

Report PE24.541

# Confirmed Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 26 September 2024

Committee Room, Greater Wellington Regional Council 34 Chapel Street, Masterton at 11.08am

## **Members Present**

Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair) Councillor Bassett Councillor Connelly Councillor Duthie Councillor Gaylor Councillor Kirk-Burnnand Councillor Laban (Until 11.09am, and from 11.19am) Councillor Lee (Until 11.37am, and from 11.42am) Councillor Nash Councillor Ropata Councillor Saw Councillor Woolf

Councillors Bassett, Connelly, Duthie, Gaylor, Laban and Woolf participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Councillor Staples, as Deputy Chair, presided at the meeting in the absence of the Council Chair.

## **Public excluded Business**

Councillor Laban departed the meeting at 11.09am, prior to the first item of Public Excluded business.

1 Confirmation of the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on Tuesday 27 August 2024 – Report PE24.461

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Bassett

That the Council confirms the Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting of 27 August 2024 – Report PE24.461.

The motion was **carried**.

### 2 Proposed Natural Resources Plan Change 1: Appointment of replacement Commissioner - Report PE24.463

Natasha Tomic, Team Leader Policy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Lee

That Council:

1 Appoints Puāwai Kake to the Proposed Natural Resources Plan Change 1: Part 1, Schedule 1 Hearings Panel to hear, deliberate and make recommendations on Part 1, Schedule 1 provisions of Proposed Natural Resources Plan Change 1.

The motion was **carried**.

#### 3 Purchase of land in Featherston – Report PE24.416

Jacky Cox, Manager Infrastructure, Assets and Support, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That Council:

- 1 Approves Greater Wellington entering into negotiations for the purchase of Lot 6 DP 397203 within Record of Title 387606 adjacent to Donald's Creek Detention Dam in Featherston.
- 2 Authorises the Chief Executive to enter into any agreements necessary to complete the proposed land purchase, and provided the Chief Executive is satisfied the terms and conditions negotiated represent a fair and reasonable outcome for Greater Wellington.

The motion was carried.

Councillor Laban returned at 11.19am during the discussion of the above item

#### 4 Confirmation of funding for Kauri Street depot – Stage One – Report PE24.498

Kevin Forward, Principal Advisor Strategy, and Tania Parata, Director Mana Whenua Partnerships, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Saw

That Council:

- 1 Notes that on 27 June 2024 Council adopted the Strategic Public Transport Asset Control Strategy.
- 2 Notes that on 27 June 2024, Council adopted the Long Term Plan 2024-2034, which provided for funding of \$101,332,784 over four financial years for a Southern Depot.

- 3 Notes that the Long Term Plan budget allocation assumed a 51% Funding Assistance Rate (FAR) from NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA).
- 4 Notes that the Southern Bus Depot was originally planned for a site in Lyall Bay, and that 30 May 2024, Council agreed to exit the lease on the Lyall Bay site and enter into a lease for the proposed depot at Kauri Street, Miramar subject to a number of conditions being met (Report RPE 24.250 Southern Depot lease Arrangement).
- 5 Notes that on 3 September 2024, Greater Wellington was advised by NZTA that it would not receive the 51% FAR funding for the Strategic Public Transport Asset Control Strategy, which included development of the Southern Depot.
- 6 Notes that the estimated total cost for the completion of Kauri Street Stage One is \$34.25 million.
- 7 Notes the estimated cost for Greater Wellington to complete Stage One of the Kauri Street Depot located at Kauri Street, Miramar is \$23.41 million (which is within the budgeted Local Share).
- 8 Notes that \$10.838 million funding from the NZTA Climate Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) is available for the development of the Southern Depot.
- 9 Notes that the Local Share component of the \$101,332,784 amounted to \$36.6 million over the 2024/25 to 2026/27 period.
- 10 Notes that officers are working with mana whenua and will provide updates to Council as these discussions progress.
- 11 Confirms that it will fund Stage One of the Kauri Street Depot located at Kauri Street, Miramar, without the previously assumed FAR funding.

The motion was carried.

Councillor Lee departed the meeting at 11.37am and returned at 11.42am, during the discussion of the above item

The Public Excluded part of the meeting closed at 11.52am.

Councillor D Ponter

Date: