

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN AND ANNUAL PLAN COMMITTEE HELD AT WAITAKERE CENTRAL, 6 HENDERSON VALLEY ROAD, HENDERSON, WAITAKERE, ON TUESDAY, 20 MAY 2008, AND RECONVENED ON THURSDAY, 22 MAY 2008, AND FRIDAY, 23 MAY 2008, AND MONDAY, 26 MAY 2008, AND TUESDAY, 27 MAY 2008, COMMENCING AT 9.30 AM

PRESENT:

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| Councillors | JM | Clews, QSO, JP (Chairman) |
| | RI | Clow (Deputy Chairman) |
| | DQ | Battersby, JP (until 3.00 pm) |
| | BA | Brady, JP (from 10.35 am, until 3.11 pm) |
| | MFP | Chan, JP |
| | LA | Cooper, JP (from 9.39 am, until 12.00 noon) |
| | AK | Corban, OBE, JP (until 12.00 noon) |
| | RP | Dallow, QPM, JP (from 9.42 am, until 3.08 pm) |
| | WW | Flaunty, QSM, JP (until 12.00 noon) |
| | MM | Jolley |
| | JP | Lawley, JP (from 9.39 am) |
| | VS | Neeson, JP (from 1.31 pm) |

Mayor RA Harvey, QSO, JP (ex officio) (until 3.03 pm)

COMMUNITY BOARD:

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| EAG Grimmer, MNZM | (Chairman, Henderson Community Board) |
| GPJ Marshall | (Chairman, New Lynn Community Board) |
| AE Davies, JP | (Deputy Chairman, Massey Community Board) |
| EG Francke | (Waitakere Community Board) |
| LJF Nobilo | (Henderson Community Board) |

IN ATTENDANCE:

Director: Finance
Director: Public Affairs
Manager: Business and Finance Services
Manager: Library and Information Services
Manager: Events and Special Projects
Manager: Public Affairs
Team Leader: Annual Plan and LTCCP Co-ordinator
Annual Plan and LTCCP Co-ordinator
Senior Community Liaison Officer
Executive Support to Deputy Mayor
Precis Writer: M Petherick
Committee Secretary: N Delamere

1 APOLOGIES

836/2008

MOVED by Cr Clow, seconded Cr Hulse:

That apologies from Cr Brady for lateness and Crs Corban, Flaunty and Cooper for early departure be received and sustained.

CARRIED

2 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2008/2009 HEARINGS AND DECISIONS PROCESS

Hearing of Submissions continued

- 9.37 am **Warahi Paki**
Te Taumata Runanga
Submission 143
- Advised the Council that Te Taumata Runanga acknowledged the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 already includes several items of the Committee's strategic priorities and would like to highlight the following:
 - Would like a lead in time around the review to the Long Term Council Community Plan;
 - Keen for the Council to commit appropriate resources in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 to implement the findings of Te Taumata Runanga Review;
 - Acknowledged the Council for including the development of Te Aho Tumanako, the Social Wellbeing Plan, as a key project.
- 9.39 am Crs Cooper and Lawley entered the meeting.
- 9.42 am Cr Dallow entered the meeting.
- 9.51 am **Gretchen Schubeck**
Ecomatters Environment Trust
Submission 260
- Requested that the Council provide \$50,000 to support the Sustainable Homes Programme;
 - Requested an additional \$185,000 to be allocated to the water demand management budget to deliver the new showerhead initiative to 1,000 homes.
- 10.01 am **Gretchen Schubeck**
Weedfree Waitakere Trust
Submission 211
- Requested an increase in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 for mentoring and management plans around weed control;
 - Would like the inorganic waste collection retained;
 - Wanted to develop innovative and effective ways of tackling the environmental weed problem in Waitakere.
- 10.14 am **Kevin Healy**
Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust
Submission 258
- Recommended that the funding for street trees in its current form ceases, and proposed that the funding allocated in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 for street planting be reallocated to a new initiative called 'Neat Street' and other initiatives for Citywide tree planting projects.

- 10.29 am **Christine Peters**
Waitakere Citizens Advice Bureau
Submission 317
- Requested additional funding to employ an executive manager for the Waitakere Citizens Advice Bureau and also would like the Council to recognise the rising number of unpaid hours already being worked by staff.
- 10.35 am Cr Brady entered the meeting.
- 10.43 am **Janet Cole**
Titirangi Theatre
Submission 267

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 10.43 am Cr Clow declared an interest in the discussion around the Titirangi Theatre and took no part in the debate.
- Requested that the Council review Theatre components of the Lopdell Precinct Project with a view to involving Titirangi Theatre fully in decisions and deliberations that affect its future; ensuring post-development governance of Lopdell House champions theatre as a key component of a successful precinct; ensuring a viable, practical approach to theatre administration as part of the overall House management; and ensuring a practical, well managed approach to design for a viable future building.

ADJOURNMENT

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MOVED by Cr Clews, seconded Cr Brady:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 11.15 am.

CARRIED

- 10.59 am The meeting adjourned.
- 11.18 am The meeting reconvened.
- 11.19 am **Graeme Smith and Jo Quatermass**
Neighbourhood Support Waitakere Inc.
Submission 287
- Extremely grateful for the interim funding Council made available last year;
 - Would like to ensure a sound financial base by reaching a Memorandum of Understanding and a three year funding agreement with the Council, and also other sources of grants and sponsorship to give financial security, including exploring the possibility of Central Government support;
 - Seeking funding of \$20,000 from the Council through safer communities fund for increased operating costs.

- 11.28 am **Pat Watson and Tony Mayo**
Community Waitakere
Submission 298
- Congratulated the Council for maintaining its long term commitment to the Partnering Agreement with their organisation which is a community- led neighbourhood development;
 - Asked that the Council continue to support the development of the new Waitakere Community Resource Centre in Tui Glen Reserve;
 - Requested that the future of Project Twin Streams is supported, and Community Waitakere looks forward to continuing strategic and operational roles in Project Twin Streams;
 - Supported the submission of the Ranui Central Development Network for the commitment to ongoing resources for a Ranui Town Centre plan;
 - Requested that the Council continue to take a leadership role, to work within the stated Community Outcomes and Strategic Direction for 2006-2016, and in particular the ongoing progression towards a sustainable society;
 - Community Waitakere endorsed recent discussions around the establishment of a community development section in the Council, and seeks to be involved in such discussions;
 - Requested that the Council continue to work with its communities to preserve and strengthen local decision making in the Regional Governance Commission deliberation.
- 11.50 am **Nicole Bassett**
West Auckland Health Services Foundation
Submission 291
- Advised that the Cloth Nappy Project is a highly successful partnership between Council and its Foundation for which the Foundation applauds Council for its initiative and support of this project;
 - The Foundation would like to encourage the Council's support again in the future.
- 12.00 pm Crs Cooper, Flaunty and Corban left the meeting.
- 12.00 pm **Winston Larsen**
Caring For Communities
Submission 89
- Submitted that the Council consider undertaking kerbing and channelling at 38 to 52 Don Buck Road, Massey, and that this be included in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009;
 - Would like the Council to reintroduce the provision of free rat bait to residents.

- 12.05 pm **Cissy Rock**
Project Freespace
Submission 309
- Requested that the Council consider how it can support a proposed information and support centre, for young people, to be situated within the Henderson Youth Facility and run on the same basis as the Citizens Advice Bureau;
 - Requested funding from the Council of \$15,000 for fit out and operational costs for the information and support centre.
- 12.07 pm **Cissy Rock**
Heroes Out West
Submission 310
- Acknowledged the huge support from the Council in the running of the 2008 Heroes Out West event;
 - Requested funding of \$5,000 to allow them to run a better and bigger event celebrating the gay and lesbian community in Waitakere.
- 12.11 pm **Emma Frost and Robin Allison**
Ranui Central Development Network
Walk to Work Eco-Developments
Submission 307
- Ranui Central Development Network expressed its concern that there is no provision in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 for the continuation of the Ranui Town Centre Development Project;
 - Requested that the Council confirm its ongoing commitment to the Ranui Town Centre Development Project, and that provision be made in the forthcoming Long Term Council Community Plan for funding of the implementation phase of the plan;
 - Requested that a Ranui Town Centre Project Manager be appointed to co-ordinate the work;
 - Requested that the Ranui Central Development Network, and other key stakeholder groups, be fully involved in the processes of planning and decision making;
 - Requested that the Council's planning and funding provision include the urgent development of the new enlarged Ranui Library, and expanded community centre.
- 12.22 pm **Bill Rayner**
Devonport Museum
Submission 303
- Asked that the Council support the concept of a regional approach to heritage management which would need to be as part of the Auckland Governance review, and through direct liaison with other regional councils.

12.36 pm **Marylyn Hurley**
Resident
Submission 315

- Edmonton Road has been badly damaged by the constant and continuous flow of vehicles in both directions;
- Asked that the Council review the budget in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009 to include repairs and resealing of roads;
- Advised that water is appearing from under the surface at the top end of Edmonton Road.

ADJOURNMENT

838/2008

MOVED by Cr Clews, seconded Cr Lawley:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 1.20 pm.

CARRIED

12.50 pm The meeting adjourned.

1.27 pm The meeting reconvened.

1.27 pm **Cathie Peters**
Alternatives to Violence
Submission 203

- Would like to see the Council continue the implementation of the City for Peace initiative;
- Supported conflict resolution/communication training for all staff within the Council.

1.31 pm Cr Neeson entered the meeting.

1.33 pm Cr Brady returned to the meeting.

1.32 pm **Tiaria Fletcher**
Waves
Submission 263

- Commended the Council for family violence initiatives that it has undertaken in the community such as the Mayoral Taskforce and the "It's not Ok" campaigns, along with the creation of a family violence role within Council;
- Recommended that the Council stays on track with the Mayoral Taskforce;
- Requested that the Council play a key role in highlighting the issues that affect children of our community.

1.36 pm Mayor Bob Harvey returned to the meeting.

1.37 pm

Elaine Dyer

Violence Free Waitakere
Submission 289

- Acknowledged the invaluable support already extended by the Council for the project work co-ordinated by Violence Free Waitakere;
- Requested that the financial contribution from the Council to Toddler Day Out and the Great Parenting Fair be increased from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

1.46 pm

Cr Battersby returned to the meeting.

1.50 pm

Lynette Adams

Sport Waitakere
Submission 261

- Requested the renewal of its contract with Council for a sum of \$150,000;
- Recommended that the Council continue to allocate funding for the Active Waitakere Manager who co-ordinates the activities of the Active Waitakere Collaboration Group;
- Requested that the Council allocate funds to contribute to the implementation of the Waitakere Physical Activity and Sport Strategy;
- Recommended that the Council support the Active Massey Project delivered by Sport Waitakere;
- Recommended that the Council continue its participation in the Auckland Region Physical Activity and Sport Strategy, with a Councillor on the strategic partners group and a staff member on the regional collaboration team;
- Asked that the Council support the implementation of a Waitakere Sport Development Strategy;
- Recommended that the Council progress the development of the hockey turf;
- Requested that the Council consult with Sport Waitakere on sport or physical activity projects with schools in order to work collaboratively with Council on identified projects and to avoid a possible duplication of services;
- Requested that the Council establish a Parris Park Leisure Precinct Committee that will allow for integrated planning of leisure facilities at Parris Park;
- Requested that the Council continue Citywide development, maintenance and upgrade of sports fields, coastal walkways, parks, and continues to invest in infrastructure of cycle and walkways;
- Thanked the Council for its continued support toward Sport Waitakere.

1.52 pm

Cr Dallow returned to the meeting.

- 2.06 pm **Pete Sinton, Murray Stevens, Colin Ball**
Waitakere City Lions Luncheon Club
Submission 231
- Fireworks display will be held on 1 November 2008 at the Douglas Track & Field and the Club is requesting \$17,000 to fund this;
 - Requested that the Council set aside funds of \$150,000 to be used for the major upgrade and structural alterations to the Council's building at 243 Edmonton Road, known as the Whitehouse.
- 2.23 pm **Louise Dunn**
Waitakere Online Editorial Board
Submission 259
- Exploring other funding sources, including Central Government, which will allow further growth and development of the Waitakere Online Editorial Board resource;
 - Whilst the support of the Council will remain an integral part of the total funding package, would like to work with the Council to refine the Board's governance structure to enable access to these resources;
 - Requested funding to the value of \$50,000 and continued support for a further 12 months;
 - Acknowledged and thanked the Council for its support.
- 2.35 pm **Pat La Roche**
Piha Coastcare
Submission 262
- Requested that the lily clearance in Claude Abel Pond be continued until next February 2008 and advised that the amount of funding required will be at least \$130,000;
 - Would like a process implemented as a standard for community consultation in Piha;
 - Requested funding to conduct a comprehensive community consultation process on issues in South Beach, Piha.
- 2.51 pm **Barbara Insull**
Cycle Action Auckland
Submission 163
- Supported the extra projects and increased budgets for cycling facilities in the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009;
 - Asked that the Council continue to support and prioritise cycleways.
- 3.00 pm Cr Battersby left the meeting.

- 3.01 pm **Rochana Sheward and Gary Stewart**
McLaren Park and Henderson South Community
Submission 306
- Requested a three year funding agreement with the Council instead of a one year funding agreement;
 - Believed an additional \$400,000 from the Council would help ensure that the community gets the type of community facility it wants and needs.
- 3.03 pm Mayor Bob Harvey left the meeting.
- 3.08 pm Cr Dallow left the meeting.
- 3.11 pm Cr Brady left the meeting.
- 3.11 pm **Kath Dewar**
Green Party of Aotearoa NZ
Submission 243
- Endorsed the strategy and funding that was allocated to waste reduction initiatives which align with Green Party policy on waste minimisation;
 - Opposed the proposal to replace the inorganic waste collection with free voucher or user-pays systems, and instead would like to see an assessment period of 3 years, proactive education and promotion of civic responsibility toward the inorganic waste;
 - Submitted approval for the limited increase in rubbish bag costs with the extra charge going directly to waste reduction;
 - Commended the Council for having the vision for investing in sustainable building practices and asked that the Council prioritise finding a solution to switching lights off at night in the Council building;
 - Submitted in favour of the continuing investment in the work of Project Twin Stream;
 - Urged the Council to continue work to educate all water users on water conservation;
 - Commended the Council's ongoing commitment to cycle paths and pedestrian areas and to the improved public transport provision in the City. Requested that the Council support investment to make roads safer for pedestrians and cyclists;
 - Opposed to the proposed investment in new roads within Waitakere;
 - Supported the Council in all its effort to lobby Auckland Regional Council to increase its commitment to public transport initiatives and would like to have more funds allocated to public transport initiatives;
 - Requested that the Council develop a specific plan to phase out the use of toxic pesticides and herbicides in Waitakere parks and on school grounds within the next 12 months;
 - Asked that the Council consider making allowance to support community garden initiatives on suitable current or new sites;
 - Opposed to any further investment in pursuit of Whenuapai as a commercial airport.

3.22 pm **Willem Hoogendam**

Resident
Submission 229

- Suggested that the Council keep this year's rates the same as last year's rates;
- Suggested a small increase on GST, so everyone who spends money in the Waitakere area contribute to it and that the extra money on GST goes to the Council;
- Would like the Council to renew efforts to abolish GST on rates – as it is an election year for Central Government;
- Council should concentrate only on essential maintenance work;
- Should not pay organisations like The Trusts Stadium and Westwave any more money as they should operate as stand alone organisations;
- Opposed to the Henderson Tram proposal;
- Opposed to renovating The Old Hotel in New Lynn;
- Advised that the footpath on Triangle Road badly needs repairing.

3.33 pm

Christine Shepherd, Sharon Davies and Bob Jessopp

Waitakere Christmas Festival
Submission 241

- Would like to thank Council for its continued support and advised that the Waitakere Christmas Festival this year will be held on 6 December 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

839/2008

MOVED by Cr Clews, seconded Cr Lawley:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 9.30 am on Friday, 30 May 2008 at Waitakere Central, 6 Henderson Valley Road, Henderson, Waitakere.

CARRIED

3.47 pm

The meeting adjourned.