

Komiti Taiao ā-Hapori Hoki Environment and Community Committee OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Community Committee held in Meeting Room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 20 February 2018 at 9.35am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Penny Hulse	
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Alf Filipaina	From 9.42am, part item 5.2
Members	IMSB Member Renata Blair	Until 3.36pm, part item 18
	IMSB Member James Brown	From 9.50am, part item 5.2
	Deputy Mayor Bill Cashmore	
	Cr Cathy Casey	
	Cr Ross Clow	Until 3.16pm, part item 16
	Cr Fa'anana Efeso Collins	From 10.05am, part item 3
		Until 3.53pm, part item 19
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	
	Cr Chris Darby	Until 12.24pm, part item 9
	Cr Hon Christine Fletcher, QSO	Until 4.08pm, part item 19
	Mayor Hon Phil Goff, CNZM, JP	Until 2.30pm, part item 11
	Cr Richard Hills	
	Cr Mike Lee	
	Cr Daniel Newman, JP	
	Cr Greg Sayers	
	Cr Desley Simpson, JP	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	
	Cr Sir John Walker, KNZM, CBE	From 10.18am part item 5.4
		Until 1.00pm, item 9
	Cr Wayne Walker	
	Cr John Watson	Until 3.48pm, part item 19

ABSENT

Cr Dick Quax

ALSO PRESENT

Angela Dalton	Chair, Manurewa Local Board
Greg Presland	Chair, Waitakere Ranges Local Board
Saffron Toms	Deputy Chair, Waitakere Ranges Local Board
Sandra Coney	Waitakere Ranges Local Board Member
Julia Parfitt	Chair, Hibiscus and Bays Local Board
Lemauga Lydia Sosene	Chair, Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board

1 Apologies

Resolution number ENV/2018/1

MOVED by Mayor P Goff, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr D Quax for absence, Cr E Collins and IMSB Member J Brown for lateness and Cr R Hills for early departure.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number ENV/2018/2

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr G Sayers:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 5 December 2017, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

5 Public Input

5.1 Public Input: Low Carbon Auckland Plan - Grant Hewison

Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina entered the meeting at 9.42am.

Grant Hewison and Damon Birchfield provided a presentation in support of their address regarding the Low Carbon Plan. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2018/3

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr W Walker:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the presentation from Grant Hewison regarding the Low Carbon Auckland Plan.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee: Public Input 5.1: Low Carbon Auckland Plan - presentation

5.2 Public Input: Response to the 'A strategy for Auckland's urban forest' report - Wendy Gray

IMSB Member J Brown entered the meeting at 9.50am.

Cr M Lee left the meeting at 9.5am.

Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina left the meeting at 9.56am.

Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore left the meeting at 10.00am.

Cr L Cooper left the meeting at 10.00am.

Wendy Gray addressed the committee responding to the strategy for Auckland's urban forest.

Resolution number ENV/2018/4

MOVED by Cr J Walker, seconded by Cr C Fletcher:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the presentation from Wendy Gray in relation to the strategy for Auckland urban forest.**

CARRIED

5.3 Public Input: 10 year urban forest restoration plan: Rob Thomas

Cr L Cooper returned to the meeting at 10.03am.

Cr E Collins entered the meeting at 10.05am.

Rob Thomas presented an updated presentation in support of his address regarding the 10 year urban forest restoration plan. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2018/5

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the public input from Rob Thomas, elected member, Waitemata Local Board in relation to the strategy for Auckland's urban forest.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee: Item 5.3: 10 year urban forest restoration plan - presentation

5.4 Public Input: Citizens Advice Bureaux services review - Diane Taylor

Diane Taylor, Chair and Simon Nimmo, Manager, Auckland Citizens Advice Bureaux presented a powerpoint presentation in support of their address regarding the review.

