
REPORT 7
(1215/11/IM)

Report of the Strategy and Policy Committee
Meeting of Thursday 5 August 2010

Members: Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Foster (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 184/10P APPROACH TO HERITAGE MANAGEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS OF THORNDON**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 1)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that on 14 May 2009, SPC agreed to continue consultation on options to address heritage issues in Thorndon, including options for developing an appropriate set of District Plan provisions for managing the heritage values of the suburb.*
3. *Note that public consultation was undertaken between December 2008 and May 2010, which identified the following key issues:*
 - (a) *Thorndon has significant heritage and a character that is valued by local residents*
 - (b) *It is a living suburb and owners must be able to adapt their homes to take advantage of modern technology*
 - (c) *Council's consent processes and design guidelines must be streamlined to enable Council to provide timely and consistent advice and avoid uncertainty in outcomes*
 - (d) *If there is additional regulation, there should also be incentives, information and advice provided for heritage property owners*
 - (e) *Local involvement in decision-making, possibly through the establishment of a design panel or advisory board, is desirable.*

4. *Agree to further work to develop a package of measures to address heritage issues in Thorndon, that would include:*

Regulatory Measures (including place-based controls)

- (a) *Create a Heritage Area to cover the current Thorndon Character Area*
- (b) *Create an ‘ Urban Conservation Area’ to cover the remainder of residential areas of Thorndon which would define when:*
 - (i) *Consent is required to demolish residential buildings*
 - (ii) *Consent is required to undertake work on a building’s primary elevation*
- (c) *Be informed by a place-based study and revised design guidelines for the management of building works in the residential areas of Thorndon.*

Non-regulatory measures

- (a) *Streamline Council’s consent processes for proposed Heritage and Urban Conservation Areas in Thorndon, including consideration of waiving consent fees*
 - (b) *Review of the eligibility criteria for the Built Heritage Incentive Fund and the level of funding available*
 - (c) *Prepare information and provide advice and interactive opportunities (for example, meetings or workshops) for the public who have an interest in heritage building/place conservation.*
5. *Note that the non-regulatory measures proposed to address heritage issues in Thorndon are also appropriate for use across Wellington city.*
 6. *Agree that as part of the work programme officers will draft a District Plan Change that will recognise Thorndon’s unique heritage values.*
 7. *Note that the work programme will be funded from existing budgets, including the reprioritisation of existing budgets through the deferral of the next stage of the Heritage Thematic Review.*
 8. *Agree that any financial implications will be included in the 2011-2012 Draft Annual Plan process.*
 9. *Agree that a draft District Plan change to recognise Thorndon’s heritage values be added to the SPC forward programme in 2011.*

2. **ITEM 185/10P REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S BUILT HERITAGE POLICY 2005**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 2)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree to the Wellington Heritage Policy 2010 (Appendix 2 of the officer's report) which has been amended to:*
 - (a) *Incorporate the management of non-built heritage issues*
 - (b) *Update the policy to take account of changes to relevant legislation and statutory documents that impact on heritage management in Wellington City*
 - (c) *Remove operational detail (Implementation Plan 2005 – 2015).*
 - (d) *Remove the quote by Ranginui Walker from the Policy*
 - (e) *Include within the introduction the importance of identifying areas of the City which represent cohesive 'collections' of heritage places.*
 - (f) *Include additional text within the Policy on the issue of earthquake strengthening (Objective 2 - Protection and Objective 6 - Council Effectiveness)*
 - (g) *Include appropriate references to trees in the Introduction and Background*
3. *Note that limited consultation has been undertaken with key stakeholders to develop the Wellington Heritage Policy 2010 as the Built Heritage Policy 2005 involved extensive community engagement and changes to update the policy have been minor and reflect necessary technical requirements.*
4. *Delegate to the Chief Executive and Portfolio Leader, Urban Development, the authority to make any changes to the Wellington Heritage Policy 2010, required as a result of decisions of the Strategy and Policy Committee prior to the policy going to the Council.*
5. *Agree that officers consider as part of the Advisory Groups Review a heritage reference group to assist Council and staff on issues related to heritage including regulations, processes and incentives, and report back to the Strategy and Policy Committee.*
6. *See Part A.*

3. **ITEM 186/10P ACQUISITION OF LAND ADJACENT TO 28 SUNHAVEN DRIVE FOR RESERVE**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 7)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note the decision of the Strategy and Policy Committee on the 15th October 2009 “Agrees to officers entering into negotiations with the owner of the land adjoining 28 Sunhaven Drive, being approximately 1120 sq metres (part of Lot 100 DP 335825) with a view to possible acquisition and a change in zoning to a conservation site included in the report back to the Strategy and Policy Committee”.*
3. *See Part A.*

4. **ITEM 187/10P SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION PROGRAMME**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 3)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree that officers will bring back specific reports with recommendations for reducing speed limits on roads within the city as detailed in the following table:*

	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
<i>Suburban Centre Speed Reduction</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Active School Warning</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Great Harbour Way (Shelly Bay to Seatoun)</i>	✓				
<i>Great Harbour Way (Oriental Parade)</i>	✓				
<i>Great Harbour Way (Seatoun to Moa Point)</i>		✓			
<i>Great Harbour Way (Lyall Bay to Owhiro Bay)</i>			✓		
<i>Complete Rural Areas</i>		✓			
<i>Golden Mile</i>	✓				
<i>SaferRoads Inner</i>		✓	✓		

<i>City</i>					
<i>SaferRoads Suburban Roads (new areas)</i>				✓	✓

5. **ITEM 188/10P OWHIRO BAY SECTIONS**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 4)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *See Part A*

6. **ITEM 189/10P MAYORAL DELEGATION TO CHINA JUNE 2010 –
REPORT BACK**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 5)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that a paper identifying the role of the Council's international relations activities in Wellington's economic future as an internationally competitive city will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in the next triennium of the new council.*
3. *Note that the business members of the delegation considered the delegation a great success in building relationships and creating opportunities in China.*

7. **ITEM 190/10P FORWARD PROGRAMME**
(1215/52/IM) (REPORT 6)

THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree the Forward Programme as amended, attached as Appendix one of the officer's report.*
3. *Agree that the Encroachment Paper be moved from 19 August and will be rescheduled as soon as possible prior to the election.*

Andy Foster
Chair