



greater WELLINGTON

REGIONAL COUNCIL

Te Pane Matua Taiao

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Report 15.554

04/11/2015

File:CCAB-8-255

Public minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Shed 39, 2 Fryatt Quay, Pipitea, Wellington, on Wednesday, 4 November 2015 at 9.32am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Greig, Kedgley, Laban, Lamason, McPhee, Swain, Wilde and Wilson (from 9.43am).

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council accepts the apology for lateness from Councillor Wilson.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public Participation

Max Shierlaw (on behalf of Hutt City Council) spoke to item 24 on the agenda- Local Government Funding Agency Annual General Meeting. Bill Rosenberg, Alistair McKee, Ariana Paretutanganui-Tamati, Tom Bennion, Grant Brookes (on behalf of New Zealand Nurses Organisation) and Gay Keating (on behalf of Doctors for Healthy Trade) spoke to item 15 on the agenda- Notice of Motion: Cr Paul Bruce.

4 **Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes of 30 September 2015 and the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 30 September 2015**

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Wilson)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of 30 September 2015, Report 15.498 and the restricted public excluded minutes of 30 September 2015, Report RPE 15.503 with the amendment that the presence of Councillor Greig and the absence of Councillor Donaldson be noted in the RPE minutes.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Council resolved that the item- Notice of Motion: Cr Paul Bruce be dealt with before the item - Principles to guide IFT Fares Policies and Transition.

5 **Notice of Motion: Cr Paul Bruce**

Report 15.542

File: CCAB-8-233

Moved

(Cr Bruce/ Cr Kedgley)

That the Council:

1. *Notes the content of the report.*
2. *Reviews the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) text against the TPP Policy Solution adopted by councils representing a majority (60%) of the NZ population.*
3. *Requests the Chief Executive to conduct an analysis of the TPP text and deliver a report to Council assessing the TPP implications, the object being to determine the impact that the TPP will have on Greater Wellington Regional Council's ability to make decisions in the interests of our region, the people and their environment.*
4. *Asks that central government initiates a full public and parliamentary debate before proceeding with formal consideration of the TPP, including formal signing.*
5. *Asks that central government carry out human rights, health and environmental impact assessments of the potential effects of the TPP on the people and the land of New Zealand, as urged by the United Nations independent expert Alfred de Zayas, and make this information publicly available.*
6. *Asks that central government consults with local government prior to any further action taken that might compromise the ability of local government to make decisions in the interests of our region, the people and their environment.*

Moved as an amendment (to replace items 2 to 6 of the motion)

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Aitken)

2. *Notes the next steps in the Trans-Pacific Partnership process, as outlined by the Government, including:*
 - *Legal verification of the TPP text*
 - *Government approval and signing of the TPP text*
 - *Presentation of the TPP text, together with a National Interest Analysis to Parliament for examination by the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Select Committee*
 - *The opportunity for the public to make submissions as part of the Committee's consultation process*
 - *Legislative change to implement TPP obligations will be subject to the normal Parliamentary procedures, including select committee scrutiny and the passage of legislation through Parliament*
 - *Binding treaty action by the Executive will be subject to the completion of the aforementioned steps.*

3. *Instructs the Council Chair to write to the President of LGNZ, requesting that a local government evaluation, based on an independent analysis of the implications of the TPP for local government, and for the social, cultural, economic, environmental and health wellbeing of communities, be undertaken as a basis of LGNZ input into parliamentary consideration, and that the evaluation report should be made publicly available and widely publicised.*

The amendment was **LOST**.

The Council resolved to suspend Standings Orders to agree changes to the content of the original motion with the consent of the mover; the original motion, incorporating the agreed changes, became the substantive motion set out below:

Moved

(Cr Bruce/ Cr Kedgley)

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The substantive motion was put to the vote in parts. Parts 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7 were **CARRIED**. Part 3 was **LOST**.

The meeting adjourned at 11.17am and recommenced at 11.40am during the above item.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

The Council resolved to deal with the item- Wellington Water Limited- Bulk Supply Update before the item- Principles to guide IFT Fares Policies and Transition.

6 Wellington Water Limited- Bulk Supply Update

Colin Crampton, Chief Executive, Wellington Water Limited, spoke to the report.

Report 15.548

File: CCAB-8-240

Moved

(Cr Greig / Cr Brash)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 Principles to guide IFT Fares Policies and Transition

Paul Kos, Manager, Projects and Planning, spoke to the report.

