

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 05 April 2023, commencing at 9.03am

Members Present: Grant Smith (The Mayor) (in the Chair) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta left the meeting at 4.12pm after the consideration of clause 50. She was not present for clauses 51 to 54 inclusive.

Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald opened the meeting with karakia.

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Lorna Johnson declared a conflict of interest in Item 16 'Strategy & Finance Committee Part I Public - 22 March 2023' (clause 54.1 only) and took no further part in discussion or debate on that item.

42-23 Public Comment

Walter Davis made public comment regarding Item 8 'Consideration of Options to Progress the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan' (clause 45) and presented his ideas regarding potential design, uses and entertainment opportunities in the area.

Walter suggested redesigning and expanding the current civic and cultural precinct foot print and proposed a new combined building for the Library and Te Manawa, as well as other potential uses, on the Railway Land Reserve. Green space could be replaced by the museum's current location and the Library building could be repurposed or sold.

Walter pointed out that the budget allocated to the project should be invested smartly and strategically, with a long term vision, considering public-private partnerships.

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Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That the public comment be received for information.

Clause 42-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

43-23

Petition: Over-utilisation of land – Kāinga Ora Housing Development at 16-24 South Street, Palmerston North

A resident of South Street presented a petition, signed by 38 people, requesting that Kāinga Ora reconsider the project at South Street to reduce the number of houses to be built to 4 to 6 single storey dwellings. Petitioners consider the proposed 10 double storey houses are too many for South Street and would generate issues with parking, traffic, storm and wastewater networks; as well as offer limited green space and amenities for the new occupants.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the petition 'Over-utilisation of land – Kāinga Ora Housing Development at 16-24 South Street, Palmerston North' for information.

Clause 43-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

44-23

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 15 March 2023 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 44.1-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick

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Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

2. That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 15 March 2023 Part II Confidential be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 44.2-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

Abstained:

Councillors Billy Meehan and Kaydee Zabelin.

REPORTS

45-23 **Consideration of Options to Progress the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan**

Report, presented by Jono Ferguson-Pye, City Planning Manager David Murphy, Chief Planning Officer.

Elected Members requested that a programme to repair or replace the roof of the City Library be included for consideration in the 2023-24 Annual Budget, to ensure the Library roof is considered now rather than linked to the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan progress.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council approve Option 3 as detailed in the report presented to the 1 March 2023 Council meeting titled 'Consideration of Options to Progress the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan.'
2. That Council direct the Chief Executive to prepare a set of programmes to be considered by Council for inclusion in the 10-Year Plan 2024-34 to support Option 3 as detailed in the report presented to the 1 March 2023 Council meeting titled 'Consideration of Options to Progress the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan.'
3. That Council direct the Chief Executive to include the three options detailed in the report presented to the 1 March 2023 Council meeting titled 'Consideration of Options to Progress the Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan' within the consultation material prepared for the 2024-34 Long Term Plan for consideration by Council.

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4. That Council direct the Chief Executive to establish a Civic and Cultural Precinct Steering Group and prepare a terms of reference to be approved by Council.
5. That Council approve the repurposing of programme 1949, Civic and Cultural Precinct Master Plan, to assist with advancing the urban growth District Plan programme for the 2022-2023 financial year.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

6. That the Chief Executive prepare a programme to repair or replace the roof of the City Library for consideration in the 2023-24 Annual Budget.

Clause 45-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

The meeting adjourned at 10.49am.

The meeting resumed at 11.16am.

46-23

Draft Interim Speed Management Plan - Approval for Public Consultation

Report, presented by Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst, Chris Lai, Activities Manager – Transport, Becky Young, Graduate Transportation Engineer at GHD, and Charlotte French, Transport Engineering and Project Management at GHD.

Elected members requested changes to the consultation material to provide further background to the community to allow for a more informed engagement.

Moved William Wood, seconded Grant Smith.

RESOLVED

1. That explanation of the Government's Road Safety requirements be included under the 'Why is the Council reducing speed limits?' section of the consultation document and that the consultation include some crash analysis statistics to illustrate the scale of the problem.

Clause 46.1-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad,

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Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Karen Naylor, seconded Rachel Bowen.

2. That Council approve the draft interim Speed Management Plan (as shown in attachment one) for public consultation, as amended.

Clause 46.2-23 above was carried 12 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

Against:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan and William Wood.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded William Wood.

Note:

On a motion that: 'That Council approve a draft interim Speed Management Plan with all identified streets and roads as Variable Speed Limits for public consultation', the motion was tied 8 votes to 8. The chairperson declared the motion lost, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan and William Wood.

Against:

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

The meeting adjourned at 12.39pm.

The meeting resumed at 1.43pm.

47-23

Adopting the draft Vision, Goals and Principles to Inform the Development of the 2024-34 Long Term Plan

Memorandum, presented by Andrew Boyle, Head of Community Planning and Toni Grace, Principal Advisor - Long Term Plan.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

RESOLVED

1. That the Council adopt the following draft Vision to inform the development of the 2024-34 Long Term Plan (LTP):

a) *He iti rā, he iti pounamu. Small city benefits, big city ambition.*

Clause 47.1-23 above was carried 9 votes to 7, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad and

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Kaydee Zabelin.

Against:

Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor and William Wood.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

2. That the Council adopt as its draft City Goals to inform the development of the 2024-34 LTP:

1. *An Innovative and Growing City*

Clause 47.2(1)-23 above was carried 9 votes to 7, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Leonie Hapeta, Orphée Mickalad and William Wood.

Against:

Councillors Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

2. That the Council adopt as its draft City Goals to inform the development of the 2024-34 LTP:

2. *A Creative and Exciting City*
3. *A Connected and Safe Community*
4. *A Sustainable and Resilient City*

Clause 47.2(2-4)-23 above was carried 15 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Against:

Councillor Mark Arnott.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

3. That the Council confirm the 2021 Principles as its draft Principles to inform the development of the 2024-34 LTP:

- *Inclusive*
- *Open*
- *Ambitious*
- *Bold*

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- *Enabling*
- *Guardianship*
- *Caring*

Clause 47.3-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

4. That the Council receive 'He aha rā ngā whāinga matua? What really matters?' to inform the development of the 2024-34 LTP. This is included as Appendix 1.

Clause 47.4-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

48-23

Business Assurance Report - Long Term Plan Review of Programme Planning, Budgeting, Prioritisation & Benefits

Memorandum, presented by Masooma Akhter, Business Assurance Manager, Andrew Boyle, Head of Community Planning, and Andrew Wade, Director - KPMG.

An additional motion was put requesting that the Chief Executive act on the Benefits Tracking recommendations for the Long Term Plan 2024-34 to prioritise this work so that it is used for the upcoming Long Term Plan process.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the memorandum titled 'Business Assurance Report – Long-Term Plan Review of Programme Planning, Budgeting, Prioritisation & Benefits' and its attachment, presented to Council on 5 April 2023.

Clause 48.1-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad,

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Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Lorna Johnson.

2. That the Chief Executive act on the Benefits Tracking recommendations for LTP 2024-34.

Clause 48.2-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

49-23

Sponsorship request - New Zealand Food Awards

Report, presented by Jessica Ballinger, Marketing Manager.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council confirm:

OPTION ONE

Include a new programme of up to \$64K over three years to support the New Zealand Food Awards as part of the Annual Budget 2023/24 deliberations in May/June.

Clause 49-23 above was carried 12 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad and William Wood.

Against:

Councillors Mark Arnott, Lorna Johnson, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

50-23

Further information on Council land options for an artificial turf (Long Term Plan Programme 1133 - Sportsfields – Artificial Football Pitch)

Memorandum, presented by Aaron Phillips, Activities Manager Parks.

Elected Members provided further direction to the Chief Executive to continue discussions at a senior management level with the other organisations involved to clarify the intent of each party and better define the scope of the proposal.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That the Council receive the memorandum titled 'Further information on Council land options for an artificial turf (Long Term

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Plan Programme 1133 – Sportsfields – Artificial Football Pitch) presented to Council on 5 April 2023.

2. That the Chief Executive be directed to continue discussions about potential solutions for football facilities with Central Football and Massey University re: location, governance, management, funding and operational commitment requirements, noting that any decision to act would require Council's further approval.

Clause 50-23 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Councillor Leonie Hapeta left the meeting at 4.12pm.

51-23

Draft Water Supply Bylaw 2023 - approval for consultation

Report, presented by Lili Kato, Policy Analyst, and Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council approve the draft Palmerston North Water Supply Bylaw 2023 for consultation (Attachment 1).
2. That Council delegate authority to the Chief Planning Officer to approve minor amendments to the consultation document prior to publication.

Clause 51-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Debi Marshall-Lobb, Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

52-23

Freedom Drive Road Reserve

Memorandum, presented by Bryce Hosking, Acting Chief Infrastructure Officer.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That Council approve the dedication of the current Local Purpose Reserve (Road) described as Lot 400 DP 559569, which is owned by

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Palmerston North City Council, as 'Road' within the Freedom Drive subdivision, pursuant to section 111 of the Reserves Act 1977.

Clause 52-23 above was carried.

53-23 Council Work Schedule

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Debi Marshall-Lobb.

RESOLVED

1. That the Council receive its Work Schedule dated 5 April 2023.

Clause 53-23 above was carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

54-23 Strategy & Finance Committee Part I Public - 22 March 2023

Consideration was given to Strategy & Finance Committee recommendations as appended to these minutes.

Regarding clause 4-23 of the minutes of the Committee meeting dated 22 March 2023, Councillor Vaughan Dennison, Chairperson of the Strategy & Finance Committee, moved an amended recommendation to reflect the correct rental value applicable to Manawatū Archery Club Incorporated lease under the Support and Funding Policy 2022.

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Karen Naylor.

RESOLVED

1. 53A and 55 Totara Road - Proposal to grant a lease to Manawatū Archery Club Incorporated

1. That Council grant a lease of land at 53A and 55 Totara Road, Palmerston North being Lot 1 DP 40375 and Part Lot 2 DP 2003 to Manawatū Archery Club Incorporated, in accordance with Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022, noting that the lease will be \$500 plus GST.

Clause 54.1-23 above was carried.

Note:

Councillor Lorna Johnson declared a conflict of interest, withdrew from the discussion and sat in the gallery.

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Karen Naylor.

2. Adderstone Reserve - Decision on proposal to change part to housing

1. That Council retain Adderstone Reserve in its entirety.
2. That Council note that:

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- a. The Pacific Drive portion of Adderstone Reserve is not required for recreation purposes.
- b. That the future of the Pacific Drive portion of Adderstone Reserve will be revisited when the community facilities needs for Aokautere are defined.

3. Quarterly Performance and Financial Report - Period Ending 31 December 2022

2. That Council approve a new operating programme for \$500k in 2022/23, to be funded 100% through Better-off funding.

4. Speed Management Plan - endorsement of scope and draft objectives and policies

1. That Council confirms the scope of the 2024-2027 Speed Management Plan as shown in paragraph 3.4 of the memorandum titled 'Speed Management Plan – endorsement of scope and draft objectives and policies' presented to the Strategy & Finance Committee on 22 March 2023.
2. That Council endorse the draft Objectives and Policies (Attachment 1 of this memorandum), to inform the assessment of speed limits in the 2024-2027 Speed Management Plan.

5. Part Waterloo Park - Proposal to exchange land

1. That Council agree to consult the community, in accordance with Section 15 of the Reserves Act 1977, on the proposal to exchange 1,300m² of Waterloo Park, being part of Part Lot 44 DP 22620 held in title WN8C/884, for new reserve land in the Roxburgh Crescent area if the rezoning of that area is approved.
2. That Council note that the land is Crown derived and such final approval of the exchange is subject to the approval of the Department of Conservation.

Clauses 54.2 to 54.5-23 above were carried.

Karakia Whakamutunga

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald closed the meeting with karakia.

The meeting finished at 4.23pm

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Confirmed 3 May 2023

Mayor