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Report 01.736

27 September 2001

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Record of the Meeting of the Special Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 27 September 2001 at 10.00am

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 Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, McQueen, Shaw, Shields, Thomas, Turver and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Bezett, Cutler, Darroch, Forlong, Maguire, Stone, Schollum, Wright and Drs Bradbury and Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 401 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 402 **Regional Land Transport:**

(1) Report 01.734

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**Paragraph RLT 128
Recommendation (1) (e)**

It was agreed the recommendation read as follows:

- “(e) Ordinary meetings of the RLTC should be held no more than four times a year at venues around the region”.

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)
That the Report of the Regional Land Transport Committee meeting held on 30 August 2001, Item RLT 128, be adopted.	

(2) Report 01.691

File: TP/1/6/4 & E/5/1/55

Resolved to Recommend	(Chairperson/Cr McQueen)
That the Report be received.	

P&F 403

Submission on “Improving Heavy Vehicle Efficiency on New Zealand’s Roads”**Report 01.725**

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Councillor McDavitt said Councillor McQueen had submitted written comments, mainly editorial, which will be included in the final submission.

Council will request an opportunity for an oral submission.

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr McDavitt/Cr Buchanan)
That the Regional Council endorse the submission made to the LTSA on the Transit New Zealand Document “Improving Heavy Vehicles Efficiency on New Zealand’s Roads”, as amended.	

P&F 404

Local Government (Rating) Bill - Submission**Report 01.724**

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Some minor amendments were agreed.

A copy of the final LGNZ/SOLGM submission was tabled.

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Shaw/Cr Allen)
That the submission to the Environment and Local Government Select Committee on the Local Government (Rating) Bill, as amended, be	

approved.

Councillor Gibson opposed Paragraph 2.3 of the Council's submission.

P&F 405 **Stadium Trust – Business Plan 2001/02**

Report 01.713

File: CFO/27/12/2

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Shaw/Cr Allen)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 406 **Stadium Trust – Annual Report 30 June 2001**

Report 01.704

File: CFO/27/12/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Shields)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 407 **2001/02 Statement of Corporate Intent – CentrePort Ltd**

Report 01.711

File: CFO/21/3/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Laidlaw)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 408 **CentrePort Annual Report – 2000/01**

Report 01.705

File: CFO/21/3/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Laidlaw)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 409 **2001/02 Statement of Corporate Intent – WRC Holdings Group**

Report 01.710

File: CFO/9/1/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Allen/Chairperson)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 410 **Approval of Dividend from WRC Holdings Ltd**

Report 01.706

File: CFO/9/1/1

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr McDavitt/Cr Long)
<p>(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.</p> <p>(2) That the payment by WRC Holdings Ltd of a dividend of \$0.9 million (fully imputed) be approved, and the affixing of the Council's Common Seal to the necessary documentation giving effect to that transaction, be authorised.</p>	

P&F 411 **WRC Holdings Group – 2001 Financial Statements**

Report 01.712

File: CFO/9/1/1

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Shaw/Cr Turver)
<p>(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.</p> <p>(2) That the 2000/01 financial statements of Pringle House Ltd and Port Investments Ltd be received.</p> <p>(3) That, as sole shareholder, the 2000/01 financial statements of WRC Holdings Ltd be approved.</p>	

P&F 412 **WRC Holdings Limited – Resolution in Lieu of AGM**

Report 01.714

File: M/30/9/1

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Long/Cr Buchanan)
<p>That Council as sole shareholder of WRC Holdings Ltd:</p> <p>(1) Resolves not to hold an AGM in the form of written resolutions as contained within Attachment 1;</p> <p>(2) Authorises the Council Secretary to affix the Council's Common Seal to the resolutions of the Company (Attachment 1); and</p> <p>(3) Endorses the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of WRC Holdings Limited held on 14 December 2000 (Attachment 2).</p>	

P&F 413 **Changes to Regional Plans**

Report 01.715

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Councillor Shields left at 12.00noon

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)
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That Council proceed with public consultation on changing the regional plans, including consultation according to the first Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

P&F 414

The Opportunities for Increased Use of Indigenous Plant Species in River Control Work

Report 01.730

File: ENV/12/7/3

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Thomas)

- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.**
- (2) That trials involving the use of native species both in back-up and “front line defence” situations be established.**
- (3) That long-term decisions about the use of planting options take into account the results of these trials, both in financial and effectiveness terms.**

P&F 415

Farm Environment Awards

Report 01.728

File: Y/21/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Long)

- (1) That the Council be involved in organising a Farm Environment Award in the Wellington region beginning in the current financial years, as set out in this report.**
- (2) That expenditure of up to \$20,000 for these Awards be recommended for approval at the six months review.**

P&F 416

End of Triennium Matters

Report 01.722

File: E/6/1/2

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Allen)

- (1) That the report be received.**
- (2) (a) That the General Manager be authorised to act on any emergency matters arising from the time the present Council and its Committees are discharged until the new Council is sworn in.**
 - (b) That the General Manger be authorised, in consultation with either the Divisional Manager, Environment or the Divisional**

Manager Wairarapa, according to their respective areas of responsibility to appoint hearings commissioners if required to consider any notified resource consent application during this period.

- (c) That the General Manager be instructed to report any such matters to the incoming Council at the first appropriate opportunity.**

P&F 417

Exclusion of the Public**Report 01.723***Resolved**(Chairperson/Cr Thomas)*

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- (1) Wellington Transport Strategy Model – Provision of Transportation Modelling Services (Contract No 3044): Acceptance of Tender*
- (2) Wellington Transport Strategy Model – Provision of Travel Survey Services (Contract 3054): Acceptance of Tender*
- (3) Tranz Metro Acquisition Process*

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>(1) Wellington Transport Strategy Model – Provision of Transportation Modelling Services (Contract 3044): Acceptance of Tender</i>	<i>Because of the need to carry on commercial activities</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to preserve commercial confidentiality)</i>
<i>(2) Wellington Transport Strategy Model – Provision of Travel Survey Services</i>	<i>Because of the need to carry on commercial activities</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for</i>

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*withholding would exist (ie to
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confidentiality)*

*(3) Tranz
Metro Acquisition
Process*

*To enable negotiations by
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withholding would exist (ie to
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authority without prejudice or
disadvantage).*

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council (1), (2) and (3)

It was agreed that the Item (4) "Meeting with Regional Members of Parliament", as listed in the published Order Paper, be held over for consideration at the following Council meeting.

The open part of the meeting closed at 12.15pm.

Cr S A MACASKILL

Chairperson

Date: