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Report 14.202

09/04/2014

File: E/12/01/03

**Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber,
Greater Wellington Regional Council, Shed 39, 2 Fryatt Quay,
Wellington, on Wednesday, 9 April 2014 at 9.35am**

Present

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

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public Participation

Robert Suisted spoke to item 5 on the agenda - GWRC's submission on the NZTA's Petone to Grenada Link Road.

4 Confirmation of minutes

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of 25 February 2014, Report 14.89; 6 March 2014, Report 14.126; 19 March 2014, Report 14.154 and the public excluded minutes of 19 March 2014, Report PE14.156.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

5 GWRC submission on the NZTA's Petone to Grenada Link Road

Report 14.190

File: TP/03/29/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Refers Greater Wellington Regional Council's draft submission on the NZTA's Petone to Grenada Link Road to the Strategy and Policy Committee for consideration and finalisation.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Governance

6 Establishment of Annual Plan 2014/15 Hearing Committee

Report 14.131

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Resolves to establish the Annual Plan 2014/15 Hearing Committee to consider submissions and other feedback on the draft Annual Plan 2014/15, proposed integrated delivery of water services and draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2014, which are being concurrently consulted on, and to report to Council with recommendations for amendments to the draft Annual Plan 2014/15 and other matters which are the subject of concurrent consultation.*
- 4. Appoints Crs Aitken, Bruce, Donaldson, Greig, Kedgley, Laban, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Swain, Wilde and Wilson as members of the committee, and appoints Cr Donaldson as Chair.*

5. *Adopts the terms of reference for the Committee as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 **2014 LGNZ National Conference and Annual General Meeting**

Report 14.138

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves the attendance of Councillors Wilde, Brash and Donaldson at the 2014 LGNZ national conference and Annual General Meeting.*
4. *Nominates Councillor Wilde as the Presiding Delegate for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2014 LGNZ Annual General Meeting.*
5. *Nominates Councillors Brash and Donaldson, and David Benham, Chief Executive, as Alternate Delegates for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2014 LGNZ Annual General Meeting if Councillor Wilde is absent from the Annual General Meeting.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

8 **Amendment to Terms of Reference for the Wairarapa Water Use Project Governance Group**

Report 14.192

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Laban)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Amends the Terms of Reference of the Wairarapa Water Use Project Governance Group as set out in Attachment 1.*

Moved as an amendment

(Cr McPhee/Cr Wilson)

That the membership of the Wairarapa Water Use Governance Group be increased to eight members, one of whom is an elected member from one of the three Wairarapa territorial authorities.

The amendment was **CARRIED** and became part of the substantive motion.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Corporate

9 Draft Stadium Trustees Statement of Trustees' Intent

Report 14.150

File: CFO/09/02/02

Moved

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. Endorses the following comments on the Draft Stadium Trustees Statement of Trustees' Intent, which were provided by WRC Holdings Ltd:*
 - a. The Wellington Regional Stadium Trust should consider including financial statements in its draft Statement of Trustees' Intent.*
 - b. The Wellington Regional Stadium Trust's strategy outlined in its draft Statement of Trustees' intent should align with Wellington Regional Council's policies and strategies.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 Request for a remission of rates

Report 14.51

File: G/06/01/09

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

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

3. *Declines to grant Te Nikau Property Trust a remission of rates for the 2014/14 rating year for its property at 67-69 Valley Road, Paraparaumu.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

11 **Finance report ending 28 February 2014**

Warren Tocker, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the report and Nigel Corry, General Manager, Environment Management, spoke to the report.

Report 14.177

File: CFO/13/02/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Council noted that Warren Tocker had resigned as Chief Financial Officer, and thanked him for his contribution to Greater Wellington Regional Council.

Committees/Meetings

12 **Report on the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting 19 February 2014**

David Benham, Chief Executive and Leigh-Anne Buxton, General Manager, People and Capability, spoke to the report.

Report 14.78

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

13 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting 4 March 2014**

Report 14.125

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Swain)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

14 **Report on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting 4 March 2014**

Report 14.123

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Brash)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

15 **Report on Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee meeting
26 March 2014**

Report 14.178

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 11.00am.

The meeting resumed at 11.18am.

16 **Exclusion of the public**

Report 14.194

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Greig)

That the Council:

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

1. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of 25 February 2014

2. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of 6 March 2014

3. Appointments to the Strategy and Policy Committee

4. Appointment to the Wairarapa Water Use Project Governance Group

5. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 25 February 2014

6. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 19 March 2014

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>
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<i>1. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of 25 February 2014</i>	<i>The information in these minutes relates to the future approach to bus service contracting in the Wellington region. Release of this information would be likely to harm the commercial position of Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) and would prevent GWRC from carrying on negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override</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 GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).</i>
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the need to withhold the information.

2. *Confirmation of public excluded minutes of 6 March 2014* *The information contained in these minutes relates to GWRC considering whether to acquire property. The minutes set out matters which would impact on negotiations in the event that a decision is made to enter into negotiations to purchase property. Release of this information would disadvantage GWRC in the negotiations as it would reveal information on the GWRC's negotiation strategy. GWRC 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.* *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 GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).*
3. *Appointments to the Strategy and Policy Committee* *The information contained in this report relates to the appointment of two members to the Strategy and Policy Committee. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of the persons proposed for appointment by disclosing the fact that they have expressed interest in, and are being considered for, appointment to the Committee. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override their 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).*

4. Appointment to the Wairarapa Water Use Project Governance Group

The information contained in this report relates to the appointment of a member to the Wairarapa Water User Project Governance Group. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of the person proposed for appointment by disclosing the fact that they have expressed interest in, and are being considered for, appointment to the Group. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override their 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).

5. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 25 February 2014

This report contains information on the proposed process for appointing the Chief Executive and information relating to the current Chief Executive's performance agreement. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of David Benham, Chief Executive, by disclosing information pertaining to the employment relationship between the Chief Executive and the Council. Greater Wellington Regional 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 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).

6. *Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 19 March 2014*

The information contained in these minutes relates to potential sale of forestry cutting rights. Release of this information would be likely to harm the negotiating position of the GWRC as it proceeds to the final stage of the tender process. If exposed to the market it would adversely affect GWRC's capacity to negotiate an outcome most advantageous for ratepayers. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.

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 GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).

2. *Permit Nelson Rangī, Chair, Ara Tahi, to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of his knowledge relating to the appointment of members to the Strategy and Policy Committee. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed, is relevant to that matter because it is the subject of the report.*

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 11.19am.

FH Wilde
(Chair)

Date: