

Committees

General decision-making powers

Committees with a membership including the mayor and all members of Council are delegated, within their area of focus, the power to:

1. Perform their responsibilities, within the approved long-term plan and annual plan budgets.
2. Develop, approve, monitor, and review strategy and policy.
3. Recommend service level changes and new initiatives to the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee as part of the long-term plan and annual plan processes.
4. Review and approve business cases and approve key decisions for significant projects that are budgeted and funded within the long-term plan or annual plan.
5. Monitor and provide oversight for significant projects.
6. Approve any consultation processes where committee approval is required, the committee has directed officers to seek approval, or the chief executive considers it appropriate to seek committee approval.
7. Approve regionally significant naming decisions, in accordance with Te Māpihi Maurea Naming Policy.
8. Approve submissions to external bodies/organisations on legislative and regulatory proposals except:
 - a. If there is insufficient time for the matter to be determined by the committee before the submission 'close date', in which case the submission can be agreed by the relevant committee chair, deputy chair, mayor and chief executive (and all councillors must be advised of the submission and provided copies if requested).
 - b. If the submission is of a technical and operational nature, in which case the submission can be approved by the chief executive (in consultation with the relevant committee chair and deputy chair prior to lodging the submission).
 - c. During the formal pre-election period, in which case submissions are approved by the chief executive.
9. Develop and approve the statement of proposal for new or amended bylaws for consultation.
10. Recommend to Council new or amended bylaws for adoption.
11. Review asset management plans.
12. Establish any subcommittee and approve its terms of reference.
13. Consider and make decisions usually within the chief executive's delegations that the chief executive has referred to the committee for decision making.
14. Perform the responsibilities of another committee, where it is necessary to make a decision prior to the next meeting of that other committee.
15. Discuss and approve a forward agenda for the committee.

Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee

Chair	Councillor Teri O’Neill
Deputy Chair	Councillor Nureddin Abdurahman
Members	Mayor and all councillors Pouiwi Holden Hohaia, Tākai Here representative Pouiwi Liz Kelly, Tākai Here representative
Quorum	9
Frequency of meeting	Six-weekly

Area of focus

The Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee has responsibility for:

1. Māori strategic outcomes.
2. Arts, culture, and community services.
3. Wellington City social housing.
4. Council’s city events.
5. Parking services.
6. Parks, sport and recreation.
7. Community resilience.
8. Economic development.

Decision-making powers

The Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee has the power to:

1. Exercise the ‘general decision-making powers’ contained in this Terms of Reference and Delegations, within its area of focus.
2. Receive reports and workplans from the Council’s advisory groups.
3. Review as necessary and approve the model and terms of reference for Council advisory groups.

Grants

4. Approve the criteria and focus areas for grants funds referred for decision by the Pītau Pūmanawa | Grants Subcommittee.
5. Approve any grants referred or recommended for decision by the Pītau Pūmanawa | Grants Subcommittee.
6. Approve the allocation of grants from the City Growth Fund for any grant over \$300,000 per annum.

Open Space and Reserves

7. For reserves, the power to approve Council strategy, policy and reserve management plans.
8. For all Council-owned land that is either open space under the District Plan, or reserve under the Reserves Act 1977:
 - a. Adopt management plans and amendments to management plans.
 - b. Recommend to Council anything that would change the ownership of such land.
9. For all land that is subject to the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016:
 - a. Recommend to Council whether it should exercise its non-delegable powers under section 15(1)((a-d) of that Act.