
Council *Kaunihera* OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held in Council Chamber and Audio Visual Link, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Wednesday 23 October 2024 at 11:34am.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mayor Paula Southgate
Heamana
Deputy Chairperson Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary
Heamana Tuarua

Members

- Cr Maxine van Oosten
- Cr Moko Tauariki (via Audio-Visual)
- Cr Ewan Wilson
- Cr Mark Donovan (via Audio-Visual)
- Cr Louise Hutt
- Cr Andrew Bydder
- Cr Geoff Taylor
- Cr Sarah Thomson
- Cr Emma Pike (via Audio-Visual)
- Cr Maria Huata
- Cr Anna Casey-Cox
- Cr Kesh Naidoo-Rauf (via Audio-Visual)
- Cr Tim Macindoe

External Presenters Peter McGlashan and Greg Bassam, NZ Transport Agency

The Chair opened the meeting with a karakia.

1. Apologies – *Tono aroha*

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate /Cr Thomson)
That the Council accepts the apologies for lateness from Cr Tauariki and for early departure from Cr Donovan.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – *Whakatau raarangi take*

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor O’Leary)

That the Council confirms the agenda noting:

- a) Item 5 (Recommendation from the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee) is deferred to the 31 October 2024 Council meeting; and
- b) the addition of late report Item C1 (City Honours Recommendations October 2024) due to technological issues. This report was unable to wait until a future meeting of the Council as there were time constraints.

3. Declarations of Interest – *Tauaakii whaipanga*

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. Public Forum – *Aatea koorero*

John McDonald-Wharry spoke to Item 6 (Macroscopic Approval – Heaphy Terrace Pedestrian Facility) regarding the location of the proposed crossing and features for a flat, signalised crossing with kerb build outs and pedestrian refuge.

Mohammed A Basith (Waikato Muslim Association) spoke to Item 6 (Macroscopic Approval – Heaphy Terrace Pedestrian Facility) supported a pedestrian crossing on Heaphy Terrace for people attending activities held at the Mosque complex as well as residents in the area.

5. Recommendation from the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee

This item was deferred to the 31 October 2024 Council meeting during Item 2 (Confirmation of Agenda)

5. Macroscopic Approval - Heaphy Terrace pedestrian facility

The Urban Transport Manager took the report as read. Staff responded to questions concerning funding, design deadline, protected trees and design standards.

Motion: (Deputy Mayor O’Leary/Cr Thomson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the reallocation of remaining CERF Transport Choices Programme funding to the installation of bus shelters and bike parking, with 90% subsidy from the NZ Transport Agency being \$360,000 and 10% local share funding being \$40,000 with the work to be completed by 30 June 2025;
- c) requests staff report back early in 2025 with an updated macroscopic for approval that includes updated options for level crossing points on Heaphy Terrace south of the Hamilton Jamia Mosque and a wider plan to consider treatments for the Heaphy Terrace and Boundary Road Intersection with funding from Council’s local share transport fund and NZTA co-funding; and
- d) notes that a safe pedestrian facility near the Hamilton Jamia Mosque has the strong support of Council and will be a high priority when considering Council’s local share transport funding.

Amendment: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bydder)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) delegates staff to work with NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi on an updated design for a Level Signalised Pedestrian Crossing (between the Hamilton Jamia Mosque and Stanley Street) using funding from the CERF Transport Choices Programme with the works to be completed by 30 June 2025;
- c) notes staff have raised the matter of trees location and that have been delegated authority to undertake the necessary works to enable the pedestrian cross to be completed;
- d) approves, if b) above is not achieved, the reallocation of remaining CERF Transport Choices Programme funding to the installation of bus shelters and bike parking, with 90% subsidy from the NZ Transport Agency being \$360,000 and 10% local share funding being \$40,000 with the work to be completed by 30 June 2025;
- e) requests, if b) above is not achieved, staff report back early in 2025 with an updated macroscope for approval that includes updated options for level crossing points on Heaphy Terrace south of the Hamilton Jamia Mosque and a wider plan to consider treatments for the Heaphy Terrace and Boundary Road Intersection with funding from Council's local share transport fund and NZTA co-funding; and
- f) notes that a safe pedestrian facility near the Hamilton Jamia Mosque has the strong support of Council.

The Amendment was put.

Those for the Amendment:

Mayor Southgate, Councillors Bydder,
Pike, Taylor, Naidoo-Rauf, Donovan,
Wilson and Macindoe

Those against the Amendment:

Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillors Hutt,
Casey-Cox, van Oosten, Thomson,
Tauariki and Huata

The Amendment was declared CARRIED.

The Amendment as the Substantive Motion was then put and declared CARRIED.

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transport fund and NZTA co-funding; and

- f) notes that a safe pedestrian facility near the Hamilton Jamia Mosque has the strong support of Council.

Deputy Mayor O’Leary and Cr van Oosten dissenting.

The meeting was adjourned from 12.22pm to 12.36pm during the discussion of the above item.

Cr Tauariki joined the meeting (11.58am) during the discussion of the above Item. He was present when the matter was voted on.

6. Temporary Road Closures

The Operate & Maintain Unit Director took the report as read.

Resolved: (Cr Hutt/Mayor Southgate)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the closure of Lake Domain Drive between Killarney Road and Gilbass Avenue between 4pm and 10pm on Saturday 2 November 2024 (with a backup date of Sunday 3 November 2024) to accommodate the Diwali Festival at Innes Common.
- c) approves the issue of a Notice of Decision stating Council’s decision to close Lake Domain Drive between Killarney Road and Gilbass Avenue between 4pm and 10pm on Saturday 2 November 2024 (with a backup date of Sunday 3 November 2024) to accommodate the Diwali Festival at Innes Common.

7. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Cr van Oosten)

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
C1. City Honours Recommendations October 2024) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government) Official Information and) Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)

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:

Item C1.	to protect the privacy of natural persons	Section 7 (2) (a)
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The meeting was moved into the Public Excluded session at 1.10pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 1.15pm.