## ORDINARY MEETING OF WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Time: 9:30am Date: Wednesday, 28 April 2021 Venue: Ngake (16.09) Level 16, Tahiwi 113 The Terrace Wellington

#### MEMBERSHIP

Mayor Foster (Chair) Deputy Mayor Free (Deputy Chair) Councillor Calvert Councillor Condie Councillor Day Councillor Fitzsimons Councillor Foon Councillor Foon Councillor Matthews Councillor O'Neill Councillor Paul Councillor Paul Councillor Rush Councillor Sparrow Councillor Woolf Councillor Young

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#### 1. Meeting Conduct

#### 1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson will open the meeting with a karakia.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

At the appropriate time, the following karakia will be read to close the meeting.

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana,	Draw on the supreme sacredness
te wairua	To clear, to free the heart, the body
l te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	,

#### 1.2 Apologies

The Chairperson invites notice from members of:

- 1. Leave of absence for future meetings of the Wellington City Council; or
- 2. Apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

#### 1.3 Announcements by the Mayor

#### 1.4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

#### 1.5 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2021 will be put to the Council for confirmation.

#### 1.6 Items not on the Agenda

The Chairperson will give notice of items not on the agenda as follows:

## *Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Wellington City Council*

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting.

- 1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
- 2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The item may be allowed onto the agenda by resolution of the Wellington City Council.

#### Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Wellington City Council

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting that the item will be discussed, but no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting of the Wellington City Council for further discussion.

#### 1.7 Public Participation

A maximum of 60 minutes is set aside for public participation at the commencement of any meeting of the Council or committee that is open to the public. Under Standing Order 31.2 a written, oral or electronic application to address the meeting setting forth the subject, is required to be lodged with the Chief Executive by 12.00 noon of the working day prior to the meeting concerned, and subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

#### 2. General Business

### **ADVISORY GROUPS TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### Purpose

1. This report asks the Council to adopt the revised Terms of Reference for Advisory Groups.

#### Summary

- 2. Officers propose a combined Terms of Reference document for all five advisory groups, including the new Rainbow Communities Advisory Group.
- 3. The proposed Terms of Reference document has been updated to reflect the recommendations of the Advisory Group Review in 2019-2020, and the changes that officers have implemented following the Review.

#### **Recommendation/s**

That the Council:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Adopt the revised Advisory Group Terms of Reference (Attachment 1), subject to the funding for the Rainbow Community Advisory Group being agreed as part of the Long-term Plan at the 30 June 2021 Council meeting.
- 3. Agree to review the Advisory Groups Terms of Reference before May 2022.
- 4. Note that careful and considerate attention will be given to ensure that the Rainbow Communities Advisory Group contains a diverse range of representatives from the rainbow community.

#### Background

- 4. The Council has four Advisory Groups (the Groups): the Accessibility Advisory Group (AAG), Environmental Reference Group (ERG), Pacific Advisory Group (PAG) and Youth Council (YC).
- 5. At the Council meeting of 16 December 2020, the Council agreed in principle to the establishment of a Rainbow Community Advisory Group (RCAG), subject to the allocation of funding in the 2021-2031 Long-term Plan.
- 6. The Terms of Reference for the RCAG should be adopted by Council prior to the group being established and member recruitment commencing.
- 7. Applications will be open from 28 April to 17 May 2021.

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- 8. The Terms of Reference for the AAG, ERG, PAG and YC were most recently updated and adopted after the review of the advisory group model in December 2020.
- 9. Officers propose streamlining the Groups' Terms of References into one document, to align the information about the Groups, and to easily be able to see differences between the Groups.
- 10. This approach is used by Auckland City Council, which has one Terms of Reference document for its Disability Advisory Panel, Ethnic Peoples Advisory Panel, Pacific Peoples, Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel, Seniors Advisory Panel and Youth Advisory Panel.

#### Discussion

#### Rainbow Communities Advisory Group

- 11. At the Council meeting of 16 December 2020, the Council agreed in principle to the establishment of a Rainbow Community Advisory Group (RCAG), subject to the allocation of funding in the 2021-2031 Long-term Plan.
- 12. Officers developed a draft Terms of Reference for the group as part of the proposed combined advisory group Terms of Reference.
- 13. Members of the rainbow community were invited to discuss the draft Terms of Reference at a hui on 7 April 2021.
- 14. The key issue for those we spoke to was ensuring diversity and intersectionality in RCAG membership.
- 15. There was a suggestion that the Terms of Reference specifically include provisions for a number of members to come from defined parts of the wider rainbow community.
- 16. Although officers acknowledge the concerns of the community in this area, we believe that the best way to address them is through an effective recruitment process that seeks to engage with all parts of the community. A diverse group can be formed by ensuring that applications are received from a wide range of the rainbow community.
- 17. Careful and considerate attention will be given to ensure that the group contains a diverse range of representatives from the rainbow community.

#### Combined Advisory Group Terms of Reference

- 18. The current Terms of Reference for each Group are substantially the same, with minor differences between each Group. Any substantive differences between the current terms of reference have been retained in the proposed combined Terms of Reference.
- 19. The major substantive differences are:
  - The Groups' purpose although each of the Groups' purposes are similar there are slight differences, notably the Youth Council's purpose to develop members. Each Group's purpose has been separated out in the combined Terms of Reference.
  - Criteria for membership all the Advisory Groups have the requirement that members live in the boundaries of Wellington City at the time of selection, and that

members have the ability to work with others and work in a team. Each of the Groups have other specific membership requirements. These membership requirements have been listed separately in the combined Terms of Reference.

- Training for members The Youth Council Terms of Reference refers to additional roles being offered to high-performing Youth Council members, in light of their additional purpose to develop members. This has been carried over to the combined Terms of Reference.
- Group size and meeting frequency Most advisory groups meet monthly for two hours and members are paid \$110 (Chairs are paid \$150) per meeting. Youth Council meets fortnightly for one and a half hours, members are paid \$55 (Chair is paid \$75) per meeting. Additionally, AAG, ERG and RCAG have 12 members, PAG has 17 members, and Youth Council has 20 members.
- Role descriptions some minor differences exist in the role descriptions for Chairs, Deputy Chairs, and members between the groups. These differences have been carried across to the new combined Terms of Reference.
- 20. Officers have been working to implement the changes recommended by the Advisory Group Review in 2019-2020. Several additional changes to the Terms of Reference are recommended to be made in order to give effect to the recommendations (Attachment 2):
  - Added a 'Liaison Executive Leadership Team member' role description to Appendix A: Role Descriptions giving effect to recommendations 6 and 9 of the review.
  - The responsibility to liaise with Council officers to ensure that feedback is provided to the group on advice that the group has given has been added to the list of responsibilities of the liaison officers, giving effect to recommendation 7 of the review.
  - Support funds to enable members with particular barriers to participation to fully participate in Advisory Group meetings have been expanded from just applying to AAG to being available to all advisory group members on a case-by-case basis. This could include reimbursement for travel expenses or payment for a support person if required. This gives effect to recommendation 8 of the review.
  - Appendix D: Process for Conducting Advisory Group Leadership Elections has been added to the Terms of Reference. This (along with Appendix C: Recruitment and Selection Process which was already added) will give effect to recommendation 11 of the review. This process was built off the established Youth Council process for election of a Chair and Deputy Chair, or Co-Chairs.

## Options

- 21. Option one status quo: Officers do not recommend this option. This would involve the RCAG information being separated out of the combined document and adopted as its own Terms of Reference, following the same formatting as the current advisory group terms of reference documents. Each individual Terms of Reference document would need to be updated and adopted by Council.
- 22. Option two adopt the proposed combined Terms of Reference. This is officers' recommended option.

#### **Next Actions**

23. Officers will publish the Terms of Reference document and begin recruitment for the all advisory groups, including RCAG.

#### Attachments

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## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

#### **Engagement and Consultation**

Officers engaged directly with current Advisory Group chairs, deputy chairs and co-chairs regarding the terms of reference combined format. Members of the rainbow communities were invited to a hui to discuss the proposed RCAG content. In both instances, officers have incorporated their feedback into the proposal.

#### Treaty of Waitangi considerations

Officers have considered how a Māori tikanga lens can be meaningfully incorporated into the Advisory Groups. The proposed Terms of Reference document explicitly includes representation of tikanga Māori within criteria for membership.

#### **Financial implications**

The establishment of the RCAG is subject to funding in the 2021-2031 Long-term Plan. Expanding support funds to all Advisory Groups, rather than just the Accessibility Advisory Group, may require additional funding.

#### Policy and legislative implications

Not applicable – the Advisory Group terms of reference document does not have any policy and legislative implications.

#### Risks / legal

Not applicable – the Advisory Group terms of reference document does not have any risk or legal implications.

#### **Climate Change impact and considerations**

Not applicable – the Advisory Group terms of reference document does not have any climate change implications.

#### **Communications Plan**

Advisory Groups members have been engaged prior to publication of this report, and have been advised of its publication and consideration at the 28 April 2021 Council meeting.

#### Health and Safety Impact considered

Officers have considered how a health and safety can be incorporated into the Advisory Groups terms of reference. The proposed terms of reference document explicitly states that officers will take appropriate steps to ensure the safety of members attending advisory group meetings, and proposes that all advisory groups would have access to support funding on a case-by-case basis.

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Terms of Reference Wellington City Council Advisory Groups

Accessibility Advisory Group Environmental Reference Group Pacific Advisory Group Rainbow Communities Advisory Group Youth Council

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## **Terms of Reference**

#### Groups

The advisory groups of Wellington City Council are the:

- Accessibility Advisory Group (AAG)
- Environmental Reference Group (ERG)
- Pacific Advisory Group (PAG)
- Rainbow Communities Advisory Group (RCAG)
- Youth Council (YC)

#### Purpose

The purpose of the Accessibility Advisory Group is to:

- Advise Council on how to help grow a great and accessible City, where barriers to people with impairments are minimised.
- Bring lived experience and knowledge to Council around accessibility issues in the context of Council's roles and priorities.
- It is recognised that members come from and remain connected to their communities, it is from this foundation members share their expertise and lived experience in this advisory role, and engage with their communities and others as part of the wider council consultation processes. The expectations around this connection are set out in the *Communication* and *Involvement* of *communities* points below'.

The AAG will not be seen as representing all views on accessibility in the City.

The purpose of the Environmental Reference Group is to:

- Advise Council on the best ways to improve Wellingtonian's quality of life environmentally, socially, culturally and economically by protecting and enhancing the local environment.
- Bring knowledge and insight into Council around the environment, including water, energy, waste, biodiversity, urban design, climate change, heritage and transport management, in the context of Council's roles and priorities.

The ERG will not be seen as representing all views on the environment in the City.

The purpose of the Pacific Advisory Group is to:

- Advise Council on how to help grow a great City, where Pasifika peoples thrive and contribute to Council's priorities.
- Bring knowledge and extra insight into Council about how the different needs of Wellington's Pasifika communities can be addressed in the context of Council's roles and priorities.

• It is recognised that members come from and remain connected to their communities, it is from this foundation members share their expertise and lived experience in this advisory role, and engage with their communities and others as part of the wider council consultation processes. The expectations around this connection are set out in the *Communication* and *Involvement of communities* points below'

The PAG will not be seen as representing all Pasifika people in the City.

The Purpose of the Rainbow Communities Advisory Group is to:

- Assist and advise the City Council on how to help grow a great City where diverse rainbow people and communities thrive and contribute to the city's priorities.
- Bring knowledge and insight to Council to ensure rainbow inclusion in our City.
- It is recognised that members come from and remain connected to their communities, and share their expertise and individual lived experience in this advisory role.

The Rainbow Communities Advisory Group will not be seen as representing all rainbow people in the City.

The purpose of Youth Council is to:

- Assist and advise the City Council on how to help grow a great City where young people thrive and contribute to the City Council's priorities.
- Bring extra insight to Council (a youth perspective) to solve problems facing a changing world.
- Develop the capabilities of its members (including leadership and engaging wider youth).

The Youth Council will not be seen as representing all young people in the City.

#### Expectations

Members will be accountable for their efforts to provide<sup>1</sup>:

- Constructive advice on City Council projects and policies, where possible identifying evidence and solutions, whilst taking into account the wider needs, issues and views of their communities.
- Communication engage with the City Council and relevant communities to increase information flow and build knowledge of Council processes to increase involvement in Council decision-making and civic life. This could include advisory group-led engagement projects when agreed by the City Council.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Within their capabilities and any legitimate time / resource constraints.

• Involvement of communities - work with council staff to help City Council involve more people and communities in the setting and meeting of city-wide objectives. The City Council is ultimately responsible for full community consultation.

The specific work areas where members will contribute will be set out in the annual work programme. The work programme will be finalised reasonably quickly and in a collaborative way. That annual work programme will be determined jointly between the advisory group, Council officers, Chair of the appropriate Committee and Councillor representative. This will take into account the Council's priorities as well as the skills, experience, interests and commitments of advisory group members. This will enable members to have early input into the City Council's work<sup>2</sup>.

Council officers will report back to the advisory groups on how advice was considered, and whether or not officers and councillors chose to act on that advice, with reasons given at the appropriate time through e-mail and at advisory group meetings.

Council officers will take appropriate steps to ensure the safety of members attending advisory group meetings.

The City Council liaison officer, working with the Chair, will track meeting attendance and contribution to workflows. Issues considered will include:

- Punctuality and attendance of meetings
- Behaviour in relation to the role and Code of Conduct
- Degree of active involvement in the work of the group.

\*See Terms of Appointment.

#### Reporting

The advisory groups will publicly report to the appropriate Council committee with the agreed workplan within the first four months of each financial year.

The advisory groups will publicly report to the appropriate Council Committee within the first four months of each financial year. The report will refer to the agreed work plan and outline progress against this over the previous year, and any issues it wishes to raise with Council.

The names of members, their attendance and minutes of the group's meetings will be available on the Council website and annual report.

#### Meetings

There will be up to 12 paid meetings per year for each of the full AAG, ERG, PAG, and RCAG. There will be up to 20 paid meetings per year of the full Youth Council.

A provisional meeting schedule will be agreed once the year's intake of members start their appointments. This schedule can be varied throughout the year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Work of Council includes Council's strategy and policy development, planning and service delivery.

PAG will have a quorum of at least half the current number of members, and at least four island groups represented.

#### Training for members

In return for their commitment, the Council will provide members with:

- An induction explaining the machinery of local government, the Council's functions and processes, and the role of the advisory groups.
- Training or resources as necessary to fulfil their roles as an advisory group member. For example, chairing, contributing at meetings, understanding the role of local government, and presentation skills as needed or on request.

In light of the additional purpose to develop the capabilities of Youth Council members, secondments and Council roles may be offered to high performing Youth Council members. Council will provide Youth Council members with opportunities to attend conferences/seminars and be a youth representative on various working parties/project teams.

#### Membership

The AAG, ERG, and RCAG will have up to 12 members. The PAG will have up to 17 members. The Youth Council will include up to 20 members. Role descriptions for members are included in Appendix A.

#### Criteria for membership

Advisory group members need to:

- live within the boundaries of Wellington City Council at the time of selection.
- have the ability to work with other people and work in a team.

Further details of the roles and accountabilities of members (including the Chair's) and non-members that support the advisory groups are in Appendix A.

AAG members need to have:

- the experience or knowledge around people living with impairments
- a broad knowledge of 'accessibility' as well as being able to advise on the wider needs and issues affecting people with impairments
- good relationships and networks with a range of communities

Subject to the above, the Council will during recruitment, have regard to maintaining an appropriate balance of impairment types, age and gender mix, Māori and other ethnic communities needs and issues.

ERG members need to have:

• a familiarity with the natural or built environment of Wellington City.

- some involvement (or knowledge of) practical environmental initiatives.
- demonstrated awareness of and enthusiasm for natural or built environmental issues.
- links into the community and a willingness to make use of those links for contributing to the agreed work programme.
- an ability to give a balanced view that aims to find solutions.

Subject to the above, the Council will try to include in ERG an appropriate balance of experience and expertise and of men, women and youth, and representation of tikanga Māori and other communities

In addition, a representative from Council's mana whenua partners will be invited to be a member of the ERG. Council officers will maintain a communication link between mana whenua partners and the ERG.

PAG will include:

- Three members from Samoan communities.
- Two members from each of the following communities: Cook Islands, Tonga, Fiji, Niue, Tokelau and Tuvalu.
- One member from a Melanesian community and one member from a Micronesian community.

Subject to the above, the Council will during recruitment, have regard to maintaining an appropriate balance of age and gender mix, and representation of tikanga Māori. Where one or more place is not able to be filled, the remaining PAG members will still continue to meet.

RCAG members need to:

• be a member of the rainbow community.

Careful and considerate attention will be given to ensure that the group contains a diverse range of representatives from the rainbow community.

We use the term 'rainbow' to include all people of minority genders and attractions or sexual orientations, and those with diverse sex characteristics, including, for example, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer, nonbinary, genderqueer, genderfluid, agender, asexual, pansexual, takatāpui, tāhine, whakawahine, tangata ira tane, fa'afafine, fa'atatama, mahu, mahukane, vakasalewalewa, palopa, akava'ine, fakaleiti, fiafifine and fakafifine.

Subject to the above, Wellington City Council will, during recruitment, have a commitment to promoting intersectionality in Rainbow Community Advisory Group membership, to ensure the inclusion a broad range of Wellington City's rainbow population, including diversity of culture, gender, race, sexual orientation, age, disabilities, interest, subject-matter experience and occupations.

Youth Council members need to:

• be between 14-24 years of age.

Subject to the above, Wellington City Council will, during recruitment, have regard for the aims for Youth Council membership to include a broad range of Wellington City's youth population, including diversity of culture, gender, sexual orientation, impairments, interest, subject-matter experience and occupations.

#### Terms of Appointment

The standard term of appointment for AAG, ERG, PAG, and RCAG will be three years. The standard term of appointment for Youth Council will be two years.

Membership will cease if a member resigns and may cease if a member:

- misses more than three consecutive meetings without apology or four meetings within one year.
- does not work proactively during any one financial year review period, or
- behaves in a way that violates the Code of Conduct (Appendix B) or is otherwise seen as detrimental to the effective operation of the advisory group.

A member can sit on a group for two consecutive terms for AAG, ERG, PAG, and RCAG. A member can sit on the group for three consecutive terms for Youth Council.

A member may be nominated for a future term not immediately after them completing the maximum number of consecutive terms.

The term and process for electing the Chair / Deputy Chair or Co-Chairs is set out in Appendix D.

Advisory groups will have a rolling membership to ensure that the group has some experienced members at all times.

#### Payment

There will be up to 12 paid meetings per year for each of the full AAG, ERG, PAG, and RCAG. There will be up to 20 paid meetings per year of the full Youth Council.

Members will be paid \$110 per meeting for up to 12 meetings per year they attend of the full AAG, ERG, PAG, or RCAG. Members will be paid \$55 per meeting for each meeting of the full Youth Council they attend.

The Chair will be paid \$150 for every meeting per year of the full AAG, ERG, PAG, or RCAG attended. If any group decides to have more than one member in the role of Chair, the additional \$40 available to the Chair will be split between the Co-Chairs.

The Chair will receive \$75 per meeting for each meeting of the full Youth Council they attend. If the Youth Council decides to have more than two members in the role of Chair, the Co-Chairs will each receive \$65 per meeting for each meeting of the full Youth Council they attend.

The City Council will also support the group by providing refreshments and assistance with travel to or from the paid meetings of the group.

The City Council at its discretion will consider providing extra resources to the advisory groups on a case-by-case basis (including for planning) and where those extra resources to enable the group to meaningfully contribute to the Council's goals.

#### Budget

The advisory groups are set up to inform the work and activities of the City Council. The groups will not be given an independent budget to commission work or undertake activities outside of work that is agreed with the City Council.

#### Support funds to enable members to fully participate at meetings

The Council will support members who face particular barriers to participation to fully participate in advisory group meeting. Any payments will be on a case-by-case basis and at the discretion of the relevant Council directorate. Support may include the following:

- Reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses required to allow members with disabililties to travel to meetings and participate in advisory group-based activities.
- Payment of up to \$40 per hour by the Council if a support person is required for a member to fully participate in the group's discussions.

Payments will not be made to members to provide care for children or other family members to allow attendance at AAG meetings.

The Council will ensure Council-based meeting venues are fully accessible with accessible toilets and that other required assistance (such as New Zealand Sign Language interpreters) is available.

#### **Conflict Resolution**

Should conflict occur, the Chair/Co-Chairs and group will work with Council Officers to resolve the conflict.

If there are any concerns, members should raise them:

- with the Chair of the group if concerns are about other members.
- with the responsible Councillor and/or the Group's ELT member if concerns are about the Chair of the group.
- with the Chair of the group (who will decide whether to raise them with the Group's ELT member) if concerns are about employees.

#### **Conflict of Interest**

Members will be asked to complete a conflict of interest form when they join the advisory group and at the beginning of each year they sit on the group. WCC's Council liaison officer will be responsible for providing members with a conflict of interest form as part of new member induction packs and to all members at the beginning of each year.

Members are also expected to notify the liaison officer of any new or emerging conflicts of interest at the start of each meeting.

For the purpose of the advisory groups, conflicts of interest are deemed to occur where a member advises on work-streams that impact on:

- money or other resources the member has invested outside Council
- the member's family, or
- official positions the member holds on groups or bodies outside of Council.

#### **Review of Terms of Reference**

The Terms of Reference will be reviewed as required. The advisory groups will be involved in any review. All changes to the Terms of Reference will need approval by the appropriate Council committee.

## Appendix A: Role descriptions

#### Members

Position	Roles and accountabilities
Chair	<ul> <li>encourage open communication where all members can effectively contribute.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>work with advisory group members and City Council officers to compile meeting agendas.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>work with advisory group members and City Council officers to develop, complete and implement the group's annual work programme.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>be the spokesperson for the advisory group and represent the views and recommendations of the group.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>work with the Council liaison officers to review the contribution of advisory group members at the yearly review and raise any concerns with the appropriate Council Officer.</li> </ul>
	The PAG Chair will:
	<ul> <li>sign off the minutes if the Deputy Chair was not present at the previous meeting.</li> </ul>
	Members of the ERG, AAG RCAG and YC will elect a Chair / Deputy Chair or Co-chairs annually. PAG will elect a Chair / Deputy Chair or Co-chairs three-yearly. Refer to Appendix D for the full election process.
Deputy	support the Chair in their role.
Chair	<ul> <li>act in place of the Chair if the Chair is unavailable or has a conflict of interest.</li> </ul>
	The PAG Deputy Chair will:
	<ul> <li>sign off the minutes of the previous meeting.</li> </ul>
All Advisory Group	<ul> <li>be prepared for meetings and consider issues with an open mind.</li> </ul>
Members (including	<ul> <li>actively participate in advisory group meetings and contribute to the actions agreed in the annual work programme.</li> </ul>
Chair and	<ul> <li>pass minutes at meetings.</li> </ul>
Deputy Chair)	<ul> <li>arrive at meetings on time.</li> </ul>
,	<ul> <li>establish, maintain and make the most of existing relationships with other groups around the City.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>provide advisory group and City Council information to their networks.</li> </ul>
	• bring issues and opportunities to their advisory group and assist

the City Council to canvass relevant community views.
• not take individual issues to the advisory group that can be dealt with via general enquiries to the City Council's Information Centre.
<ul> <li>comply with the Code of Conduct in Appendix B.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>have their contributions reviewed annually against the current "Terms of Appointment".</li> </ul>
AAG members will:
<ul> <li>Keep a broad knowledge of accessibility issues and issues affecting people with impairments.</li> </ul>
• Be available and attend any other training/meetings that may be planned
• Be committed to appropriately providing information to the range of organisations and communities supporting or including people with impairments, and seeking their feedback.
ERG members will:
• Keep a board knowledge of issues affecting the natural and built environment.
PAG members will:
• Proactively establish, maintain and make the most of existing relationships with Pasifika groups and diverse Pacific individuals in the City, including Church Ministers, young and old pacific persons, people who were both Island-born and born in New Zealand.
<ul> <li>Maintain a broad knowledge of issues and opportunites for Pacific Peoples and their communities.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Advise from a 'pan-pacific' perspective' (I.e. not limited to the views of a specific organisation or nation group.)</li> </ul>

