

Report 03.242

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Wednesday, 30 April 2003 at 9.30am**

**Present**

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Evans, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields, Thomas, Werry and Yardley and Mr Ross

**Officers present**

Messrs Ballantine, Blake, Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Griffin, Muller, Oliver, Waititi, Dr Crisp, Amanda Cox and Tina Walker

**Public business**

**Procedural items**

LC 100 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)*

*That the apology from Mr Gilbert be confirmed.*

**LC 101 Public participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

**LC 102 Confirmation of minutes**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Evans)*

*That the minutes of the meeting of 11 March 2003, Report 03.191 and Report PE 03.192, be confirmed, the public excluded to remain confidential.*

**Matter for recommendation****LC 103 Porirua Scheme – Land Rationalisation at Stebbings Dam and Acquisition of Stream Access at Oxford Street, Tawa**

**Report 03.206**

File: N/03/09/17

*Resolved*

*(Cr Yardley/Cr Evans)*

- (1) *That the report be received.*
- (2) *That the rationalisation of land at Stebbings detention dam approved by Council on 23 September 1997 as a result of Report 97.327 is to now be effected by way of the Stebbings Land Exchange agreement with Wellington City Council be noted.*
- (3) *See below.*
- (4) *That the payment of \$112,000 (less survey, transfer and legal costs incurred by this Council) from Wellington City Council resulting from the Stebbings Land Exchange be used to offset existing Stebbings detention dam debt be confirmed.*
- (5) *That officers pursuing an easement from Wall Place to provide permanent maintenance access to the Porirua Stream be endorsed.*

**Resolved to Recommend**

**(Cr Yardley/Cr Evans)**

- (3) That Council approve the acquisition of 12A Oxford Street (CT WN6D/1224) from Wellington City Council for a sum of \$3,000 inclusive of GST (if any) by way of the Stebbings Land Exchange agreement.**

## Matters for decision

### LC 104 **Karori Sanctuary Request to Take Native Birds from Greater Wellington Land**

**Report 03.173**

File: PK/08/01/05

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shields/Cr Werry)*

- (1) *That the report be received and the contents noted.*
- (2) *That the request by Karori Sanctuary to capture and transfer up to 20 tomtits from the Puketiro pine forest area in the Akatarawa Forest be agreed.*
- (3) *That the Akatarawa/Pakuratahi Ranger will determine the monitoring, reporting and access conditions in accordance with Council policies on use of the Akatarawa Forest be noted.*

### LC 105 **Application to Construct Wind Anemometer Towers in Belmont Regional Park**

**Report 03.211**

File: PK/08/01/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Werry/Cr Yardley)*

- (1) *Note that on 18 March 2003 the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee approved [utility services] officers completing a feasibility study for a wind farm development at Belmont Regional Park.*
- (2) *Note that the Divisional Manager, Landcare received an application from the Project Manager, Renewable Energy to construct temporary wind anemometer towers in Belmont Regional Park.*
- (3) *Note that officers consider the activity to be permissible under the current Belmont Regional Park management plan.*
- (4) *Agree that the application be approved and provided for through a licence subject to the conditions noted in Report 03.211.*

## Matters for information

### LC 106 **Waikanae Floodplain Management Plan – Otaihanga Road Raising Works Stage 3**

#### **Report 03.201**

File: N/06/12/11

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Kirton)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

### LC 107 **Regional Outdoors Programme 2003**

#### **Report 03.172**

File: PK/02/03/01

Amanda Cox said the programme will now be reviewed and that will include member's comments as follows:

- co-ordination with school holidays
- costings
- programme extensions to April
- maximising best weather patterns
- volunteers
- historical and Iwi locations
- extending public participation

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Thomas)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

### LC 108 **Divisional Manager's Report**

#### **Report 03.203**

File: E/06/16/03

#### **Robin Blake to Retire**

Members congratulated and thanked Robin "Lofty" Blake for his distinguished service and showed their appreciation by acclamation.

#### **Mangaroa 1080 Operation**

It was agreed that officers liaise with the Medical Officer of Health on ways to minimise disruption to public access in future 1080 drops.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Yardley)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

LC 109 **Questions**

There were no questions.

LC 110 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 11.15am.

Cr C LAIDLAW  
Chairperson