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# Kōmiti Mō Te Hurihanga Āhuarangi me Te Taiao / Environment and Climate Change Committee

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee held in the Reception Lounge, Auckland Town Hall, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Thursday, 15 April 2021 at 10.05am.

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### PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Cr Richard Hills	
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Cr Pippa Coom	
<b>Members</b>	Cr Dr Cathy Casey	Via electronic link
	Deputy Mayor Cr Bill Cashmore	From 11.14am, Item 9
	Cr Fa'anana Efeso Collins	Via electronic link
	Cr Linda Cooper, JP	
	Cr Angela Dalton	From 11.14am, Item 9
	Cr Chris Darby	
	Cr Christine Fletcher, QSO	Via electronic link
		Until 11.31am, Item 9
	Mayor Hon Phil Goff, CNZM, JP	
	Cr Shane Henderson	
	Cr Daniel Newman, JP	
	Cr Desley Simpson, JP	
	Cr Sharon Stewart, QSM	
	Cr Wayne Walker	From 10.40am, Item 8
	Cr John Watson	From 10.32am, Item 8
	IMSB Member Glenn Wilcox	
	Cr Paul Young	

### ABSENT

Cr Josephine Bartley  
Cr Alf Filipaina  
Cr Tracy Mulholland  
Cr Greg Sayers  
IMSB Member Karen Wilson

### IN ATTENDANCE

Amanda Singleton  
Marlon Bridge

Chief Customer Officer, Watercare  
Deputy Chief Executive, Watercare

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The Chairperson opened the meeting with a karakia.

## Acknowledgement

His Worship the Mayor acknowledged the passing of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and a moment of silence was observed.

## 1 Apologies

Resolution number ECC/2021/14

MOVED by Cr D Simpson, seconded by Cr P Young:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **accept the apologies from Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore, Cr A Dalton, Cr A Filipaina, Cr J Watson and Cr W Walker for lateness, Cr T Mulholland and IMSB Member K Wilson for absence, Cr G Sayers and Cr J Bartley for absence on council business.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Subsequently an apology was received from Cr A Filipaina for absence on council business.

## Electronic Attendance

Resolution number ECC/2021/15

MOVED by Cr D Simpson, seconded by Cr P Young:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **approve the electronic attendance under Standing Order 3.3.3 for:**
  - Cr E Collins
  - Cr C Fletcher
  - Cr C Casey

**CARRIED**

## 2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

## 3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number ECC/2021/16

MOVED by Cr P Coom, seconded by Cr D Simpson:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Thursday, 11 February 2021, as a true and correct record.**

**CARRIED**

## 4 Petitions

There were no petitions.

## 5 Public Input

### 5.1 Public Input: Annalily van den Broeke

A presentation was given 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 ECC/2021/17

MOVED by Cr L Cooper, seconded by Cr S Henderson:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **receive the presentation from Annalily van den Broeke, Dr John Sumich, John Staniland, Chad Wilkie, Matuku Link and thank them for attending.**

**CARRIED**

#### **Attachments**

- A 15 April 2021, Environment and Climate Change Committee: Item 5.1 - Public Input: Annalily van den Broeke, Matuku Link, presentation

## 6 Local Board Input

There was no local board input.

## 7 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

## Acknowledgement

Chair Cr R Hills and His Worship Mayor P Goff thanked and acknowledged Chief Sustainability Officer Alec Tang for his work leading the Climate Action Plan and wished him well for the future.

## 8 CCO quarterly update - Auckland Unlimited

A presentation was given 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.

*Cr J Watson entered the meeting at 10.32 am.*

*Cr W Walker entered the meeting at 10.40 am.*

Resolution number ECC/2021/18

MOVED by Cr P Coom, seconded by Cr R Hills:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **receive the presentation from Auckland Unlimited and thank them for their attendance.**

**CARRIED**

#### **Attachments**

- A 15 April 2021, Environment and Climate Change Committee: Item 8 - CCO quarterly update - Auckland Unlimited, presentation

## 9 Water Strategy: Water Consumption Targets

A presentation was given 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.

*Cr A Dalton entered the meeting at 11.14 am.*

*Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore entered the meeting at 11.14 am.*

*Cr C Fletcher retired from the meeting at 11.31 am.*

Note: changes to the original recommendation were made, amending clause d) i) and adding new clauses d) iii) and g) with the agreement of the meeting.

Resolution number ECC/2021/19

MOVED by Cr R Hills, seconded by Cr L Cooper:

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) note that Watercare is committed to achieving the current 2025 target of 253L gross per capita potable water consumption per day through investments in education and partnering with commercial customers (including through a commercial smart meter programme).
- b) note that Auckland Council parent is on track to achieve a reduction in its own water use of 30% on 2015 levels by 2025 as part of the committed 2025 target.
- c) note Watercare's 2020 application to the Board of Inquiry process to take water from the Waikato Awa and that the proposed water consumption targets and Water Strategy do not negate the need to secure additional water for Auckland.
- d) adopt the following stepped targets for potable water consumption with immediate effect, expressed as 'equal or better than':
  - i) by 2030: 247L gross per capita per day, made up of 155L residential per capita per day, 57.7L commercial per capita per day, 13% or less network leakage (aiming for 11%).
  - ii) by 2050: 225L gross per capita per day, made up of 130L residential per capita per day, 53L commercial per capita per day, 11% or less network leakage.
  - iii) acknowledge that the 2030 and 2050 demand targets are a maximum and, in the case of the 2050 target, the Committee expects Auckland Council and Watercare staff to identify, over time, pathways to achieving greater consumption savings.
- e) note that Watercare is committed to achieving the 2030 and 2050 targets and that key investments towards the 2030 targets are a residential smart meter programme and reducing leakage below the current target of 13%, aiming for 11%.
- f) request Watercare to report to the Committee on estimated permanent water consumption savings as a result of actions taken by customer and Watercare because of the drought.
- g) recommend that the Planning Committee request staff to investigate requiring stormwater tanks to be plumbed into new homes for internal and external non-potable use.

**CARRIED**

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

- Cr D Newman clause d) i)
- Cr W Walker clauses a) - e)

**Attachments**

- A 15 April 2021, Environment and Climate Change Committee: Item 9 - Water Strategy: Water Consumption Targets, presentation

**10 Summary of Environment and Climate Change Committee information memoranda and briefings - 15 April 2021**

Resolution number ECC/2021/20

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

**That the Environment and Climate Change Committee:**

- a) **note the progress on the forward work programme appended as Attachment A of the agenda report**
- b) **receive the Summary of Environment and Climate Change Committee information items and briefings – 15 April 2021.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Deputy Mayor BC Cashmore requested his dissenting vote against Attachment E, Submission Climate Change Commission's draft advice to Government be recorded.

**11 Consideration of Extraordinary Items**

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

12.58 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  
CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....