

**TE KAUNIHERA O TE AWA KAIRANGI | HUTT CITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of The Hutt City Council held in the Council Chambers,  
2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt on  
**Wednesday 6 March 2024 commencing at 3.35pm**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor C Barry (Chair)	Deputy Mayor T Lewis
Cr G Barratt	Cr J Briggs
Cr K Brown	Cr B Dyer
Cr S Edwards	Cr A Mitchell
Cr K Morgan	Cr C Parkin
Cr N Shaw (from 3.36pm)	Cr T Stallinger

**APOLOGIES:** Cr Tupou

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

J Miller, Chief Executive (part meeting)  
A Blackshaw, Director Neighbourhoods and Communities (part meeting)  
J Griffiths, Director Strategy and Engagement (part meeting)  
A Geddes, Director Environment and Sustainability (part meeting)  
J Kingsbury, Director Economy and Development (part meeting)  
J Livschitz, Group Chief Financial Officer (part meeting)  
B Hodgins, Strategic Advisor (part meeting)  
M Randall Senior Advisor Climate and Sustainability (part meeting)  
K Stannard, Head of Democratic Services (part meeting)  
J Randall, Democracy Advisor (part meeting)

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**1. OPENING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA TIMATANGA**

Whakataka te hau ki te uru	<i>Cease the winds from the west</i>
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga	<i>Cease the winds from the south</i>
Kia mākinakina ki uta	<i>Let the breeze blow over the land</i>
Kia mātaratara ki tai	<i>Let the breeze blow over the ocean</i>
E hī ake ana te atakura	<i>Let the red-tipped dawn come with</i>
He tio, he huka, he hau hū	<i>a sharpened air.</i>
Tihei mauri ora.	<i>A touch of frost, a promise of a</i>
	<i>glorious day.</i>

**2. APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED:** (Mayor Barry/Cr Mitchell)

**Minute No. C 24101(2)**

*“That the apology received from Cr G Tupou be accepted and leave of absence be granted.”*

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

Cr Shaw joined the meeting at 3.36pm.

### 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Mayor Campbell declared a conflict of interest in item 6 and took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

Cr Briggs and Cr Shaw declared conflicts of interest in item 10 and took no part in voting on the matter.

### 5. REGIONAL COLLABORATION ON A WATER SERVICES DELIVERY PLAN

Report No. HCC2024/1/59 by the Strategic Advisor

The Strategic Advisor elaborated on the report.

In response to a question from a member, the Strategic Advisor stated that nine authorities in the region were considering signing a Memorandum of Understanding to collaborate on a plan for delivering water services.

Mayor Barry confirmed that various authorities in the region were willing to collaborate. He emphasised the importance of Council considering the requirements of the entire regional and devising a sustainable water supply and wastewater system that would serve the future generations. He committed to working with other regional authorities with a sense of urgency to develop a water service delivery plan.

**RESOLVED:** (Mayor Barry/Cr Edwards)

**Minute No. C 24102(2)**

*"That Council:*

- (1) notes the Government's intended legislative changes to give effect to Local Water Done Well policy, including the requirement on councils to develop a water service delivery plan;*
- (2) approves signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) (attached as Appendix 1 to the report) to jointly develop a water service delivery plan with the other councils in the Wellington region;*
- (3) agrees to delegate authority to the Chief Executive to finalise the MoU, consistent with discussions and any amendments made by Council; and*
- (4) agrees to nominate the Mayor to be Council's representative on the Advisory Oversight Group for the joint water service delivery plan process."*

6. **PROPOSED OVERSEAS TRAVEL: UNITED KINGDOM INFRASTRUCTURE DELEGATION**

Report No. HCC2024/1/61 by the Head of Democratic Services

Mayor Barry declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter.

Deputy Mayor Lewis assumed the Chair for the duration of the item.

The Chief Executive elaborated on the memorandum.

In response to questions from members, the Chief Executive highlighted that the recommendations were a simple request for travel and, therefore, did not take into account any potential climate change impacts. She acknowledged that the delegation's learnings from Infrastructure New Zealand's delegation (the delegation) could help mitigate the effects of climate change in the region. She stated that she was not aware if any other representatives from the region were attending the delegation. She agreed that officers could look into requesting the cost of any future similar delegations to be shared across the region.

Cr Edwards expressed support for the motion. He believed it was beneficial for Mayor Barry to attend the delegation. He considered it as an investment towards learning better ways to manage water. He stated that Mayor Barry's knowledge and experience made him an excellent candidate to attend the delegation.

Cr Morgan expressed support for the motion. She stated that the relationships built during the delegation would benefit future Council work. She suggested arranging virtual delegations and tours to reduce costs.

Cr Briggs expressed support for the motion. He stated that the cost was a small investment considering the long term benefits for the city.

Cr Brown expressed support for the motion. She said the opportunity to view different water management methods would benefit the city.

Deputy Mayor Lewis expressed support for the motion. She stated that exploring different waste management methods would benefit the city.

**RESOLVED:** (Deputy Mayor Lewis/Cr Edwards)

**Minute No. C 24103(2)**

*"That Council:*

- (1) notes and receives the information;*
- (2) notes the Infrastructure New Zealand's delegation programme attached as Appendix 1 to the report;*
- (3) notes that the cost of the travel, estimated at \$10,000, and registration fee of \$7,900 will be covered by the Mayor's Office budget; and*
- (4) approves the travel request for Mayor Barry to attend Infrastructure New Zealand's delegation to the United Kingdom from Sunday, 16 to Saturday, 22 June 2024."*

Mayor Barry resumed the Chair.

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL FROM THE POLICY, FINANCE AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6 MARCH 2024**

**RESOLVED:** (Mayor Barry/Cr Mitchell)

**Minute No. C 24104(2)**

*"That Council adopts the recommendations made on the following reports and any amendments agreed at the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee meeting held on 6 March 2024:*

5(a) *Seaview Marina Limited Draft Statement of Intent 2024/25 to 2026/27; and*

5(b) *Urban Plus Limited Draft Statement of Intent 2024/25 to 2026/27."*

8. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

9. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** (Mayor Barry/Deputy Mayor Lewis)

**Minute No. C 24105(2)**

*"That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:*

10. *Recommendation to Council from the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee meeting held on 20 February 2024: Panel Members for Low Carbon Acceleration Fund*

11. *Recommendations to Council from the Chief Executive's Performance Review Subcommittee - Chief Executive's Employment Agreement: Chief Executive's Employment Agreement*

*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 are as follows:*

(A)	(B)	(C)
<i>General subject of the matter to be considered.</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter.</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution.</i>
<i>Recommendation to Council from the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee meeting held on 20 February 2024: Panel members</i>	<i>The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons. (s7(2)(a)).</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which</i>

*for Low Carbon  
Acceleration Fund*

*good reason for  
withholding exist.*

*Recommendations to  
Council from the Chief  
Executive's  
Performance Review  
Subcommittee - Chief  
Executive's  
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*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified in Column (B) above."*

There being no further business the Chair declared the public part of the meeting closed at 3.52pm. The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 4.19 pm.

C Barry  
**MAYOR**

**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record  
Dated this 27th day of March 2024**