

Confirmed Public minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on Thursday 12 October 2023

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 9.30am.

Members Present

Councillor Gaylor (Chair)
Councillor Duthie (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor Ponter
Councillor Saw
Councillor Staples
Councillor Woolf

Barbie Barton

Councillor Connelly participated at this meeting remotely, via MS Teams, and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair invited Councillor Duthie to open the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Terry Joy spoke on pest management in regional parks.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 10 August 2023 – Report 23.382

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Nash

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 10 August 2023 – Report 23.382.

The motion was **carried**.

5 National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity – Report 23.484 [For Information]

Tessa O'Brien, Senior Advisor, Environmental Policy, Christina Underhill, Senior Advisor, Environmental Policy, Ainslee Brown, Advisor, Environmental Policy, and Mike Watts, Team Leader, Environmental Policy, spoke to the report.

6 Resource Management Reform – Day 1 Implications – Report 23.498 [For Information]

Fathima Iftikar, Director, Strategy, Policy and Regulation, and Shaun Andrewartha, Manager, Environmental Regulation, spoke to the report.

7 Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 – Report 23.456 [For Information]

David Boone, Manager, Ecosystems and Community, and Tania Parata, Director Mana Whenua Partnerships, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested a report to a future Committee meeting, detailing the history of the development of Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30, what has been done in implementing Toitū Te Whenua, and the challenges and opportunities for parks (and wetlands) restoration work.

8 Pest Management Report – Report 23.467 [For Information]

Myfanway Hill, Manager Environment Operations, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested that it receive an annual pest management report. The Committee requested that this report cover:

- a Overall pest management work in the Wellington Region
- b Community pest management work
- c Greater Wellington pest control work on Greater Wellington controlled land, including regional parks.

9 Farming Reference Group Chair Update Report – Report 23.522 [For Information]

Barbie Barton, Chair of the Farming Reference Group, spoke to the report.

10 Whaitua Development Update – Report 23.505 [For Information]

Nicola Patrick, Director, Catchment, spoke to the report.

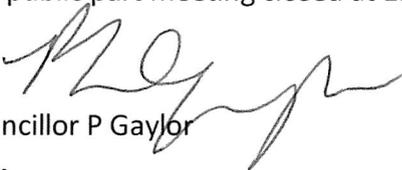
11 Environment Update – Report 23.7 [For Information]

Lian Butcher, Group Manager, Environment, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public part meeting closed at 11.03am.



Councillor P Gaylor

Chair

Date: 23 November 2023