

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Strategy Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 30 June 2021, commencing at 9.00am

Members Present: Councillor Aleisha Rutherford (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Renee Dingwall, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

Non Members: Councillors Susan Baty, Lew Findlay QSM and Karen Naylor.

Apologies: Councillor Rachel Bowen (early departure on Council Business).

Councillor Vaughan Dennison entered the meeting at 9.04am during consideration of clause 15. He left the meeting at 9.51am and entered the meeting again at 10.08am, during consideration of clause 18. He was not present for clause 14.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) was not present when the meeting resumed at 11.05am. He entered the meeting again at 11.25am during consideration of clause 18. He was not present for clause 18.1.

Councillor Rachel Bowen left the meeting at 11.46am during consideration of clause 19. She was not present for clause 19.

14-21 **Apologies**

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 14-21 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

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15-21 Public Comment

Prior to hearing the residents wishing to make public comment, the Chairperson asked the Chief Planning Officer to outline the process related to the Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change request.

The Chief Planning Officer explained that if Council accepted the proposal, there would be a full public consultation process, which included the opportunity for submissions and a public hearing under the Resource Management Act, then the commissioners would make a decision and submitters have a right of appeal.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison entered the meeting at 9.04am.

The following residents of Meadowbrook Drive appeared before the Committee and made public comment in relation to the Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change request, considered in clause 17 below:

1. Mr Ted Anderson stated that he and his wife opposed the Private Plan Change request as it would increase the risk of flooding in the area.
2. Mr John Anderson advised that the land subject to the request had experienced flooding in the past and that the proposal would affect the current residents' lifestyle and quality of life. Mr Anderson also stated that neighbours would lose the amenity of light and their view, and that wind impact should be analysed. The land is categorised by Horizons Regional Council as a zone 1 floodway.
3. Mr Tony Cade expressed his opposition to the proposed development pointing out the flood risk of the area and the adverse effects of increased traffic.
4. Ms Ruth Hodges stated her opposition to the proposal and that she looked forward to the public consultation stage. Ms Hodges explained that they had chosen to live on Meadowbrook Drive on the understanding that residential developments would not be permitted in the area due to it being a floodplain.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the public comment from Mr Ted Anderson, Mr John Anderson, Mr Tony Cade and Ms Ruth Hodges, be received for information.

Clause 15-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy

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Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

16-21 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Planning & Strategy Committee meeting of 12 May 2021 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 16-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

17-21 **Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change Request**

Memorandum, presented by Michael Duindam, Acting City Planning Manager.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change request by Flyers Investment Group Ltd, included as attachment 1 to the memorandum titled 'Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change Request' presented to the Planning & Strategy Committee on 30 June 2021, be accepted pursuant to Section 25(2)(b), Part 2 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Clause 17.1-21 above was carried 15 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

Against:

Councillor Lew Findlay QSM.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

2. That the Whiskey Creek Private Plan Change request by Flyers Investment Group Ltd be publicly notified in accordance with Section 26, Part 2 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Clause 17.2-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

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For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

18-21 Palmerston North Housing Capacity Assessment Report - June 2021

Memorandum, presented by Michael Duindam, Acting City Planning Manager, and Peter Crawford, Economic Policy Advisor.

In discussion the Committee divided recommendation 2 from the Officer's report.

The Chief Planning Officer advised that the first paragraph of recommendation 9.3 of the Palmerston North Housing Capacity Assessment Report was already incorporated in Council Strategies. Consequently, Elected Members only voted on the second paragraph of the said recommendation 9.3.

The Committee referred recommendation 9.6 of the Palmerston North Housing Capacity Assessment Report to the review of the Rating Policy for consideration.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison left the meeting at 9.51am and entered the meeting again at 10.08am.

The meeting adjourned at 10.46am.

The meeting resumed at 11.05am.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) was not present when the meeting resumed.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Palmerston North Housing Capacity Assessment Report – June 2021 presented to the 30 June 2021 Planning & Strategy Committee, included as attachment 1 to this memorandum, be received.

Clause 18.1-21 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) entered the meeting again at 11.25am.

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Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

2. That the housing targets in section 7.6 and recommendations in sections 9.1, 9.2, 9.4 and 9.5 of the Palmerston North Housing Capacity Assessment Report - June 2021, be adopted, and that recommendation 9.6 be referred to The Rates Review for consideration.

Clause 18.2-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

3. That investigations be undertaken to determine whether under-utilised reserves, including sports fields, could be partially or fully repurposed for housing.

Clause 18.3-21 above was carried 9 votes to 7, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

Against:

Councillors Zulfiqar Butt, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan and Bruno Petrenas.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

4. That the Urban Development Capacity Indicators 2020 Annual Report presented to the 30 June 2021 Planning & Strategy Committee, included as attachment 2 to this memorandum, be received.

Clause 18.4-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

19-21 **Committee Work Schedule - June 2021**

Councillor Rachel Bowen left the meeting at 11.46am.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

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The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Planning & Strategy Committee receive its Work Schedule dated June 2021.

Clause 19-21 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Orphée Mickalad.

The meeting finished at 11.48am

Confirmed 11 August 2021

Chairperson

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