
Infrastructure and Transport Committee

Te Komiti Tuaapapa me ngaa Waka

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure and Transport Committee held in Council Chamber and Audio-Visual Link , Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Thursday 28 November 2024 at 9:38 am.

PRESENT

Chairperson <i>Heamana</i>	Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary
Deputy Chairperson <i>Heamana Tuarua</i>	Cr Tim Macindoe
Members	Mayor Paula Southgate Cr Ewan Wilson Cr Mark Donovan (via Audio visual link) Cr Louise Hutt Cr Kesh Naidoo-Rauf Cr Andrew Bydder Cr Geoff Taylor Cr Sarah Thomson (via audio visual link) Cr Emma Pike (via audio visual link) Cr Maria Huata Cr Anna Casey-Cox Cr Maxine van Oosten

The meeting was open by karakia lead by the Chair.

1. Apologies – *Tono aroha*

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O’Leary/Cr van Oosten)
That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Cr Tauariki, for lateness from Mayor Southgate, for partial attendance from Cr Donovan and Cr Taylor, Cr Huata, and for early departure from Cr van Oosten (Council Business) and Cr Macindoe.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – *Whakatau raarangi take*

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O’Leary /Cr Hutt)
That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee confirms the agenda.

3. Declarations of Interest – *Tauaakii whaipanga*

Cr Naidoo-Rauf declared an interest with the Public Forum speaker. She noted she would take part in the discussion.

4. Public Forum – Aatea koorero

Damian Mills spoke to Item 8 (*Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements - Approval of Green Programme*) requesting a signalised pedestrian crossing on Peachgrove road in proximity to Southwell School and noted his concerns for the students safety crossing the busy throughfare.

Simon Campbell spoke to Item 8 (*Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements - Approval of Green Programme*) requesting safety improvements to the Peachgrove Rd/East St intersection and noted he had regularly witnessed near misses of cyclists, pedestrians and motorist at the intersection.

Peter Bos spoke to Item 8 (*Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements - Approval of Green Programme*) in support of the proposed improvement to Morrinsville Road, specifically the use of door zones markings on roads and limited use of concrete separators.

Joe Baker spoke to Item 8 (*Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements - Approval of Green Programme*) requesting funding be allocated to be used to on improvements to pedestrian cycling and public transport facilities around Hamilton Boys' High School

Mayor Southgate joined the meeting (9.47am) during the above item.

5. Confirmation of the Infrastructure and Transport Open Minutes of 26 September 2024

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O'Leary/Cr Macindoe)

That the Infrastructure and Transport confirm the Open Minutes of the Infrastructure and Transport Committee Meeting held on 26 September 2024 as a true and correct record.

6. Chair's Report 28 November 2024

The Chair provided summary of her report noting the Council welcomed the Delegation from Logan, one of the Council's Sister Cities for a set of meetings. Also her concerns with the Speed Limit Reduction decision from New Zealand Transport Agency.

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O'Leary/Cr Macindoe)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee receives the report.

Cr Bydder Dissenting

7. Transport Projects Macroscopic Approvals

The Network & Systems Operations Manager provided an update on New Zealand Transport Agency approved funding projects. Staff responded to questions from Members concerning impacts from red light camera, reallocating of funding, staying within budget, and the make-up of the Communications Strategy.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Deputy Mayor O'Leary)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes the following Low Cost Low Risk projects have been approved by the NZ Transport Agency for co-investment in the Local Road Improvements programme for the 2024 -27 period:
 - i. Advanced Transport Management;
 - ii. Avalon Drive / Forest Lake Road intersection improvements; and
 - iii. Wairere Drive / River Road intersection improvements

- c) approves that the Advanced Transport Management project has been assessed as 'Green' under the Transport Delivery Making Framework and staff will progress the delivery of this work over the 2024-27 period;
- d) notes that staff will continue to work with NZTA to investigate opportunities for reallocating the approved funding for intersection improvements at Wairere Dr and River Rd and **Forest Lake Rd and Avalon Dr** to alternative safety improvements and will report back at an appropriate Infrastructure and Transport Committee on progress of these discussions.

Amendment : (Cr Casey-Cox/Cr Thomson)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

- a) receives the report;
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 - i. Advanced Transport Management;
 - ii. Avalon Drive / Forest Lake Road intersection improvements; and
 - iii. Wairere Drive / River Road intersection improvements
- c) approves that the Advanced Transport Management project has been assessed as 'Green' under the Transport Project Decision Making Framework and staff will progress the delivery of this work over the 2024-27 period;
- d) approves of the macro-scope design for the upgrade of the intersection of Avalon Drive and Forest Lake Road intersection by implementing
 - . **Option 2 (Alternative)** – upgrade the existing signalised intersection by realigning kerblines and upgrading adjacent pedestrian and cyclist facilities
- e) notes that staff will continue to work with the NZ Transport Agency to investigate opportunities for reallocating the approved funding for intersection improvements at Wairere Drive and River Road to alternative safety improvements and will report back at an appropriate Infrastructure and Transport Committee on progress of these discussions

The Amendment was put.

Those for the Amendment:	Mayor Southgate Councillors Casey-Cox, Hutt, , Thomson, van Oosten and Huata
Those against the Amendment:	Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillors Bydder, Pike, Naidoo-Rauf, Taylor, Wilson, Donovan and Macindoe

The Amendment was declared LOST.

The Motion was then put and declared CARRIED.

Resolved: (Cr Taylor/Deputy Mayor O'Leary)

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- i. Advanced Transport Management;
 - ii. Avalon Drive / Forest Lake Road intersection improvements; and
 - iii. Wairere Drive / River Road intersection improvements;
- c) approves that the Advanced Transport Management project has been assessed as 'Green' under the Transport Delivery Making Framework and staff will progress the delivery of this work over the 2024-27 period;
- d) notes that staff will continue to work with NZTA to investigate opportunities for reallocating the approved funding for intersection improvements at Wairere Dr and River Rd and **Forest Lake Rd and Avalon Dr** to alternative safety improvements and will report back at an appropriate Infrastructure and Transport Committee on progress of these discussions;

Cr Huata Dissenting.

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O'Leary/Cr Hutt)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

- a) approves of the macro-scope design for the upgrade of the walking and cycling facilities on Morrinsville Road (SH26) between Silverdale Road and Cambridge Road by implementing Option 2 (Alternative) – Separated cycleways, Raised Safety Platforms on side roads, signalised at grade crossing near Cambridge Road, kerb build outs to existing signalised crossing near Mullane Road; and
- b) notes that progress of the final design and consultation of the projects to be delivered in the Minor Transport Improvements programme will be communicated to Members via Executive Updates and approvals for the Traffic Bylaw and parking restrictions changes being presented to the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closures Hearings Panel as required.

The meeting was adjourned during discussion of the above item from 11.04 am to 11.22 am.

Cr Donovan retired from the meeting (11.22 am) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter of Morrinsville Road (SH26) was voted on.

8. Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements - Approval of Green Programme

The Network & Systems Operations Manager took report as read. Staff responded to questions from Members concerning alignment with Central City strategy, funding, timelines, and the total cost project.

Resolved: (Cr Bydder /Cr Pike)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements programme of Green Projects estimated \$12.68 million over the 2024-34 Long-Term Plan period as set out in **Attachment 1** to this report;
- c) approves moving of the Worley Place Shared Zone project to be added to the Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements programmes (Yellow Project List); and
- d) notes that the remainder of the Unsubsidised Minor Transport Improvements Programme will be recommended via an Elected Member workshop, with a list of projects being presented to the March 2025 Infrastructure and Transport Committee for approval and agreement on next steps for delivery in accordance with the Transport Decision Making Framework.

The meeting was adjourned 12.17pm to 12.20pm during discussion of the above item.

The meeting was adjourned 12.45pm to 1.35pm during discussion of the above item .

Cr Huata left the meeting at 1.35pm during adjournment.

9. Infrastructure and Assets General Managers Report

The Infrastructure and Assets General Managers took report as read. Staff responded to questions from Members concerning the urgency of work programmes and options for reducing cost.

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O’Leary/Cr Naidoo- Rauf)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) notes that a report on options for improvements to the intersection of Thomas Road and Horsham Downs Road will be presented to the March 2025 Infrastructure and Transport Committee.

Cr Wilson left the meeting (2.12pm) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

10. Illegal Dumping Mitigations

The Operations Manager outlined the staff report noting a further study was being conducted and would be report back to Members. Staff responded to questions from Members concerning potential outcomes from the of study and data of commercial vs public illegal dumping offenders.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to speak with Waste Management regarding a reduction in fee charging ranges.*

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Cr Casey-Cox)

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee

- a) receives the report;
- b) requests staff report back to the committee by the end of the triennium with:
 - i. the outcome of the study on barriers to the kerbside collection;
 - ii. an update on engagement regarding abandoned shopping trolleys; and
 - iii. resourcing requirements to carry out a cost-benefit analysis to identify a recommended pathway forward for further reducing litter/illegal dumping, including reducing barriers to correct disposal.

Cr Wilson re-joined the meeting (2.15pm) during the above item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

11. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor O’Leary /Cr van Oosten)
Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

The following motion is submitted for consideration:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely consideration of the public excluded agenda.

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 follows: General subject of each matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
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| C1. Confirmation of the Infrastructure and Transport Committee Public Excluded Minutes 26 September 2024 |) Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 | Section 48(1)(a) |
| C2. Illegal Dumping Mitigations | | |
| C3. Wastewater Treatment Plant Master Planning, Consenting and Designation Professional Services Contract Award | | |
| C4. Water Allocation Request Central City | | |
| C5. Bulk Wastewater Storage Designation | | |
| C6. Transport Land Purchases | | |
| C7. Building Renewals and Construction Works | | |
| C8. Recommendations from Strategic Growth and District Plan Committee Meeting | | |

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

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| Item C1. | to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper | Section 7 (2) (j) |
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Item C2.	advantage	
	to avoid the unreasonably, likely prejudice to the commercial position of a person who supplied or is the subject of the information	Section 7 (2) (b) (ii) Section 7 (2) (c) (i) Section 7 (2) (h) Section 7 (2) (i)
	to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence and disclosure would likely prejudice continual supply of similar information where it is in the public interest for that information to continue to be available	
	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	
Item C3.	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	Section 7 (2) (i)
Item C4.	to avoid the unreasonably, likely prejudice to the commercial position of a person who supplied or is the subject of the information	Section 7 (2) (b) (ii) Section 7 (2) (i)
	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	
Item C5.	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	Section 7 (2) (h) Section 7 (2) (i)
	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	Section 7 (2) (j)
	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	
	to protect the privacy of natural persons	Section 7 (2) (a)
Item C6.	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	Section 7 (2) (i)
Item C7.	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	Section 7 (2) (h) Section 7 (2) (i)
	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	
Item C8.	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	Section 7 (2) (h) Section 7 (2) (i)
	to enable Council to carry out negotiations	

Cr van Oosten retired from the meeting at the conclusion of the above item.

The meeting moved into the public excluded session at 2.38pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 3.15pm.