
Growth and Infrastructure Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Thursday 6 December 2018 at 9.31am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr D Macpherson
Deputy Chairperson	Cr G Taylor
Members	Mayor A King
	Deputy Mayor M Gallagher
	Cr M Bunting
	Cr J R Casson
	Cr S Henry
	Cr G Mallett
	Cr A O'Leary
	Cr R Pascoe
	Cr P Southgate
	Cr L Tooman
	Maangai Norm Hill

In Attendance:

- Richard Briggs – Chief Executive
- Chris Allen – General Manager Development
- Eeva-Liisa Wright – General Manager Infrastructure Operations
- Jen Baird – General Manager City Growth
- Blair Bowcott – Executive Director Special Project
- Robyn Denton – Operations Team Leader
- Jason Harrison – Transportation Special Projects Manager
- Chris Barton – Project Development Manager
- Tahl Lawrence – Project Engineer
- Greg Carstens – Unit Manager Economic Growth
- Nathan Dalgety – Team Leader Growth Funding and Analytics
- Stafford Hodgson – Senior Strategic Policy Analyst
- Kelvin Powell – City Safe Manager
- Muna Wharawhara – Amorangi Maaori
- Andy Mannering - Manager Social Development
- Natalie Palmer – Communications Manager
- Nigel Ward – Communications Team Leader

- Vanessa Williams and Mike Neale – Hamilton Central Business Association Representatives
- Mike Garret, Jose Gonzalez and Cr Russ Rimmington - Waikato Regional Council Representative
- David Shepherd – KiwiRail Representative
- Parekawhia McLean and Barry Dowsett – NZTA Representatives

Governance Staff: Becca Brooke – Governance Team leader
Amy Viggers – Committee Advisor

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the apologies for absence from Cr Hamilton, for lateness from Mayor King, Deputy Mayor Gallagher and Cr Mallett, and for early departure from Crs Pascoe and Southgate are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the agenda is confirmed noting that the order is to be flexible to enable the following items to be taken at specific times:

- a) Item 7 (Hamilton Central Business Association - Year End report to 30 June 2018) is to be taken at 9.35am;
- b) Item 10 (Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update) is to be taken at 12.00pm; and
- c) Item 9 (Passenger Rail Final Business Case) is to be taken at 1.00pm.

3. Declarations of Interest

Maangai Hill noted a conflict of interest in relation to item 11 (Peacocke Strategic Transport). He would not take part in the discussion or vote on the matter.

4. Public Forum

No members of the public wished to speak.

7. Hamilton Central Business Association - Year End report to 30 June 2018

Vanessa Williams (General Manager, Hamilton Central Business Association (HCBA)) introduced the item noting that the purpose of the report was to provide Committee Members with the HCBA annual report and respond to any questions.

Staff Action: Staff undertook to provide Committee Members with the audited financial statements via email instead of through a future report to the committee.

Resolved: (Cr O'Leary/Cr Pascoe)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Mayor King joined the meeting (9.33am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Mallett joined the meeting (9.34am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

5. Confirmation of the Growth and Infrastructure Open Minutes - 23 October 2018

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr Henry)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Growth and Infrastructure Meeting held on 23 October 2018 as a true and correct record.

6. Chair's Report

The Chair introduced the report and noted that Elected Members who had recently attended conferences had provided some updates within the Chair's report. He also noted Waikato Regional Council had approved a 100% concession fare for Disability Card holders.

Crs Taylor, Bunting, O'Leary and Tooman spoke to the presentations and topics discussed at the Trafanz Conference that they had attended in November 2018. Staff and Committee Members responded to questions concerning the conference topics.

Cr Henry spoke to the report concerning the 2018 WasteMinz Conference she attended noting the emphasis on the target of net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. She and staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning recycling matters.

The Chair took the remainder of the report as read. He responded to questions from Committee Members concerning governance of the Hamilton bus services.

Staff Action: Staff undertook to provide Committee Members with an update on E-bikes via a report to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee in quarter 1 of 2019.

Staff Action: Staff undertook to invite Inspector Marcus Lynam to speak at a Growth and Infrastructure Meeting during the 1st half of 2019 on road policing.

Staff Action: Staff undertook to provide Committee Members with an update on recycling and the international market for recyclable materials via a report to the 26 March 2019 Growth and Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Deputy Mayor Gallagher joined the meeting (9.45am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

8. General Managers' Report - *excl. Public Transport Section*

The Chair took the report in parts as noted below.

Growth Indicator Report

The General Manager City Growth spoke to this section of the report and noted increases in dwelling consents, electronic spend and the average house value. The Chair noted that in the future this item would be circulated to Committee Members via email rather than as a report. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning staffing matters and figures from within the report.

Healthy Rivers Update

The General Manager City Growth took this section of the report as read.

Regional Community Facilities Funding Framework

The General Manager City Growth took this section of the report as read.

The meeting was adjourned from 10.43am to 11.00am.

Access Hamilton Taskforce Update

The General Manager Infrastructure Operations introduced the section of the report, noting that an update on parking would be presented at the next meeting of the committee due to timing. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning transport and infrastructure issues arising from new subdivisions, areas of growth, and the Parking Management Plan process.

Vision Zero Updated

The Operations Team Leader took this section of the report as read and responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the Speed Management Plan process.

