

Confirmed minutes of the Environmental Wellbeing meeting held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington, on Wednesday 30 May 2012 at 9.35am

Present

Councillors Donaldson (Chair), Brash, McPhee, Laidlaw, Wilde (9.40am – 9.45am) and Caleb Royal.

Also present

Councillors Bruce, Lamason, and Swain, and Ben Reddiex from DOC.

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Donaldson / Cr McPhee)

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillors Aitken and Glensor and Mr Gawith and Mr McKenzie, and the apology for lateness from Councillor Wilde.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 **Public participation**

Paul Hughes spoke in support of Greater Wellington selling forestry cutting rights and the need to protect biodiversity and freshwater ecosystems in plantation forestry areas.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw / Cr Brash)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of 13 March 2012, Report 12.99.

The motion was CARRIED.

5 **MAF restructuring and potential impacts on GW biosecurity** File: CMG/01/14/02 functions

Report 12.143

Wayne O'Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr McPhee / Cr Brash)

That the Committee

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

6 **Biodiversity Department Operational Plan 2012 - 2015** File: BD/02/02/01

Report 12.177

Tim Porteous, Manager, Biodiversity, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr Laidlaw / Cr McPhee)

That the Committee

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was CARRIED.

7 General Managers' report

Report 12.154

Wayne O'Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, spoke to the report.

Moved (Cr Donaldson / Cr Lamason)

File: E/11/02/04

That the Committee

1. Receives the report.

2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED.**

The meeting closed at 11.00am

Cr B Donaldson (Chair)

Date: