

# PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Planning & Strategy Committee Meeting Public, held via an Audio Visual Meeting on 08 September 2021, commencing at 9.01am

**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 and Orphée Mickalad.

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

**Apologies:** Councillors Billy Meehan (lateness) and Bruno Petrenas

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 9.05am during consideration of clause 29. He was not present for clause 28.

Councillor Zulfiqar Butt momentarily left the meeting due to a connectivity issue during consideration of clause 31. He was not present for sub-clause 31.2.

### 28-21 Apologies

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

#### The COMMITTEE RESOLVED

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 28-21 above was carried 14 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, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

#### Declaration of Interest

Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared an interest in item 7 Draft Support and Funding Policy - Approval for Consultation (sub-clause 31.4-21) and took no part in discussion or debate of this sub-clause.

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### **29-21 Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Planning & Strategy Committee meeting of 11 August 2021 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 29-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

### **30-21 Annual Section 10A Dog Control Act 1996 Report**

Memorandum, presented by Kerry-Lee Probert, Head of Environmental Protection Services, and Ross McDermott, Team Leader - Animal Management & Education.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

#### The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the report of the Dog Control Policy and Practices for the Palmerston North City Council pursuant to Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 for the period 2020/21, as attached to this memorandum titled 'Annual Section 10A Dog Control Act 1996 Report' presented to the Planning & Strategy Committee on 8 September 2021, be received.

Clause 30-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

### **31-21 Draft Support and Funding Policy - Approval for Consultation**

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald, Strategy and Policy Manager; Ann-Marie Mori, Policy Analyst, Lili Kato, Policy Analyst; Stephanie Velvin, Acting Community Development Manager; and Bryce Hosking, Manager – Property.

The meeting adjourned at 10.49am.  
The meeting resumed at 11.11am.

In discussion it was agreed to approve the Draft Support and Funding Policy 2021 for consultation, subject to the inclusion of the following

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requested amendments:

- To note the Square Edge and Creative Sounds buildings as Out of Scope. Both organisations' lease agreements align more with the out of scope criteria 'Occupancy of Council Cultural Facilities'.
- To remove the suggested exclusions in relation to the Community Development Small Grants fund, listed in sub-clause 31.2 below, as the proposed changes to the criteria would unnecessarily reduce the eligibility of this grant.
- To signal intent within the draft Policy to remove sector-lead organisations in the arts, social and environmental sectors from the contestable funding model and offer them funding contracts instead, in accordance with the strategic direction established in the 10-Year Plan 2021-31.
- To expand the scope of the development contributions subsidy to include building and resource consents costs, to make this already budgeted fund more accessible.
- To include option 2 (status quo) in the draft Policy as the community rental framework option to be consulted on for community occupancy of Council property, because the proposed option 1 could imply a significant cost increase for some community organisations.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Lorna Johnson.

### The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the occupancy of Square Edge and Creative Sounds buildings be noted as Out of Scope.

Clause 31-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

Moved Renee Dingwall, seconded Lorna Johnson.

2. To amend Part B, section 7, #6 'Community Development Small Grants fund' of the Draft Support and Funding Policy, in order to remove the following new exclusions:
  - Applicants who at the time of applying are, or will be, recipients of Council's strategic priority grant;
  - Applicants whose current assets minus current liabilities are more than two years running costs.

Clause 31-21 above was carried 13 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

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**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillor Karen Naylor.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

3. To signal intent within the Draft Support and Funding Policy 2021 to remove sector-lead organisations in the arts, social and environmental sectors from the contestable funding model and offer them funding contracts instead.

Clause 31-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Susan Baty.

4. That the scope of the development contributions subsidy is expanded to include building and resource consents costs.

Clause 31-21 above was carried 14 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 and Orphée Mickalad.

**Note:**

Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared a conflict of interest and withdrew from discussion and voting.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Rachel Bowen.

5. That option 2 (status quo) is consulted on for community rental framework for occupancy of Council property.

Clause 31-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

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Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

6. That the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor be authorised to approve minor amendments to the Draft Support and Funding Policy 2021 prior to publication.
7. That the Draft Support and Funding Policy 2021, included as an attachment to the memorandum titled 'Draft Support and Funding Policy – Approval for Consultation' presented to the Planning & Strategy Committee on 8 September 2021, be approved for consultation, subject to the agreed amendments.

Clauses 31-21 and 31.7-21 above were carried 13 votes to 1, with 1 abstention, 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, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

**Against:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith).

**Abstained:**

Councillor Leonie Hapeta.

*Clauses 31.1-21 to 31.7-21 not adopted by Council on 6 October 2021  
Clause 122-21*

**Note:**

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

On a procedural motion that: 'That the item of business being discussed lie on the table, and not be further discussed at that meeting, until the following meeting of the Planning & Strategy Committee Meeting in October', so that the Committee could consider an amended version of the draft Support and Funding Policy 2021 before approving it for public consultation.

The motion was lost 5 votes to 10, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

**Against:**

Councillors Aleisha Rutherford, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson and Karen Naylor.

### 32-21

#### **Draft Stormwater Bylaw - approval for consultation**

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald, Strategy & Policy Manager; Ann-Marie Mori, Policy Analyst; and Robert van Bentum, Chief Engineer.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

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### The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the Council approve the draft Palmerston North Stormwater Bylaw 2022 Consultation Document (as attached as attachment one in the report titled "Draft Stormwater Bylaw – approval for consultation" presented to the Planning & Strategy Committee on 8 September 2021) for public consultation.
2. That the Chief Executive be authorised to approve minor amendments to the consultation document prior to publication.

Clause 32-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

### **33-21 Committee Work Schedule - September 2021**

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

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

Clause 33-21 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, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Orphée Mickalad.

The meeting finished at 12.12pm

Confirmed 20 October 2021

**Chairperson**