



**Confirmed Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Matiu Room,
Wharewaka, Odlins Square, Taranaki Street Wharf, Wellington, on
Wednesday, 25 September 2013 at 2.00pm**

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken (until 3.26pm), Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Glensor,
Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Ponter, Swain and Wilson.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Greig.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public Participation

Cheryll Read from the Raumati Public Transport Action Group gave a presentation on a railway station at Raumati. A copy of her presentation was circulated.

Tony Randle spoke to items 14 and 16 on the agenda –Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013 and Variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Programme 2012- 2015: Transmission Gully highway and Porirua link roads.

4 Confirmation of Minutes of Council meeting of 21 August 2013

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the meeting of 21 August 2013, Report 13.776.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

5 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee meeting of 12 March 2013**

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee meeting of 12 March 2013, Report 13.102.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

6 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Chief Executive Employment Review Committee meeting of 15 August 2013**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of the Chief Executive Employment Review Committee meeting of 15 August 2013, Report 13.771.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

7 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Environmental Wellbeing Committee meeting of 10 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Environmental Wellbeing Committee meeting of 10 September 2013, Report 13.832.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

8 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting of 10 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Wilson/ Cr Bruce)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting of 10 September 2013, Report 13.830.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

9 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting of 12 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Glensor/ Cr Swain)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting of 12 September 2013, Report 13.837.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

10 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting of 18 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting of 18 September 2013, Report 13.841.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

11 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of 18 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of 18 September 2013, Report 13.842.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

12 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee meeting of 19 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of the Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee meeting of 19 September 2013, Report 13.851.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

13 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee meeting of 19 September 2013**

Moved

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council confirms the minutes of the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee meeting of 19 September 2013, Report 13.843.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The Chair noted that it was the last meeting of the triennium and thanked officers for their work over the last three years. The Chair also thanked councillors for their collaboration during the triennium and in particular acknowledged retiring councillor, Peter Glensor, for his work as Deputy Chair of the Council and leadership in transport and flood protection matters.

Officers thanked councillors for their leadership during the triennium and thanked Councillor Glensor for his contribution to the Council.

The Wellington Regional Council's waiata was sung to farewell the Council.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

14 **Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013**

Warren Tocker, Chief Financial Officer, Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport and Karen Young, Director, Audit New Zealand, all spoke to the report.

Report 13.827

File: SP/06/01/01

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves the following new amounts, in addition to those budgeted, being added to or (deducted) from the respective reserves, subject to any changes requested by the Council:*

(a)	Transport Rate Reserve	4,790,692
(b)	Sustainable Transport Department Reserve	61,022
(c)	Transport Planning Reserve	-52,309
(d)	Wai Bovine TB Rate - Bov TB	-9,770

(e)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Awhea	-4,682
(f)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Whareama	-4,838
(g)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Homewood	-2,586
(h)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Mataikona	-809
(i)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Maungaraki	-1,029
(j)	Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Kaiwhata	-1,500
(k)	Wai Rating Schemes-Drainage	55,631
(l)	Wai Shingle Royalty	-46,397
(m)	Wai Rating Schemes-River LWVD-Opex	-26,441
(n)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waiohine-Opex	1,008
(o)	Wai Rating Schemes - Gladstone	9,243
(p)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waipoua	4,066
(q)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waingawa	11,221
(r)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Lower Taueru	900
(s)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Lower Whangaehu	-538
(t)	Wai Rating Schemes- Te Ore Ore	2,439
(u)	Wai Rating Schemes - Mt Bruce	3,817
(v)	Wai Rating Schemes - Kopuaranga	4,348
(w)	Wairarapa Workshop	-15,200
(x)	Akura Nursery Reserve	-56,987
(y)	Bioworks	-127,500
(z)	River Rate Reserve-Hutt City	-122,875
(aa)	River Rate Reserve-Kapiti Coast	28,496
(bb)	River Rate Reserve-Porirua City	4,335
(cc)	River Rate Reserve-Upper Hutt City	61,152
(dd)	River Rate Reserve-Wellington City	17,457
(ee)	Resource Policy	-123,777
ff)	IT Operations Capex Reserve	135,661
(gg)	Wgtn Regional Strategy Office	220,000
(hh)	WRS Reserve - Grow Wellington	400,000
(ii)	Rebudget to 2013/14 - Integrated Ticketing	185,000
(jj)	Rebudget to 2013/14 - PT Plan Revision	8,676
(kk)	Rebudget 13/14 Parks Policy	40,000
(ll)	Rebudget 13/14 Strategic Planning	19,000

(mm)	Rebudget 13/14 Hutt Water Collection Area Pest Animals	99,000
(nn)	Rebudget 13/14 Kaitoke Regional Park-Te Marua Pest Animals	19,000
(oo)	Rebudget 13/14 Biodiversity Management Areas Legal Protection	110,000
(pp)	Rebudget 13/14 Transport Model CAPEX.	5,250
(qq)	Rebudget 13/14 Kaitoke Intake Improvements 2011	403
(rr)	Rebudget 13/14 Kaitoke Strainers Replace 2011	806
(ss)	Rebudget 13/14 Te marua Filter to Waste Improvements	2,216
(tt)	Rebudget 13/14 Upgrade Reservoirs to DC Control	2,418
(uu)	Rebudget 13/14 Telemetry IP repeater upgrade investigation	1,209
(vv)	Rebudget 13/14 Reservoir Inlet Standpipes	3,627
(ww)	Rebudget 13/14 Land Purchase Lake 3	140,000
(xx)	Rebudget 13/14 Wairarapa Water Use Project	8,750
(yy)	Rebudget 13/14 WREMO	300,000

\$6,159,605.00

4. *Adopts the Annual Report and the Summary Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013, subject to any changes requested by the Council and final audit clearance.*
5. *Authorises the Chair, in conjunction with the Chief Financial Officer, to approve any minor changes that may be necessary for the finalisation of the Annual Report and the Summary Annual Report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

15 **Water Supply Annual report for the year ending June 2013**

Chris Laidlow, General Manager, Water Supply, spoke to the report.

Report 13.757

File: WM/02/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilson/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves the publication of the Greater Wellington Regional Council Water Supply Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

16 **Variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-2015:
Transmission Gully highway and Porirua link roads**

Report 13.850

File: TP/01/16/12

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Agrees to adopt the variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Programme 2012 – 2015 as set out in Attachment 2.*
4. *Agrees to forward the variation to the Regional Land Transport Programme 2012 – 2015, as set out in Attachment 2, to the NZ Transport Agency, requesting its inclusion in the National Land Transport Programme.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

17 **Rail operations safety reporting**

Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport, spoke to the report.

Report 13.845

File: T/22/09/01

Moved

(Cr Glensor/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Governance

18 **End of triennium matters**

Report 13.808

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Laidlaw)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Authorises the Chief Executive to act on any emergency matters arising from the time the present Council and its committees are discharged until the members of the new Council make their declarations.*
4. *Authorises the Chief Executive, in consultation with the General Manager - Environment Management, to appoint hearings panels if required to consider any notified resource consent application during the period between the existing Council going out of office and the new Council establishing its committee arrangements and delegations to committees and committee chairs, as appropriate.*
5. *Instructs the Chief Executive to report any such matters to the incoming Council at the first appropriate opportunity.*
6. *In accordance with section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991, appoints:*

*Jenny Brash
Paul Bruce
Barbara Donaldson
Chris Laidlaw
Daran Ponter*

as hearings commissioners for the period from 12 October 2013 until 31 December 2013, and delegates to them all those functions and powers that are provided to the current Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee under its Terms of Reference necessary to hear and decide on resource consent and restricted coastal activity applications when they are appointed to a hearings panel.

