

COUNCIL 26 MAY 2010

REPORT 7 (1215/11/IM)

Report of the Strategy and Policy Committee Meeting of Thursday 6 May 2010

Members: Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster (Deputy Chair), Gill, Goulden, McKinnon (Deputy Chair), Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell, Ritchie, Wade-Brown and Wain.

MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE

The Strategy and Policy Committee dealt with a number of issues for which it has delegated powers to act and therefore these are before the Council for noting.

The Committee hereby recommends that the information be received.

1. **ITEM 096/10P CAPACITY** (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- *1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Agree to the continued provision of water services through the current Council Controlled Organisation model, as opposed to an inhouse business unit, because this is the vehicle that is most likely to deliver the vision and associated potential benefits of an integrated water management system for the region.
- 3. Request officers continue working with the Council Controlled Organisation to achieve improvements in its performance in line with its establishment objectives.
- 4. Request officers to continue to explore with other, currently non Council Controlled Organisation participating Territorial Local Authorities, mechanisms to achieve a comprehensive regional model for the management of water services.
- 5. Note that asset ownership as well as policy and strategic direction for the three waters will continue to be with the Council.
- 6. Note that any changes to the future governance of the Council Controlled Organisation resulting from other Territorial Local Authority participation will be brought back to the Council for approval.

2. **ITEM 097/10P KILBIRNIE TOWN CENTRE – DRAFT REVITALISATION PLAN** (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receives the information.
- 2. Agree to release the Kilbirnie Town Centre draft Revitalisation Plan for public consultation over May/June 2010.
- 3. Note that the results of consultation and a final plan will be reported back to the Committee in August 2010 for further consideration.
- 4. Delegate to the Portfolio Leader for Urban Development and the Chief Executive the authority to make minor editorial changes and further changes to the Plan, as required as a result of decisions of this Committee, prior to the its publication.

3. ITEM 098/10P REVIEW OF ROAD ENCROACHMENT AND SALE POLICY

(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- *1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Agree to consult on the Draft Road Encroachment and Sale Policy 2010 (attached as Appendix 3 of the officer's report) as amended, and the following options for fees:
 - (a) in respect of annual rental fees:
 - (i) moving to a differentiated fee structure where annual rental fees are set as a proportion of average land values in a given suburb, and these are adjusted each three years in line with rateable land values (preferred option); or
 - (ii) basing rental fees on individual valuations of encroachments, updated every three years; or
 - (iii) maintaining the status quo of a flat rental rate per square metre, adjusted annually by Consumer Price Index and reviewed every three years as part of the Long Term Council Community Plan process;
 - (b) clarifying that "fences and hedges" are "structures" for the purpose of setting fees, meaning encroachments that are fenced or hedged would no longer be eligible for the first 50 square metres of land free;

- (c) in respect of new airspace encroachment leases, obtaining registered valuations of proposed encroachments and charging a one-off fee covering the life of the lease;
- (d) in respect of timing for the introduction of changes to fees, that changes to the fee structure should apply:
 - (i) for new encroachment licences and leases, from the date the Council agrees to the new Road Encroachment and Sale Policy and associated fee structure, and for existing licences and leases, from 1 July 2011 (preferred option); or
 - (ii) when licences are issued or re-issued (for example when a property is sold or when changes are made to an existing encroachment licence), noting that this means it will take many years for a new pricing structure to be consistently applied across the city;
- 3. Note that consultation would occur over June-early July 2010 with oral hearings in late July and a final report to Strategy and Policy Committee in August 2010 with any agreed changes to fees included for consideration as part of the 2011/12 Draft Annual Plan Process.
- 4. Delegate to the Chief Executive and the Urban Development Portfolio Leader the authority to make any changes to the Draft Road Encroachment and Sale Policy and approve any supporting consultation material required as a result of decisions of this committee, prior to it being released for consultation.
- 5. Agree to the Mayor writing to the Minister of Local Government, seeking support for a review of the legislation concerning road stopping, with a view to making the process less cumbersome and expensive, while still protecting the broader public interest.
- 6. Request officers to consider options for a more proactive approach to road stopping and associated land sales, while protecting the broader public interest, and to report to Strategy and Policy Committee when the results of consultation are reported back in August 2010.

