

**These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting to be held Monday 15
June 2015
HUTT CITY COUNCIL**

CENTRAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held in James Coe 2, Dowse Art Museum, 45 Laings Road,
Lower Hutt on

Tuesday 7 April 2015 commencing at 6.32pm

PRESENT: Mrs S Lafrentz (Chair) Deputy Mayor D Bassett
Cr C Milne Mr D Jones (Deputy Chair)
Mrs J Thompson

APOLOGIES: Ms D Mulligan

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms J Raffles, General Manager, Governance and Regulatory
Mr B Hodgins, Divisional Manager, Parks & Gardens (part
meeting)
Mr L Earl, Traffic Assets Manager, Road & Traffic (part
meeting)
Ms S Haniel, Committee Advisor

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: **Minute No. CCC 15201**

"That the apology received from Ms D Mulligan be accepted and leave of absence be granted."

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS

RESOLVED: **Minute No. CCC 15202**

"That in terms of Standing Order 25.5, precedence be accorded to item 6 c) dealing with Kings Crescent/Eastern Hutt School – Proposed P5 Drop Off and Pick up Restrictions."

This item is recorded in the order in which it is listed on the order paper.

3. PRESENTATIONS

a) Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) Report

Cr Greig elaborated on the report. She gave members the GWRC Consultation Document for the 10 year plan 2015-2025 and asked for submissions.

In response to questions from members, Cr Greig said that the proposed GWRC rates increase of 8-10% was to cover the costs of the Matangi Trains and other costs.

Members noted that Hutt City Council kept its rates increases at about the level of inflation and had a much lower level of increase than GWRC. They further noted that the costs of public transport were passed on to ratepayers and not the passengers and that the passenger contribution had dropped from 70% to 50%. Members considered that some of GWRC's expenses were "nice to haves" and could be cut from its services, for example, free cycle checks.

The Chair thanked Cr Greig for her work with the Committee.

b) Presentation by NZ Police

There was no presentation by the Police.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Deputy Mayor Bassett declared a conflict of interest in item 10 a) Future of Reserve Land at Mitchell Park, and took no part in voting on the matter.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15203

"That the minutes of the meeting of the Central Community Committee held on Monday, 9 February 2015, be confirmed as a true and correct record."

6. **REPORTS REFERRED FOR COMMITTEE INPUT BEFORE BEING CONSIDERED BY STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

a) **Glen Iris Grove - Proposed P180 Parking** (15/488)

Report No. CCC2015/2/91 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15204

"That the Committee endorses the recommendation contained in the report."

b) **Riverbank Carpark & Daly Street - Proposed Mobility Parking Restrictions**
(15/489)

Report No. CCC2015/2/92 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Assets Manager agreed that generally, there appeared to be low utilisation of parking in Daly Street. He advised that officers would need to review the area before any changes could be made to the current parking restrictions.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15205

"That the Committee endorses the recommendations contained in the report."

c) **Kings Crescent/Eastern Hutt School - Proposed P5 Drop Off and Pick Up Restrictions** (15/492)

Report No. CCC2015/2/93 by the Traffic Engineer

Speaking under public comment, **Mr R Perry**, said that he lived slightly south of the proposed P5 Drop Off and Pick Up restrictions and fully supported the planned changes. He elaborated, saying that parents would park on the yellow lines outside his driveway and dash across the road with their children without using the zebra crossing. He further said that he believed the traffic growth and the current all day car parking led to parents double parking which made the road dangerous for pupils, and also for residents egressing their properties.

In response to questions from members, Mr Perry said that residents had been wanting change for two years. He added that the school had initially not wanted parking restrictions on the East side of the road, however, it now supported them.

