
MINUTES

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2008

9.16AM

**Committee Room One
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington**

PRESENT:

James Ogden (Chair)
Councillor Coughlan
Alan Isaac
Councillor Ritchie

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor McKinnon (in the absence of the Mayor)

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Prendergast
Councillor Foster

023/08FM **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/02IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Council Controlled Organisation Performance Subcommittee:

- 1. Accept apologies for absence from Mayor Prendergast and Councillor Foster.*

024/08FM **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/02IM)

NOTED:

1. Councillor Coughlan declared an interest in relation to Carter Observatory and Positively Wellington Tourism.
2. Mr Isaac declared an interest in relation to the Basin Reserve Trust and the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.

025/08FM **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/02IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

026/08FM **MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION**
(1215/52/02/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Council Controlled Organisation Performance Subcommittee:

1. *Approve the minutes of the meeting held on Friday 20 June 2008 be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.*

027/08FM **UPDATE ON CURRENT ISSUES**

Report of Allan Prangnell, Manager, Council Controlled Organisations
(1215/52/02IM)

(REPORT 1)

NOTED:

In the current economic climate Wellington City Council is looking across all activities to see where change can be made. This applies to the Council Controlled Organisations. The Subcommittee was asked to give thought to where they think Council Controlled Organisations can add to Wellington City Council's overall saving. There will be opportunity at the 8 December 2008 meeting for the Subcommittee to give their thoughts on this before the Council Controlled Organisations finalise their 2009/2010 Statements of Intent. It was also noted that Wellington City Council had asked for a detailed report on Wellington Waterfront and that this was coming to the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting on 20 November 2008.

028/08FM **DEPUTATION**
(1215/52/02/IM)

NOTED:

1. Roger Drummond and Brian Brown addressed the Subcommittee on behalf of the Wellington Cable Car Ltd. The major issue that has faced Wellington Cable Car is has been the need to have a safe overhead trolley bus infrastructure. A funding agreement for maintenance has been reached with Greater Wellington Regional Council. This is seen as a massive breakthrough and Wellington City Council was thanked for their support in reaching the agreement. The next new challenge is to start to generate actual revenue. The aim of becoming a major Wellington attraction has not been lost. There are plans to coordinate activities with the Cable Car Museum, tourists and residents, and to look at revitalising Cable Car Lane. It was noted that the Wellington Cable Car can assist Wellington City Council with their broadband strategy through the use of their poles for broadband cable. The largest amount of profit currently generated is through the third party use of poles. There is potential to expand on this. It is also possible that SNAPPER will be enabled on the cable cars, but this will not be determined for some time.
2. David Perks addressed the Subcommittee on behalf of Positively Wellington Tourism. Mr Perks is new in his role, and as such used the opportunity to introduce himself to the Subcommittee and see how the views of the Subcommittee fit with his own views on Positively Wellington Tourism. Positively Wellington Tourism have recently upgraded their website, although this project is still in its infancy. A advertising campaign “Spoil Yourself” has recently ended. This was run on the Breakfast programme. It had the best response of any competition run on Breakfast. There was also a spike in internet hits. The next focus is the Monet exhibition coming to Te Papa in April. The economic slowdown and the flow on to the tourist industry is not predicted to impact greatly on Wellington. The majority of tourists to Wellington are domestic travellers. Wellington is reasonably well protected because of the key corporate and Government sector. The aim is to maintain Australian and domestic trips.

NOTED:

At the conclusion of the deputation Allan Prangnell, Manager, Council Controlled Organisation, updated the Subcommittee on the status of *I-Site*. This continues to be a big issue. Positively Wellington Tourism are investigating options to increase visitor numbers. They are working with Wellington City Council staff to create a better space, either by moving to another site or improving the current one.

029/08FM **REVIEW OF THE PERFORMANCE OF ALL COUNCIL
CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

Report of Council Controlled Organisation Team.
(1215/52/02IM)

(REPORT 2)

Moved Mr Ogden, seconded Councillor Coughlan the substantive motion, as amended.

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Raise any issues for the Chair of this Subcommittee to raise with the Chairs of the entities.*
3. *Raise **the following** issues that the Subcommittee consider should be brought to the attention of the Strategy and Policy Committee:*
 - a. ***That the Strategy and Policy Committee note the concern from the Council Controlled Organisation Performance Subcommittee regarding the time it has taken for a savings model to be finalised for Capacity, and that this has not yet been achieved.***
 - b. ***That there needs to be a final decision on the savings model for Capacity, agreed on and reported back to the Council Controlled Organisation Performance Subcommittee by the 8 December 2008 meeting, and subsequently the Strategy and Policy Committee. Note that this may require external mediation.***
 - c. ***That when the Service Level Agreement for Capacity is reviewed by June 2009, the responsibility for strategic asset planning be clarified. Note that the Council Controlled Organisation Performance Subcommittee would be surprised if the responsibility did not lie with the asset holder.***
4. *Agree that the St James Theatre Charitable Trust should continue to develop an Asset Management Plan and that the Trust should approach the Council annually for any major programmed maintenance in the following year that it is unable to fund itself.*
5. *Note that this approach is in lieu of requiring the Trust to fund depreciation in its annual financial statements.*

NOTED:

The resolutions differed from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Subcommittee added the words in **bold**.

030/08FM **FORWARD PROGRAMME**

Report of Allan Prangnell, Manager, Council Controlled Organisations.
(1215/52/02IM) (REPORT 3)

Moved Mr Isaac, seconded Councillor Coughlan the substantive motion, with the following amendments:

Remove:

- Wellington Regional Stadium Trust from the 8 December 2008 CCO Discussion.

The substantive motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree to the forward programme attached as Appendix One to the officer's report, as **amended**.*

NOTED:

The resolutions differed from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Subcommittee added the words in **bold**.

031/08FM **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

(1215/52/02/IM)

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Mr Isaac the motion to exclude the public.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Report 2: Review of the performance of all Council Controlled Organisations for the quarter ended 30 June 2008.

Wellington International Airport Limited

Grounds: S48(1)(a) That public conduct of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting will be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.

Reason: S7(2)(b)(ii) Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

(The meeting moved into public excluded at 12.29pm.)

(For item 032/08FM, please see the public excluded minutes.)

The meeting concluded at 12.35pm.

Confirmed: _____
Chair
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