



**Report 05.345**

17 June 2005

File: E/6/12/2

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee held in the Committee Room, Greater Wellington Regional Council, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton, on Thursday, 16 June 2005, at 9.30 am.**

**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 Long (Chairperson), Baber, Buchanan, Kirton, Turver.  
Messrs Read and Southey.

**Officers Present:**

D Cameron, W O'Donnell, L Race, C Robertson, T Taylor, D Walker, C Wright.

**Procedural Items**

**RSW 48 Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)*

*That the Committee*

*Accept the apologies from Messrs McQueen and Dalziell.*

**RSW 49 Public Participation**

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

**RSW 50 Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved*

*(Mr Southey/Cr Turver)*

*That the Committee*

**Confirm** the minutes of the meeting of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee (Report 05.264) held on 17 March 2005.

**Matter for Committee Decision**

**RSW 51 Delegations for Conducting Resource Consent Hearings**

**Report 05.256**

**File: E/01/06/18**

The Committee noted that this report had also been considered by the Environment Committee at its May meeting.

Cr Kirton arrived at 9.43 am.

*Resolved*

*That the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee:*

- (1) **Revokes** the previous delegations it made to the Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee and the Divisional Manager, Wairarapa in relation to hearing and deciding on resource consent applications.*
- (2) **Delegates** to the Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee, Rick Long, the following powers in relation to conducting hearings for resource consent applications that have been notified under section 93(1) or 94(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 and require a hearing:*
  - (i) The power to establish a hearing panel where required.*
  - (ii) The power to establish a hearing sub-committee where required.*
  - (iii) The power to choose, on a case-by-case basis, whether to conduct a hearing through a single commissioner, or a hearing panel, or a hearing sub-committee.*

- (iv) *The power to decide, on a case-by-case basis, the appropriate commissioner or composition of each hearing panel or hearing sub-committee.*
  - (v) *The power to delegate to hearing panels (the composition of which is to be determined on a case-by-case basis) the power to hear and decide on resource consent applications. Where a hearing panel cannot reach a unanimous decision on a resource consent application, the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee must hear and decide on the resource consent.*
  - (vi) *The power to delegate to hearing sub-committee (the composition of which is to be determined on a case-by-case basis) the power to hear and decide on resource consent applications. Where a hearing sub-committee cannot reach a unanimous decision on a resource consent application, the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee must hear and decide on the resource consent.*
- (3) ***Notes** that the Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee will exercise the powers in (2) above in consultation with the Divisional Manager, Wairarapa.*
  - (4) ***Notes** that the chief executive will sign off any delegation to a commissioner or commissioners until the RMA is amended.*
  - (5) ***Limits** the ability of the Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee to sub-delegate his powers relating to conducting hearings for resource consent applications to the Deputy Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee.*
  - (6) ***Requires** the Chairperson of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee to note the rules on when to use a single commissioner, hearing sub-committee or hearing panel as set out in 4.2 of this report when exercising the powers given to him in 2 above.*
  - (7) ***Stipulates** that the delegations set out in Report 05.256 be subject to the general conditions provided in **Attachment 2** to report 05.256.*

**Noted**

Cr Baber recorded her vote against the recommendation.

## Matters Reported for Information

### RSW 52      **Divisional Manager's Report**

**Report 05.269**

**File: WS/08/05/01**

#### **Concerning 3.6**

Mr Read stated that discussions were required between Greater Wellington and the South Wairarapa District Council to prioritise expenditure for the Awhea Catchment Scheme given that approximately \$500,000 for road access and protection is currently being spent by the South Wairarapa District Council.

#### **Concerning 5.8**

Ted Taylor, Acting Manager, Planning & Resources, gave a presentation on the groundwater conceptual model for Wairarapa.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Kirton/Mr Southey)*

*That the Committee*

- (1)      **Receive the report.***
- (2)      **Note the contents of the report.***

### RSW 53      **Financial Report for the Ten Months to 30 April 2005**

**Report 05.279**

**File: WS/08/05/01**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Kirton/Cr Buchanan)*

*That the Committee*

- (1)      **Receive the report.***
- (2)      **Note the contents of the report.***

**RSW 54 Regional Council Input into District Planning**  
**Report 05.270** **File: WP/02/14/02**  
*Resolved* *(Mr Southey/Cr Baber)*  
*That the Committee*  
*Receive the information.*

**RSW 55 Resource Consents (Non Notified)**  
**Report 05.277** **File: WP/03/06/01**  
*Resolved* *(Cr Kirton/Cr Baber)*  
*That the Committee*  
*(1) Receive the report.*  
*(2) Note the contents of the report.*

**RSW 56 Catchment Works**  
**Report 05.268** **File: WO/03/30/01**  
*Resolved* *(Mr Read/Mr Southey)*  
*That the Committee*  
*Receive the schedule.*

**RSW 57 Questions**  
Following the query from Cr Turver at the previous meeting, Committee members agreed that the November meeting of the Committee would be held in the Kapiti area.

**RSW 58 General Business**  
There were no items of general business.

The meeting closed at 11.05 am.

Cr F R Long  
CHAIRMAN

Date: