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Report of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 1 May 2003 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 Yardley (Deputy Chairperson), Barr, Evans, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Messrs Chapman and Rush

Officers Present

Messrs Darroch, Paula Hammond, Pryce, Sheriff, Nicola Shorten, Skene, van Schalkwyk, Waddy and Dr Bradbury

Public Business

Procedural Items

E 178 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Evans/Cr McDavitt)

That the apology from Councillor Buchanan be confirmed.

E 179 **Public Participation**

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

E 180 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Barr)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2003, Report 03.195, be confirmed.

Harbour Matters

Matter for Decision

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Evans)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That Greater Wellington Regional Council request the Maritime Safety Authority to urgently assemble appropriate legislation to formalise a Port Maritime Safety Code and/or appropriate Maritime Rules.

Civil Defence Matters

There were no Civil Defence matters for consideration.

Environmental Matters

Matter for Information

E 182 Regional Meteorological Model

Report 03.189 File: ENV/06/03/04

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Barr)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Communication

It was agreed a press release should be prepared highlighting the practical implications of the model for the Council processes such as Resource Consents and public information.

Matters for Decision

E 183 Summary Report on the Collection of Unwanted Agricultural Chemicals

Report 03.188 File: ENV/18/02/02

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Barr)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That the surplus from the unwanted agricultural chemical project be used to develop a mobile hazardous waste facility for use in the greater Wellington Region.
- (3) That officers be asked to investigate and report back on the value of running another region-wide collection of unwanted chemicals in two years.

E 184 The Future of *Take Action*

Report 03.217 File: ENV 19/02/01

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Mr Chapman)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That the direction of the future development of the Take Action programme, as discussed in this report, be approved.

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Barr)

(3) That officers be requested to seek a development partnership for resource materials with the Ministry of Education.

Councillor Yardley voted against (3) above.

Matters for Information

E 185 Divisional Manager's Report

Report 03.215 File: E/6/18/3

Resolved (Cr Barr/Cr Evans)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 186 Regional Council Input to Statutory Planning

Report 03.205 File: X/26/1/1

Resolved (Cr Shields/Cr Barr)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 187 Progress Report on the Investigation of Chemical Contaminants in Shellfish

Report 03.208 File: ENV/05/05/01

Resolved (Cr Turver/Mr Chapman)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Matter for Decision

E 188 Heritage Management Update

Report 03.100 File: X/25/01/01

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the actions suggested endorsed.

Matters for Information (continued)

E 189 Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications

Report 03.190 File: ENV/1/8/4

Resolved (Cr Shields/Cr Evans)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Bore Construction

Councillor McDavitt said the next Local Government Conference will consider water allocation and the need for a strategic approach.

Paula Hammond said there had been a considerable number of bore applications within the region over the past few years. Investigations on the use and effect of ground water are continuing to occur. This information can then be used to review the allocation volumes and rules in regional plans.

E 190 Pollution Control Report for the Period 24 February to 7 April 2003

Report 03.187 File: ENV/17/02/01

Resolved (Cr Evans/Mr Chapman)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Other Matters

E 191 Questions

Silt Erosion

Councillor Barr referred to a recent incident in Newlands and asked what guidelines existed for silt erosion. Paula Hammond said the Regional Council responded to the pollution callout. Monitoring depended on the conditions of the resource consent.

E 192 General

Strategic Planning Framework

Councillor McDavitt requested a report on progress for the next meeting.

The meeting closed 12.10pm.

CR I YARDLEY
Deputy Chairperson

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 13 May 2003

To be moved:

That the Report of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held on 1 May 2003, Items E 178 to E 192 inclusive, be adopted.