



Report 08.981

28 March 2008

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Confirmed Minutes of the Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 19 March 2008 at 2.00 pm

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Baber, Bruce, Buchanan, Donaldson, Glensor, Greig, Laidlaw, Kirton, Lamason, and Wilson.

Officers Present

Benham, Bradbury, Corry, Davis, Dick, Hastie, Kennedy, Reay, Ryan, and Turfrey.

Public Business

078 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Wilson)

That Council:

Confirms the apology for absence from Councillor Burke.

079 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

080 **Public participation**

Mayor David Ogden spoke on the relationship between Hutt City Council and Greater Wellington.

081 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr Wilson./Cr Lamason)

That Council:

Confirms the minutes of the public and public excluded meeting on 25 February 2008, Report 08.113.

Regional Strategies/Policies

082 **Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan**

Report 08.133

File: CFO/07/06/14

Resolved

(Cr Greig/Cr Wilson)

That Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the Council's proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan and summary document subject to changes identified by the Council.*

Noted

Officers were asked to provide Councillor training on the transport rate model.

083 **Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – Draft 2008/09 Strategic Plan and Draft Statement of Trustees' Intent (STI)**

Report 08.127

File: CFO/27/12/2

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Kirton)

That Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes its contents.*

3. *Requests that its comments are sent to the Stadium Trust.*

Comments

Councillor Wilde asked how much longer the Rugby Sevens franchise would operate at the Stadium. She was advised by Councillor Laidlaw that the event was secure for a further four years.

Councillor Glensor asked if Greater Wellington receives sufficient credit and publicity for its financial input into the Stadium.

Funding was discussed, and Officers advised that the Stadium will not pay any dividends until 2020.

Committees

084 **Ara Tahi – 13 February 2008**

Report 08.84

File: E/06/21/03

Resolved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Donaldson)

That Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

085 **Wellington Regional Strategy – 21 February 2008**

Report 08.102

File: E/06/26/02

Resolved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Donaldson)

That Council:

Adopts the report of the meeting of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee held on 21 February 2008, items WRS 19 to WRS 27 inclusive.

Corporate

086 Remuneration of Elected Members for 2008/09

Report 08.23

File: E/05/02/03

Resolved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Greig)

That Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Notes that the Remuneration Authority has set an indicative pool of \$851,025, and has determined the Chair's salary to be \$140,127 for 2008/09.*
4. *Adopts the following annual salary proposal for Remuneration Authority approval:*
 - *Deputy Council Chairperson with Committee - \$72,510*
 - *Committee Chairpersons - \$69,552 each*
 - *Councillors - \$48,438 each*
5. *Adopts Greater Wellington's Policy on Elected Members' allowances and expenses, as detailed in Attachment 2, for Remuneration Authority approval*

Noted

The Chair reminded Councillors that the committee structure is to be reviewed early in 2009.

Other

087 Leave of absence application: Councillor Glensor (Oral item)

Resolved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Lamason)

That the Council

Grants leave to Councillor Glensor between 20 May and 20 June 2008 (inclusive).

088 General

Councillors Bruce and Glensor asked whether the Council would have the opportunity to consider the STV electoral system. They were advised by Officers that work is being done on this, and material will be presented to the Council at the opportune time.

089 **Exclusion of the Public****Report 08.144**

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*Resolved**(Cr Kirton/Cr Aitken)**That the Council**Exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:**Proposal for Council to assist Crown with Cultural Redress Settlement for Taranaki Whanui (Wellington) Port Nicholson Block Claim**The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:*

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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<i>Proposal for Council to assist Crown with Cultural Redress Settlement for Taranaki Whanui (Wellington) Port Nicholson Block Claim</i>	<i>The information contained in this report relates to Greater Wellington entering into an agreement with the Crown and Taranaki Whanui to assist in facilitating part of the cultural redress proposed for the Port Nicholson Block Treaty of Waitangi claim of Taranaki Whanui. The agreement has not yet been entered into. The report outlines terms of the proposed agreement which may still be negotiated. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal the Council's negotiation strategy. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of the particular information above in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the identified prejudice.</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would likely result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable Greater Wellington to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations.)</i>
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This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The open part of the meeting closed at 2.52 pm.

Cr FH WILDE
(Chair)

Date