



Report 24.300

Confirmed Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee meeting on Tuesday 4 June 2024

Council Chamber, Hutt City Council
30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt, at 9am

Members Present

Darrin Apanui (Chairperson)	Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust
Council Chair Ponter (Deputy Chairperson)	Greater Wellington Regional Council

Councils

Mayor Baker	Porirua City Council
Mayor Barry (from 9.02am)	Hutt City Council
Mayor Caffell	Masterton District Council
Mayor Connelly	South Wairarapa District Council
Mayor Guppy	Upper Hutt City Council
Mayor Holborow	Kāpiti Coast District Council
Mayor Whanau	Wellington City Council

Iwi organisations

Denise Hapeta (from 9.19am)	Raukawa ki te Tonga
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Mayors Caffell and Mark, and Denise Hapeta participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purposes of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

The Committee Chair recognised Councillor Sam Ferguson, Horizons Regional Council, as an observer.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Darrin Apanui / Mayor Guppy

That the Joint Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Helmut Modlik, Huia Puketapu, Di Rump, and Mayor Wanden.

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: The Committee noted the apologies of Ministers Bishop and Brown.

Mayor Barry arrived at the meeting at 9.02am, during the above item.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee meeting on 19 March 2024 - Report 24.139

Moved: Mayor Holborow / Mayor Baker

That the Joint Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee meeting on 19 March 2024 - Report 24.139.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Implementation of Health Check – Report 24.256

Council Chair Daran Ponter, Deputy Committee Chairperson, spoke to the report.

Moved: Council Chair Ponter / Mayor Connelly

That the Joint Committee:

- 1 Agrees that the role and purpose of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee is to focus on areas where collective focus and action can accelerate regional outcomes, which may include:
 - a development of specified regional plans;
 - b facilitation of priority actions to enable the implementation of agreed plans; and
 - c monitoring and reporting to provide decision-makers a fuller picture of how the region is progressing and where collective action is required.
- 2 Agrees to re-prioritise the work programme for the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee for 2024/25 to have a key focus on:
 - a Future Development Strategy Priority Actions

- b Regional Climate Change Adaptation Planning
 - c Regional Deal (framing and joint development work with Government)
 - d Monitoring and Reporting (on regional delivery of agreed plans).
- 3 Notes that the projects listed in paragraph 19, whilst they will be led by other agencies, will still remain part of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee work programme for resourcing and reporting purposes.
 - 4 Agrees to reduce formal meetings to twice a year and create two informal plenary sessions focussed on key regional issues and opportunities.
 - 5 Agrees that:
 - a the Secretariat will be managed as part of Greater Wellington Regional Council (to date it has been independent); and
 - b A review of the Secretariat resourcing will be undertaken with the intention of establishing a new Programme Director role focussed on managing the interface between the secretariat and the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee.
 - 6 Agrees that a senior lead for each major element of the work programme is identified from within a partner agency and that the Greater Wellington Senior Manager, Programme Director and Project Leads meet as a Steering Group to coordinate across.
 - 7 Agrees that Project Leads report to the Committee on project progress.
 - 8 Notes that depending on the scope of work agreed for Regional Climate Change Adaptation, it may require an amendment to the Terms of Reference for this Committee.
 - 9 That the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee CEO Group (which includes the CEOs at Ngāti Kahungunu and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust and the four central government representatives) present a joint paper to the Chair of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee on any outstanding matters they consider will enhance the operation of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee, for consideration at the September meeting of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee.
 - 10 Agrees to add the Horowhenua District Council and all iwi CEOS and their proxies into the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee CEO Group.

Moved as a procedural motion: Mayor Baker / Mayor Guppy

That the matter lie on the table until the September 2024 Committee meeting.

The procedural motion was **lost**.

Debate on the substantive motion continued.

The substantive motion was put and was **carried**.

Mayors Baker, Barry, Caffell, Guppy and Mark voted against the substantive motion.

Denise Hapeta joined the meeting remotely at 9.19am, after the vote on the procedural motion, and was present for the debate and vote on the substantive motion.

6 Wellington Regional Economic Development Plan Refresh – Report 24.278

John Allen, Chief Executive, WellingtonNZ, spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Holborow / Mayor Guppy

That the Joint Committee:

- 1 Approves the refreshed Regional Economic Development Plan (Attachment 1).
- 2 Notes the value of working as a region to drive economic development priorities
- 3 Notes the opportunities for Committee members to proactively support implementation of the Regional Economic Development Plan.

The motion was **carried**.

7 Future Development Strategy Implementation Plan – Report 24.246

Parvati Rotherham, Project Lead, Future Development Strategy, Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Secretariat, spoke to the report.

Moved: Council Chair Ponter / Mayor Connelly

That the Joint Committee:

- 1 Notes that the Future Development Strategy Implementation Plan is being approved prior to final Long-Term Plan decisions by councils and that any changes to timing and funding for listed projects will be reflected in the final published plan.
- 2 Approves the Priority Actions in Table 1 (pages 6 - 7) of Te Rautaki Whanaketanga ki tua a Wairarapa- Wellington- Horowhenua Future Development Strategy - Implementation Plan 2024 (Attachment 1).
- 3 Authorises the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Chair and Programme Director in conjunction with senior staff at partner organisations to update the timing and funding status of any projects once final decisions are made and authorises them to make any inconsequential changes and corrections to complete the publication of the final implementation plan.
- 4 Endorses the Wellington Regional Transport Emissions Reduction Pathway

The motion was **carried**.

8 Supporting a Regional Approach to Climate Adaptation – The Wellington Regional Climate Change Impacts Assessment – Report 24.277

Jamuna Rotstein, Climate Change Adaptation Principal Advisor, Wellington City Council, and Tom FitzGerald, Project Lead, Regional Climate Change Adaptation Plan, Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Secretariat, spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Holborow / Mayor Connelly

That the Joint Committee:

- 1 Notes the findings of the Wellington Regional Climate Change Impact Assessment.
- 2 Supports the next steps (Phase 2) of the Regional Adaptation Project.

The motion was **carried**.


9 Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Programme (Including Priority Development Areas) Reporting – Report 24.227 [For Information]

Allen Yip, Programme Manager, Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Secretariat, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 10.14am



D. Apanui

Committee Chair

Date: 1/10/2024.