



Governing Body

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Governing Body held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Friday, 13 May 2016 at 4:20pm.

PRESENT

Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Councillors

Len Brown, JP
Penny Hulse
Cr Anae Arthur Anae
Cr Cameron Brewer
Cr Dr Cathy Casey
Cr Bill Cashmore
Cr Ross Clow
Cr Linda Cooper, JP
Cr Chris Darby
Cr Alf Filipaina
Cr Hon Christine Fletcher, QSO
Cr Denise Krum
Cr Mike Lee
Cr Calum Penrose
Cr Dick Quax
Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM
Cr Sir John Walker, KNZM, CBE
Cr Wayne Walker
Cr John Watson
Cr Penny Webster
Cr George Wood, CNZM

Until 4.25pm, Item 11

1 Affirmation

There was no affirmation.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Declaration of Interest

Cr W Cashmore declared an interest in Item 11 – Final Annual Plan 2016/2017 – Mayoral Proposal, clause a) iii).

4 Confirmation of Minutes

There was no confirmation of minutes.

5 Acknowledgements and Achievements

There were no acknowledgements.

6 Petitions

There were no petitions.

7 Public Input

There was no public input.

8 Local Board Input

There was no local board input.

9 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

10 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

11 Adoption of the 13 May 2016 Finance and Performance Committee's Annual Plan 2016/2017 recommendations

Cr W Cashmore declared an interest in Item 11 – Final Annual Plan 2016/2017 – Mayoral Proposal, clause a) iii) – general rate differential for farm and lifestyle properties and took no part in discussion or voting on that clause.

MOVED by Mayor LCM Brown, seconded by Cr MP Webster:

Tupuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2016/17

That the Governing Body:

- a) agree the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2016/17 (Attachment A to the Finance & Performance agenda report) and Summary of the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2016/17 (Attachment B to the Finance & Performance agenda report) for inclusion in the Annual Plan 2016/2017.

Local Board Budget

That the Governing Body:

- a) release reserve funds of \$1,384,237 held from legacy councils.
- b) approve \$3.9 million of capital funding for Locally Driven Initiatives opex to capex conversion which will be sourced through local discretionary budgets.
- c) approve a Locally Driven Initiatives increase of \$57,230 for Great Barrier Local Board and \$29,472 for Waiheke Local Board, who have the option to negotiate their Locally Driven Initiatives funding annually with the governing body as part of the Local Board Funding Policy.
- d) approve the operating budget amount of \$2,096,600 in Attachment A to the Finance & Performance agenda report to be deferred from 2015/2016 to 2016/2017.

Final Annual Plan 2016/2017 – Mayoral Proposal

That the Governing Body:

- a) adopt a rating policy for the 2016/17 Annual Plan, based on the following decisions of the Finance and Performance Committee:
 - i) that the Uniform Annual General Charge be set at \$394
 - ii) that the Interim Transport Levy (targeted rate) be set to retain the status quo of a fixed charge of \$113.85 (including GST) for non-business ratepayers and \$182.85 (including GST) for business ratepayers
 - iii) that the general rate differential for farm and lifestyle properties be retained at its present level of 80 per cent of the urban residential rate
 - iv) that the Māori Freehold Land rates remission and postponement policy be amended to include remissions:
 - 1) to adjust rates to the equivalent of those that would have been charged, had the property been valued excluding any potential use that is unlikely to be achieved within Māori ownership
 - 2) to adjust rates to the equivalent of those that would have been charged, had the rateable value of the property been adjusted by ten per cent; where properties have significant barriers to development such as owners being deceased or not succeeded to
 - 3) for marae and urupā land in excess of the two hectare limit for non-rateability;and also including

- 4) for land returned under treaty settlement for commercial redress where the land is set aside and protected for cultural, historic or natural conservation purposes or because it is wahi tapu, or used for a marae or urupā
 - v) that the Rates Remission and Postponement Policy be amended to remit fixed charges on Māori Freehold Land on multiple titles used as single property
 - vi) that a two year pilot programme providing financial assistance of up to \$35,000 per property to eligible homeowners in Piha, Te Henga, Karekare and Little Oneroa catchments to replace or upgrade their failing septic tank systems be established. This will be funded by a targeted rate set from 1 July 2017
 - vii) that a targeted rate be set (at two thirds of the level set regionally for a full year recycling service) to fund a fortnightly kerbside fully commingled recycling collection in rural Franklin
 - viii) that the Brown's Bay, Glen Eden and North Harbour Business Improvement Districts are extended.
- b) adopt the budget for the Annual Plan 2016/2017, based on year two of the Long-term Plan 2015-2025, as amended by the following decisions of the Finance and Performance Committee:
- i) Auckland Council continue its existing public transport concessions for the 2016/2017 financial year
 - ii) additional funding to Auckland Transport of \$1.5 million noting that the remaining \$1.5 million estimated cost of the discontinued government subsidy to come from internal savings in Auckland Transport
 - iii) additional capital funding of up to \$30 million in 2016/2017 and up to \$20 million in 2017/2018 to Auckland Transport to support the early acquisition of land for future capital, excluding light rail, reminding the Auckland Transport Board that Council's highest weighting priority is public transport
 - iv) request Auckland Transport to work with the New Zealand Transport Agency and Kiwirail to retain the land at the Waterview Tunnel construction site until the decision on the light rail project has been progressed
 - v) additional operating expenditure of \$150,000, to deliver town and local centre clean-ups across the region.
- c) that the Chief Executive, Group Chief Financial Officer and Chair of the Finance and Performance Committee be authorised to draw down, if required, up to \$100 million per annum of the Diversified Financial Asset portfolio for the 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 financial years, in order to manage the debt ratios within prudent limits.
- d) that a report be brought back to the Regional Strategy and Policy Committee on the options for managing damaged headstones in closed and open cemeteries, particularly those of historic value, and that in the meantime, a budget of \$50,000 be provided for 2016/17 for immediate maintenance issues.

The meeting adjourned at 4.23pm.

The meeting reconvened at 4.33pm.

Cr C Brewer was not present.

The motion was put:

Resolution number GB/2016/34

MOVED by Mayor LCM Brown, seconded by Cr MP Webster:

Tupuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2016/17 (Annual Budget 2016/2017 - Overview to decision-making)

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

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
Cr AJ Anae	Cr C Casey	
Mayor LCM Brown	Cr CE Fletcher	
Cr W Cashmore	Cr DA Krum	
Cr R Clow	Cr ME Lee	
Cr LA Cooper	Cr D Quax	
Cr C Darby	Cr SL Stewart	
Cr AM Filipaina	Cr WD Walker	
Deputy Mayor PA Hulse	Cr J Watson	
Cr CM Penrose	Cr GS Wood	
Cr JG Walker		
Cr MP Webster		

The motion was declared CARRIED by 11 votes to 9.

CARRIED

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.8.6, Cr R Clow requested his dissenting vote be recorded against Item 11 – Final Annual Plan 2016/2017 – Mayoral Proposal clause a) iv) 2).

Pursuant to Standing Order 1.8.6, Cr C Darby requested his dissenting vote be recorded against Item 11 – Final Annual Plan 2016/2017 – Mayoral Proposal clauses a) i) and a) iv) 4).

12 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

4.38pm

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 GOVERNING BODY HELD
ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....