
Regional Strategy and Policy Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Thursday, 6 March 2014 at 9.33am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr George Wood, CNZM	
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Anae Arthur Anae	From 9:41am item 5.1
Members	Cr Cameron Brewer	
	Mayor Len Brown, JP	
	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	
	Cr Bill Cashmore	
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	
	Cr Chris Darby	From 11:28am item 12, until 12:45pm item C2
	Cr Alf Filipaina	
	Cr Hon Chris Fletcher, QSO	
	Cr Penny Hulse	From 10:06am item 9; until 12:45pm item C2
	Cr Denise Krum	
	Cr Mike Lee	From 10:40am item 11
	Cr Calum Penrose	
	Cr Dick Quax	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	
	Cr Sir John Walker, KNZM, CBE	From 9:46am item 6.1
	Cr Wayne Walker	
	Cr John Watson	
	Cr Penny Webster	Until 2:00pm item C5
	Glenn Wilcox	

APOLOGIES

Cr Ross Clow
Member Kris MacDonald

ALSO PRESENT

Shale Chambers	Chair	Waitemata Local Board
David Collings	Chair	Howick Local Board
Angela Dalton	Chair	Manurewa Local Board

1 Apologies

Resolution number REG/2014/29

MOVED by Chairperson GS Wood, seconded by Cr WD Walker:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **accept the apology from Cr Ross Clow and Independent Maori Statutory Board member Kris MacDonald for non-attendance, Councillors Chris Darby and Mike Lee for lateness, on council business.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number REG/2014/30

MOVED by Member G Wilcox, seconded by Cr CE Brewer:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday 4 February 2014, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

5 Public Input

5.1 Mr Taylor - Hunters Corner Town Centre Society Inc

Mr Taylor gave a presentation in support of the item.

A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Cr Anae entered the meeting at 9.41am

Resolution number REG/2014/31

MOVED by Chairperson GS Wood, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **thank Mr Taylor of the Hunters Corner Town Centre Society Inc for his presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentation

6 Local Board Input

6.1 Manurewa Local Board - Auckland Council LAPP on Psychoactive Substances

The Chair of the Manurewa Local Board gave a presentation. A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Cr J Walker entered the meeting at 9.46am

Glen Wilcox left the meeting at 9.53am

Resolution number REG/2014/32

MOVED by Chairperson GS Wood, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **thank Angela Dalton (Chair) of the Manurewa Local Board for their presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentations

7 Extraordinary Business

7.1 The Landing, Hobsonville

The reason this item was not included on the agenda was that the report was not available at the time the agenda went to print.

The item cannot be deferred to the next meeting because the decision is required from the committee by 6 March 2014 to enter into immediate negotiations with the Hobsonville Land Company, a key partner, and Hobson Point is one of the nine priority areas of the Auckland Plan

Resolution number REG/2014/33

MOVED by Cr LA Cooper, seconded by Cr WD Walker:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **approve that the extraordinary item on The Landing, Hobsonville be dealt with on this agenda under confidential item C5.**

CARRIED

8 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

9 Work programme for the development of a local approved products policy

Officers were in attendance and gave a power point presentation in support of the item.

A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

The Chair of the Manurewa Local Board was in attendance for this item.

Cr PA Hulse entered the meeting at 10.06am.

Cr PA Hulse left the meeting at 10.12 am.

Cr MP Webster left the meeting at 10.16 am.

Cr PA Hulse returned to the meeting at 10.24 am.

Cr MP Webster returned to the meeting at 10.25 am.

Resolution number REG/2014/34

MOVED by Cr CM Penrose, seconded by Cr JG Walker:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **approve the work programme to develop a local approved products policy to regulate the retail of psychoactive substances in Auckland.**
- b) **direct that the work programme account for and be developed with local communities, commencing with a review of all local board's position statements covering all areas as identified in the legislation**
- c) **agree that the Mayor, on behalf of council, write to Central Government to reinforce concerns relating to the effect of psychoactive substances on our communities and the associated and significant costs.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentation

B Psychoactive Substances Regulations - A consultation document

10 Resolutions from Community Development and Safety Committee - Submission on the proposed national drug policy

Resolution number REG/2014/35

MOVED by Cr CM Casey, seconded by Deputy Chairperson AJ Anae:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **approve retrospectively the submission on 'A New National Drug Policy for New Zealand: Discussion document', noting that the submission was lodged with the Ministry of Health on 28 February 2014**
- b) **note that the feedback provided by Manurewa Local Board was appended to the submission subsequent to endorsement from the Community Development and Safety Committee.**

CARRIED

11 Community Grants Policy

Officers were in attendance and gave a power point presentation in support of the item.

A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Cr Lee entered the meeting 10.40am

Resolution number REG/2014/36

MOVED by Cr CM Casey, seconded by Cr WD Walker:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **endorse the purpose, scope and timeline for the development and implementation of the Community Grants Policy, noting that a draft policy is due to be completed in June 2014, a final policy by November 2014 and implementation from 1 July 2015**
- b) **endorse existing funding arrangements and grants schemes being rolled over for the 2014 /2015 financial year**
- c) **note that the data and findings of the financial review of community investment will be provided in full to the relevant business units and the Finance department for discussion with local boards as appropriate**
- d) **agree that the report be forwarded to all local boards for their information.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentation

12 Community Facilities Network Plan

Officers were in attendance and gave a power point presentation in support of the item.

A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Cr ME Lee left the meeting at 11.22 am.

Cr WD Walker left the meeting at 11.24 am.

Cr SL Stewart left the meeting at 11.28 am.

Cr ME Lee returned to the meeting at 11.28 am.

Cr Darby entered the meeting at 11.28am.

Cr WD Walker returned to the meeting at 11.32 am.

Cr PA Hulse left the meeting at 11.32 am.

Resolution number REG/2014/37

MOVED by Cr CE Fletcher, seconded by Cr CM Casey:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **approve the scope of the Community Facilities Network Plan to guide council's future provision of community facilities, noting a draft network plan is due to be completed in June 2014 and a final plan by October 2014**
- b) **agree that the report be forwarded to all local boards for their information.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentation

13 Recommended Strategy and Policy Forward Programme

Officers were in attendance and gave a power point presentation in support of the item.

A copy of the presentation has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Cr PA Hulse returned to the meeting at 11.39 am.

Resolution number REG/2014/38

MOVED by Cr CE Fletcher, seconded by Cr CM Casey:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **adopt the Auckland Council 2014-2016 Strategy and Policy Forward Programme (Attachment A to the report)**
- b) **agree for a proposed approach for making changes to the Strategy and Policy Forward Programme to be reported for approval in June 2014**
- c) **agree to receive quarterly progress reports on the Strategy and Policy Forward Programme in line with the previous Auckland Plan Committee (CP2012/22722) and Regional Strategy and Policy Committee resolutions (CP2013/26522)**
- d) **agree to review and reconfirm the programme in March of each year to ensure that it continues to reflect council's strategic and statutory priorities**
- e) **agree to the circulation of the report to the reporting committees, local boards and to the Independent Māori Statutory Board.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A Presentation

14 Auckland Council submission on Smoke-free Environments (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Amendment Bill

Officers were in attendance and tabled the Draft submission in support of the item.

A copy of the Draft submission has been placed on the official copy of these minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website.

Resolution number REG/2014/39

MOVED by Cr LA Cooper, seconded by Cr WB Cashmore:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **approve Auckland Council's submission on the Smoke-free Environments (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Amendment Bill for submission to the Health Committee by 28 March 2013.**
- b) **agree to allow supporting comments from the Youth Advisory panel to be added into the submission and for any specific additional comments to be appended to the submission**
- c) **note that if any specific feedback formally endorsed by a local board is received subsequent to the committee meeting, this will be added into Appendix A**
- d) **agree that any editorial amendments be delegated for approval by Councillor Fletcher (as Chair of the Parks, Sport and Recreation Committee) and the Chief operating officer.**

CARRIED

Attachments

A DRAFT Auckland Council Submission

15 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

16 Procedural motion to exclude the public

Resolution number REG/2014/40

MOVED by Chairperson GS Wood, seconded by Cr CM Penrose:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **exclude the public from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.**
- b) **agree that Rex Smith, Property consultant and Nick Seymour from Auckland Transport be permitted to remain for Confidential Item C1 'Update on proposal to acquire an easement in Newmarket for access purposes' after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of the negotiations and property agreements and Auckland Transport's involvement, which will help the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee in its decision-making.**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

C1 Update on proposal to acquire an easement in Newmarket for access purposes

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(i) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). In particular, the report contains information on property values which could impact on negotiations with landowners.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

C2 Endorsement of proposed amendments to the Manukau City Council (Regulation of Prostitution in Specified Places) Bill

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
In particular, the report contains information relating to legislation that is currently before Parliament's Local Government and Environment Committee. The Committee has not yet reported to the House of Representatives. Standing Order 236 states that the proceedings of a select committee remain strictly confidential to the committee until it reports to the House. Standing Order 407(q) states that divulging the proceedings of a select committee contrary to the Standing Orders may be considered contempt of the House of Representatives.	n/a	s48(1)(b) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information which would be contrary to a specified enactment or constitute contempt of court or contempt of the House of Representatives.

C3 Land Acquisition for Stormwater Purposes

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(h) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. In particular, the report contains information which may influence property values.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

C4 Designation of Land for Stormwater Purposes

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(h) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. In particular, the report contains a proposal to designate land which, if approved, will lead to council purchasing the land in the near future.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

C5. The Landing, Hobsonville

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	<p>s7(2)(h) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>s7(2)(i) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p> <p>In particular, the report contains financial information that may affect council's ability to undertake negotiations or deal with land owners going forward. Disclosure of financial information may result in improper gain or advantage.</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)</p> <p>The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>

The text of these resolutions is made available to the public who are present at the meeting and form part of the minutes of the meeting.

CARRIED

12.00noon The public was excluded.

Resolutions in relation to the confidential items are recorded in the confidential section of these minutes and are not publicly available.

After consideration of the above items it was resolved:

Resolution number REG/2014/41

MOVED by Chairperson GS Wood, seconded by Cr CM Penrose:

That the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee:

- a) **reopen the meeting to the public.**

CARRIED

2.22pm The public was re-admitted.

RESTATEMENTS

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

C1 Update on proposal to acquire an easement in Newmarket for access purposes

Agree that there be no reinstatement of the confidential report for the acquisition of an easement in Newmarket, or the resolutions of the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee.

C2 Endorsement of proposed amendments to the Manukau City Council (Regulation of Prostitution in Specified Places) Bill

Agree that the resolutions only be restated into the open minutes once the Local Government and Environment Committee has presented its final report back to the House.

C3 Land Acquisition for Stormwater Purposes

Agree that there be no reinstatement of the confidential report for the acquisition of land for stormwater purposes, or the resolutions of the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee.

C4 Designation of Land for Stormwater Purposes

Agree that there be no reinstatement of the confidential report for the designation of land for stormwater purposes in Takanini, or the resolutions of the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee.

C5 Extraordinary Business - The Landing, Hobsonville

Agree that there be no reinstatement of the confidential report or the resolutions of the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee.

2.22 pm

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

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE REGIONAL STRATEGY
AND POLICY COMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....