ORDINARY MEETING

OF

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Time:

9.15am

Date: Venue: Thursday, 6 August 2015

Committee Room 1

Ground Floor, Council Offices

101 Wakefield Street

Wellington

PRESENT

Mayor Wade-Brown

Councillor Ahipene-Mercer

Councillor Coughlan

Councillor Eagle

Councillor Foster

Councillor Free

Councillor Lee

Councillor Lester

Councillor Marsh

Councillor Pannett (Chair)

Councillor Peck

Councillor Ritchie

Councillor Sparrow

Councillor Woolf

Councillor Young



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Members present when the meeting commenced at 09:15 am were Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Free, Lee, Marsh, Pannett, Peck, Ritchie, Sparrow, and Young.

The Chair announced a change to the order of the agenda items to be considered. Agenda item 4.1 Proposed Town Belt Licence variation: Island Bay and Berhampore Community Orchard Trust (Existing Tenant); 4.3 Easement over Reserve Land (reservoir: 135 Marakara Road, Karori and 4.5 Forward programme would be the first item considered.

4. Operational

4.1 Proposed Town Belt Licence Variation: Island Bay and Berhampore Community Orchard Trust (Existing Tenant)

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

- Receive the information
- 2. Agree to vary the licence to Island Bay and Berhampore Community Orchard Trust to allow bee keeping, a community garden and a small shed.
- Note that any approval to grant the licence variation(referred to above) are conditional on:
 - (a) appropriate lwi consultation,
 - (b) public notification under s119 and s120 Reserves Act 1977,
 - (c) no sustained objections resulting from the above consultation and notification; and
 - (d) legal and advertising costs being met by the licensee (where applicable).

Carried

4.3 Easement over Reserve Land (Reservoir): 135 Makara Road, Karori

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

- Receive the information.
- 2. Approve a right of way easement in perpetuity in favour of 125 Makara Road, CFR WN30B/463 over Area A DP 49162 on Part Lot 1 Application Plan 2142 CT WN942/12 pursuant Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 3. Waives the requirement for public notification in accordance with Section 48(3) of the Reserves Act 1977, as the Reserve is not likely to be materially altered or permanently damaged and the rights of the public are not likely to be permanently affected by the granting of the easement.
- 4. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer all powers necessary to conclude this matter.

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5. Note that all the costs associated with preparing and implementing the easement will be met by the owner of 125 Makara Road, Karori.

Carried

(Councillors Foster, Lester and Eagle enter the room 9:17 am)

4.5 Forward Programme 2015

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

Receive the information.

Carried

The meeting adjourned for the Extraordinary Council meeting at 9:21 am.

Members present when the meeting reconvened at 09:29 am were Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Eagle, Free, Lee, Lester, Marsh, Pannett, Peck, Ritchie, Sparrow, and Young.

1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

Accept the apologies received from Councillor Foster and Councillor Woolf for early departure on council business.

Carried

1.2 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declarations.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

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Approve the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 4 June 2015, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.4 Public Participation

1.4.1 Christine Thomson

Christine Thomson addressed the Committee on 350 Wellington's funding application.

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items to be added to the agenda that were not already specified in the agenda.

2. Petitions

2.1 Install recycling bins in all streets and public places

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown, the amended officers recommendations

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Thank the Michael Lowe for presenting his petition.
- 3. Officers will report back to Environment Committee on the project of introducing public recycling bins to the Central Business District.

Carried

(Councillor Marsh left the meeting at 09:56 am.) (Councillor Lester left the meeting at 09:56 am.)

3. Policy

3.1 Oral Hearings - Amending the camping provisions in the Wellington consolidated bylaw 2008 part 5: public places

Name	Submission number	Comment
Rebecca Gouldhurst	Submission # 16	
James Imlach – NZ Motor Caravan-Assoc.	Submission # 71	Did not attend
Ken New – Southern Environmental Assoc.	Submission # 75	

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the oral submissions.

Carried

(Councillor Marsh returned to the meeting at 09:58 am.) (Councillor Lester returned to the meeting at 09:59 am.)

4. Operational

4.4 Our Living City Fund July 2015

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Eagle

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.

