



Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee held in room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 15 March 2016 at 10:42am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Wayne Walker	
Deputy Chairperson		
Members	Mayor Len Brown (Ex-officio)	From 11,00am, Item 10, until 12.02pm, Item 6 revisited
	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	Until 12.45pm, Item 12
	Cr Chris Darby	
	Cr Mike Lee	From 10.45am, Item 6
	Member Liane Ngamane	
	Cr John Watson	From 10.49am, Item 6
	Member Karen Wilson	

ABSENT

Cr Ross Clow
Deputy Mayor Penny Hulse
(Ex-officio)
Cr Hon Christine Fletcher, QSO

ALSO PRESENT

Cr George Wood

IN ATTENDANCE

Member Paul Walden Waiheke Local Board Chair

1 Apologies

Resolution number ENV/2016/1

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Member Ngamane:

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr Ross Clow, Deputy Mayor PA Hulse and Cr CE Fletcher for absence, and Cr John Watson for lateness.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number ENV/2016/2

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

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 2 December 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

6.1 Waiheke Local Board - Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement

Cr ME Lee entered the meeting at 10.45 am.

Cr J Watson entered the meeting at 10.49 am.

Mayor LCM Brown entered the meeting at 11.00 am.

Paul Walden, Waiheke Local Board Chair presented to the committee regarding Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement.

Recommendation/s

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) receive the presentation from Paul Walden, Waiheke Local Board Chair regarding Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement and thank him for his attendance.

Note: This item was adjourned at 11.06 am

Item 10 was taken at the adjournment of item 6.

10 Paris COP21 trip

Mayor Len Brown and John Mauro, Chief Sustainability Officer presented to the committee regarding their recent Paris COP21 trip.

Chairperson WD Walker advised that he would provide notes outlining his experience at Paris COP21. Copies of these notes will be distributed to committee members once available.

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2016/3

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

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **receive the Paris COP21 trip report**
- b) **request that officers further investigate opportunities for aligning current policy and decision making processes (for example bylaws) to support implementation of the Auckland Low Carbon Action Plan, and report back outcomes to this committee**
- c) **request that specific climate change considerations are included in the current work being carried out (in response to Regional Strategy and Policy Committee Resolution REG/2015/75) that requires Auckland Council to complete comprehensive analysis of the environmental impacts of activities as part of quality advice to all elected members to support their decision making (including Environmental Impact Statements).**

CARRIED

Item 6 was revisited at this point.

6.1 Waiheke Local Board - Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement (continued)

Paul Walden, Waiheke Local Board Chair presented to the committee regarding Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement.

Three word documents were provided. Copies have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Roger Matthews also spoke to the committee on this item.

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2016/4

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr ME Lee:

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **receive the presentation from Paul Walden, Waiheke Local Board Chair regarding Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement and thank him for his attendance**
- b) **support Paul Walden's concerns and raise these with Auckland Transport (including a letter to Auckland Transport) as part of the committee responsibilities for raising community concerns**
- c) **recommend that the concerns raised by Paul Walden on behalf of the Waiheke Local Board, are presented to the relevant committee to resolve the systemic issues with applying the Auckland Council strategic intent (for example adopting water sensitive design practices) to operational Auckland Transport practices**
- d) **request officers report back to this committee on questions raised regarding the planning process**
- e) **advise the Governing Body of the need to include expectations for adoption of relevant council strategies (such as water sensitive urban design) in the Statements of Intent as agreed with the Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs).**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Waiheke Local Board - Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement, Memo
- B 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Waiheke Local Board - Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement, letter
- C 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Waiheke Local Board - Auckland Transport's Notice of Requirement, presentation notes

7 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

8 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

9 Election of Deputy Chairperson

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2016/5

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

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **adopt system B as the method for voting.**
- b) **elect Cr John Watson as deputy chairperson.**

CARRIED

Note: Item 10 - Paris COP21 Trip was taken when Item 6 – Local Board Input was adjourned.

11 Action Plan for Cleaning up the West Coast Lagoons

Phil Brown, Land and Water Advisory Team Manager presented to the committee.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2016/6

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Cr ME Lee:

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **endorse the West Coast Lagoons Draft Action Plan.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Action Plan for Cleaning up the West Coast Lagoons, Presentation

12 Options for septic tank management

Cr C Casey left the meeting at 12.45 pm.

Phil Brown, Land and Water Advisory Team Manager presented to the committee.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

A letter from Auckland Regional Public Health Service was provided. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2016/7

MOVED by Chairperson WD Walker, seconded by Member Ngamane:

That the Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee:

- a) **note that a cross-council group will further develop the currently proposed options to better manage privately-owned on-site wastewater systems, compare costs and benefits and recommend a preferred solution to be discussed further with the appropriate council committee and be ready for consideration as part of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan process.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Options for septic tank management, Presentation
- B 15 March 2016, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Heritage Committee, Options for septic tank management, Letter from Auckland Regional Public Health Service

13 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

1.03 pm

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

CONFIRMED AS TRUE AND CORRECT BY
THE CHAIRPERSON AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE
UNDER STANDING ORDER 8.1.4 ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

LEAD OFFICER:.....