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Report 00.754

17 October 2000

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Report of the Meeting of the Utility Services Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 17 October 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 McQueen (Chairperson), Laidlaw, Shaw, Shields, Thomas and Werry.

Officers Present

Messrs Benham, Bodnar, Darroch, Leonard, Morrison, Nugent, Roberts and Sells.

Public Business

Procedural Items

US153 **Apologies**

Resolved

Cr McQueen/Cr Shaw)

That the apology from Councillor Macaskill, be confirmed.

US154 **Public Participation**

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

US155 Confirmation of Minutes

Paragraph US149 Laboratory Business Plan

Members agreed that paragraph US149 of the minutes be amended to read as follows:

"Councillor Shaw asked about the longer term plans."

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Werry)

That the Public and Public Excluded minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2000, Report 00.690, and Report PE 00.691, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, as amended above, be confirmed.

Matters Arising

Access to the Wainuiomata-Orongorongo Water Collection Area

Members noted that the Landcare Division will report when the first groups are to be granted public access to the area.

Matter for Recommendation

US156 Water Group Business Report

Report 00.745

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Shaw/Cr Thomas)

That the Report of Business Activity for The Water Group for the year ended June 2000, subject to final audit approval and any minor editorial amendments, be adopted.

Mr Benham said he would circulate a further draft of the Water Group Report, including photos, before the next Council meeting.

Matters for Information

US157 Water Supply Integration

Report 00.738

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Members noted the word City be deleted from the first paragraph in Paragraph 3 of Report 00.738 so that it reads "by all three Councils".

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Laidlaw)

That the report be received

US158 Divisional Report

Report 00.740

File: O/2/1/10

Resolved

(Cr Shaw/Cr Werry)

That the report be received and the information noted.

US159 Questions

There were no questions.

US160 Notice of Motion – Councillor Shaw

Report 00.748

File: E/5/1/53 & E/6/1/1

Information on Water Fluoridation

Moved

(Cr Shaw/Cr Werry)

“That officers report to the Utility Services Committee on:

- (a) What agencies are responsible for informing the public on water fluoridation,*
- (b) If WRC has accepted this responsibility, what has been done to inform the public about water fluoridation,*
- (c) Whether officers recommend any actions now to inform the public, and if so what actions are recommended.”*

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shaw)

- 1. That the notice of motion lie on the table with no further action to be taken.*
- 2. That the continuing responsibilities and actions taken by the Ministry of Health about fluoridation be noted.*
- 3. That the Regional Council continues the policy of periodically seeking and discussing information from the Ministry on Health.*

US161 **General**

Councillor Thomas asked about a referendum on fluoridation.

Councillor McQueen said if a customer held a referendum the Regional Council would consider the result in the light of existing policy.

US162 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 00.746

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Thomas)

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- (1) Contract No 1194: OK Main Refurbishment: Thorndon to Karori, Stage 2 – Tender Acceptance*
- (2) Plantation Forestry Annual Report and Proposals*

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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<i>(1) Contract No 1194: OK Main Refurbishment: Thorndon to Karori, Stage 2 – Tender Acceptance</i>	<i>To allow the carrying out of, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to allow the carrying out of, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities).</i>
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<i>(2) Plantation Forestry Annual Report and Proposals</i>	<i>To allow the carrying out of, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to allow the carrying out of, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities).</i>
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This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council (1) and (2)

The open part of the meeting concluded at 11.25am.

CR EUAN McQUEEN
Chairman

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 26 October 2000

To be moved:

That the report of the meeting of the Utility Services Committee held on 17 October 2000, Items US 153 to US 162 inclusive and the recommendation contained therein, be adopted.
