



Great Barrier Environment Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Great Barrier Environment Committee held in the Claris Conference Centre, 19 Whangaparapara Road, Claris, Great Barrier Island on Thursday, 27 February 2014 at 10.00am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Susan Daly
Deputy Chairperson	Judy Gilbert
Members	Jeff Cleave
	Izzy Fordham
	Christina Spence

APOLOGIES

ALSO PRESENT

IN ATTENDANCE

Fenella Christian	Department of Conservation
Cindy Wiseman	
John Ogden	Great Barrier Island Environmental Trust
Liz Westbrooke	

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Declaration of Interest

Member JJ Gilbert declared an interest in the Environmental Initiatives Fund report at Item 14.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number GBESP/2014/1

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member JJ Gilbert:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **confirms the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 11 December 2013, as a true and correct record, subject to agreed editing amendments being made.**

CARRIED

5 Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

7 Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Deputations

There were no deputations.

9 Public Forum

9.1 Fenella Christian, Department of Conservation

Fenella Christian was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Environment Committee in respect of the department's proposal to provide a monthly work programme and budgets report to the committee

Resolution number GBESP/2014/2

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member CA Spence:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee thank Fenella Christian for her Public Forum presentation.

CARRIED

9.2 Cindy Wiseman

A document was tabled in respect of this item. A copy of the tabled document has been attached to the official copy of these minutes and can be viewed on the Auckland Council website.

Cindy Wiseman was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Environment Committee in respect of her concerns about poison use on the island.

Resolution number GBESP/2014/3

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member CA Spence:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee thank Cindy Wiseman for her Public Forum presentation.

CARRIED

9.3 John Ogden, Great Barrier Island Environmental Trust

A document was tabled in respect of this item. A copy of the tabled document has been attached to the official copy of these minutes and can be viewed on the Auckland Council website.

John Ogden was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Environment Committee in respect of the activities of the Trust.

Resolution number GBESP/2014/4

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member CA Spence:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee thank John Ogden for his Public Forum presentation.

CARRIED

9.4 Liz Westbrooke, Great Barrier Island Environmental Trust

Liz Westbrooke was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Environment Committee in respect of a proposal for an Easter rat hunt.

Resolution number GBESP/2014/5

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member CA Spence:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee thank Liz Westbrooke for her Public Forum presentation.

CARRIED

10 Extraordinary Business

10.1 Great Barrier Local Board submission to the Aotea Conservation Park proposal

Resolution number GBESP/2014/6

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member IM Fordham:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee considers the submission of the Great Barrier Local Board to the Aotea Conservation Park proposal as extraordinary business as submissions close on 28 February 2014 and the submission was not able to be prepared in time for the agenda.

CARRIED

11 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

12 Infrastructure and Environmental Services Update Report

Resolution number GBESP/2014/7

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member IM Fordham:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **Notes the information in the Infrastructure and Environmental Services update report.**
- b) **Expresses its thanks to Jack Crow for his work over many years to enhance biosecurity and biodiversity on Great Barrier and looks forward to his continued involvement in this important matter in the future.**
- c) **Requests that the Auckland Council biosecurity team report back to the committee on the use of poisons issues raised by Cindy Wiseman in her public forum presentation and tabled papers.**

CARRIED

13 Fish Passages at Culverts Assessment and Inanga Spawning Surveys

Resolution number GBESP/2014/8

MOVED by Member IM Fordham, seconded by Member JC Cleave:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **Receives the *Fish Passage at Culverts Assessment, Great Barrier Island – Culvert Remediation Options and Inanga Spawning Surveys Great Barrier Island* reports.**
- b) **Notes that regional stormwater funding is available for remediation of the majority of culverts on Great Barrier Island.**
- c) **Thanks Matt Bloxham and Tom Mansell for their report and work to restore culverts on the island to assist fish passage.**
- d) **Requests that officers report to the March environment committee meeting on Great Barrier freshwater quality including:**
 - **the current freshwater stream monitoring programme and sample analysis details.**
 - **historic test results, reports and studies undertaken on Great Barrier Island by Auckland Council and other agencies, including the Great Barrier Island Environmental Trust.**
 - **recommendations for a future testing and work programme to provide comprehensive information on the state of the island's freshwater systems.**
 - **an indication of costings and funding implications for the above work.**

CARRIED

14 Successful Great Barrier applications to the Environmental Initiatives Fund and the Waste Minimisation and Innovation Fund

Member JJ Gilbert declared an interest in the Environmental Initiatives Fund aspect of this item and took no part in discussion or voting on the matter

Resolution number GBESP/2014/9

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member JC Cleave:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **Receives the report advising on successful applications to the Environmental Initiatives Fund and the Waste Minimisation and Innovation Fund.**

CARRIED

15 Community involvement in Great Barrier Environment Committee

Resolution number GBESP/2014/10

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member CA Spence:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **Agrees to create a “community reports” item on its meeting agenda to enable community groups and agencies with an interest in the environment on Great Barrier to have material formally considered by the committee noting that this approach may be discontinued at any time if the committee finds it necessary.**

CARRIED

16 Great Barrier Local Board submission to the Aotea Conservation Park proposal

Resolution number GBESP/2014/11

MOVED by Member SP Daly, seconded by Member JJ Gilbert:

That the Great Barrier Environment Committee:

- a) **Approves the submission of the Great Barrier Local Board to the Aotea Conservation Park proposal noting that submissions close on 28 February 2014 and that the board wishes to be heard in respect of its submission.**

CARRIED

1.12 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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AT A MEETING OF THE GREAT BARRIER
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....