## Non-Members who will work with the advisory groups

Position	Roles	
City Council liaison officers	<ul> <li>administration, support and promotion of the group. This will include the induction of new members, development of agendas, recording meeting minutes and following up on action points to report back to the group.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>work with the Chair / Deputy Chair or Co-chairs to set the meeting agenda.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>work with the Chair to track attendance and review the contribution of advisory group members at the yearly review.</li> </ul>	

Liaison Councillors	<ul> <li>act as a communication link between the City Council (Councilors and officers) and the advisory groups by</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>operating a 'no surprises' policy with each other</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>involving each other in relevant planning and scoping work</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>ensuring information and advice is provided in a timely manner</li> </ul>
	purpose of the Groups and the work of the business units
	with: o ensuring a shared understanding of the
	<ul> <li>Assist the liaison officers and Council business units</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Facilitate discussion where there is a need for better understanding or alignment between the group and staff.</li> </ul>
Leadership Team member	<ul> <li>Consider concerns raised by members concerning employees if the Chair has raised them.</li> </ul>
Liaison Executive	Consider concerns raised by members concerning the Chair of the group.
Responsible City Council Manager	<ul> <li>help the City Council liaison officer ensure officers work with advisory groups in the right ways and stages.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>and present information to the groups that is targeted to the group's needs.</li> <li>approve the advisory groups annual work programmes</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>ensure safety of minors.</li><li>ensure officers presenting to the groups are informed of,</li></ul>
	liaise with families for minors.
	provided to the group on advice that the group has given.
	<ul> <li>liaise with other Council officers around presentations and the development of projects, plans, etc.</li> <li>liaise with Council officers to ensure that feedback is</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>progress projects agreed between the advisory groups and officers, including ensuring officers across Council's business units engage with advisory groups in the right ways and at the right stages of a work-stream.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>work across Council business units to help them effectively engage the advisory groups in the development and implementation of policy, strategy, planning and service delivery in the city.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>attending meetings on a regular basis.</li> <li>provide with officers, information, advice and explanation of the Council's political process and agreed City Council policy when required and facilitate feedback from the advisory groups to the City Council.</li> </ul>
Accessibility Advisor	<ul> <li>Regarding the Accessibility Advisory Group, they will:</li> <li>Offer support on an 'as required' basis for communication of certain issues between the wider Council and the AAG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Work closely with the AAG, including attending meetings and reporting back on AAG's work-streams.</li> </ul>
	• Ensure that issues raised are discussed with the AAG and any outcomes/developments are reported back on.

## Appendix B: Code of Conduct

1. Objective

The objective of the code is to enhance:

- mutual trust, respect and tolerance between members as a group and with Councillors and Council staff
- the credibility and accountability of the Council within its communities.

The following is the standard of behaviour that is expected from members of Wellington City Council reference and advisory groups.

#### 2. Relationships with others

Members will conduct their dealings with each other, and elected members, in ways that:

- are open, honest and maintain integrity.
- focus on issues rather than personalities.
- avoid aggressive, offensive and abusive conduct.
- maintain confidence in their group.

#### 3. Relationships with Council staff

The effective performance of the group also requires a high level of cooperation and mutual respect between members and Council staff. To ensure this is maintained, members will:

- treat all employees with courtesy and respect (including the avoidance of aggressive, offensive or abusive conduct towards employees).
- observe any guidelines that the Chief Executive puts in place regarding contact with employees.
- not do anything which compromises, or could be seen as compromising, the impartiality of an employee.
- avoid publicly criticising any employee in any way, but especially in ways that reflect on the competence and integrity of the employee.
- raise concerns about employees only with the Chair of the group, who will then decide whether to raise the issue with an appropriate senior Council officer.
- not seek to improperly influence staff in the normal undertaking of their duties.
- 4. Contact with the media.

Groups may have the opportunity to input into a number of different initiatives and for consistency, it is important that a single point of contact is established to respond to any media enquiries.

• All media enquiries shall be redirected to Council staff.

- If it is agreed with Council staff that it is appropriate for a view to be expressed by the group, only the Chair, or the Chair's proxy, can represent the group to the media. The Chair will work with the Council's Communication and Engagement team in relation to any public comments.
- Views expressed to the media on behalf of the group must have been previously agreed on by the group as a whole.
- If a member is contacted by a journalist for a view from their group, they must refer the journalist to Council Staff.
- Members are free to express a personal view in the media or the view of other organisations of which they are a member, at any time. However, they must make clear that these represent their private views as an individual, or the view of their organisation.

#### 5. Confidential Information

In the course of their duties members will receive information that they need to treat as confidential. This will often be information that is either commercially sensitive or is personal to a particular individual or organisation.

Members should be aware that failure to observe confidentially will impede the performance of Council and could expose the Council to prosecution under the Privacy Act 1993 and/or civil litigation.

Council staff will ensure that advisory group members are aware which information is confidential.

#### 6. Individual queries

Members will not bring individual issues to their advisory groups that can best be dealt with by going through the Council's Service Centre.

#### 7. Honesty and Integrity

Members have a duty to act honestly. They must declare any private interests relating to their duties and take steps to resolve any conflicts of interest in such a way that protects the public interest. They must not act in order to gain financial or other benefits for themselves, their families, friends or business interests.

#### 8. Complaints

Any complaints about other group members, officers or Councillors should be addressed confidentially to the Chair who can then raise the issue with relevant Council officers.

## **Appendix C: Recruitment and Selection Process**

Wellington City Council will call for expressions of interest from qualified residents from within the city's boundaries via a number of different media. Residents interested in being an advisory group member will complete an application.

#### Annual Intake

After having called for expressions of interest and a given application period, the advisory groups Chairs can shortlist applicants for interviewing. Interviews will be conducted based upon a shortlist of applicants, who will be interviewed by the advisory group Chair and Deputy Chair or Co-chairs, and the Council Liaison officers.

#### **Replacement of Vacancies**

Vacancies will be recruited for annually for all advisory groups.

## Appendix D: Process for Conducting Advisory Group Leadership Elections

#### Purpose

1. This document outlines how to run an election for chair and deputy chair, or cochairs, of Wellington City Council's advisory groups.

#### Overview

- 2. The advisory groups hold yearly leadership elections for the position of chair and deputy chair, or co-chairs. A maximum of two co-chairs are permitted.
- 3. The Council liaison officers are responsible for running the election.
- 4. The advisory groups will first determine by vote which leadership model they wish to use (chair and deputy chair, or co-chairs).
- 5. Members will self-nominate for a position.
- 6. Candidates will be able to speak to the meeting for one minute.
- 7. Voting will be by secret ballot.
- 8. The candidates with the highest number of votes will be elected.

#### Timing of leadership elections

- 9. Each advisory group elects their leadership election at a different time. The timing of elections may be changed with the agreement of the group and its liaison officers.
- 10. AAG, ERG and RCAG hold their leadership election yearly in the second meeting of the calendar year.
- 11.PAG holds their leadership election three yearly in the second meeting of the fiscal year.
- 12. Youth Council holds their leadership election yearly in the first meeting in March or the second Youth Council meeting of the calendar year, whichever comes later.
- 13. Sometimes a vacancy may arise in the position of chair, deputy chair, or co-chair. In such a case an additional leadership election should be held as soon as is practicable.
- 14. The leadership election will be a substantive item on the agenda for the relevant meeting and will be scheduled for approximately 30 minutes.

#### **Pre-meeting Tasks**

- 15. The liaison officers will announce the upcoming leadership election at the meeting prior to the meeting where the election is to be held.
- 16. The liaison officers will circulate this document to members.
- 17. Nominations may be received before the meeting and will be noted by the liaison officers.

#### Status of current leadership

- 18. Members holding leadership positions will continue to hold those positions until the conclusion of the meeting in which a leadership election is held at which point the newly elected leaders will assume their roles.
- 19. In the case of an additional election to fill a vacancy in the chair or deputy chair position, the remaining incumbent may run for the vacancy. If they are successful, then another election will be held for the position they vacated.
- 20. Any member, including current leadership, may run for any position.

#### **Explanation of election process**

- 21. The election process will follow this format:
  - a. Determination of leadership model.
  - b. Election of chair and deputy chair, or co-chairs.
- 22. The liaison officers will explain the election process to members.

#### **Determination of leadership model**

- 23. Prior to any election, one member will be selected by the group to assist in counting and verifying the votes.
- 24. At every regular leadership election, the advisory group will determine a leadership model to be used.
- 25. At an additional leadership election, if only one position is vacant then the election will use the current leadership model. If both positions are vacant, then there will be a vote on the leadership model the same as in a regular election.
- 26. The advisory group may choose to use one of the following two leadership models:
  - a. One chair and one deputy chair, or
  - b. Two co-chairs.
- 27. The leadership model must be determined before the election of chair, deputy chair, or co-chairs.

#### Debate and voting on leadership model

- 28. The liaison officers will call for members to speak for or against either option. If members wish to speak, then they must indicate this to the liaison officers who will keep a speaking list.
- 29. Members will write the leadership model they wish to vote for on a ballot handed out by the liaison officers.
- 30. Once voting has finished, the liaison officers will collect the votes. One liaison officer and the selected member will count and verify the votes in a separate room.
- 31. A liaison officer will announce the leadership model with the highest number of votes. No vote totals or margins will be announced.
- 32. If the vote is a tie, then a liaison officer will announce that the vote was tied, and the current leadership model will be retained.
- 33. The result of the vote will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- 34. The liaison officers will ensure the destruction of the ballots after the vote.

#### Election of chair, deputy chair, or co-chairs

- 35. If a chair and deputy chair leadership model is chosen, the following process will be followed:
  - a. Nominations for chair are received,
  - b. Candidates for chair address the meeting,
  - c. Voting for chair is conducted,
  - d. Nominations for deputy chair are received,
  - e. Candidates for deputy chair address the meeting,
  - f. Voting for deputy chair is conducted.
- 36. If a co-chairs leadership model is chosen, the following process will be followed:
  - a. Nominations for co-chairs are received,
  - b. Candidates for co-chair address the meeting,
  - c. Voting for co-chairs is conducted simultaneously.

#### **Opening of nominations**

- 37. Members seeking election to any position must self-nominate to run in that election.
- 38. The liaison officers will call for nominations at the meeting of the election. Nominations may also be received by the liaison officers at any point prior to calling for nominations.

- 39. The liaison officers will read a list of prior nominations received before calling for any more nominations.
- 40. Nominations may be received from members who are not present at the meeting.
- 41. Nominations will be noted down and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- 42. If there is only one nomination then that candidate will be declared as the winner of the election.
- 43. A candidate who is unsuccessful in the election for chair may nominate themselves again for the position of deputy chair.
- Candidates to address meeting
- 44. Before voting takes place, candidates may address the meeting for up to one minute.
- 45. If a member runs for both chair and deputy chair, they may speak for one minute before each vote.
- 46. Candidates who are absent from the meeting may address the meeting via audio or audio-visual link.

#### Voting to take place

- 47. Voting will take place in the meeting.
- 48. Voting will take place by secret ballot.
- 49. Only members present at the meeting may vote. This includes members present by audio or audio-visual link.
- 50. Members will write the name of the candidate they wish to vote for on a ballot handed out by the liaison officers.
- 51. The liaison officer will ensure that members attending by audio or audio-visual link are able to vote in a private manner.
- 52. If a co-chairs model is selected, then members shall have 2 votes.
- 53. Once voting has finished, the liaison officers will collect the votes. One liaison officer and the selected member will count and verify the votes in a separate room.

#### Announcement of the vote and follow-up procedures

- 54. For a chair and deputy chair model, the liaison officers will declare the candidate with the highest number of votes elected to the position. No vote totals, margins, or order of other candidates will be announced.
- 55. For the co-chairs model, the liaison officers will declare the two candidates with the highest number of votes elected to the positions. No vote totals, margins, or order of other candidates will be announced.

- 56. If the vote is tied, then the liaison officers will announce that the vote is tied, and the vote will be resolved by drawing a name out of a hat.
- 57. The result will be recorded in the minutes.
- 58. The liaison officer will ensure that ballots are destructed after the vote.

#### Additional election in the case of a vacancy

- 59. If a vacancy arises in the position of chair, deputy chair, or co-chair, then an additional election will be held to fill the vacancy as soon as practicable.
- 60. If the vacancy arises close to the time of a regular leadership election, then the advisory group may agree to wait until the regular leadership election to fill the vacancy. The group may also agree to hold the regular leadership election early to fill the vacancy.
- 61. If only one position is vacant then the election will use the current leadership model. If both positions are vacant, then there will be a vote on the leadership model the same as in a regular election.
- 62. An additional leadership election will use the same process as a regular leadership election.
- 63. In the case of an additional election to fill a vacancy in the chair or deputy chair position, the remaining incumbent may run for the vacancy. If they are successful, then another election will be held for the position they previously held.
- 64. The term of a chair, deputy chair, or co-chair will end at the next regular leadership election.

#### Advisory Group Review recommendations

We recommend that Council:

- 1 Clarify the purpose, roles and responsibilities of the Groups, the officers and the elected member and update the Terms of Reference for each group accordingly
- 2 Support the Groups to deliver better proactive advice by providing more structure to the development of the Groups' work plans:
  - a Provide time on a Council Committee agenda once a year for each Group to present and discuss its annual workplan with Council members
  - b Provide time on a Council Committee agenda once a year for each Group to present and discuss its annual report with Council members
- 3 Improve the ability of the Groups to fulfil their obligations in the Terms of Reference and strengthen relationship with relevant business units by improving the stability of liaison staff
  - a Council may wish to consider having two liaison officers appointed to each group, One from democracy services and the second from an appropriate business unit in Council to facilitate a broader understanding between officers and the groups, while also providing continuity of connection.
- 4 Clarify the accountability of the Groups by adjusting the Terms of Reference to state that the accountability is to the Council by way of the annual work plan and annual report (accountability documents).
- 5 Improve familiarity with the purpose of the Groups by requesting that the purpose, as stated in the Terms of Reference, be included in the agenda for each meeting
- 6 Improve the value of the Groups by requesting that the attached ELT members and the attached liaison officers work with the Groups and Council business units to:
  - a ensure a shared understanding of the purpose of the Groups and the work of the business units
  - b ensure information and advice is provided in a timely manner
  - c involve each other in relevant planning and scoping work
  - d operate a 'no surprises' policy with each other
- 7 Support the Groups to improve by adding the responsibility for ensuring Officers provide feedback to the Groups to the list of functions of the Liaison Officer in the Terms of Reference
- 8 Reduce barriers by empowering liaison staff be to take an enabling role with respect to participation, particularly with support for accessibility

- 9 Improve ability for the Groups and Officers to work together by encouraging the attached ELT members to facilitate discussion where there is a need for better understanding or alignment between the Groups and staff
- 10 Enable the Groups by clarifying the circumstances in which it will consider providing extra resources to Advisory and Reference Groups, so Groups are able to make meaningful proposals in line with those criteria
- 11 Improve transparency around appointments by updating the Terms of Reference for each Group be to include information (agreed with the Group) on how and when members will be appointed and how and when Chairs will be appointed
- 12 Improve understanding of context by providing information on the 'machinery of local government' at Group inductions
- 13 Encourage the Groups to incorporate Māori perspectives by recruiting members that can genuinely contribute through a Māori tikanga lens
- 14 Increase the remuneration for the Youth Council to be more equitable with the other groups.

#### 3. Committee Reports

## REPORT OF THE REGULATORY PROCESSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 14 APRIL 2021

**Members:** Mayor Foster (absent – apologies accepted), Deputy Mayor Free, Councillor Condie, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Sparrow (Chair), Councillor Woolf.

#### The Committee recommends:

## PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING - LAND ADJOINING 12 ENDEAVOUR STREET, LYALL BAY

#### Recommendation/s

That the Council:

- Declare that approximately 70m<sup>2</sup> (subject to survey) of unformed legal road land in Endeavour Street adjoining 12 Endeavour Street (being Lot 1 DP 7067 held on ROT WN320/156, the Land) is not required for a public work and is surplus to Council's operational requirements.
- 2. Agree to dispose of the Land.
- 3. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the road stopping and disposal of the Land, including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, declaring the road stopped, negotiating the terms of the sale or exchange, imposing any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.

Website link to the Regulatory Processes Committee meeting agenda and minutes: <u>https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/committees/regulatory-processes/2021/04/14</u>

#### Attachments

Nil

## REPORT OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF 8 APRIL 2021

Members: Mayor Foster, Deputy Mayor Free (absent – apologies accepted), Councillor Calvert (Deputy Chair), Councillor Condie, Councillor Day (Chair), Councillor Fitzsimons, Councillor Foon, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Rush, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young.

#### The Committee recommends:

#### MANA WHENUA REPRESENTATION ON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

#### Recommendation/s

That the Council:

- Agree to adopt the preferred option of appointing one representative from each of Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika and Ngāti Toa Rangatira to sit on all Council committees and subcommittees (except the CEO Performance Review Committee, noting that this also excludes Community Boards, the Appointment Group, and the District Licencing Committee) with full voting rights from 1 July 2021.
- Agree to reimburse each of Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika and Ngāti Toa Rangatira for the contribution of their representatives as set out in recommendation 2 above, by paying each iwi an annual fee, equivalent to the remuneration of a full time elected member, which is currently \$111,225.
- 3. Note that while one person will be appointed to each committee and subcommittee from each of Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika and Ngāti Toa Rangatira, the relevant person nominated by iwi may be different for different committees / subcommittees.
- 4. Adopt the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference and Delegations for the 2019-22 Triennium (as adopted by Wellington City Council on 20 November 2019, latest update 20 January 2021) as is set out in Attachment 2.
- 5. Note that a number of actions will be undertaken by the Chief Executive in order to implement the above resolutions (which includes an agreement to be signed between Council and iwi and preparation of a declaration to be signed by the representatives).
- 6. Note that the representatives nominated by mana whenua for each committee and subcommittee will be brought to Council for endorsement and formal appointment to the relevant committee.
- 7. Agree that these resolutions relating to mana whenua representation on committees will endure until otherwise resolved by Council. This does not limit Council's ability to make changes to its overall committee structure (either at the next triennium or otherwise), including any external appointments.

Website link to the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting agenda and minutes: <u>https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/committees/strategy-and-policy-committee/2021/04/08</u>

#### Attachments

Nil

## REPORT OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF 15 APRIL 2021

**Members:** Mayor Foster (absent at the time of voting), Deputy Mayor Free (absent at the time of voting), Councillor Calvert (Deputy Chair), Councillor Condie, Councillor Day (Chair), Councillor Fitzsimons, Councillor Foon, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Rush, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young.

#### The Committee recommends:

#### **GAMBLING VENUES POLICY 2021**

Recommendation/s

That the Council:

1. Adopt the Gambling Venues Policy as agreed by this committee.

Website link to the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting agenda and minutes: <u>https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/committees/strategy-and-policy-committee/2021/04/15</u>

#### Attachments

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## **Gambling Venues Policy 2021**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Gambling Act 2003 (the Act) came into effect on 18 September 2003 and requires territorial local authorities to have in place a policy that:

- specifies whether or not class 4 venues (non-casino gaming machine venues, NCGMs) may be established in its district and, if so, where they may be located
- may specify any restrictions on the maximum number of gaming machines that may be operated at any class 4 venue (the Gambling Act 2003 establishes maximum limits of either 18 machines or 9 machines on gaming machines venues, depending on whether the venue was established before or after October 2001).

The Racing Industry Act 2020 requires territorial authorities to adopt a policy on TAB venues.<sup>3</sup> The TAB policy must:

• specify whether or not TAB Venues may be established in the district and, if so, where they may be located.

In adopting both a class 4 venues policy and a TAB venues policy, the Council must have regard to the social impacts of gambling in its district.

#### 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE GAMBLING VENUES POLICY

The objectives of the Gambling Act 2003 are, amongst other things, to control the growth of gambling and prevent and minimise the harm caused by gambling, including problem gambling. Beyond the objectives stated in the Act, the objectives of Wellington City Council's Gambling Venues Policy are to:

- manage the risk of gambling harm created by non-casino gaming machines (NCGMs) and TAB gambling to the extent that this can be reasonably done through a gambling venues policy
- ensure that, within the limits prescribed by the Gambling Act 2003 and Racing Industry Act 2020 people who wish to participate in NCGM and TAB gambling can do so within the Wellington District.

#### 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR CLASS 4 VENUES

A society requires the Council's consent in respect of a class 4 (NCGM) venue:

• to increase the number of gaming machines that may be operated at such a venue

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Racing Industry Act 2020 specifies that a "TAB venue" means the premises that are owned or leased by TAB NZ and where the main business carried on at the premises is providing racing betting or sports betting services. Historically, these venues were referred to as Totalisator Agency Board (TAB) venues.

- to operate gaming machines at a venue that was not on any society's licence within the previous 6 months
- to operate gaming machines at a venue for which a licence was not held on 17 October 2001
- to relocate a venue to which a class 4 venue licence currently applies.

An applicant for Council consent under this policy must:

- meet the application conditions specified in this policy
- meet the fee requirements specified in this policy.

#### 4. WHERE CLASS 4 VENUES MAY BE ESTABLISHED

No new Class 4 venues will be allowed under the Council's Sinking Lid Policy. This means that when an existing venue closes, the Council will not give consent for another to be established.

#### 5. WHERE TAB VENUES MAY BE ESTABLISHED

TAB NZ requires the consent of the Council if it proposes to establish a TAB venue. For the avoidance of doubt, this policy only applies to applications for the establishment of stand-alone TAB venues. These are venues in premises that are owned or leased by the TAB, where the main business is providing racing and/or sports betting services. The policy does not cover the installation of TAB terminals in premises not owned or leased by the Board (for example hotels, bars and clubs).

TAB venues may be established anywhere in the Wellington District, subject to the provisions of the Wellington City District Plan and meeting application and fee requirements.

#### 6. APPLICATIONS AND FEES FOR CONSENTS

All applications for consents must be made on the approved form. All applications will incur a fee, to be known as the Gaming/Gambling Venue Consent Fee, which is prescribed by the Council pursuant to section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Fees will be charged for consideration of applications, at the rate of \$90 per hour (GST inclusive). A deposit may be required.

#### 7. DECISION MAKING

The Council has 30 working days in which to determine a consent application.

That decision will be made at officer level pursuant to delegated authority and be based on the criteria detailed in this policy.

In the case of an application relating to a class 4 venue the assessment of the number of gaming machines in the Wellington district will be based on Department of Internal Affairs' official records.

#### 8. APPEALS

Applicants have the right to request a review of the decision by Council officers if it is believed that an error of fact or process has been made.

#### 9. MONITORING AND REVIEW

The Council will complete a review of the policy within three years of its adoption, in accordance with the special consultative procedure outlined in the Local Government Act 2002. Subsequent reviews will take place on a three-yearly cycle, as required by the Gambling Act 2003 and Racing Industry Act 2020.

#### **10.COMMENCEMENT OF POLICY**

The policy will take effect from the time the Council resolves to adopt it. The 2015 Gambling Venues Policy is revoked on the adoption of this policy. All applications for territorial local authority (Council) consent will be considered under the policy in place at the time the application is received.

#### **11.EXPLANATION OF TERMS**

Class 4 venue - The Gambling Act 2003 categorises gambling activities according to their intensity and potential for harm. Class 4 gambling (non-casino gaming machines) is the highest-risk form outside of a casino. Racing and sports betting, which are covered by the Racing Industry Act 2020, do not fall within this classification system

Society – is a Corporate Society as defined under the Gambling Act 2003. It is a not-for-profit organisation that may undertake class 4 gambling Gaming machine – Refers to class 4 non-casino gaming machine

TAB venue - The Racing Industry Act 2020 specifies that a TAB venue means the premises that are owned or leased by TAB NZ and where the main business carried out at the premises is providing racing betting or sports betting services.

## REPORT OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF 22 APRIL 2021

Members: Mayor Foster, Deputy Mayor Free, Councillor Calvert (Deputy Chair), Councillor Condie, Councillor Day (Chair), Councillor Fitzsimons, Councillor Foon, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Rush, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young.

#### The Committee recommends:

#### INDEPENDENT WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Recommendation/s

That the Council:

1. Adopt the final report on the Wellington City Council Governance Review.

Website link to the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting agenda and minutes: <u>https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/committees/strategy-and-policy-committee/2021/04/22</u>

#### Attachments

Nil