

UPPER HUTT CITY COUNCIL**HUTT VALLEY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Report of a meeting held in the Upper Hutt City Council Chambers,
Level 2, Civic Administration Building, 838-842 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt on
Friday 6 March 2015 commencing at 9.31am

PRESENT: Cr D Wheeler, UHCC (Chair)
Cr A Finlayson, HCC (Deputy Chair)
Mayor W N Guppy, UHCC
Cr B Branch, HCC
Cr G McArthur, UHCC
Cr P Lambert, UHCC

APOLOGIES: Mayor W R Wallace, HCC
Cr C Milne, HCC
Cr H Swales, UHCC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr C Upton, Chief Executive, UHCC
Mr A Bannatyne, Consultant (MWH Ltd), HCC
Mr L Dalton, Regional Manager Animal Services, HCC
Mr B Latimer, Parks and Reserves Manager, UHCC (until 9.57am)
Mrs K Falconer, Executive Assistant Democratic Services, UHCC

REPORT TO COUNCIL**PUBLIC BUSINESS****1. APOLOGIES****RESOLVED:**

That the apologies received from Mayor Wallace and Councillors Milne and Swales for absence be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Nil.

4. MINUTES**RESOLVED:**

THAT the minutes of the Hutt Valley Services Committee meeting held on 28 November 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

5. PROJECT PENCARROW PROGRESS REPORT | 22 OCTOBER 2014 – 2 FEBRUARY 2015

Report from the Consultant (MWH New Zealand Ltd) agenda pages HVSC A5-1 to HVSC A5-7.

The Consultant provided an explanation relating to point 9 of the report on Greater Wellington's Draft Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region. This plan replaces the current Discharge Plans to Land, Water and Air. The new draft plan will take a zero based approach including work that has been previously approved. The Consultant used the Seaview treatment plant as an example explaining that some areas of this previously approved work would need to be renegotiated. The Consultant is currently gathering previous reports and the decision-making processes to forward to Greater Wellington Regional Council to avoid the need for future re-litigating.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the progress on Project Pencarrow as outlined in the report.

6. HUTT VALLEY TRUNK WASTEWATER SERVICES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD END 31 DECEMBER 2015

Report by the Senior Financial Accountant, Hutt City Council agenda pages HVSC A6-1 to HVSC A6-7.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee:

1. **NOTES the financial statements for the Hutt Valley Trunk Wastewater Services for the period ended 31 December 2014; and**
2. **NOTES a breakeven position has been achieved against a full year breakeven budget.**

7. SILVERSTREAM LANDFILL UPDATE

Report by the Landfill Consultant, Tonkin and Taylor agenda pages HVSC A7-1 to HVSC A7-3.

A member asked for an update relating to the recent fire at the landfill. As no Officer was present to provide an update, members asked for a report at the next meeting.

Following on from the recent accident in Wellington by an employee of a recycling company, a member asked if similar equipment is being used at the landfill and noted the importance of regular safety training.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the progress on Silverstream Landfill.

8. AKATARAWA CEMETERY UPDATE

Report by the Parks and Reserves Manager, Upper Hutt City Council agenda page HVSC A8-1.

The Parks and Reserves Manager noted that operational revenue is currently \$15,000 above year to date budget.

A member asked about the residential development taking place behind the cemetery and the development of the new road, the moving the cemetery entrance archway and the planting plan for the new entrance. The Chief Executive advised that planning is still underway and the final consent for the developer will cover the road layout, moving of the existing gates and landscaping.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the Akatarawa Cemetery update.

9. AKATARAWA CEMETERY OUT OF DISTRICT FEES

Report by the Parks and Reserves Manager, Upper Hutt City Council agenda page HVSC A9-1 to HVSC A9-3.

Members thanked the Parks and Reserves Manager for the report following a request at a previous meeting and agreed with the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

1. **THAT the report be received.**
2. **THAT the Out of District Fee is not applied to residents of Hutt City and that no compensation is required from Hutt City for the loss of income.**
3. **THAT a review of the current cemetery agreement is carried out once Taita Cemetery is closed for first interments and the development plan for the new Cemetery has been adopted.**

10. DOG CONTROL UPDATE

Report by the Manager Compliance Services, Upper Hutt City Council agenda page HVSC A10-1.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the Dog Control update.

11. DOG CONTROL UPDATE

Report by the Divisional Manager, Regulatory Services, Hutt City Council agenda page HVSC A11-1.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the Dog Control update.

12. HEALTH OFFICE ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Report by the Divisional Manager, Regulatory Services, Hutt City Council agenda pages HVSC A12-1 to HVSC A12-4.

A member asked for an update on the toxic algae. The Regional Manager Animal Services noted that it remained the same with no increase. He noted a

combination of the text alert system, signage, radio and newspaper advertising has contributed to an increased awareness to the dangers.

A member raised the increasing issue of dog walkers placing excrement in plastic bags and leaving them on tracks as opposed to carrying them to a receptacle to dispose of. The member asked for a campaign discouraging this action.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Committee notes the Health Office Activities update.

13. GENERAL BUSINESS

There were no questions.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.09am.

Cr D Wheeler

CHAIR