
MINUTES

THURSDAY 6 JUNE 2013

9.17AM – 10.28AM

10.49AM – 12.30PM

12.47PM – 1.39PM

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

PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.02pm, 12.04pm - 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Best (Deputy Chair)	(9.20am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Cook	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.53am – 12.30pm, 1.15pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Coughlan	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.34pm, 1.35pm – 1.36pm.)
Councillor Eagle	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.53am – 12.30pm, 12.57pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Foster (Chair)	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Gill	(11.15am – 11.16am, 11.25am - 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.01pm, 1.02pm - 1.34pm.)
Councillor Lester	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.34pm.)
Councillor McKinnon	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 11.03am, 11.06am - 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.34pm.)
Councillor Marsh	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 10.50am, 10.57am - 12.30pm, 1.06pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Morrison	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.56am – 11.00am, 11.20am - 12.23pm.)
Councillor Pannett	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.47pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Pepperell	(9.17am – 10.28am, 10.49am – 12.30pm, 12.50pm – 1.39pm.)
Councillor Ritchie	(9.17am – 9.40am, 9.43am - 10.28am, 10.49am – 11.51am, 11.54am – 12.22pm, 12.47pm – 1.36pm.)

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Antoinette Bliss - Committee Advisor

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Gill (lateness)

147/13P **CONGRATULATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown the motion that the Strategy and Policy Committee congratulate Councillor McKinnon on receiving Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit from the Queen for services to education and the community.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Congratulate Councillor McKinnon on receiving Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit from the Queen for services to education and the community.*

148/13P **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/IM)

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

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

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

149/13P **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

150/13P **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

1. Mike Grigg, individual, addressed the Committee in regards to Report 1 – Regional Governance Report.

TABLED INFORMATION: reference 150/13P(A).

(Councillor Best arrived at the meeting at 9.20am.)

2. Hayley Robinson, individual, addressed the Committee in regards to Affordable Housing.

151/13P **E-PETITION – INTERNATIONAL PEACE SYMBOLS ON UN PEACE DAY, SEPT. 21, AT CITY COUNCIL PROPERTIES AND PARKS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

The Committee received an ePetition from Richard Tingey regarding International Peace Symbols on UN Peace Day, Sept. 21, at City Council properties and parks.

Richard Tingey was not present to address the Committee.

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown, the motion that the Strategy and Policy Committee receive the information.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*

152/13P **ORDER OF BUSINESS**
(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

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

Report 2 - Our Volunteer Capital – Action Plan to Increase and Promote Volunteering.

Report 1 – Regional Governance Report.

Report 3 – Grant Criteria Review.

153/13P **OUR VOLUNTEER CAPITAL – ACTION PLAN TO INCREASE AND PROMOTE VOLUNTEERING**
 Report of Andrew Stitt, Manager Policy.
 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

Moved Councillor Eagle, seconded Councillor Cook, the substantive motion.

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 9.40am.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 9.43am.)

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that in November 2012, the Committee agreed that officers consider the merits of a strategy or an action plan to promote volunteering in Wellington.*
3. *Note that officers have partnered with Volunteering New Zealand, Volunteer Wellington, Deloitte, Chalkle, Enspiral and others to develop “Our Volunteer Capital”, a City-wide action plan to grow and support volunteering at the local level and support relevant national initiatives.*
4. *Agree to the following objectives for “Our Volunteer Capital”:*
 - *grow the contribution and variety of volunteering nationally, to local communities, and the city*
 - *connect resources and grow capability among people, businesses and community organisations around the volunteering space*
 - *showcase, invest in and celebrate the contribution of volunteering*
 - *show leadership and respect.*

Partnership

5. *Agree that officers work with key community and corporate partners to achieve the following priority actions for Our Volunteer Capital:*
 - *developing an Online Matching Platform and database*
 - *telling our (wider city and internal) stories*

- *expanding and tailoring the resources that support best practice*
- *mapping the barriers to and motivations for volunteering.*

