

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Environment & Planning Committee  
**DATE:** Wednesday, 12 September 2007  
**TIME:** 9.30 am  
**VENUE:** Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond  
**PRESENT:** Cr R G Kempthorne (Chair), Mayor J C Hurley, Crs E M O'Regan (Deputy Chair), S J Borlase, S G Bryant, R G Currie, E E Henry, M J Higgins, J L Inglis, T B King, T E Norriss, and N Riley

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Environment & Planning Manager (D C Bush-King) Policy Manager (G S Markham), Co-ordinator Compliance), Resource Scientist (G E Stevens), Consultant Planner (S Leusink-Sladen), Environmental Information Officer (M Harvey), Resource Scientist (T James), Administration Officer (A Brown), Regulatory Manager (J Hodson), Control Services (J Bergman), Administration Officer (B D Moore)

## **APOLOGIES**

**Moved Crs Higgins / Borlase  
EP07/09/10**

**THAT apologies for absence from Crs O'Shea and Wilkins for absence, and from Mayor Hurley and Cr King for lateness be sustained.  
CARRIED**

## **1. PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr Max Rogers, a resident near the Go-Kart track at Appleby sought Council enforcement action regarding the effects of the Go-Kart track activity including noise, toxic fumes and the public address sound system. He also spoke of the effects of flood lighting and cars parked on the road.

Mayor Hurley arrived at the meeting at 9.45 am.

Mr Lindsay Yoe also complained of the similar effects from the Go-Kart track and read a supporting letter of other neighbours Craig and Sue Davies. He circulated a copy of a legal opinion.

Cr Kempthorne referred the matter to the Environment & Planning Manager for action.

Mr Simon Headley together with Mr Cliff Turley, spoke in support of a private plan change application from the Patons Rock Coastal Area Landowners. Mr Turley was introduced as the chairman of the Patons Rock Beach Society Incorporated that was seeking the plan change.

A copy of a letter dated 31 August 2007 was included in the agenda together with the report from Cr Kempthorne. Cr Kempthorne noted in his report that the concept could not be pursued as a private plan change as the Proposed Tasman Resource Management Plan is not operative at this stage. He suggested that this planning proposal is forwarded to the new Council for consideration as a possible variation to the Plan.

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Environment & Planning Committee - 15 August 2007**

**Moved Crs Norriss / Riley  
EP07/09/11**

**THAT the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meeting held on 15 August 2007, containing resolutions EP07/08/18 to EP07/08/20, be approved as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

### **2.2 Environment & Planning Committee - 21 August 2007**

**Moved Crs Henry / O'Regan  
EP07/09/12**

**THAT the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meeting held on 21 August 2007, containing resolutions EP07/08/21 to EP07/08/23, be approved as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

### **2.3 Environment & Planning Committee - 23 August 2007**

An amendment was required to Item 3 so that the project priorities list included Waimea Estuary instead of Waimea West.

**Moved Crs Borlase / Riley  
EP07/09/13**

**THAT the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meeting held on 23 August 2007, as amended, containing resolutions EP07/08/24 to EP07/08/37, be approved as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

## **3. MONITORING OF PESTICIDES RESIDUES IN SHALLOW GROUNDWATER, TASMAN DISTRICT - REPORT EP07/09/05**

Resource Scientist, Mr G Stevens, spoke to this report contained within the agenda and presented the results of the 2006 monitoring for pesticides in the Tasman district and compared them to the previous sampling round of 2002 and 1998. The Institute of Environmental Science and Research Ltd has co-ordinated national surveys of pesticides in New Zealand groundwaters, at four-yearly intervals since 1990. All pesticide residues detected in the 2006 survey were at a level considerably below the NZ Drinking Water Maximum Acceptable Value, specified in the Ministry of Health's Drinking Water Standards for New Zealand 2005.

**Moved Crs O'Regan / Norriss  
EP07/09/14**

**THAT:**

- 1. The Environment & Planning Committee receives report EP07/09/05, Monitoring of Pesticides Residues in Shallow Groundwater;**
- 2. Council staff continue to offer advice and information and advocate best practice with respect to the use of pesticides to owners / users when opportunities arise and/or in response to enquiries;**
- 3. The Environment & Planning Committee supports the Environmental Science and Research Ltd national survey of pesticides in groundwater, by repeating this survey in approximately five years time (i.e. 2011).**

**CARRIED**

**4. TAKAKA EASTERN GOLDEN BAY SETTLEMENT - NEXT STEPS - REPORT EP07/09/06**

Consultant Planner, Ms S Leusink-Sladen, spoke to a report contained within the agenda and advised that Takaka East Golden Bay Variation No. 57 was publicly notified on 28 July 2007, together with the PTRMP Special Map 170. The report contained within the agenda had attached a complete list of the projects and tasks necessary to carry them out. The two main Priority 1 projects have been identified as Park Avenue and Takaka Residential Zone uplift and secondly, Rural Land Management.

**Moved Crs Currie / Borlase  
EP07/09/15**

**THAT the Environment & Planning Committee receives Report EP07/09/06, Takaka Eastern Golden Bay Settlement - Next Steps.**

**CARRIED**

**5. ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING DEPARTMENT DATA MANAGEMENT UPDATE - REPORT EP07/09/08**

Environmental Information Officer, Ms M Harvey, spoke to this report contained within the agenda and described projects completed in the nine months and also listed known future projects. She said that processes are now in place to ensure environmental sampling programmes are organised and data is available. She said a single database known as ENVMON is used for storing environmental monitoring data. She said this is available for all staff in the Council and quality control processes are in place to ensure data integrity. Ms Harvey provided a short demonstration of the bores database and sampling process management database (SAMPLYZER).

**Moved Crs Borlase / O'Regan  
EP07/09/16**

**THAT the Environment & Planning Department Data Management Update Report EP07/09/08 be received.**

**CARRIED**

## **6. VARROA AGENCY DISESTABLISHMENT REPORT EP07/09/15**

Environment & Planning Manager, Mr D C Bush-King, spoke to a late agenda item report of 7 September 2007. He explained that Council needs to resolve to exempt the Varroa Agency from the rules regarding Council controlled organisations. He said that this will assist with disestablishing the Varroa Agency now that the control programme has been unsuccessful in the South Island. This process will reduce compliance costs, including reporting and other required administrative actions.

**Moved Crs Norriss / Inglis  
EP07/09/17**

**THAT Council resolves pursuant to Section 7(3) of the Local Government Act 2002, to exempt the Varroa Agency Incorporated from the status of a Council controlled organisation.**

**CARRIED**

## **7. RICHMOND AIR QUALITY UPDATE - REPORT EP07/09/09**

Resource Scientist, Mr T James, spoke to this report contained within the agenda and presented results for air quality monitoring for the 2007 year to date and compared these to previous years and to other monitored air-sheds in New Zealand.

Mr James illustrated his report with photographic evidence and said that the air quality in Richmond for the past year continued to exceed national standards. He said that the 24-hour average standard for PM<sub>10</sub> was exceeded 21 times. Higher concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub> were found in north Richmond than in central Richmond. Mr James outlined the planned further monitoring and analysis initiatives.

**Moved Crs O'Regan / Currie  
EP07/09/18**

**THAT the Richmond Air Quality Update Report EP07/09/09 be received.**

**CARRIED**

## **8. DOG CONTROL ACTIVITY REPORT - REPORT EP07/09/10**

Mr J Bergman of Control Services (Nelson) Ltd and Ms A Brown, Administration Officer – Regulatory, attending the meeting and spoke to the annual report on Council's dog control activity for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007. The report provided statistics of impounding, complaints and after-hours callouts.

Cr Norriss sought a breakdown of the rural and urban complaints to show why the effort makes urban registration costs more expensive.

**Moved Crs Norriss / Higgins  
EP07/09/19**

**THAT:**

- 1. Report EP07/09/10, Dog Control Activity report, required pursuant to Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 be received and adopted by Council;**

2. **The adopted report be publicly notified and be available on the Council's website with a copy being sent to the Secretary for Local Government.**

**CARRIED**

**9. ENVIRONMENTAL & PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - REPORT EP07/09/11**

Cr Kempthorne referred in his report to a list of the notable achievements of the Environment & Planning Committee during this term of Council. He thanked the members of the Committee and the staff commitment needed to achieve the results.

Cr Kempthorne wished the new Council all the best for continuing this work.

**9.1 Patons Rock Private Plan Change**

This matter was referred to in the Chairman's report, together with a letter of 31 August 2007 from the Project Manager Mr S Headley.

Mr Bush-King said that this issue will be covered under the Western Golden Bay Planning Project.

Mr Markham said that the planning policy programme including a possible private plan change for Patons Rock will be presented to the incoming Environment & Planning Committee to consider.

**Moved Crs Kempthorne / O'Regan  
EP07/09/20**

**THAT the Environment & Planning Committee Chairperson's Report EP07/09/11 be received.**

**CARRIED**

**10. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

**Moved Crs Borlase / Inglis  
EP07/09/21**

**THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:**

- Reports on Nelson-Richmond Urban Intensification Project Stage 1 and Nelson South - Richmond East Structure Plan
- Richmond South Road Access Rule Amendment
- Richmond West Urban Development: Draft Variation and Section 32 Options Assessment and Statement of Infrastructure Services Programme

**The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing this resolution are as follows:**

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Reports on Nelson-Richmond Urban Intensification Project Stage 1 and Nelson South - Richmond East Structure Plan	To receive policy advice	Section 48(1)(d)
Richmond South Road Access Rule Amendment		
Richmond West Urban Development: Draft Variation and Section 32 Options Assessment and Statement of Infrastructure Services Programme		

**CARRIED**

## **11. RESOLUTION TO RESUME OPEN MEETING**

**Moved Crs Inglis / Kempthorne  
EP07/09/22**

**THAT the public meeting be resumed and the business transacted during the time the public was excluded be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

### **11.1 Media Statement on Richmond West**

**Moved Crs Currie / Norriss  
EP07/09/23**

**THAT a media statement be produced by the Chief Executive and Environment & Planning Manager on the Richmond West Draft Proposed Variation.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Kempthorne thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 4.10 pm.

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**Date Confirmed:**

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**Chair:**