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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 27 July 2000 at 9.30am**

**Present**

Councillors Buchanan, (Chairperson), Allen, Gibson, Macaskill, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Mr Morrison

**Also Present**

Mr Brounts and Councillors Laidlaw and Long

**Officers Present**

Messrs Darroch, Forlong, Pryce, Skene, Sherriff, Van Schalkwyk, Waddy and Drs Bradbury and Hastie

**Welcome**

Councillor Buchanan welcomed Hans Brounts, Civil Defence, who was deputising for Mr Earl.

**Public Business**

## **Procedural Items**

### **E 248 Apologies**

There were no apologies.

Councillor Shields said she would be absent during the meeting, on other Regional Council business, presenting submissions to a Select Committee.

Councillor McDavitt said he would also be absent during the meeting, on other Regional Council business, attending a meeting of the Transport and Infrastructure Committee at the Wellington City Council.

### **E 249 Public Participation**

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

### **E 250 Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Gibson)*

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2000, Report 00.541, be confirmed.*

## **Environmental Matters**

### **E 251 Presentation by Karen Wallace, Wellington City Council – Variation 17**

Karen Wallace, Wellington City Council, gave a presentation and answered questions from members.

Councillor Shields left at 9.45am.

Karen Wallace said she would obtain members' addresses and include their names on the Distribution List for Waterfront Communication.

Councillor Macaskill said he was grateful the Regional Council's regulatory role, as set out in documents including the Regional Council Transport Strategy and the Regional Coastal Plan would be given due cognizance during future Wellington Waterfront Project processes.

Councillor Buchanan thanked Karen Wallace for explaining the communication processes and said her presentation was very much appreciated.

## **Matter for Information**

E 252      **Consents Customer Satisfaction Survey**

**Report 00.537**

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Mike Dunne, A C Nielsen, gave a presentation and answered questions.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Gibson/Cr McDavitt)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

## **Harbour Matters**

### **Matter for Recommendation**

E 253      **Timetable for Revised Harbour Bylaws**

**Report 00.558**

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*Resolved to Recommend*

*(Cr Turver/Cr Allen)*

- (1) That the outline of work done to progress the production of a draft set of generic harbour bylaws, be noted.*
- (2) That all of its Harbour Bylaws as per the suggested timetable, be reviewed.*
- (3) That the water area to which new bylaws apply be extended to include all the waters around the coastline of the region out to a distance of three nautical miles, and to include Lake Wairarapa.*

## **Civil Defence Matters**

### **Matter for Recommendation**

E 254      **Multi Functional Incident Control Centre**

**Report 00.552**

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*Resolved to Recommend*

*(Cr Turver/Cr Macaskill)*

*That the establishment of a Multi-Functional Incident Control Centre on Level 8 of the Regional Council Centre, from 1 September 2000, be approved.*

## **Matter for Information**

E 255      **Six-Monthly Activity Report**

**Report 00.539**

File: Z/1/2/1

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Allen)*

*That the report be received and the information noted.*

## **Environmental Matters**

### **Matters for Information**

E 256      **Divisional Manager's Report**

**Report 00.566**

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**Resource Management Law Association Conference**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Macaskill/Cr Turver)*

*That Councillors Buchanan and McDavitt attend the Resource Management Law Association Conference in September in Auckland.*

### **Manager, Resource Policy**

Dr Bradbury said Dr Wayne Hastie had been seconded to be Project Manager for a General Manager's initiative to implement the Regional Land Transport Strategy. Murray McLea will be Acting Manager until mid October.

### **Financial Position: June 2000**

A copy of report from Richard Waddy, Divisional Accountant, was circulated.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Allen/Cr Turver)*

*That the reports from the Divisional Manager, the Departmental Managers and the Divisional Accountant be received.*

E 257      **Ministry for the Environment's Annual Resource Management Survey of Local Authorities**

**Report 00.547**

File: K/3/2/5

*Resolved* (Cr Gibson/Cr Allen)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 258 **Annual Surface Water Hydrology Report 1999**

**Report 00.535** File: K/5/5/3

*Resolved* (Cr Buchanan/Cr Macaskill)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 259 **Publication of Hydroline Pamphlet**

**Report 00.536** File: K/5/5/3

*Resolved* (Cr Allen/Mr Morrison)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 260 **Annual Groundwater Report**

**Report 00.523** File: K/8/1/1

*Resolved* (Cr Turver/Cr Allen)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 261 **Paraparaumu Shallow Groundwater Investigation**

**Report 00.524** File: K/8/5/1

*Resolved* (Cr Turver/Cr Gibson)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 262 **Moera Gravel Aquifer Investigation**

**Report 00.525** File: K/8/5/1

*Resolved* (Cr Allen/Cr Buchanan)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 263 **Progress Report on the Review of the Minimum Foreshore Water Level in the Waiwhetu Aquifer**

**Report 00.522**

File: K/8/5/1

*Resolved*

*(Cr Macaskill/Cr Gibson)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 264 **Wellington Regional Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Strategy 2000-2005**

**Report 00.526**

File: ENV/6/1/3

Councillor Shields returned at 11.45am.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 265 **Wellington Regional Air Emissions Inventory**

**Report 00.527**

File: ENV/6/3/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr Allen/Cr Shields)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 266 **Predicting Rainfall Droughts in the Wairarapa Using the Southern Oscillation Index**

**Report 00.518**

File: K/5/5/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shields/Allen)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 267 **Incident Response Report**

**Report 00.528**

File: K/4/6/1

Councillor McDavitt returned at 11.50am.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Turver/Cr Gibson)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

E 268 **Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications**

**Report 00.540**

File: Various

*Resolved**(Cr Buchanan/Mr Morrison)**That the report be received and the contents noted.*E 269 **Regional Council Input to District Planning****Report 00.532**

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**State Highway 1 – Urban Section**

In response to Councillors' questions Councillor Macaskill said officers had negotiated Heads of Agreement establishing processes consistent with agreed Council policy.

**Wellington City Council**

Councillor McDavitt requested that the Committee record its thanks to the officers for their submission and input to Wellington City Council's proposals for the redevelopment of Lambton Harbour.

*Resolved**(Cr Allen/Cr McDavitt)**That the report be received and the contents noted.***Councillor's Proposal**E 270 **Port Company – Environmental/Heritage Issues****Report 00.561**

File: M/11/1/1

*Resolved**(Cr Gibson/Cr Buchanan)**That this report and its four attachments be received.***Other Matters**E 271 **Questions**

There were no questions.

E 272 **General****Black Creek, Wainuiomata**

Councillor Allen asked whether the Regional Council had any responsibility for Black Creek, Wainuiomata.

Councillor Buchanan said officer(s) would reply to Councillor Allen.

**Wellington Waterfront Project – Process Leadership Group**

Councillor Gibson said he saw merit for a Regional Councillor being nominated for membership of the Wellington Waterfront Leadership Group although there could be a conflict in regulatory and operational responsibilities.

It was agreed by the meeting that it would be inappropriate for the Regional Council to be represented on the Leadership Group.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm

CR I BUCHANAN  
Chairperson

Date: