
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 Friday 29 March 2019 at 12.03pm.

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 R Hamilton
	Maangai Norm Hill

In Attendance:

- Eeva-Liisa Wright - General Manager Infrastructure Operations
- Kelvin Powell – Acting General Manager City Growth
- Chris Allen – General Manager Development
- Sean Hickey – General Manager Strategy and Communications
- Lance Vervoort – General Manager Community
- David Bryant – General Manager Corporate
- Blair Bowcott – Executive Director Special Projects
- Jason Harrison – Special Projects Manager
- Robyn Denton – Operations Team Leader
- Katherine Johns - Strategic Transport and Engagement Leader
- Karen Saunders – Peacocke Programme Manager
- Julie Clausen – Programme Manager
- Tracey Lowndes – Project Manager, strategy and Planning
- Natalie Palmer – Unit Manager Communications and Marketing
- Lauradanna Radesic – Team Leader Great River City

Governance Staff:

- Becca Brooke – Governance Team Leader
- Amy Viggers and Rebecca Watson – Committee Advisors

Due to the extraordinary circumstances of the 14 March 2019 Christchurch mosque attack, at 11.45am the meeting start time was delayed to 12.00pm under section 10.6 of Standing Orders to enable Committee Member, staff and members of the public to attend the Memorial Service.

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Mallett)

That the apologies for absence from Cr Tooman, for early departure from Cr Hamilton and Cr Bunting, for partial attendance from Mayor King (for Council business) and Cr Mallett, and for lateness from Mayor King are accepted.

2. Public Forum

Roger Stratford – Mr Stratford spoke to item 8 (Waikato Regional Council - Passenger Transport Update) specifically concerning the new Comet bus service. Mr Stratford raised concerns regarding the ticketing system and costs.

Mayor King joined the meeting (12.04pm) during the discussion of the above item.

3. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/ Cr Casson)

That the agenda is confirmed noting the following:

- a) that public forum time limits for individual is to be 3 minutes and 6 minutes for groups;
- b) that item 11 (CBD 2 Hour Free Parking Trial Update) is to be taken after item 6 (Chair's Report) to accommodate members of the public;
- c) that item 8 (Waikato Regional Council - Passenger Transport Update) is to be taken at 2.15pm to accommodate external presenters;
- d) that order that the agenda is to be taken is to be flexible to accommodate staff availability.

4. Public Forum

Peter H Bos – Mr Bos spoke to item 12 (Draft Hamilton Speed Management Plan) concerning speed management in Hamilton. Mr Bos suggested that there are traffic calming options that could be introduced that would increase road safety.

Vanessa Williams and Mike Neale (HCBA), Bronwyn Robinson (Magazine), Courtney Harper (Harper Inc) and Colin Hancock (Trek n Travel) – Ms Williams spoke on behalf of the group to item 11 (CBD 2 Hour Free Parking Trial) noting their support of an extension of the 2 hour free parking trial. They noted that they had received less complaints concerning parking since the introduction of the trial, and that customers appeared more relaxed when shopping. They felt the CBD 2 Hour Free Parking Trial was an important component of revitalising the CBD.

5. Declarations of Interest

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

6. Confirmation of the Growth and Infrastructure Open Minutes - 12 February 2019

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 12 February 2019 as a true and correct record.

Cr Mallet left the meeting (12.22pm) at the conclusion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

7. Chair's Report

The Chair took the report as read.

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr Henry)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

8. CBD 2 Hour Free Parking Trial Update (Recommendation to Council)

The report was taken as read. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the potential cost increases to CBD businesses as a result of any increase to the current CBD targeted rate.

Motion: (Cr Taylor/Bunting)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) notes the Access Hamilton Taskforce recommendation to continue the Central Business District 2 Hour Free on-street parking trial until 30 June 2020; and
- c) recommends to the Council the extension of the Central Business District 2 Hour Free on street parking trial until 30 June 2020; and
- d) requests that staff report back to the Council on the progress of the trial to inform the 2020/21 Annual Plan by April 2020; and
- e) notes that the objectives and guiding principles of the Parking Management Plan, to be presented back to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee 7 May 2019, will provide the framework for the next phase of developing specific parking precinct action plans.

Amendment: (Cr Pascoe/Cr Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes the Access Hamilton Taskforce recommendation to continue the Central Business District 2 Hour Free on-street parking trial until 30 June 2020;
- c) recommends to the Council the extension of the central business district 2 hour free on street parking trial until 30 June 2020 on the basis that the present targeted rate payable by CBD businesses be increased from \$140,000 pa to \$500,000 pa from 1 July 2019;
- d) requests that staff report back to the Council on the progress of the trial to inform the 2020/21 Annual Plan by April 2020; and
- e) notes that the objectives and guiding principles of the Parking Management Plan, to be presented back to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee 7 May 2019, will provide the framework for the next phase of developing specific parking precinct action plans.

The Amendment was put.

Those for the Amendment: Councillors Casson, Pascoe and Hamilton.

Those against the Amendment: Mayor King, Deputy Mayor Gallagher, Councillors Macpherson, Bunting, Henry, O'Leary, Southgate, Taylor and Maangi Hill.

**The Amendment was declared lost.
The Motion was then put and declared carried.**

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Bunting)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

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- c) recommends to the Council the extension of the Central Business District 2 Hour Free on street parking trial until 30 June 2020; and
- d) requests that staff report back to the Council on the progress of the trial to inform the 2020/21 Annual Plan by April 2020; and
- e) notes that the objectives and guiding principles of the Parking Management Plan, to be presented back to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee 7 May 2019, will provide the framework for the next phase of developing specific parking precinct action plans.

Cr Pascoe Dissenting.

9. Te Waka Six-Monthly Update

The Executive Director of Special Projects took the report as read and responded to questions from Committee Members concerning successful Provincial Growth Fund applications and the governance structure of Te Waka.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Item 10 (Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update) was taken after Item 7 (Te Waka Six-Monthly Update) to accommodate staff availability.

10. Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update

The Executive Director of Special Projects took the report as read and responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the 20 key initiatives outlined in the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Statement of Spatial Intent, the cost to the Council, and the level of support from Central Government for the plan.

Resolved: (Mayor King/Cr Macpherson)

That the Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) endorses the draft Hamilton to Auckland Corridor "Statement of Spatial Intent";
- c) endorses the 20 key initiatives outlined in the Hamilton to Auckland Corridor "Statement of Spatial Intent"; and
- d) approves the Terms of Reference for the Hamilton-Waikato Metro Spatial Plan.

Item 9 (Hamilton to Auckland Start-up Passenger Rail Service) was taken after Item 10 (Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Plan Update) to accommodate staff availability.

11. Hamilton to Auckland Start-up Passenger Rail Service

The General Manager Development took the report as read. He responded to questions from Committee Members concerning cultural considerations/iwi involvement in the Start-up Passenger Rail Service, future operating costs for the platform, and potential parking revenue options at the park and ride. He noted that NZTA had confirmed the 75.5% Financial Assistance Rate for rolling stock maintenance and for the above ground station work.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Deputy Mayor Gallagher)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the proposed Governance Structure and the Terms of Reference for the Project Governance Working Group included as Attachment 1 to this report;
- c) approves the Chair of Growth and Infrastructure Committee to be the Hamilton City Council representative on the Project Governance Working Group with the Deputy Chair of Growth and Infrastructure Committee being the Hamilton City Council alternate member;
- d) approves the macro-scope of the Rotokauri Public Transport Facility as set out in Attachment 3 to this report;
- e) approves bringing forward the overhead structures connecting the Rail Platform to the Base and the PT Facility site subject to reaching a suitable funding arrangement with NZ Transport Agency to complete the works within the existing funding approvals including the re-investment of additional enhanced financial subsidy received for the Rotokauri Public Transport Facility development; and
- f) request staff to commence a local engagement process to establish special vehicle lanes on Tasman Road between Hamilton City Councils Park and Ride site and the railway line and to report back to the Regulatory and Hearings Committee prior to 15 August 2019.

Cr Casson Dissenting.

Item 12 (Draft Hamilton Speed Management Plan), Item 13 (Peacocke Programme Update) and Item 14 (General Managers' Report) were taken after Item 9 (Hamilton to Auckland Start-up Passenger Rail Service) to accommodate external presenters.

