

Report 24.496

Confirmed Public minutes of the Climate Committee meeting on 12 September 2024

Taumata Kōrero -Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council 100 Cuba St, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.30 am.

Members Present

Councillor Saw (Deputy Chair)

Councillor Duthie

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand

Councillor Lee

Councillor Laban

Councillor Nash

Councillor Ponter

Councillor Ropata

Councillor Staples

Councillor Woolf

Councillors Laban, Staples and Woolf participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of the quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Councillor Saw, as Deputy Chair, presided at the meeting in the absence of the Committee Chair.

Karakia timatanga

The Presiding Member opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Duthie

That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Basset, Connelly and Gaylor.

The motion was carried.

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 Climate Committee meeting of 28 March 2024 - Report 24.152

Moved: Cr Kirk-Burnnand / Cr Duthie

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Climate Committee meeting of 28 March 2024 - Report 24.152.

The motion was carried.

5 Climate Emergency 10-Point Action Plan Refresh - Report 24.478

Suze Keith, Senior Advisor Climate Change, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Ponter

That the Committee:

- 1 Endorses the changes to the Organisational and Regional Climate Emergency Action Plans; and
- 2 Recommends that the Council adopts the Organisational and Regional Climate Emergency Action Plans.

The motion was carried

6 Review of Organisational Emissions Reduction Targets – Report 24.476

Jake Roos, Manager Climate Change, Melanie Barthe, Senior Advisor Climate Change, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Duthie

That the Committee:

- Agrees that officers develop proposals for new targets for all categories of Greater Wellington's gross organisational emissions (Option B).
- Agrees that officers develop a proposal to remove Council's existing net emissions targets for 20251, 2030 ('carbon neutral') and 2035 ('climate positive') and replace them with a new net emissions target no less stringent than 'net zero by 2050' for all Greater Wellington's organisational emissions (Option C).

The motion was carried.

7 Climate Emergency Response Programme Update – Report 24.474 [For Information]

Jake Roos, Manager Climate Change, Suze Keith, Senior Advisor Climate Change, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The meeting closed at 10.12am

Councillor P-Gaylor Y. Saw

Committee Chair

Date:

