

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Economic Development Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 14 May 2018, commencing at 9.02am

Members Present: Councillor Adrian Broad (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Duncan McCann, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

Non Members: Councillors Susan Baty, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor and Bruno Petrenas.

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford left the meeting at 11.17am during consideration of clause 19. She entered the meeting again at 11.29am during consideration of clause 20. She was not present for clause 19.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) left the meeting at 11.40am after consideration of clause 21. He was not present for clauses 22 and 23.

Councillor Susan Baty left the meeting at 11.41am after consideration of clause 22. She entered the meeting again at 11.42am after consideration of clause 23. She was not present for clause 23.

The meeting adjourned at 9.03am.
The meeting resumed at 10.18am.

18-18 Presentation - Massey University

Presentation from Professor Giselle Byrnes, Assistant Vice-Chancellor, Research, Academic and Enterprise of Massey University.

Professor Byrnes spoke about a new programme called Kahurei which focused on the transition from student study to employment and to provide a framework to really amplify the students skills and knowledge. Creating students who will not just go into the workforce but also create jobs. Professor Byrnes mentioned that obtaining and developing transferable skills is one of the most crucial outcomes of tertiary study.

Professor Byrnes advised the programme's current status was that approval had been granted for a full pilot to be rolled out in either Semester two 2018 or from Semester one 2019 and that it would be important for the University to test the correlation between enhanced student engagement and retention.

Moved Adrian Broad, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

The COMMITTEE RESOLVED

1. That the Economic Development Committee receive the presentation for

information.

Clause 18-18 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

19-18

Presentation - FoodHQ

Presentation from Dr Abby Thompson, Chief Executive Officer of FoodHQ.

Dr Thompson gave an overview of the FoodHQ planning. Dr Thompson mentioned that FoodHQ is a collaboration that brings together New Zealand's best capability in food science and innovation, with more than 2,200 scientists, academics and PhD students involved in food research and supported by local government organisations.

Dr Thompson spoke about the three areas of activity that they were focussing on including collaborative culture, world class capability, facilities and equipment and business attraction in New Zealand and overseas. Dr Thompson also spoke about how they wanted to achieve a vibrant and productive food science and innovation precinct where people work together to transform the food and beverage sector, and what the benefits for the wider region were.

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford left the meeting at 11.17am.

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Susan Baty.

The COMMITTEE RESOLVED

1. That the Economic Development Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 19-18 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Tangi Utikere.

20-18

Presentation - Rangitane o Manawatu Holdings Ltd

Presentation from Ruma Karaitiana, Chair of Rangitane o Manawatu Holdings Ltd.

Mr Karaitiana spoke about the commercial activity and economic objectives of Rangitane in Palmerston North. He gave an update on the projects they were working on including the Fitzherbert Avenue site and how they were looking for partnership opportunities for the balance of the site; the subdivision in Hokowhitu and how they were hoping to get machines on site in

Spring/Summer to start some work and the Awatapu College and Linton sites which they were looking into.

Mr Karaitiana also spoke about the former police station negotiations and how it was filled with asbestos and becoming riddled with mould and other contaminants. He was told that he could not enter the site as it was a health and safety hazard. He mentioned that they would be taking on a huge risk and would likely have to involve demolition and contamination cleanup costs.

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford entered the meeting again at 11.29am.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Bruno Petrenas.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Economic Development Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 20-18 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

NOTE:

Councillor Leonie Hapeta declared a conflict of interest on clause 20-18 above and left the meeting.

21-18

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting of 16 April 2018 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 21-18 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) left the meeting at 11.40am.

22-18

Committee Work Schedule

Moved Adrian Broad, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Economic Development Committee receive its Work Schedule dated May 2018.

Clause 22-18 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

Councillor Susan Baty left the meeting at 11.41am.

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

23-18 Recommendation to Exclude Public

Moved Adrian Broad, seconded Rachel Bowen.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

“That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting listed in the table below.

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 are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing this resolution
11.	Youth Ambassador to Friendship City Kunshan	Privacy	s7(2)(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 the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

Also that the persons listed below be permitted to remain after the public has been excluded for the reasons stated.

Chief Executive (Heather Shotter), Chief Financial Officer (Grant Elliott), General Manager, City Enterprises (Ray McIndoe), General Manager, City Future (Sheryl Bryant), General Manager, City Networks (Ray Swadel), General Manager, Customer Services (Peter Eathorne), General Manager, Libraries and Community Services (Debbie Duncan), Human Resources Manager (Wayne Wilson), General Manager, Marketing and Communications (Sacha Haskell), and Communications Advisor (name) because of their knowledge and ability to provide the meeting with advice on matters both from an organisation-wide context (being members of the Council’s Management Team) and also from

their specific role within the Council.

Legal Counsel (John Annabell), because of his knowledge and ability to provide the meeting with legal and procedural advice.

Governance and Support Team Leader (Kyle Whitfield) and Committee Administrators (Penny Odell, Carly Chang and Rachel Corser), because of their knowledge and ability to provide the meeting with procedural advice and record the proceedings of the meeting.

Toni Grace, because of her knowledge and ability to assist the meeting in speaking to their report and answering questions, noting that such officer will be present at the meeting only for the item that relate to their respective report.

Clause 23-18 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Adrian Broad, Gabrielle Bundy-Cooke, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay QSM, Leonie Hapeta, Jim Jefferies, Lorna Johnson, Duncan McCann, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Tangi Utikere.

Councillor Susan Baty entered the meeting again at 11.42am

The public part of the meeting finished at 11.43am.

Confirmed 11 June 2018

Chairperson