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Ordinary Meeting of Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee Ngā Meneti | Minutes

9:30 am Rāapa, 10 Paenga-whāwhā 2024

9:30 am Wednesday, 10 April 2024

Ngake (16.09), Level 16, Tahiwī

113 The Terrace

Pōneke | Wellington



PRESENT

Mayor Whanau

Deputy Mayor Foon

Councillor Abdurahman (Deputy Chair)

Councillor Apanowicz

Councillor Brown

Councillor Calvert

Councillor Chung

Councillor Free (via audiovisual link)

Pouiwi Hohaia

Pouiwi Kelly

Councillor Matthews

Councillor McNulty (via audiovisual link)

Councillor O'Neill (Chair)

Councillor Pannett

Councillor Randle

Councillor Rogers

Councillor Young (via audiovisual link)

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting (hui) open at 9:30am and read the following karakia to open the hui.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

1.2 Apologies

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

1. Accept the apologies received from Councillor Free, Councillor Young, and Councillor McNulty for early departure, and from Councillor Wi Neera for absence.

Carried

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Abdurahman

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

1. Approves the minutes of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee Meeting held on 29 February 2024, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

1.6 Public Participation

1.6.1 Richard Noble and Dr Demetrius Christoforou

Richard Nobel and Dr Demetrius Christoforou addressed the hui on behalf of the Greek Orthodox, Armenian, and Assyrian communities of Wellington regarding Wellington memorials to Mustafa Kemal Atatürk.

1.6.2 Deepak Nair

Deepak Nair addressed the hui on behalf of Roadworn regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.3 Karuna Muthu

Karuna Muthu addressed the hui on behalf of Coalition of Ethnic Communities of Wellington regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.4 Raveen Annamalai

Raveen Annamalai addressed the hui regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.5 Nick Ruane

Nick Ruane addressed the hui regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.6 Claire Bibby

Claire Bibby addressed the hui regarding item 3.3 Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy, and Domestic Animal Policy.

1.6.7 Warkina Tujuba

Warkina Tujuba addressed the hui regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.8 Prem

Prem addressed the hui on behalf of Multicultural Council regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

1.6.9 Manisha and Dipak

Manisha and Dipak addressed the hui regarding item 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.

Attachments

- 1 Claire Bibby - Presentation

(Pouiwi Kelly left the hui at 9:45am and rejoined the hui at 9:48am.)

(Councillor Free left the hui at 9:50am and rejoined the hui at 9:55am.)

Secretarial note: In accordance with standing order 19.1, the chairperson accorded precedence to some items of business and reordered the agenda to be considered in the following order:

- 3.1 Tūpiki Ora – Annual Report back to Committee.
- 2.1 Petition: Lights needed at Karori Park.
- 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.
- 3.3 Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy, and Domestic Animal Policy – Approval to Adopt.
- 3.4 Commemorative Policy Review 2024 (Post Consultation).
- 3.5 Proposed Reserve Revocation and Land Disposal – 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands
- 3.6 Actions Tracking and Forward Programme.

3. General Business

The hui adjourned at 10:37am and returned at 10:50am with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Pouiwi Hohaia, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, Mayor Whanau, and Councillor Young.

(Councillor Pannett rejoined the hui at 10:50am.)
(Councillor Apanowicz rejoined the hui at 10:51am.)
(Councillor Matthews rejoined the hui at 10:51am.)
(Pouiwi Kelly rejoined the hui at 10:51am.)
(Mayor Whanau rejoined the hui at 10:51am.)
(Councillor McNulty left the hui at 11:04am.)
(Councillor Calvert left the hui at 11:18am.)

3.1 Tūpiki Ora annual report back to Committee

Moved Mayor Whanau, seconded Holden Hohaia

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Endorse the approach for further implementation monitoring and evaluation of Tūpiki Ora.

Carried

(Councillor Young left the hui at 11:25am.)
(Councillor Calvert rejoined the hui at 11:30am.)
(Councillor Calvert left the hui at 11:34am and rejoined at 11:39am.)

Secretarial note: In accordance with standing order 19.1, the chairperson accorded precedence to some items of business and reordered the agenda to be considered in the following order:

- 3.2 Advisory Group Report Back.
- 2.1 Petition: Lights needed at Karori Park.
- 3.3 Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy, and Domestic Animal Policy – Approval to Adopt.
- 3.4 Commemorative Policy Review 2024 (Post Consultation).
- 3.5 Proposed Reserve Revocation and Land Disposal – 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands.
- 3.6 Actions Tracking and Forward Programme.

The hui adjourned at 11:48am and returned at 12:07pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, and Mayor Whanau.

(Deputy Mayor Foon rejoined the hui at 12:09pm.)

