

Terms of Reference for the Parangarahu Lakes Parks Network Plan Hearing Subcommittee

1. Membership

The membership of the Parangarahu Lakes Parks Network Plan Hearing Subcommittee shall be made up of three members representing the Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust and three members of the Greater Wellington Regional Council.

The quorum is four members comprised of two representatives from Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust and two representatives from Greater Wellington Regional Council.

The Chair will be appointed by the Council.

2. Meeting procedures

The Greater Wellington Regional Council Standing Orders apply.

All members have equal speaking rights and a deliberative vote.

Hearings will be open to the public, except where there are grounds to exclude the public in terms of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Members must be present for the substantial part of the hearings and deliberations in order to participate in the decision-making of the Subcommittee.

3. Powers

The Subcommittee has the power to:

- Hear and consider submissions on both the non-statutory Parangarahu Lakes Area Co-Management Plan and the statutory Parangarahu Lakes Area Parks Network Plan Amendment.
- To recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust changes to the draft Parangarahu Lakes Area Co-Management Plan and
- To recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council changes to the draft Parangarahu Lakes Area Parks Network Plan Amendment
- To recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust the approval of the non-statutory Parangarahu Lakes Area Co-Management Plan and
- To recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council the approval of the statutory Parangarahu Lakes Area Parks Network Plan Amendment.

4. Responsibilities

The Subcommittee shall ensure that:

- the hearing and consideration process is carried out in a manner that endorses the 2013 Memorandum of Partnership between Greater Wellington Regional Council and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust;
- the hearing and consideration process is carried out in a way that is effective and timely;
- submitters are provided with the best possible opportunity to be heard in support of their submission;
- subcommittee members receive submissions with an open mind and give due consideration to each submission; and
- the decision-making process is robust and transparent and the summary of the consultation process adequately, fairly and demonstrably reflects the submitters' comments.

5. Remuneration of non-councillors members of the Subcommittee

The non-councillor members of the Subcommittee are entitled to receive Greater Wellington Regional Council's standard daily meeting attendance allowances and expenses.

6. Duration of Subcommittee

The Subcommittee is deemed to be dissolved at the approval of the Parangarahu Lakes Area Co-Management Plan by Greater Wellington Regional Council and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust and the adoption of the Parangarahu Lakes Area Parks Network Plan Amendment by Greater Wellington Regional Council.