

## Public Excluded

### Report PE 05.582

18 October 2005

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**Minutes of the Public Excluded Part of the Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 18 October 2005 at 10.55am**

**Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.**  
*Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.*

### Present

Councillors Buchanan (Chairman), Aitken, Baber, Evans, Kirton, Glensor, Greig, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Wilde

### Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cutler, Gray, Jackson, Kennedy, Turfrey, Waititi, and Drs Bradbury, Hastie and Watson

### In Attendance

Peter O'Brien (Property Consultant)

## Public Business

### Procedural Items

#### PEPFS 22 Apologies

There were no apologies.

## Matters for Consideration

### PEPFS 23 Purchase of Waitangirua Farm from Landcorp Farming Ltd

#### Noted

- (1) Councillor Wilde was absent from the meeting during discussion and voting on this item having declared an interest.
- (2) Peter O'Brien, property consultant, was present during this item, as earlier resolved.

#### Report PE 05.559

File: PK/11/01/08

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Turver)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <b>Receive the report.</b></li> <li>(2) <b>Note the content of the report.</b></li> <li>(3) <b>Approve the withdrawal from the Land Purchase Reserve, \$800,000 to assist in funding the purchase.</b></li> <li>(4) <b>Approve Council purchasing areas A, D, E, H &amp; J from Landcorp Farming Limited for \$5,600,000 with the assistance of a Crown grant on the terms set out in the attached draft agreement for sale and purchase subject to any minor boundary and cost adjustments that may arise through the surveying and subdivision process.</b></li> <li>(5) <b>Approve at date of settlement, granting LFL a five year farming licence for a licence fee of \$500,000 payable at a date of licence commencement as set out in the attached draft deed of licence.</b></li> <li>(6) <b>Affix the Council seal to all documents required to give effect to the proposal.</b></li> </ol>	

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Evans/Cr Glensor)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
<p><b>Express its appreciation to the community and the Government for assisting in the purchase of Waitangirua Farm.</b></p>	

11.21am Councillor Wilde returned to the meeting.

**PEPFS 24 Managing Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown****Noted**

Peter O'Brien, property consultant, was present during this item, as earlier resolved.

**Report PE 05.573**

File: PK/14/01/08

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

That the Committee recommends that Council

- (1) Receive the report.
- (2) Note the contents.
- (3) Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following principles
  - i. That Council management of Whareroa Farm is to be unfettered.
  - ii That at the time of handover of management, no pre-conditions or arrangements will exist other than a farming licence.
  - iii That any farming licence put in place over Whareroa Farm prior to handover of management will be negotiated, drafted and agreed in full consultation with Council.
  - iv That the farm is to be incorporated into Queen Elizabeth Park and managed as part of that park under the same terms and conditions that are currently set between the Department of Conservation and the Council for that park.
  - v That an ongoing revenue stream from a farming licence will come across to the Council as part of the management and control transfer.
- (4) Authorise officers to enter into discussions with the Department of Conservation regarding the future management of Whareroa Farm, and report back to Council with the outcome of these discussions.

*Resolved by Amendment*

*(Cr Aitken/Cr Turver)*

*That part of 3(b) of the report recommendation be amended to read:*

*Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to consider accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following conditions.....*

Moved

(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee recommends that Council

Ask officers to discuss with KCDC and community groups the level of support that they are willing to contribute to the management of Whareroa Farm.

**Resolved**

**(Cr Wilde/Cr Aitken)**

**That the Committee recommends that Council**

- (1) Receive the report.**
- (2) Note the contents.**
- (3) Note the valuable contribution made by members of the public, notably the Guardians of Whareroa, to preserving Whareroa farm in public ownership.**
- (4) Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to consider accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following conditions**
  - i That Council management of Whareroa Farm is to be unfettered.**
  - ii That any farming licence put in place over Whareroa Farm prior to handover of management will be negotiated, drafted and agreed in full consultation with Council.**
  - iii That at the time of handover of management, no pre-conditions or arrangements will exist other than a farming licence.**
  - iv That any ongoing revenue stream from a farming licence will come across to the Council as part of the management and control transfer.**

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| <p>(5) Authorise officers to enter into discussions with the Department of Conservation regarding the future management of Whareroa Farm, and report back to Council with the outcome of these discussions.</p> <p>(6) Request officers to investigate and report on the feasibility and costs of incorporating the farm into Queen Elizabeth park and managing it as part of that park.</p> |
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*Resolved*

*(Cr Kirton/Cr Aitken)*

*That the Committee*

*Asks staff to take into account all matters raised by Councillors today.*

PEPFS 25 **Greater Wellington Regional Council rates**

**Report PE 05.572**

File: G/06/02/05

<p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p><b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b></p> <p>(1) Notes that there has been a mistake in the setting of regional rates in Porirua City for the 2005/06 financial year due to an error in the valuation information supplied by Porirua City Council.</p> <p>(2) Agrees that the best option for dealing with the mistake is to withhold the full collection fee payable to Porirua City Council for the 2005/06 year.</p> <p>(3) Acknowledges that the rates collection arrangement with Porirua City Council has worked well for many years.</p>	<p><b>(Cr McDavitt/Cr Evans)</b></p>
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PEPFS 26 **Stadium Tax Case**

**Report PE 05.568**

File: N/06/15/02

<p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p><b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b></p> <p>(1) Receive the report.</p> <p>(2) Note the contents of the report.</p>	<p><b>(Cr Baber//Cr Aitken)</b></p>
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12.22am. The public excluded part of the meeting closed.

Cr I M BUCHANAN

Chairman

Date: