



Confirmed minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Thursday 14 February in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9:32am

Present

Councillors Kedgley (Chair), Blakeley, Brash (Deputy Chair), Donaldson, Gaylor, Laban, Laidlaw, McKinnon, Ponter, Swain and Staples.

Public Business

1 **Apologies**

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr McKinnon)

That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Barbie Barton, Councillor Ogden, and Ihaia Puketapu.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 **Declarations of conflict of interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 **Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

4 **Confirmation of the public minutes of 6 December 2018**

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr McKinnon)

That the Committee confirms the public minutes of the meeting of 6 December 2018, Report 18.585.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

5 **Action items from previous meetings**

Report 19.8

File ref: CCAB-10-675

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr Blakeley)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

6 **Geoffrey Blundell Barrage Gates – Project update**

Wayne O'Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, Graeme Campbell, Manager, Flood Protection, and Tracy Berghan, Principal Planning Adviser, spoke to the report.

Report 19.32

File ref: CCAB-10-681

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report, the need to improve the health of Wairarapa Moana, the recommendations of the Ruamahanga Whaitua, and the interests of landowners in the area.*
3. *Agrees to support the intent of the proposed conditions including:*
 - a. *That GWRC will undertake a comprehensive catchment wide review of the Lower Wairarapa Valley (which includes the LWVDS) in advance of 2027; and*
 - b. *That GWRC will as appropriate undertake active monitoring and research activities in the operation of the Barrage Gates in the interim period between 2019 and 2027.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 **Review of the Wellington Harbour Risk Assessment**

Grant Nalder, Manager Harbours, (Harbourmaster) spoke to the report.

Report 19.28

File ref: CCAB-10-678

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr Lamason)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Endorses GWRC's position as an active participant in the on-going implementation of the Port & Harbour Marine Safety Code.*
4. *Notes the on-going upgrades to navigation systems in order to mitigate risks identified by Risk Assessment as part of the Code process.*
5. *Acknowledges CentrePort Limited and their work as partners in the Port & Harbour Marine Safety Code, and encourage their continuing improvements to marine services in line with the Risk Assessments.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: The Committee suggested that the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee review this report and the risks identified in it, in particular, the need for inner harbour radar coverage and a salvage capable tug.

8 **Update from the Climate Change Working Groups**

Jake Roos, Climate Change Advisor (Acting) spoke to the report.

Report 19.29

File ref: CCAB-10-679

Moved

(Cr Blakeley/ Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45am and Councillor Laidlaw left the meeting during the adjournment.

The meeting reconvened at 11:07am

9 **General Managers' report to the Environment Committee meeting on 14 February 2019**

Wayne O'Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, spoke to the report.

Report 19.7

File ref: CCAB-10-684

Moved

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Staples)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*

2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting closed at 11:30am.

Cr S Kedgley
(Chair)

Date: