

Report 03.738

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Wednesday, 19 November 2003 at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Evans, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields, Thomas, and Werry and Mr Gilbert

Officers Present

Messrs Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Jackson, Waititi and Amanda Cox

Public Business

Procedural Items

LC 156 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw./Cr McDavitt)

That the apologies from Councillor Yardley and Mr Ross be confirmed.

LC 157 **Public Participation**

Mr D Haines, Consultant, Mr N Berryman, General Manager, Harvey Norman and Mr C Paverd, Engineer

Mr Haines made representations in support of Harvey Norman's request to construct a single lane vehicular driveway over a portion of stopbank adjacent to the site of a proposed store at the corner of Melling Bridge and Rutherford Street, Lower Hutt

Mr Haines said that subject to some negotiation Harvey Norman considers it will be possible to reach an agreement with the Regional Council for the construction of the driveway.

Mr B Craig, Hutt City Council

Mr Craig said the Hutt City Council supported the application by Harvey Norman as the proposed development will provide Hutt City with a range of new employment opportunities. The Hutt City Council asked that all efforts be taken to reach a solution. However Mr Craig said the support was subject to the Company and the Regional Council agreeing to a design for the driveway that does not compromise the city's flood defences.

LC 158 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)

That the public and public excluded minutes of the meeting of 7 October 2003, Report 03.655 and Report PE03.659, be confirmed, the public excluded to remain confidential.

Matters for Decision

LC 159 Harvey Norman Request to Construct a Driveway over the Stopbank at Melling and to Lease a Section of the Riverside Car Park, Hutt River

Mr Dick, Manager, Flood Protection, summarised the Regional Council's analysis of the Harvey Norman request for the driveway and how the proposal should be considered against the requirements of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan and Environmental strategy.

Following discussion it was resolved as follows:

Report 03.696 File: N/03/09/06

Resolved (Cr Evans/Cr McDavitt)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That the proposal be approved in principle, recognising the exceptional circumstances involved and the support of the Hutt City Council;
- (3) That officers be requested to bring back to Council the proposed conditions and terms of the arrangement in the light of the matters in Report 03.696 and discussions at the meeting;
- (4) That the matter be determined at the earliest practicable Council meeting.

LC 160 Report of the Hutt River Advisory Committee meeting held on 30 October 2003

Report 03.633 File: E/6/10/6

Resolved (Cr Werry/Cr Barr)

That the report of the Hutt River Advisory Committee meeting held on 30 October 2003, Items HRA 49 to HRA 56 inclusive, be adopted.

LC 161 Belmont Regional Park Management Plan Review Update

Report 03.627 File: PK/11/01/11

Members noted a workshop had been arranged for 10 December 2003 where a substantive discussion on landscape and other issues will take place.

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That the pre-consultation phase of the review is complete be noted
- (3) That the key issues arising to date be noted.
- (4) That Officers will draft the plan based on the review of the current plan (Attachment 2) beginning with sections that do not require a change of intent, be agreed.
- (5) That the draft plan will include renewable energy objectives and include the windfarm proposal as a specific development proposal for consultation be agreed.
- (6) That to hold a workshop for Councillors to consider the issues that may require significant changes to the existing plan be agreed.

Matters for Information

LC 162 Divisional Manager's Report

Report 03.685 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 163 Questions

There were no questions.

LC 164 General

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm.

Cr C LAIDLAW Chairperson

Date: