

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



MINUTES

THURSDAY 12 JUNE 2014

9.15am – 10.33am, 10.46am – 11.59am, 12.20pm-12.39pm

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

PRESENT:

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| Councillor Pannett (Chair) | (9.15am-10.33am, 10.46am – 11.59am, 12.20pm - 12.39pm) |
| Mayor Wade-Brown | (9.26am- 10.33am, 10.46am – 11.59am, 12.20pm-12.39pm) |
| Councillor Ahipene-Mercer | (9.15am – 10.31am, 10.46am - 11.55am) |
| Councillor Foster | (9.27am –10.33am, 10.46am – 11.59am, 12.20pm - 12.39pm) |
| Councillor Free | (9.15am-10.33am, 10.46am -11.59am, 12.20pm - 12.39pm) |
| Councillor Lee | (11.01am – 11.59am, 12.20pm - 12.39pm) |
| Councillor Sparrow | (9.15am-10.33am, 10.46am – 11.59am, 12.20pm - 12.39pm) |
| Councillor Ritchie | (9.15am-9.59am, 10am-10.33am, 10.46am -11.04am, 11.06am-11.59am, 12.20pm-12.39pm) |

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Lee
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (early departure)

APOLOGIES

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

RESOLVED:

THAT the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive apologies from Councillor Lee and for early departure from Councillor Ahipene-Mercer.*

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

RESOLVED:

THAT the Environment Committee

1. *Approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8 May 2014 which, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.*

CARRIED

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

EPetitions

Public Participation

Conflict of Interest Declarations

Report 1 – Water Sensitive Urban Design Guide

Report 2 – Grant a New Licence and Amend Two Existing Leases under Reserves Act 1977: New and Existing Tenants

Report 3 – Final Statements of Intent for Council Controlled Organisations for the Quarter Ended 31 March 2014

Report 6 – QMRA report in relation to bypass discharges at Moa Point wastewater treatment plant

Report 4 – Performance of Council Controlled Organisations for the Quarter Ended 31 March 2014

Report 5 – Completion of Skyline Track

Report 7 – Service Delivery Plans

Report 8 – Progress with the Children's Garden

ePETITIONS

Richard Tingey presented two ePetitions to the meeting requesting that Wellington City Council vegetate excavated bare rock faces around the Mount Victoria Summit and place an International Peace Symbol in the Botanic Gardens.

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ritchie**RESOLVED:**

THAT the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive the petition requesting that Wellington City Council vegetate excavated bare rock faces around the Mount Victoria Summit.*
2. *Thank Mr Tingey for his petition.*

CARRIED

RESOLVED:

THAT the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive the petition requesting that Council place an International Peace Symbol in the Botanic Gardens.*
2. *Request Officers work with Mr Tingey to look at an alternative site and design options for a peace symbol and report back to the Environment Committee.*

CARRIED

NOTED: The resolution differs from the recommendations in the Officer's report.

(Mayor Wade-Brown entered the meeting at 9.26am)

(Councillor Foster entered the meeting at 9.27am)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Grant Baker from the Porirua Harbour Trust presented to the Committee on the Porirua Harbour and catchment.

Vicki Greco noted that there was insufficient consultation on the proposed Island Bay seawall.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Councillor Free noted a conflict of interest with Report 4, Performance of Council Controlled Organisations for the Quarter Ended 31 March 2014.

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 9.59am)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 10.00am)

WATER SENSITIVE URBAN DESIGN GUIDE

Report of Nicci Wood – Senior Advisor, Policy

(REPORT 1)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ritchie**RESOLVED:***THAT the Environment Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that following consultation, the draft Water Sensitive Urban Design guide has been separated into two related documents:*
 - a. *an Introduction Water Sensitive Urban Design Stormwater Management in Wellington guide; and*
 - b. *the more technical detail to form a Water Sensitive Urban Design chapter of the Code of Practice for Land Development, which has not been drafted yet.*
3. *Recommend to the Council that the Introduction Guide to Water Sensitive Urban Design in Wellington be formally approved.*
4. *Note that the Water Sensitive Urban Design chapter of the Code of Practice for Land Development will form part of the scheduled 2014 review of the Regional Water Standard and Code of Practice for Land Development.*

CARRIED**GRANT A NEW LICENCE AND AMEND TWO EXISTING LEASES UNDER RESERVES ACT 1977: NEW AND EXISTING TENANTS**

Report of Grace Clapperton-Rees – Property Advisor

(REPORT 2)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ritchie**RESOLVED:***THAT the Environment Committee:*

1. *Receives the information.*
2. *Agrees to grant a new licence to Capital Apiaries Limited under the Reserves Act 1977 (subject to the usual terms and conditions noted below).*
3. *Agrees to grant two three-year rights of extension to Pandy Limited.*
4. *Agrees to grant one three-year right of extension to Aquatic Café (2005) Limited.*
5. *Notes that any approval to grant the licence and extensions (referred to above) are conditional on:*
 - (a) *appropriate Iwi consultation*
 - (b) *public notification under s119 and s120 Reserves Act 1977*
 - (c) *no sustained objections resulting from the above consultation and notification; and*

- (d) *legal and advertising costs being met by the respective lessee/licensee (where applicable)*

CARRIED

FINAL STATEMENTS OF INTENT FOR COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2014/15

Report of Warwick Hayes and Maree Henwood – Portfolio Managers (REPORT 3)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Foster

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 10.31am)
(The meeting adjourned at 10.33am for morning tea)
(The meeting reconvened at 10.46am)

(Councillors Pannett, Ahipene-Mercer, Ritchie, Foster, Free and Sparrow and Mayor Wade-Brown were present when the meeting reconvened)

RESOLVED:

That the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive the information*
2. *Note that following the Committee meeting on 20 March 2014 the Chair wrote to the Council Controlled Organisations requesting changes to be made in their Statements of Intent and that these changes have been included in the final Statements of Intent*
3. *Agree to recommend that the Council approve the following 2014/15 Statements of Intent as outlined below:*
 - a) *Capacity Infrastructure Services Ltd*
 - b) *Wellington Zoo Trust*
 - c) *Zealandia*
4. *Note any other issues for the Chair to raise with the Council in regard to this report.*
5. *Note any issues for the Chair to raise with the entities covered by this report.*

CARRIED

QMRA REPORT IN RELATION TO BYPASS DISCHARGES AT MOA POINT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (REPORT 6)

Anna Hector, Engineer at Capacity, presented to the Committee.

(Councillor Lee entered the meeting at 11.01am)
(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 11.04am)

PERFORMANCE OF COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

Report of Warwick Hayes and Maree Henwood – Portfolio Managers (REPORT 4)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Lee

RESOLVED:

THAT the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note any issues for the Chair to raise with the entities covered by this report.*

CARRIED

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 11.06am)

COMPLETION OF THE SKYLINE TRACK

Mike Oates, Manager Open Space and Recreation Planning (REPORT 5)

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ritchie

RESOLVED:

THAT the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree on the indicative routes proposed for the Skyline Track and Te Araroa Walkway shown as options 1 and 2 in Appendix 1.*
3. *Note officers will continue to work with private land owners to secure access over their lands for the Track subject to Council approval.*
4. *Report back on progress to the August Environment Committee meeting.*
5. *Report back in time, with the aim of providing costs on securing access and track developments for recommendation for consideration to the Governance, Finance and Planning committee as part of the Long Term Plan*
6. *Note that a more direct version of Option 1 will also be considered allowing people to traverse Council land above Erlestoke Crescent.*
7. *Note that this project is a top priority in Our Capital Spaces Plan.*

CARRIED

NOTED: The resolution differs from the recommendations in the Officer's report.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 11.55am)

SERVICE DELIVERY PLANS

(REPORT 7)

An oral report was provided by Anthony Wilson - Chief Asset Officer.

(The meeting adjourned at 11.59am)

(The meeting reconvened at 12.20pm)

PROGRESS WITH CHILDREN'S GARDEN

An oral report was provided by David Sole, Botanic Gardens Manager (REPORT 8)

The meeting concluded at 12.39pm.

Confirmed: _____

Chair

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