

Report 22.300

Confirmed Public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 30 June 2022

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

Members Present

Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Brash
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand participated at the meeting remotely, via Microsoft Teams, and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of the Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair) presided at the meeting, in the absence of the Council Chair.

Karakia timatanga

Councillor Staples opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Gaylor/ Cr Nash

That Council accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Blakeley, Hughes, Ponter, and van Lier.

The motion was carried.

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services, advised Council of the tabling of documents:

- An updated meeting agenda, reflecting that item 20, Report PE22.243 in the published meeting agenda, would be considered by Council as item 12, Report 22.243, in the public part of the meeting.
- An updated Attachment 1 to Report 22.287.
- An updated Report 22.243, and an updated Attachment 1 to this report.
- An updated Resolution to Exclude the Public (Report 22.295).

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 Council meeting on 16 June 2022 - Report 22.283

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Nash

That Council confirms the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 16 June 2022 – Report 22.283.

The motion was carried.

5 Update on Progress of Action Items from Previous Council Meetings – June 2022 – Report 22.256 [For Information]

Strategy, policy or major issues

6 Adoption of the 2022 Revenue and Financing Policy - Report 22.276

Alison Trustrum-Rainey, Chief Financial Officer, and Kyn Drake, Project Manager, Revenue and Financing Policy Review, spoke to the report

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Brash

That Council:

- 1 Adopts the 2022 Revenue and Financing Policy (Attachment 1).
- Delegates to the Chief Executive the ability to make minor editorial changes to the Policy prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding

The motion was carried.

Noted: Council thanked officers for their work on the 2022 Revenue and Financing Policy.

7 Whakaitinga Rēti Mō Te Whenua Māori | Rates Remissions On Māori Land Policy – Adoption – Report 22.284

Scott Summerfield, Project Manager, Te Hunga Whiriwhiri, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr Nash

That Council:

- Adopts the Whakaitinga Rēti mō te whenua Māori | Rates Remissions on Māori Land Policy (Attachment 1).
- Delegates to the Chief Executive the ability to make minor editorial changes to the policy prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding.

The motion was carried.

Noted: Council thanked officers for their work on Whakaitinga Rēti Mō Te Whenua Māori | Rates Remissions on Māori Land Policy.

8 Adoption of the 2022/23 Annual Plan – Report 22.273

Alison Trustrum-Rainey, Chief Financial Officer, and Zofia Miliszewska, Team Leader, Corporate Planning and Reporting, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Lee

That Council:

- Notes that in accordance with section 95(2A) of the Local Government Act 2002, no public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of the 2022/23 Annual Plan as no significant or material changes have been proposed from year two of Greater Wellington's 2021-31 Long Term Plan.
- 2 Adopts the 2022/23 Annual Plan (Attachment 1).
- Authorises the Chief Executive the ability to make minor editorial changes to the 2022/23 Annual Plan prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding.
- 4 Notes that the following policies related to the 2022/23 Annual Plan have been considered for adoption by Council at this meeting:
 - a Revenue and Financing Policy (Report 22.276)
 - b Whakaitinga Rēti mō te whenua Māori | Rates Remission on Māori Land Policy (Report 22.284).
- Notes that separate reports are being considered at this Council meeting to set the:
 - a Wellington Regional Council rates for 2022/23 (Report 22.287)

b Wholesale water levy for 2022/23 (Report 22.269).

The motion was carried.

Noted: Council requested that officers include reference to the Porirua Whaitua Implementation Plan in the list of projects outlined on page 16 of Attachment 1 to the Report.

9 Setting of the Wellington Regional Council Rates 2022/23 – Report 22.287

Alison Trustrum-Rainey, Chief Financial Officer, and Ashwin Pai, Financial Controller, spoke to the report, and noted the updated Attachment 1 – Setting of the Wellington Regional Council Rates for 2022/23, which had been tabled.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Brash

That Council:

- Sets, pursuant to sections 23 and 24 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the rates as set out in the updated Attachment 1 (as tabled) for the period commencing 1 July 2022 and concluding 30 June 2023, with all dollar amounts being inclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- 2 Sets the instalment due dates as set out in Attachment 2.
- Resolves, pursuant to sections 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to add penalties to unpaid rates as outlined in Attachment 2.
- 4 Requests officers to send a copy of these resolutions to all territorial authorities acting as Wellington Regional Council's agents for rates collection.
- 5 Requests officers to place these resolutions on Greater Wellington's website.

The motion was carried.

10 Wholesale Water Levy 2022/23 and End of Year Adjustment for Levy 2021/22 – Report 22.269

Alison Trustrum-Rainey, Chief Financial Officer, and Sue McLean, General Manager, Corporate Services, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Lee

That Council:

Approves, pursuant to section 91 of the Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972, the wholesale water contributions payable by constituent authorities for 2022/23 as follows:

2022/22 1000

	2022/23 Levy
	\$ (GST exclusive)
Hutt City Council	10,964,435
Porirua City Council	4,972,459
Upper Hutt City Council	4,613,068
Wellington City Council	21,518,811

Total 42,068,773

2 Approves the end of year adjustment levies for 2021/22 as follows:

2021/22 Adjustments

\$ (GST exclusive)

Hutt City Council

(57,961)Credit

Porirua City Council

12,282 Debit

Upper Hutt City Council

28,025 Debit

Wellington City Council

17,654 Credit

The motion was carried.

Second Stage Response to Receipt of Whaitua Te Whanganui-A-Tara Implementation

Programme And Te Mahere Wai O Te Kāhui Taiao – Report 22.258 [For Information]

Alastair Cross, General Manager, Environment Management, Gareth Edwards, Project Manager, Whaitua Implementation, and Matt Hickman, Manager, Environmental Policy, spoke to the report.

12 Wellington Rail Programme Business Case – Wellington Strategic Rail Plan – Report 22.243

Samantha Gain, General Manager, Metlink, and Barry Fryer, Manager, Rail Assets, spoke to the updated report, and noted the updated Attachment 1 – as tabled.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Brash

That Council:

- Notes that the Draft Wellington Rail Programme Business Case Wellington Strategic Rail Plan (Draft Wellington Rail PBC) aligns with, and builds on the priorities outlined in, Section 5.3 of the Wellington Regional Rail Strategic Direction in Te Mahere Waka Whenua Tūmatanui o te Rohe o Pōneke Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2021-2031.
- 4 Endorses the proposed strategic direction as set out on the Draft Wellington Rail PBC, and the selection of the preferred programme Drive Mode Shift.
- 5 Endorses the content of the Draft Wellington Rail PBC, Attachment 2 to this report.
- 6 Notes that there are no direct financial implications stemming from endorsement of the Draft Wellington Rail PBC.
- 7 Notes that there may be minor changes to the Draft Wellington Rail PBC before it is finalised for submission.
- Authorises the Council Chair, and Chair and Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee, acting jointly, to approve the finalised Wellington Rail Programme Business Case Wellington's Strategic Rail Plan for submission to Waka Kotahi.

The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10.52am, and resumed at 11.10am.

Governance

13 Changes to Council's Delegations of Power, Functions and Responsibilities – June 2022 – Report 22.198

Will Ogier, Principal Advisor, Democratic Services, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Nash

That the Council:

- Notes the Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Act 2021 amends the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and has implications for the:
 - a Council's powers, functions and responsibilities
 - b Chief Executive's powers, functions and responsibilities.
- 2 Revokes the current delegation of Council's powers, functions and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 made on 10 December 2020.
- Delegates its powers, functions and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to specified officers, except those powers not capable of delegation or retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 1), with effect from 30 June 2022.
- 4 Notes the Chief Executive will delegate his powers, functions and responsibilities under new sections 90A and 90B of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to specified officers, with effect from 30 June 2022.

The motion was carried.

14 WRC Holdings Statement of Intent 2022/23 – Report 22.290

Sean Mahoney, Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That Council receives the Statement of Intent from WRC Holdings for 2022/2023.

The motion was carried.

15 Wellington Regional Stadium Trust Statement of Trustees' Intent – Report 22.250

Sean Mahoney, Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Laban / Cr Lamason

That Council receives the Statement of Trustees Intent from Wellington Regional Stadium Trust for 2022/2023.

The motion was carried.

- 16 Wellington Water Committee Meeting 27 May 2022 Report 22.289 [For Information]
- Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Meeting 31 May 2022 Report 22.245 [For Information]
- Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Meeting 31 May 2022 Report 22.277 [For Information]
- 19 Regional Transport Committee Meeting 14 June 2022 Report 22.274 [For Information]

Resolution to exclude the public

20 Resolution to exclude the public – Report 22.295 (updated)

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Lee

That Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Chief Executive Performance Indicators for 2022/23 - Report RPE22.225.

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 ground/s 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:

Chief Executive Performance Indicators for 2022/23 – Report RPE22.225	
Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The information contained in this report relates to the Chief Executive's performance agreement for 2022/23. Release of this information would prejudice the privacy of Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, by disclosing information pertaining to the employment relationship between the Chief Executive and the Council.	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).
Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting would override his privacy.	

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Act 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 in public.

The motion was carried.

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.21am.

Councillor D Ponter

Chair

Date: