

Please note these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti meeting on 26 August 2025.

Report 25.227

Public minutes of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti meeting on Tuesday 20 May 2025

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber
Greater Wellington Regional Council – Te Pane Matua Taiao
100 Cube Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.30am

Members Present

Councillor Ropata (Chair)
Councillor Ponter (Deputy Chair) (from 10.13am)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor Saw
Councillor Staples
Councillor Woolf

Councillor Woolf participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25A of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

Te Komiti Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Saw / Cr Nash

That te Komiti accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Duthie and Laban and apology for lateness from Councillor Ponter.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti meeting on 15 August 2024 – Report 24.437

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Staples

That te Komiti confirms the Public minutes of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti meeting on 15 August 2024 – Report 24.437.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Te Tiriti o Waitangi Komiti Work Programme Update – Report 25.214 [For Information]

Brett Cockeram, Hautū Hua, and Ana Nicholls, Hautū Mātauranga Māori, spoke to the report.

Noted: Te Komiti requested that future work programme reporting provide updates on Greater Wellington's partnerships with mātāwaka and pan-Māori organisations alongside our mana whenua partners.

6 Auditor General's Report on Treaty Settlements – Report 25.216 [For Information]

Verity Smith, Principal Advisor Māori, and Brett Cockeram, Hautū Hua, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr Staples

That te Komiti:

- 1 Requests that officers bring a report back to the next Komiti meeting outlining all of Greater Wellington's existing treaty settlement commitments and a plan for delivery and monitoring of these commitments.

The motion was **carried**.

Councillor Ponter arrived at the meeting at 10.13am at the conclusion of the above item.

7 Submissions, Positions and Implications on Māori Rights and Interests – Report 25.215

Ana Nicholls, Hautū Matauranga Taiao, Tawhiwhirangi Skipper, Senior Advisor Māori, and Verity Smith, Principal Advisor Māori, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Connelly

That te Komiti:

- 1 Notes the current and proposed Government reforms and their potential impacts on Māori rights and interests.
- 2 Notes Greater Wellington's ongoing approach to ensure Māori rights and interests are taken into account in submission opportunities.
- 3 Notes Greater Wellington's ongoing commitment to uphold the integrity of our partnerships.
- 4 Expresses concern regarding any reduction in the protection of Māori rights and interests as guaranteed in Te Tiriti o Waitangi, through Government reform.
- 5 Affirms Greater Wellington's approach to protect Māori rights and interests in its submissions on the Government's policy and legislative proposals.
- 6 Notes the considerable amount of resource that Greater Wellington has invested in submissions on Government reforms and implementing policy decisions relating to Māori issues.

The motion was taken in parts. Part 1 was put and was **carried**, part 2 was put and was **carried**, part 3 was put and was **carried**, part 4 was put and was **carried**, part 5 was put and was **carried**, part 6 was put and a show of hands was taken with four votes for and six votes against. Part 6 of the motion was **lost**.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30am at the end of questions on the above item and resumed at 10.43am.

8 Pathways to Partnership: Kaupapa Investment Model – Report 25.218

Aimee Bishop, Kaiwhakahaere Te Mana Taiao, and Ella Jaspers, Kaitohu Tuakana Rawa Taiao Matua, Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira Inc, and Kara Kearney, Partnership Manager, tabled a presentation and spoke on Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira Inc and Greater Wellington partnership.

Tania Smith-Parata, acting Pou Whakarae, spoke to the report.

Moved as a procedural motion: Cr Ropata / Cr Gaylor

That the item of business being discussed does lie on the table, and not be further discussed at that meeting.

The motion was **carried**.

Noted: Te Komiti requested that the Report on Wastewater Treatment Arrangements that respond to Māori Values case study be shared with te Komiti.

Noted: Te Komiti requested more information be provided in an updated report for consideration at the 26 August 2025 meeting on:

- the financial impacts of the Kaupapa investment model
- the assurance model, including reporting on delivery against funding.

Karakia whakamutunga

Te Komiti Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11.43am.

Councillor H Ropata

Chair

Date:

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