

Report 22.63

Confirmed Public minutes of the Climate Committee meeting on Tuesday 15 February 2022

All members participating remotely at 1pm.

Members Present

Councillor Nash (Chair)
Councillor Connelly (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Brash
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee (from 1.08pm)
Councillor van Lier

All members participated at this meeting remotely, and counted for the purpose of quorum, as per clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr van Lier

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillors Gaylor and Kirk-Burnnand.

The motion was carried.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Climate Committee meeting on 19 October 2022 - Report 21.489

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Connelly

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Climate Committee meeting on 19 October 2022 - Report 21.489

The motion was carried.

5 Update on Progress of Action Items from Previous Climate Committee Meetings – February 2022 – Report 22.16 [For Information]

Luke Troy, General Manager Strategy, spoke to the report.

6 Low Carbon Acceleration Fund Review - Report 22.18

Lisa Early, Team Leader, Climate Change, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Brash

That the Committee:

- 1 Recommends that Council agrees that:
 - a no more than 70 percent of the present value of the Council's 255,660 free allocation New Zealand Units that underpin the Low Carbon Acceleration Fund (LCAF) across all LCAF projects, past and present, determined by the current New Zealand Unit spot price at the time of funding decisions, be allocated.
 - b if the spot price of NZUs drops, causing the current allocation of LCAF funding to exceed the 70% threshold, there will be a hiatus in considering further allocations of funds from the LCAF.
- 2 Recommends that Council agrees that a provision for borrowing to support the LCAF will be included in the 2022-23 draft annual plan.
- Recommends that Council expands the eligibility criteria of the LCAF to permit bids from Wellington Regional Stadium (Option 1) noting that bids from within the Council will have priority.
- 4 Notes that none of the other criteria or decision-making processes for the LCAF are changed from what was previously agreed, apart from the change described in recommendation 3.

The motion was carried.

Councillor Lee arrived at the meeting at 1.08pm, during questions on the above item.

- 7 Parks Restoration Managing Transition Report 22.40 [For Information]
 Jimmy Young, Manager, Parks, spoke to the report.
- Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Climate Change Projects Update Report **22.41** [For Information]

Kim Kelly, Programme Director, Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Secretariat, spoke to the report.

9 Modelling Transport Emissions - Oral Report

Andrew Ford, Manager, Wellington Transport Analytics Unit, spoke to the report.

Mr Ford explained to the Committee how modelling transport emissions works, and what factors are taken into consideration. Mr Ford advised that a range of scenarios would be modelled to see how factors move the Wellington Region towards the target of a 35 percent reduction in transport related emissions by 2030 (an objective in the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021).

10 Climate Emergency Response Programme update – Report 22.30 [For Information] Lisa Early, Team Leader, Climate Change, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 2.33pm.

Councillor T Nash

Date: 10 May 2022