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

Members noted that Kings Crescent was a very busy road and the main school entrance only became visible to North bound drivers after rounding a bend. They also noted that many parents preferred to drop their children off by car using the main front entrance rather than the rear entrance off Cornwall Street. Members further noted that double parking was an issue for the West side of the street as well as the East side.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Assets Manager said that Council had consulted with the school and affected residents, and there had been substantial support for the proposal. He further said that Eastern Hutt School had a school speed zone of 40kph with flashing lights which alerted motorists to children, which was an effective safety measure. He added that officers would be enforcing the new parking restrictions once they were established.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15206

"That the Committee endorses the recommendation contained in the report."

d) **543 - 555 High Street - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restriction** (15/493)

Report No. CCC2015/2/94 by the Senior Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15207

"That the Committee endorses the recommendation contained in the report."

e) **Mills Street - Proposed P15 Parking Restrictions** (15/495)

Report No. CCC2015/2/95 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15208

"That the Committee endorses the recommendation contained in the report."

f) **Military Road/Troon Crescent/Hathaway Avenue/Fry Street - Proposed No Stopping At All Times and Mobility Parking Restrictions** (15/507)

Report No. CCC2015/2/117 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15209

"That the Committee endorses the recommendations contained in the report."

g) **Rutherford Street - Proposed P120 Parking Restrictions** (15/496)

Report No. CCC2015/2/96 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15210

"That the Committee endorses the recommendations contained in the report."

PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS**RESOLVED:****Minute No. CCC 15211**

“That in terms of Standing Order 25.5, precedence be accorded to items 10 a) and b) dealing with the Information Items - Future of Reserve Land at Mitchell Park, and the Avalon/Taita – Valley Floor Review.”

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7. COMMITTEE ADVISOR'S REPORT (15/367)

Report No. CCC2015/2/17 by the Committee Advisor

The Committee Advisor elaborated on the report.

Members considered that if the Committee had sufficient funds in its Training Budget, then two members, Ms D Mulligan and the Chair could attend the New Zealand Community Boards Conference 2015.

RESOLVED:**Minute No. CCC 15212**

“That the Committee:

- (i) endorses Ms D Mulligan's upcoming attendance at the New Zealand Community Boards Conference 2015, at a cost to be determined; and*
- (ii) endorses Ms S Lafrentz's attendance at the New Zealand Community Boards Conference 2015 if sufficient funds are available in the Committee's Training Budget.”*

8. CHAIR'S REPORT (15/364)

Report No. CCC2015/2/84 by the Chair

The Chair elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:**Minute No. CCC 15213**

“That the report be noted and received.”

9. **CENTRAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE SUBMISSION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION NEW ZEALAND** (15/543)

Report No. CCC2015/2/97 by the Chair

The Chair elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15214

"That the Committee:

- (i) *notes that its submission in respect of the Local Government Commission's Wellington Reorganisation proposal requires retrospective endorsement; and*
- (ii) *endorses its submission attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum."*

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

a) **Future of Reserve Land at Mitchell Park** (15/527)

Memorandum dated 27 March 2015 by the Senior Committee Advisor

Deputy Mayor Bassett declared a conflict of interest in the Future of Reserve Land at Mitchell Park and took no part in voting on the matter.

The Divisional Manager, Parks and Gardens, elaborated on the report.

Members requested that affected residents be notified of the proposal. They considered that they would be interested in Hutt Hospital's and Boulcott Hospital's consultation responses. Members further considered that they would do a walkaround of the site and the Chair would organise a meeting with the Divisional Manager, Parks and Gardens.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15215

"That the Committee notes the information contained in the memorandum."

b) **Avalon/Taita - Valley Floor Review** (15/529)

Memorandum dated 27 March 2015 by the Senior Committee Advisor

The Divisional Manager, Parks and Gardens, elaborated on the report.

Members noted that affected residents would be notified of the proposal.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. CCC 15216

"That the Committee notes the information contained in the memorandum."

11. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**a) Labyrinth Committee (15/368)**

Ms Thompson advised that World Labyrinth day would be in early May 2015.

b) Keep Hutt City Beautiful and Graffiti Taskforce (15/369)

Mr Jones advised that the Taskforce had a number of activities planned, a planting week later in the year to attract more bees, having a “hero” who keeps the city clean and tidy, and education in schools.

He noted the suggestion from the Chair to encourage monarch butterflies in the city by giving swan plants to schools.

12. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.12 pm.

Mrs S Lafrentz
CHAIR

**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 15th day of June 2015**