

HUTT CITY COUNCILWESTERN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Report of a meeting held in the Hutt City Church, 22 Marsden Street, Melling on  
Thursday 25 August 2016 commencing at 7.00pm

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**PRESENT:** Cr M Shierlaw Ms G Berridge (Chair)  
Mrs K Wick Cr MJ Cousins  
Mr P Matcham

**APOLOGIES:** An apology was received from Ms M Bowmar.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr J Gloag, Divisional Manager, Road and Traffic  
Mr L Earl, Traffic Assets Manager, Road and Traffic (part meeting)  
Ms S Haniel, Committee Advisor

PUBLIC BUSINESS1. APOLOGIES

**RESOLVED:** **Minute No. WCC 16401**

*"That the apology received from Ms M Bowmar be accepted and leave of absence be granted."*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

3. PRESENTATIONSa) Presentation by Local Councillor from Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC)

Cr Greig elaborated on the report and gave a presentation on the Riverlink project, formerly known as the Hutt River City Centre Upgrade Project. She added that GWRC would be engaging with the community about the project using both web based technology, and other methods for those who did not have internet access.

The Teamleader, Floodplain Management Plan Implementation, Mr A Allan, said that GWRC would be asking the community for their preferences on how they use the river corridor through the Riverlink project. Riverlink would have its own interactive website available from 23-26 September, and officers would be monitoring feedback.

b) **Presentation by Growing Places Charitable Trust on the Graffiti initiative at Ava Station**

Speaking under public comment **Mr R McLeod, representing the Harbourview Residents' Association**, said that he supported the graffiti measures being taken in the railway corridor. He further noted that there was rubbish in the area which needed clearing.

The Senior Policy Advisor, Department of Conservation, Ms Warren, gave a presentation on the graffiti initiative at Ava Station.

In response to a question from a member, Ms Warren said that she was one of the organisers of "Living Streets Wellington" whose projects had multiple objectives, such as graffiti eradication, reclaiming roads for people, and for traffic to behave differently. She added that only a small amount of space was required for a seat, plants, and a piece of poetry.

4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

5. **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16402**

*"That the minutes of the meeting of the Western Community Committee held on Thursday, 30 June 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record."*

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

a) **Dowse Drive - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (16/1020)**

Report No. WCC2016/4/196 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16403**

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

b) **Mulberry Street - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions** (16/1021)

Report No. WCC2016/4/197 by the Traffic Engineer

Speaking under public comment, **Ms S Austen** said that she supported the proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions with the deletion of yellow lines in front of 46, 48, 50, 52 and 54 Mulberry Street, and further requested that there be no stopping restrictions over residents' driveways.

Speaking under public comment **Mr M Harris**, said that he supported Ms Austen's comments. He further said that cars were parking illegally on Mulberry Street by parking in the opposite direction to the flow of the traffic.

In response to a question from a member, Mr Harris said that cars also parked on the footpath.

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16404**

*"That the Committee requests that the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council:*

- (i) *approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Mulberry Street, Maungaraki, attached as Appendix 1 (1A) to the report, with the deletion of yellow lines in front of 46, 48, 50, 52 and 54 Mulberry Street; and*
- (ii) *approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Mulberry Street, Maungaraki as shown in Appendix 2 (1B) attached to the report."*

c) **Belmont School - Proposed P5 Pick Up Drop Off, No Parking On Grass & No Stopping at all Times Restrictions** (16/1022)

Report No. WCC2016/4/198 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16405**

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

d) **Block Road - Proposed Refuge Island and No Stopping At All Times Restrictions** (16/1023)

Report No. WCC2016/4/199 by the Traffic Engineer

Speaking under public comment, **Mr R McLeod, representing the Harbourview Residents' Association**, said that he supported the proposed refuge island in Block Road.

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16406**

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

e) **Dowse Drive - Proposed P15 Parking Restrictions** (16/1033)

Report No. WCC2016/4/200 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

Members noted the submission in opposition to the proposal. They agreed with the Traffic Assets Manager that the school bus had a problem because it had to park in the middle of the road when the parking bay was full. Members considered that a 15 minute time restriction would be an appropriate length of time for parents accessing the school or the toy library.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16407**

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

f) **Dowse Drive - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions** (16/1046)

Report No. WCC2016/4/208 by the Senior Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16408**

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

7. **CALLING FOR SUBMISSIONS: PROPOSED CONTROL OF ALCOHOL IN PUBLIC PLACES BYLAW 2016** (16/966)

Memorandum dated 8 August 2016 by the Principal Policy Advisor

Cr Cousins said the legal test for evidence for the bylaw, was that a high level of crime or disorder would be made worse by alcohol consumption in the area concerned. She added that evidence provided to Council should include details of alcohol related incidents.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16409**

*"That the Committee:*

- (i) *notes the report; and*
- (ii) *will confer with the community to determine if the Committee wishes to make a submission on the proposed Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw 2016."*

8. **COMMITTEE ADVISOR'S REPORT** (16/866)

Report No. WCC2016/4/54 by the Committee Advisor

Speaking under public comment, **Mr R McLeod, representing the Harbourview Residents' Association**, said that a Viewmont Drive resident was again developing his business from home, which was not a permitted occupation activity under the District Plan. He further said that officers should enforce the appropriate regulations on the matter.

The Committee Advisor elaborated on the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16410**

*"That the Committee retrospectively approves up to a total of \$315.00, for catering and flowers for its meeting on 25 August 2016 from the Miscellaneous Administration Budget."*

## 9. NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion by Cr Shierlaw

Ms Berridge said that she would stand aside for the item and took no part in voting on the matter.

Mr Matcham assumed the chair.

Cr Shierlaw elaborated on the item. He advised that the Chair had endorsed a candidate and had used her title when signing off the endorsement. He said that a local authority "must not promote nor be perceived to promote, the re-election prospects of a sitting member (Principle 12 Auditor General Guidelines)". He further said that "promoting the re-election prospects of a sitting Member, directly or indirectly, wittingly or unwittingly, was not part of the proper role of a local authority (Rule 4.45 Auditor General Guidelines)."

Ms Wick asked that it be recorded in the minutes that her name had now been associated with endorsing a candidate whom she had not endorsed.

Cr Shierlaw said that he would be taking the matter up with the electoral officer.

### RESOLVED:

**Minute No. WCC 16411**

*"That the Committee:*

- (i) notes that no Committee member or officer of the Committee has authority to endorse any political candidate;*
- (ii) notes that it has not endorsed any political candidates; and*
- (iii) agrees that a political candidate endorsement purporting to have come from a Committee member or officer of the Committee be formally withdrawn."*

10. **CHAIR'S REPORT** (16/880)

Report No. WCC2016/4/160 by the Chair

Speaking under public comment, **Mr R McLeod, representing the Harbourview Residents' Association**, said that the Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) had called a meeting in June with only four days notice which had been insufficient notification.

Ms Berridge resumed the chair.

The Traffic Assets Manager said that a traffic direction sign would be placed before Park Road so that visitors to the area would not miss the turn.

The Chair elaborated on the report. She thanked members and officers for the work done over the triennium.

Cr Cousins reiterated Mr McLeod's concern that WREMO had given inadequate notification to the resident's associations of a meeting date.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCC 16412**

*"That the report be noted and received."*

11. **REPORT BACK FROM THE ENGAGEMENT ESSENTIALS CONFERENCE JUNE 2016** (16/585)

Report No. WCC2016/4/159 by Ms Bowmar

The Committee noted the report.

12. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

Ms G Berridge  
**CHAIR**