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# Environment and Community Committee

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Community Committee held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 17 October 2017 at 9.37am.

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### PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Cr Penny Hulse	
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Cr Alf Filipaina	
<b>Members</b>	IMSB Member James Brown	Until 3.16pm, Item 13
	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	
	Deputy Mayor Bill Cashmore	
	Cr Ross Clow	From 11.21am, Item 5.3
		Until 3.23pm, Item 13
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	From 9.40am, Item 4
	Cr Richard Hills	
	Cr Mike Lee	
	Cr Greg Sayers	
	Cr Desley Simpson, JP	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	
	Cr Sir John Walker, KNZM, CBE	From 10.15am, Item 5.1
	Cr Wayne Walker	
	Cr John Watson	
	IMSB Member Glenn Wilcox	

### ABSENT

Cr Chris Darby  
Cr Christine Fletcher  
Cr Daniel Newman  
Cr Denise Lee  
Cr Dick Quax  
Cr Efeso Collins  
Mayor Phil Goff

### ALSO PRESENT

Saffron Toms, Member, Waitakere Local Board

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## 1 Apologies

Resolution number ENV/2017/129

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr C Fletcher, Cr D Newman, Cr D Quax, Cr E Collins for absence and Cr C Darby and Mayor P Goff for absence on council business, Cr Stewart and Cr R Hills for early departure on council business.**

**CARRIED**

## 2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

## 3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number ENV/2017/130

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 12 September 2017, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.**

**CARRIED**

## 4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

*Cr L Cooper entered the meeting at 9.40 am.*

## 5 Public Input

### 5.1 Public Input: Weed Management and Implementation Policy

*Cr J Walker entered the meeting at 10.15 am.*

*Cr S Stewart left the meeting at 10.32am.*

Hana Blackmore, Julian Bartrom, Alex Strever, Jodie Bruning and Lisa Prager spoke on weed management and the use of glyphosate and tabled documents in support of their address. Copies have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number ENV/2017/131

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive and note the public input presentations from Hana Blackmore on behalf of the Weed Management Advisory, Julian Bartrom, Alex Strever, Jodie Bruning and Lisa Prager regarding Project17 – weed management and the glyphosate reduction.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Environment and Community Committee - Item 5.1 - Public Input: Weed Management and Implementation Policy - tabled document by Hana Blackmore
- B 17 October 2017 Environment and Community Committee - Item 5.1 - Public Input: Weed Management and Implementation Policy - tabled document by Julian Bartrom
- C 17 October 2017 Environment and Community Committee - Item 5.1 - Public Input: Weed Management and Implementation Policy - tabled document by Jodie Bruning

**5.2 Public Input: Planned use of 1080 in Hunua Ranges Pest Management**

Tricia Cheel and Tony Gyde spoke on the planned use of 1080 in 2018. Tricia tabled a document in support of her submission against the use of 1080. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number ENV/2017/132

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive and note the public input presentations from Tricia Cheel and Tony Gyde regarding the planned use of 1080 in the Hunua Ranges Pest Management.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 5.2 Public Input : Planned use of 1080 in the Hunua Ranges Pest Management - tabled document by Tricia Cheel

**5.3 Public Input: Regional Park Management Plan 2010 - Variation to incorporate land at Te Arai**

*Cr R Clow entered the meeting at 11.21 am.*

Aaron McConchie on behalf of Save Te Arai, Colin Smith, Rodney Local Board Member and Heather Rogan, Convenor, New Zealand Fairy Tern Charitable Trust.

Resolution number ENV/2017/133

MOVED by Cr G Sayers, seconded by Cr W Walker:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive and note the public input presentations from Aaron McConchie on behalf of the Save Te Arai Colin Smith, Rodney Local Board Member and Heather Rogan, Convenor, New Zealand Fairy Tern Charitable Trust.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 5.3 Public Input: Regional Park Management Plan 2010 - Variation to incorporate land at Te Arai - Public Input tabled documents

## 6 Local Board Input

### 6.1 Local Board Input: Waitakere Local Board - Item 15 - Revocation of Road Reserve - 315A Glengarry Road, Glen Eden

*Cr G Sayers left the meeting at 11.40 am.*

Saffron Toms, Waitakere Local Board Member spoke in support of the board's submission.

Resolution number ENV/2017/134

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive the presentation and thank Saffron Toms, Waitakere Local Board Member for her attendance.**

**CARRIED**

## 7 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

## 8 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

## 9 Approval of the Ethnic Peoples and Youth Advisory Panels' 2017/2018 work programmes

*Cr G Sayers returned to the meeting at 11.47 am.*

Ethnic Peoples Advisory Panel chair Sunil Kaushal and deputy chair Jade Tang-Taylor spoke about the goals of the panel.

Youth Advisory Panel chair Veisia Maka spoke to the committee about how the Youth Panel has aligned its work programme to the seven goals of *I am Auckland*, the Children and Young People's Strategic Action Plan, with a particular focus on youth engagement and civic participation. A powerpoint presentation was provided a copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Resolution number ENV/2017/135

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Cr C Casey:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **approve the work programme of the Ethnic Peoples Panel for the 2017/2018 financial year.**
- b) **note that the lead officer of the advisory panel will update the panels' work to track progress.**

**CARRIED**

Resolution number ENV/2017/136

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Cr C Casey:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- c) **approve the work programme of the Youth Advisory Panel for the 2017/2018 financial year.**

- d) **note that the lead officer of the advisory panel will update the panels' work programmes to track progress.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 9 Approval of the Ethnic Peoples and Youth Advisory Panels' 2017/2018 work programmes - tabled Youth Advisory Panel presentation

**10 Progress report on the implementation of the Auckland Council Weed Management Policy**

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

*IMSB Member J Brown left the meeting at 12.21 pm.*

*Cr S Stewart returned to the meeting at 12.38 pm.*

*Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina left the meeting at 12.41 pm.*

*IMSB Member J Brown returned to the meeting at 12.43 pm.*

*Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina returned to the meeting at 12.46 pm.*

Note: Changes to the original motion with the addition of clause c) were incorporated with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2017/137

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive the update on the implementation of Auckland Council's Weed Management Policy.**
- b) **note that a further update on the implementation of the Weed Management Policy will be provided to the Environment and Community Committee in April 2018.**
- c) **request Public Input speakers at Item 5.1 of this meeting to be invited to a discussion forum at the next Weed Management Political Advisory Group meeting, to ensure their feedback is considered as part of the weed management work.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.8.6, Cr W Walker requested that his dissenting vote against clause b), be recorded.

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 10 Progress report on the implementation of the Auckland Council Weed Management Policy - presentation

The meeting was adjourned at 1.08pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1.45pm.

**11 Healthy Hunua - Kohukohunui (Hunua Ranges) Pest Management**

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

The motion was put in parts.

Resolution number ENV/2017/138

MOVED by Deputy Mayor B Cashmore, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **endorse the proposed 2018 pest management programme for Kohukohunui (the Hunua Ranges regional parklands), in particular the use of aerially applied 1080.**
- b) **note that the aerial application of 1080 will continue to be used in Kohukohunui until a new methodology is identified that can deliver the same level of pest management outcomes in a safe and efficient manner.**
- c) **note that best practice guidelines for this activity will be followed including the National Pest Control Agencies' *Aerial 1080 Pest Control Industry Guidelines* and the Environmental Risk Management Authority's *Communications Guideline for Aerial 1080 Operations*.**
- d) **note that this decision is specific to Kohukohunui. Use of aerially applied 1080 in other areas would need to be considered on a case by case basis specific to each site.**
- e) **endorse the establishment of a political advisory group (Franklin Local Board, Malcolm Bell, Deputy Mayor Bill Cashmore, Cr Sayers, Cr Filipaina (Chair), Member James Brown including mana whenua representation) to work with staff in the planning and implementation phases of the Kohukohunui 2018 pest management programme.**

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

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
IMSB Member J Brown	Cr C Casey	Cr J Watson
Deputy Mayor B Cashmore	Cr W Walker	
Cr R Clow		
Cr L Cooper		
Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina		
Cr R Hills		
Chairperson P Hulse		
Cr M Lee		
Cr G Sayers		
Cr D Simpson		
Cr S Stewart		
IMSB Member G Wilcox		

The motion was declared CARRIED by 12 votes to 2.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number ENV/2017/139

MOVED by Deputy Mayor B Cashmore, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- f) **agree that as part of the wider pest management regime, the ground-based Kokako management area be maintained and gradually extended.**

**CARRIED**

#### **Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 11: Healthy Hunua - Kohukohunui (Hunua Ranges) Pest Management - presentation

## 12 Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement Programme

Dick Hudig, on behalf of Stop Auckland Sewage Overflows Coalition, Liz Walker on behalf of STEPS and a representative from the Manukau Harbour Restoration Society were in attendance. Dick Hudig tabled a letter of support.

Staff presented a powerpoint presentation in support of the report.

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

Resolution number ENV/2017/140

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive the presentation and thank Dick Hudig, on behalf of Stop Auckland Sewage Overflows Coalition and Liz Walker on behalf of STEPS and Manukau Harbour Restoration Society for their attendance.**

**CARRIED**

Resolution number ENV/2017/141

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

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- a) **note the technical and strategic work undertaken jointly by Auckland Council and Watercare to address water quality issues in the western isthmus area specifically to reduce wastewater overflows, provide for growth, and improve stormwater management.**
- b) **note the endorsement of the recommended technical option by the Watercare Board as described in correspondence dated 27 September 2017.**
- c) **agree that Option Three (Recommended) is the best practicable option, taking into account the council's wider responsibilities to manage environmental outcomes.**
- d) **approve that Option Three, the western isthmus water quality improvement programme, now be considered as part of the Long-term Plan 2018-2028, specifically recommending that the programme includes:**
  - i) **a new tunnel from the Central Interceptor's termination point at Western Springs through to Grey Lynn**
  - ii) **bringing forward \$310 million of Watercare investment, from decade two and three to decade one, to increase wastewater capacity for growth and reduce wet weather overflows in the area**
  - iii) **bringing forward \$285 million of Healthy Waters investment, from decade two and three to decade one, to improve stormwater management, allow capacity for growth and reduce wet weather overflows**
  - iv) **funding separation of private combined systems, where appropriate.**
- e) **note that the recommended programme, while reliant on the central interceptor and planned stormwater upgrades, will not impact on those timeframes and costs, nor will it impact on the resource consents for the Central Interceptor, Watercare Network Discharge Consent or the Māngere Wastewater Treatment Plant.**
- f) **note that the recommended programme and budgets are subject to public consultation and consideration as part of the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 process.**



- g) note that a decision to approve the recommended option and budgets will be of high significance under Auckland Council's Significance and Engagement Policy and as a result, there would be a requirement for consultation. Compliance with the relevant sections of the Local Government Act 2002 will occur as part of the development of the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 process.
- h) agree that, subject to the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 process, that Auckland Council will take all necessary action to progress Option Three in a timely and collaborative manner with Watercare.

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 12: Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement Programme - tabled letter from the coalition
- B 17 October 2017 Item 12: Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement Programme - presentation

*IMSB Member J Brown left the meeting at 3.16 pm.*

**13 Approve the Smokefree Policy 2017 - 2025 and Implementation Plan**

*Cr R Clow left the meeting at 3.23 pm.*

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated under clause a), with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2017/142

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) adopt the Smokefree Policy 2017 - 2025 in Attachment A of the agenda report with an amendment to section 3.2.1 to add 'public wharves' and 'council car parks' to the listed areas under the bullet point "public outdoor areas associated with the council, including:" and adopt the Smokefree Policy 2017 - 2025 Implementation Plan in Attachment B of the agenda report.
- b) endorse that implementation resources are subject to funding consideration within the Long-term Plan 2018-2028.

