
MINUTES

THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2008

9.17 – 9.18AM

4.41 – 4.45PM

**Council Chamber
First Floor, Town Hall
Wakefield Street
Wellington**

PRESENT:

Mayor Prendergast
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer
Councillor Best
Councillor Cook
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Foster (4.41 – 4.45pm)
Councillor Gill
Councillor Goulden
Councillor McKinnon
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Pepperell
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Wade-Brown
Councillor Wain

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Morrison

(When the meeting convened at 9.17am, Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Gill, Goulden, McKinnon, Pannett, Pepperell, Ritchie, Wade-Brown and Wain were present.)

140/08C **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**
(1215/11/IM)

Moved Mayor Prendergast, seconded Councillor Gill the motion that the Council meeting adjourn until the conclusion of the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting.

RESOLVED:

THAT Council:

- 1. Adjourn until the conclusion of the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting.*

(The meeting adjourned at 9.18am.)

(The meeting reconvened at 4.41pm.)

(Councillor Foster joined the meeting at 4.41pm.)

141/08C **APOLOGIES**
(1215/11/IM)

Moved Mayor Prendergast, seconded Councillor McKinnon, the motion that apologies be received from Councillor Morrison.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED on voices.

RESOLVED:

THAT Council:

- 1. Accept apologies for absence from Councillor Morrison.*

142/08C **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/11/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation

143/08C **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**
(1215/11/IM)

NOTED:

There were no announcements from the Mayor.

144/08C **PETITIONS**
(1215/11/IM)

NOTED:

There were no petitions.

145/08C **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/11/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interest.

Reports from Committees – Part A

Committee Decisions requiring Council approval

146/08C **REPORT OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE**
Meeting of Thursday 6 November 2008
(1215/11/IM) (REPORT 1)

1. **ITEM 300/08P KARORI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY VISITOR**
CENTRE
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 4)

Moved Councillor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer
the substantive motion.

The substantive motion was put.

Voting for: Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster, Gill, McKinnon, Pannett, Wade-Brown and Wain.

Voting against: Councillors Goulden, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority vote: 11:3

RESOLVED:

THAT Council:

1. *Agree to extend the Karori Sanctuary Trust's limited recourse loan by up to \$1.9 million during 2009/10, and provide additional transition funding of \$300,000 in 2009/10 and \$600,000 in 2010/11, to enable the completion of the Visitor Centre Project, subject to the following conditions:*
 - (a) *Improved monitoring and reporting:*
 - (i) *Appointment of an independent officer to the project group*
 - (ii) *Project and risk reporting to the Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee.*
 - (b) *Cost controls:*
 - (i) *No loan funding will be approved for scope increases*
 - (ii) *Any additional funding secured by the Sanctuary for the Visitor Centre project will be used to reduce the amount of the Council's additional loan required.*
 - (c) *Review of governance arrangements:*
 - (i) *Given the significant investment involved and the new challenges posed for the Trust with the Visitor Centre operations, the Council will review the governance arrangements of the Trust in relation to Council involvement*
 - (ii) *The Trust will agree to abide by the outcome of the review and amend its Trust Deed if required to make the changes approved as a result of this review.*
 - (d) *Off-setting savings:*
 - (i) *that Council agrees to the following savings to off-set the financial impact of this recommendation, to be incorporated into the 2009/10 Long Term Council Community Plan process.*
 - (ii) *Remove \$500,000 OPEX from the Environment Portfolio area in 2009/10 and 2010/11.*
 - (iii) *Consult as part of the 2009/10 Long Term Council Community Plan process on the option of the ongoing*

debt servicing costs of \$380,000 average per annum on the \$10.5 million interest free loan being funded by the Downtown Levy.

The meeting concluded at 4.45pm.

Confirmed: _____
Chair
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