



Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the meeting of the Council on 15 December 2011.

Report 11.554

1 November 2011

File: E/11/01/03

**Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber,
Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington, on
Tuesday 1 November 2011 at 9.35am**

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Glensor, Greig, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Ponter, Swain and Wilson.

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public Participation

David Zwartz, Pauline Swann, Alan Smith from the Wellington Civic Trust, Gareth Hughes MP from the Green Party, Brian Jameson from Trans-Action, Joanna Newman from the Mt Victoria Historical Society and Elaine Hampton all spoke to agenda item 16 - Economic Wellbeing Report - and in particular, Greater Wellington's submission on the NZTA proposals for the Cobham Drive to Buckle Street transport improvements as referenced in the Committee's report.

David Zwartz, Alan Smith and Brian Jameson circulated copies of their respective presentations.

4 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved

(Cr Wilson /Cr Bruce)

That the Council confirms the minutes of 28 September 2011, Report 11.491.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Council agreed to accord precedence to agenda item 16 – Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee.

5 **Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 13 October 2011**

Jane Davis, General Manager, Strategy and Community Engagement, spoke to the report.

Cr Bruce circulated copies of a petition regarding Greater Wellington's submission on the NZTA proposals for the Cobham Drive to Buckle Street transport improvements.

Report 11.541

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Glensor /Cr Swain)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The council adjourned for morning tea at 11am. The meeting reconvened at 11.30am.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

6 **Adoption of Regional Public Transport Plan**

Report 11.537

File: TD/02/06/07

Moved

(Cr Glensor /Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

3. *Adopts the Regional Public Transport Plan 2011-21 as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: The Council thanked officers for their work on the Regional Public Transport Plan.

7 **Local Government Funding Agency Update**

Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the report.

Report 11.539

File: CFO/06/03/01

Moved

(Cr Aitken /Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves the appointment of the six Directors to the LGFA as set out in Attachment 1.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Corporate

8 **WRC Holdings Limited Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2011**

Report 11.540

File: CFO/09/02/02

Moved

(Cr Lamason /Cr Wilde)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves, as sole shareholder, the 2010/11 financial statements of WRC Holdings Limited.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

9 **Shareholder resolutions in lieu of Annual General Meetings**

Report 11.542

File: WRS/08/05/01

Moved

(Cr Lamason /Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. As sole shareholder of Grow Wellington Limited resolves by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 1 to not hold an Annual General Meeting.*
- 4. Subject to the approval of WRC Holdings Limited's financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2011, as sole shareholder of WRC Holdings Limited resolves by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 2 to not hold an Annual General Meeting.*
- 5. Authorises the Chief Financial Officer to affix the Council's Common Seal to the resolutions of the sole shareholder (Attachments 1 and 2).*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 **Increase budget commitments to Warm Wellington programme**

Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the report.

Report 11.549

File: CFO/24/05/01

Moved

(Cr Aitken /Cr Donalson)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. Approves increasing the total dollar cap to \$6 million per annum excluding GST.*
- 4. Authorises the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer individually to approve authorised signatories to approve applications by qualifying ratepayers.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Governance

11 Remuneration for non-Councillor members of Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee advisory groups

Report 11.543

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde /Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. Endorses the establishment of Te Upoko Taiao-Natural Resource Management Committee advisory groups to assist in progressing work on regional plan development.*
- 4. Approves the payment of a taxable honorarium of \$250 per day for each non-Councillor member of Te Upoko Taiao-Natural Resource Management Committee appointed to an advisory group, for their attendance at advisory group meetings.*
- 5. Approves the payment of the honorarium effective from the first advisory group meeting that was held.*
- 6. Notes that the costs associated with the payment of the honorarium are unbudgeted.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: Councillors noted that there would be no eligibility for this payment if an advisory group meeting fell on the same day as a meeting or workshop of the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee.

12 Maori constituencies

Rick Witana, Te Pou Whakarae, spoke to the report.

Report 11.536

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde /Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

- 1. **Receives** the report.*
- 2. **Notes** the content of the report.*

3. *Notes that Ara Tahi has considered the establishment of Māori constituencies and that each of the iwi authorities represented on Ara Tahi is of the view that the Council should not consider the establishment a Māori constituency at this time.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Committees/Meetings

- 13 **Report on the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee meeting held on 22 September 2011**

Report 11.486

File: E/11/05/04

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw /Cr Ponter)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

- 14 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 26 September 2011**

Report 11.490

File: E/11/07/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde /Cr Glensor)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

- 15 **Report on the Environmental Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 11 October 2011**

Report 11.429

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Donaldson /Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

16 **Report on the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 12 October 2011**

Report 11.522

File: E/11/04/04

Moved

(Cr Wilson /Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

17 **Exclusion of the public**

Moved

(Cr Wilde /Cr Swain)

That the Council:

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

1. *Confirmation of public excluded minutes from 28 September meeting of the Council*
2. *Confirmation of restricted public excluded minutes from 28 September 2011 meeting of the Council*

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons 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 are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>1. Public excluded minutes from 28 September meeting of the Council</i>	<i>The information contained in these minutes relates to negotiations on a redress proposal from the Office of Treaty Settlements in relation to Ngāti Toa Rangatira. It also</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for</i>

contains information relating to a tender that Greater Wellington has not yet accepted. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal the Council's stance. The Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable Greater Wellington to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).

2. Restricted public excluded minutes from 28 September 2011 meeting of the Council

The information contained in these minutes relates to the Chief Executive's performance agreement. Release of this information would prejudice David Benham's privacy by disclosing details of his performance agreement with the Council. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override his privacy.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under sections 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 12.20pm.

Cr F H Wilde
(Chair)

Date:

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