

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, 6 WAIPAREIRA AVENUE,
LINCOLN, WAITAKERE CITY, ON TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2004,
COMMENCING AT 9.35 AM.**

PRESENT: Councillors PA Hulse (Chairperson)
DA Yates, JP (Deputy Chairperson)
DQ Battersby, JP
BA Brady, JP (until 3.45 pm)
JM Clews, QSO, JP (from 1.11 pm until 3.44 pm)
RP Dallow, QPM, JP (until 9.37 am from 1.11 pm)
AC Fenton
OE Hoskin, MNZM, JP (until 12.20 pm)
GE Nash, QSM, JP
VS Neeson, JP
GB Presland
CA Stone (from 9.35 am until 3.47 pm)

IN ATTENDANCE: Director: Strategy & Development
Group Manager: City Development Projects
Partnerships and Advocacy Leader: Environment
Senior Analyst: Governance and Infrastructure
Senior Analyst: Environmental Policy
Social Policy Researcher: A Jarman
Principal Advisor: District Plan
Principal Advisor: Urban Policy
Planner: Policy Implementation
Principal Advisor: Environmental Projects
Committee Secretary: O Schuster

1 APOLOGIES

772/2004

MOVED by Cr Neeson, seconded Cr Yates:

That apologies from Mayor Bob Harvey and Crs Clews, Lawley and Russell for absence be received and sustained.

CARRIED

9.36 am Cr Stone entered the meeting.

2 URGENT BUSINESS

There was no Urgent Business.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

773/2004

MOVED by Cr Presland, seconded Cr Brady:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Environmental Management Committee held on Tuesday, 13 April 2004, including the Public Excluded minutes, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.

CARRIED

PART I - REGULATORY / ENFORCEMENT

4 ADOPTION OF DRAFT GAMBLING VENUE POLICY

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

9.37 am Cr Dallow declared an interest and withdrew from table and took no part in the debate or decision on the Adoption of the Gambling Venue Policy.

Annika Lane Council's Senior Analyst: Governance & Infrastructure gave a brief summary of the process to follow for the hearing of the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

9.40 am Hearing commenced.

9.41 am Sara Tucker (Hospitality Association of New Zealand) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

9.47am David Haigh (Problem Gambling Foundation) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

9.58 am David Gillam (Te Atatu RSA) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

10.05 am Jarrod True (Harkness, Henry & Co on behalf of the Perry Foundation) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

10.12 am Ray Good (Clubs New Zealand) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

10.17 am Bonnie Robertson (The Salvation Army) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

10.26 am Murray Spearman (West Auckland Trust Services) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

ADJOURNMENT

774/2004

MOVED by Cr Hulse, seconded Cr Stone:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 10.45 am.

CARRIED

10.38 am The meeting adjourned.

10.44 am The meeting reconvened.

The Hearing of submissions continued.

10.45 am Noel Dempsey (New Zealand Racing Board) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

10.45 am Jeffery Morris (Water Safety Foundation & Gaming Services Trust) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

ADJOURNMENT

775/2004

MOVED by Cr Hoskin, seconded Cr Nash:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 11.05 am.

CARRIED

10.49 am The meeting adjourned.

11.05 am The meeting reconvened.

The Hearing of submissions continued.

11.06 am Mark Dickinson (Oasis Centre) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

11.27 am Jody Wood (Waitakere Association of Gambling Action) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

11.38 am Marion Mawhinney (Resident of Waitakere City) presented their submission to the draft Gambling Venue Policy.

11.48 am Hearing closed and the Committee went into deliberations.

12.20 pm Cr Hoskin left the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

776/2004

MOVED by Cr Hulse, seconded Cr Fenton

That the meeting stand adjourned until 1.05 pm.

CARRIED

12.41 pm The meeting adjourned.

1.11 pm The meeting reconvened.

777/2004

MOVED by Cr Yates, seconded Cr Neeson:

1. That the Adoption of Gambling Venue Policy report be received.
2. That the draft Gambling Venue Policy be amended to specify the following policy objectives:
 - 2.1 To manage the growth of Class 4 gambling in Waitakere City.
 - 2.2 To support the minimisation of harm caused by gambling, including problem gambling, in Waitakere City.
 - 2.3 To encourage clarity regarding the distribution of gambling funds.
 - 2.4 To ensure that the actual and reasonable costs relating to venue consent applications are paid by the applicant.
3. That the draft Gambling Venue Policy be further amended to specify:
 - 3.1 That when determining fees associated with consents issued under the Policy the cost of processing the application and of monitoring compliance with the terms of this consent be considered, and that the consent application fee be amended to \$240 for an existing venue and \$320 for a new venue, and that these fees may be reviewed annually with other consent fees.
 - 3.2 That Class 4 gambling venues must hold a current on license or club license.
 - 3.3 That the primary activity of a Class 4 gambling venue should not be gambling.
 - 3.4 That there are currently 38 Class 4 gambling venues and 501 electronic gambling machines within Waitakere City.
 - 3.5 That in cases where an existing gambling venue was licensed but this has not been captured in records held by the Department of Internal Affairs, Council may give consent for venue or machine numbers to increase beyond the existing cap on venue and machine numbers.
 - 3.6 Where two or more existing clubs merge, the merged club may have no more than 18 machines. Council will only give consent for a merger where it is satisfied that it will not result in an increase in machine numbers beyond the cap established by this policy.
 - 3.7 That the Code of Conduct be amended to specify that information provided by Gambling Societies should be Waitakere specific where possible.
 - 3.8 That consent applications not be required to provide evidence of Police approval for owners and managers of the gambling venue.

4. That the draft Gambling Venue Policy be amended to specify the following:
 - 4.1 That the primary activity of new gambling venues licensed after 22 September 2003 must be:
 - the sale or supply of liquor under the Sale of Liquor Act; or
 - racing or sports betting, or be a racecourse; and must be owned or leased by the New Zealand Racing Board; or
 - sporting or recreational activities in a licensed chartered club.
 - 4.2 That consent applications be required to provide that the primary activity of a venue is either the sale or supply of liquor, racing or sports betting or sporting or recreational activities.
 - 4.3 That a summary of the impacts of gambling be included in Part Two of the Gambling Venue Policy.
5. That the Environmental Management Committee adopts the Draft Gambling Venue Policy as amended by Recommendations 2, 3 and 4.
6. That the Citywide Alcohol Strategy include consideration of issues associated with gambling signage.
7. That the gambling voluntary Code of Conduct be incorporated into the development of the Alcohol Strategy.
8. That Council officers continue to work regionally and nationally to address any issues arising from the Gambling Act, the Council's policy, and its implementation.
9. That the amended policy be brought to the May 2004 Council meeting for approval.

CARRIED

1.11 pm Crs Clews and Dallow entered the meeting.

PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS

778/2004

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Clews:

That Item 12: Waitakere Ranges Protection Project - Project Update Including the Proposed Package be accorded precedence at this time.

CARRIED

12 WAITAKERE RANGES PROTECTION PROJECT - PROJECT UPDATE INCLUDING THE PROPOSED PACKAGE

779/2004

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Clews:

That the meeting adjourned into a workshop until 3.30 pm to discuss the Waitakere Ranges Protection Project - Project Update Including the Proposed Package.

CARRIED

- 1.12 pm The meeting adjourned.
- 3.48 pm The meeting reconvened. The following Councillors left the workshop at:
- 3.44 pm Cr Clews left the workshop.
- 3.45 pm Cr Brady left the workshop.
- 3.47 pm Cr Stone left the workshop.

PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS

780/2004

MOVED by Cr Nash, seconded Cr Fenton:

That Item 6: Review of the Policy on Dogs and Dog Control Bylaw be accorded precedence at this time.

CARRIED

6 REVIEW OF THE POLICY ON DOGS AND DOG CONTROL BYLAW

781/2004

MOVED by Cr Nash, seconded Cr Fenton:

1. That the Review of the Policy on Dogs and Dog Control Bylaw report be received.
2. That it be recommended to Council that the draft Policy and Bylaw as attached at pages A137 to A171 to the Agenda report be adopted for public notification using the special consultative procedure in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

782/2001

MOVED by Cr Hulse, seconded Cr Fenton:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 1.00 pm, Thursday, 27 May 2004 in the Civic Centre, 6 Waipareira Avenue, Lincoln, Waitakere City.

CARRIED

- 4.02 pm The meeting adjourned.