7. *Notes that any commissioner appointed in accordance with (6) above will be remunerated at the same rate as paid to a Councillor.*
8. *Notes that the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee shall not be deemed to be discharged on the coming into office of the members elected at the 2013 triennial general election of the Council.*
9. *Notes that Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee shall not be deemed to be discharged on the coming into office of the members elected at the 2013 triennial general election of the Council.*
10. *Notes that the Wellington Civil Defence Emergency Management Group shall not be deemed to be discharged on the coming into office of the members elected at the 2013 triennial general election of the Council.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Committees/Meetings

19 Report on the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting 10 September 2013

Report 13.831

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilson/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

20 Report on the Environmental Wellbeing Committee meeting 10 September 2013

Report 13.835

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

21 Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting 12 September 2013

Report 13.838

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Glensor/ Cr Bruce)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

22 **Report on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting 18 September 2013**

Report 13.844

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED.**

23 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting 18 September 2013**

Report 13.853

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED.**

24 **Report on the Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee meeting 19 September 2013**

Report 13.854

File: E/11/01/04

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Glensor)

That the Council:

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

The motion was **CARRIED.**

25 **Exclusion of the public**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)

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 Council 21 August 2013
2. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee 19 September 2013
3. Review of Investments
4. Masterton Office Property Update
5. Confirmation of restricted public excluded minutes of Council 26 June 2013
6. Confirmation of restricted public excluded minutes of the Chief Executive Employment Review Committee 15 August 2013
7. Forestry cutting rights sale – confirming parties to go forward to due diligence

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:

General subject of each matter to be considered:	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
1. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of Council 21 August 2013	These contain information relating to Greater Wellington Regional Council's investment in Pringle House Limited. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice Pringle House Limited's commercial position. 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 to their commercial position.	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)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).
2. Confirmation of public excluded minutes of Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee 19 September 2013	These minutes contain information provided by insurance providers relating to pricing for the renewal of Greater Wellington Regional Council's insurance. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice the insurers' commercial position as it would reveal their	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)(b)(ii) of the Local

pricing. 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 this prejudice to the insurers' commercial position.

Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).

3. Review of Investments

of The report contains information relating to Greater Wellington Regional Council's (GWRC) investment in CentrePort Limited. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice CentrePort Limited's commercial position. 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 to their commercial position.

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)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).

4. Masterton Office Property Update

The information contained in this report relates to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) entering in to an agreement to relocate staff to a new portable building on the Chapel Street site, the terms of which have yet to be negotiated. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage GWRC as it would reveal 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).

5. Confirmation of restricted public excluded minutes of Council 21 August 2013
- These minutes contain information on the proposed performance objectives of the Chief Executive. Release of this information would prejudice their privacy by disclosing information pertaining to the employment relationship between the Chief Executive and the Council. Greater Wellington 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 section 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 restricted public excluded minutes of the Chief Executive Employment Review Committee 15 August 2013
- These minutes contain information relating to the Chief Executive's performance for 2012/13. Release of this information would prejudice David Benham's privacy by disclosing details of his performance agreement with 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).*
7. Forestry cutting rights sale – confirming parties to go forward to due diligence
- Certain information contained in this report relates to potential sale of forestry cutting rights. Release of this information would be likely to harm the negotiating position of Greater Wellington Regional Council as it proceeds to the second stage of a tender process, which if exposed to the market would adversely affect Greater Wellington Regional Council's capacity to negotiate an outcome most advantageous for ratepayers. Greater Wellington Regional Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring*
- 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).*

disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.

2. *Permit to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, Murray Kennedy, Consultant, Brian Bray and Nicola Daly, DLA Phillips Fox, because of their knowledge relating to the potential sale of forestry cutting rights. 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 a report to be considered by Council.*

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 3.44pm.

FH Wilde
(Chair)

Nigel Corry
(Acting Chief Executive)

Date: