

Report 06.283

22 June 2006 File: E/6/16/2

Minutes of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 22 June 2006 at 9.30am.

Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairperson), Aitken, Baber, Buchanan, Glensor, Long and Shields, and Mr Ross.

Also Present

Councillor Evans, Cr Greig.

In Attendance

Rene van Lierop (Connell Wagner)

Officers Present

Aikman, Crisp, Dick, Eyles, Kennedy, Purves, Reay, Sells, Shaw, Waititi, and Westlake.

Public Business

Procedural Items

LC 118 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

That the Committee

Accepts the apologies for absence from Cr Greig and Mr Gilbert.

LC 120 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

That the Committee

Confirms the Minutes of the public and public excluded meeting held on 10 May 2006, Report 06.241 and Report PE 06.242.

Matters for Decision

LC 121 East Harbour Park Draft Management Plan

Report 06.247 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Baber/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the contents of the report.
- (3) Recommends to the Council that it approves the release of the draft East Harbour Regional Park Management Plan for public consultation, subject to any minor technical amendments that may be authorised by the Landcare Committee Chairperson.

LC 122 Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan Review Update

Tabled

Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan Submissions (Phase one)

Report 06.248 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.
- (3) Considers the submissions received.
- (4) Notes the key issues arising from the pre-consultation phase.
- (5) Instructs officers to prepare a draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan.

Noted

Officers to investigate the feasibility of establishing an international arboretum at Battle Hill Farm Forest Park.

LC 123 Mangaroa River Flood Hazard Assessment

Phillip Purves gave a Powerpoint presentation.

Report 06.253 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the findings and recommendations of the Mangaroa River Flood Hazard Assessment.
- (3) Supports the forwarding of the Mangaroa River Flood Hazard Assessment Summary Report to the Upper Hutt City Council.

Proposed amendment

(Cr Glensor/Cr Long)

(4) Notes that, apart from its existing maintenance and isolated works programme, Greater Wellington Regional Council carries no responsibility for any flood mitigation programme.

The amendment was LOST.

Noted

Officers to advise the Committee on Greater Wellington Regional Council's policy for the disclosure and use of flood hazard information.

Matters for Information

LC 124 Divisional Manager's Report – Water Supply, Parks and Forests

Report 06.277 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.

LC 125 Divisional Manager's Report – Catchment Management

Report 06.278 File: E/06/16/03

Resolved (Cr Long /Cr Baber)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.

Noted

- Officers to submit an article on gravel extraction rates to the *Hutt News*.
- The Committee complimented Officers on the professional and sympathetic way they consulted with local residents on the Hutt/Boulcott stopbank feasibility study.

LC 126 Pauatahanui Stream Flood Hazard Investigation

Report 06.257 File: E/06/16/03

Rene van Lierop, of the consultants Connell Wagner, gave a Powerpoint presentation.

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.
- (3) Notes that officers from GW and PCC are co-operating on putting together a management plan to address responsibilities for management of the Payatahanui Stream.

Proposed amendment

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Aitken)

(4) That a way forward for the integration of catchment revegetation initiatives and instream management proposals into a whole-of-catchment approach for the Pauatahanui Stream be explored and reported back to the Committee.

Both the principal motion and amendment were carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.42 am and 10.55 am for morning tea.

The meeting closed at 12.08 pm.

COUNCILLOR CR LAIDLAW Chairperson

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 20 July 2006