

**These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next Committee meeting to be held  
on 1 December 2016  
HUTT CITY COUNCIL**

**WELLINGTON WATER COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a meeting held in the Upper Hutt City Council Chambers,  
838-842 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt on  
**Wednesday 31 August 2016 commencing at 1.00pm**

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**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor D Bassett (Chair) (HCC)  
Cr C Laidlaw (Deputy Chair) (GWRC) (from 1.05pm)  
Mayor N Leggett (PCC) (from 1.10pm until 1.55pm)  
Mayor W Guppy (UHCC)  
Cr I Pannett (WCC)

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies for lateness were received from Cr Laidlaw and Mayor Leggett.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cr J Brash, Alternate GWRC  
Mr J Strahl, Chair, Wellington Water Ltd  
Mr C Crampton, Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd  
Ms J Bryan, Principal Advisor, Wellington Water Ltd  
Mr A van Paassen Manager, Community Engagement, Wellington Water Ltd  
Mr T Stallinger, Chief Executive, HCC  
Mr A Wilson, City Engineer, WCC  
Ms W Walker, Chief Executive Officer, PCC  
Ms K Stannard, Manager Secretariat Services, HCC

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**1. APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED:** **Minute No. WWC 16401**

*"That the apologies for lateness received from Cr Laidlaw and Mayor Leggett be accepted."*

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

**4. MINUTES**

RESOLVED:**Minute No. WWC 16302**

*"That the minutes of the meeting of the Wellington Water Committee held on Thursday, 16 June 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record."*

**5. FINAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION REPORT (16/1013)**

Report No. WWC2016/4/195 by the Divisional Manager, Secretariat Services

The Chair elaborated on the report. He highlighted the importance of holding a workshop early in 2017 along with the Wairarapa Councils, Kapiti Coast District Council, Sir Wira Gardinar, local authority Chief Executives and infrastructure officers.

Members agreed to a brief catch up in December 2017.

RESOLVED:**Minute No. WWC 16403**

*"That the Committee:*

- (i) notes a letter received from Sir Wiri Gardiner on the Local Government Commission's findings on water services in the Wellington region attached as Appendix 1 to the report;*
- (ii) notes the Strengthening the Wellington Regional – Progress Report received from the Local Government Commission attached as Appendix 2 to the report; and*
- (iii) agrees to discuss the findings of the report at a workshop with the regional Councils in early 2017."*

**6. GOVERNANCE REPORT (16/1028)**

Memorandum dated 16 August 2016 by the Divisional Manager, Secretariat Services

Mr J Strahl, Chair, Wellington Water Ltd elaborated on the memorandum.

In response to questions from a member, Mr Strahl advised that the attendance statistics at Wellington Water Board meetings was 100%. He highlighted that some directors had been on leave or overseas. He noted that attendance rate would be better in 2017.

RESOLVED:**Minute No. WWC 16404**

*"That the Committee receives the Governance Report attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum."*

7. **WELLINGTON WATER COMPANY UPDATE REPORT** (16/1014)

Report No. WWC2016/4/52 by Wellington Water Limited

The Chief Executive of Wellington Water Ltd elaborated on the report. He also elaborated on the Havelock North water where people had fallen ill from drinking water which had tested positive for E.Coli. He highlighted that he would be briefing Hutt City Council about the processes around the Hutt and the lessons learnt from Havelock North.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd advised that Civil Defence Emergency Management would act if it was a water outbreak.

In response to a question from a member, the Principal Advisor, Wellington Water Ltd elaborated on the workings of Water New Zealand. The Chair asked the Principal Advisor, Wellington Water Ltd to report back on this matter in the next Company Update.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Hutt City Council elaborated on Hutt City's water.

In response to questions from members regarding safe water swimming at beaches and safe levels for fluoridation, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd, advised that he would make the wording simpler for the customer to understand. He also advised that the World Health Organisation advised that the average safe level for fluoridation was 0.85ppm and New Zealand was always around 0.7ppm.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd, advised that the company had not done well with community engagement. He noted that the company would be focussing on this matter in the New Year.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd, advised that hopefully this would be the last year of capex performance. He noted that there were some issues between the local authorities and the company.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd, advised that the company was on top of the Health and Safety legislation.

In response to a question from a member, the Chief Executive, Wellington Water Ltd, advised that

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WWC 16405**

*"That the Wellington Water Committee receives and notes the report."*

Mayor Leggett left the meeting at 1.55pm.

8. **DISCUSSIONS WITH SIR WIRI GARDINER, CHAIR, LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION**

The Chair advised that he had held general discussions with Sir Wiri Gardiner regarding the recommendations from the Local Government Commission's finding on water services in the Wellington region. He further advised that Sir Wiri Gardiner was keen to attend the workshop in early 2017.

9. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 2pm.

Deputy Mayor D Bassett  
**CHAIR**