
Finance and Performance Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Performance Committee held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Thursday, 19 March 2015 at 9.30am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Penny Webster	Until 11.15am, item 9
	Cr Bill Cashmore	
Members	Cr Cameron Brewer	From 9.42am, item 9
	Mayor Len Brown, JP	From 12.32pm, item 9, until 1.00pm, item 11
	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	
	Cr Chris Darby	
	Cr Hon Christine Fletcher, QSO	From 9.42am, item 9
	Deputy Mayor Penny Hulse	Until 12.20pm, item 9
	Cr Denise Krum	From 10.08am, item 12
	Cr Mike Lee	From 9.38am, item 9
	Cr Calum Penrose	
	Cr Dick Quax	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	From 9.38am, item 9
	Member David Taipari	
	Member John Tamihere	
	Cr Wayne Walker	From 9.38am, item 9
	Cr John Watson	
	Cr George Wood, CNZM	

ABSENT

Cr Anae Arthur Anae
 Cr Ross Clow
 Cr Alf Filipaina
 Cr Sir John Walker, KNZM, CBE

1 Apologies

Resolution number FIN/2015/12

MOVED by Cr CM Penrose, seconded by Cr LA Cooper:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr A Anae for absence on Council business, Cr R Clow, Cr A Filipaina, and Cr Sir J Walker for absence, Cr P Webster and Deputy Mayor P Hulse for early departure, and Cr D Krum and Cr W Walker for lateness.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

Cr C Darby declared an interest in item 13, Submission to the Weathertight Homes Resolution Service Amendment Bill 2015.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number FIN/2015/13

MOVED by Cr CM Casey, seconded by Cr WB Cashmore:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Thursday, 19 February 2015, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

5 Public Input

There was no public input.

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 Presentations from the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board

Cr ME Lee entered the meeting at 9.38 am.
Cr SL Stewart entered the meeting at 9.38 am.
Cr CE Brewer entered the meeting at 9.38 am.
Cr WD Walker entered the meeting at 9.42 am.
Cr CE Fletcher entered the meeting at 9.42 am.

Resolution number FIN/2015/14

MOVED by Chairperson MP Webster, seconded by Cr CM Casey:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **thank Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra for their attendance and presentation.**

CARRIED

Precedence of Business

Resolution number FIN/2015/15

MOVED by Chairperson MP Webster, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree that item 12: Service Property Optimisation and item 10 The 2015-16 Levies for the Auckland Regional Amenities, the Auckland War memorial Museum, and the Museum of Transport and Technology be accorded precedence at this time.**

CARRIED

12 Service Property Optimisation

Cr DA Krum entered the meeting at 10.08 am.

Resolution number: FIN/2015/16

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

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree:**
- i) **that the Council's Revenue and Financing Policy be amended to allow for sales proceeds resulting from optimisation of service property assets to be reinvested into eligible local projects**
 - ii) **that eligible reinvestment projects would be those contemplated in current or future years of the Long-term Plan (LTP) and/or those noted in the relevant Asset Management Plan (AMP) or be consistent with qualifying business strategies or plans formally adopted to guide council's future service provision and to inform LTP/AMP processes (e.g. The Community Facility Network Plan)**
- b) **note that the ongoing asset sales programme, based on the sale of non-service property, provides the Governing Body with funds towards LTP projects and also frees up development sites.**

CARRIED

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

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
Cr CE Brewer	Cr ME Lee	
Cr CM Casey	Cr WD Walker	
Cr WB Cashmore	Cr J Watson	
Cr LA Cooper		
Cr C Darby		
Cr CE Fletcher		
Deputy Mayor PA Hulse		
Cr DA Krum		
Cr CM Penrose		
Cr D Quax		
Cr SL Stewart		
Member DE Taipari		
Member J Tamihere		
Chairperson MP Webster		
Cr GS Wood		

The motion was declared CARRIED by 15 votes to 3.

Attachments

- A 19 March 2015 Finance and Performance Committee - item 12: Service Property Optimisation

10 The 2015-16 Levies for the Auckland Regional Amenities, the Auckland War memorial Museum, and the Museum of Transport and Technology

Member DE Taipari left the meeting at 10.36 am.

Cr C Darby left the meeting at 10.40 am.

Resolution number FIN/2015/17

MOVED by Cr CM Penrose, seconded by Cr WB Cashmore:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **approve the 2015-16 Museum of Transport and Technology levy of \$12.287 million, as recommended by Regional Facilities Auckland**
- b) **note that discussions are ongoing between the Auckland War Memorial Museum, RFA, and Auckland Council, as to the proposed levy for 2015-16**
- c) **agree in principle, subject to negotiations, to a three year funding arrangement being put in place with the Auckland War Memorial Museum**
- d) **delegate the Chair and the Deputy Chair of the Finance and Performance committee authority to agree the 2015-16 Auckland War Memorial Museum levy, and the terms of any three year funding arrangement within any parameters indicated by the committee.**

CARRIED

Precedence of Business

Resolution number FIN/2015/18

MOVED by Chairperson MP Webster, seconded by Cr LA Cooper:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree that item 13: Submission to the Weathertight Homes Resolution Service Amendment Bill 2015 and item 15: Auckland Council Group half year financial results to 31 December 2014 be accorded precedence at this time.**

CARRIED

13 Submission to the Weathertight Homes Resolution Service Amendment Bill 2015

Member DE Taipari returned to the meeting at 10.48 am.

Resolution number FIN/2015/19

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

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree that Auckland Council submits on the WHRS Amendment Bill 2015**
- b) **agree that the draft submissions attached be approved and that the final wording is approved by the Deputy Mayor and Chair of this Committee.**

CARRIED

15 Auckland Council Group half year financial results to 31 December 2014

Cr C Darby returned to the meeting at 10.52 am.

Cr CE Fletcher left the meeting at 11.15 am.

Resolution number FIN/2015/20

MOVED by Chairperson MP Webster, seconded by Member DE Taipari:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **receive the report.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 19 March 2015 Finance and Performance Committee - item 15: Auckland Council Group half year financial report

Election of a Chair

Resolution number FIN/2015/21

NOMINATED by Cr CM Penrose, seconded by Cr LA Cooper:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree that Cr WB Cashmore be elected to preside as the chair at the meeting.**

CARRIED

There being no further nominations the Democracy Advisor DECLARED that the Cr WB Cashmore be elected to preside at the meeting.

Cr WB Cashmore assumed the Chair.

*Chairperson MP Webster retired from the meeting at 11.15 am.
Cr CE Fletcher returned to the meeting at 11.21 am.*

Secretarial note The meeting adjourned at 11.15am and reconvened at 11.21am with the continuation of the rest of item 9: Presentations from the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board.

9 Presentations from the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board

*Member DE Taipari left the meeting at 12.13 pm.
Member DE Taipari returned to the meeting at 12.21 pm.
Deputy Mayor PA Hulse retired from the meeting at 12.20 pm.
Mayor LCM Brown entered the meeting at 12.32 pm.*

Resolution number FIN/2015/22

MOVED by Cr WB Cashmore, seconded by Cr CM Penrose:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

a) thank Auckland Theatre Company for their attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

Resolution number FIN/2015/23

MOVED by Cr WB Cashmore, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

b) thank Stardome Observatory for their attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

Resolution number FIN/2015/24

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

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

c) thank Voyager Maritime Museum for their attendance and presentation and acknowledge the work of their volunteers.

CARRIED

Resolution number FIN/2015/25

MOVED by Cr WB Cashmore, seconded by Cr CM Casey:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

d) thank Watersafe Auckland for their attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

Precedence of Business

Resolution number FIN/2015/26

MOVED by Cr WB Cashmore, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

a) agree that C1: CRL – bringing forward capital expenditure be accorded precedence at this time and remain in the open section of the meeting as item 18.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Kevin Ramsey, acting Chief Financial Officer, provided an explanation that C1 can be discussed in the open section of the meeting if the committee avoids specific discussions on particular pieces of land because of commercial sensitivity.

18 CRL - bringing forward capital expenditure

Resolution number FIN/2015/27

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr CE Fletcher:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **agree to bring forward \$17.7 million of CRL related expenditure to allow the CRL project team to progress earlier land purchases, investigation and design work in readiness for the enabling works in late 2015.**

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Pursuant to Standing Orders 3.15.5, Crs Quax, Brewer, Wood, and Stewart requested their dissenting votes be recorded.

Attachments

- A 19 March 2015 Finance and Performance Committee - item 18- CRL- bringing forward capital expenditure

11 Retrofit Your Home Programme - Financial Assistance Increase 2014/2015 Financial Year

Mayor LCM Brown retired from the meeting at 1.00 pm.

Cr C Darby left the meeting at 1.00 pm.

Cr C Darby returned to the meeting 1.07pm.

Resolution number FIN/2015/28

MOVED by Cr WD Walker, seconded by Member DE Taipari:

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) **approve an increase in the financial assistance facility available for the Retrofit Your Home programme from \$6 million to \$9 million for the 2014/2015 financial year to meet demand**
- b) **note that staff are reviewing the sizing of the programme for the Long-term Plan to identify an appropriate balance between meeting customer demand for financial assistance and the level of council debt.**

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Pursuant to Standing Orders 3.15.5, Cr G Wood requested his dissenting vote be recorded.

14 Bi-monthly business improvement and performance report

*Cr WD Walker left the meeting at 1.10 pm.
Member DE Taipari left the meeting at 1.53 pm.
Cr D Quax left the meeting at 1.57 pm.
Member DE Taipari returned to the meeting at 2.06 pm.*

Resolution number FIN/2015/29

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

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) receive the report and presentations.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 19 March 2015 Finance and Performance Committee - item 14 - Bi-monthly business improvement and performance report -Capex Project Delivery
- B 19 March 2015 Finance and Performance Committee - item 14 - Bi-monthly business improvement and performance report -Customer regulatory

16 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

17 Procedural motion to exclude the public

This item was not required as the confidential report was considered in the open section of the meeting as item 18: CRL – bringing forward capital expenditure.

2.06 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 FINANCE AND
PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....