

# PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Sustainability Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 07 June 2023, commencing at 9.00am.

**Members Present:** Councillor Brent Barrett (in the Chair), and Councillors Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb and Karen Naylor.

**Non Members:** Councillors Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad.

**Apologies:** The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillor Roly Fitzgerald (absent on Council business). Councillor Patrick Handcock (early departure).

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 9.41am during consideration of clause 9. He was not present for clauses 6 to 8 inclusive.

Councillor Patrick Handcock left the meeting at 10.27am after consideration of clause 10. He entered the meeting again at 11.16am after it resumed. He was not present for clause 11.

### Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin opened the meeting with karakia.

### 6-23 Apologies

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 6-23 above was carried 11 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

### 7-23 Public Comment

#### Jacksen Love, Flamingo Scooters

Jacksen Love, Co-founder of Flamingo Scooters spoke in support of item

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8 on the Agenda (E-Scooter – Review of Performance in Palmerston North 2023 – 2023). He commented on scooter user statistics in Palmerston North and how Flamingo Scooters runs a safety rewards programme which provides incentives for safe use of scooters; they also run regular safety events, are Kiwi owned and hire locally.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee resolved to receive the public comment for information.

Clause 7-23 above was carried 11 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

## **8-23 Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Sustainability Committee meeting of 29 March 2023 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 8-23 above was carried 11 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

## **9-23 Desktop analysis of opportunities for solar power on Council owned buildings**

Memorandum, presented by David Watson, Climate Change Analyst and Adam Jarvis, Principal Climate Change Advisor.

Councillor Billy Meehan entered the meeting at 9.41am.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee resolves that the findings of the report titled 'Desktop analysis of opportunities for solar power on Council owned buildings' and further detailed investigations of opportunities for solar power on Council buildings or other locations, be referred to the 2024-34 Long Term Plan process.

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Clause 9-23 above was carried 11 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Abstained:**

Councillor Billy Meehan.

### 10-23

#### **PNCC Organisational Emissions Inventory 2021/2022**

Memorandum, presented by David Watson, Climate Change Analyst and Adam Jarvis, Principal Climate Change Advisor.

Officers noted an error on page 13 of Attachment 1 (page 35 of the Agenda); the text should read as follows:

Workplace Travel/Air Travel – Air travel ~~domestic~~  
(noting it is inclusive of international air travel)

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee noted that as a result of Council actions, PNCC emissions have fallen from 26,444 tCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2015/16, to 19001 tCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2021/22 (a 28% reduction).

Clause 10-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

Councillor Patrick Handcock left the meeting at 10.27am.

### 11-23

#### **E-scooters - Review of Performance in Palmerston North 2021 - 2023**

Memorandum, presented by Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee noted that no change will be made to the current method of regulating e-scooter operators (the Mobile Trading Permit in the Signs and Use of Public Places Bylaw).

Clause 11-23 above was carried 11 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay,

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Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

The meeting adjourned at 10.56am.

The meeting resumed again at 11.16am.

Councillor Patrick Handcock entered the meeting again when it resumed.

### **12-23 Notes on the Taipei 2023 Net Zero/Smart Cities Summit**

Memorandum, presented by Adam Jarvis, Principal Climate Change Advisor.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Notes on the Taipei 2023 Net Zero/Smart Cities Summit' presented on 7 June 2023.

Clause 12-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

### **13-23 Summary of the changes announced for Aotearoa New Zealand's Waste System**

Memorandum, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery, and Natasha Hickmott, Activities Manager - Resource Recovery and Sustainability.

An additional motion was passed for Council to investigate options for kerbside waste collection to lift diversion rates. Any work will inform the Long Term Plan 2024-34.

Officers noted they will be able to commence work however due to resourcing constraints a full review will unlikely be completed before the Long Term Plan.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee received the memorandum titled "Summary of the changes announced for Aotearoa New Zealand's Waste System" presented on 7 June 2023.

Clause 13.1-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

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Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

2. That in development of the 2024-34 Long Term Plan, Council explore a range of models for kerbside waste collection service delivery, including a single provider model, with a view to improving waste minimisation outcomes.

Clause 13.2-23 above was carried 10 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**Against:**

Councillors Leonie Hapeta and Vaughan Dennison.

### 14-23

#### **Overview of regulatory and service provision options to minimise waste to landfill**

Memorandum, presented by Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee received the memorandum titled "Overview of regulatory and service provision options to minimise waste to landfill" presented on 7 June 2023.

Clause 14-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

### 15-23

#### **Wastewater Discharge Consent Project - Quarterly Update**

Memorandum, presented by Mike Monaghan, Group Manager - Three Waters.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee received the report titled 'Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharge Consent Project – Quarterly Update' presented on 7 June 2023.

Clause 15-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

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- 16-23 Opportunities for native species reintroductions in the Turitea Reserve**  
Memorandum, presented by Adam Jarvis, Principal Climate Change Advisor.

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee received the memorandum titled 'Opportunities for native species reintroductions in the Turitea Reserve' presented to the Sustainability Committee on 7 June 2023.

Clause 16-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

- 17-23 Committee Work Schedule - June 2023**

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Kaydee Zabelin.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. The Committee received its Work Schedule dated June 2023.

Clause 17-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Brent Barrett, Kaydee Zabelin, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Debi Marshall-Lobb, Karen Naylor, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Orphée Mickalad.

### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor Kaydee Zabelin closed the meeting with karakia.

The meeting finished at 12.55pm

Confirmed 16 August 2023

**Chair**