

POLICY COMMITTEE

- FILE REFERENCE:** ECM 7118233
- MEETING DATE:** Tuesday 10 May 2016 at 4.30pm
- VENUE:** Council Chamber
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillor Gordon Brown (Chairperson); Mayor Andrew Judd, Councillors Keith Allum, Grant Coward, Murray Chong, Heather Dodunski, Richard Handley, Colin Johnston, Craig McFarlane, Howie Tamati and Roy Weaver
- NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Richard Jordan, Marie Pearce, Shaun Biesiek and Harry Duynhoven
- Community Board Chairpersons Ken Bedford (Clifton), Doug Hislop (Kaitake) and Community Board Member Andrew Larsen (Waitara)
- STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Liam Hodgetts, Sue Davidson, Alan Bird, Jan Holdt, Julie Straka, Lisa Lowe, Warren Dalgleish, Teresa Turner, Nick Maybury, Delwyn Masters

PUBLIC FORUM

Steffan Browning and Dr Stuart Bramhall, New Plymouth Green Party, re use of the herbicide RoundUp in the District. (ECM 7120391)

A petition (ECM 7120392) was tabled from 214 signatories who wish to see an end to Council spraying of New Plymouth streets and parks with Roundup.

Committee Advisors note

Council officers are to consider the matters raised and report back to the Policy Committee.

MINUTES

Policy Committee Resolution

Cr Coward)

Cr Dodunski)

That the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting (29 March 2016) be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried

PART A

MATTERS FINALLY DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION AND RECORD

1. Green Spaces Management Plan – Intention to Prepare

File Reference: ECM 7050850

The matter for consideration by the Council is the initiation of the process to develop a Green Spaces Management Plan, including a public notice relating to that process. The plan will include 421 land parcels and 300 hectares, mostly comprising of recreation and esplanade reserves along streams.

Policy Committee Resolution:

Cr Weaver)

Cr McFarlane)

That having considered all matters raised in the report the Council approves the development of a Green Spaces Management Plan including the reserves identified in Appendix Four and a public notice advising the intention to prepare and inviting comment to inform the preparation of the draft plan.

Carried

PART B

ITEMS FOR FINAL DETERMINATION BY THE COUNCIL

2. Classification of Reserves: Green Spaces Management

File Reference: ECM 7020176

The matter for consideration by the Council (acting in its capacity as administering body under the Reserves Act 1977) is applying a reserve classification (and declaration where appropriate) to the land parcels listed in the attached appendices. This action is required as part of preparing a management plan for these reserves.

Policy Committee Recommendation:

Cr Handley)

Cr Tamati)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and for the purpose of preparing a management plan, the Council:

- a) As the administering body of the following *Council owned reserves* listed in Appendix One, approves classification of those reserves not requiring public notice according to their primary purpose and instructs officers to publicly notify those other reserves for the purpose of classification, pursuant to section 16(2A) and where identified declare as reserve those land parcels pursuant to section 14 of the Reserves Act 1977.

- b) As the administering body of the following *Crown derived reserves vested in Council* listed in Appendix Two, has the delegated authority from the Minister of Conservation to classify those reserves not requiring public notice according to their primary purpose and instructs officers to publicly notify those other reserves for the purpose of classification pursuant to section 16(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.
- c) It is noted that the classifications of the land parcels listed in Appendices One and Two includes a combination of parcels requiring public notice and those that do not. With those land parcels requiring public notice, a report back to the Council will be undertaken where any objections are received. Where no objections are received, officers will proceed with the reserve classification.

Carried

3. **Exclusion of the Public for the Remainder of the Meeting**

File Reference: DM 6546877

This report details items that are recommended should be considered with the public excluded, and the reason for excluding the public.

Policy Committee Resolution:

Cr Dodunski)

Cr Allum)

That having considered all matters raised in the report, the Council hereby resolves that, pursuant to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:

- a) Consideration of Citizen's Award Nominations 2016
The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including the deceased persons, this particular interest being protected by section 7(2)(a) of the Act.

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Carried