

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Community Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 04 December 2024, commencing at 1.01pm

Members Present: Councillor Lorna Johnson (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Non Members: Councillors Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison and Leonie Hapeta.

Apologies: Councillor Brent Barrett.

Councillor Orphée Mickalad entered the meeting at 1.40pm after consideration of clause 36. He was not present for clauses 35 and 36.

Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Lorna Johnson opened the meeting with karakia.

35-24

Apologies

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 35-24 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison and Leonie Hapeta.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor William Wood declared a conflict of interest in submission 45 from Jose Gutry (Cancer Society Manawatu), in Item 6 Hearing of Submissions: Draft Health Promotion Policy 2024 (clause 36-24). He sat in the gallery during this submission.

Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared a conflict of interest in Item 9 Social housing and property review work programme (clause 39-24). He sat in the gallery, and took no part in discussion or debate.

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36-24 Hearing of Submissions: Draft Health Promotion Policy 2024

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee hear submissions from presenters who indicated their wish to be heard in support of their submission.
2. That the Committee note the Procedure for Hearing of Submissions, as described in the procedure sheet.

Clause 36-24 above was carried 12 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison and Leonie Hapeta.

Note:

Councillor William Wood declared a conflict of interest in submission 45 from Jose Gutry (Cancer Society Manawatu). He sat in the gallery while Jose spoke to her submission, then returned to the table.

The Committee considered submissions on the Draft Health Promotion Policy 2024 with supporting oral statements.

The following people appeared before the Committee and made oral statements in support of their submissions and replied to questions from Elected Members.

Josephine Gutry (Cancer Society of New Zealand Manawatū Centre) (45) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- Misconceptions – there is little evidence that sunscreens decrease Vitamin D concentration. Concerns about Vitamin D should not negate skin cancer prevention advice.

Sally Darragh (Health Promotion Advisor – Health New Zealand/Te Whatu Ora) (54) spoke to their submission and made no additional comments.

Chris Teo-Sherrell (55) spoke to his submission and made the following additional comment:

- Personal choice vs Council's business – there is not just a personal cost to excessive sugar consumption or lack of sunscreen use, there is also a societal cost through higher demand of the health system. Therefore Council has a responsibility to encourage moderation.

Kerry Hocquard (Age-Friendly Palmerston North) (56) spoke to their submission and made the following additional comments:

- New sun protection policy fails to recognised the Council's roles as shade provider, consent authority, community educator, and

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SunSmart employer of outdoor workers. Council needs to ensure their commitment to these roles in this new policy.

- Missing equity lens in the shade audits. Council should address the disparities of available shade in the playgrounds.

Bruce James Edmonds (27) spoke to his submission and made no additional comments.

Councillor Orphée Mickalad entered the meeting at 1.40pm.

37-24 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Community Committee meeting of 23 October 2024 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 37-24 above was carried 10 votes to 1, with 2 abstentions, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Vaughan Dennison and Leonie Hapeta.

Against:

Councillor Mark Arnott.

Abstained:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillor Rachel Bowen.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

2. That the minutes of the Community Committee meeting of 23 October 2024 Part II Confidential be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 37-24 above was carried 8 votes to 1, with 4 abstentions, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin and Vaughan Dennison.

Against:

Councillor Mark Arnott.

Abstained:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay and Leonie Hapeta.

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38-24 Draft Health Promotion Policy 2024 - Summary of Submissions
Memorandum, presented by Stacey Solomon, Policy Analyst.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the summary of submissions for the draft Health Promotion Policy (Healthy Beverages, Smoke-free and Vape-free, and Sun Protection) 2024.

Clause 38-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

39-24 Social housing and property review work programme

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

An amendment to recommendation 3 was moved to provide the Chief Executive flexibility to include other council - owned properties (listed in Attachment 3) into the scope of the terms of reference (Attachment 2). If there was potential to generate additional revenue from such properties.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee note the content and timeframe of the four proposed workstreams set out in section 4 of this memorandum.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council endorse the proposed broad terms of reference for an investigation of social housing delivery models (Workstream A), as described in memorandum titled 'Social housing and property review work programme' presented to the Community Committee on 4 December 2024 and its Attachment 1
2. That Council endorse the proposed terms of reference for a property review to identify revenue generation opportunities (Workstream B), as described in this memorandum titled 'Social housing and property review work programme' presented to the Community Committee on 4 December 2024 and its Attachment 2, and any other bespoke leverage opportunity that Chief Executive identified.

Clause 39-24 above were carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock,

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Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Mark Arnott, Vaughan Dennison and Leonie Hapeta.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

3. That Council confirm its intention to await the outcome of an investigation of social housing delivery models (Workstream A) prior to considering the reports dated 1 May 2024 'Summerhays Street Redevelopment – Partnership Models' and 'Summerhays Street Redevelopment – Expressions of Interest Feedback'.

Clause 39-24 above was carried 8 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Orphée Mickalad, Kaydee Zabelin and Mark Arnott.

Against:

Councillors Billy Meehan, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Leonie Hapeta.

Note:

Councillor Vaughan Dennison declared a conflict of interest and took no further part in discussion or debate.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Leonie Hapeta.

Note:

On an amendment:

2. That Council endorse the proposed terms of reference for a property review to identify revenue generation opportunities (Workstream B), as described in this memorandum titled 'Social housing and property review work programme' presented to the Community Committee on 4 December 2024 and its Attachment 2, **and any other bespoke leverage opportunity that Chief Executive identified.**

The amendment was carried 11 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin, Mark Arnott and Leonie Hapeta.

Against:

Councillor Lorna Johnson.

Moved Karen Naylor, seconded William Wood.

Note:

On an amendment:

2. That Council endorse the proposed terms of reference for a property review to identify revenue generation opportunities (Workstream B), as described in this memorandum titled 'Social housing and property review work

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programme' presented to the Community Committee on 4 December 2024 and its Attachment 2, amended to include "Recreational Land and buildings" in the scope.

The amendment was lost 5 votes to 7, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood, Kaydee Zabelin and Mark Arnott.

Against:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Lorna Johnson, Patrick Handcock, Rachel Bowen, Lew Findlay, Billy Meehan and Leonie Hapeta.

40-24 Committee Work Schedule - December 2024

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Patrick Handcock.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Community Committee receive its Work Schedule dated December 2024.

Clause 40-24 above was carried 13 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

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

Karakia Whakamutunga

Councillor Lorna Johnson closed the meeting with karakia.

The meeting finished at 3.05pm.

Confirmed 19 March 2025

Chair