



## City Services Committee | Te Kōmiti Ratonga ā-Taone

### Minutes

Record of a meeting of the Upper Hutt City Council City Services Committee held in The Rotary Lounge, Upper Hutt Central Library, 844 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt on Wednesday 29 March 2023 commencing at 4.30 pm.

**Present:** Cr T M Ultra (Chair), His Worship the Mayor W N Guppy, Cr D M Bentley, Cr M Carey, Cr C B G Carson, and Cr E Holderness.

**Apologies** Cr D V Wheeler, Cr A W Hammond

**In attendance:** Councillor H Newell

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies received from the Chair. The chair has delegated its responsibilities to the deputy chair for this meeting.

That the apologies received from Cr D V Wheeler, Cr A W Hammond be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

**MOVED:** Councillor Ultra / Councillor Holderness

*“That the committee receives the apologies from Councillor Wheeler and Councillor Hammond and leave of absence be granted.”*

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230201**

Councillor Newell was in attendance.

**MOVED:** Councillor Ultra / Councillor Carson

*“That Councillor Newell be given speaking rights, but not voting rights.”*

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230202**

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

#### 3. Public Forum

There were no speakers.

#### 4. King Street Dining area - Blend Bar & Bistro

The Director Asset Management and Operations responded to questions from members concerning the removal of parking on King Street, the cost involved and consultation with affected parties and businesses.

In accordance with Standing Order 23.3 the Chair took the motion in parts as follows:

**MOVED: Councillor Carson / Councillor Carey**

*“(i) That the Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled King Street Dining area – Blend Bar and Bistro.”*

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230203**

**MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Holderness**

*“(ii) That the Committee recommends that Council approves that consultation with affected parties and businesses for the removal of for parking spaces in King Street in front of Blend Bar and Bistro to create an outdoor dining area takes place.”*

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230204**

(iii) That the Committee approves (subject to the consultation as per (ii) above) the funding of the construction using the existing CBD upgrade funding.

There was no support for the above recommendation, therefore it was considered **LOST** lost.

## **5. Whirinaki Whare Taonga – Arts/Culture/Events Statement of Intent 2023 – 2026**

Expressions Director Leanne Wickham responded to members’ questions about trust reserves, fund-raising, sponsorship, and receipt of donations.

Director Community Services answered a member’s question about Golders Cottage and the Blockhouse.

**MOVED: Councillor Ultra / Councillor Carson**

*“The Committee recommends that Council,*

*i. receives the report titled Whirinaki Whare Taonga – Arts/Culture/Events Statement of Intent 2023 – 2026, and,*

*ii. accepts the Whirinaki Whare Taonga Statement of Intent 2023 – 2026.”*

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230205**

## **6. Whirinaki Whare Taonga - Arts/Culture/Events Half Year report July 1st – December 31st 2022**

**MOVED: Mayor Guppy / Councillor Carey**

*“It is recommended that the committee receives the report titled Whirinaki Whare Taonga - Arts/Culture/Events Half Year report July 1st – December 31st 2022.”*

**7. Director's Report: Strategy, Partnerships and Growth**

The Director Asset Management and Operations answered a member's question in relation to security cameras in the CBD.

The Director Strategy, Partnerships, and Growth commented on the Highlight event coming up and the Informetrics Update.

**MOVED: Councillor Holderness / Councillor Bentley**

*"It is recommended that Council receives the Director's Report: Strategy, Partnerships and Growth."*

MOTION CARRIED: CS 230207

**8. Director's Report: Asset Management and Operations**

The Director Asset Management and Operations advised that since his report was written, Chorus have requested a price from Downers to undertake the removal of the cable on Beechwood Lane Bridge. The Director Asset Management and Operations answered questions from members relating to Beechwood Lane Bridge and confirmed there is a register of all services that are attached to Upper Hutt bridges.

The Director Asset Management and Operations advised there has been information released from Ministry of Environment regarding waste minimisation that will be worked through and reported back to council about requirements and timeframes for the new regime.

Cr Holderness, with the support of Cr Bentley proposed that the Pine tree next to the Pinehaven library be removed and replaced by a native tree.

The Director Asset Management and Operations answered members' questions about the cost of removal of the pine tree. He advised he would distribute the independent report commissioned late last year on the tree to the Members for their review. Councillor Emma Holderness said she would take the information back to the Pinehaven Progressive Association for further discussion.

The Director Asset Management and Operations answered a members' question about wastewater, in relation to the Barber Grove Project and the Maidstone Park Community Sports Hub.

**MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Carey**

*"The Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled Director's Report: Asset Management and Operations."*

MOTION CARRIED: CS 230208

**9. Director's Report: Community Services**

The Director Community Services answered member's questions about the service delivery and attendance at Fulton's Pool, and the Community Representatives of the Creative Communities Scheme.

**MOVED: Councillor Bentley / Councillor Carey**

***“The Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled Director’s Report: Community Services.”***

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230209**

**10. Director’s Report: Planning and Regulatory Services**

The Planning Policy Manager answered a members’ question about Eastern Hutt Road – fill material, in regards to the address provided in the report for an abatement notice issued. The Director Compliance and Regulatory Services has since confirmed the address on page 105, paragraph 36 of the Report should read 36 Barley Mow Lane and not 3 Barley Mow Lane.

**MOVED: Councillor Ultra / Councillor Holderness**

***“The Committee recommends that Council receives the report titled Director’s Report: Planning and Regulatory Services.”***

**MOTION CARRIED: CS 230210**

Cr Ultra closed the meeting at 5.27 pm.

Cr Tracey Ultra  
Chair