



Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the meeting of Regional Sustainability Committee on 2 December 2009.

Report 09.640

15 October 2009

File: E/06/32/02

m:\wpdata\rs\min09.640docpw

Minutes of the meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee held in the Committee Room, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton on Thursday, 15 October 2009 at 9.30 am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairman), Aitken, Baber, Bruce, Burke, Kirton, and Wilde.

Also Present

Councillors Buchanan, Glensor and Lamason and Dr B Reddiex (Department of Conservation).

Business

RS 141 **Apologies**

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Baber)

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Donaldson, Mrs Mellish and Mr McKenzie.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 142 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

RS 143 **Public participation**

Councillors Aitken and Bruce arrived at the meeting at 9.34am.

Richard Moore from Poly Palace gave a presentation on his business and expressed concern about the EECA home insulation programme.

Mark Phillips, Nicky Chapman and Ken McAdam each separately spoke on matters relating to the draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan.

Andy Cockcroft, Akatarawa Recreational Access Committee, expressed concern about the proposal to incorporate all forest park management plans into one document.

RS 144 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of the meeting of 3 September 2009, Report 09.504.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 145 **Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan – for adoption**

Report 09.579 File: PK/10/03/05

Moved (Cr Baber/Cr Burke)

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Revokes the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan adopted in 1992.*
4. *Adopts the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan subject to any minor technical or editorial amendments to be approved by the Committee Chair.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 146 **Tararua Forest Park – pest control, Department of Conservation presentation by Dr Ben Reddiex**

Dr Reddiex gave a *Powerpoint* presentation regarding Project Kaka: Tararua Nature Recovery – working towards healthy forests in Tararua Forest Park.

RS 147 **Community Environmental Projects annual report for 2008-2009**

Report 09.531

File: ENV/01/02/03

Moved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Wilde)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Committee commended officers for their work and requested that a presentation be made to a future meeting of the Committee.

RS 148 **Biodiversity Year End Review to 30 June 2009**

Report 09.622

File: ENV/12/07/12

Moved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Bruce)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Committee commended officers for their work.

RS 149 **Take Action Annual Report 2008-09**

Report 09.547

File: ENV/19/18/01

Consideration of this report was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee.

RS 150 **Stuart Macaskill Lakes seismic security upgrade**

Report 09.621

File: B/33/08/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Agrees that the seismic security of Lake 2 should be enhanced by fully lining the lake embankments at an estimated cost of \$2.1 Million. This work is funded in the 2009/19 LTCCP to be carried out in conjunction with mitigation work to comply with legislation and to raise the lake level.*
4. *Agrees that the decision on whether or not to upgrade Lake 1 to a similar standard to Lake 2 is deferred until October 2010 when there may be more clarity on a number of water supply options that could influence this decision.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 151 **Parks and forest lands management planning**

Report 09.626

File: PK/03/02/02

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Baber)

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Agrees to develop a comprehensive Parks Network Management Plan that incorporates the Parks Network Strategy, the Regional Parks Network Management Plan, the Forest Lands Management Plan, and all individual park and forest land management plans.*
4. *Agrees to follow the process for developing the consolidated Parks Network Management Plan as outlined in the Reserves Act 1977.*
5. *Amends its previous resolution (Report Minutes 08.924) regarding public consultation on the Parks Network Strategy to incorporate development of a consolidated Parks Network Management Plan.*

6. *Agrees to the content and timetable for developing a consolidated Parks Network Management Plan, as outlined in section 7.2 of this report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Note: Councillor Aitken requested that it be recorded that she did not support the timetable.

RS 152 **Draft Parks Network Strategy**

Report 09.625

File: PK/03/09/03

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Endorses the draft Parks Network Strategy.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Councillor Kirton arrived at the meeting at 11.42am.

RS 153 **Divisional report for period ended 31 August 2009**

This report includes the financial information to 31 August 2009. It also includes activities that occurred in September 2009.

Report 09.617

File: E/06/32/03

Moved

(Cr Baber/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 154 **Kapiti Pony Club licence to use land in Queen Elizabeth Park**

Report 09.620

File: PK/14/06/05

Moved

(Cr Baber/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Recommends to Council that the Kapiti Pony Club licence proposal be granted as on five year, plus five year right of renewal term (Part 1, Option 2).*
4. *Recommends to Council that the Kapiti Pony Club be leased the reduced area of 18.4 ha (Part 2, Option 2).*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 155 **Draft Regional Climate Change Response Plan**

Report 09.634

File: CP/20/06/01

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Bruce)

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Endorses the draft Plan as part of the regional feedback.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 156 **Exclusion of the public**

Report 09.635

File: E/06/32/02

Moved

(Cr Wilde/Cr Baber)

That the Committee

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

1. *Raroa Road tunnel pipe relocation - Increased financial allocation*

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>
1. <i>Raroa Road tunnel pipe relocation - Increased financial allocation</i>	<i>The information contained in this report relates to Greater Wellington Regional Council entering into a Contract for the construction of pipeline. The preferred Tenderer has not yet been chosen. The report outlines the Council's budget for this tender. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council if further negotiations were to take place. 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.</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 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).</i>

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 public part of the meeting closed at 12.07pm.

Cr C R LAIDLAW
Chairman

Date: