

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Time: 09:15 am
Date: Thursday, 28 April 2016
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT

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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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

Apology

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Sparrow

Resolved

Accept the apologies received from Mayor Wade Brown for absence from the entire meeting and accept the apologies from Councillor Coughlan for lateness and Councillor Foster for leaving the meeting early.

Carried

1.2 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest to declare.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Agree to amend the wording on item 3.2 Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008: Part 2 - Animals substantive motion item 3c) from:

Officers recommendation 7) "Agree to consult on the need to identify cats and to limit their numbers. Note that any final decisions can be made following consultation and that any other issues that may be raised by submitters may influence the development of an "Animals Policy".

To 3c) agree to consult on the need to identify cats and for owners to ask permission from Council to keep more than 3 cats. Note that any final decisions can be made following consultation and that any other issues that may be raised by submitters may influence the development of an "Animals Policy".

2. Approve the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 17 March 2016, 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 Oliver Vetter, Sustainable Coastlines Charitable Trust.

Oliver Vetter spoke to the Environment Committee about the Sustainable Coastlines' application (Love Your Water Programme) for the Living City Grant 2016.

(Councillor Foster entered the meeting at 09:20 am.)

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 09:26 am.)
(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer returned to the meeting at 09:30 am.)
(Councillor Eagle entered the meeting at 09:36 am.)

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda

2. Policy

2.1 Outer Green Belt Management Plan Review

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Foster moved the officer's amended recommendations

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Recommend to Council that it approve the review of the Outer Green Belt Management Plan for the reserves outlined in Attachment 1 in accordance with section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.
3. **Agree that the Paper Roads be included in the Outer Town Belt.**
4. **Agree that Red Rocks to Makara Coastal Walk remain in the Outer Town Belt Plan review.**
5. Note that public notice of Council's intention to prepare the plan is not required (under s41(5A) of the Reserves Act) and will not materially assist with its preparation.
6. **Note that officers will prepare an engagement plan to ensure comprehensive feedback is received from stakeholders and local communities during the preparation of the draft plan.**

Carried

2.2 Trade Waste Bylaw 2004 – Review 2015-16

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Ritchie

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that the Trade Waste Bylaw 2004 (the Trade Waste Bylaw or Bylaw) has been reviewed to meet the Local Government Act 2002 requirement to review bylaws every 10 years.
3. Note public consultation was undertaken on a proposed revised Trade Waste Bylaw 2004 by way of a statement of proposal approved by the Committee on 26 November 2015.

4. Note public consultation submissions and officer responses presented to the Committee in a summary of submissions (paragraph 12).
5. Agree to amendments (additional to the amendments in the statement of proposal) of the proposed Trade Waste Bylaw.
6. Agree to recommend that the Council adopt the amended Trade Waste Bylaw (Attachment 1).
7. Agree to delegate to the Chair of the Committee and the Chief Executive authority to amend Trade Waste Bylaw 2004 to include any additional amendments agreed to by the Committee and any associated minor consequential edits.

Carried

2.3 Open Space Access Plan Review

(Councillor Lester left the meeting at 10:09 am.)

(Councillor Lester returned to the meeting at 10:15 am.)

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.22 am.

The meeting reconvened at 10.45 am with the following Councillors present Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young.

The Chair announced that questions for officers on item 2.3 would continue following item 3.1 2016/17 Draft Statements of Intent for Council Controlled Organisations.

3. Monitoring

(Councillor Lester returned to the meeting at 10:47 am.)

(Councillor Eagle returned to the meeting at 10:53 am.)

(Councillor Foster returned to the meeting at 10:53 am.)

(Councillor Ritchie returned to the meeting at 10:59 am.)

(Councillor Woolf left the meeting at 11:04 am.)

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer returned to the meeting at 11:07 am.)

(Councillor Woolf returned to the meeting at 11:07 am.)

(Councillor Lester left the meeting at 11:27 am.)

(Councillor Free left the meeting at 11:29 am.)

(Councillor Foster left the meeting at 11:30 am.)

3.1 2016/17 Draft Statements of Intent for Council Controlled Organisations

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Marsh officers amended recommendations

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree that the Karori Sanctuary Trust is requested to refine the presentation of the

Key Performance Indicator tables as outlined in this report in the Trust's final Statement of Intent.

3. Note any items raised by the Committee to be addressed by the Karori Sanctuary Trust and the Wellington Zoo Trust in their final Statement of Intent.
4. Agree to include further analysis of the status and scope of the Capex programme for the Zoo and that will return to the Council for further discussion during the Long Term Plan.

Carried

The committee returned to discuss item 2.3 at 11:27 am

(Councillor Eagle left the meeting at 11:30 am.)
(Councillor Free returned to the meeting at 11:33 am.)
(Councillor Lester returned to the meeting at 11:39 am.)
(Councillor Sparrow left the meeting at 11:39 am.)
(Councillor Sparrow returned to the meeting at 11:40 am.)

2.3 Open Space Access Plan Review

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Pannett the officer's amended recommendations.

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree to consult on the Draft Open Space Access Plan, see Attachment 1 (note new text highlighted in yellow).
3. **Agree that schedule A – D regarding Mountain Biking, Cycling, e Bikes and Horse Riding (attachment A) of the Open Space Access Plan return to Council for approval.**
4. **Agree to consult on the use of mobility scooters and similar devices in Council's open space network.**
5. **Agree that cyclist should be strongly encouraged to use a bell when on shared pathways as part of the Open Space Access Plan Review.**
6. **Agree to consult that the Paper Roads should be included in the Open Space Access Plan.**
7. **Agree to consult that Red Rocks to Makara Coastal Walk remain in the Open Space Access Plan.**
8. Agree the public consultation period will run from 2 June 2016 to 14 July 2016.
9. Agree to delegate to the Chief Executive and the Chair of the Environment Committee the authority to amend the Draft Open Space Access Plan for consultation, to include any amendments agreed by the Committee and any associated consequential or other minor edits.

Carried

4. Operational

4.1 Reclassification of part of Raukawa Street Reserve

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Resolve to reclassify *part of* Raukawa Street Reserve being Lots 29-30 DP 22265 WN12C/708 to Local Purpose Reserve (Community Purpose).

Carried

(Councillor Young left the meeting at 12:00 pm.)

(Councillor Young returned to the meeting at 12:05 pm.)

4.2 Proposed Reserve Revocation and Disposal - 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Councillor Sparrow

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receives the information.
2. Agrees to initiate a consultation process, pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, in relation to the revocation of the 'Local Purpose' reserve status of 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands (CFR WN7D/78 and Lots 15 and 25 DP 30952, the **Land**).
3. Agrees, pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, to revoke the reserve status of the Land, subject to completion of the consultation process in recommendation 2.
4. Notes that a further report will be submitted to the Environment Committee to summarise submissions and decide whether to uphold objections, if necessary.
5. Notes the approval of the Minister of Conservation is required for the reserve revocation.
6. Agrees to recommend to Council that subject to the successful completion of the reserve revocation process referenced in recommendations 2 and 3, that Council:
 - a. Agree that the Land is not required for a public work and is surplus to requirements.
 - b. Agree to the disposal of the Land.
 - c. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the disposal of the Land, including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, negotiating the terms of sale or exchange, impose any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillor Ahipene-Mercer
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Marsh

Against:

Councillor Free
Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester

Councillor Pannett (Chair)
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 3:9

Lost

4.3 Our Living City Fund, March 2016

(Councillor Lester left the meeting at 12:22 pm.)

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree to fund applicants as listed below:

Our Living City- March 2016

	Organisation	Project Title	Total Project Cost	Amount requested	Recommended	Comments
1	Island Bay Playcentre	Water conservation strategy	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	Lower priority given pressure on available funding, request for installation of taps, not a close fit with criteria.
2	Conservation Volunteers New Zealand	Community Conservation	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	Lower priority given pressure on available funding, supported already this f/y, can reapply in August 2016
3	Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park Supporters Inc	Makara Peak Carpark Weed Control	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	Lower priority given pressure on available funding and support for this group through earlier grants.

4	Mount Cook Preschool Incorporated	Outdoor Area Upgrade - Raised Garden area	\$11,900	\$2,000	\$1,500	Support for native and edible plants for school based community garden, Officers will work with school to explore potential for getting plants via WCC nursery
5	Polhill Restoration Project- umbrella by Conservation Volunteers NZ	Weed removal at Hoki Mai site in Polhill Reserve	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$3,000	Contribution to community driven project for weed control.
6	Polhill Restoration Project- Umbrella via Aro Valley Community Council Inc.	Digital Polhill	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$3,500	Community project using digital platform to engage the community of interest at this popular location, contribution to overall costs, release of funds subject to confirmation of other funding to realise the project.
7	Project Litefoot Trust	LiteClub Programme - Wellington	29015.3	3594	0	Lower priority given other projects which more closely fit the criteria, project aims to enable sports clubs to be more environmentally friendly, Officers will discuss options for support.
8	Royal Forest And Bird Protection Society Of New Zealand Inc - Wellington Branch	Native Plant restoration group Nursery of Wellington branch Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society	\$9,874	\$4,483	\$1,500	Contribution to this restoration group who produce almost 8,000 plants annually.
9	Sustainable Coastlines Charitable Trust	Love Your Water Wellington 2016	\$12,169	\$5,000	\$0	Lower priority given pressure on available funding, supported already this financial year for 'Love your Coast'.
10	The Mt.Crawford Community Gardens Trust/Board	The Mt Crawford Community Gardens Trust/Board	\$2,095	\$1,600	\$1,600	Operational support for community garden, can potentially be supported with compost from Council

11	WorkerBe Oasis	WorkerBe Oasis - site conversion	\$7,757	\$5,837	\$2,000	Contribution to this project to improve capability to water growing areas. Work with PSR Ranger to confirm approval.
12	World Wide Fund for Nature New Zealand	Kereru Discovery project	\$27,280	\$5,000	\$0	Lower priority given pressure on available funding, supported already this financial year.

\$61,014 \$13,100

Carried

The meeting concluded at 12.24 pm.

Confirmed: _____
 Chair