



MINUTES

Report of a Meeting of the HUTT VALLEY SERVICES COMMITTEE, held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, 838-842 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt on FRIDAY 5 MARCH 2021 commencing at 9.30am

Present: Cr J Briggs, Chair (Hutt City Council), His Worship the Mayor Mr W N Guppy (Upper Hutt City Council), Deputy Mayor Cr H Swales, Alternate (Upper Hutt City Council) (until 9.56am), Cr C B G Carson (Upper Hutt City Council), Cr B Dyer (Hutt City Council), Cr P E Lambert (Upper Hutt City Council), Cr S Rasheed (Hutt City Council), and Cr N Shaw (Hutt City Council).

In Attendance: Mr S Hutchison, Chief Advisor Wastewater, Wellington Water Limited (part-meeting), Mr P Kelly, Chief Executive, Upper Hutt City Council (UHCC), Ms H Oram, Director Environment and Sustainability, Hutt City Council (HCC), Mr G Swainson, Director Asset Management and Operations, UHCC, Mr G Stuart, Head of Regulatory Services and Emergency Management, HCC, Mr J Scherzer, Manager, Sustainability and Resilience, HCC (part-meeting), Dr S Sykes, Compliance Services Manager, UHCC, Mr D Bentley, Team Leader Environmental Health, HCC, Mr B Hodgins, Strategic Advisor, HCC (part-meeting), and Mr A Buchanan, Senior Governance Advisor, UHCC.

Opening Formalities – Karakia Timatanga

Kia hora te marino	May peace be widespread
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana	May the sea be like greenstone
He huarahi mā tātou i te rangi nei	A pathway for us all this day
Aroha atu, aroha mai	Let us show respect for each other
Tātou i a tātou katoa	For one another
Hui e Tāiki e!	Bind us together!

1. Apologies

RESOLVED:

HVSC 210201

“That the apologies from Cr Newell and, for early departure, from Deputy Mayor Swales be accepted and leaves of absence be granted”.

Moved Cr Briggs / Cr Shaw

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. Public Forum

There were no speakers under Public Forum.

4. Minutes

RESOLVED:

HVSC 210202

“That the minutes of the Hutt Valley Services Committee meeting of 20 November 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record, subject to Cr Dyer’s name being added to Resolution HVSC 200701 to reflect that he too was an apology for the meeting”.

Moved Cr Lambert / Cr Carson

CARRIED

5. Wastewater Joint Venture Update – February 2021

The Chief Advisor Wastewater, Wellington Water Limited advised that a further ‘dry-weather discharge’ incident had occurred subsequent to the report’s preparation, and that this would be reported on for the Committee’s next meeting.

In response to questions from a member, the Chief Advisor Wastewater noted that the contract with Veolia was in its early stages and that some ‘teething problems’ had been experienced. The Chair then requested that an answer be sought from Veolia as to whether they had a monitoring system in place in respect of the UV lights, and that this answer be circulated via email to all members.

In response to a question from another member, the Chief Advisor Wastewater advised that any effects on the Waiwhetu Stream from ‘discharge’ incidents were minor, and that the water in question was fully treated. He added that warning signs were in place during these events.

In response to a question from another member, the Chief Advisor Wastewater advised that work on the Petone Collecting Sewer would occur after the completion of the Barber Grove Project, and that they therefore would not be running concurrently.

In response to questions from another member, the Chief Advisor Wastewater advised that the issue at Silverstream revolved largely around storm-water getting into the system, and that growth was being taken into account both there and at Seaview. The member then requested that an ‘Executive Summary’ be provided in respect of Wellington Water’s consultation with iwi on the proposed approach to be captured in its application for a Global Discharge Consent.

During debate on the motion it was suggested by a member that more be done to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions arising from the wastewater treatment process.

RESOLVED:

HVSC 210203

"That the report be received."

Moved Cr Briggs / Cr Carson

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Swales left the meeting at 9.56am.

6. Update on Silverstream Landfill

In response to a question from a member the Manager Sustainability and Resilience, HCC advised that, by Governmental direction, the waste levy would increase from \$10 per tonne to \$20 per tonne on 1 July 2021.

In response to a question from another member, Manager Sustainability and Resilience advised that Silverstream Landfill serviced the wider region in respect of asbestos disposal, thus performing a 'valuable regional service'.

In response to a question from another member, the Manager Sustainability and Resilience advised that there was a significant range of estimates in respect of the expected reduction in emissions this year. He added that this reduction was most likely to be in the vicinity of 10 to 20 per cent.

In response to a question from another member, the Manager Sustainability and Resilience agreed to provide, for the next Committee meeting, information around the projected impact of the waste levy increase on the HCC Draft Long Term Plan.

The Chair noted that a members' Bus Tour of the various joint facilities had been deferred from 2020 to this year, and that Officers were now progressing this initiative.

RESOLVED:

HVSC 210204

"That the Committee:

- i. receives the report;*
- ii. notes the update on the ongoing development, operation, and performance of Silverstream Landfill; and;*
- iii. notes the update on other relevant solid waste management and minimisation work-streams."*

Moved Cr Briggs / Cr Lambert

CARRIED

7. Akatarawa Cemetery Update**RESOLVED:****HVSC 210205***"That the report be received."***Moved** Cr Briggs / Cr Dyer**CARRIED****8. Dog Control Update – Hutt City Council**

In response to questions from a member the Head of Regulatory Services and Emergency Management, HCC advised that every attempt was made to rehouse impounded dogs. He further advised that he would provide information to members via email as to the significant spike in complaints received in January 2021.

RESOLVED:**HVSC 210206***"That the report be received."***Moved** Cr Briggs / Cr Dyer**CARRIED****9. Dog Control Update – Upper Hutt City Council**

In response to a question from a member the Compliance Services Manager, UHCC advised that Officers were investigating the options available for after-hours dog control as the present system, in which the Manager of Allied Security was essentially on-call '24-7', was unsustainable. He noted that future reports would include comparison figures from previous years.

RESOLVED:**HVSC 210207***"That the Committee:*

- i. receives the report; and*
- ii. requests Officers to prepare a report for Upper Hutt City Council regarding proposed changes to its after-hours dog control."*

Moved Cr Briggs / Cr Lambert**CARRIED****10. Health Office Activities Update**

In response to a question from a member the Compliance Services Manager, UHCC advised that consideration was being given to providing a 'text-alert' system to all its dog owners. However, in order for this to be actioned, he understood that significant IT upgrades would be required.

RESOLVED:**HVSC 210208***"That the memorandum be received."***Moved** Cr Briggs / Cr Dyer**CARRIED****11. Regional Joint Services Opportunities**

There was nothing to report.

Closing Formalities – Karakia Whakamutunga

Whakataka te hau ki te uru

Whakataka te hau ki te tonga

Kia mākinakina ki uta

Kia mātaratara ki tai

E hī ake ana te atakura

He tio, he huka, he hau hū

Tīhei mauri ora.

Cease the winds from the west

Cease the winds from the south

Let the breeze blow over the
landLet the breeze blow over the
oceanLet the red-tipped dawn come
with a sharpened air.A touch of frost, a promise of a
glorious day.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.25am.

Cr J Briggs

Chair**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 24th day of March 2021**