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Report 13.66

26/02/2013

File: E/11/01/03

**Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber,
Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington, on
Tuesday, 26 February 2013 at 9.34am**

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Greig, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Ponter, Swain and Wilson.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Aitken)

That the Council accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Glensor.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no conflicts of interest.

3 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved

(Cr Greig / Cr Brash)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of the meeting 12 December 2012, Report 12.608

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

5 Review of the Resource Management Charging Policy

Nigel Corry, General Manager, Environment Management, introduced the report.

Report 13.55

File: CMM/01/16/02

Moved

(Cr Aitken / Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

- 1 Receives the report.*
- 2 Approves the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy 2013 (Statement of Proposal) and the Summary of Information.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

6 2013 Public Transport Fare Review

Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport, introduced the report.

Report 13.40

File: TD/07/11/02

Moved

(Cr Brash / Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Notes that the Council Long Term Plan 2012-22 assumes a fare revenue increase of 3 per cent per annum from 2012/13 onwards.*
- 4. Notes that user contribution levels are at the lower end of the target range.*
- 5. Agrees that fares be increased from 1 October 2013 to generate a fare revenue increase of 2 per cent, subject to approval of the Annual Plan 2013/14 by Council, and to satisfactory agreement of contractual terms with operators which see the financial benefits of the fare increase flowing to the Council.*

6. *Agrees that that zone 1 non-cash fare levels will be increased this year by 3.8 per cent to avoid a larger increase next year, and that consequently the discount on cash for zone 1 smartcard and ten-trip fares will be 17% which is less than the target of 20%.*
7. *Notes that consultation on the proposed fare revenue increase will occur with the public as part of the preparation of the Council's Annual 2013/14, and that the increase cannot be confirmed until the completion of that Plan.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Councillors Bruce, Ponter and Wilson voted against parts 5 and 6.

Councillors requested a socio-economic impact analysis of fare increases.

The meeting adjourned at 10.36am.

The meeting resumed at 10.54am.

Councillor Swain left the meeting at 10.36am.

7 **Approval of Draft Annual Plan 2013/14**

David Benham, Chief Executive, introduced the report.

Report 13.46

File: SP/07/01/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of this report.*
3. *Agrees that the matters in the report will lead to the Council making a decision with a high degree of significance.*
4. *Notes that it is proposed to operate a non balanced budget in 2013/14 as set out in section 5.3 of this report.*
5. *Notes that the proposed rates have been prepared on the assumption that there will be a 2% increase in fare revenue for public transport services.*
6. *Approves the 2013/14 draft Annual Plan and Summary (as set out in Attachments 1 and 2) for public consultation, subject to any changes agreed at the meeting.*
7. *Delegates to the Chair the ability to make minor editorial changes prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding.*

8. *Notes the submission period from 25 March to 26 April 2013, and the proposed public engagement activities.*
9. *Notes the draft Annual Plan 2013/14 and the Summary will contain information on the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy 2013 and the Proposed Parks Concession Guidelines.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

8 **Transfer of property assets at Hutt Park, Seaview**

Tony Shaw, Project Manager, Engineering, introduced the report.

Report 13.1

File: B/23/01/02

Moved

(Cr Aitken / Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the transfer of ownership to the Hutt City Council of the GWRC-owned strip of land on Hutt Park (described in Computer Freehold Register WN778/25 and WNA3/654) for peppercorn consideration following decommissioning of the 525mm cast iron water supply pipeline.*
4. *Approves the transfer of ownership to the Hutt City Council of the decommissioned electrical control building of the Randwick pump station for peppercorn consideration.*
5. *Authorises the Chief Executive to sign an agreement with the Hutt City Council for the transfer of the property assets in recommendations 3 and 4 above.*
6. *Notes that in exchange for the transfer of the property assets in recommendations 3 and 4 above, the Hutt City Council will grant GWRC an easement for its bulk water pipes, pump and valve chamber and related external pipework occupying HCC land at Hutt Park.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

9 **Approval and notification of the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region 2013**

Nigel Corry, General Manager, Environment Management, introduced the report.

Report 13.34

File: X/08/12/02

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Brash)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of this report.*
- 3. Approves the finalised Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region 2013 in Attachment 1 in accordance with Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.*
- 4. Authorises the Chief Executive to affix the Council's common seal to the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region 2013.*
- 5. Publicly notifies, in April 2013, the date on which the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region 2013 is to be made operative.*
- 6. Thanks the officers who were involved in the preparation of the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region 2013 for their contribution.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 **Sustainable Dairying: Water Accord – A Commitment to New Zealand by the Dairying Sector**

Nigel Corry, General Manager, Environment Management, introduced the report.

Report 13.52

File: ENV/05/03/24

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw / Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Agrees to support the Sustainable Dairying: Water Accord and to become a "Friend of the Accord".*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

11 **Towards Better Local Regulation draft report**

Report 13.50

File: PS/02/02/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Brash)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Agrees that a letter of support be written in support of Local Government New Zealand's submission to the Productivity Commission.*
4. *Delegates to the Chair the ability to sign the letter following the receipt of the final Local Government New Zealand submission.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Corporate

12 **Financial report for the period ended 31 December 2012**

Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the report.

Report 13.45

File: CFO/13/02/01

Moved

(Cr Aitken / Cr Greig)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**

Committees/Meetings

13 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting 14 December 2012**

Report 12.617

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*

2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

14 **Report on the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting 30 January 2013**

Report 13.13

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilson / Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*

2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

15 **Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee 31 January 2013**

Report 13.18

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Bruce / Cr Ponter)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*

2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

16 **Report on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee 13 February 2013**

Report 13.53

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*

2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

17 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee 13 February 2013**

Report 13.60

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde / Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

18 **Exclusion of the public**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- 1. Confirmation of the public excluded minutes of Council 12 December 2012*
- 2. Appointment of non-local government member to the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee*
- 3. Appointment of Director to the Grow Wellington Board*

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:

General subject of each matter to be considered:	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
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<i>1. Confirmation of the public excluded minutes of Council 12 December 2012</i>	<i>Certain information contained in these minutes relates to potential sale of forestry cutting rights. Release of this information would be likely to harm the negotiating position of Greater Wellington Regional Council as it sets out potential options, which if exposed to the market would adversely affect Greater Wellington Regional Council's capacity to negotiate an</i>	<i>That the 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(2)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the</i>
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outcome most advantageous for ratepayers. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information. making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).

Certain information contained in these minutes relates to potential future rail service contracting in the Wellington region. Release of this information would be likely to harm the commercial position of current providers as it sets out potential options which if adopted might expose current providers to commercial risks. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information. That the 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(2)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).

2. Appointment of non-local government member to the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment of a non-local government member to the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed member's privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered for, and have expressed interest in, appointment as a member of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular

That the 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(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect the privacy of natural persons).

information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individuals concerned.

3. Appointment of Director to the Grow Wellington Board

The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment of directors to Grow Wellington. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed appointees' privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered as directors of the region's economic development agency. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individuals concerned.

That the 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(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

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 motion was **CARRIED**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.52am.

FH Wilde
(Chair)

Date: