

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 9.30AM ON THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2008**

PRESENT: The Mayor, Bob Parker (Chairperson).
Councillors Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Ngaire Button, Barry Corbett, David Cox,
Claudia Reid, Bob Shearing, Gail Sheriff, Mike Wall, Sue Wells, Chrissie Williams and
Norm Withers.

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received and accepted from Councillor Yani Johanson.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

This clause was taken at this stage of the meeting.

David Close, Christchurch 2021 – City Housing Rent Review 2008

Mr Close spoke to this item and expressed his concern at the proposed rent increase of 24 per cent for the Council's housing portfolio. He commented that the Social Housing Strategy, adopted by the Council in the previous year, had given no indication of a proposed rent increase of 24 per cent and queried the need for this in respect to future refurbishment of the Council's housing stock.

The extent to which the Accommodation Supplement was being relied upon by the Council to mitigate the rental increase was also queried and he commented he regarded this approach as having inherent risks as it might compromise the Council's prospects of obtaining central Government funding for its social housing.

Mr Close sought a reduction of the rental increase to approximately 2.5 per cent per annum and expressed the view that Councillors needed further additional information prior to making any decision.

The submission from Mr Close was considered in conjunction with the relevant clause of the agenda.

4. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Councillor Broughton tabled several petitions signed by tenants at some Christchurch City Council housing complexes requesting that the Council increase housing rentals only at the level of the cost of living index, and expressing concern that the proposed increase by the Council was too excessive, absorbing 90 per cent of the pension increase they had received.

The petition was considered in conjunction with the relevant clause of the agenda.

14. CITY HOUSING RENT REVIEW - 2008

Councillor Sheriff moved *"That the Council:*

- (a) *Increase rents for all existing City Housing Tenants (with the exception of Whakahoia Village tenants) by 24% per week, commencing from the beginning of the first rental period in July 2008 and for all new tenancies beginning on or after 1 May 2008.*
- (b) *Increase garage rentals to \$17 per week and carport rentals to \$14 per week where the rental of these facilities is discretionary."*

The motion was seconded by Councillor Wall.

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Councillor Broughton then moved by way of amendment "*That the issue of housing rentals be referred to the Housing Working Party for further consideration and report back to the Council*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Shearing and on being put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division no 1 by 8 votes to 5, the voting being as follows:

Against: (8) Councillors Button, Corbett, Cox, Reid, Sheriff, Wells, Wall and the Mayor.

For: (5) Councillors Broughton, Buck, Shearing, Williams and Withers.

Councillor Williams then moved by way of addition "*That the Council urgently approach the Government to seek financial support for the ongoing maintenance and provision of the Council's social housing.*" The amendment was seconded by Councillor Broughton and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

The motion as amended was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion and declared **carried** on division no 2 by 9 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For: (9) Councillors Buck, Button, Corbett, Cox, Reid, Sheriff, Wall, Wells and the Mayor.

Against: (4) Councillors Broughton, Shearing, Williams and Withers.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING OF 28 FEBRUARY 2008

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wall, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the minutes of the open Council meeting held on Thursday 28 February 2008 be confirmed, subject to noting that Councillor Buck had withdrawn her nomination in respect to a directorship on the board of Christchurch and Canterbury Marketing Limited.

COUNCIL MEETINGS OF 4, 5 AND 6 MARCH 2008

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wall, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the minutes of the Council meetings held on 4, 5 and 6 March 2008 be confirmed, subject to noting in respect to division no 8 that this motion was lost by 11 votes to 3.

COUNCIL MEETING OF 13 MARCH 2008

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Cox, that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 13 March 2008 be confirmed.

5. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR ELECTED MEMBERS TO VISIT CHINA IN APRIL 2008

Councillor Wells moved "*That the Council grant approval for the Mayor, Mayoress and Councillor Corbett visit China in April 2008 as official representatives of the Council, for the purposes set out in the report*". The motion was seconded by Councillor Withers and on being put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 3 by 8 votes to 3, the voting being as follows:

For: (8) Councillors Broughton, Button, Cox, Reid, Shearing, Wall, Wells and Withers.

Against: (3) Councillors Buck, Sheriff and Williams.

(Note: Mayor Bob Parker and Councillor Barry Corbett declared an interest in the above clause and retired from voting thereon.)

6. DRAFT PLAN FOR LIBRARY FACILITIES

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Broughton, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the Council:

- (a) Approve the Draft Plan for Library Facilities in Christchurch for community consultation.
- (b) That a subcommittee of the full Council, including Mr Bruce Tulloch, hear submissions on the draft Plan.

7. HOSPITAL PARKING CHARGES

Councillor Wells moved *“That in order to ensure that the hospital car park functions best meet the needs of the primary users, namely patients, their families, and visitors, and to ensure consistency with the level of charges in other Christchurch City Council car parks, that, subject to the Canterbury District Health Board imposing the P120 Patient and Visitor Parking Only restrictions in the Christchurch Hospital main site, the Council resolve effective from 1 May 2008 to:*

- (a) *Modify charges as set out in the 2006/16 LTCCP for parking in the Christchurch Hospital car park building so that they read:*

Hospital Car Park Building 2007/2008

- *Basic charge \$1.10 per half hour or part thereof*
- *Maximum Daily charge \$17*

- (b) *Confirm the reduction in the charges set out in the 2006/16 LTCCP for Christchurch Hospital on-site parking to \$0.80c/half hour instead of the published \$1.10/half hour so that it reads:*

“Hospital on-site Parking 0.80c per half hour”

- (c) *Establish a joint committee, reporting to the Council, to include two elected representatives, as agreed in the Deed of Settlement to act in an advisory role on the management of the car parking premises.*

- (d) *Confirm the following subsidies will continue until the Joint Committee completes its review:*

- *High User/Long Stay concession (Car Park Building only)*
- *Child Cancer – Smiley Face Sticker (Car Park Building only)*
- *Oncology Patient Parking (On-site only)*
- *Chemotherapy Patients (On-site only)*
- *“Crisis Card” Parking (short term on-site/long term in car park)*
- *“Emergency Call Back staff” Parking (On-site)*
- *Staff Purple “On Call Cards” (On-site)*
- *Mobility card holders (On-site).*

- (e) *Request the Joint Committee to initially consider and report back, by November 2008, on the following issues:*

- *Whether dedicated staff car parks can be provided in the parking building and if so how many;*
- *All concessions (current and future); and*
- *Funding of concessions.”*

The motion was seconded by Councillor Cox. Clauses (a) and (b) of the motion were then put to the meeting and declared **carried** on division no 4 by 11 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

For (11): Councillors Buck, Button, Corbett, Cox, Reid, Shearing, Sheriff, Wall, Wells, Withers and the Mayor.

Against (2): Councillors Broughton and Williams.

The remaining clauses were then put to the meeting and declared **carried**.

8. LYTTTELTON PORT NOISE – AMENDMENT TO COVENANT

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the Council approve the proposed amendments to the Deed of Covenant as set out in the attachment to the report.

9. ASSIGNMENT OF DEED OF LEASE OF AIRSPACE

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Sheriff, that the Council:

- (a) Consent to the assignment of the Deed of Lease of Airspace for the overbridge spanning Woolsack Lane from Hyman Marks Trust to Professional Fitness Limited, subject to:
 - (i) A deed of assignment in customary form being signed by the parties.
 - (ii) The vendor and purchaser meeting all costs of the assignment of the lease as agreed between the parties.
- (b) Delegate to the Corporate Support Manager the power to accept surrender of the lease once the demolition has been completed.

10. CHRISTCHURCH, ROLLESTON AND ENVIRONS TRANSPORTATION STUDY – TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Sheriff, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Council:

- (a) Adopt, in general, the Transport Strategy of the Christchurch, Rolleston and Environs Transportation Study, Final Report, September 2007, and specifically adopt the Christchurch City components of the Strategy as set out and modified by the recommendations below.
- (b) Not adopt the roading hierarchy set out in Attachment 2 as the 'Transport Strategy Network Hierarchy' but resolve that the roading network develop in broad accordance with the diagram and that it is used as an input into any future review of the City Plan roading hierarchy.
- (c) Adopt the project timing as set out in Attachment 3 as 'Transport Strategy Staging and Timing Diagram' as a guiding framework for prioritising the delivery of projects, but not adopt the specific timings as capital funding for the projects will be subject to Council budgets as well as Land Transport funding availability where required.
- (d) Adopt the following Transport Strategy projects for which the Council is responsible as the road controlling authority and resolve to continue them along the transport planning process at the appropriate times:
 - Amyes – Awatea - Dunbars route – Upgraded two lane road route (orbital route between Halswell and SH1).
 - Broughs Road – Extension and upgraded two lane road from Sawyers Arms Road to McLeans Island Road (alternative access when the latter road is limited to left in only with the SH1 Johns Road four laning).
 - Dunbars Road – Extension south-eastwards from Halswell Road to the Sparks Road/ Hendersons Road intersection as a new two lane road if the adjoining land is rezoned for urban purposes as proposed by the Urban Development Strategy (urban development access and extended orbital route SH1 to south Christchurch).
 - Hayton Road – Extension across the Main South Railway line as a new two lane road to connect to Alloy Place and the Sockburn roundabout. (Wigram Airfield urban development and Parkhouse area alternative access).
 - Lincoln Road – Upgraded to a four lane road between Wrights Road and Curletts Road (route continuity).

- Quaifes – Sabys Realignment – Realignment as a new two lane road of Quaifes Road to Candys Road and two lane upgrading of Sabys Road towards Trices Road to improve road geometry (orbital routes).
 - Shands Road – Upgraded two lane road between Halswell Junction Road and Marshs Road (secondary route to SH1).
 - Wigram Road Northeast Extension and Route Upgrade:
 - Grade separated extension between Treffers Road northeast over Curletts Road to Magdala Place.
 - Upgraded two lane roads along the Magdala Place – Birmingham Drive – Matipo Street route to Blenheim Road and the Birmingham Drive – Wrights Road route to Lincoln Road.
 - Wigram Road – Upgraded two lane road between Treffers Road and Awatea Road (radial arterial route).
 - Wigram Road Southwest Extension – Upgraded or new two lane road route between Awatea Road and Longstaffs Road including an eventual grade separated crossing of the Southern Motorway and using all or parts of Wigram Road and/or Whincops Road to connect to Longstaffs Road and the Ellesmere Road route to Prebbleton / Lincoln (radial arterial route). Whether land protection is needed for possible future long term south facing motorway ramps on the grade separated crossing is to be determined during the subsequent transport planning process investigations and in further discussions with Transit New Zealand.
- (e) Resolve that the projects identified above:
- Include upgraded intersection controls, public transport, cycling and walking facilities, and service lanes as and where appropriate.
 - Are integrated and constructed with/as sub-divisional or other development work where possible and appropriate (eg an urban development link such as the Dunbars Extension would be constructed by land developers when the adjoining land is rezoned, as proposed by the Urban Development Strategy, for urban purposes).
- (f) Note that the projects do not include any Council works specifically related to the Southern Motorway duplication and extension to Halswell Junction Road such as the associated cycleway and under or overpasses.
- (g) Note the existence of the additional collector roads in the Aidanfield, Wigram Airfield and Halswell – Sparks areas (Attachment 4) that make up part of the network structure but have been or will be provided by land developers with urban zoning of the land.
- (h) Acknowledge that various Council controlled roads at their intersections with roads controlled by Christchurch International Airport, Selwyn District Council and Transit New Zealand will be modified by projects the other road controlling authorities are responsible for through joint project processes.
- (i) Resolve that until further information on the effects is forthcoming as part of an impact assessment, the Council take a neutral position on the restriction of vehicle movements at the Wairakei Road/Russley Road intersection as part of the proposed Memorial/Russley grade separation by Transit New Zealand.
- (j) Resolve to support any efforts to protect the rail corridor to Rolleston for future commuter rail services should the need arise for such protection.
- (k) Initiate a joint committee with Selwyn District Council and Transit New Zealand to oversee the implementation of the strategy.

11. LAND INFORMATION NEW ZEALAND E-DEALING DELEGATIONS

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Sheriff, seconded by Councillor Wells, that the Council delegate to the Legal Services Manager the power to sign on behalf of the Council all necessary 'Authority and Instruction' forms as required from time to time:

- (a) To authorise and instruct the solicitors acting for the Council (including those solicitors employed by the Legal Services Unit) to undertake land conveyancing transactions electronically by e-dealing on behalf of the Council on the Land Information New Zealand internet based land registry system known as 'Landonline'; and
- (b) To comply with the requirements of section 164A of the Land Transfer Act 1952 and Rule 3.03 of the New Zealand Law Society's Rules of Professional Conduct.

12. SUSTAINABILITY POLICY APPROVAL

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wall, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Council:

- (a) Adopt the proposed Christchurch City Council Sustainability Policy as attached to the report.
- (b) Adopt the Terms of Reference for the Sustainability and Climate Change Working Party.