Operation of Electric Bikes and Scooters in Hamilton City

The Operations Team Leader spoke to this section of the report and noted that the intention was to form a Memorandum of Understanding with providers based on feedback from other Councils which already operated electric bikes and scooters. She responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the use of electric bikes and scooters on footpath.

Waikato District Council Speed Limit Submission

The Chair took this section of the report as read and noted that Crs Taylor and Bunting would attend the Waikato District Council Speed Limit Hearings on 12 December 2018 to present Hamilton City Council's submission.

Progress update on Schedule of Reports

This section of the report was taken as read.

Gordonton Road Corridor

This section of the report was taken as read.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report (excluding the Public Transport Operations Section which would be discussed separately at the end of the open session of the meeting).

Item 11 (Peacocke Strategic Transport) was taken next to accommodate presenters.

Maangai Hill previously noted a conflict of interest in relation to the below item. He did not partake in the discussion or vote of the matter.

5. Peacocke Strategic Transport

The General Manager Development took the report as read. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the bridge design, cost, timing, southern links and partnership opportunities with Tangata Whenua groups.

Resolved: (Mayor King/Cr Macpherson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the process outlined in Attachment 1 of this report;
- c) notes that the proposed process was presented for discussion at the Elected Member Briefing on 29 November 2018, and that feedback has been considered and incorporated in this report; and
- d) notes that updates on the matter will be presented at future Elected Member Briefings.

Item 10 (Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update) was taken next to accommodate presenters.

6. Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update

The Executive Director Special Projects introduced the report and provided an overview of the process followed to date. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning a potential governance group, the intent of the plan and partnership opportunities.

Resolved: (Mayor King/Cr Macpherson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes that the direction of the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan is supportive of the resolutions of the [11 October 2018](#) Council Meeting regarding the Greater Hamilton Growth Strategy;
- c) notes that the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan will be considered by the Governance Group of Ministers, Mayors and Chairs on 14 December 2018, with Hamilton City Council represented by the Mayor and Councillor Macpherson; and
- d) notes that the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan key findings and key recommendations, including associated implications for the Futureproof Growth Partnership, will be reported for consideration and approval to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee on 12 February 2019 (subject to Governance Group endorsement on 14 December 2018).

7. Passenger Rail Final Business Case

The Chair introduced Mike Garret, Jose Gonzalez and Cr Russ Rimmington (representatives from Waikato Regional Council), David Shepherd (representative of KiwiRail), and Parekawhia McLean and Barry Dowsett (representatives from NZTA). The General Manager Development introduced the report and provided an update on the process so far. Staff and external representatives in attendance responded to questions concerning details and clarification of the Passenger Rail Final Business Case.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Mayor King)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee recommends that the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) endorses the Single Stage Business Case for the Hamilton to Auckland Start-up Passenger Rail Service for submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency for decision;
- c) notes that funding is allocated in the 2018-28 10-Year Plan to develop the Rail Station and Park and Ride at Rotokauri subject to;
 - i. the New Zealand Transport Agency approving the Single Stage Business Case and confirming the release of funding for the start-up passenger rail service at their meeting on 14 December 2018; and
 - ii. the New Zealand Transport Agency providing an enhanced Financial Assistance Rate of 75.5% for the public transport infrastructure and 100% for the Transitional Rail activities;

- d) requests staff report back prior to June 2019 on the appropriate political and technical governance structure to support the implementation of the start-up service, including their terms of reference and delegations.

Crs Tooman, Mallett and Casson Dissenting.

The meeting adjourned from 3.11pm to 3.57pm.

Cr Macpherson retired from the meeting during the above adjournment. The Deputy Chair (Cr Taylor) took up the Chair following the adjournment.

Deputy Mayor Gallagher, and Cr Mallett retired from the meeting during the above adjournment.

8. General Managers Report continued. – Public Transport Section.

The Chief Executive and General Manager Development spoke to the public transport section of the report. They responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the cost to Council for a contribution to the Waikato Regional Council equal to the value of their rental of bus operation offices in the transport centre.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Mayor King)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) supports a bus fare increase of 5% in April 2019 and 5% in January 2020 by the Waikato Regional Council.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Mayor King)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee approves providing a contribution to the Waikato Regional Council to the value of their rental of bus operation offices in the transport centre from January 2019 to 30 June 2021 (estimated value of \$138,000).

Crs O'Leary and Pascoe Dissenting.

12. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Cr Tooman)

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

The following motion is submitted for consideration:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely consideration of the public excluded agenda.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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 for the passing of this resolution follows.

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
C1. Confirmation of the Growth and Infrastructure Public) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government	Section 48(1)(a)

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- Excluded Minutes - 23) Official Information and
October 2018) Meetings Act 1987
C2. Ruakura Reservoir)
Contract Award
C3. Transport Network
Improvements Contract
Award

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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

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| Item C1. | to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage | Section 7 (2) (j) |
| Item C2. | to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage | Section 7 (2) (h)
Section 7 (2) (i) |
| Item C3. | to enable Council to carry out negotiations
to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage
to enable Council to carry out negotiations | Section 7 (2) (h)
Section 7 (2) (i) |

The meeting went into a Public Excluded session at 4.06pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 4.17pm.