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Report 02.339

11 June 2002

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Report of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 11 June 2002 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 Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields, Thomas, Werry and Yardley and Messrs Gilbert and Ross

Officers Present

Messrs Ballantine, Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Oliver and Waititi

Public Business

Procedural Items

LC 28 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Thomas)

That the apology from Councillor Evans and the apology for lateness from Mr Gilbert be confirmed.

LC 29 Public Participation

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

LC 30 Confirmation of Minutes

It was noted that paragraph LC 20 should be amended as follows:

Draft Wetland Action Plan 2002-2006

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

That the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee:

- (1) Receive the report and note the contents.*
- (2) Recommend that the draft Wetland Action Plan 2002-2006, subject to the changes suggested, be released for public consultation.*

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)

That the minutes of the meeting of 23 April 2002, Report 02.307, as amended, and Report PE 02.308, be confirmed, the public excluded business, to remain confidential.

Matter for Recommendation

LC 31 Otaki River: Chrystalls Extended Stopbank Report

It was agreed to consider this item when Mr Gilbert had joined the meeting.

Matter for Decision

LC 32 Wellington Conservation Board (WCB) Meeting: 19 April 2002

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Mr Gilbert arrived at 9.40am.
Councillor Kirton arrived at 9.42am.

Resolved

(Cr Barr/Cr Thomas)

That Council:

- (1) Receive the report.*
- (2) Note the contents of the report.*
- (3) Recommend that the Committee request the Chairperson of the Council write to the Minister of Fisheries supporting the Wellington Conservation Board's concerns about the need for regional eel fishery areas.*
- (4) Recommend that Council officers be requested to discuss a co-ordinated approach to wild goat control together with the potential benefits from such an approach with the Department of Conservation, hunting groups and landowners.*

Matter for Recommendation

LC 31 Otaki River: Chrystalls Extended Stopbank Report

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

That Council:

- (1) Receive the report**
- (2) Note the contents of the report.**
- (3) Recommend to the Policy & Finance Committee that the current priorities in the Otaki Floodplain Management Plan (including Chrystalls Extended Stopbank) be reconsidered as part of Council's 2003–2013 Long Term Council Community Plan.**
- (4) Note that any decision to bring forward the construction of the Chrystalls Extended Stopbank would not obviate the need for planning controls and is likely to require a funding contribution to buy priority for the works.**
- (5) Note that any decision to bring forward the construction of the Chrystalls Extended Stopbank is likely to have consequences for other flood protection projects**
- (6) Request officers to forward this report, and the Committee's resolutions to Kapiti Coast District Council.**

Matters for Information

LC 33 2001/02 Capital Works Programme

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Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr Werry)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 34 Parks and Forests Marketing Strategy Update

Report 02.294

File: R/1/6/1

Lord of the Rings – Filming and Concessions

The very positive feedback was noted and staff were congratulated for their initiative during film production.

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.

(2) That the progress on the action plan for marketing the Council's parks and forests for 2001/02, be noted.

LC 35 Divisional Manager's Report

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Security on the Hutt River Trail

It was agreed that officers would report to the next meeting on future security arrangements for the Hutt River Trail. This will include ranger services and appropriate publicity.

Friends of the Otaki River

Annual General Meeting will be 26 June 2002.

Friends of the Waikanae River

Annual General Meeting will be 19 June 2002 and members are invited to attend.

Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr Werry)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 36 **Questions**

Flood Protection Funding

Councillor Barr requested information about Flood Protection Funding.

Mr Forlong said he would table a written summary at the workshop on 26 June 2002 at which funding policies would be discussed.

East Harbour Land Issues

Responding to Councillor Werry, Mr Forlong said there were no new developments to report and that the situation was being closely monitored.

Draft Plans

Councillor Yardley requested that draft plans be user friendly.

Belmont Regional Park

Councillor Thomas asked whether the magazines in the Belmont Regional Park area had any value for the Historic Places Trust.

Mr Forlong said he will investigate.

LC 37 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

LC 38 **Exclusion of the Public**

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Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Werry)

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

*Hutt River: Ava to Ewen Reach Improvements
Strand Park Land Purchase*

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>Hutt River: Ewen Improvements Park Land Purchase</i>	<i>Ava to Reach Strand negotiations prejudice disadvantage</i>	<i>To enable the Council to carry on without or disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to enable the Council to carry on negotiations (including commercial negotiations) without prejudice or disadvantage.</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
Ministry of Education
Hutt Valley High School*

The open part of the meeting closed at 10.45am.

Cr C LAIDLAW
Chairperson

Wellington Regional Council – 4 July 2002

To be moved:

That the report of the meeting of the Landcare Committee held on 11 June 2002, Items LC 28 to LC 38 inclusive, and the recommendation contained therein, be adopted.