

Report 04.403

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Record of the Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 13 July 2004 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 Shields (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Thomas, Turver and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Benham, Cutler, Darroch, Forlong, Harris, Laplanche, Sherriff, Nicola Shorten, and Mr Wright and Drs Hastie and Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

PF&S 298 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

PF&S 299 Review of Committee Structures and Terms of Reference

Report 04.392 File: E/6/2/6

Moved

(Cr Long/Cr McDavitt)

That the recommendations in Report 04.392 be approved.

Amendment

(Cr Barr/Cr Werry)

That the words "and Committee Deputy Chairperson" be added to Recommendation (2).

CARRIED

The motion, as amended, was then put and **CARRIED** as follows:

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr Long/Cr McDavitt

- (1) That it agree that the current committee structure is appropriate.
- (2) That it ask each Committee Chairperson and Committee Deputy Chairperson, jointly with the appropriate divisional manager, to review the Terms of Reference for their Committee.
- (3) That the outcomes from the review be compiled and brought back to the Council for consideration with a view to making recommendations to the incoming Council post the October elections.
- (4) That it note that the outcomes from a review of the relationship between the Regional Land Transport Committee and the Council will be taken into account in the review.

PF&S 300 Establishment of the Regional Land Transport Committee for the Next Triennium

Report 04.386 File: E/06/11/06

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

(1) That the report be received.

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

- (2) That it approve the process for appointment of members to the Regional Land Transport Committee outlined in this report.
- (3) That it authorise the Regional Land Transport Committee Chairperson and one other Regional Council member of the Regional Land Transport Committee to review applications made in response to the advertised request for nominees and make subsequent recommendations to the incoming Council, assisted by the Divisional Manager Transport.
- (4) That it note the future possibility of having TrackCo represented on the Regional Land Transport Committee with observer status and speaking rights.

PF&S 301 Wellington Regional Council (Water Board Functions) Bill Submission

Report 04.393 File: RE/02/02/04

Resolved (Cr Aitken/Cr Werry)

(1) That the report be received and the contents noted, and in particular, that a draft submission will be forwarded to Councillors for comment.

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr Aitken/Cr Werry)

(2) That it delegates authority to the Council Chairperson (or in her absence, the Deputy Chairperson) to approve the Council submission to the Local Government and Environment Select Committee on the Wellington Regional Council (Water Board Functions) Bill.

PF&S 302 Foreshore and Seabed Bill - Submission

Report 04.340 File: ENV/10/01/03

Moved (Cr Thomas/Cr Barr)

That all references to supporting ancestral connection be removed from the Foreshore and Seabed Bill.

LOST

The above motion was **LOST** on a vote by a show of hands 3 votes in favour and 9 opposed.

Councillor Aitken noted that she had voted against the above motion.

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

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr Evans/Cr McDavitt)

(2) That it endorses the Greater Wellington submission on the Foreshore and Seabed Bill subject to any further consideration by Council.

Councillor Kirton left at 11.25am.

PF&S 303 Rates Remissions Reimbursement – February 2004 Storms

Report 04.399 File: G/6/1/9

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr Evans/Cr Werry)

- (1) That it notes the assistance being provided by the Government for rates remissions for commercial properties affected by the February 2004 storms.
- (2) That it notes that officers will be working with territorial authorities to administer the remissions.
- (3) That, subject to (5) below, it delegates to the Council Secretary and Chief Financial Officer, acting separately, the power to remit rates up to \$5000 in accordance with section 139 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and section 180 of the Rating Powers Act 1988.
- (4) That, subject to (5) below, it delegates to the Chief Executive the power to remit rates of any value in accordance with section 139 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and section 180 of the Rating Powers Act 1988.
- (5) That the delegation made in (3) and (4) will only be exercised:
 - (i) in relation to the damage incurred to commercial properties in the February 2004 storms and
 - (ii) when a territorial authority has granted a remission for a commercial property, and
 - (iii) where funding has been provided by the Government.

PF&S 304 Hutt Mana Energy Trust Payout

Report 04.401 File: B/6/7/4

Resolved to Recommend to Council

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Werry)

That it should:

- (1) Claim the full payout from the Hutt Mana Energy Trust.
- (2) Apply the funds received from the Trust to the areas of the Council who currently pay for the power connections.

The meeting closed at 11.30am.

Cr MK SHIELDS Chairperson Date: