

**ORDINARY MEETING**

**OF**

**WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**Time:** 5.30 pm  
**Date:** Wednesday, 28 October 2015  
**Venue:** Committee Room 1  
Ground Floor, Council Offices  
101 Wakefield Street  
Wellington

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**PRESENT**

Mayor Wade-Brown  
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer  
Councillor Coughlan  
Councillor Eagle  
Councillor Foster  
Councillor Free  
Councillor Lee  
Councillor Lester  
Councillor Marsh  
Councillor Pannett  
Councillor Peck  
Councillor Ritchie  
Councillor Sparrow  
Councillor Woolf  
Councillor Young



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## **1 Meeting Conduct**

### **1.1 Apologies**

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Marsh**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

Accept the apologies received from Councillor Eagle and Councillor Foster and Councillor Lee for lateness.

**Carried**

### **1.2 Announcements by the Mayor**

#### **1.2.1 Live web-casting**

The Mayor announced that the Council meeting will be livestreamed to the Web.

#### **1.2.2 Cr Eagle's digital presence**

The Mayor announced that Councillor Eagle will be on audio-video conference call to the Council meeting from Perth, Australia. He is in a housing conference on behalf of Council.

This was the first audio-visual conference call meeting and advised Councillors to be patient with staff members if there are any technical problems on the day.

Cr Eagle voted via voicing his vote over the audio-visual conference phone when the Chair called for a division.

Cr Eagle indicated at the start of any discussion wishing to speak to the item and was advised to speak as per the speaking order list.

#### **1.2.3 Kevin Simpkins**

Sadly I must inform you all of the sudden death of Kevin Simpkins who was an external member of the audit and risk subcommittee.

Kevin also taught at Victoria University's School of Accounting and Commercial Law.

I am sure you will all join with me in passing on our sincere condolences to his whanau, friends and colleagues at this time.

We will address the Audit and Risk membership at a future time.

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### **1.3 APW Awards**

#### **Jonathan Bhana-Thomson**

It is my pleasure to present an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian award to Jonathan Bhana-Thomson for 19 years of voluntary service on the committee of Diabetes Wellington Inc.

Diabetes Wellington is a charitable organisation available to assist Wellingtonians with diabetes and dedicated to raising awareness and funds. They also work very hard to keep the general Wellington public informed about the services they offer, awareness campaigns, and any new condition developments.

Jonathan has volunteered on the Diabetes Wellington committee for nearly two decades, and 16 years of his service has been as either President or Vice-President. Jonathan's wife Peggy is diabetic, so he is well positioned to understand the kind of support and information that those with diabetes (and their families and friends) are in need of. Peggy is a Field Officer at Diabetes Wellington, and she and Jonathan have dedicated a lot of their time to the charity.

On top of his committee responsibilities at Diabetes Wellington, Jonathan has also helped out at the group's stalls at the Thorndon and Petone Fairs, produced the quarterly newsletter distributed to members, and put significant effort into fund raising.

Since stepping down from the committee, Jonathan has continued to be involved with the organisation as the Information Centre's IT fixer. Jonathan's generosity with his time is admirable, and his commitment to Wellington's diabetic community is appreciated.

On behalf of the Wellington City Council, I'd like to thank Jonathan and declare him an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

#### **Helen Kettles**

It is my pleasure to present an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian award to Helen Kettles for her voluntary work with the Wellington South Coast Clean-up group.

The South Coast Clean-up group get together annually to do a coastal spring clean. This year's event took place in September. Helen coordinated over 300 participants who were spread out around South Coast at eleven different spots.

Over 100 bags of rubbish were collected from 12km of coast. Clean-up teams included scuba divers, conservationists, coast groups, as well as volunteers from NIWA, VIC and local schools.

Helen's efforts to promote the clean-up, motivate and organize volunteers, and get stuck in to cleaning up the coast are much appreciated by Wellingtonians as well as terrestrial and marine wildlife.

In the past, clean-up events have yielded some unusual items, including keys, dolls, car seats and toy dinosaurs. WCC would like to thank Helen and her dedicated team of volunteers for getting these things and otherwise non bio-degradable material off the beach.

On behalf of the Wellington City Council, I'd like to thank Helen and declare her an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

#### **1.4 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

Nil

#### **1.5 Confirmation of Minutes**

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer**

##### **Resolved**

That the Council:

Approve the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 30 September 2015, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

**Carried**

#### **1.6 Items not on the Agenda**

A late item, 'Submission on Block Offer 2016' was presented to Council to consider. The decision on this report cannot be delayed as the submission closes on 30 October 2015 and there are no other Committee meetings on that week other than the Council meeting. This item will be discussed under item 2.3

##### **1.6.1 Submission on Block Offer 2016**

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Pannett**

##### **Resolved**

That the Council:

1. Receive the report.
2. Note that this item cannot be deferred because a decision is required before 30 October 2015 and moreover, there are no other Committees meetings for that week other than the Council meeting.

**Carried**

#### **1.7 Public Participation**

##### **1.7.1 Reverend Brian Dawson**

Reverend Brian Dawson addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

##### **1.7.2 Prue Hyman**

Prue Hyman addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

##### **1.7.3 John Milford**

John Milford, Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

**1.7.4 Fiona Mulder and Chris Wilkinson**

Fiona Mulder, Public Affairs Advisor, and Chris Wilkinson, Retail NZ addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

**1.7.5 Tiso Panapa**

Tiso Panapa, Security Guard addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

**1.7.6 Peter Cranney**

Peter Cranney, addressed the Council on Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract.

(Councillor Lee entered the meeting at 6.01pm.)

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**2. General Business**

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**2.1 Te Awarua o Porirua Whaitua Committee Reappointment**

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Sparrow**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee's Terms of Reference and Delegations, attached as appendix one.
3. Agree to appoint one Wellington City Councillor to replace Councillor Sparrow as the Wellington City appointee to the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee.

**Carried**

The Mayor called for nominations:

**Moved Councillor Lester, seconded Councillor Sparrow**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

4. Agree to appoint Councillor Lee as the Wellington City appointee to the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee.

**Carried**

## **2.2 Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract**

The Mayor invited Kevin Lavery, Chief Executive Officer to introduce the item to the Council.

### **Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Peck**

#### **Recommendations**

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree not to require the preferred supplier for the Council's security services tender to implement a living wage in relation to the services it provides to the Council.

### **Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free an amendment**

#### **Resolved**

That the Council:

2. remove recommendation 2.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck and Councillor Ritchie, (Mayor)

Voting Against: Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Foster, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 9:6

**Carried**

[Secretarial Note: The amendments were taken in parts]

### **Moved Councillor Lester, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the following amendment:**

#### **Resolved**

That the Council:

- 2. Agree for the preferred supplier for the Council's security services tender to implement a living wage in relation to the services it provides to the Council.**

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck and Councillor Ritchie, (Mayor)

Voting Against: Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Foster, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 9:6

**Carried**

**Moved Councillor Lester, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the following amendment:**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

- 3. Agree to reduce the overall WCC personnel and travel expenditure budget of \$91m by \$250,000 to maintain a fiscally neutral position in 2015/16.**

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck and Councillor Ritchie, (Mayor)

Voting Against: Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Foster, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 8:7

**Carried**

**Moved Councillor Lester, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the following amendment:**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

- 4. Instruct officers to draft KPIs for the successful security provider that include measures to gauge:**
- a. The quality and effectiveness of the services**
  - b. Employee retention rates compared with industry averages**
  - c. Employee satisfaction**
  - d. Levels of absenteeism**
  - e. Security services provider's ability to attract higher quality candidates.**

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

**Carried**

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Peck the following substantive motion:**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree for the preferred supplier for the Council's security services tender to implement a living wage in relation to the services it provides to the Council.
3. Agree to reduce the overall WCC personnel and travel expenditure budget of \$91m by \$250,000 to maintain a fiscally neutral position in 2015/16.
4. Instruct officers to draft KPIs for the successful security provider that include measures to gauge:
  - a. The quality and effectiveness of the services
  - b. Employee retention rates compared with industry averages
  - c. Employee satisfaction
  - d. Levels of absenteeism
  - e. Security services provider's ability to attract higher quality candidates.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck and Councillor Ritchie, (Mayor)

Voting Against: Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Foster, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 9:6

**Carried**

### **2.3 Submission on Block Offer 2016**

**Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note the areas proposed for Block Offer 16 as shown in attachment 1.
3. Agree Wellington City Council's submission to New Zealand Petroleum and Minerals on Block Offer 16 as outlined in attachment 2.
4. Agree to endorse the submission of the Greater Wellington Regional Council as outlined in attachment 3.
5. Delegate to the Mayor and the Chief Executive the authority to make any minor editorial amendments.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf,

Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

**Carried**

**Attachments**

- 1 Council 28 October 2015: Item 2.3 - Report on Submission on Block Offer 2016

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### **3. Committee Reports**

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#### **3.1 Report of the Transport and Urban Development Committee Meeting of 8 October 2015**

##### **Housing Accord Implementation - Nomination of Special Housing Areas**

**Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

1. Recommend to the Council that the Minister of Building and Housing approve the following five special housing areas and associated qualifying development criteria as identified in the Special Housing Area maps:
  - a. 10 Surrey Street, Tawa, with qualifying developments criteria being 2 or more dwellings or allotments;
  - b. 20 Glanmire Road, Newlands, with qualifying developments being 2 or more dwellings or allotments;
  - c. 48-62 Mein Street, with qualifying developments being 2 or more dwellings or allotments;

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Pannett and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 13:2

**Carried**

Secretarial Note: Resolution e. was taken separately.

**Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown**

**Resolved**

That the Council:

- e. Shelly Bay, with qualifying developments being 10 or more dwellings or allotments, noting that officers must consider the Open Space values in assessment of any application for this area.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Pannett and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 10:5

**Carried**

**Proposed Disposal - 114B Abel Smith Street, Te Aro**

**Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Coughlan**

**Recommendations**

That the Council:

1.
  - a. Declares the property at 114B Abel Smith Street, Te Aro being 10 m<sup>2</sup> (subject to survey) described as part Section 117 Town of Wellington (the Land) surplus to requirements.
  - b. Approves the disposal of the Land.
  - c. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters necessary to dispose of the Land including offerback investigations and negotiations.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

**Carried**

## 4. Public Excluded

### Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer

#### Resolved

That the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting meeting except for Adam Holloway and Kerry Anderson from DLA Piper because of their specialist knowledge of the matters under discussion:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
4.1 Wellington City Council's Security Services Contract	7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
4.2 Local Government Funding Agency Annual General Meeting	7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
4.3 Public Excluded Report of the Transport and Urban Development Committee Meeting of 9 September 2015	7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
4.4 Public Excluded Report of the Transport and Urban Development Committee Meeting of 8 October 2015	7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, (Mayor) and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Pannett

Majority Vote: 14:1

**Carried**

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The meeting went into public excluded session at 8.50pm.

The meeting concluded at 9.25pm.

Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair