



Confirmed Public minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Shed 39, 2 Fryatt Quay, Pipitea, Wellington, on Wednesday, 29 April 2015 at 9.33am

Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Kedgley, Laban, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Swain and Wilson.

Public Business

1 **Apologies**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Laban)

That the Council accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Greig.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 **Public Participation**

Rob Suisted, Stephen Mulholland and Richard Brown spoke to Item 5 on the agenda-Proposed Petone to Grenada Road and options north of Tawa.

4 **Confirmation of minutes**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of 15 April 2015, Report 15.163 and the Public Excluded Minutes of 15 April 2015, Report PE15.164.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

5 Proposed Petone to Grenada Road and Options North of Tawa

Report 15.174

File TP/09/03/29/02

Luke Troy, Manager Corporate Planning, spoke to the report.

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Swain)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Reconfirms the P2G Road as an important project for the future of the region based on an expectation that it will improve east-west connectivity, resilience, land use integration, freight efficiency, relieves severe congestion and delivers substantial economic benefits.*
- 3. Notes the opportunity to use surplus fill from the P2G Road to support a seaward side option for the Wellington to Hutt Valley walking, cycling and resilience link.*
- 4. Agrees to an integrated package of transport improvements, including a new Wellington to Hutt Valley walking and cycling link, a significant safety upgrade of SH58, SH2 corridor improvements and a new Cross Valley Link between SH2 and Seaview.*
- 5. Encourages the NZ Transport Agency to bring forward sections of the project to provide early benefits to the wider strategic road network, including a new grade separated intersection at Petone.*
- 6. Agrees to the preferred option of 'Wait and See' for north of Tawa Interchange.*
- 7. Agrees that if increased road capacity is deemed necessary at some point in the future, that Option C2 (widening of SH 1) is preferred.*
- 8. Opposes Option D (Takapu Link) and notes that it delivers few transport benefits and has potentially significant ecological impacts.*
- 9. Authorises the Chair to send a letter to the NZ Transport Agency outlining the views of the Council on the P2G Road and options north of Tawa Interchange.*

10. *Notes that the impact of a significant increase in the volume of vehicles entering Wellington city will require consideration of demand management options.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Cr Kedgley requested that her votes against motions 2, 4 and 7 be recorded. Cr Bruce requested that his votes against motions 2 and 4 be recorded.

6 Approval of the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan

Report 15.158

File TP/01/18/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Swain)

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the final Regional Land Transport Plan 2015, as set out in Attachment 1; and,*
4. *Agrees to forward the final Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 to the New Zealand Transport Agency.*
5. *Delegates to the Chair of the Greater Wellington Regional Council authority to approve any minor editorial amendments to the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 prior to it being published.*

Moved (as an amendment to replace motions 3 to 5)

(Cr Bruce/ Cr Kedgley)

3. *Refers the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 back to the Regional Transport Committee requesting that it consider the following matters:*

- (i) Review the spine report during the financial year 2015/2016 with a reassessment of the suitability of light rail connection from WRS along high density spine.*
- (ii) Postpone and review P2G, given that traffic flows are not increasing and its construction would lead to a cascade of new roading projects due to induced vehicle trips that do not exist today.*
- (iii) Bring forward implementation of Wellington Bus Review in a staged approach before letting new tenders.*

The amendment was **LOST**.

Moved (as an amendment to be an additional motion)

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Wilson)

7. *Records its disappointment over the inadequacies of the New Zealand Transport Agency's analytical and evaluation frameworks, including the Agency's repeated failure:*

(i) To give explicit weight to the impact of transport plans on the natural environment.

(ii) To undertake consistent peer review of its plans.

(iii) To include explicit and coincidental demand and supply management issues in transport planning.

The amendment was **LOST**.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote and was **CARRIED**.

Noted: Councillors Bruce and Kedgley requested that their votes against the substantive motion be recorded.

The meeting adjourned at 11.10am during the debate on the above item.

The meeting resumed at 11.25am.

7 **2015 Local Government New Zealand national conference and Annual General Meeting**

Report 15.172

File E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Aitken/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Approves the attendance of Councillors Wilde and Donaldson, and Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, at the 2015 LGNZ national conference and Annual General Meeting.*
- 4. Nominates Councillor Wilde as the Presiding Delegate for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2015 LGNZ Annual General Meeting.*
- 5. Nominates Councillor Donaldson and Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, as Alternate Delegates for voting on behalf of the Council at the 2015 LGNZ Annual General Meeting if Councillor Wilde is absent from the Annual General Meeting.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

The Councillors thanked Jane Davis, General Manager, Strategy and Community Engagement, for her service to the Council.

The Councillors acknowledged the recent death of Frana Cardno CNZM, former Mayor of Southland District.

8 Exclusion of the Public

Report 15.177

File: E/12/01/04

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Council:

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

1. Property purchase – Lower Hutt

2. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 15 April 2015

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 matter</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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Property purchase Lower Hutt

The information contained in this report relates to a proposed offer to purchase property. The report outlines terms of the proposed purchase offer which is still subject to negotiation and acceptance. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal GWRC's negotiation strategy. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

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 under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).

Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 15 April 2015 *The information contained in these minutes relates to potential future rail service contracting in the Wellington region. Release of this information would be likely to harm the commercial position of GWRC and also harm the commercial position of current providers as it sets out potential options which if adopted might expose current providers to commercial risks. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.* *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 under section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).*

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 motion was **CARRIED**

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.53am.

FH Wilde
(Chair)
Date:

