

STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2011

9.19AM - 10.25AM 10.47AM - 11.21AM 11.26AM - 11.41AM 12.08PM - 12.25PM 12.32PM - 12.40PM 1.11PM - 2.10PM 1.12PM - 2.10PM (PUBLIC EXCLUDED)

> Committee Room 1, Ground Floor, Council Offices, 101 Wakefield Street Wellington

PRESENT:

Mayor Wade-Brown (9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am, 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm, 12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.36pm - 2.10pm) (9.20am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm) 9.20am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am, Councillor Best (Deputy Chair) 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm, 12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm) Councillor Cook (9.19am - 10.14am, 10.18am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am, 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.14pm, 12.18pm - 12.25pm, 12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm) (9.19am - 10.25am, 10.48am - 11.21am, Councillor Coughlan 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm, 12.34pm - 12.40pm, 1.12pm - 1.46pm, 1.48pm - 2.10pm) (9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am, Councillor Eagle 11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm, 12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)

Councillor Foster (Chair)	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Gill	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.27am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.35pm - 12.40pm, 1.12pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Lester	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.33pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor McKinnon	(9.19am - 9.41am, 9.42am - 10.25am,
	10.47am - 11.21am,11.26am - 11.41am,
	12.08pm - 12.25pm, 12.32pm - 12.40pm,
	1.12pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Marsh	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Morrison	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.50am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Pannett	(9.21am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Pepperell	(9.19am - 10.25am, 10.47am - 11.21am,
	11.26am - 11.41am, 12.08pm - 12.25pm,
	12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)
Councillor Ritchie	(9.20am - 9.31am, 9.37am - 10.25am,
	10.47am - 11.21am, 11.26am - 11.41am,
	12.08pm - 12.14pm, 12.16pm - 12.25pm,
	12.32pm - 12.40pm, 1.11pm - 2.10pm)

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Fiona Dunlop - Committee Advisor Sophie Rapson - Committee Advisor

301/11P APOLOGIES

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no apologies.

302/11P CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

303/11P **DEPUTATIONS**

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There were no deputations.

304/11P PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(1215/52/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

305/11P MAYORAL DELEGATION TO CHINA AND JAPAN JULY 2011 – REPORT BACK (9.20AM - 10.25AM)

Report of Mayor Wade-Brown and Councillor Coughlan. (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

NOTED:

Victoria Spackman, Legal and Business Affairs Manager, Gibson Group, Professor Diane Brand, Dean, Faculty of Architecture and Design, Victoria University of Wellington and Bernadette Casey, Managing Director, The Formary were present to answer questions from the Committee.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan, the substantive motion.

(Councillor Ritchie joined the meeting at 9.20am.)

(Councillor Best joined the meeting at 9.20am.)

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer joined the meeting at 9.20am.)

(Councillor Pannett joined the meeting at 9.21am.)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 9.31am.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 9.37am.)

(Councillor McKinnon left the meeting at 9.41am.)

(Councillor McKinnon returned to the meeting at 9.42am.)

(Councillor Cook left the meeting at 10.14am.) (Councillor Cook returned to the meeting at 10.18am.)

The substantive motion was put and was declared **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Note that on 22 September 2011 the Strategy and Policy Committee approved for consultation the draft Economic Development Strategy, which sees an alignment of international relations activity with economic development.

(The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.25am and reconvened at 10.47am.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting reconvened.)

306/11P REPORT OF THE COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATION PERFORMANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (10.47AM - 11.05AM) Meeting of Monday 17 October 2011 (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

1. ITEM 033/11FM REVIEW OF THE 2010/11 ANNUAL REPORTS AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS
(1215/52/02/IM) (REPORT 1)

Moved Councillor McKinnon, seconded Councillor Marsh the substantive motion.

(Councillor Coughlan returned to the meeting at 10.48am.) (Councillor Morrison returned to the meeting at 10.50am.)

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Note the following matters with regard to the 2010/11 performance of Council Controlled Organisations:

- (a) The Basin Reserve Trust had a good year in 2010/11 in terms of number of cricket and other sports events and event days; however, revenue was well below target. The Trust will continue to monitor and implement security strategies to ensure that the Basin Reserve remains safe and accessible to patrons and the public. Issues remain concerning how the remaining deferred maintenance work will be prioritised and funded. The Trust will continue to engage with Transport New Zealand on plans for roading development around the Basin Reserve, and will bring various options for mitigating any impact on the ground to the Council before any building agreements are signed.
- (b) Capacity delivered most scheduled work for the year, although it was under-budget on Wellington City Council's capital programme. The Company met the majority of its performance targets and continued to make significant progress on unaccounted-for water. Estimated unaccounted-for water in Wellington is now 14% of water supplied, down from 21% three years ago.
- (c) Positively Wellington Tourism has achieved growth in a number of areas within a challenging economic climate. With Christchurch affected by successive earthquakes and traditional long-haul markets struggling, the launch of the large-scale promotional campaign for the Wellington region in Australia was important. Wellington maintained its 24% international market share and opportunities will continue to be explored in the Asian markets.
- (d) Although there was a strong "business as usual" focus to the year, a lot of work was put in to preparations for winding up the St James Theatre Charitable Trust and for operations to transfer to the new Wellington Venues Ltd Council Controlled Organisation.
- (e) At the time of this report going to print, officers had not received Wellington Cable Car Ltd's 2010/11 annual report.
- (f) The Wellington Museums Trust had a successful year, reporting a less than budgeted deficit. It delivered a strong range of exhibitions and events to an audience of 653,344 visitors, with more than 70,000 students attending the Trust's education programmes. Visitor numbers were higher than last year, but lower than target.
- (g) Wellington Venues Ltd began trading on 1 February 2011 managing the operations of the former Wellington Convention

- Centre and the Company worked to get the systems and processes in place for the transition of the St James Charitable Trust operations into the entity on 1 July.
- (h) Key Wellington Waterfront Ltd projects in 2010/11 included the development of the Wharewaka and Taranaki Street Wharf public space, the Kumutoto toilets and maintenance on the Chaffers Marina. Also, significant planning work was undertaken to develop the Fanzone and related activities on the waterfront as part of Rugby World Cup 2011.
- (i) Wellington Zoo Trust had a very successful year in 2010/11. It increased visitors by 7% over last year to 196,267; this represents the highest level of visitors recorded for the Zoo for at least the last 45 years and was well ahead of its visitor target of 187,810.
- (j) Highlights for the year for Wellington Regional Stadium Trust included that the contract for the IRB International Sevens tournament was secured for Wellington until 2016, the problems with the exterior cladding and the roof at the Stadium were largely resolved, and work scheduled as part of the Rugby World Cup preparations was completed on or ahead of time.
- (k) While ZEALANDIA has sufficient funding to maintain operations through 2011/12 and into 2012/13 its future viability depends on the success of the strategic actions undertaken and planned by the Trust to improve visitor numbers. The Trust has signalled that it will be seeking operational funding support from a range of sources, including the Council for consideration as part of the 2012/22 Long Term Plan and that they be requested to supply that by 30 November 2011.

307/11P PROTECTION OPTIONS FOR OLD (11.05AM - 11.41AM) COACH ROAD

Report of Mike Oates - Manager, Open Space and Recreation Planning and Fiona Johnson - Contractor.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, the substantive motion.

Moved Councillor Best, seconded Councillor Lester, the following amendment.

Amend 5 and delete 6.

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 5. Recommend to Council that, subject to consultation, the Council restricts the use of motorised vehicles, including motorbikes and quad bikes, on the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road under Part 7: Traffic of the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008 except for motorised vehicular traffic associated with
 - (a) Farming activities of the neighbouring land owner of lots 205, 206 and 207 of DP 80025;
 - (b) Maintenance of the power lines in the area by Transpower and its contractors;
 - (c) Maintenance of the Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road by the Council and its contractors;
 - (d) Emergency and civil defence vehicles; and
 - (e) Organised events that have obtained the prior written approval of the Council.
- 6. Note that the above exceptions may be created via explicitly allowing the vehicle use noted above or via a clause which requires motorised vehicle users to obtain 'the prior written approval of the Council'.

(The meeting adjourned at 11.21am and reconvened at 11.26am.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting reconvened.)

(Councillor Gill returned to the meeting at 11.27am.)

The amendment was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

Moved Councillor Gill, seconded Councillor Marsh, the following amendment to 5(e):

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 5. Recommend to Council that, subject to consultation, the Council restricts the use of motorised vehicles, including motorbikes and quad bikes, on the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road under Part 7: Traffic of the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008 except for motorised vehicular traffic associated with
 - (e) Activities, including but not limited to organised events, that have obtained the prior written approval of the Council.

The amendment was <u>put</u> and declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

The substantive motion as amended was <u>put</u> and was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree Old Coach Road remain vested in the Council as legal road.

Conservation Plan

- 3. Note a Conservation Plan for the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road was developed in 1999 and that this Conservation Plan will be updated to reflect the current status and condition of the road.
- 4. Note that once the Conservation Plan has been updated, officers will incorporate the recommended maintenance programme and any associated works into the Open Space Asset Management Plan.

Restricting motorised vehicles

- 5. Recommend to Council that, subject to consultation, the Council restricts the use of motorised vehicles, including motorbikes and quad bikes, on the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road under Part 7: Traffic of the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008 except for motorised vehicular traffic associated with
 - (a) Farming activities of the neighbouring land owner of lots 205, 206 and 207 of DP 80025;
 - (b) Maintenance of the power lines in the area by Transpower and its contractors:
 - (c) Maintenance of the Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road by the Council and its contractors;
 - (d) Emergency and civil defence vehicles; and
 - (e) Activities, including but not limited to organised events, that have obtained the prior written approval of the Council.

Public Works Act

- 6. Recommend to Council that the Council
 - (a) request the Minister of Lands to gazette a secondary use for the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road under the s191 of the Public Works Act 1981 with similar characteristics to that of a Historic Reserve under the Reserves Act 1977;

- (b) agree that all provisions of the Reserves Act relevant to Historic Reserves will be gazetted to apply to the unsealed sections of Old Coach Road and Rifle Range Road; and
- (c) delegate to the Chief Executive the authority to agree the final wording of the gazette notice and supporting documentation.

District Plan

- 7. Agree the following matters be considered as part of Council's wider District Plan review programme:
 - (a) including those sections of Old Coach Road not required for the McLintock Street extension in the "Old Coach Road Heritage Area";
 - (b) including the unsealed portion of Rifle Range Road in the "Old Coach Road Heritage Area"; and
 - (c) amending the existing District Plan provisions to provide better protection to heritage items in non-urban settings.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Committee added the text in **bold**.

(The meeting adjourned at 11.41am to allow for a discussion on the Pacific Wave Tsunami Exercise. The meeting reconvened at 12.08pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting reconvened.)

308/11P SUBMISSION - REVIEW OF LOCAL AUTHORITY REMUNERATION SETTING (12.08PM - 12.25PM)

Report of Ross Bly - Special Projects Officer. (1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 4)

Moved Councillor McKinnon, seconded Councillor Best, the substantive motion with a new recommendation 3 as follows:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

3. Delegate to the Chief Executive and the Governance Portfolio Leader the authority to make any proofing and minor editorial changes only to the final submission.

(Councillor Cook left the meeting at 12.14pm.) (Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 12.14pm.) (Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 12.16pm.) (Councillor Cook returned to the meeting at 12.18pm.)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown, the following amendment.

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 2. Agree to the Council's draft submission (attached as Appendix 1) in response to the Remuneration Authority's Discussion Document 'Review of Local Authority Remuneration Setting with the following amendments:
 - Include in 3.1.3 Commentary that CCOs should be included in the asset/expenditure base, noting it is important that remuneration concerns do not skew governance decisions.
 - Include 3.2.1 3.2.3 "in considering job sizing the Remuneration Authority be encouraged to consider not just the hours worked but the scale and scope of responsibilities.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 12.25pm.) (The meeting adjourned at 12.25pm and reconvened at 12.32pm.)

(Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Best, Cook, Eagle, Foster, McKinnon, Marsh, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting reconvened.

The amendment moved by Councillor Foster, was accepted with the leave of the meeting.

(Councillor Lester returned to the meeting at 12.33pm.) (Councillor Coughlan returned to the meeting at 12.34pm.) (Councillor Gill returned to the meeting at 12.35pm.)

The substantive motion as amended was <u>put</u> and was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree to the Council's draft submission (attached as Appendix 1) in response to the Remuneration Authority's Discussion Document 'Review of Local Authority Remuneration Setting with the following amendments:
 - Include in 3.1.3 Commentary that CCOs should be included in the asset/expenditure base, noting it is important that remuneration concerns do not skew governance decisions.
 - Include 3.2.1 3.2.3 "in considering job sizing the Remuneration Authority be encouraged to consider not just the hours worked but the scale and scope of responsibilities.
- 3. Delegate to the Chief Executive and the Governance Portfolio Leader the authority to make any proofing and minor editorial changes only to the final submission.

NOTED:

The resolutions differ from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Committee added the text in bold.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.40pm and reconvened at 1.11pm.)

(Councillors Best, Cook, Eagle, Foster, Lester, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie were present when the meeting reconvened.)

309/11P **DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY - 68A VICTORY AVENUE, KARORI**

(1.11PM - 1.12PM)

Report of Nicola Hine - Property Advisor, Property Projects and Amber Bill - Manager, Community Engagement and Reserves.
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 5)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Lester, the substantive motion.

The substantive motion was put and was declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Recommend that the Council:
 - (a) Agree to revoke the reserve status of Lot 28 DP 48695 pursuant to section 24 of the Reserves Act 1977.
 - (b) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to conclude the reserve revocation of Lot 28 DP 48695.

3. Note:

- (a) The reserve revocation is conditional on no objections being received following public notification of the intention to revoke the reserve status in accordance with section 224 of the Reserves Act 1977.
- (b) That if objections are received to the reserve revocation, a further report will be presented to Council to decide whether to uphold them or not.
- (c) The consent of the Minister of Conservation to be obtained in accordance with section 24 of the Reserves Act 1977.

4. Recommend that the Council:

- (a) If the reserve revocation is successful, agree that the property at 68A Victory Avenue, Karori; comprising Lot 28 DP 48695 and Lot 4 DP 91338 is not required for a public work and is surplus to requirements.
- (b) If 68A Victory Avenue is declared surplus, authorise Council officers or suitably qualified consultants to undertake a section 40 report to identify whether the land must be offered back to the former owner (s) or their successor(s) or whether an exemption from offer back applies under section 40 (2), 40 (3) or 40 (4) of the Public Works Act 1981.
- (c) If 68A Victory Avenue is declared surplus, approve its disposal.
- (d) If the reserve revocation is successful, authorise for the proposed rezoning of Lot 28 DP 48695 to be rezoned from Open Space A to Outer Residential as part of the next minor

- amendments change to the district Plan (or other appropriate plan change).
- (e) Delegate the Chief Executive Officer the power to take all actions necessary to sell 68A Victory Avenue, Karori in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act 1981.

310/11P **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC** (1215/52/IM)

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Morrison, the motion to exclude the public.

The motion to exclude the public was <u>put</u> and was declared <u>CARRIED</u>.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, resolve that the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Report 6 - Revocation by Requisition - Lease Negotiations

Grounds:	<i>Section 48(1) (a)</i>	that public conduct of the whole or
		the relevant part of the
		proceedings of the meeting would
		be likely to result in the disclosure
		of information for which good
		reason for withholding would exist
		under Section 7

Reason: Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

To protect information where the making available of the information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the applicant who supplied or who is subject of the information.

Section 7(2)(i) To enable the Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations of a commercial nature.

Section 7(2)(j)	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.
Section 7(2)(g)	To maintain legal professional privilege.
The meeting went into public exclude	ded session at 1.12pm.
(Councillor Coughlan returned to the (Councillor Gill returned to the mee (Councillor McKinnon returned to the	ting at 1.12pm.)
For item 311/11P, please see the pub	blic excluded minutes.
The meeting concluded at 2.10pm.	
Confirmed:	
Chair	
/	