12. Draft Hamilton Speed Management Plan

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr Southgate)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves public consultation of the draft Hamilton Speed Management Plan;
- b) notes that the results of the public consultation on the draft Speed Management Plan will be brought back to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee with a revised document developed by the speed management working group for adoption; and
- c) notes that if adopted the new Speed Management Plan will replace the current Speed Management Policy with effective immediately after 18 June 2019 Growth and Infrastructure Committee meeting.

13. Peacocke Programme Update

The Peacocke Programme Manager tabled an updated attachment 4 (Peacocke Programme Capital report) that would be attached to the minutes as **appendix 1**. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning timing of reports on the Peacocke Programme.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes that the Peacocke Programme Capital Report relating to the financial performance will be presented and discussed at the Finance Committee Meeting on 9 April 2019; and
- c) notes that the next Peacocke Programme progress report will be presented to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee on 7 May 2019.

14. General Managers' Report

The report was taken as read. Staff advised that the action from the previous meeting regarding the KPIs within the Central Business District Activation Plan was yet to be completed and that there would be a future update concerning the audit of vacant space in the CBD.

The meeting adjourned 1.44pm to 2.18pm.

Mayor King and Cr Hamilton retired from the meeting during the above adjournment.

Following the above adjournment item 8 (Waikato Regional Council - Passenger Transport Update) was taken before continuing with item 14 (General Managers' Report) to accommodate external presenter's.

15. Waikato Regional Council - Passenger Transport Update

Andrew Wilson (Waikato Regional Council Public Transport Manager) provided Committee Members with an update on passenger transport, noting that there were a number of initiatives including a new ticketing system, the Comet route, and CBD fare zone that were to begin in the near future. He responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the Comet service, how future initiatives would link in to the mass transit plan for Hamilton, and the effect on public transport since Waikato University changed to paid parking.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Bunting)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

16. General Managers' Report

The report was taken as read. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the change to NZTAs Targeted Enhanced Financial Assistance Rate and the unknown effect it could have on Council projects.

Staff Action – *Staff undertook to request the Chair of Project Watershed, and key staff, present to Committee Members through an Elected Member Briefing prior to August 2019 concerning their purpose.*

Staff Action - *Staff undertook to action the recommendation of the Waste Taskforce in that Hamilton City Council becomes a corporate member of the Keep New Zealand Beautiful (KNZB) Society.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson / Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee

- a) receives the report; and
- b) notes that the parking management plan will not be considered as part of the 2019/20 Annual Plan but will inform the 2020/21 Annual Plan;
- c) notes that a report on the Sale and Disposal of Council Land Policy will be brought back 27 August 2019 Growth and Infrastructure Committee meeting; and
- d) requests staff work with the Mayor to draft and send a letter to the NZTA Chair outlining our concerns regarding funding of Hamilton transport projects going forward.

15. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/ Cr Taylor)

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 Excluded Minutes - 12 February 2019) Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
C2. Rubbish and Recycling Kerbside Collection Contract)	

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:

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

The meeting went into a Public Excluded session at 3.10pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 3.21pm.

Peacocke Programme Capital Report

Programme Outcome:

Ko te aaeinga o te hanga he waahi ataahua, he waahi toiora ki Peacocke
Enabling the development of an attractive and sustainable community in the Peacocke growth area.

- The project management team delivering the Peacocke Capital Infrastructure Programme is now complete and active
- Land acquisition is tracking well in accordance with the business case, however remains a risk to the programme with several difficult conversations with landowners
- Investigation and design for the lead network infrastructure is underway and on track
- The bridge investigation and design is on track with Council approval of macro-scope scheduled for May/June 2019
- SH3/Ohaupo Intersection and East-West Arterial is due to commence construction this summer with enabling works commencing in the coming months
- Land has been purchased for Stage 1 Neighbourhood Park, as per the 10 Year Plan
- Planning is under way for a public open day in April 2019

Capital Expenditure:

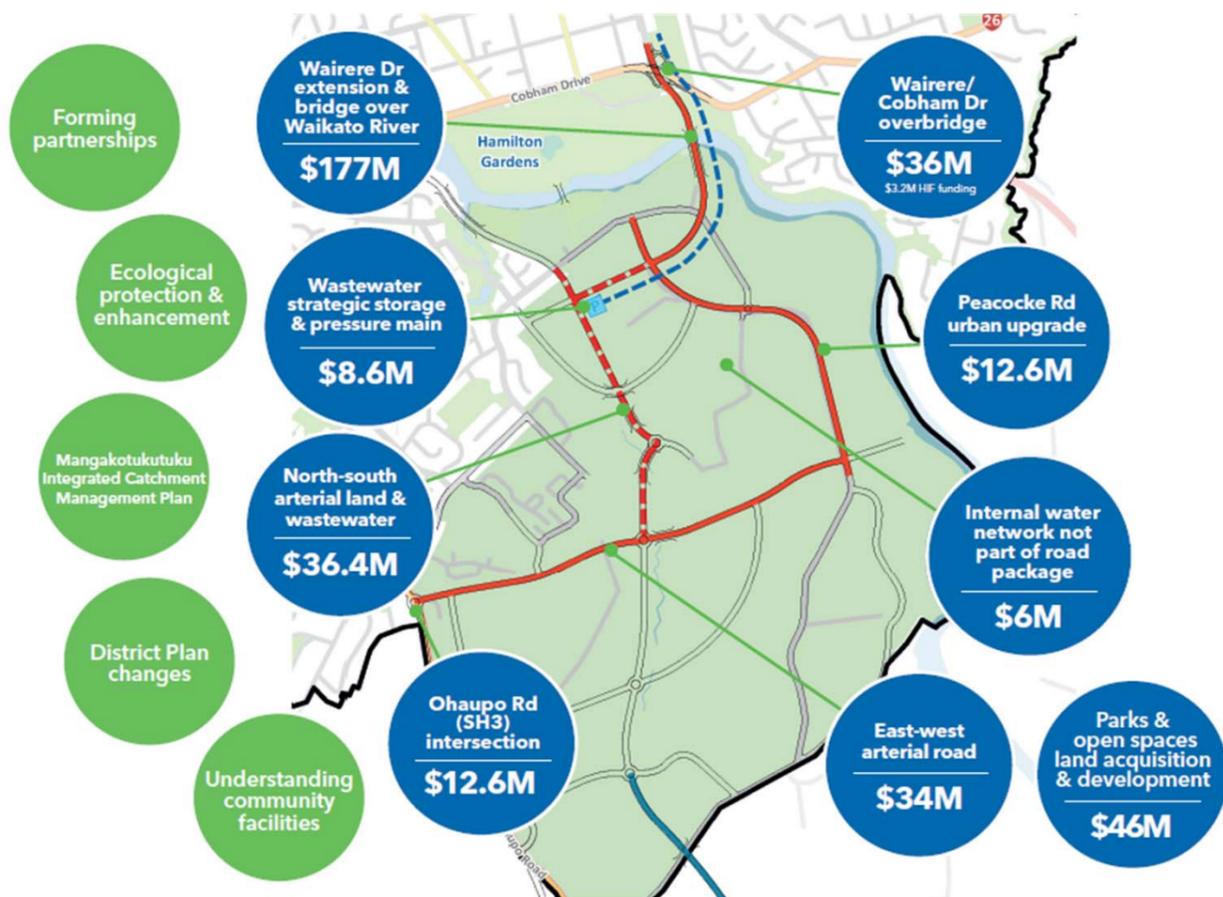
Total capital deferrals of \$23.9M have been signalled for this programme consisting of;

- A rephasing deferral of \$10.3M from 2018/19 to 2020/21 to align with the revised programme of works.
- A rephasing deferral of \$13.7M for the Land Acquisition Programme to align with the expected programme.

The capital spending for the Peacocke Programme is gaining momentum as the professional services contracts are in place and work is progressing.

Revenue:

- The revenue received to date for this programme is NZTA subsidy received for design and investigation works and land acquisition.
- A revenue deferral of \$8.2M has been signalled and is directly related to the capital expenditure deferrals for projects with NZTA funding.



View from Peacockes back towards Hamilton



Peacocke land.



Peacocke provides a habitat for long tailed bats which means special consideration for infrastructure delivery and urbanisation of the area.

Financial Performance