4. **ITEM 099/10P HERITAGE GRANTS**

(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 4)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree to the allocation of the grants to Shed 22 and St John's Bar as assessed in the November 2009 Built Heritage Incentive Fund round.

Project	Grant
 (2) Shed 22, Macs Bar, corner Cable Street and Taranaki Street Description: Critical waterproofing repairs to arrest damage to the building, and to make good the effects of the damage. No special conditions apply. 	\$12,000
(3) St Johns Bar, 5 Cable Street, Te Aro Description: Critical waterproofing repairs to arrest water damage to the building, and to make good the effects of previous water damage. No special conditions apply.	\$15,000

Built Heritage Incentive Fund Grants – November 2009

3. Agree to the allocation of grants and associated conditions to applicants in the March 2010 round of the Built Heritage Incentive Fund, as assessed by Council officers, as follows:

Built Heritage Incentive Fund Grants – March 2010

Project	Grant
(1) House, 30 Hawkestone Street, Thorndon Description: To repair and re-point the clay tile roof of the property to prolong the life of the roof. This application does not provide sufficient documentation and does not meet eligibility Criterion 3. (Not listed on the District Plan Heritage List or contributing to a District Plan Heritage Area).	\$0
 Area). (2) Building, Cook Islands High Commission, 56 Mulgrave Street, Thorndon Description: External maintenance and repair works including repainting the exterior of the building. A grant would be conditional on the owner agreeing to the preparation of a conservation plan for the building if supported by a Built Heritage Incentive Fund grant. 	\$8,000
 (3) Fence and Wall, 195 Oriental Parade, Oriental Bay Description: Repair and repaint the distinctive wrought iron fence and gate and also repair and repaint the street wall. No special conditions apply. 	\$3,000
 (4) House, 5b St Mary Street, Thorndon Description: Restore the front aspect of the property. A grant would be conditional on the owner obtaining conservation advice if supported by 	\$5,000

a Built Heritage Incentive Fund grant.	
(5) Building, 21 Hania Street, Mt Victoria.	\$24,000
Description: To undertake essential repairs	
including repair/replacement of steel window frames	
and exterior painting.	
• A grant would be conditional on the owner	
continuing to obtain conservation advice if	
supported by a Built Heritage Incentive Fund	
grant.	
(6) Former St Anne's Church, 77 Northland Road,	\$4,600
Northland	
Description: Repairs to fix serious water entry	
issues and concomitant damage to the interior and	
exterior fabric of the building.	
• A grant would be conditional on the owner	
consulting a conservation architect, if	
supported by a Built Heritage Incentive Fund	
grant.	
(7) Building corner Dixon and Cuba Streets, 84-	\$10,000
92 Cuba Street, Te Aro.	
Description: Re-strengthening and refurbishment of	
a heritage building in the Cuba Heritage Area.	
 A grant would be conditional on a 	
conservation plan being prepared to guide the	
proposed work, if supported by a Built	
Heritage Incentive Fund grant.	
(8) House, 46 Tarikaka Street, Ngaio	\$4,000
Description: Restoration, repair and maintenance	
• A grant would be conditional on the owner	
obtaining conservation advice, if supported by	
a Built Heritage Incentive Fund grant.	
(9) Te Marama Woolshed, 171 South Makara Road,	\$5,000
Karori	
Description: Repair and upgrade of existing	
woolshed.	
• A grant would be conditional on the owner	
obtaining conservation advice, if supported by	
a Built Heritage Incentive Fund grant.	
(10) Building, 292 Wakefield Street (1 Cambridge	\$ 5,000
Tce), Te Aro.	
Description: Replacement of original timber	
windows on the façade of the building.	
• A grant would be conditional on the owner	
obtaining conservation advice, if supported by	
a Built Heritage Incentive Fund grant.	
Total	\$68,600
	\$58,600

4. Agree to the grant application for the building on the corner of Dixon and Cuba Streets, 84-92 Cuba Street, Te Aro being deferred, pending further information and advice being sought by officers and reported back to a future Strategy and Policy Committee meeting.

5. **ITEM 100/10P ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR SERVICE LANE -HOPPER STREET, WELLINGTON** (1215/52/IM) (REPORT 5)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

- *1. Receives the information.*
- 2. See Part A.

Andy Foster Chair