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

Resolution number ENV/2018/6

MOVED by Mayor P Goff, seconded by Cr D Simpson:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the public input presentations from Diane Taylor and Simon Nimmo, Auckland Citizens Advice Bureaux regarding the Citizens Advice Bureaux services review.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee: Item 5.4: Public Input: Citizens Advice Bureaux services review - presentation

5.5 Public Input: Citizens Advice Bureaux services review - Gary Nicholls

Gary Nicholls, Auckland Justice of the Peace addressed the committee in relation to the impact the organisation will have as a result of the review.

Cr M Lee returned to the meeting at 10.36am.

Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore returned to the meeting at 10.36am.

IMSB Member J Brown left the meeting at 10.39am.

Resolution number ENV/2018/7

MOVED by Cr D Simpson, seconded by Cr R Hills:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the public input presentations from Gary Nicholls – Auckland Justice of the Peace regarding the Citizens Advice Bureaux services review.**

CARRIED

6 Local Board Input

6.1 Local Board Input: Illegal Dumping in Manurewa - Angela Dalton, Chairperson

Angela Dalton addressed the committee in relation to illegal dumping in the Manurewa area.

Resolution number ENV/2018/8

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **receive and note the local board input presentation from Angela Dalton, Chair, Manurewa Local Board regarding illegal dumping in the Manurewa area.**

CARRIED

7 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

8 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

9 Kauri Dieback Management - Report Back

Waitakere Local Board Chair Greg Presland, Deputy Chair Saffron Toms and Local Board Member Sandra Coney presented a powerpoint presentation in support of their address.

Staff also provided a powerpoint presentation in support of the report. Copies of the presentations have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number ENV/2018/9

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **propose to close high risk tracks in the Hunua Ranges Regional Park by 1 May 2018, subject to**
 - i) **consultation with mana whenua Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki, Ngāti Whanaunga, Ngāti Pāoa and Ngati Tamaoho**
 - ii) **consultation with the Franklin Local Board**
- b) **propose to close the forested areas of the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park, with exceptions, such as beaches, pasturelands and areas which would reach the requirement of a controlled area notice, by 1 May 2018 subject to:**
 - i) **identification of the proposed closure area and exceptions in consultation with Te Kawerau ā Maki**
 - ii) **consultation with the Waitākere Ranges Local Board**
 - iii) **targeted engagement with concessionaires, businesses and recreational groups who use and benefit from the regional park and with people who live within the Waitākere Ranges**
- c) **request staff to formally seek the Ministry for Primary Industries support for the proposed closure within the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park and track closures within the Hunua Ranges Regional Park by initiating controlled area notices, once targeted engagement and consultation has been completed**
- d) **approve, in principle, a targeted patrols enforcement approach, with an unbudgeted cost of \$2.2M, for the proposed closures, subject to consultation**
- e) **subject to fulfilment of resolutions a) and b) request staff report back on this matter at the April 2018 Environment and Community Committee for final decision making**
- f) **note that this additional activity is unbudgeted in this financial year and that the recommended option, supported by focused enforcement, could cost approximately \$3.3M opex and \$0.5M capex in the first year**
- g) **note that if either of the proposed Long-term Plan environmental protection options are adopted that this additional expenditure represents around one third of the proposed kauri dieback investment and will be prioritised above track improvements, upgrades and other aspects of the programme such as landowner support, station upgrades and washdown facilities**
- h) **request staff to provide an update on kauri dieback management across the region and the implications for currently proposed closures in the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park and Hunua Ranges Regional Parks by April 2018**
- i) **note that the status and continuance of the closures, and council's management strategy, may be reconsidered when the Regional Parks Management Plan 2010 comes up for review in 2020, without limiting any other review.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee: Item 9: Kauri Dieback Management - Waitakere Ranges Local Board presentation
- B 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee: Item 9: Kauri Dieback Management report back - presentation

The meeting adjourned at 1.00pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1.38pm. Cr P Hulse, Cr R Hills, Cr M Lee and Cr W Walker were not present.

Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina assumed the chair.

10 Review of Citizens Advice Bureaux Services

Cr R Hills returned to the meeting at 1.40pm.

Chairperson P Hulse returned to the meeting at 1.40pm and resumed the chair at 1.43pm.

Cr M Lee returned to the meeting at 1.41pm.

Cr W Walker returned to the meeting at 1.42pm.

IMSB Member J Brown left the meeting at 1.45pm.

Cr M Lee left the meeting at 2.00pm.

Cr M Lee returned to the meeting at 2.07pm.

Julia Parfitt, Chair of Hibiscus and Bays Local Board, Peter Haynes, Chair of Albert-Eden Local Board and Lemauga Lydia Sosene, Chair of Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board addressed the committee in relation to the review.

Staff also presented a powerpoint presentation in support of the report.

A copy of the Orakei Local Board's feedback on the review was tabled as it was inadvertently omitted from the agenda report papers.

Copies of the tabled document and the presentation have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number ENV/2018/10

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr C Casey:

Item of business to lie on the table

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **agree that Item 10: Review of Citizens Advice Bureaux Services lies on the table, and will not be further discussed at this meeting, but may be continued at an unspecified later time.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee Item 10: Review of Citizens Advice Bureaux Services - Orakei Local Board feedback
- B 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee Item 10: Review of Citizens Advice Bureaux Services - presentation

11 Low Carbon Auckland: 2018 Review and Update

*Cr R Hills left the meeting at 2.30pm.
Cr R Clow left the meeting at 2.30pm.
IMSB Member J Brown returned to the meeting at 2.40pm.
Cr R Clow returned to the meeting at 2.50pm.*

A powerpoint presentation was provided in support of the report. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2018/11

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **approve the approach for the review and update of Low Carbon Auckland, as shown in the table at paragraph 33 of the report, to include both a mitigation and adaptation strategy for the region**
- b) **agree that the update of Low Carbon Auckland be presented to the Environment and Community Committee for decision by December 2018**
- c) **agree to the creation of an Independent Advisory Group, to provide on-going guidance, challenge and evaluation of the review and update of Low Carbon Auckland**
- d) **delegate the decision on the membership of the Independent Advisory Group to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Environment and Community Committee, the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee, an IMSB Member and the Mayor's office.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee Item 11: Low Carbon Auckland: 2018 Review and Update

12 A strategy for Auckland's urban ngahere (forest)

A powerpoint presentation was provided in support of the item. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2018/12

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **approve the strategy "Together growing Auckland's urban ngahere for a flourishing future", as per Attachment A of the agenda report, incorporating any final changes resolved by the Committee**
- b) **authorise the Chair, Deputy Chair and an IMSB Member to review, make minor revisions and approve the finalised strategy for public release**
- c) **request staff to report back to the Committee on the results of the LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) survey and an implementation plan for the strategy, which will include the additional work on costs and benefits and funding sources, in August 2018, or earlier if possible subject to availability of LIDAR data.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee Item 12: Strategy for Auckland's urban ngahere (forest) - presentation

Extension of Meeting Time

Resolution number ENV/2018/13

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **agree at 3:00pm pursuant to standing order 1.1.3, that an extension of time until 5.00pm and when the business items of the agenda is complete be granted.**

CARRIED

13 Engagement Options for Implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management

Resolution number ENV/2018/14

MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Cr C Darby:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **approve the use of the standard consultation process (Schedule 1, Resource Management Act), supported by enhanced engagement, to implement changes to the Auckland Unitary Plan required for the full implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management**
- b) **note that the standard consultation process (Schedule 1, Resource Management Act), supported by enhanced engagement, will be managed within existing operational budgets and staff resourcing.**

CARRIED

14 Regional Parks Management Plan 2010 – variation to incorporate land at Piha into the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park

Resolution number ENV/2018/15

MOVED by Chairperson P Hulse, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **approve the variation to incorporate land at Piha, being Pt. Allot 4482, Pt DP 3134 and 3135 into the Regional Parks Management Plan 2010 as part of the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park as recommended by the independent commissioners**
- b) **approve the amendment to the variation as to the location of the fire-fighting tanks as shown on the map accompanying the variation and the removal of reference to the 'dipping dam' in Policy 13**
- c) **approve the name of the parkland as Taitomo**
- d) **note the Manager, Regional Parks, will prepare an integrated vegetation management and fire-risk reduction plan in consultation with the local community and report back on the resourcing needs for its effective implementation.**

CARRIED

15 Corban Reserve Stormwater Upgrade - Compulsory Land Acquisition

Cr R Clow left the meeting at 3.16pm.

Resolution number ENV/2018/16

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **note that delegation of authority for compulsory acquisition of land near Corban Reserve will be considered in the confidential section of this meeting.**

CARRIED

16 Fit for the Future presentation

With the agreement of the meeting, this item was deferred until a workshop is held with local board chairs.

17 Approach to Meeting National Air Quality Standards

Resolution number ENV/2018/17

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina, seconded by IMSB Member J Brown:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **agree to an improved approach to managing Auckland's particulate air pollution, which includes:**
- i) **continuing to apply current regulatory and non-regulatory measures for managing particulate air pollution, to maintain the current positive trends in Auckland's air quality and home heating choices**
 - ii) **improving the council's communication, monitoring and reporting of air quality issues**
 - iii) **continuing to investigate further regional air quality tools so that the council can move quickly to respond to future changes in air quality trends.**

CARRIED

18 Tākaro - Investing in play: Release of consultation feedback

Member R Blair left the meeting at 3.36pm.

IMSB Member J Brown left the meeting at 3.40pm.

Resolution number ENV/2018/18

MOVED by Cr D Simpson, seconded by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **approve the public release of a report summarising analysis of consultation on the Tākaro – Investing in play discussion document (Attachment A of the agenda).**

CARRIED

19 Summary of Environment and Community Committee information - updates, memos and briefings - 20 February 2018

IMSB Member J Brown returned to the meeting at 3.47pm.

Cr J Watson left the meeting at 3.48pm.

Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina left the meeting at 3.48pm.

Cr E Collins left the meeting at 3.53pm.

Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina returned to the meeting at 4.05pm.

Mayor P Goff left the meeting at 4.08pm.

A powerpoint presentation and a video was provided in support of the memorandum update regarding the Tripartite Economic Alliance Summit 2017 held in Guangzhou on 8-10 November 2017. A copy of the powerpoint presentation has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number ENV/2018/19

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) receive the information report
- b) receive the presentation regarding the Tripartite Economic Alliance project.

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20 February 2018 Environment and Community Committee Item 19: Summary of Environment and Community Committee information - updates, memos and briefings - 20 February 2018 - tripartite presentation

20 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There were no extraordinary items.

21 Procedural motion to exclude the public

Resolution number ENV/2018/20

MOVED by Cr C Casey, seconded by Cr D Newman:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) exclude the public from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.

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 Acquisition of land for open space – Paerata

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>In particular, the report identifies land the council seeks to acquire for open space purposes.</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 identifies land the council seeks to acquire for open space purposes.</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>

C2 Confidential: Corban Reserve Stormwater Upgrade- Compulsory Land Acquisition

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)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.</p> <p>In particular, the report contains the address of an individual and commercially sensitive information relating to the compulsory acquisition of land for a stormwater upgrade.</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 the address of an individual and commercially sensitive information relating to the compulsory acquisition of land for a stormwater upgrade.</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 was made available to the public who were present at the meeting and formed part of the minutes of the meeting.

CARRIED

4.17pm 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.

4.30pm The public was re-admitted.

RESTATEMENTS

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

C1 Acquisition of land for open space - Paerata

Resolution number ENV/2018/21

MOVED by Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, seconded by Cr D Newman:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- d) confirm that there be no restatement of this confidential report, attachments or resolutions for the acquisition of land for public open space at Paerata until settlement of the purchases, and only then is the resolution to be restated.

C2 Confidential: Corban Reserve Stormwater Upgrade- Compulsory Land Acquisition

Resolution number ENV/2018/22

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Cr D Simpson:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- c) agree that there be no restatement of the resolutions until the acquisition of all the properties listed above has been completed.

4.31pm

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

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DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....