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Minutes of the Meeting of the Hutt River Advisory Committee held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 30 November 2006 at 4.37 pm

Present

Mr Macaskill (Chairperson).
Councillors Evans, Glensor, and Greig (Greater Wellington Regional Council).
Councillors Baird and Jamieson (Hutt City Council).
Councillor Barnard (Upper Hutt City Council)

Also Present

Peter O'Brien (property consultant)

Officers Present

Atapattu, Campbell, Cox, Dick, Flanagan, and Reay (Greater Wellington Regional Council).

Public Business

Procedural Items

HRA 48 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Mr Macaskill/Cr Baird)

That the Committee

Accepts the apologies for absence from Mayor Ogden and Councillor Harris.

HRA 49 **Public Participation**

Tabled

Oral submission to Hutt River Advisory Committee meeting Thursday November 30 2006. Boulcott Hutt stopbank feasibility study. Hutt Golf Club Inc.

Stop Bank Reconstruction Submission to Greater Wellington Regional Council (Hutt River Advisory Committee), November 2006. Boulcott Golf Club.

Proposed Boulcott/Hutt flood protection works (letter). David Chapman, Safeway Self Storage.

Letter from R. Chisholm on behalf of the St James-Kingston Street Neighbourhood Feasibility Study Response Group.

Resolved (Mr Macaskill/Cr Baird)

That the Committee

Tables the documents submitted by the Hutt Golf Club Inc, the Boulcott Golf Club, Safeway Self Storage, and the St James-Kingston Neighbourhood Feasibility Study Response Group.

Rod Gillespie, representing the Hutt Golf Club, reported that the “red (stopbank) alignment” is the Club’s preferred option. The club feels that the major problem with the blue option is the effect on the clubhouse, as earthworks will be immense. The Club is concerned that it will lose players while construction work is disrupting the use of the course. Mr Gillespie requested the Committee to direct officers to further investigate the “red” option including the possibility of shifting the outer of river toe to the 80 m line where this lies outside the golf course.

Colin Carter, representing the Boulcott Golf Club, reported that the “eastern blue (stopbank) alignment” is the Club’s preferred option. The club feels that a major issue that needs to be addressed is the location of the clubhouse. The Boulcott club is also concerned that it will lose players while construction work is disrupting the use of the course. The Boulcott Golf Club is prepared to consider combining resources with the Hutt Golf clubs while construction work is proceeding.

Greg Armitage, who lives in Military Road adjacent to the Hutt Golf Club, is concerned about the weighting process used in the analysis of the options, and the blue line as shown on the plans (close to his boundary). However he is not against construction of the stopbank *per se*, and prefers the stopbank alignment further into the golf course (light blue in Mr Atapattu’s presentation). Mr Armitage feels that the stormwater problem needs to be addressed as part of the design, and would like to be kept informed of any design changes.

HRA 50 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Barnard/Cr Baird)

That the Committee

Confirms the public and public excluded Minutes of the meetings held on 28 September 2006, Report 06.561 and Report PE 06.562.

Matters for Information

HRA 51 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Whirinaki Crescent Stopbank Upgrade

Mr Macaskill declared a possible pecuniary interest as a member of the Royal Wellington Golf Club.

Cr Barnard asked that officers continue to pursue the option of construction access from County Lane (white line on the plan).

Report 06.648

File: N/03/18/01

Resolved

(Cr Jamieson/Cr Baird)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the contents of the report.*
- (3) Notes the delays in the Whirinaki Crescent stopbank upgrade project and that insufficient time is available to tender, award a contract and complete construction over summer 2006/07 as planned.*
- (4) Notes that the project team will report on updated project costs and a revised programme once the land entry and purchase agreements are completed.*

HRA 52 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Project Manager's Report

Report 06.662

File: N/03/13/25

Cr Jamieson asked officers if the pedestrian maze under the Ava Rail Bridge could be redesigned so that a cyclist could pass through without having to get off their bike.

Cr Evans raised the issue of the future cross valley link, and whether this could have some impact on the Ava Rail stopbank reconstruction and waterway upgrade works about to commence.

Cr Glensor asked to be invited to the meeting with Norfolk Street residents when the emergency floodgate closing procedures will be explained.

Resolved (Cr Barnard/Cr Baird)

That the Committee

- (1) *Receives the report.*
- (2) *Notes the contents of the report.*

HRA 53 **Questions**

Cr Glensor asked how the Safeway Storage submission tabled at the meeting would be addressed. Officers advised that they would consider all four submissions before any further recommendations on the preferred design options were considered by the Committee.

HRA 54 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

HRA 55 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 06.688

File: E/06/10/06

Resolved (Mr Macaskill/Cr Greig.)

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Boulcott/Hutt Stopbank Feasibility Study: Round 2 Consultation and the Preliminary Design

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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*Boulcott/Hutt
Stopbank Feasibility
Study: Round 2
Consultation and the
Preliminary Design*

To protect information where the making of that available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who is the subject of the information.

To enable the Council to carry on commercial negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to enable the Council to carry on negotiations (including commercial negotiations) without prejudice or disadvantage.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The open part of the meeting closed at 6.00pm.

MR S A MACASKILL
Chairperson

Date