
MINUTES

THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2013

**9.20AM – 10.31AM
10.48AM – 11.07AM**

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

PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown	(9.20am – 10.30am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Best (Deputy Chair)	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Coughlan	(9.47am – 10.31am, 10.49am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Eagle	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Foster (Chair)	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Gill	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.51am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Lester	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor McKinnon	(9.20am – 10.31am.)
Councillor Marsh	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Morrison	(9.20am – 10.31am.)
Councillor Pannett	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Pepperell	(9.20am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)
Councillor Ritchie	(9.20am – 9.50am, 9.51am – 10.31am, 10.48am – 11.07am.)

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE:

Sophie Rapson - Committee Advisor

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Cook
Councillor Coughlan for lateness

010/13P **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/IM)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, the motion that the Strategy and Policy Committee accept apologies for absence from Councillor Cook and apologies for lateness from Councillor Coughlan.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Accept apologies for absence from Councillor Cook.*
2. *Accept apologies for lateness from Councillor Coughlan.*

(Councillor Eagle joined the meeting at 9.21am.)

011/13P **MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION**
(1215/52/IM)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Best, the motion that the Strategy and Policy Committee approve the minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 6 November 2012, Thursday 8 November 2012, Thursday 15 November 2012, and Thursday 22 November having been circulated, be taken as an accurate record of those meetings.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Approve the minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 6 November 2012, Thursday 8 November 2012, Thursday 15 November 2012, and Thursday 22 November having been circulated, be taken as an accurate record of those meetings.*

012/13P **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interest.

013/13P **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

014/13P **DEPUTATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

1. Minnie Baragwanath representing Be. Institute gave a presentation to Strategy and Policy Committee outlining the background of Be. Institute and highlighted the importance and benefits of accessibility in Wellington.

(Councillor Coughlan joined the meeting at 9.47am.)

015/13P **REPORT BACK ON TE PAPA AGREEMENT (9.49AM – 10.19AM)**
Report by Martin Rodgers, Manager, Research, Consultation and Planning.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

Moved Councillor Coughlan, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, the substantive motion.

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 9.50am.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 9.51am.)

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that the new agreement with Te Papa has been finalised and that the 2012/13 Forward Plan has been agreed.*

016/13P **TRAFINZ CONFERENCE 2011 AND 2012 REPORT BACK**
(10.19PM – 10.51AM)

Report of Councillors Foster and Pepperell.

(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 2)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Pepperell, the substantive motion.

(Mayor Wade Brown left the meeting at 10.30am.)

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.31am, and reconvened at 10.48am.)

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

(Councillor Coughlan returned to the meeting at 10.49am.)

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note the key messages.*

017/13P **OFFER OF LAND AS A GIFT – SOUTH KARORI ROAD,
KARORI (10.51AM – 10.53AM)**
Report of Paul Davidson, Property Advisor, Property Projects.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

(Councillor Gill returned to the meeting at 10.51am.)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown, the substantive motion with changes to the recommendations in the officer's report as follows (in bold):

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Recommend that Council:
 - (i) Agree to acquire approximately 75m² of land at 130 South Karori Road (the Land), held on Computer Freehold Register WN20C/944, Wellington Registry (as shown in Appendix 1) subject to the following conditions:
 - a. That officers are satisfied that there are no undue physical, legal or other risks to Council in acquiring this land.
 - b. That the parties (owner and Council) reach a formal agreement on the terms of the offer.

- (ii) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to conclude the final contract for the land acquisition on the basis that the subject land is being gifted to Council, with Council paying all associated costs.
- (iii) Require the Land to be managed for reserve purposes in association with the adjoining Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.

3. Wellington City Council would like to thank Mr Robert Moodie for gifting this land to Wellington City.

The substantive motion as amended was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Recommend that Council:*
 - (i) *Agree to acquire approximately 75m² of land at 130 South Karori Road (the Land), held on Computer Freehold Register WN20C/944, Wellington Registry (as shown in Appendix 1) subject to the following conditions:*
 - a. *That officers are satisfied that there are no undue physical, legal or other risks to Council in acquiring this land.*
 - b. *That the parties (owner and Council) reach a formal agreement on the terms of the offer.*
 - (ii) *Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to conclude the final contract for the land acquisition on the basis that the subject land is being gifted to Council, with Council paying all associated costs.*
 - (iii) *Require the Land to be managed for reserve purposes in association with the adjoining Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.*
3. ***Wellington City Council would like to thank Mr Robert Moodie for gifting this land to Wellington City.***

NOTED:

The Resolution differs from the officer's recommendations as follows:

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

018/13P **SUBMISSION ON COST RECOVERY FOR POLICE VETTING SERVICE** (10.53AM – 11.07AM)
 Report of Nigel Taptiklis, Policy Advisor, Policy and Planning.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 4)

Moved Councillor Eagle, seconded Councillor Pannett, the substantive motion with changes to the recommendations in the officer’s report as follows (in bold):

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Approve the attached submission (Appendix 1 **as amended**) on Cost Recovery For Certain Police Services as the Wellington City Council Submission to be sent to New Zealand Police by 5 March 2013, **with the following change:**

General Principle

As a general principle it is always going to be difficult to clearly separate public and private benefit. When it is unclear or where public benefit is in the mix, Wellington City Council would not support charging for police services. **The Council is concerned that the police vetting service could be just the first of many services that could be charged for, and at the precedent this would set for other police services. The consultation document does not demonstrate that the costs of administering a charging system for police vetting justify the value or benefit. Furthermore, the Council is also concerned that the overarching driver to increase revenue or reduce costs could lead to police services being charged for without understanding the full costs or impact to the community. Where the service provides wider public benefits such as deterring or preventing crime, ratepayers and taxpayers could still end up paying, and potentially receive a lower level of service.**

3. Agree to delegate to the Chief Executive and the Social Portfolio Leader, the authority to amend the proposed submission from the Wellington City Council to The New Zealand Police to include any amendments agreed by the Committee and any associated minor consequential edits.

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Pepperell, the following amendment:

3. **Include in the submission commentary recording our concerns about other activities being categorized as additional to “public policing” particularly, maintaining order at commercial events.**

The amendment new recommendation 3 was put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion as amended was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the attached submission (Appendix 1 as amended) on Cost Recovery For Certain Police Services as the Wellington City Council Submission to be sent to New Zealand Police by 5 March 2013, with the following change:*

General Principle

*As a general principle it is always going to be difficult to clearly separate public and private benefit. When it is unclear or where public benefit is in the mix, Wellington City Council would not support charging for police services. **The Council is concerned that the police vetting service could be just the first of many services that could be charged for, and at the precedent this would set for other police services. The consultation document does not demonstrate that the costs of administering a charging system for police vetting justify the value or benefit. Furthermore, the Council is also concerned that the overarching driver to increase revenue or reduce costs could lead to police services being charged for without understanding the full costs or impact to the community. Where the service provides wider public benefits such as deterring or preventing crime, ratepayers and taxpayers could still end up paying, and potentially receive a lower level of service.***

3. *Include in the submission commentary recording our concerns about other activities being categorized as additional to “public policing” particularly, maintaining order at commercial events.*
4. *Agree to delegate to the Chief Executive and the Social Portfolio Leader, the authority to amend the proposed submission from the Wellington City Council to The New Zealand Police to include any amendments agreed by the Committee and any associated minor consequential edits.*

NOTED:

The Resolution differs from the officer’s recommendations as follows:

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

The meeting concluded at 11.07am.

Confirmed: _____

Chair

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