
Kōmiti Whakarite Mahere / Planning Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Thursday, 5 March 2020 at 10.04am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Chris Darby	
Deputy Chair	Cr Josephine Bartley	
Members	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	
	Deputy Mayor Cr Bill Cashmore	
	Cr Pippa Coom	
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	
	Mayor Hon Phil Goff, CNZM, JP	Until 3.40pm, Item C2
	IMSB Member Hon Tau Henare	Until 2.19pm
	Cr Shane Henderson	
	Cr Richard Hills	
	Cr Daniel Newman, JP	From 11.16am, Item 9, Until 2.19pm
	IMSB Member Liane Ngamane	Until 4.02pm, Item C2
	Cr Desley Simpson, JP	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	Until 2.19pm
	Cr Wayne Walker	From 10.06am, Item 5, Until 2.19pm
	Cr John Watson	From 10.10am, Item 6.1
	Cr Paul Young	

ABSENT

Cr Fa'anana Efeso Collins	For leave of absence
Cr Angela Dalton	
Cr Alf Filipaina	
Cr Christine Fletcher, QSO	
Cr Tracy Mulholland	
Cr Greg Sayers	

ALSO PRESENT

Richard Northey, ONZM	Chairperson, Waitematā Local Board
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1 Apologies

Resolution number PLA/2020/12

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **accept the apologies from Cr D Newman for lateness, and Cr A Dalton, Cr A Filipaina, Cr C Fletcher, Cr T Mulholland and Cr G Sayers for absence.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore declared and interest in Item C1 – CONFIDENTIAL:
Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) - rural subdivision appeals and delegation to make urgent decisions on all remaining appeals.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number PLA/2020/13

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr J Bartley:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 4 February 2020, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

5 Public Input

There was no public input.

Cr W Walker entered the meeting at 10.06am.

6 Local Board Input

6.1 Local Board Input - Waitemata Local Board - City Centre Masterplan Refresh

Waitematā Local Board Chairperson, Richard Northey was present to speak to the committee.

Cr J Watson entered the meeting at 10.10 am.

Resolution number PLA/2020/14

MOVED by Cr P Coom, seconded by Cr C Darby:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **receive the Waitematā Local Board input and thank Chairperson Richard Northey for attending.**

CARRIED

7 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

8 Submission on the draft National Policy Statement Indigenous Biodiversity

A presentation was provided and local board feedback tabled. Copies have been placed on the official minutes and will be available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Note: changes were incorporated with the addition of sub-clause a) i) and under clause c), with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number PLA/2020/15

MOVED by IMSB Member L Ngamane, seconded by Cr R Hills:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **approve the draft Auckland Council submission on the draft National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (included as Attachment A of the agenda report), incorporating the following change:**
 - i) **Add a paragraph to the submission to recognise rangatiratanga and the Treaty principle of options with regards to Māori land.**
- b) **agree that local board feedback received by 5 March 2020 is appended to the Auckland Council submission.**
- c) **delegate authority to make minor changes and approve the final submission to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee and an Independent Māori Statutory Board Member.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 5 March 2020, Planning Committee – Item 8 Submission on the draft National Policy Statement Indigenous Biodiversity – Aotea/Great Barrier, Maungakiekie-Tamaki, Puketapapa, Waiheke, and Waitakere Ranges local boards feedback
- B 5 March 2020, Planning Committee – Item 8 Submission on the draft National Policy Statement Indigenous Biodiversity – presentation

9 Auckland Plan 2050 Three Yearly Progress Report

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

Cr D Newman entered the meeting at 11.16 am.

Resolution number PLA/2020/16

MOVED by Cr J Bartley, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **receive the Auckland Plan 2050 Three Yearly Progress Report (February 2020).**
- b) **approve the *opportunities for greater progress* (as identified in the Auckland Plan 2050 Three Yearly Progress Report) as a basis for alignment with the 10-year budget and other decision-making as appropriate.**
- c) **receive the update on the Auckland Plan 2050.**
- d) **request the Three Yearly Progress Report be distributed to all local boards for their information.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 5 March 2020, Planning Committee – Item 9 Auckland Plan 2050 Three Yearly Progress Report – presentation

The meeting adjourned at 12.02pm and reconvened at 12.13pm.

Cr J Watson was not present.

10 City Centre Masterplan Refresh

A presentation was provided and advisory panel feedback tabled. Copies have been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachments.

Cr J Watson returned to the meeting at 12.15 pm.

Note: new clauses c) and d) were added, with the agreement of the meeting.

The motion was put in parts.

Resolution number PLA/2020/17

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr P Coom:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **adopt the refreshed City Centre Masterplan, incorporating the outcomes, transformational moves and Access for Everyone as set out in this report (and attached in summary form in Attachment E of the agenda report).**
- b) **note that Auckland Transport and partners are commencing a comprehensive investigation into the implementation of the Access for Everyone concept, including funding, phasing and the opportunity to develop pilot projects as part of a transition plan.**

CARRIED

Resolution number PLA/2020/18

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr P Coom:

That the Planning Committee:

- c) support commencement of a Queen St pilot by March 2021, to coincide with closure of Victoria/Albert intersection for City Rail Link construction, and seeks opportunities for other transitional works as soon as possible.**

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

For

Cr J Bartley
Cr C Casey
Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore
Cr P Coom
Cr L Cooper
Cr C Darby
Mayor P Goff
Cr S Henderson
Cr R Hills
Cr D Newman
IMSB Member L Ngamane
Cr D Simpson
Cr W Walker
Cr J Watson
Cr P Young

Against

IMSB Member T Henare
Cr S Stewart

Abstained

The motion was declared **CARRIED** by 15 votes to 2.

CARRIED

Resolution number PLA/2020/19

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr P Coom:

That the Planning Committee:

- d) support the cross-divisional group reporting on the development of the implementation plan, pilots and other transitional works to a Planning Committee workshop.**
- e) note that the refreshed City Centre Masterplan will be digitised and available from April 2020.**

CARRIED

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.8.6, the following councillors requested their dissenting votes be recorded:

- Cr D Simpson, against clause a)
- Cr S Stewart

Attachments

- A 5 March 2020, Planning Committee – Item 10 City Centre Masterplan Refresh - Auckland City Centre Advisory Board feedback
- B 5 March 2020, Planning Committee – Item 10 City Centre Masterplan Refresh – presentation

The meeting adjourned at 2.19pm and reconvened at 2.53pm.

IMSB Member T Henare, Cr D Newman, Cr S Stewart and Cr W Walker were not present.

11 Infrastructure Funding and Financing Bill draft submission

IMSB Member L Ngamane left the meeting at 3.17 pm.

Resolution number PLA/2020/20

MOVED by Cr D Simpson, seconded by Cr J Bartley:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **approve the submission on the Infrastructure Funding and Financing Bill (Attachment A of the agenda report).**
- b) **delegate to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee, an Independent Māori Statutory Board Member and the Group Chief Financial Officer to authorise any minor amendments and corrections to finalise the submission.**

CARRIED

12 Summary of Planning Committee information items and briefings - 5 March 2020

Resolution number PLA/2020/21

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

That the Planning Committee:

- a) **receive the Summary of Planning Committee information items and briefings – 5 March 2020 report.**

CARRIED

13 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

14 Procedural motion to exclude the public

Resolution number PLA/2020/22

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr C Casey:

That the Planning 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 CONFIDENTIAL: Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) - rural subdivision appeals and delegation to make urgent decisions on all remaining appeals

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)(g) - The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</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 a recommended set of rural subdivision provisions for an Environment Court hearing in June 2020.</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 Briefing by Chief Economist on Rural Urban Boundary report

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)(j) - The withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.</p> <p>In particular, the report will be publicly released on Saturday 7 March 2020 and therefore the matter is confidential until that time.</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 is made available to the public who are present at the meeting and form part of the minutes of the meeting.

CARRIED

3.19pm 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.

4.23pm The public was re-admitted.

RESTATEMENTS

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

C1 CONFIDENTIAL: Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) - rural subdivision appeals and delegation to make urgent decisions on all remaining appeals

Resolution number PLA/2020/23

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

That the Planning Committee:

- b) delegate to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee, Cr Watson and a member of the Independent Māori Statutory Board the authority to make decisions on the council policy position for the rural subdivision appeals where urgency is required.
- c) delegate to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee, Cr Watson and a member of the Independent Māori Statutory Board the authority to make decisions on the council policy position for all other remaining appeals, or judicial review proceedings, where urgency is required due to upcoming mediation, settlement discussions and/or a hearing.
- d) agree that at least three of the members identified in clauses b) and c) above are required to be in agreement for an urgent decision to be made on the council's policy position.
- e) delegate to the General Manager Plans and Places the authority to confirm the council position in respect of technical matters (as opposed to policy matters) at mediation sessions and at the hearings at any current appeal or any judicial review proceedings relating to the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part).

Restatements

- f) agree that the decision in clause a) will remain confidential until the Environment Court refer-back decision on the rural subdivision appeals has been released, and that the agenda report and attachments will remain confidential.
- g) agree to restate the decisions in clauses b) to e) above in the open minutes of the meeting.

C2 Briefing by Chief Economist on Rural Urban Boundary report

Resolution number PLA/2020/24

MOVED by Cr C Darby, seconded by Cr S Henderson:

That the Planning Committee:

- a) receive the briefing from the Chief Economist on his Rural Urban Boundary report.

Restatement

- b) agree that the decision only be released but the report and attachments remain confidential until reasons for confidentiality no longer exist.

4.23 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 PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....