

# PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Culture & Sport Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 28 June 2023, commencing at 1.00pm.**

**Members Present:** Councillors Rachel Bowen (in the Chair), Billy Meehan, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Debi Marshall-Lobb, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

**Non Members:** Councillors Brent Barrett, Orophée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

**Apologies:** The Mayor (Grant Smith) (late arrival), Councillors Vaughan Dennison (early departure) and Leonie Hapeta.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) entered the meeting at 1.39pm during consideration of clause 23. He was not present for clauses 19 to 22 inclusive.

## **Karakia Timatanga**

Councillor Rachel Bowen opened the meeting with karakia.

## **19-23 Apologies**

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 19-23 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

### **For:**

Councillors Rachel Bowen, Billy Meehan, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Debi Marshall-Lobb, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Brent Barrett, Orophée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

## **Declarations of Interest**

Deputy Mayor Debi Marshall-Lobb declared a conflict of interest in item 14 (clause 26): The Globe Theatre Trust – Final Statement of Intent 2023-2026, and took no part in the discussion or debate.

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### 20-23 **Presentation - Manawatū Jazz Club**

Presentation by David Edge, President, Manawatū Jazz Club and Chair, Manawatū International Jazz & Blues Festival and Roger Fox, Festival Organiser.

The Manawatū Jazz Club Festival Committee is seeking a long term non-contestable, but accountable, funding stream to secure the future of the Manawatū Annual International Jazz & Blues Festival.

They made the following further comments to support the proposal:

- The Jazz Festival is the second oldest and largest of its kind in New Zealand involving 400 musicians internationally and nationally, promoting Palmerston North as a cultural and creative environment.
- The festival only uses local businesses for promoting and printing and local venues to run the 'cafe scene', a part of the event which has seen around 1,500 people involved and is free.
- Cafe scene supports hospitality and provides opportunities for local musicians to showcase their talents.
- Another free event is the High School Jazz Competition organised by Roger Fox, involving 11 schools in 2023 from Rotorua to Wellington, with 200 high school students participating, and including workshops run by highly qualified musicians and educators. This year Bill Cunliffe delivered a masterclass for students.
- The festival operates a break-even model – not for profit. In the past Council has given a 3 year contract of \$35K which helps to bring ticket prices down for the main event. This is currently their biggest problem moving forward with this festival. It was noted overseas groups have been booked for future events.
- He disputes Council's claim that it is a local festival.

Officers advised there are other possible funding avenues available through Council which they would be willing to explore further with the Manawatū Jazz Club.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Culture & Sport Committee receive the presentation for information.

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

#### **For:**

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

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### 21-23 **Presentation - New Zealand Rugby Museum**

Presentation by Stephen Berg, Director, New Zealand Rugby Museum and Phil Monk, Deputy Chair, New Zealand Rugby Museum.

Stephen and Phil presented a proposal seeking \$30k for operational funding. They made the following further comments to support the proposal:

- Currently the museum has one full-time employee and some of the extra funding will go towards a part-time employee. This will support the expansion of the Museum's operation through increasing quality of exhibits and improving visitor experiences.
- CEDA and Tourism Trade have requested a VIP tour to become available.
- The museum would like to undertake more tours of exhibits around New Zealand and overseas, provide a better connection with community and further support with continuity of service such as annual leave and sick leave.
- Visitors book shows national and international visitors; around 85% are international visitors.
- Volunteer base has declined from 70 to around 40 currently due to an ageing group.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Culture & Sport Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 21-23 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

### 22-23 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

#### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Culture & Sport Committee meeting of 19 April 2023 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 22-23 above was carried 12 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

Councillors Rachel Bowen, Billy Meehan, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Debi Marshall-Lobb, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Brent Barrett, Orphée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

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**Abstained:**

Councillor Patrick Handcock.

**23-23 Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust - Annual Report to Council June 2023**

Memorandum, presented by Simon Barnett, Chairperson, Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust and Peter Shelton, Trustee, Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust.

The Mayor (Grant Smith) entered the meeting at 1.39pm.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust's Annual Report 2022–23, presented to the Culture & Sport Committee on 28 June 2023.

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

**For:**

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

**24-23 Ongoing funding arrangement options for Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust**

Memorandum, presented by Anton Carter, Group Manager - Community Services.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Ongoing funding arrangement options for Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust' presented to the Culture & Sport Committee on 28 June 2023, noting that Council's Public Art Policy is currently under development.
2. That the Committee directs the Chief Executive to support the Trust to gather ongoing public input.

Clause 24-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

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**25-23 Annual Progress Report on Heritage Themes in Council Programmes 2022/23**

Memorandum, presented by Keegan Aplin-Thane, Senior Planner and Linda Moore, Manager City Library.

Following discussion an additional motion was passed to enable Elected Members to gain a better understanding of the funding gaps that exist.

Moved Patrick Handcock, seconded Rachel Bowen.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Annual Progress Report on Heritage Themes in Council Programmes 2022/23', presented to the Culture & Sport Committee on 28 June 2023.
2. That the heritage funding shortfall identified in the 'Annual Progress Report on Heritage Themes in Council Programmes 2022/23' for the city is referred to the 2024-34 Long Term Plan.

Clause 25-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

**For:**

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

**26-23 Te Manawa Museums Trust - Final Statement of Intent 2023-2026  
The Regent Theatre Trust - Final Statement of Intent 2023-2026  
The Globe Theatre Trust - Final Statement of Intent 2023-2026**

Memorandums, presented by Sarah Claridge, Democracy & Governance Advisor.

The Officer noted an error in the Regent and Globe Theatre financial reports on pages 115 and 136 regarding PN City Council grant funding amounts.

The correct amounts should read as follows:

<b>PNCC Grants (\$)</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2024/25</b>	<b>2025/26</b>
Regent Theatre	258,016	270,611	278,546
Globe Theatre	174,981	181,995	185,771

An additional error was noted in the Regent Theatre report, paragraph 1.3, where it mentions the Globe Theatre but should read the Regent Theatre.

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

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### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee agree the final Statement of Intent 2023-2026 (Attachment 1) submitted by Te Manawa Museums Trust Board.
2. That the Committee agree the final Statement of Intent 2023-2026 (Attachment 1) submitted by the Regent Theatre Trust Board, as amended.
3. That the Committee agree the final Statement of Intent 2023-2026 (Attachment 1) submitted by the Globe Theatre Trust Board, as amended.

Clause 26-23 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

#### **Note:**

Deputy Mayor Debi Marshall-Lobb declared a conflict of interest, withdrew from the discussion and sat in the gallery.

## **27-23**

### **Committee Work Schedule**

Moved Rachel Bowen, seconded Billy Meehan.

### The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Culture & Sport Committee receive its Work Schedule dated June 2023.

Clause 27-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

#### **For:**

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

### **Karakia Whakamutunga**

Councillor Rachel Bowen closed the meeting with karakia.

The meeting finished at 2.34pm.

Confirmed 13 September 2023

**Chair**