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# Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee held in the Reception Lounge Level 2, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Wednesday, 27 August 2014 at 9.30am.

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### PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Cr Wayne Walker	
<b>Members</b>	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	Until 10.49am, item 5.3
	Cr Ross Clow	
	Cr Chris Darby	
	Cr Hon Christine Fletcher, QSO	
	Cr Mike Lee	From 9.44am, item 1
	Cr John Watson	
	Member Karen Wilson	
	Deputy Mayor Penny Hulse	

### APOLOGIES

Cr Linda Cooper	For absence
Cr Mike Lee	For lateness
Member Liane Ngamane	For absence

### ALSO PRESENT

Cr Bill Cashmore

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## 1 Apologies

*Cr ME Lee entered the meeting at 9.44 am.*

Resolution number ENV/2014/33

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr C Darby:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **accept the apologies from Deputy Chairperson LA Cooper and from Member Liane Ngamane for absence and from Cr ME Lee for lateness.**

**CARRIED**

## 2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

## 3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number ENV/2014/34

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 9 July 2014, as a true and correct record.**

**CARRIED**

## 4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

## 5 Public Input

### 5.1 Steph Borrelle - Free of single-use plastic bags in Auckland

A PowerPoint presentation was provided, together with a tabled document in support of the presentation.

Copies have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2014/35

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Member PA Hulse:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Steph Borrelle for her presentation regarding making Auckland free of single-use plastic bags.**
- b) **request officers to evaluate options and recommend actions for the minimisation of single use plastic bag use in Auckland and report back to the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

A 27 August 2014 - Item 5.1 - Steph Borrelle PowerPoint presentation

**5.2 Environmental risk from consented activities at Sandspit to the Matakana estuary and the Hauraki Gulf - Mike Taplin**

Secretarial Note: Discussion on this item was resumed after Items 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6.

*Cr CE Fletcher left the meeting at 11.51 am.*

*Cr RI Clow left the meeting at 11.53 am.*

*Cr RI Clow returned to the meeting at 11.53 am.*

*Member PA Hulse returned to the meeting at 11.58 am.*

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Resolution number ENV/2014/36

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr J Watson:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Mike Taplin for his presentation regarding environmental risk from consented activities at Sandspit.**
- b) **request officers to further investigate adequacy of, and compliance with the resource consent conditions and report back to the relevant committee(s) with the results and next steps.**
- c) **request officers to investigate the stockpile at Sandspit Marina to identify current environmental risks.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

A Environmental risk at Sandspit - Mike Taplin

**5.3 Work of Urbia Group on urban resilience to Climate Change and sea-level rise - Bernd Gundermann**

A PowerPoint presentation was provided, together with a tabled document in support of the presentation.

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*Cr CM Casey left the meeting at 10.49 am.*

Resolution number ENV/2014/37

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr C Darby:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Bernd Gundermann for his presentation on urban resilience to climate change.**

**CARRIED**

#### 5.4 Climatology from NIWA - Andrew Tait

A PowerPoint presentation was provided, together with a tabled document in support of the presentation.

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Resolution number ENV/2014/38

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Andrew Tait, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, for his presentation regarding climatology.**

**CARRIED**

#### **Attachments**

- A Climate and Weather of Auckland - Dr Andrew Tait

#### 5.5 Climate Change Adaptation Guidance - Dr Dan Zwartz, Climate Change Analysis, MFE

Resolution number ENV/2014/39

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Dr Dan Zwartz, Senior Analyst, Climate Change Analysis, Ministry for the Environment for his verbal presentation regarding climate change adaptation guidance.**

**CARRIED**

#### 5.6 King Tide and Sea level rise - Rob Bell, NIWA

*Cr J Watson left the meeting at 11.22 am.*

*Deputy Mayor PA Hulse left the meeting at 11.22 am.*

*Cr CE Fletcher left the meeting at 11.26 am.*

*Cr J Watson returned to the meeting at 11.27 am.*

*Cr CE Fletcher returned to the meeting at 11.28 am.*

*Cr C Darby left the meeting at 11.46 am.*

*Cr C Darby returned to the meeting at 11.49 am.*

A PowerPoint presentation was provided in support of the presentation.

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Resolution number ENV/2014/40

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) **thank Rob Bell, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, for his presentation regarding king tide and sea level rise.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

A Coastal Storms and king tides - Rob Bell

**6 Local Board Input**

There was no local board input.

**7 Extraordinary Business**

There was no extraordinary business.

**8 Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion.

**9 Feedback for Proposed Long-term Plan 2015-2025 Performance Measures**

Resolution number ENV/2014/41

MOVED by Member Wilson, seconded by Cr CM Casey:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) receive the draft level of service statements and performance measures for the Solid Waste, Environmental services and Regional Planning (Environmental) groups of activities.
- b) provide feedback on the proposed statements and measures, either through this committee meeting or subsequently by emailing [longtermplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:longtermplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)
- c) request officers to investigate whether the following measure can be included under the Regional Planning activity, historic heritage/Maori cultural heritage Level of Service:
  - i) number of sites subject to a form of historic heritage, Maori heritage or historic character protection within the Unitary Plan.

**CARRIED**

*Cr ME Lee left the meeting at 12.22 pm.*

**10 2013/2014 Safeswim Summary Report**

*Cr ME Lee returned to the meeting at 12.31 pm.*

Resolution number ENV/2014/42

MOVED by Member Wilson, seconded by Cr C Darby:

**That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:**

- a) receive the 2013/2014 Safeswim Summary report.
- b) forward the 2013/2014 Safeswim Summary report to the Local Boards for their information.
- c) request officers to report back to the Environment Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee on Council's plans for onsite wastewater management.

- d) request Watercare Services to report back to the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee on the frequency and scale of overflows and the management of discharges from the wastewater network.
- e) request that Maori view and values be included in the regional Safeswim review in 2015, including:
  - i) establishing a process for the direct sharing of monitoring information and data with local mana whenua; and
  - ii) investigating Maori based approaches to water quality monitoring that can be run in parallel to the Safeswim programme.
- f) request more information regarding the sources of contamination (the red dots) and recommended actions arising from the report.

**CARRIED**

## 11 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

12.46 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 ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE  
CHANGE AND NATURAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE  
HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....