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**ORDINARY MEETING**

**OF**

**PŪRORO MAHEREHERE | ANNUAL PLAN/LONG-TERM PLAN  
COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**Time:** 1:30pm  
**Date:** Tuesday, 8 February 2022  
**Venue:** Virtual meeting

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**PRESENT**

Mayor Foster (Deputy Chair) (via audiovisual link)  
Deputy Mayor Free (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Calvert (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Condie (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Day (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Fitzsimons (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Foon (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Matthews (Chair) (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor O'Neill (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Pannett (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Paul (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Rush (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Woolf (via audiovisual link)  
Councillor Young (via audiovisual link)



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## **1. Meeting Conduct**

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### **1.1 Karakia**

The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 1:31pm and invited members to stand and read the following karakia to open the meeting.

<b>Whakataka te hau ki te uru,</b>	Cease oh winds of the west
<b>Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.</b>	and of the south
<b>Kia mākinakina ki uta,</b>	Let the bracing breezes flow,
<b>Kia mātaratara ki tai.</b>	over the land and the sea.
<b>E hī ake ana te atākura.</b>	Let the red-tipped dawn come
<b>He tio, he huka, he hauhū.</b>	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
<b>Tihei Mauri Ora!</b>	a promise of a glorious day

### **1.2 Apologies**

No apologies were received.

### **1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### **1.4 Confirmation of Minutes**

#### **Recommendation**

That the Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan Committee:

1. Approves the minutes of the Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan Committee Meeting held on 18 November 2021, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

(Councillor Young joined the meeting at 1:33pm)

### **1.5 Items not on the Agenda**

There were no items not on the agenda.

### **1.6 Public Participation**

#### **1.6.1 Alex Stein**

Alex Stein addressed the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:29pm and resumed at 2:35pm with the following members present: Councillor Calvert, Councillor Condie, Councillor Day, Councillor Fitzsimons, Councillor Foon, Mayor Foster, Deputy Mayor Free, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Rush, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young.

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## 2. General Business

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### 2.1 2022/23 Annual Plan draft plan and budget

#### Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Mayor Foster

That the Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan Committee:

- 1) Receive the information
- 2) Note the draft 2022/23 financial position, reflecting the recently rescheduled capital programme, of a 9.1% rates rise, \$1.3bn forecast level of debt, and \$421m capital programme
- 3) Note that the draft rates position may change further as other budget decisions are included and budget inputs, such as inflation assumptions, are confirmed closer to the beginning of the 2022/23 financial year.
- 4) Note the heightened uncertainty facing planning for 2022/23 year as a result of the current spread of the COVID-19 Omicron variant in the community
- 5) Agree to include an additional \$500,000 operating costs in the 2022/23 Annual Plan for committee deliberations in March relating to a range of discounts on fees and rates for owners of earthquake prone buildings.
- 6) Agree the preferred approach on the resolution as to whether to include additional budget for Mākara resilience works is to undertake further detailed design work in 2022/23, in order for the works and funding options to be considered as part of the 2023/24 Annual Plan.
- 7) Note other outstanding committee resolutions related to the 2022/23 Annual Plan will be progressed through other upcoming committee meetings and incorporated into the draft budget for deliberations on 8 March
- 8) Agree in principal R&F non-compliance of Activity 7.1.4 Passenger transport network, and 5.2.5 Housing where compliance differs from LTP
- 9) Agree in principal non-compliance where other activities are non-compliant but within variance thresholds or in line with the position accepted during LTP.
- 10) Agree the proposed changes to fees and user charges, noting the balance of fees and charges would change as per year two of the 2021-31 LTP
- 11) Note that the full draft 2022/23 budget and consultation document will be presented to the 8 March Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan committee meeting for deliberation.
- 12) **Agree that Officers be requested to identify options, in conjunction with the Mayor and Chair of the Committee, to reduce the proposed rates increase for the draft 2022/23 Annual Plan, in the report of 8 March, noting \$15m of savings are already built into the draft budget.**

**Secretarial Note:** Councillor Matthews moved the motion with changes from the recommendations in the officers' report, marked in red.

**Moved Councillor Foon, seconded Councillor O'Neill the following amendment**

**Resolved**

- 13) Agree that officers provide advice and costs in time for the 8 March Annual Plan deliberations on:
  - a) transitioning from using pesticide to alternative non-toxic methods for pest weed control in Wellington,
  - b) whether funding support is required from WCC for the Sanctuary to Sea Project, and
  - c) opportunities to increase Council's tree planting programme.

**Carried**

**Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Mayor Foster the following substantive motion**

**Resolved**

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**Carried**

**Secretarial Note:** Voting was taken in parts, with clause 5, clause 13, and clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 voted on separately. The results of those votes are as follows:

Clause 5

**Lost**

Clause 13

**Carried**

Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12

**Carried**

(Councillor Woolf left the meeting at 3:15pm)

The meeting adjourned at 3:38pm and resumed at 3:45pm with the following members present: Councillor Calvert, Councillor Condie, Councillor Day, Councillor Fitzsimons, Councillor Foon, Mayor Foster, Deputy Mayor Free, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Paul, Councillor Rush, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young.

(Councillor Woolf returned to the meeting at 3:45pm)

## **2.2 Residual Waste Disposal Options For Consultation 2022**

**Moved Councillor Foon, seconded Councillor Day**

### **Resolved**

That the Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan Committee:

- 1) Receive the information
- 2) Note that this report should be read in conjunction with the attached information:
  - i. Appendix 1 - Airspace Projections for the Southern Landfill
  - ii. Appendix 2 - Final Waste Management Option Assessment for Wellington City Council (by Beca Consulting dated 27th January 2022)



- iii. Appendix 3 - Revised Criteria with associated Working Party Input (by Beca Consulting)
  - iv. Appendix 4 - Southern Landfill: Piggyback Option & SLS4 (by Tonkin and Taylor dated December 2021)
  - v. Appendix 5 – Southern Landfill Piggyback Option (by Tonkin and Taylor dated January 2022)
  - vi. Appendix 6 - Advantages & Disadvantages of the Short-listed Residual Waste Disposal Options
- 3) Agree that Landfill Redevelopment (Piggyback Option) is the Council's preferred residual waste disposal option, on the basis that it:
- i. Performs above the other two short-listed options when assessed using a Multi-Criteria Analysis criteria assessment.
  - ii. Would not inhibit a reduction of waste volumes over the operational life of the landfill.
  - iii. Can be readily implemented as a residual waste disposal solution by June 2026.
  - iv. Is the option generally supported by participants of the Residual Waste Disposal Option Working Party.
- 4) Approve the following short list of residual waste disposal options for public consultation in accordance with the Special Consultative Procedure and in conjunction with the broader Annual Plan consultation process:
- i. Landfill Redevelopment (Piggyback Option)
  - ii. Landfill Closure and the associated export of waste to another disposal facility
  - iii. Energy from Waste
- 5) Note that the Southern Landfill is a critical piece of Wellington's infrastructure and is a strategic asset listed in the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 6) Notes that any decision to close the Southern Landfill can only occur if it has been provided for in the Long-term Plan.
- 7) Direct officers to report back to the 8 March Annual Plan/Long Term Plan Committee with a consultation document and a consultation plan for review, prior to audit of the consultation material.
- 8) Note that officers will promote open dialogue with Taranaki Whanui and Ngati Toa iwi throughout 2022 to explore any potential waste management and minimisation partnership opportunities, and will report back with any iwi feedback on the residual waste disposal options proposal on the completion of public consultation in May 2022.
- 9) **Note engagement with mana whenua is ongoing, options have been shared, and resource has been made available to ensure substantial feedback can be provided on the preferred option.**

**Carried**

**Secretarial Note:** Councillor Foon moved the motion with changes from the recommendations in the officers' report, marked in red.

## 2.3 Forward Programme

**Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor O'Neill**

### **Resolved**

That the Pūroro Maherehere | Annual Plan/Long-Term Plan Committee:

1. Receive the information.

**Carried**

The meeting concluded at 4:09pm with the reading of the following karakia:

<b>Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui</b>	Draw on, draw on
<b>Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua</b>	Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body and the spirit of mankind
<b>I te ara takatū</b>	
<b>Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga</b>	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
<b>Kia wātea, kia wātea</b>	Let this all be done in unity
<b>Āe rā, kua wātea!</b>	

Authenticated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair