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Report of the Meeting of the Resource Management Charges Sub-Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 31 May 2001, at 9.35 a.m.

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

Other matters for information of Council only are in italic type.

Present:

Councillors Buchanan, Long and Turver.

Officers Present:

P Bullock, Messrs Darroch and Forlong.

RMC 01 Chairmanship

Mr Darroch took the chair and called for nominations for the chairmanship of the sub-committee.

Resolved

(Cr Long/Cr Turver)

That Cr Buchanan be the chairperson.

Cr Buchanan then took the chair.

RMC 02 Apologies

There were no apologies.

RMC 03 Submissions Received on the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy

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Cr Buchanan said that Masta Maintenance Services (NZ) Ltd and the Wellington Regional Council Water Group had indicated they did not now wish to make oral submissions. Cr Buchanan also said it was unlikely that Citizens Watch would appear for their oral submission at today's meeting.

Cr Buchanan then invited Mr Dan Riddiford to present his oral submission.

Cr Buchanan thanked Mr Riddiford for his submission and said that today's sub-committee would consider all the oral and written submissions and then make recommendations to the Policy & Finance Committee which would then report to full Council with its recommendations.

Mr Joe Taylor and Mr John Carrad then made oral submissions on behalf of Federated Farmers.

The meeting adjourned at 11.35 a.m.

Report of the Reconvened Meeting of the Resource Management Charges Sub-Committee held in the Committee Room, Wellington Regional Council, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton, on Friday, 1 June 2001, at 9.30 a.m.

Present:

Councillors Buchanan, Long and Turver.

Officers Present:

P Pickford, L Race, Messrs Blakemore, Thawley.

RMC 04 Apologies

There were no apologies.

RMC 05 Submissions Received on the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy

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The Sub-Committee heard oral submissions from Mayor Francis and Mr ten Hove of the Masterton District Council, Mr Jim Hedley, and Mr Jim Bicknell.

Messrs George Matthews (on behalf of the Aohanga Incorporation) and John Barton did not appear to speak to their written submissions.

Cr Buchanan thanked the Masterton District Council representatives and Messrs Hedley and Bicknell for their submissions and said that all the comments expressed would be taken into account and the Sub-Committee would consider all the oral and written submissions before making recommendations to the Policy & Finance Committee.

Morning tea: 10.10 a.m.

Resumed at: 10.25 a.m.

MC 06

Summary of Submissions and Officers Comments on the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy

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The Sub-Committee then considered all the submissions received and the officers' comments.

As well as those who had spoken to their submissions, written submissions had also been received from Whitby Coastal Estates Ltd, Edward Cobb, Britannia Sea Scout Group, FA Falconer, Gerard McLaughlan, J Liddell, Monroe Springs (David Ronald), Larry Holmes, Mark Ambrose, Bruce Patrick, KH & AJ Sage, Elaine Gooding, and MF Wall.

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Long)

That the oral and written submissions be received.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Long)

That the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy be adopted with the following amendments:

- (1) That the compliance monitoring charge for Category 1 of groundwater takes be altered from \$70 to \$35 per annum.**
- (2) That the reporting time for groundwater takes in Category 1 be reduced from two hours to half an hour.**
- (3) That the correction on Page 71, Table 7.4 (SOE Cost Factor) of the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy be approved.**
- (4) That the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy contain clearer statement of linkages between the Council's Funding Policy and the charges arising from that.**
- (5) That the SOE air quality monitoring charge attributable to consent holders in the Petone/Seaview industrial area be not proceeded with until such time as the monitoring equipment specific to that area is installed.**

Resolved

(Cr Long/Cr Turver)

That staff prepare a response to each submitter based on the officers report to the Sub-Committee and including the rationale behind all the decisions taken.

Resolved

(Cr Long/Cr Turver)

That officers prepare a report to accompany the resolutions to the Policy & Finance Committee explaining the reasons for the recommended changes.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Long)

That discussions be initiated at officer level with the region's territorial local authorities regarding the way all the Council's Funding Policies deal with resource management charging.

The meeting closed at 12.05 p.m.

CR I M BUCHANAN
Chairperson

Date:

Policy & Finance Committee - 10 July 2001

To be moved

That the Report of the Meetings of the Resource Management Charges Sub-Committee held on 31 May and 1 June 2001, Items RMC 01 to RMC 06 inclusive, and the recommendations contained therein, be confirmed.