



Policy Committee | Te Kōmiti Kaupapa Here

Minutes

Record of a meeting of the Policy Committee held in the Council Chambers, Level 2, Civic Building, 838 - 842 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt on Wednesday 4 September 2024 at 4.30 pm.

Present: Councillor H Newell (Chair), Mayor W N Guppy, Deputy Mayor H Swales, Councillor J B Griffiths (Deputy Chair), Councillor D M Bentley, Councillor C B G Carson, Councillor E Holderness, Councillor A W Hammond, Councillor D Wheeler and Councillor T M Ultra.

Apology: Councillor M G Carey.

Public Business

1. Apologies

Councillor Carey has submitted his apology for this meeting.

MOVED: Councillor Newell / Councillor Bentley

“That the apology received from Councillor Carey be accepted and leave of absence be granted.”

MOTION CARRIED: P 240501

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Public Forum

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

4. Appointment of District Licensing Committee Commissioners

Mayor Guppy provided an overview of the background and acknowledged the urgency for this matter to be dealt with.

MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Holderness

“The Policy Committee:

- a. *notes that under Standing Order 6.6 Forthwith Decisions, Council has delegated authority to a majority of its members the power to make a forthwith decision, and that such decisions:*
 - i. *may be exercised during a meeting of a Council committee,*
 - ii. *the Mayor agrees that the matter must be acted upon as a matter of urgency, and*
 - iii. *the decision must be unanimous.”*

MOTION CARRIED: P 240502

MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Holderness

“That Council resolve as a forthwith decision to,

- a. receives and notes the report titled Appointment of District Licensing Committee Commissioners,*
- b. approve Kate Thomson and William Acton for inclusion on the list of District Licensing Committee members maintained by the Council under section 192 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 until 12 December 2025, or until a newly appointed list of District Licensing Committee members is determined by Council following the 12 October 2025 election, whichever is sooner,*
- c. recommend that the Chief Executive appoints Kate Thomson and William Acton as commissioners of the District Licensing Committee until 12 December 2025, or until a newly appointed list of District Licensing Committee members is determined by Council following the 12 October 2025 election, whichever is sooner,*
- d. subject to the appointment of commissioners being made by the Chief Executive as above, appoint a District Licensing Committee to determine the off-licence application made by Plenty Foods Corp NZ Limited made up of Kate Thomson to act as Chair and William Acton and Councillor Matt Carey as members, and*
- e. authorise officers to make any consequential amendments to the District Licensing Committee Terms of Reference following the appointment of new members to the list of District Licensing Committee members and/or appointment of commissioners.”*

MOTION CARRIED: P 240503

5. Dangerous, Affected and Insanitary Buildings Policy

The Director of Planning and Regulatory Services provided an overview of the background. The Director answered questions from members about the legislation, the economic impact of the policy, the significance and engagement assessment, recording inspection findings and the process for buildings deemed insanitary.

The Senior Planner answered a member's questions about the background of the review and the policy development approach.

MOVED: Councillor Newell / Councillor Carson

“The Policy Committee:

- a. notes that under Standing Order 6.6 Forthwith Decisions, Council has delegated authority to a majority of its members the power to make a forthwith decision, and that such decisions:*
 - i. may be exercised during a meeting of a Council committee,*
 - ii. the Mayor agrees that the matter must be acted upon as a matter of urgency, and*
 - iii. the decision must be unanimous.”*

MOTION CARRIED: P 240504

MOVED: Councillor Newell / Mayor Guppy

“That Council resolves as a forthwith decision to:

- b. receives and notes the report and the Statement of Proposal for the Dangerous, Affected and Insanitary Buildings Policy (appended as Attachment 1 to the report), and*
- c. approves the Statement of Proposal and Summary of Information for consultation (appended as Attachment 2 to the report), and*
- d. authorises officers to make any consequential amendments to this document based on the direction provided at this meeting/to correct any minor editorial, typographical, arithmetical, or formatting errors that are identified.”*

MOTION CARRIED: P 240505

6. Director's Report: Planning and Regulatory Services

The Director of Planning and Regulatory Services answered members' questions about the Wellington Regional Industrial Land Supply Study, the Greater Wellington Natural Resources Plan Change 1, the Wellington Regional Growth Framework Projects, the Wellington Future Development Strategy Implementation Plan, the Resource Management Reform and the new National Direction instruments.

The Chief Executive answered a member's question about the Wellington Regional Growth Framework Projects and the Wellington Future Development Strategy Implementation Plan.

The Senior Policy Planners answered questions from members about the Wellington Future Development Strategy Implementation Plan, Plan Change 48A – Landscapes and Plan Change 48B - Biodiversity.

MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Griffiths

"That the Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled Director's Report: Planning and Regulatory Services."

MOTION CARRIED: P 240506

7. Director's Report: Strategy, Partnerships and Growth

The Acting Director of Strategy, Partnerships and Growth, and the Acting Strategic Policy Manager answered a question from a member about the review of the Gambling Policy 2020.

The Director of Planning and Regulatory Services answered questions from members about the current and upcoming initiatives open for submission, reported by Taituara (appended as attachment 1 to the report).

MOVED: Mayor Guppy / Councillor Newell

"That the Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled Director's Report: Strategy, Partnerships and Growth."

MOTION CARRIED: P 240507

8. Public Excluded Business

MOVED: Councillor Newell / Councillor Griffiths

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

Pursuant to the provisions of section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting. The particular interest(s) protected by section 6 or section 7 of LGOIMA which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the meeting in public meetings are specified below:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason(s) for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for passing this resolution:</i>
10. Chief Executive's Public Excluded Report	<i>The withholding of information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons. LGOIMA section 7(2)(a), and to maintain legal professional privilege. LGOIMA section 7(2)(g)].</i>	<i>That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist, where the local authority is specified in</i>

*schedule 1, under section 7
[except section 7(2)(f)(i)].”*

MOTION CARRIED: P 240508

The Chair closed the public meeting at 5.25 pm and moved into public excluded, the meeting concluded at 5.35 pm.

Councillor H Newell

Chair