**CARRIED**

At 3.37pm:

**Extension of Meeting Time**

Resolution number ENV/2017/143

MOVED by Cr W Walker, seconded by Cr D Simpson:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) agree pursuant to standing order 1.1.3 that an extension of time until 4.30pm be granted to allow the business of the meeting to be completed.

**CARRIED**

**14 Regional Park Management Plan 2010 - Variation to incorporate land at Te Arai**

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 minutes attachments.

Note: Changes to the original motion were incorporated under clause d), with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ENV/2017/144

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Cr G Sayers:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **approve public notification of its intention to vary the Regional Parks Management Plan 2010 to vary the policy relating to the existing regional parkland at Te Arai Point and to incorporate the open space vested to the north, the open space to be vested to the south, and the areas of local park that were transferred to regional park management in 2013, and invite written suggestions on the proposed variation**
- b) **recommend to the Planning Committee the zoning of the vested land (Lots 300 – 303, DP 483489) as Open Space and its designation for regional park purposes within the Auckland Unitary Plan**
- c) **approve the vested and transferred land being protected in perpetuity by Order in Council in terms of Section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002**
- d) **approve the General Manager, Parks, Sports and Recreation to determine the transfer of the management of adjoining Department of Conservation land to the council by way of a management agreement or similar arrangement, and for this agreement to be submitted to the Environment and Community Committee for implementation approval.**

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A 17 October 2017 Item 14: Regional Park Management Plan 2010 - Variation to incorporate land at Te Arai - presentation

**15 Revocation of Road Reserve - 315A Glengarry Road, Glen Eden**

Resolution number ENV/2017/145

MOVED by IMSB Member G Wilcox, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **note the objection received and officers' advice.**
- b) **agrees to submit a request to the Minister of Conservation to uplift the road reserve status on land situated at 315A Glengarry Road, Glen Eden, being Lot 41 DP19309 pursuant to s.24 of the Reserves Act 1977, as it is no longer required by Auckland Council for reserve.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.8.6, the following councilors requested that their dissenting vote against clause b), be recorded:

- Cr Casey
- Cr Sayers
- Cr Walker
- Cr Watson

The Chairperson vacated the chair at 4.23pm and left the room.

The Deputy Chairperson assumed the chair.

**16 Exchange of part of Taniwha Reserve for other land**

Resolution number ENV/2017/146

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina, seconded by Cr R Hills:

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **approve statutory notification under section 15(2) of the Reserves Act 1977 of a proposed exchange of 132m<sup>2</sup> of Taniwha Reserve, 193-195 Taniwha Street, Glen Innes (Pt Lot 142 DP 42356) for 375m<sup>2</sup> of land at 4 Harlow Place, Glen Innes (Lot 4 DP 39662) and 6-8 Harlow Place, Glen Innes (Lot 121 DP 39662) as shown in Attachment C of the agenda report.**

**CARRIED**

**17 Summary of Environment and Community Committee information memos and briefings - 17 October 2017**

Resolution number ENV/2017/147

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

**That the Environment and Community Committee:**

- a) **receive the information report.**

**CARRIED**

**18 Consideration of Extraordinary Items**

There were no extraordinary items.

**19 Procedural motion to exclude the public**

Resolution number ENV/2017/148

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

**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 Update on proposed acquisition in Newmarket**

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>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 Acquisition of land for open space - Wainui**

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>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>

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**

4.27pm 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.

4.56pm The public was re-admitted.

**RESTATEMENTS**

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

**C1 Update on proposed acquisition in Newmarket**

Resolution number ENV/2017/149

MOVED by Cr M Lee, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

- d) confirm that there be no restatement of this confidential report, attachments or resolutions for the proposed acquisition unless settlement of the purchase occurs, and only then is the resolution to be restated.

**C2 Acquisition of land for open space - Wainui**

Resolution number ENV/2017/150

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson A Filipaina, seconded by Cr G Sayers:

That the Environment and Community Committee:

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

4.57 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 ENVIRONMENT AND  
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....