

Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the next meeting of Te Upoko Taiao - Natural Resource Plan Committee on 3 June 2010.

Report 10.208

21 April 2010

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Minutes of the meeting of the Te Upoko Taiao - Natural Resource Plan Committee held at the Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday 21 April 2010 at 9.30 am

Present

Councillors Wilde (Co-Chair), Baber, Buchanan, Donaldson, Glensor, Laidlaw and Wilson

Messrs Carkeek (Co-Chair), Evans, Faulkner, Puketapu and Smith and Mesdames Burge and Mellish.

Councilor Wilde was the presiding member for the meeting.

Also Present

Councillor Aitken

Public Business

Teri Puketapu offered the opening karakia.

Rik Ellison, who will be starting at Greater Wellington as the Manager, Maori Relations in May, was introduced to the Committee.

NRP 16 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

NRP 17 **Declarations of possible conflict of interest**

There were no declarations of possible conflict of interest.

NRP 18 **Public participation**

There was no public participation

NRP 19 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw /Liz Mellish)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of 10 March 2010, Report 10.108.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Te Waari Carkeek arrived - 9.45am

NRP 20 **National Policy Statements and National Environmental Standards – presentation from Ministry for the Environment**

Oral Report

Barry Johnson from the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) spoke to the Committee about the role of National Policy Statements and National Environmental Standards, and their relationship with regional and territorial authority-level documents.

Committee members asked Mr Johnson how best to prepare for possible National Policy Statements or Environmental Standards that may arise in the future, that could affect the Regional Plan directly. It was agreed that it would be best not to try and ‘second-guess’ central government policy, and proceed with the Plan development, but be mindful of MfE’s work programme so that there are no surprises when Policy Statements and Standards are published.

Cr Wilde left the room, Mr Carkeek took over as presiding member – 9.55am

Cr Wilde returned, resumed as presiding member – 10.05am

NRP 21 **Engagement and Communications Plan**

Report 10.183

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Members discussed the draft engagement plan and gave suggestions for improvements, including engagement methodology and scope. The draft “brand” was also raised as an issue by one member of the committee. It was decided that a group of committee members should work with officers on a revised draft prior to the next meeting.

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Mr Carkeek)

That the Committee

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Establishes a group made up of Crs Buchanan, Glensor and Wilde, Mme Mellish and Messrs Carkeek and Faulkner, to discuss and finalise the draft engagement strategy and report back to the Committee at its next meeting.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

NRP 22 Regional climate change response

Alison Lash and Ian Dawe spoke to the report, and gave presentations on the case for action, Greater Wellington's response, and current issues that are already apparent.

Report 10.180

File: CP/20/06/01

Moved

(Cr Wilson /Mr Smith)

That the Committee

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

NRP 23 Māori Values and Regional Resource Management

Mike Grace spoke to the report.

Report 10.175

File: E/06/37/03

Moved

(Mr Smith /Mr Puketapu)

That the Committee

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Te Waari offered the closing karakia.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm

CR FH WILDE
Co Chair
Date:

TE WAARI CARKEEK
Co Chair
Date:

