

MINUTES

TITLE: Environment & Planning Committee
DATE: Thursday, 12 July 2007
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

PRESENT: Cr R G Kempthorne (Chair), Mayor J C Hurley, Crs S J Borlase, S G Bryant, M J Higgins, T B King, T E Norriss, E M O'Regan, N Riley, and P K O'Shea.

IN ATTENDANCE: Environment & Planning Manager (D C Bush-King), Manager, Policy (G S Markham), Co-ordinator, Compliance Monitoring (C D Cheeseman), Compliance Officer (D Page), Policy Planners (R H Biss, S Leusink-Sladen, M Baker, N Jackson), Resource Scientist (J Thomas), Consent Planner (N Tyson), Administration Officer (B D Moore)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Riley / Higgins
EP07/07/04

THAT apologies for lateness from Crs King and Bryant and for absence from Crs Henry, Currie, Inglis and Wilkins be sustained.
CARRIED

1. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr C Edmonds said that he noted the matter of landscape advisory notes and design guide were on the agenda and asked Council to consider that these be not be property specific and said that a design guide is necessary. He asked the Council to consider some way in which developers may obtain some relief from the burden of payment of Development Impact Levies through a system of timing those payments.

Mr B Fraser of Bronte Road East sought input into any Bronte Peninsular land change proposals in the coastal area.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Environment & Planning Committee, 23 to 29 May 2007 - Richmond West Group Ltd

Moved Crs O'Regan / Riley
EP07/05/07

THAT the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meeting held on 23 to 29 May 2007 for Richmond West Group Ltd, containing Resolutions EP07/06/33 to EP07/06/36, be approved as a correct record.
CARRIED

2.2 Environment & Planning Committee, 20 June 2007

**Moved Crs O'Shea / Borlase
EP07/07/06**

THAT the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meeting held on 20 June 2007, containing Resolutions EP07/06/04 to EP07/06/31, be approved as a correct record.

CARRIED

2.3 Heritage Subcommittee – 22 June 2007

**Moved Crs O'Shea / O'Regan
EP07/07/07**

THAT the minutes of the Heritage Subcommittee held on 22 June 2007, containing Resolutions EP07/06/32 to EP07/06/41, be approved as a correct record.

CARRIED

3. RESOURCE POLICY PROGRAMME

Mr Markham advised that a report would be placed in the 1 August agenda to allow Councillors to consider, assess and prioritise the resource policy programme.

4. COMPLIANCE MONITORING UPDATE REPORT – 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 2007 - REPORT EP07/07/03

Co-ordinator, Compliance Monitoring, C Cheeseman spoke to this report contained within the agenda and responded to Councillors questions.

**Moved Crs O'Regan / Borlase
EP07/07/08**

THAT Compliance Monitoring Update Report - 1 April to 30 June 2007, EP07/07/03, be received.

CARRIED

5. ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT - REPORT EP07/07/08

The agenda contained this report dated 28 June 2007.

**Moved Crs Higgins / Borlase
EP07/07/09**

THAT Environment & Planning Committee Chairperson's Report EP07/07/08, be received.

CARRIED

6. ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING MANAGER'S REPORT - REPORT EP07/07/09

Mr Bush-King outlined the current status of legal proceedings.

6.1 Nelson / Tasman Liquor Accord

Copies of a draft Hospitality Protocol that licensees in the Nelson / Tasman area are intending to adopt was tabled.

The Committee suggested some alterations that may be required for adoption by those members.

**Moved Crs Norriss / O'Shea
EP07/07/10**

THAT the Tasman District Council supports the Nelson / Tasman Liquor Accord and the Hospitality Protocol is endorsed.

CARRIED

**Moved Crs Borlase / Higgins
EP07/07/11**

THAT the Environment & Planning Manager's report EP07/07/09 be received.

CARRIED

7. WATER METERING 2006/2007 SEASON REPORT - REPORT EP07/07/04

Compliance Officer, D Page, spoke to this report contained within the agenda and responded to Councillors questions on water metering administration and compliance.

**Moved Crs Borlase / Riley
EP07/07/12**

THAT the Water Metering 2006/2007 Season report EP07/07/04 be received.

CARRIED

8. ADDITION TO HERITAGE BUILDING SCHEDULE - REPORT EP07/0705

Policy Planner, R Biss, spoke to the report contained within the agenda, which sought the addition of the Sarau School at Upper Moutere to be added to the heritage schedule.

**Moved Crs Norriss / O'Shea
EP07/07/13**

THAT the former Sarau School is added to the Proposed Tasman Resource Management Plan plan Heritage Schedule 18.1A and Area Map 88 as a new item in the proposed variation on land use amendments as follows:

**Add to Heritage Schedule 18.1A Waimea Moutere Section
"Former Sarau School, Moutere Highway, 1936007800 Part Lot 3 Deeds 184H24,
Area Map 88"**

CARRIED

9. PROPOSED NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT ON FLOOD AND STORMWATER RISK MANAGEMENT – REPORT EP07/07/07

Policy Planner, N Jackson, spoke to this report contained with the agenda together with the appended comments provided by Council staff.

Moved Crs O'Shea / Riley
EP07/07/14

THAT the Environment & Planning Committee endorses the comments that staff have made to the Ministry for the Environment, on the proposal for a National Policy Statement on Flood Risk Management.

CARRIED

10. CONTINUATION OF TRMP HEARING 52: SUBMISSIONS TO PROPOSED VARIATION 51, AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

10.1 Horticulture NZ

Mr K Roberts of Horticulture NZ was accompanied by horticulture growers R Bier, M Gargiulo, and B Hanna. A submission was tabled and read to describe the changes that growers using boilers were seeking to Proposed Variation 51 Air Quality Management. The submission from Horticulture NZ sought assurance that boilers can continue to operate to service existing greenhouses in residential areas.

10.2 Solid Energy NZ Ltd and Solid Energy Renewable Fuels Ltd

Counsel for the submitter, Ms Marie Baker, spoke to the submission saying that Solid Energy is promoting use of pellet fires that are a low-emission, low-cost option for domestic heating and sought some changes to the variation to ensure that these pellet fires that meet appropriate standards are permitted and therefore their use encouraged.

A statement of evidence for this submission was tabled and read by Dr S M Pearce that described the benefits of pellet fires and reviewed the fundamentals of wood pellet fuel combustion. He explained why CO₂ is not relevant to the testing of air combustion processes and their annual maintenance. He explained why there is no basis for restricting the use of anti-sap stain and described the benefits of pellet boilers and proposed rules for the provision for pellet boilers in the Tasman plan. Dr Pearce noted there was no provision for pellet boilers in the Tasman Resource Management Plan, or for the use of wood pellet fuel boilers in residential warm water central heating systems and that could be incorporated by amending Clause (c) of Rule 36.3.6.

11. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

**Moved Crs O'Regan / Norriss
EP07/07/15**

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

- Coastal Tasman Area Design Guide - Approval to Notify With Chapter 4 "Location Specific Landscape Unit Guidelines
- Re-Notification of Landscape Provisions – Proposed Variation 59
- Variation 60 - Allotment Access onto Arterial and Distributor Roads
- TRMP Hearing 52 Deliberation
- Moutere EGZ Water Allocation and District Waiting Lists Policy Paper

CARRIED

12. RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

**Moved Crs O'Shea / Higgins
EP07/07/16**

THAT the Open Meeting be resumed and that the business transacted during the time the public was excluded be adopted.

CARRIED

Cr Kempthorne thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 4.40 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: