to report back to SPC with a preferred range of options and a recommended option for consideration by Council.*
- 3. Note that the draft Long Term Plan does not include any funding provision for Zealandia and at the SPC meeting of 6 March 2012 the Committee resolved to “Agree funding for Zealandia be dependent on*

its future governance structure being accepted and confirmed by Council”.

4. *Agrees to recommend to Council that:*
- (a) *The options, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report, be consulted on concurrently with the Long Term Plan.*
 - (b) *Option 4, ECO – City CCO, as detailed in section 5.2 of this report is the preferred option and requires funding support from Council of \$365k in 2012/13, \$483k in 2013/14 and \$490k in 2014/15.*
 - (c) *Consult on establishing a new CCO to manage the operations of the Karori Sanctuary Trust, the Wellington Zoo Trust and Botanical Gardens and Otari-Wilton’s Bush; and to allow for the Karori Sanctuary Trust to become a CCO using the special consultative procedure concurrently with the Long Term Plan.*
 - (d) *The Chief Executive Officer is delegated authority to finalise the outline statement of proposal in Appendix 3 of the report of the Working Group to present to Council on 3 April 2012.*

The meeting concluded at 2.35pm

Confirmed: _____

Chair

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