
Strategic Growth Committee

Komiti Rautaki

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Growth Committee held via Audio Visual link on Tuesday 7 September 2021 at 9.30am.

PRESENT

Chairperson Cr D Macpherson

Heamana

Deputy Chairperson Cr R Hamilton

Heamana Tuarua

Members

Mayor P Southgate
Deputy Mayor G Taylor
Cr M Gallagher
Cr K Naidoo-Rauf
Cr A O'Leary
Cr R Pascoe
Cr S Thomson
Cr M van Oosten
Cr E Wilson
Cr M Donovan
Maangai J Whetu
Maangai O Te Ua

In Attendance:

Blair Bowcott – General Manager Growth
Chris Allen – General Manager Development
Andrew Parsons - Executive Director Strategic Infrastructure
Tahl Lawrence - Project Engineer
Greg Carstens - Growth, Funding and Analytics Unit Manager
Hannah Windle - Special Projects Manager
Mark Roberts - Senior Planner
David Speirs and Jessica Andrews – Waka Kotahi

Governance Team:

Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
Carmen Fortin and Tyler Gaukrodger – Governance Advisors

1. Apologies – *Tono aroha*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the apologies for absence from Cr Bunting and for partial attendance from Cr Naidoo-Rauf and Cr Pascoe are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – *Whakatau raarangi take*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr O’Leary)

That the agenda is confirmed noting the following:

- a) Item 7 (Southern Links Update) is to be taken after item 4 (Public Forum) to accommodate guest speaker availability;
- b) Item C2 (Update on the Future Proof Strategy) is to be taken at 12pm to accommodate guest speaker availability; and
- c) Item C3 (Te Awa Lakes Private Developer Agreement) is to be taken at 11.30am to accommodate guest speaker availability.

3. Declarations of Interest – *Tauaakii whaipanga*

Prior to the discussion of item 8 (Peacocke Active Travel Macroscopic) Cr Wilson declared an interest and that he would not take part in the discussion or vote on the matter.

Prior to the discussion of item C3 (Te Awa Lakes Private Developer Agreement) Cr Donovan and Cr Pascoe declared an interest in the matter. They noted that they were not conflicted and would take part in the discussion and vote on the matter.

4. Public Forum – *Aatea koorero*

Mark Morgan spoke to item 7 (Southern Links Update) in support of Southern links transport corridor development, noting it would provide infrastructure capacity for the Waikato Regional airport to continue its growth and would support multimodal transport. He responded to questions from Members concerning Waikato Regional Airport purchasing land and the effect of delay of Southern links on the airport development.

Mayor Southgate joined the meeting (9.40am) during the above submission.

Fraser McNutt spoke to item 7 (Southern Links Update) in relation to the SL1 development, and how the progression of the Southern Links network would facilitate in the creation of affordable housing for Hamilton. He responded to questions from Members concerning the effect of delays of Southern Links on housing development.

7. Southern Links Update

The General Manager Development, David Speirs, and Jessica Andrews (Waka Kotahi) spoke to the Southern Links project, the timeline of the current Southern Links plan, infrastructure planning, providing congestion relief, alternative transport methods, and inclusion within the Long Term Plan. They responded to questions from Members concerning land value capture, timeline of developments, roads being included in the current development plan, prioritization of projects, mode shift planning and objectives, long term modelling, collaboration with other Councils, the Waka Kotahi Long Term Plan, climate change initiatives, enabling public transport, retrofitting alternative transport corridors, collaboration between Waka Kotahi and Council, and rail connection plans.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to provide Members with confirmation of the amount of land owned by Waka Kotahi for the purpose of Southern links.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

Maangai Whetu left the meeting (10.45am) during the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

5. Confirmation of the Strategic Growth Committee Open Minutes of 29 July 2021

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Strategic Growth Meeting held on 29 July 2021 as a true and correct record.

6. Chair's Report

The Chair took the report as read. He and staff responded to questions concerning shovel-ready projects and the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund, housing initiatives, future proof work, and collaboration with local MPs.

Staff Action: *The Mayor's Office undertook to organise a meeting for all Elected Members with local MPs.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

Maangai Whetu re-joined the meeting (10.54am) during the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Naidoo-Rauf left the meeting (10.58am) during the discussion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

The meeting was adjourned from 11.05am to 11.23am

Prior to the discussion of item 8 (Peacocke Active Travel Macroscopic) Cr Wilson declared an interest in the matter. He did not take part in the discussion or vote on the matter.

8. Peacocke Active Travel Macroscopic

The Executive Director Strategic Infrastructure, Project Engineer, and Senior Planner spoke to the report noting that the purpose of the report was to refine the scope of Peacocke travel macroscopes and discuss multi-modal bridge opportunities that are currently unfunded exist in the area. They responded to questions from Members concerning the number of bridge opportunities, external funding opportunities, multi-modal bridge standards, current structure plan shortfalls, structure plan ability for specification requirements, and public consultation.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Thomson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) approves the Whatukooruru Drive and Peacockes Road macroscopic as shown in **Attachment 1** of the staff report;
- b) approves the Bikes on Pipes macroscopic as shown in **Attachment 3** of the staff report;
- c) requests the Chief Executive consult with Waka Kotahi and other potential partners to explore funding assistance opportunities;
- d) approves staff progress with design and consents based on the approved macroscopes in 3(a) and 3(b) above; and

- e) approves staff progress to the procurement phase for the Bikes on Pipes project, noting that a decision on construction aspects will come back to the committee for consideration and decision once costs are known.

9. Infrastructure Acceleration Fund – Update

The Growth, Funding and Analytics Unit Manager took the report as read, noting the expression of interest process taken to date and the upcoming prioritisation of projects. He responded to questions from Members concerning Member input, enabling affordable housing, additional funding opportunities, fund applications, Rotokauri infrastructure separation, and central city funding.

Item 9 (Infrastructure Acceleration Fund – Update) was adjourned during the discussion of the item to accommodate guest presenter availability.

11. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr O’Leary)

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 Strategic Growth Committee Public Excluded Minutes of 29 July 2021) Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
C2. Update on the Future Proof Strategy)	
C3. Te Awa Lakes Private Developer Agreement		
C4. Peacocke Update Contract Awards		

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 enable Council to carry out negotiations to prevent the disclosure or use of official	Section 7 (2) (i) Section 7 (2) (j)

	information for improper gain or improper advantage	
Item C3.	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	Section 7 (2) (h) Section 7 (2) (i)
Item C4.	to enable Council to carry out negotiations to avoid the unreasonably, likely prejudice to the commercial position of a person who supplied or is the subject of the information to enable Council to carry out negotiations	Section 7 (2) (b) (ii) Section 7 (2) (i)

The meeting went into a public excluded session at 12.05pm.

The meeting returned to the open session at 2.31pm.

Mayor Southgate retired from the meeting during the Public Excluded session of the meeting.

9. Infrastructure Acceleration Fund – Update (Continued)

The Chair, General Manager Growth, and Growth, Funding and Analytics Unit Manager responded to questions from Members concerning zoning of land to accommodate additional housing, opportunities for value capture, and Member input on prioritisation of projects.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes that the following areas non-binding expressions of interest were submitted by Council to the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund on 18 August 2021 for the following areas:
 - i) Ruakura-Enderley/Fairfield;
 - ii) Central City;
 - iii) Rotokauri Stage 1;
 - iv) Rotokauri Stage 2;
 - v) Rototuna North;
 - vi) Peacocke South; and
- c) notes that Kaainga Ora is currently reviewing the expressions of interest and has advised that applicants can expect a response by 15 October 2021;
- d) requests, if sought by Kaainga Ora, the General Manager Growth, the Chair and the Deputy Chair of the Strategic Growth Committee to formulate the recommended prioritisation of the expressions of interest to be reported to an Extraordinary Strategic Growth Committee meeting for final approval; and
- e) notes that a developer-led proposal was submitted by the Perry Group for Te Awa Lakes Area and that staff provided broad feedback on that proposal.

10. Open Information Only Reports

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the following information only reports:

- a) General Manager's Report;
- b) Growth Programmes Update; and
- c) Hamilton-Waikato Wastewater Detailed Business Case Project Update.

The meeting was declared closed at 3.01pm.