
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 Tuesday 27 August 2019 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
	Cr R Hamilton
	Maangai Norm Hill

In Attendance	Jen Baird - General Manager City Growth
	Eeva-Liisa Wright – General Manager Infrastructure Operations
	Chris Allen - General Manager Development
	Blair Bowcott - Executive Director Special Projects
	Karen Saunders - Peacocke Programme Manager
	Robyn Denton - Operations Team Leader
	Nigel Ward - Communications Team Leader
	Stafford Hodgson - Senior Policy Analyst
	Andrew Parsons – Strategic Development Manager
	Tahl Lawrence – Project Engineer
	Chris Barton – Project Development Manager
	Cliff Newton-Smith – Development Manager
	Jamie Sirl – Senior Planner
	Sam le Heron – Acting Planning Guidance Manager
	Emily Botje - Facilities Unit Manager
	Alice Morris – City Planning Heritage
	Lyle Barker – Passenger Rail Project Update
	Maire Porter – City Waters Manager

Governance Staff	Amy Viggers, Rebecca Watson and Claire Guthrie - Committee Advisors
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1. Apologies

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the apologies for partial attendance from Cr Southgate and for early departure from Cr Mallett be accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the agenda is confirmed noting Item 14 (Peacocke Programme Update) is to be taken after Item 9 (Chair's Report) to accommodate members of the public.

3. Declarations of Interest

Maangai Hill declared an conflict of interest in relation to Item 9 (Chair's Report) and Item 14 (Peacocke Programme Update) during the meeting. He did not take part in the debate or vote of either items.

Cr O'Leary declared an conflict of interest in relation to Item 16 (Verbal report - Passenger Rail Project Update) and Item C2 (Passenger Rail Project Update) during the meeting. She did not take part in the debate or vote of the item.

4. Public Forum

Selwyn and Dianne June spoke to Item 9 (Chair's Report) in relation to the effects of Amberfield Development on the those that live in the area of Bader and Norrie St. They felt that the development would negatively affect them and others living in the area of Bader due to the increase in traffic.

Pizo Pienaar spoke to Item 11 (Vesting of Christobel Circle) in relation to the request from residents for the Council to take over ownership of Christobel Circle infrastructure. He thanked the staff for their work which enabled the report to come to today's meeting.

Ron Pengelly spoke to Item 14 (Peacocke Programme Update) in relation to his concerns regarding the funding of infrastructure in new subdivisions.

5. Confirmation of the Growth and Infrastructure Open Minutes 18 June 2019

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 18 June 2019 as a true and correct record.

6. Te Waka Six-Monthly Update

Dallas Fisher (Te Waka Chair) and Michael Bassett-Foss (Te Waka Chief Executive) provided Committee Members with a presentation, and outlined their focus for the following year which included the initiation of an investment programme. They responded to questions from Committee Members concerning Te Waka assistance to entities in areas such as the Provincial Growth Fund applications, the governance structure including the invitation of a iwi representation on the board, and projects that were of focus for the following year including supporting Maori Economic Development, the Waikato Story, and the Provincial Growth Fund.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Cr Southgate left the meeting (10.32am) during the discussion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

7. Hamilton Central Business Association - Six-Monthly Update, Audited Performance Report for 2019 and CBD Activation Update

Vanessa Williams (General Manager) and Mike Neale (HCBA Executive Committee Member) took their report as read and provided Committee Members with presentation on recent projects such as their Take Advantage programme and CBD Activation programme. They responded to questions from Committee Members concerning recent transformation projects in the CBD, the introduction of lime scooters in Hamilton, the CBD Activation programme, and parking in the CBD.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Mayor King)
That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Cr Macpherson left the meeting (10.50am) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Taylor Deputy Chair of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee resumed the Chair.

The meeting adjourned from 11.10am to 11.26am.

Mayor King, Deputy Mayor Gallagher and Cr Mallett left the meeting during the above adjournment. Cr Macpherson re-joined the meeting during the above adjournment and resumed the chair.

8. Hamilton and Waikato Tourism Limited - Six-Monthly Report to December 2018

Jason Dawson (Hamilton and Waikato Tourism Chief Executive) spoke to his report, and noted that Hamilton had been voted the number 1 summer spot destination 2018-2019 by Book-a-Bach. He responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the increase in overnight visits, funding of Hamilton and Waikato Tourism, the Hamilton and Waikato Ambassadors programme and future events in the region.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Tooman)
That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

Cr Mallett re-joined the meeting (11.30am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

Deputy Mayor Gallagher re-joined the meeting (11.37am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

Mayor King re-joined the meeting (11.40am) during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

9. Chair's Report

The Chair spoke to his report and acknowledged the achievements of the Committee throughout the triennium by Committee Members and staff.

The General Manager City Growth then outlined the proposed process to update Members on Sensitive Developments, such as the Amberfield Development. Along with staff, the Chair responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the Amberfield Construction Traffic Management Plan, safety improvements for Bader Street and Norrie Crescent corridor, and the resource consent process.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee

- a) receive the report;
- b) requests the Mayor speak with the Ministers of Transport regarding the NZTA declining of funding for the School Link and Transport Centre upgrade projects;
- c) requests staff, subject to the draft traffic management conditions of the Amberfield subdivision consent being confirmed, bring the Amberfield Construction Traffic Management Plan to the Access Hamilton Taskforce for discussion prior to approval;
- d) notes that staff will report back to the Regulatory and Hearings Committee following community engagement on the first tranche of safety improvements for Bader St and Norrie Crescent corridor including pedestrian improvements and 30km/h speed limit in the shopping centre; and
- e) requests that staff engage with Elected Members (via Access Hamilton Taskforce or similar) on the development of the second tranche of safety improvements in the Bader St and Norrie Crescent corridor.

Maangai Hill declared an conflict of interest during the discussion of the above item in relation item 9 (Chair's Report) and item 14 (Peacocke Programme Update), and did not take part in the debate or vote of either items. He left the meeting (12.15pm) during the discussion of the above item.

Item 14 (Peacocke Programme Update) was taken following item 9 (Chair' Report) to accommodate members of the public.

10. Peacocke Programme Update

The Peacocke Programme Manager and Strategic Development Manager spoke to the report and noted that the staff recommendations were related to past resolutions of the Council. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning strategic wastewater, the timeline of the development, Southern Links, the bridge macroscope, and the Whatukoruru Historic Reserve.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;

Contracts

- b) delegates financial authority to the Chief Executive to award physical works Contract Number 18532 for the construction of the State Highway 3/East West Arterial intersection subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$13,000,000 (plus GST);

Reserves and road stopping

- c) approves commencement of a road stopping process and for a title issued in the Council's name, as shown in blue on attachment 4;
- d) approves commencement of the revocation process for the reserve status under the Reserves Act 1977 of the Whatukoruru Historic Reserve as shown in green, with the portion outlined in red to be held as Local Purpose (Road) Reserve, as indicated in attachment 4 of the staff report;
- e) approves commencement of a change of reserve status process to Local Purpose (Road) Reserve under the Reserves Act 1977 for the Reserve land associated with the Wairere/Cobham intersection and the Waikato River bridge, as indicated in blue and orange (final area subject to survey for the road) on attachment 5;

- f) notes any objection received from the Public consultation processes relating to recommendations c), d) and e), that is not resolved will be reported to Council;
- g) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to execute and sign all documentation relating to completing the road stopping, reserve revocation and change of reserve status;

Bridge and wastewater macroscope

- h) approves the bridge deck space allocation as set out in **Attachment 3** (Access Hamilton Presentation); and
- i) approves the updated Peacocke Strategic Transport macroscope as set out in **Attachment 6**.

The meeting adjourned from 1.07pm to 1.48pm.

Mayor King left the meeting during the above adjournment.

Cr Southgate re-joined the meeting during the above adjournment.

11. Development Contributions Remissions Quarter 4 2019

The Senior Policy Analyst introduced the report, and noted that there had been two recent remission decisions that were not accepted by the applicants. These decisions were being challenged through the objection process which meant that there would be a Commissioner Hearing to resolve them. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the objection process and potential outcome.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

2. Confirmation of the Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Bunting)

That Item C2 (Passenger Rail Project Update) is moved into the open session of the meeting, included as Appendix 1 of the minutes. That Item C2 (Passenger Rail Project Update) is to be taken to with item 16 (Verbal Report - Passenger Rail Project Update) prior to Item 15 (General Managers Report).

12. Vesting of Christobel Circle

The Strategic Development Manager spoke to the report and outlined the unique situation of Christobel Circle. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the structure of the development, the limited opportunity for such a development to occur again and the potential cost to Council to upgrade the vested assets.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee;

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves pursuant to section 349 of the Local Government Act 1974, declares that those parcels of land described as firstly, 0.4865 ha being Lot 77 DP 374130; and secondly, 0.1390 ha being Lot 78 on DP 374130 to be road to the intent that from the date of this declaration those parcels of land vest in Hamilton City Council as public road as shown on the plan annexed, Attachment 1, of the staff report);

- c) approves pursuant to section 462 of the Local Government Act 1974 those parts of the storm water drainage and sewerage drainage infrastructure depicted on DP 374130 not located within the public road and which service multiple residential properties be declared to be public drains vested in the Hamilton City Council as shown on the plan annexed, Attachment 2, of the staff report;
- d) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to complete any documentation required to give effect to this resolution, and to enter into and complete any agreements with the residents pertaining the future function of the infrastructure, including how the refuse will be removed from the development; and
- e) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to complete the registration documentation to legalise the dedication of the land.

Mayor King re-joined the meeting a 1.58pm during the discussion of the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

13. Contract Award Delegations

The Capital Projects Manager introduced the report and noted that all of the contracts were budgeted for as part of the 2018-28 10-Year Plan. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the timeline for the Te Awa Cycle Path.

Resolved: (Cr O’Leary/Cr Macpherson)

That the Committee:

- a) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award the contract for the construction of the **Te Awa cycle path** connection from Hamilton gardens to the city boundary, subject to project funding approval by NZTA at a funding assistance rate of 51% and the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$4,760,000;
- b) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award the contract for the upgrade of the **Hillsborough wastewater pump station**, subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$4,200,000;
- c) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award the contract to complete an urban upgrade of **North Ridge Drive** and associated stormwater wetland development, subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$5,250,000;
- d) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award the contract for a 3 year programme of **stormwater network erosion remediation**, subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$11,200,000;
- e) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award the 10 year contract for maintenance and renewals of **Council owned lifts** subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$6.9 million; and
- f) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to finalise negotiations and approve a 12 month extension to **Contract 12046: Disposal of Sewage Sludge** by Vermicomposting with Noke Limited until 1 August 2020, subject to the Approved Contract Sum not exceeding \$6,788,000.

Cr Mallett Dissenting.

14. Gordonton Road Corridor Macro Scope and Business Case Approval

The Capital Projects Manager introduced the report and noted that the purchase of land was budgeted for in the 2018-28 10-Year Plan. He responded to questions from Committee Members

concerning the link to the area known as R2, the design of the corridor including options to lessen traffic incidents, and funding of the project.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Deputy Mayor Gallagher)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves the macro scope of the Gordonton Road Corridor Improvement Project including the upgrade of the Gordonton-Puketaha Intersection and the Gordonton Pedestrian/Cycleway Network Improvements;
- b) requests staff bring the design and area wide considerations of the Gordonton Road Corridor/Puketaha intersection to an Access Hamilton meeting;
- c) approves the Gordonton Road Corridor Single Stage Business Case be submitted to the New Zealand Transport Agency to seek project funding approval; and
- d) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to purchase land required for the upgrade of the Gordonton-Puketaha Intersection, subject to New Zealand Transport Agency project funding approval.

16. Verbal report - Passenger Rail Project Update and Item C2. Passenger Rail Project Update

The General Manager Development spoke to report and explained that the item had been moved into the open session of the meeting as the tender process had closed since the agenda was completed. He noted that New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) had approved a subsidy at their 23 August 2019 board meeting, and that that there were two errors in the report. The first was that the Tasman Road urbanisation project was not to exceed \$14,265,000.00, and the second in relation to point 35 of the staff report was that the Gross Budget Provision total was \$22,829,000.00. He responded to questions from the Committee Members concerning the NZTA subsidy and the proposed design of the Tasman Road.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Deputy Mayor Gallagher)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to award Contract 18508 – Rotokauri Transport Hub up to an Approved Contract Sum of \$20,000,000.00, subject to the Hamilton City Council share of capital funding for the Rotokauri Public Transport Hub and the associated Tasman Road urbanisation project not exceeding \$14,265,000.00 as set out in this report.

Crs Mallett and Casson Dissenting.

Cr Macpherson left the meeting (2.52pm) during the discussion of the above item.

Cr Taylor Deputy Chair of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee resumed the Chair.

Cr Macpherson returned to the meeting at (3.09pm) during the discussion of the above item and resumed the Chair.

Cr O'Leary declared an conflict of interest during the discussion in relation to the item 16 (Verbal report - Passenger Rail Project Update) and item C2 (Passenger Rail Project Update) and did not take part in the debate or vote of either items. She left the meeting (3.05pm) during the discussion of the above item.

The meeting adjourned from 3.23pm to 3.30pm.

Cr Southgate retired from the meeting during the above adjournment.

15. General Managers' Report

The report was taken in parts and as read.

The General Manager City Growth outlined the proposed process to update Members on Sensitive Developments, such as the Amberfield Development, via a month clinic. She responded to questions from Committee Member concerning the definition of sensitive developments and the proposed structure of the monthly clinic sessions with Members.

The City Waters Manager responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the key features of the regulatory reforms that are a part of the Three Water Review.

The Chair of Access Hamilton, Cr Bunting, provided Committee Members with an overview of the Access Hamilton meeting on 26 August 2019. Along with staff he responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the Personal Hire Device Code of Practice.

The Transportation Operations Team Leader responded to questions from the Committee Members concerning the draft Regional Speed Management Plan and confirm that Hamilton City Council had its own Speed Management Plan.

The Chair of the Waste Taskforce, Cr Henry, provided Committee Members with an overview of the last Waste Taskforce meeting on 7 August 2019.

The General Manager Infrastructure Operations provided Committee Members with an overview Project Watershed and responded to questions from Committee Members concerning Waikato Regional Council proposed contribution, cost to Council, and funding from Waikato River Authority.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to circulate the signed Hamilton to Auckland Corridor Agreement to Committee Members.*

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to provide Committee Members with the Personal Hire Device Code of Practice as part of a future Executive Update.*

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Cr Bunting)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the Waikato Speed Management Plan (stage 1);
- c) notes a regular Clinic will be arranged for Elected Members to discuss Sensitive Development; and
- d) notes the proposed Hamilton City Council 2020-21 Project Watershed one year plan will be submitted to the Waikato Regional Council for approval through their 2020-21 Annual plan process.

Cr Mallett Dissenting.

Cr Macpherson retired from the meeting (4.16pm) during the discussion of the above item.

Cr Taylor Deputy Chair of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee resumed the Chair.

17. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Cr Bunting)

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 18 June 2019) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government) Official Information and) Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)

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)
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The meeting went into a Public Excluded session at 4.28pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 4.28pm.