Leadership

6. *Agree that Council provide leadership as an organisation that supports volunteers, including investigating:*
 - *internships for skilled people (including university students) to provide their expertise to volunteer groups*
 - *the benefits of a formalised annual volunteer programme for the Council's staff.*

Implementation

7. *Note that Council will implement Our Volunteer Capital in two phases. In phase 1 we will:*
 - *draft a prospectus (see Appendix 1) to be used (online and in hard copy) in our interactions with businesses and community groups to help showcase opportunities to contribute to and be part of "Our Volunteer Capital". This would be used alongside other communication tools and media, including supporting our partners with the Online Matching Platform and database*
 - *launch Our Volunteer Capital at National Volunteer Week (16 to 22 June 2013)*
 - *support and participate in the Engaging Employer-Supported Volunteering and Workplace Giving workshop on 27 June 2013*
 - *support and participate in Social Enterprise Week - 14 to 18 August 2013.*
8. *Note that in phase 2, officers from Community Networks plan to scope work that will look at how the Council supports an extensive volunteering network, including partnering and collaborating to support organisations to progress actions under Our Volunteer Capital.*
9. *Note that Our Volunteer Capital provides the building blocks to test Council's role and support to ensure that it is meeting the needs of the city and community.*
10. *Note that a dedicated "Local Hosts" team leader will co-ordinate event volunteers, including the groups of volunteers that helped Wellington host the 2011 Rugby World Cup.*

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.28am and reconvened at 10.49am.)

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

(Councillor Marsh left the meeting at 10.50am.)

154/13P **REGIONAL GOVERNANCE REPORT**

Report of the Strategy Team.

(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 1)

(Councillor Cook returned to the meeting at 10.53am.)

(Councillor Eagle returned to the meeting at 10.53am.)

(Councillor Morrison returned to the meeting at 10.56am.)

(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 10.57am.)

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Eagle, the substantive motion with changes to the officers recommendations 5 and 6 as follows:

THAT Strategy and Policy Committee:

5. Note that Wellington City Council's position on reform is that it is a decision for the community to make through consultation, and ~~for~~ a binding poll, carried out by the Commission.
- 6. Note that the Council will have a future opportunity to express a view on the Commission's proposal once it has made its determination.**

(Councillor Morrison left the meeting at 11.00am.)

(Councillor McKinnon left the meeting at 11.03am.)

(Councillor McKinnon returned to the meeting at 11.06am.)

(Councillor Gill arrived at the meeting at 11.15am.)

(Councillor Gill left the meeting at 11.16am.)

(Councillor Morrison returned to the meeting at 11.20am.)

(Councillor Gill returned to the meeting at 11.25am.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 11.51am.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 11.54am.)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Lester, the following amendments.

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

2. Note that the three Wairarapa Councils have submitted an application to the Local Government Commission to establish a Wairarapa unitary authority **and agree to support the Wairarapa Councils' proposal.**

New 4. Note that it is likely that there will be other proposals submitted to the Local Government Commission from Councils and other Wellington Organisations and agree that these proposals will be given due consideration in Wellington City Council's response to the Local Government Commission's consultation process.

(Mayor Wade-Brown left the meeting at 12.02pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown returned to the meeting at 12.04pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 12.22pm.)

(Councillor Morrison left the meeting at 12.23pm.)

(The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm and reconvened at 12.47pm.)

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

Moved Councillor McKinnon, seconded Councillor Gill, the motion that the amendments be put.

The motion that the amendment be put was put and declared CARRIED.

The amendment to recommendation 2 was put and declared CARRIED.

The amendment recommendation new 4 was put and a DIVISION called:

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Foster, Lester and Pannett.

Voting against: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Gill, McKinnon and Ritchie.

Vote: 4:6

The amendment recommendation new 4 was declared LOST.

(Councillor Pepperell returned to the meeting at 12.50pm.)

The chair asked the committee if the recommendations could be taken as a whole. A division was called to decide if the recommendations would be taken as a whole.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Best, Gill, McKinnon and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority Vote: 5:6

The vote to take the recommendations as a whole was declared LOST.

(Councillor Eagle returned to the meeting at 12.57pm.)

(Councillor Gill left the meeting at 1.01pm.)

(Councillor Gill returned to the meeting at 1.02pm.)

(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 1.06pm.)

(Councillor Cook returned to the meeting at 1.15pm.)

The substantive motion recommendation 1 was put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendation 2 as amended, 3 and 4 were put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Ahipene-Mercer and McKinnon.

Vote: 12:2

The substantive motion recommendation 2 as amended, 3 and 4 were declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendations 5 and 6 (both with changes) were put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendation 7 was put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Marsh, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Lester, McKinnon and Pannett.

Vote: 11:3

The substantive motion recommendation 7 was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendation 8 was put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, Marsh, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillor McKinnon.

Vote: 13:1

The substantive motion recommendation 8 was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion recommendations 9 and 10 were put and a DIVISION called.

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against:

Vote: 14:0

The substantive motion recommendations 9 and 10 were declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Note that the three Wairarapa Councils have submitted an application to the Local Government Commission to establish a Wairarapa*

unitary authority and agree to support the Wairarapa Councils' proposal.

3. *Note that – subject to the application being accepted by the Commission – we are considered affected and will have twenty working days to respond.*
4. *Note that the proposed alternative application attached to this report comprises a single tier governance structure that is complementary to the Wairarapa application.*
5. *Note that Wellington City Council's position on reform is that it is a decision for the community to make through consultation, and ~~for~~ a binding poll, carried out by the Commission.*
6. ***Note that the Council will have a future opportunity to express a view on the Commission's proposal once it has made its determination.***
7. *Note that submitting this alternative application ensures that the Commission has before it the best alternative governance model to the status quo as part of its determination of a preferred option.*
8. *Agree to the alternative application as outlined in appendix 1 (of the officer's report) for submission to the Commission to inform its consideration of the best alternative governance model.*
9. *Agree that officers continue to explore opportunities for shared and transferred services, irrespective of the possible process of reorganisation, so that the region can be in a position to deliver efficiencies and services at least cost to households and businesses.*
10. *Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer, the Mayor, and Portfolio Leader (governance) the authority to make any minor editorial changes to the application as part of the submission process.*

NOTED:

The recommendations differ from the resolutions in the officer's report as follows:

The Committee added the text in **bold** and deleted the text with ~~strikethrough~~.

155/13P **GRANT CRITERIA REVIEW**

Report of Jaime Dyhrberg, Service Development and Improvement
Manager.

(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 3)

Moved Councillor Cook, seconded Councillor Best, the substantive motion with a change to the recommendation 4 in the officer's report as follows:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

4. Agree to the objectives, criteria, and focus areas for the Grant Funds as outlined in Appendix C (of the officer's report) **with the addition of 'Water: conservation, efficiency and quality' as a focus area for the Our Living City Fund.**

(Councillor McKinnon left the meeting at 1.34pm.)

(Councillor Gill left the meeting at 1.34pm.)

(Councillor Lester left the meeting at 1.34pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 1.34pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan returned to the meeting at 1.35pm.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 1.36pm.)

(Councillor Coughlan left the meeting at 1.36pm.)

The substantive motion with a change to recommendation 4 in the officer's report was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note the review highlighted the need to move away from generic criteria in favour of specific criteria for each grant pool.*
3. *Agree to establish four grant funds – the Our Living City Fund, the Business Improvement District Development Fund, the Arts and Culture Fund, and the Social and Recreation Fund.*
4. *Agree to the objectives, criteria, and focus areas for the Grant Funds as outlined in Appendix C (of the officer's report) with the addition of 'Water: conservation, efficiency and quality' as a focus area for the Our Living City Fund.*

NOTED:

The recommendations differ from the resolutions in the officer's report as follows:

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

The meeting concluded at 1.39pm.

Confirmed: _____

Chair

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