13. SUBMISSION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION ON THE REVIEW OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 AND THE LOCAL ELECTORAL ACT 2001

This clause was considered later in the meeting.

14. CITY HOUSING RENT REVIEW - 2008

This clause was dealt with at an earlier stage of the meeting.

15. CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2008

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Cox, seconded by Councillor Wall, that the Council receive the report.

16. ELECTED MEMBERS' REMUNERATION 2008/09

Councillor Wells moved *"That the Council:*

- (a) *Adopt the salary-only model as its basis of remuneration for elected members of the Christchurch City Council for the 2008/09 financial year.*
- (b) *Agree to submit the proposal set out in clause 6 of this report to the Remuneration Authority, which provides for the salaries payable to all elected members (with the exception of the Mayor) to be continued at their present levels for the year ending 30 June 2009.*
- (c) *Resolve to submit to the Remuneration Authority for its approval, the proposed rules and policies for the reimbursement of elected member expenses and allowances for the year ending 30 June 2009, described in Appendix A of this report.*
- (d) *Note that the Remuneration Authority must be advised of any dissent expressed by members of the Council or its community boards in relation to the Council's proposal."*

The motion was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and put to the meeting on a clause by clause basis. Clause (a) was put to the meeting and declared **carried**. On being put to the meeting clause (b) was declared **carried** on division no 5 by 11 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

For (11): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Corbett, Cox, Reid, Shearing, Sheriff, Wall, Wells, Withers and the Mayor

Against (2): Councillors Button and Williams.

Clauses (c) and (d) were then put to the meeting and declared **carried**.

(Note: Councillor Broughton requested that her vote against clause (c) be noted.)

**17. REPORT OF THE REGULATORY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE:
MEETING OF 6 MARCH 2008**

(1) Correction of Minor Errors in the City Plan

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Corbett, that the Committee's recommendation be adopted.

(2) Submission on Variation 30 – Financial Contributions to the Proposed Selwyn District Plan (Rural and Township Volumes)

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Committee's recommendation be adopted.

(3) Change 3 to the Transitional Regional Plan

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the Committee's recommendation be adopted.

(4) Proposed General Bylaw

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Reid, that the Committee's recommendation be adopted.

It was then **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Corbett, that the report as a whole be adopted.

In addition it was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Button, that the following hearings panels be established by the Council, with the members as detailed, to hear and consider submissions on the bylaws as detailed below:

- Public Places Bylaw/Banks Peninsula Nuisances Bylaw/Water Related Services Bylaw
Councillors Button, Wall, Wells and Withers
- Dog Control Bylaw
Councillors Johanson, Reid, Wall and Wells
- Traffic and Parking Bylaw
Councillors Broughton, Button, Johanson and Wells
- Parks, Marine and General Bylaw
Councillors Buck, Corbett and Williams

and that authority to amend the composition of the panels as required be delegated to the Chair of the Regulatory and Planning Committee and the General Manager Strategy and Planning.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Corbett, that the report as a whole be adopted, subject to noting that Councillor Wall is a member of the Graffiti, Vandalism and Significant Behavioural Nuisances Working Party.

**18. REPORT OF THE REGULATORY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE:
MEETING OF 11 MARCH 2008**

(1) Bridle Path Road Draft Area Plan

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Cox, that the Committee's report be adopted.

(Note: Councillor Helen Broughton requested that her vote against the above motion be recorded.)

(2) Application to Change the City Plan – 8 Manning Place

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Shearing, that the Committee's report be adopted.

(3) Proposed Christchurch City Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2008

An amended copy of the proposed bylaw was tabled at the meeting and was separately circulated to members.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Committee's report be adopted, subject to the incorporation of the amended bylaw as separately circulated.

(4) Council Submission on Improving Public Safety and the Dog Control Act 1996

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Committee's report be adopted.

(5) Summary Offences (Tagging and Graffiti Vandalism) Amendment Bill 2008

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Council:

- (a) Note that the Regulatory and Planning Committee had approved the draft submission for forwarding to the Law and Order Select Committee.
- (b) Appear in support of its submission on the draft Bill, and that Councillor Sue Wells represent the Council.
- (c) Revoke the Council resolution of 23 February 2006 to *"initiate action to investigate putting forward to Parliament a local bill for the control of graffiti in the district of the Christchurch City Council"*.

