



# Confirmed public minutes of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting on Tuesday 18 February 2020

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council  
Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 1.11pm.

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## Members Present

Mayor Baker	Porirua City Council
Mayor Barry	Hutt City Council
Councillor Calvert	Wellington City Council
Councillor Condie	Wellington City Council
Mayor Foster	Wellington City Council
Deputy Mayor Free	Wellington City Council
Mayor Gurunathan	Kāpiti Coast District Council
Councillor Lee	Greater Wellington Regional Council
Mayor Patterson	Wairarapa Councils
Deputy Mayor Swales	Upper Hutt City Council

Francis Ryan, Kaiwhakahaere Matua/Manager Democratic Services, assumed the Chair at the start of the meeting to oversee the appointment of the new Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson for the Committee.

## Public Business

### 1. Apologies

Moved: Deputy Mayor Swales / Mayor Gurunathan

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Mayor Guppy.

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. Appointment of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson**

Francis Ryan, Kaiwhakahaere Matua/Manager Democratic Services, introduced the report.

Moved: Mayor Baker / Deputy Mayor Free

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the need to appoint a new Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson to the Committee, as all members' terms expired at the 2019 local government triennial election.
- 2 Adopts, pursuant to clause 25 of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002, appointment by statutory voting system A (paragraph 5)
- 3 Adopts, to meet the statutory requirement to resolve tied votes by 'lot', the method of placing the candidates' names (with the same number of votes) in a container and the name of the person drawn out by an independent person is deemed the winner (i.e. appointed or not excluded from the next round).
- 4 Adopts the agreed voting system and procedure outlined in recommendations 2 and 3 for the appointment of both the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

The motion was **carried**.

### **4.1 Appointment of Chairperson**

Mr Ryan then called for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

Moved: Mayor Baker / Deputy Mayor Swales

That the Committee appoints Mayor Foster as Chairperson.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Foster was declared the Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

Mr Ryan invited Mayor Foster to take the Chair. Mayor Foster assumed the Chair and thanked the Committee for his appointment.

### **4.2 Appointment of Deputy Chairperson**

Mayor Foster called for nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

Moved: Mayor Baker / Deputy Mayor Free

That the Committee appoints Mayor Barry as Deputy Chairperson.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Barry was declared the Deputy Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

**5. Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency second quarter report (October to December 2019) – Report 20.35 [for information]**

Tracey Bridges, Board Chair, introduced the report. Lance Walker, Chief Executive Officer, spoke to the report and updated the Committee on Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency's performance for the second quarter of 2019/20 against its agreed Statement of Intent for 2018-21.

The Chair advised the Committee that the Update on Māori economic strategy item had been inadvertently left off the agenda. The Committee resolved that it be dealt with.

**6. Update on Māori economic strategy – oral update**

Te Puritanga Jefferies, Senior Māori Economic Advisor, Strategic and Corporate Planning, spoke to the Committee on Ruruku – developing a strategy for the Māori economy in Te Upoko o Te Ika a Māui.

Ms Jefferies advised that Ara Tahi agreed to establish an ohu and to develop a work programme for a Māori Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan. The purpose of the strategy and action plan is to provide a point of coordination for the economic activity at the local, regional, iwi, and organisational levels. The strategy and action plan will focus on greater self-determination for Māori in realising outcomes, and will also highlight what is needed to ensure successful implementation.

Ara Tahi appointed three mana whenua representatives onto the Ohu. They join representatives from Māori business and rangatahi on a wider advisory board. A team from Victoria University of Wellington's Business School has also been contracted to support the development of the strategy and action plan.

Communication is ongoing with the territorial authorities in the Wellington Region, WREDA and certain central government agencies. There have been regular hui held with both Māori and economic development units from across the region's local government organisations. Planning is underway to organise hui to engage with local and central government staff.

Victoria University of Wellington hosted a Dean's lecture. There was a panel which included a range of perspectives on the Māori economy and how an economy strategy could be developed and shaped to best suit the Wellington Region.

Greater Wellington engaged with Māori communities with six workshops held across the region (Lower Hutt, Masterton, Featherston, Wellington, and Plimmerton). These hui sought input from Māori communities on a draft strategy for the Māori economy in the Wellington Region. Over 120 individuals participated and 600 pieces of feedback were received.

The strategy is due to be finalised in May 2020.

## 7. Resolution to exclude the public

Moved: Mayor Baker / Deputy Mayor Swales

That the Committee excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:—

Appointment of director to the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency

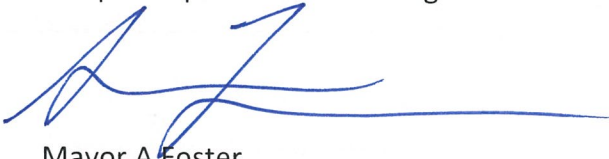
The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) for the passing of this resolution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

<b>Appointment of director to the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency</b>	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidate. Release of this information prior to the shareholding councils' decisions is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would like to prejudice the privacy of natural persons. Greater Wellington 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.	The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) 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 or section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting.

The motion was **carried**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 2.09pm.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'A Foster', written over a horizontal line.

Mayor A Foster  
Chair

24 Nov 2020

Date:



The matters referred to in these minutes were considered by the Committee on 18 February 2020 in public excluded business. These minutes do not require confidentiality and may be considered in the public part of the meeting.

Report PE20.45

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## Public Excluded Business

### 1. Appointment of director to the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency – Report PE20.38

The Committee Chair spoke to the report.

Moved: Mayor Foster / Deputy Mayor Free

That the Committee recommends to the shareholding councils that Jo Healey be appointed as a director of the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency for a three year period ending 31 December 2022.

The motion was **carried**.

The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 2.17pm



Mayor A. Foster  
Chair

24 Nov 2020

Date: