

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DUNEDIN CENTRE SUB COMMITTEE HELD IN THE OTARU ROOM, CIVIC CENTRE ON MONDAY 16 JUNE 2008 COMMENCING AT 9.03 AM

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Chin (Chairperson), Councillors Bill Acklin, Syd Brown, Fliss Butcher, Dave Cull, Richard Walls and Kate Styles (General Manager, Strategy and Development)

IN ATTENDANCE: Svend Tolson (Dunedin Centre Manager), Jeff Thompson (Opus), Lynne Robins (Governance Support Officer)

1 APOLOGIES

An apology for lateness was received from Cr Acklin.

It was moved (Butcher/Cull):

"That the apology be received."

Motion carried

2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

It was moved (Chin/Styles):

"That the agenda be confirmed without any additions or alterations."

Motion carried

3 THE DUNEDIN TOWN HALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

A report from the Dunedin Centre Manager (Svend Tolson), reviewed the proposals for the redevelopment of the Dunedin Town Hall complex that had been considered to date. The report provided a historical account of the options considered to date, initial information about Option 14 (a refinement of Option 12a) and Option 13 a "gut and rebuild" of the Dunedin Centre part of the complex including the Glenroy Auditorium. It was noted that those two options were the most recent ones to be considered and that the funding to implement Option 14 was currently included in the Council's 2008/2009 Annual Plan and the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP).

Ms Styles and Mr Tolson spoke to the report outlining the recommended options and respond to questions from the Subcommittee. Mr Jeff Thompson (Opus Principal Architect) was then invited to the table to respond to technical questions.

A discussion was held on the possibility of opening the ground floor and first floor of the Municipal Chambers. Mr Thompson advised that this was possible however it was noted that the load bearing walls were unable to be moved and that there were varying floor levels in the building requiring an engineering feasibility report.

Following discussion it was moved (Walls/Butcher):

"That the Subcommittee requests a structural engineering feasibility report to come back to the next meeting on the opening out of the ground floor and the first floor of the Municipal Chambers."

Motion carried

The Subcommittee held a discussion on Harrop Street and the possibility of closure to public traffic. It was noted that the Metro cinema would be retained and a discussion was held on the impact of the Metro on the day to day operation of the Dunedin Centre and Town Hall.

Following discussion, it was moved (Walls/Cull):

- "1 That a report be furnished to the Subcommittee on the legal status of Harrop Street and if the road was closed except for service vehicles under any option.**
- 2 That a report be furnished to the Subcommittee on the planning status of the designation for civic purposes which covers the whole of the civic complex."**

Motion carried

It was agreed that at the next meeting a discussion would be held on the best way to inform the public on the project.

Discussion took place on the next steps in regards to progressing the decision on the most appropriate option.

It was moved (Butcher/Cull):

- "1 That the Project Control Group reports back to the next meeting of this Subcommittee on Options 13 and 14 with an evaluation of both options against the requirements that need to be fulfilled by the re-development project.**
- 2 That the potential alternative Option 13 be further investigated by the Project Control Group."**

Motion carried

The Mayor acknowledged the public gallery and thanked them for their interest in the work being undertaken.

The meeting concluded at 10.19 am

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CHAIRPERSON