



Confirmed public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 21 May 2020

All members participating by Zoom at 9.31am.

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Blakeley
Councillor Brash
Councillor Connelly (until 9.52am, and from 11.01am)
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Hughes
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor van Lier

All members participated at this meeting via Zoom, and counted for the purpose of quorum, in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of 30 April 2020 – Report 20.140

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Blakeley

That the Council confirms the Public minutes of the Council meeting 30 April 2020 – Report 20.140.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Confirmation of the Public excluded minutes of 30 April 2020 – Report PE20.141

Moved: Cr Blakeley / Cr Brash

That the Council confirms the Public excluded minutes of the Council meeting 30 April 2020 – Report PE20.141.

The motion was **carried**.

6 Action items from previous meetings – Report 20.143 [for information]

Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, spoke to the report.

Strategy, policy or major issues

7 Crisis Management Team business continuity update – oral update

Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, and Nigel Corry, General Manager People and Customer, updated Council on Greater Wellington's response to COVID-19.

Greater Wellington's offices will be open to the public from Monday, 25 May 2020. Staff will return to the office from Monday as well, but this will be at most 50 per cent of capacity. New protocols have been developed to ensure health guidelines are met, including contact tracing of staff. There is now a clear desk policy, with staff coming into the office this week to clear their desks so that a deep clean could be done before Monday.

The work of the Crisis Management Team (CMT) is being wound down. Mr Corry advised that the CMT is working on a terms of reference for a review of the CMT and processes.

Greater Wellington has moved into recovery phase, and is looking at how business as usual will work. This includes embedding flexible working policies.

The Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office (WREMO) continues to be staffed. WREMO has downscaled their response and has moved back into their principal office. Greater Wellington continues to provide resourcing to WREMO, particularly in the information and health, safety and wellbeing areas. There will be a review of the relationship between Greater Wellington and WREMO, and how they have worked together.

8 Reducing interactions between wastewater and stormwater networks – Report 20.131 [for information]

Al Cross, General Manager Environment Manager, Shaun Andrewartha, Manager Environmental Regulation, Lucy Baker Manager Environmental Science, Matt Hickman, Manager Environmental Policy, and Alastair Smaill, Programme Lead – Urban Water, spoke to the report.

Noted: Cr Connelly left the meeting at 9.52am, during questions on the above item.

9 Early bird fares trial – deferral – Report 20.147

Scott Gallacher, General Manager Metlink, and Margaret Meek, Business Advisor, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Blakeley / Cr Lee

That the Council:

- 1 Notes that, on 4 February 2020, Council agreed to proceed with an Earlybird off-peak bus fares trial (the Trial) to provide off-peak Snapper fares for Metlink bus services prior to 7am on working days - Earlybird off-peak fares trial (Report 20.22) (Attachment 1).
- 2 Notes that the Trial was to be run for a four month period from its start date (10 February 2020).
- 3 Notes that the Trial was to be monitored continually against success criteria to determine whether the Trial was effective in spreading peak demand on the bus network in Wellington City.
- 4 Notes that initial findings of the Trial were to be reported back to Council after three months (May 2020) to determine whether the Trial should be extended.
- 5 Notes that from mid-March 2020, the emergence of COVID-19 and the Government's associated alert level system have had a significant impact on patronage on Metlink bus services.
- 6 Notes that due to the impact of these emerging factors, the Trial was only able to generate comparable data for four weeks.
- 7 Notes that Greater Wellington has insufficient data available upon which to determine the success of the Trial.
- 8 Agrees that the current Trial be suspended until February 2021 and then be reinstated for a period of three months.
- 9 Notes that any formal change proposed to fare levels will require consideration and agreement as part of the Annual Fare Review process.

The motion was **carried**.

Corporate

10 Quarter 3 Report – Report 20.125

Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, and Alan Bird, Chief Financial Officer, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That the Council accepts Greater Wellington’s performance report as at 31 March 2020 (the end of the third quarter of 2019/20) (Attachment 1).

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: Cr Connelly returned to the meeting a 11.01am during questions on the above item.

Resolution to exclude the public

11 Exclusion of the public – Report 20.143

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr van Lier

That the Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – trustee appointment

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 ground/s under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – trustee appointment – Report PE20.151	
<i>Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
Information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidate for appointment. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person, as releasing the information would disclose their consideration for appointment as a trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public	The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons).

proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.	
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The motion was **carried**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.09am.

Councillor D Ponter
Chair

Date:



The matters referred to in these minutes were considered by Council on 21 May 2020 in public excluded business. These minutes do not require confidentiality and may be considered in the public part of the meeting.

Report PE20.150

Confirmed public excluded minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 21 May 2020

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Councillor Blakeley
Councillor Brash
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Public Excluded Business

1 Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – trustee appointment – Report PE20.151

Sean Mahoney, Company Portfolio Manager, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Hughes / Cr Lamason

That the Council:

- 1 Appoints Rachel Taulelei as Trustee to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust for a third term from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2023, subject to Wellington City Council confirming agreement to this appointment.
- 2 Delays, following the expiry of Mark McGuiness's term on 30 June 2020, the appointment of a Trustee to the related vacancy until no later than 1 January 2021.

The motion was **carried**.

The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 11.16am.



Councillor D Ponter
Chair

Date: 25/06/2020