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Report of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 27 July 2000 at 9.30am

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, (Chairperson), Allen, Gibson, Macaskill, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Mr Morrison

Also Present

Mr Brounts and Councillors Laidlaw and Long

Officers Present

Messrs Darroch, Forlong, Pryce, Skene, Sherriff, Van Schalkwyk, Waddy and Drs Bradbury and Hastie

Welcome

Councillor Buchanan welcomed Hans Brounts, Civil Defence, who was deputising for Mr Earl.

Public Business

Procedural Items

E 248 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

Councillor Shields said she would be absent during the meeting, on other Regional Council business, presenting submissions to a Select Committee.

Councillor McDavitt said he would also be absent during the meeting, on other Regional Council business, attending a meeting of the Transport and Infrastructure Committee at the Wellington City Council.

E 249 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

E 250 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Gibson)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2000, Report 00.541, be confirmed.

Environmental Matters

E251 **Presentation by Karen Wallace, Wellington City Council – Variation 17**

Karen Wallace, Wellington City Council, gave a presentation and answered questions from members.

Councillor Shields left at 9.45am.

Karen Wallace said she would obtain members' addresses and include their names on the Distribution List for Waterfront Communication.

Councillor Macaskill said he was grateful the Regional Council's regulatory role, as set out in documents including the Regional Council Transport Strategy and the Regional Coastal Plan would be given due cognizance during future Wellington Waterfront Project processes.

Councillor Buchanan thanked Karen Wallace for explaining the communication processes and said her presentation was very much appreciated.



Matter for Information

E 252 **Consents Customer Satisfaction Survey**

Report 00.537

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Mike Dunne, A C Nielsen, gave a presentation and answered questions.

Resolved

(Cr Gibson/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Harbour Matters

Matter for Recommendation

E 253 **Timetable for Revised Harbour Bylaws**

Report 00.558

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Allen)

- (1) That the outline of work done to progress the production of a draft set of generic harbour bylaws, be noted.**
- (2) That all of its Harbour Bylaws as per the suggested timetable, be reviewed.**
- (3) That the water area to which new bylaws apply be extended to include all the waters around the coastline of the region out to a distance of three nautical miles, and to include Lake Wairarapa.**

Civil Defence Matters

Matter for Recommendation

E 254 **Multi Functional Incident Control Centre**

Report 00.552

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Macaskill)

That the establishment of a Multi-Functional Incident Control Centre on Level 8 of the Regional Council Centre, from 1 September 2000, be approved.



Matter for InformationE 255 **Six-Monthly Activity Report****Report 00.539**

File: Z/1/2/1

*Resolved**(Cr Buchanan/Cr Allen)**That the report be received and the information noted.***Environmental Matters****Matters for Information**E 256 **Divisional Manager's Report****Report 00.566**

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Resource Management Law Association Conference*Resolved**(Cr Macaskill/Cr Turver)**That Councillors Buchanan and McDavitt attend the Resource Management Law Association Conference in September in Auckland.***Manager, Resource Policy**

Dr Bradbury said Dr Wayne Hastie had been seconded to be Project Manager for a General Manager's initiative to implement the Regional Land Transport Strategy. Murray McLea will be Acting Manager until mid October.

Financial Position: June 2000

A copy of report from Richard Waddy, Divisional Accountant, was circulated.

*Resolved**(Cr Allen/Cr Turver)**That the reports from the Divisional Manager, the Departmental Managers and the Divisional Accountant be received.*E 257 **Ministry for the Environment's Annual Resource Management Survey of Local Authorities****Report 00.547**

File: K/3/2/5

*Resolved**(Cr Gibson/Cr Allen)**That the report be received and the contents noted.*

- E 258 **Annual Surface Water Hydrology Report 1999**
Report 00.535 File: K/5/5/3
Resolved (*Cr Buchanan/Cr Macaskill*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.
- E 259 **Publication of Hydroline Pamphlet**
Report 00.536 File: K/5/5/3
Resolved (*Cr Allen/Mr Morrison*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.
- E 260 **Annual Groundwater Report**
Report 00.523 File: K/8/1/1
Resolved (*Cr Turver/Cr Allen*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.
- E 261 **Paraparaumu Shallow Groundwater Investigation**
Report 00.524 File: K/8/5/1
Resolved (*Cr Turver/Cr Gibson*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.
- E 262 **Moera Gravel Aquifer Investigation**
Report 00.525 File: K/8/5/1
Resolved (*Cr Allen/Cr Buchanan*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.
- E 263 **Progress Report on the Review of the Minimum Foreshore Water Level in the Waiwhetu Aquifer**
Report 00.522 File: K/8/5/1
Resolved (*Cr Macaskill/Cr Gibson*)
That the report be received and the contents noted.



E 264 **Wellington Regional Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Strategy 2000-2005**

Report 00.526

File: ENV/6/1/3

Councillor Shields returned at 11.45am.

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 265 **Wellington Regional Air Emissions Inventory**

Report 00.527

File: ENV/6/3/2

Resolved

(Cr Allen/Cr Shields)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 266 **Predicting Rainfall Droughts in the Wairarapa Using the Southern Oscillation Index**

Report 00.518

File: K/5/5/2

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Allen)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 267 **Incident Response Report**

Report 00.528

File: K/4/6/1

Councillor McDavitt returned at 11.50am.

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Gibson)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 268 **Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications**

Report 00.540

File: Various

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Mr Morrison)

That the report be received and the contents noted.



E 269 **Regional Council Input to District Planning**

Report 00.532

File: X/26/1/1

State Highway 1 – Urban Section

In response to Councillors' questions Councillor Macaskill said officers had negotiated Heads of Agreement establishing processes consistent with agreed Council policy.

Wellington City Council

Councillor McDavitt requested that the Committee record its thanks to the officers for their submission and input to Wellington City Council's proposals for the redevelopment of Lambton Harbour.

Resolved

(Cr Allen/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Councillor's Proposal

E 270 **Port Company – Environmental/Heritage Issues**

Report 00.561

File: M/11/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Gibson/Cr Buchanan)

That this report and its four attachments be received.

Other Matters

E271 **Questions**

There were no questions.

E 272 **General**

Black Creek, Wainuiomata

Councillor Allen asked whether the Regional Council had any responsibility for Black Creek, Wainuiomata.

Councillor Buchanan said officer(s) would reply to Councillor Allen.



Wellington Waterfront Project – Process Leadership Group

Councillor Gibson said he saw merit for a Regional Councillor being nominated for membership of the Wellington Waterfront Leadership Group although there could be a conflict in regulatory and operational responsibilities.

It was agreed by the meeting that it would be inappropriate for the Regional Council to be represented on the Leadership Group.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm

CR I BUCHANAN
Chairperson

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 3 August 2000

To be moved:

That the Report of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held on 27 July 2000, Items E 248 to E272 inclusive, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted.

