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**Report of the Meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142
Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 27 November 2007 at
11.04 am**

Matters for Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Matters for information of the Council are in italic type

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chair), Aitken, Bruce, Buchanan, Donaldson, and Wilde.

In Attendance

Councillors Baber, Burke, Glensor, and Lamason.

Officers Present

Benham, Bradbury, Campbell, Corry, Cross, Forsyth, Hanna, Milne, Reay, Sangster, Skene, and Taylor.

Public Business

Procedural Items

RS 01 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

RS 02 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

RS 03 **Public Participation**

Tabled:

“Towards a Sustainable Region”? J.C. Horne.

Chris Horne welcomed the establishment of this committee as a timely step in council’s efforts to direct the region towards its essential objective of environmental, social, and economic sustainability.

Matters for Information

RS 04 **State of the Environment – Annual Summary 2006/07**

Report 07.757

File: ENV/20/01/06

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*
3. *Notes its appreciation to the officers involved in the preparation of the summary of the environment report cards.*

Noted

The committee wishes to investigate opportunities for wider distribution of the summary of the environment report cards.

RS 05 **Communities for Climate Protection – New Zealand (CCP-NZ) Programme: Progress**

Report 07.786

File: CP/13/02/06

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*

Noted

The committee requested that the water subsector be subdivided into major users in milestones 2 and 3 of the action plan.

Other Matters

RS 06 Questions

Councillor Lamason asked whether “green” factors including water conservation were taken into consideration in building design. She was assured by officers that it was, and that the Council is also a signatory to the Urban Design Protocol which will guide any building and design work that we undertake into the future.

RS 07 General

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 11.44 am.

CR C R LAIDLAW
Chairman

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 25 February 2008.

To be moved:

That Council

Adopts the report of the meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee held on 27 November 2007, items RS 01 to RS 07 inclusive.