

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 14 October 2020

Time	6:10 pm – 8:12 pm
Venue	Ngake – Room 16.09, Tahiwī, 113 The Terrace, Wellington

Members present

Chair	Jocelyn Kua
Members	Anthony Carter (Deputy Chair), Natalia Fareti, Kira Hundleby, Ofania Ikiua, Aseri Kua,
Councillors	Councillor Teri O'Neill
Staff	Sean Johnson (Democracy Advisor), Fiona Bailey (Senior Communications and Engagement Advisor), Jim Lewis (Intermediate Policy Advisor)

Minutes

1. Meeting Procedures 6:10 pm

- 1.1. Aseri lead the group in the opening prayer.
- 1.2. Apologies were received from the following members:
 - Alvin, Lisa, Merio, and Mino – for absence.
- 1.3. The minutes of the previous meeting were presented for confirmation.

Resolved That the Pacific Advisory Group accepts the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and correct record.

Kira Hundleby / Aseri Kua

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- 1.4. No announcements were made.

2. Discussion 6:15 pm

2.1. Experience Wellington Presentation

This agenda item was deferred to a future meeting.

2.2. Long-term Plan, *presented by Fiona Bailey*

Fiona presented on the upcoming 2021-2031 Long-term Plan. The Long-term Plan is a key way for the Council to make decisions about what we invest in for the next 10 years and beyond. It is the place to prioritise what is important to Wellingtonians and one of the most crucial decisions made in a three-year Council term.

Fiona noted that the 2021-31 Long-term Plan will have several unique challenges, including infrastructure spend (water and pipes), Let's Get Wellington Moving, Central Library, Te Atakura – zero carbon capital, and the impacts of COVID-19.

The Council will consult with the community in late 2020 / early 2021. Officers will come back to PAG for a workshop session in early 2021. A final decision will be made by Council to adopt a Long-term Plan in June 2021.

Fiona noted that an engagement 'game' is being developed for communities to prioritise Council investment into three categories: big investment to make in the next three years, investment for the next 10 years, and priorities to get done over the next 30 years. The aim of the game is to make engagement interactive and accessible.

The following questions were posed to PAG:

Do you think the game will work for your community? *Yes.*

Should we translate it? *Yes.* Fiona noted that in her time at Council no consultation had been translated into Pacific languages before.

Which languages? *Look at the most common languages. You could also consider languages such as Tokelauan, Niuean, and Cook Island Maori as these languages are at a greater risk.*

Are there particular places we should engage? *Places where Pacific people are: Churches, Community Halls, Universities, Schools. Use the Pacific Media Network radio shows. An important aspect is connecting with the right Pacific leaders and creating champions in the community.*

2.3. Wellington at Night, *presented by Jim Lewis*

Jim Lewis presented on Wellington at Night, a piece of work that aims to cultivate a night-time city that is prosperous, welcoming, and vibrant.

This area is facing some key issues, including an increase in reported anti-social behaviour, limited public transport options after midnight, and a lack of non-alcoholic activity options.

The work to address some of these issues is still under development but will likely consist of an immediate response (1-2 years) and a long-term plan (3-10 years). Aspects of Wellington at Night will be addressed in the review of the Alcohol Management Strategy and the Trading in Public Places Policy.

PAG members discussed the work, particular topics of conversation included:

- The role that the arts can have in providing non-alcohol based night-time activities.
- The importance of engaging people of all ages in Wellington's nightlife.
- The opportunities in capitalising on Pacific Language Weeks to hold community-based events.
- The importance of having non-alcohol-based activities available.

3. Councillors Update

7:30 pm

3.1. Councillor O'Neill provided an update to the group and noted the following recent work:

- Of the people housed during the COVID-19 lockdown 60% remained in housing.
- The Council has funded Zeal with a grant of \$134,260 to provide services for young people.

- The new Te Wharepouri Street sign was unveiled. PAG member Merio Marsters was also in attendance.
- The Council-controlled Organisations Subcommittee had met to discuss expectations for CCOs over financial year 2020/21.
- Councillor O'Neill has been working to progress rainbow activation in the city and creation of a safe space.
- The Council has secured funding through Jobs for Nature for the Predator Free Wellington programme.
- Councillor O'Neill has met with Baz Kaufmann (Manager Strategy and Research) and Amber Walters (Senior International Relations Advisor and Elected Members Support Advisor (seconded)) to discuss ongoing work in the Pacific space including implementation of Kapasa and finding out about our Pacific staff in the staff survey.

4. Other Matters

7:45 pm

4.1. Pacific Advisory Group members discussed other matters. It was noted that:

- Jocelyn, Anthony, and Kira - Experience Wellington is keen to develop a relationship with PAG and wider Pacific communities. Experience Wellington is a Council-controlled Organisation that manages Wellington's museums. Jocelyn and Anthony have met with Anton Carter from Experience Wellington to start building the relationship. Sean, Jocelyn, and Anthony will explore the possibility of holding a PAG meeting at an Experience Wellington venue in the future.
- Kira – discussions are ongoing with MPP to work towards creating language weeks for Melanesian languages.
- Ofania – The Niuean community held their 'white Sunday' event on Sunday 11 October. It was a successful event with approximately 100 people involved. Niuean language week will be held from 18 – 24 October.
- Aseri – Fiji recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. Fijian language week was held from 4 – 10 October and was very successful. Sai Lealea was acknowledged as the chair of the Fijian language week committee. During Fijian language week it was good to see that the Fijian language class for young people had grown to 30 students.
- Natalia – Noted that she was interviewed last month on Samoan Capital Radio about her role as an economist.

5. Closing Prayer

5.1. Ofania lead the group in a closing prayer.

(The meeting closed at 8:12 pm)