

Confirmed Public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 9 March 2023

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 1.03pm

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair) (remotely, via Teams)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Duthie (remotely, via Teams)
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Lee
Councillor Ropata
Councillor Saw
Councillor Woolf (remotely, via Teams)

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Ropata

That Council accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Gaylor, Laban, and Nash.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Sylvia Page spoke regarding signage on bus shelters, i.e. the need for large visible “no smoking” and “no vaping” signs.

Noted: The Council requested that the Chair of the Transport Committee and the General Manager Metlink, review signage responsibility and provision at bus shelters.

4 Territorial Authority Appointment to the Upper Ruamahanga River Management Advisory Committee – Report 23.81

Francis Ryan, Manager, Governance and Democracy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Kirk-Burnnand / Cr Saw

That Council:

- 1 Revokes the appointment of Councillor Stella Lennox as a member representing Masterton District Council on the Upper Ruamāhanga River Management Advisory Committee.
- 2 Appoints Councillor Brent Goodwin to represent Masterton District Council on the Upper Ruamāhanga River Management Advisory Committee.

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: Council requested that the Chief Executive discuss with territorial authorities the Council’s preference for diversity in the appointments made to bodies established by Council, and for the territorial authorities to consider this when making their nominations to these bodies.

Resolution to exclude the public

5 Resolution to exclude the public – Report 23.80

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Lee

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

Appointment of Mana Whenua Members to the Long Term Plan Committee – Report PE23.79

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:

Appointment of Mana Whenua Members to the Long Term Plan Committee – Report PE23.79	
<i>Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about proposed candidates for appointment to the Long Term Plan Committee. Release of this information is likely to prejudice the privacy of natural persons (section 7(2)(a) of the Act) as releasing this information would disclose their consideration for appointment as a member of the Committee.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has considered whether the public interest outweighs the need to withhold the information and has determined that there is no public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	<p>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.</p>

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 1.20pm.



Councillor D Ponter

Chair

Date: 30/3/23