2. Agree to fund the projects as listed below:

	Organisation	Project	Total Project Cost	Amount requested	Recommended	Comments
1	350 Aotearoa	Keep a Cool World	\$17,910	\$16,210	\$ 0 \$1,838	Project aims to engage wider community in environmental issues and practical actions, venue changed to university, a school hall and Tararua Tramping Club. Support for venue costs and AV hire, Council can assist

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2	Conscious Design Collective- umbrella via Innermost Gardens	Natural Playground Project	\$2,480	\$2,480	\$840	with promotion through digital channels. Release of funds subject to umbrella agreement. Support for costs of materials for this natural playground area for children under 10 years.
3	Glenside Progressive Association Inc	Spray mass blackberry.	\$1,441	\$1,441	\$1,442 \$1,441	Reduce spread of invasive weeds - blackberry and periwinkle on banks of Stebbings Stream.
4	Grow Te Ahumairangi Forest- umbrella via Conservaion Volunteers New Zealand	Grow Te Ahumairangi Forest project	\$970	\$970	\$970	Support for equipment and herbicide for this new volunteer run group
5	Northern Community Gardens Inc	Northern Community Gardens	\$1,960	\$1,960	\$1,960	Support for running costs for Jay Street community garden
6	St Catherine's College PTA	St Catherine's College Community Garden	\$9,670	\$9,670	\$3,000	Support for design and some equipment costs for community kitchen garden project at school.
7	The Miramar and Maupuia Community Trust	Community Garden	\$956	\$600	\$300	Support for community garden project at community centre, compost can be sourced through other Council processes
8	Victoria University, School of Architecture	Interactive Biophilic Map of Wellington	\$19,530	\$8,050	\$2,250	Support for initial development stage for a biophilic interactive map of the city, can make later application for realisation of project later in the year.

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9	World Wide Fund for Nature New Zealand	Kereru Discovery Project	\$29,150	\$5,000	\$4,000	Contribution to this project which helps Wellingtonians protect kereru and other native birds in their own backyards.
			\$84,069	\$46,383	\$16,599	

Carried

The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10:29 am. Members present when the meeting reconvened at 10:46 am were Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Free, Lee, Lester, Marsh, Pannett, Sparrow, and Young.

4.2 Investigating a low cost camping site for Wellington

(Councillor Eagle returned to the meeting at 10:57 am.) (Councillor Peck returned to the meeting at 10:58 am.)

The meeting adjourned for a short break at 10:58 am. Members present when the meeting reconvened at 11:34 am were Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Coughlan, Free, Lee, Lester, Marsh, Pannett, Sparrow, and Young.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the amended officers recommendations

That the Environment Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree that the amendment to the Suburban Reserves Management Plan outlined in Attachment 1 to permit a campground at Happy Valley Park be approved for public consultation in accordance with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 3. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer and portfolio leader the authority to approve minor wording, formatting and content changes as agreed by the Committee
- 4. Note that public consultation on the amendment to the Suburban Reserves Management Plan under section 41 (9) of the Reserves Act will occur for a period of four weeks.
- 5. Note that funding for the development of the camping site will be considered as part of the 2016/17 Annual Plan which will include officers investigating the possibility of having an onsite manager at the proposed campground.
- 6. Agree to establish a hearings subcommittee to consider submissions and report back to the Environment Committee.

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free, the following amendment:

New 5.

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5. Agree that as part of the public consultation that the public will be asked for feedback on the idea of an onsite camp manager.

Carried

Resolved

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- 3. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer and portfolio leader the authority to approve minor wording, formatting and content changes as agreed by the Committee
- 4. Note that public consultation on the amendment to the Suburban Reserves Management Plan under section 41 (9) of the Reserves Act will occur for a period of four weeks.
- 5. Agree that as part of the public consultation that the public will be asked for feedback on the idea of an onsite camp manager.
- 6. Note that funding for the development of the camping site will be considered as part of the 2016/17 Annual Plan which will include officers investigating the possibility of having an onsite manager at the proposed campground.
- 7. Agree to establish a hearings subcommittee to consider submissions and report back to the Environment Committee.

Carried

(Councillor Foster returned to the meeting at 11:55 am.) (Councillor Woolf returned to the meeting at 11:55 am.)

The meeting concluded at 11:55 am.

Confirmed:

Chair