(6) Proposed Christchurch City Council Marine and River Facilities Bylaw 2008

An amended copy of the proposed bylaw was tabled at the meeting and was separately circulated to members.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Buck, that the Committee's recommendation be adopted subject to the incorporation of the amended bylaw as separately circulated.

The report as a whole was then adopted.

19. DRAFT 2008 AMENDMENTS TO THE LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN (LTCCP) 2006-16

Prior to consideration of this item a letter from Audit NZ confirming compliance in respect to the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 was tabled for information of members.

Councillor Cox moved *“That the Council:*

- (a) *Approve for consultation the draft 2008 amendments to the LTCCP 2006-16 that include:*
 - (i) *The additional operating costs for implementing the waste minimisation strategy contained in the Waste Management Plan 2006; and*
 - (ii) *A new Revenue and Financing Policy that provides for the funding mechanism for implementing the waste minimisation strategy.*
- (b) *Note that if the result of consultation is that the implementation of the waste minimisation strategy is not confirmed by the Council, then the strategy could not be introduced in 2008/09 and it would be necessary to negotiate a variation of existing contractual obligations.*
- (c) *Approve the Statement of Proposal and Summary of Information in respect of those matters.*
- (d) *Approve the following dates for publicly notifying the Statement of Proposal and Summary of Information, consultation and the hearing of submissions in respect of the draft 2008 Amendments to the LTCCP 2006-16:*
 - (i) *Public notice in The Press: 29 March 2008*
 - (ii) *Public notice in The Star: 2 April 2008*
 - (iii) *Consultation period: Monday 31 March to 5pm on 1 May 2008*
 - (iv) *Hearing dates: 12, 13, 14 May 2008”*

The motion was seconded by Councillor Broughton and on being put to the meeting was declared **carried** by division no 6 by 12 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

For (12): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Corbett, Cox, Reid, Shearing, Sheriff, Wall, Wells, Withers and the Mayor.

Against (1): Councillor Williams.

20. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

21. QUESTIONS

Nil.

24. FIBA U19 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN 2009

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Corbett, that the Council:

- (a) Approve a maximum contribution of up to \$250,000 to host the FIBA Under 19 Men's World Basketball Championships in Christchurch in 2009 on the condition that:
 - (i) The Council's contribution is only applied to the operation of the event in Christchurch.
 - (ii) The Christchurch City Council is recognised as a sponsor with Christchurch branding displayed at all times and broadcast with the tournament footage.

- (b) Note that the funding will be sourced from the Capital Endowment Fund set aside for major events.
- (c) Note that the \$250,000 contribution is the maximum amount available and officers will negotiate the best value package within this limit subject to the agreement of the General Manager Community Services.

25. METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES PLAN – CONSULTATION

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Cox, seconded by Councillor Withers, that the Council:

- (a) Authorise the General Manager Community Services to amend the presented draft Metropolitan Sports Facilities Plan as discussed and attached to the report and then invite public and stakeholder consultation in April and May 2008.
- (b) Note that the results of any consultation will be analysed and reflected in a further draft to be presented to the Council at a workshop in July 2008, with a final plan due for Council consideration in August 2008.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

It was **resolved** that Leave of Absence be granted to the Mayor for the Council meetings of 10 and 24 April 2008 and Councillor Corbett for the Council meeting of 10 April 2008.

13. SUBMISSION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION ON THE REVIEW OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 AND THE LOCAL ELECTORAL ACT 2001

This clause was taken at this stage of the meeting.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Withers, seconded by Councillor Broughton, that the Council adopt the draft submission incorporating the following amendments:

- (a) Clauses 96 and 97 - that the Council support the reduction of the voting period from three to two weeks and that this be timed to ensure there is no clash with the school holiday periods.
- (b) That the submission include a recommendation that the triennial elections for District Health Boards not be held in conjunction with the territorial local authorities triennial elections, but be aligned to the elections for school boards of trustees.
- (c) Clause 100b – candidate profile statements, place of residence - that this clause be deleted from the submission.
- (d) That the requirement for candidates addresses to be shown on advertising be removed.
- (e) That Council enforcement officers have the power to require names and addresses.

22. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Sheriff, seconded by Councillor Wells, that the resolutions to exclude the public set out on page 46 of the agenda and in the additional report on the AMI Stadium Redevelopment, be adopted.

CONFIRMED THIS 24TH DAY OF APRIL 2008

MAYOR