Report 15.533

File: TD/11/01/02

Moved

(Cr Swain/ Cr Wilde)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Adopts the principles to guide transition of fares and products:*
 - 1. Changes to fares and products will enhance customer experience, by being easy to understand and fair*
 - 2. Fares policies will help deliver the Regional Public Transport Plan objectives, including achieving patronage growth and meeting farebox recovery targets*
 - 3. The fare structure will be rationalised and simplified through the transition*
 - 4. New IFT fares and products will minimise negative impacts on revenue and costs for GWRC and NZTA*
 - 5. The transition to a new fare structure will be easy to implement, and introduced in stages rather than as a single event*
 - 6. A network-wide approach will be used to rationalise fares across all modes*
 - 7. Emerging but proven payment and ticketing technologies will be considered in implementing IFT*
 - 8. Existing free transfers on and between bus and rail will be retained and any new transfers required as a result of changes to the network will avoid penalising customers*
 - 9. The new fare structure and interim solutions will improve the quality of public transport data.*
- 4. Notes that a Fares Transition Strategy, setting out a more developed pathway for fares transition, will be reported to the Sustainable Transport Committee in December 2015, prior to report to Council.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

8 **Northern Suburbs bus service improvements**

Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport, spoke to the report.

Report 15.545

File: TD/03/08/07

Moved

(Cr Swain/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Notes that the reliability and capacity improvements to the northern suburb bus routes will be undertaken over two phases; November 2015 for Newlands routes and February 2016 for Churton Park routes.*
4. *Approves the additional contract variation spend for implementation of the service improvements outlined in this report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Governance

9 **Online voting trial in the 2016 local government elections**

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services spoke to the report.

Report 15.501

File: CCAB-8-217

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 **2016 meeting schedule**

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services spoke to the report.

Report 15.534

File: CCAB-8-224

Moved

(Cr Greig/ Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Adopts the 2016 meeting schedule as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.*
4. *Authorises the Manager, Democratic Services to circulate the schedule to key stakeholders, and to modify the schedule as and when required, in accordance with Standing Orders.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

11 **Appointment to Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee**

Report 15.550

File: CCAB-8-243

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Notes the resignation of Councillor Malcolm Sparrow from the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee.*
4. *Appoints Councillor David Lee as a member of the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Corporate

12 **Wellington Regional Stadium Trust- Annual Report June 2015**

Mike Timmer, Treasurer, spoke to the report.

Report 15.541

File: CFO/09/02/02-v1

Moved

(Cr Wilson/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

13 **WRC Holdings Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2015**

Mike Timmer, Treasurer, spoke to the report.

Report 15.540

File: CCAB- 8-227

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Receives, as sole shareholder, the 2014/15 financial statements of WRC Holdings Limited.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

14 **Shareholder resolutions in lieu of Annual General Meeting- WRC Holdings Limited**

Report 15.526

File: CCAB-8-227

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *As sole shareholder of WRC Holdings Limited Resolves by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 1 to not hold an Annual General Meeting.*
4. *Authorises the Chief Executive to sign the resolutions of the sole shareholder (Attachment 1).*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

15 **Shareholder Resolution in lieu of AGM- WREDA**

Report 15.523

File: WRS/22/01/02

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *As a 20% shareholder of WREDA Limited resolves by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 1 to not hold an Annual General Meeting.*
4. *Authorises the Chief Executive to sign the shareholder resolutions on behalf of this Council (attachment 1).*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Committees/Meetings

16 **Report on the Environment Committee meeting 22 September 2015**

Report 15.478

File: CCAB-8-206

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

17 **Report on the Finance, Risk and Assurance meeting 24 September 2015**

Report 15.489

File: CCAB-8-215

Moved

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

18 **Report on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting 7 October 2015**

Report 15.510

File: CCAB-8-221

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Wilde)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

19 **Report on the Sustainable Transport Committee meeting 27 October 2015**

Report 15.537

File: CCAB-8-230

Moved

(Cr Swain/ Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

20 **Report on the Environment Committee meeting 27 October 2015**

Nigel Corry, General Manager, Environment Management, spoke to the report.

Report 15.543

File: CCAB-8-206

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

21 **Exclusion of the public**

Report 15.546

File: CCAB-8-237

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

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

- 1. Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes, 30 September 2015*
- 2. Appointment to the Sustainable Transport Committee*
- 3. Local Government Funding Agency Annual General Meeting*

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 matter</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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| <i>1. Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes 30 September 2015</i> | <i>The information contained in these minutes relates to negotiations on a redress proposal from the Office of Treaty Settlements (OTS) in relation to Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tamaki Nui-ā-Rua and Rangitāne o Wairarapa. 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 stance. The 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 this prejudice.</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)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).</i> |
| <i>2. Appointment to the Sustainable Transport</i> | <i>The information contained in this report relates to the appointment of a non-Councillor member to the</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting</i> |

Committee Sustainable Transport Committee. would be likely to result in the Release of this information would disclosure of information for prejudice the privacy of the person which good reason for proposed for appointment by withholding would exist under disclosing the fact that they have section 7(2)(a) of the Local expressed interest in, and are being Government Official Information considered for, appointment to the and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to Committee. Greater Wellington protect the privacy of natural Regional Council has not been able persons) to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override their privacy.

3. *Local Government Funding Agency Annual General Meeting* *The information contained in this report relates to the proposed election of LGFA Directors. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed Directors' privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered, and have expressed interest in, becoming Directors of the LGFA. 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 1.12pm.

C Laidlaw
(Chair)

Date: