

Confirmed Public minutes of the Council meeting on 10 December 2020

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 9.30am

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Brash
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Hughes
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor van Lier

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lamason

That the Council accepts the apology for absence from Councillors Blakeley and Laban.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

The Council Chair invited Councillor Lamason, as the longest serving Councillor, to say some words regarding the Council's first meeting at Greater Wellington's Cuba Street building. On behalf of the Council, Councillor Lamason thanked officers, in particular Samantha Gain, Nigel Corry and Tim Penwarden, for their work in ensuring an efficient move to the new building and for creating a modern and stimulating work environment.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 29 October 2020 – Report 20.414

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Lamason

That the Council confirms the Public minutes of 29 October 2020 – Report 20.414.

The motion was carried.

5 Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 29 October 2020 – Report PE20.415

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Lamason

That the Council confirms the Public Excluded minutes of 29 October 2020 – Report PE20.415.

The motion was carried.

6 Update on the progress of action items from previous meetings – December 2020 – Report 20.431 [For information]

Strategy, policy or major issues

7 Report of the Hearing Subcommittee on the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020 – 30 – Report 20.490

Fiona Colquhoun, Parks Planner, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Brash

That the Council approves the recommended amendments to the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 made by the sub-committee during deliberations on 25 November 2020 as outlined in Attachment 1.

The motion was carried.

8 Adoption of the Toitū Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020 – 30 – Report 20.493

Fiona Colquhoun, Parks Planner, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Gaylor

That the Council:

- 1 Notes the recommendation of the Hearing Subcommittee of the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 and summary of submissions, officer advice and deliberations (Report 20.490, Attachment 1).

- 2 Adopts the Toitū Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30, Attachment 1.
- 3 Adopts the Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020, Attachment 2.
- 4 Delegates to the Chair and Chief Executive the ability to make minor editorial changes to the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding.

The motion was **carried**.

9 Proposed Variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme 2018/21: Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway business case – Report 20.418

Luke Troy, General Manager, Strategy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Staples

That the Council:

- 1 Adopts the proposed variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme 2018-21 as set out in Attachment 1, to include the Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case.
- 2 Agrees to the adopted variation being forwarded to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, requesting that the variation is included in the National Land Transport Programme.

The motion was **carried**.

Governance

10 Changes to Council's delegations of powers, functions and responsibilities – December 2020 - Report 20.450

Will Ogier, Principal Advisor, Democratic Services, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Hughes

That the Council:

- 1 Notes recent legislation with implications for Council's powers, functions and responsibilities.
- 2 Delegates to the Chief Executive all the powers, functions and responsibilities under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 and Urban Development Act 2020 (Attachment 1), except those powers, functions and responsibilities retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 2).
- 3 Revokes, with effect from 10 December 2020, the delegation made by Council on 24 October 2018 to specific officers under the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.
- 4 Delegates its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Resource Management Act 1991 to specified officers, except those powers retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 3), with effect from 10 December 2020.

- 5 Delegates its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to specified officers, except those powers not capable of delegation or retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 4), with effect from 10 December 2020.
- 6 Revokes the delegation to the Proposed Natural Resources Plan Hearing Panel (Establishment of a hearing panel to hear and decide on submissions on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region – Report 15.338) as this process has concluded.

The motion was **carried**.

- 11 Regional Transport Committee Meeting, 24 November 2020 – Report 20.437 – December 2020 - Report 20.437** [For information]
- 12 Wellington Regional Strategy Committee Meeting, 24 November 2020 – Report 20.483** [For information]
- 13 Wellington Water Committee Meetings, 3 November and 25 November – Report 20.435** [For information]

Samantha Gain, General Manager, Corporate Services, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Council requested that officers invite Geoff Dangerfield, Chair, Wellington Water Limited, to attend a Council workshop to provide an overview of the Board's performance.

- 14 Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting, 27 November 2020 – Report 20.488** [For information]

Corporate

- 15 Statement of Expectations – WRC Holdings 2021/22 – Report 20.422**

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Hughes

That the Council:

- 1 Approves the draft statement of expectations for WRC Holdings Limited (Attachment 1)
- 2 Authorises the Council Chair to make changes to finalise the Statement of Expectations and send it to WRC Holdings Limited.

The motion was **carried**.

16 Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – Statement of Expectations for 2021/22 — Report 20.489

Moved: Cr Hughes / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That the Council:

- 1 Approves the draft Statement of Expectations for the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust (Attachment 1).
- 2 Authorises the Council Chair to make changes to finalise the Statement of Expectations and send it to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.
- 3 Notes that in future years a joint statement of expectations will be issued by both settlor councils.

The motion was **carried**.

17 Greater Wellington’s performance for the three months to 30 September 2020 — Report 20.420

Luke Troy, General Manager, Strategy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lamason

That the Council accepts Greater Wellington’s performance report for the three months to 30 September 2020 (the end of the first quarter of 2020/21) (Attachment 1).

The motion was **carried**.

Exclusions

18 Exclusion of the public – Report 20.497

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Brash

That the Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Fleet Acquisition – Bus – Report PE20.448

Harbour Ferry Services – contract variation – Report PE20.464

Proposed Diesel to Electric Bus Trial – Report PE20.487

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.485

WREDA Director Appointment – Report PE20.423

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 ground/s under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Fleet Acquisition – Bus – Report PE20.448	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Information contained in this report relates to bus service procurement and contracting in the Wellington Region. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with bus operators for future fleet for the Metlink public transport network.</p> <p>Greater Wellington 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.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>
Harbour Ferry Services – contract variation – Report PE20.464	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Information contained in this report relates to the variation of the Partnering Contract for the provision of harbour ferry public transport services. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with the ferry operator.</p> <p>Greater Wellington 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</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>
Proposed Diesel to Electric Bus Trial - Report PE20.487	

<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Certain information contained in this report relates to bus service contracting in the Wellington Region. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with the bus operator for converted fleet for the Metlink public transport network.</p> <p>Greater Wellington 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.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>
Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.485	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidate. Withholding this information prior to Council's decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would disclose their consideration as a Trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.</p> <p>Greater Wellington 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.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).</p>
WREDA Director Appointments – Report PE20.423	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>

The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidates. Withholding this information prior to Council's decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would disclose their consideration as a director of WREDA.

Greater Wellington 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.

The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).

The motion was **carried**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 10.27am and the meeting adjourned for morning tea.



Councillor D Ponter
Chair

Date:

25/2/20