The hui adjourned at 12:12pm and returned at 12:15pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, and Mayor Whanau.

(Councillor McNulty rejoined the hui at 12:18pm.)

3.2 Advisory Group Report Back

Moved Councillor Abdurahman, seconded Councillor Apanowicz

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Agree that it is important to integrate diverse community voices, including ethnic communities, into the decision-making process.
- 3) Note that the current model has recurring issues and constraints.
- ~~4) Agree to defer the decision on establishing an Ethnic Communities Advisory Group~~
- 4) **Agree to establish an Ethnic Communities Advisory Group.**
 - a. **Include the Ethnic Advisory Group in the transition to any new engagement model, if/when council decides to transition all the advisory groups into a new model.**
 - b. **Engage with Ethnic Community stakeholders and provide funding to hold a multi-cultural forum in 2024/25, to provide input and advice to Council on issues identified by the community as well as the new engagement model.**
- 5) Direct officers to explore a full range of options, including a deliberative process to ensure that we engage effectively and inclusively with Wellington's diverse communities so they have an effective and mana enhancing voice to inform the Council's work including how we engage with Ethnic Communities.

Carried

The hui adjourned at 1:10pm and returned at 1:42pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Rogers, and Mayor Whanau.

2. Petitions

(Councillor Apanowicz returned to the hui at 1:43pm.)

(Councillor Randle returned to the hui at 1:45pm.)

2.1 Petition: Lights needed at Karori Park

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information and thank the petitioner.
- 2) Note that there is no funding allocated for lighting at Karori Park in the draft 2034 LTP.
- 3) Agree that officers will undertake investigation (only) into options for lighting in years 6 7 of the 2034 LTP, and will report back to the committee with the findings.
- 4) Note that a business case would be required to support the investment decision.

Carried

3.3 Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy and Domestic Animal Policy - Approval to adopt

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Note the feedback provided and thank the submitters for their valued input into the development of the final bylaw and policies.
- 3) Agree to adopt the:
 - a. Dog Policy 2024.
 - b. Domestic Animal Policy 2024.
- 4) Note that officers will revisit the on-leash designation at Glenside Reserve should the land use at the Reserve change in the future.
- 5) Authorise the Chief Executive and the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee to approve minor changes and edits, as required, to the Dog Policy and Domestic Animal Policy before publishing.
- 6) Recommend that Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | the Council:
 - a. Adopt the Animal Bylaw 2024.
 - b. Note that, on adoption, Part 2 (Animals) of the Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008 will be removed to create a new standalone Animal Bylaw.
 - c. Authorise the Chief Executive and the Chair and Deputy Chair of Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | the Council to approve minor changes and edits, as required, to the Animal Bylaw before publishing.
- 7) Direct officers to report back before May 2026 on the steps taken to enhance dune restoration efforts at Island Bay Beach, along with an evaluation of the impacts of new dog off-leash areas introduced as a result of this review.

Carried

Attachments

- 1 Debate Presentation Deputy Mayor Foon

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers.

Against:

Absent:

Councillor Free, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

Moved Councillor Pannett, seconded Mayor Whanau the following amendment:

Resolved

- 3) Agree to adopt the:
- a. ~~Dog Policy 2024.~~
 - a. Dog Policy 2024 with the following addition:
 - i. Allow to dogs to access Oriental Bay Beach (where there is currently access during the winter months) November to April 5am-10am only instead of access to the eastern side of the beach.
 - b. Domestic Animal Policy 2024.

Lost

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett.

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers.

Absent:

Councillor Free, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

Majority Vote: 5:9

Lost

3.4 Commemorative Policy Review 2024 (Post consultation)

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Note the public submissions, summary of submissions and officers' response on the review the Commemorative Policy 2006 as attached.
- 3) Adopt the proposed Commemorative Policy 2024.
- 4) Delegate the Chair of the Committee and the Chief Executive to make any amendments agreed by the Committee or editorial changes as necessary to the proposed Commemorative Policy 2024.

Carried

(Deputy Mayor Foon left the hui at 2:37pm and returned at 2:37pm.)

3.5 Proposed Reserve Revocation and Land Disposal - 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands

Moved Councillor Randle, seconded Councillor Apanowicz

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Agree, pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, to revoke the reserve status of the land at 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands (legally described as Lots 15 and 25 DP 30952, held on ROT WN7D/78, the Land), subject to public consultation.
- 3) Recommend to Council, subject to the outcome of the above public consultation, that it:
 - a. Declare that the 503m² of fee-simple, Council-owned land at 33 Cheyne Walk, Newlands (legally described as Lots 15 and 25 DP 30952, held on ROT WN7D/78), is not required for a public work and is surplus to Council's operational requirements.
 - b. Agree to dispose of the Land.
 - c. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the road stopping and disposal of the Land, including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, negotiating the terms of the sale, imposing any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.
- 4) Note that a further report will be presented to the Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee, should there be submissions to the reserve revocation, to determine whether objections are to be upheld.
- 5) Note the approval of the Minister of Conservation is required for the reserve revocation.

Carried

3.6 Actions Tracking and Forward Programme

Moved Councillor O'Neill, seconded Councillor Matthews

Resolved

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Carried

The hui concluded at 3:01pm with the reading of the following karakia:

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua	Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body
I te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

Authenticated: _____
Chair

Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy, and Domestic Animal Policy




The Glenside Progressive Assn. Inc. supports the amendment for the Dog Policy as proposed by Council officers which reads: *Note that officers will revisit the on-leash designation at Glenside Reserve should the land use at the Reserve change in the future.*

We are seeking for the grazing lease land on the Glenside Reserve to be prohibited to dogs due to sightings of nine ground nesting birds and desire for the land and streams to be prioritised for natural wildlife. Refer Table 1 and 2.

Table 1 Native/Endemic birds Birds sighted Glenside Reserve 2016-2024 (Source: NZ Bird Atlas)

	Native/Endemic	Ground Nest
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australasian Harrier/ Kāhu 	Sticks on ground, bushes, wetlands
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Zealand Kaka 	Hollow logs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paradise Shelduck/Pūtangitangi 	Holes in ground
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pūkeko 	Raupo, flax, grasses
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sacred Kingfisher/Kōtare 	Hole in bank, cliff, trees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spur-winged Plover 	Scrape in ground in pasture, park
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bellbird Grey Warbler/Riroriro New Zealand Fantail/Pīwakawaka New Zealand Pigeon/Kererū Silvereye/Tauhō Several types of Gull (fly over) Tui 	

Table 2 Introduced Birds sighted Glenside Reserve 2016-2024 (Source: NZ Bird Atlas)

	Introduced	Ground Nest
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • California Quail 	Shallow basin under gorses, tussock
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mallard 	On ground under grass
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Swallow 	Mud nest under overhang, e.g. bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Magpie • Canadian Goose (fly over) • Eastern Rosella • Eurasian Blackbird • European Goldfinch • European Greenfinch • European Starling • House Sparrow • Song Thrush • Yellowhammer 	

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Background:

- In 1950 Wellington City Council purchased the historic Halfway House and associated land for the Glenside Reserve, however since then much of the land has never been accessible to the general public. At first it was grazed by a local farmer.



- Between 1961-1989 the land was out of bounds to the public as it was a sewerage treatment plant with dispersal of wastewater on land.
- From 1989 the land was leased to the Newlands Riding Club and has been leased to them ever since and is not accessible to the general public.



- In 1998 when I moved to Glenside the Halfway House was almost derelict. There were No Trespassing and Private Property signs down the driveway and locked gates to the reserve. The signs were present up until 2017 when the Halfway House was restored and officially opened. The gates to the grazing lease remain padlocked for safety and security reasons.
- Since 2001 Glenside Progressive Assn. has worked closely with various teams in Council to make the reserve accessible. This includes restoration of the historic Halfway House and hire of the public rooms, planting the grounds of the house in heritage plants, and having two family friendly walking tracks developed on the reserve. We do not object to dogs on leash in these areas.



- However we do not support dogs on the grazing lease. The grazing lease has a pond and a stream on it. Bird counts since 2016 have identified nine ground nesting birds on the reserve. They are there because of the water and associated hunting grounds and no public access for dogs.

Future direction

- Our objective is to work with Wellington City Council to develop a landscape and management plan for Glenside Reserve to restore the streams and pond. We want to enhance the area for the wildlife, including birds and fish. We would like the reserve to be a gentle and peaceful place for people, with natural play for children.
- Our community is semi-rural and highly engaged in revegetation and predator free projects to protect local waterways and to restore the land for fish and birds.
- The Glenside Streamcare Group made its first submission to Council to create a natural wildlife area with no dogs in 2004, for the Glenside Reserve Future Options report.
- In 2023 and 2024 our Association has held two on site walks involving community, and key stakeholders from Porirua City Council, Wellington City Council, Greater Wellington and other entities /NGO's. A 36 page report on the findings is available on our website and shows support for no dogs <https://www.glenside.org.nz/glenside-reserves.html>

During the formal consultation process, we submitted to the Animal Bylaw, Dog Policy, and Domestic Animal Policy for an area in Glenside Reserve to be prohibited to dogs however this did not progress due to our submission not being made during early engagement (which we were not aware that we had to do).

We accept the amendment by the officer's in good faith as a step toward in the right direction toward protecting the birds from dogs.

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