

HUTT CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of The Hutt City Council held in the Council Chambers,
2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt on
Tuesday 7 June 2022 commencing at 12.00pm

PRESENT:

Mayor C Barry (Chair)	Deputy Mayor T Lewis
Cr G Barratt	Cr J Briggs
Cr K Brown	Cr B Dyer
Cr S Edwards (via audio-visual link)	Cr D Hislop
Cr C Milne (via audio-visual link)	Cr A Mitchell (via audio-visual link)
Cr N Shaw	Cr L Sutton

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms J Miller, Chief Executive
 Ms A Blackshaw, Director Neighbourhoods and Communities
 Mr J Griffiths, Director Strategy and Engagement
 Ms H Oram, Director Environment and Sustainability
 Mr K Puketapu - Dentice, Director, Economy and Development
 Ms J Livschitz, Group Chief Financial Officer
 Mr B Hodgins, Strategy Advisor
 Mr C Meads, Head of Mayor's Office
 Ms K Stannard, Head of Democratic Services
 Ms K Glanville, Senior Democracy Advisor
 Ms H Clegg, Minute Taker

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. **OPENING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA TIMATANGA** (22/1142)

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
 Tihei mauri ora.

*Cease the winds from the west
 Cease the winds from the south
 Let the breeze blow over the land
 Let the breeze blow over the ocean
 Let the red-tipped dawn come with
 a sharpened air.
 A touch of frost, a promise of a
 glorious day.*

2. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

Cr Hislop declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 5 in relation to Seaview Marina Limited (SML) as she was Council's representative on the Board of SML. She took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

Cr Brown declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 5 in relation to Urban Plus Group (UPL) as she was Council's representative on the Board of UPL. She took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

5. **RECOMMENDED ITEM TO TE KAUNIHERA O TE AWA KAIRANGI | COUNCIL - 7 June 2022**

Cr Hislop and Cr Brown declared conflict of interests and took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

RESOLVED: (Mayor Barry/Deputy Mayor Lewis)

Minute No. C 22301

"That Council adopts the recommendations made on the following reports, and any amendments agreed at the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan Subcommittee meeting held on 7 June 2022:

- a) *Seaview Marina Limited – Final Statement of Intent 2022/23 to 2024/25;*
- b) *Urban Plus Group – Final Statement of Intent 2022/23 to 2024/25; and*
- c) *Final decisions on the Annual Plan 2022-2023."*

6. **COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY (22/1286)**

Report No. HCC2022/3/102 by the Head of Democratic Services

The Chief Executive elaborated on the report.

Mayor Barry advised that the distribution of Shazly Rasheed's remuneration would be submitted to the Remuneration Authority. He also advised that the additional remuneration for Councillors would be backdated from 1 July 2022.

Members discussed the idea of a common charity/charities to donate the additional remuneration to.

RESOLVED: (Mayor Barry/Cr Shaw)

Minute No. C 22302

“That Council:

- (1) *receives and notes the report;*
- (2) *notes that an extraordinary vacancy on Hutt City Council has been created pursuant to clause 5 Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 following the resignation of a city wide councillor Shazly Rasheed effective from 27 May 2022;*
- (3) *acknowledges the work of Shazly Rasheed in the fulfilment of her role as city wide councillor on Hutt City Council during the 2019-2022 term;*
- (4) *in accordance with s117(3) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, agrees the extraordinary vacancy be left unfilled for the remainder of the 2019-2022 triennium;*
- (5) *agrees the following elected members who will fill former Cr Rasheed’s responsibilities for the remainder of the 2019-2022 triennium:*
 - (a) *Councillor Mitchell as deputy chair of the Komiti Kaupapa Taio | Climate Change and Sustainability Committee;*
 - (b) *Councillor Brown as deputy chair of the Komiti Tuku Raihana ā-Rohe | District Licensing Committee; and*
 - (c) *Deputy Mayor Lewis as its representative on Epuni Care and Protection Residence; and*
- (6) *approves the distribution of the remuneration pool of \$827,228 for submission to the Remuneration Authority as follows:*

<i>Position</i>	<i>Current Annual Remuneration</i>	<i>Proposed Annual Remuneration</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
<i>Councillor base salary</i>	<i>54,540</i>	<i>59,702</i>
<i>Deputy Mayor/Chair of Standing Committee x 1 base salary plus additional responsibilities</i>	<i>101,524</i>	<i>106,110</i>
<i>Chair of Standing Committee x 3 base salary plus additional responsibilities</i>	<i>\$81,324</i>	<i>86,506</i>
<i>Deputy Chair of Standing Committee x 3 base salary plus additional responsibilities</i>	<i>64,547</i>	<i>69,709</i>
<i>Chair of Traffic Subcommittee x 1 base salary plus additional responsibilities</i>	<i>68,195</i>	<i>73,367</i>

- (7) *notes that Council is required to redistribute the remuneration from former Cr Rasheed amongst the base salary rate for councillors, and it is each individual's decision in what they choose to do with this;*
- (8) *notes that Deputy Mayor Lewis and Councillors Briggs, Shaw, Dyer, Brown, Barratt, Edwards, Hislop and Mitchell have agreed to donate the additional salary to charity; and*
- (9) *notes that the decision of Council will be publicly notified in accordance with the requirements of the Local Electoral Act 2001."*

For the reason that the process for an extraordinary vacancy is mandated through legislations.

7. **SALE AND SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL (HARM MINIMISATION) AMENDMENT BILL (PRIVATE MEMBER'S BILL) (22/1254)**

Report No. HCC2022/3/101 by the Head of Mayor's Office

Mayor Barry elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, Mayor Barry advised that due to an appeal, the implementation of Council's Local Alcohol Policy was delayed by 18 months. He advised a Bill remained in the ballot even if a change of government occurred.

In response to a question from a member, the Head of Mayor's Office advised Carterton District Council had not provided its support for the Bill due to the unknown effects of banning alcohol sponsorship of sports.

Cr Edwards expressed reluctance to support a proposal to remove appeal rights. He was unsure whether the criteria for District Licensing Committee licence application decisions required strengthening. He did not support Council committing its full support for a Bill that had not yet been debated. He foreshadowed an additional part (3) to the recommendations to read:

"..(3) requests the New Zealand government review the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 with particular reference to Local Alcohol Policy appeals processes, alcohol company sponsorship of broadcast sport and whether there is a need to strengthen the criteria for District Licensing Committees when making licence application decisions;..."

Cr Mitchell said that any Bill would be required to follow the Select Committee process. He believed there was not enough information in the appendix to the report to fully support the original recommendations.

Cr Brown advised that the banning of tobacco advertising at sporting events had a marked impact. She supported actions to ban alcohol advertising in the same way. She believed the current impact of councils to protect vulnerable suburbs from alcohol harm was limited and that the large alcohol corporations held an imbalance of power. She also believed the Member of Parliament was undertaking due diligence in gaining local authority support and opinion for the Member's Bill. She spoke in opposition of the additional recommendation by Cr Edwards.

Cr Barrett supported actions which minimised risks to youth.

Cr Briggs supported actions which banned alcohol advertising in sports. He said councils were the owners and guardians of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act within the community. He considered it was appropriate to have input prior to the Bill being selected.

Cr Milne believed the appropriate time to show support was once the Bill had been selected.

Cr Shaw supported any action that reduced the harm of alcohol. She said there was currently a misunderstood view from youth that alcohol was explicitly involved in sport.

Cr Hislop expressed support for the additional part (3) to the recommendations.

RESOLVED: (Cr Edwards/Cr Dyer) **Minute No. C 22303**

“That Council:

- (1) *notes the Health Coalition Aotearoa’s request for Hutt City Council to support MP Chlöe Swarbrick’s Member’s Bill: Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Harm Minimisation) Amendment Bill;*
- (2) *notes the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Harm Minimisation) Amendment Bill will:*
 - a) *remove the appeals process in Local Alcohol Policy adoption;*
 - b) *end alcohol sponsorship of broadcast sport; and*
 - c) *strengthen the criteria for District Licensing Committee to consider in licence application decisions;*
- (3) *requests the New Zealand government to review the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, with particular reference to Local Alcohol Plan appeal processes, alcohol company sponsorship of broadcast sport and whether there is a need to strengthen the criteria for District Licensing Committees when making licence application decisions; and*
- (4) *notes that Auckland, Christchurch City, Hamilton City, and Whanganui District Councils support the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Harm Minimisation) Amendment Bill.”*

8. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

9. CLOSING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA

Unuhia!	<i>Release us from the supreme sacredness</i>
Unuhia!	<i>of our tasks</i>
Unuhia i te uru-tapu-nui	<i>To be clear and free</i>
Kia wātea, kia māmā	<i>in heart, body and soul in our</i>
Te ngākau, te tinana, te	<i>continuing journey</i>
wairua i te ara takatū	<i>Oh Rongo, raise these words up high</i>
Koia rā e Rongo whakairihia	<i>so that we be cleansed and be free,</i>
ake ki runga	<i>Yes indeed, we are free!</i>
Kia wātea, kia wātea!	<i>Good and peaceful</i>
Ae rā, kua wātea!	
Hau, pai mārire.	

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 12.38pm.

C Barry
MAYOR

CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 2nd day of August 2022