

## 7. Utility Services Committee

### Membership

- (1) Councillors.
- (2) Membership of the Committee includes the Council Chairperson and the Deputy Council Chairperson *ex officio*, but excludes both when the Committee is considering Wellington bulk water supply matters. When considering other matters, the Deputy Council Chairperson does not vote when the Council Chairperson is present.
- (3) An appointee from any single member constituencies, where there are likely to be matters regularly coming before the Committee which impact on that constituency, but the local Councillor is not a member of the Committee.
- (4) An appointee nominated by Wellington City Council who will have speaking rights but no voting rights.

Quorum: 3 Regional Councillors

### Objectives of the Utility Services Committee

#### Objective 7A

To recommend policies on the provision, development, operation and management of those services which are the responsibility of the Committee.

#### Objective 7B

To monitor and advise the Council on the effectiveness and efficiency of the services which are the responsibility of the Committee.

### Specific Responsibilities of the Utility Services Committee

- 7.1 Overseeing the planning, development, operation and maintenance of:
  - The Wellington metropolitan bulk water supply system.
  - The Wellington City Water distribution system (in accordance with a contract with Wellington City Council).
  - The Engineering Consultancy Business Unit.
  - The Laboratory Services Business Unit.
  - Plantation forest **estates owned** by the Wellington Regional Council or operated jointly with other authorities, organisations or individuals.
- 7.2 Monitoring performance of Utility Services Division Business Units.
- 7.3 Approving under delegated authority and, where appropriate, recommending to Council commercial agreements with public and private sector authorities and organisations, and private individuals for the supply of Council services within the area of the Committee's responsibility.