

MINUTES	MEETING	TIME
STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE	THURSDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2016	10.00AM

Minutes of a meeting of the **Strategy and Policy Committee**, held in the Council Chambers, Ground Floor, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu on **Thursday, 24 November 2016**, commencing at 10am.

PRESENT	Cr	J	Cootes	Chair
	Cr	J	Howson	Deputy Chair
	Cr	M	Benton	
	Cr	A	Buswell	
	Cr	M	Cardiff	
	Cr	J	Elliott	
	Mayor	K	Gurunathan	
	Cr	J	Holborow	Deputy Mayor
	Cr	M	Scott	
	Cr	F	Vining	
ATTENDING	Mr	P	Dougherty	Chief Executive
	Mr	K	Black	Acting Group Manager Strategy & Planning
	Mr	K	Currie	Group Manager Regulatory Services
	Mr	S	Mallon	Group Manager Infrastructure Services
	Mr	W	Maxwell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Mr	M	Pedersen	Group Manager Community Services
	Ms	S	Stevenson	Acting Manager, Research Policy and Planning
	Ms	S	Hutcheson	Principal Policy Advisor
	Ms	S	Rushmere	Policy Planner (Intermediate)
	Ms	J	McDougall	Communications and Customer Services Manager
	Mrs	J	Nock	Executive Secretary, Corporate Services
	Ms	M	Stevens	Ōtaki Community Board
	Mr	P	Edwards	Paekākāriki Community Board
	Mr	J	Seamark	Waikanae Community Board
	Mr	S	Dray	WREMO
	Mr	M	Duncan	WREMO
APOLOGIES	Cr	D	Scott	

SPC 16/11/001

**WELCOME**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, read the Council blessing and declared the meeting open.

SPC 16/11/002

(a) **Apologies**

**MOVED (M Scott/Elliott)**

**An apology was accepted from Cr D Scott.**

**CARRIED**

(b) **Declarations of Interest Relating to agenda items.**

There were no declarations of interest relating to agenda items.

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SPC 16/11/003

**PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME (for items relating to the agenda)**

Flo McNeill

Ms McNeill showed a short video on the recent flooding, specifically around the Wainui Stream and surrounding paddocks at the north end of Paekākāriki. A map was tabled showing ponding and coloured lines where improvements could be made.

Ms McNeill was thanked for her presentation.

Trevor Daniell

Mr Daniell spoke in regard to the Wellington Regional Natural Hazards Management Strategy report on this agenda and his concerns over Response plans for the community and requested Council:

- review and update their tsunami plans; and
- help support and fund the Neighbourhood Support Group who could help the community be ready and able to respond in emergencies.

SPC 16/11/004

**MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

(a) Public Speaking Time Responses.

Flo McNeill

Sean Mallon, Group Manager Infrastructure Services advised that a full list of flood related capital projects including Tilley Road, Paekākāriki, would be available to Council in February with a view to potentially update the Long Term Plan.

Mr Mallon clarified that the flooding at the north end of Paekākāriki, as shown in the video, was primarily not due to the stormwater pipes but the upstream. The installation of a non-return valve would help to stop the low flow but would not fix the bigger problem, which was the capacity of the stream, the rail bridge and build-up of gravel that pushes the flow into the paddock.

Mr Mallon explained that the constraints on working on the stream were a combination of the requirements as per the new Regional Plan; any work undertaken now on open drains and streams in terms of gravel extraction or flood protection work required a consent. There were more costs involved in those activities including ecological and environmental work that needed to be done to obtain a consent to carry out the work.

Members acknowledged the work in progress and coming back to Council in February with a Works Programme. It was advised that the installation of a non-return valve would be a short term gain and could potentially provide relief to the surface water.

Trevor Daniell

Mr Daniell's comments were noted.

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#### Community Response Plan

Scott Dray, Senior Advisor, Community Resilience at Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) confirmed his plans to review all local Community Response Plans. The Plans had been updated to be more of an operational guide and more user friendly, to enable communities to self-activate.

Mr Dray advised that community consultation meetings were being arranged to discuss the Response Plans and would be advertised accordingly.

- (b) Leave of Absence  
There was no leave of absence requested.
- (c) Matters of an Urgent Nature.  
There were no matters of an urgent nature.

SPC 16/11/005

#### **BRIEFING ON THE EARTHQUAKE AND STORM RESPONSE ON 14-15 NOVEMBER**

Wayne Maxwell, Group Manager Corporate Services, Kevin Currie, Group Manager Regulatory Services and Janice McDougall, Communications and Customer Services Manager gave a presentation showing earthquake and storm response during 14-15 November 2016.

*Cr Elliott left the meeting at 10.45am and returned 10.46am.*

Community consultation was ongoing and Council staff would continue to work with WREMO to help educate the community.

Members were concerned over the inconsistency of tsunami warnings and were advised that Central Government was looking into the best possible outcomes and Members would be updated when information became available.

Members were encouraged to speak with Groups and the community and report any feedback they receive. It was agreed that the key issue was to educate the community so they were able to take some responsibility.

*Cr Holborow and Marilyn Stevens left the meeting at 11.33am and returned at 11.34am.*

SPC 16/11/006

#### **WELLINGTON REGIONAL NATURAL HAZARDS MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (SP-16-016)**

Ms Sarah Stevenson, Manager, Research Policy and Planning spoke to the report.

Members agreed to an additional recommendation to ensure there was iwi involvement during the engagement process.

**MOVED (M Scott/Elliott)**

**That the Strategy and Policy Committee notes and endorses the Staff submission on the Draft Wellington Region Hazards Strategy.**

**CARRIED**

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**MOVED (M Scott/Holborow)**

**That the Strategy and Policy Committee agrees to amend the wording of the Council submission on the Draft Wellington Region Natural Hazards Management Strategy at paragraph 4.5.2, to identify the need for ‘particularly’ identifying and involving iwi during the engagement process.**

**CARRIED**

SPC 16/11/007

**NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT - URBAN DEVELOPMENT CAPACITY (SP-16-017)**

Ms Stevenson spoke to the report and responded to Members’ questions.

**MOVED (Holborow/M Scott)**

**That the Strategy and Policy Committee notes:**

- a) **The Gazetting of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity.**
- b) **Implications of the National Policy Statement will become more apparent when guidance and communication from the Ministry for the Environment is provided.**
- c) **Staff will report back to the Strategy & Policy Committee once those implications are more clearly known.**

**CARRIED**

SPC 16/11/008

**POLICY WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE (SP-16-018)**

Ms Sam Hutcheson, Principal Policy Advisor spoke to the report and responded to Members’ questions.

It was clarified the Policy Work Programme would be reviewed in line with the Long Term Plan process.

**MOVED (Cardiff/Elliott)**

**That the Strategy and Policy Committee note the Policy Work Programme 2016-2018 included within this report (SP-16-018).**

**That the Strategy and Policy Committee note that the Policy Work Programme 2016-2018 will be reviewed within the first year of the 2016-2019 triennium and further information will be provided.**

**CARRIED**

*The Strategy and Policy Committee meeting closed at 12.29pm.*

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Chairperson

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Date