

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 11 November 2020, commencing at 9.04am

Members Present: Councillor Rachel Bowen (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Brent Barrett, Zulfiqar Butt, Renee Dingwall, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas and Aleisha Rutherford.

Non Members: Councillors Susan Baty, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta and Billy Meehan.

Apologies: Councillors Vaughan Dennison and Lew Findlay QSM.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) was not present when the meeting resumed at 12.00pm. He was not present for clauses 27.2 to 27.4 inclusive. He was present when the meeting resumed at 2.01pm.

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford left the meeting at 10.04am during consideration of clause 26. She entered the meeting again at 10.08am during consideration of clause 27. She was not present for clause 26.

Councillor Karen Naylor left the meeting at 3.02pm during consideration of clause 31. She was not present for clauses 31 and 32 inclusive.

23-20 Apologies

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The COMMITTEE RESOLVED

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 23-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

24-20 Presentation - Caccia Birch Trust Board

Mr Grant O'Donnell, Chairperson of Caccia Birch Trust Board, expressed the Board's opinion on the process and report resulting from the Section 17A Review of Caccia Birch House, considered in clause 27 below, and the preferred option stated therein.

Mr O'Donnell raised concerns regarding the process which led to the conclusion of the report. He questioned the Council officers' approach to the Board, since they were given only three days to respond to the report and the

Caccia Birch House manager had not been engaged in the process. In the Board's view, the recommendation to disestablish the almost 30-year organisation was likely to lead to disenfranchisement of the community as well as a potential risk to cultural heritage.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 24-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

25-20

Presentation - Creative Sounds (The Stomach)

Mr Harry Lilley, Manager of Creative Sounds Society Incorporated (The Stomach), presented an overview of the work carried out by Creative Sounds since its last presentation to committee in February 2018, mentioning the achievements, goals and funding plan.

Mr Lilley highlighted that The Stomach had grown to be much more than a music venue, recording studio and rehearsal facility; a community had been formed around the venue with a strong identity. The organisation also worked in collaboration with other institutions and the community.

Although Covid-19 had negative impacts on the venue operation, they continued with the provision of services and managed to maintain a stable financial position. The live streaming capabilities have been improved, and The Stomach has gained nationwide recognition.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 25-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

26-20 Confirmation of Minutes

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford left the meeting at 10.04am.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The COMMITTEE RESOLVED

1. That the minutes of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee meeting of 12 August 2020 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 26-20 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

Councillor Aleisha Rutherford entered the meeting again at 10.08am.

27-20 Section 17A Review of Caccia Birch House

Report, presented by Julie Macdonald, Strategy & Policy Manager.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

The COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

1. That the report entitled 'Section 17A Review of Caccia Birch House', presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, be received.

Clause 27.1 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

The meeting adjourned at 10.44am.

The meeting resumed at 12.00pm.

The Mayor was not present when the meeting resumed.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

2. That Council endorse Option 2, Service delivery by the Council, of the report entitled 'Section 17A Review of Caccia Birch House', presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, as the preferred option for the day-to-day management of Caccia Birch House, grounds and Coach House.

Clause 27.2 above was carried 8 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Rachel Bowen, Renee Dingwall, Lorna Johnson, Susan Baty, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan and Aleisha Rutherford.

Against:

Councillors Brent Barrett, Zulfiqar Butt, Karen Naylor and Bruno Petrenas.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

3. That Council instruct the Chief Executive to undertake public consultation on the preferred option and report back through the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee.
4. That Attachment 2 (Confidential) be publicly released if Council decides not to pursue a commercial lease agreement for Caccia Birch House, with the information about the terms of Council's catering contract redacted.

Clauses 27.3 and 27.4 above were carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

28-20

Cultural Council Controlled Organisations' Annual Reports 2019-20

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald, Strategy & Policy Manager.

Caccia Birch Trust Board, Regent Theatre Trust Board, The Globe Theatre Trust Board and Te Manawa Museums Trust presented their Annual Reports to the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 1.02pm.

The meeting resumed at 2.01pm.

The Mayor was present when the meeting resumed.

Elected Members acknowledged the resilience of the Cultural Council Controlled Organisations and thanked them for their efforts.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Karen Naylor.

The COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

1. That the memorandum entitled 'Cultural Council Controlled Organisations' Annual Reports 2019-20' presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, be received.
2. That Council receive the annual reports for 2019-20 submitted by Caccia Birch Trust Board, Regent Theatre Trust, Globe Theatre Trust and Te Manawa Museums Trust (Attachments 2, 4, 6 and 8 of the memorandum entitled 'Cultural Council Controlled Organisations' Annual Reports 2019-20', presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020).
3. That Council thanks the board members, staff and volunteers of Caccia Birch Trust Board, Regent Theatre Trust, Globe Theatre Trust and Te Manawa Museums Trust for their contributions and commitment during the 2019-20 year.

Clause 28-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

29-20 Te Manawa Museums Trust Quarterly Update (1 July 2020 to 30 September 2020)

Memorandum, presented by Andy Lowe, Chief Executive, Te Manawa.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Te Manawa Museums Trust Quarterly Update (1 July 2020 to 30 September 2020), presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, be received for information.

Clause 29-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

30-20 Statement of Expectation for Cultural Council Controlled Organisations 2021-22

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald, Strategy & Policy Manager.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the memorandum entitled 'Statement of Expectations for Cultural Council Controlled Organisations 2021-22' presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, be received.
2. That Council approve the Statements of Expectations delivered to Te Manawa Museums Trust, Regent Theatre Trust, Globe Theatre Trust, and Caccia Birch Trust Board in 2019 (Attachments 1–4 of the memorandum entitled 'Statement of Expectations for Cultural Council Controlled Organisations 2021-22', presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020) as the basis for the Statements of Intent 2021–2024.

Clause 30-20 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

31-20

Status and activities of the Arts Powerhouse Group

Memorandum, presented by Joann Ransom, Community Development Manager.

Councillor Karen Naylor left the meeting at 3.02pm.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the memorandum entitled 'Status and activities of the Arts Powerhouse Group' presented to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee on 11 November 2020, be received for information.

Clause 31-20 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

32-20

Committee Work Schedule

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Brent Barrett.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee receive its Work Schedule dated November 2020.

Clause 32-20 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

The meeting finished at 3.05pm

Confirmed 17 February 2021

Chairperson