

**Report 06.125**

12 April 2006

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Wednesday, 12 April 2006 at 9.30am**

**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 Turver (Chairperson), Baber, Buchanan (from 9:55am), Evans, Laidlaw, McDavitt and Shields

**Officers Present**

Conland, Corry, Cross, Denton, Forsyth, Grant, Markland, McLea, Norrish, Pene, Quirke, Sherriff, Shorten, Skene, Strange, Taylor, Van Schalkwyk and Waddy

**Also Present**

Barry Robertson (Consultant) and Phillip Wallace (Consultant)

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

E 144      **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

E 145      **Public Participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

E 146      **Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved* (Cr Turver/Cr Laidlaw)

*That the Committee:*

*Confirms the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2006, Report 06.63, subject to the following amendments:*

- *Add that Councillor McDavitt was absent from the meeting due to other council business*
- *Clarify the question from Councillor Evans under item E 142. Councillor Evans asked when the policy on the issue of the incidence of costs relating to pollution for Waiwhetu Stream would be published. He said that the issue of who pays should be consulted on either at or before the cost of remedying the pollution is incurred. Officers are to provide answers to Councillor Evans directly.*

## **Harbour Matters**

There are no Harbour matters for consideration.

## **Civil Defence Matters**

There are no civil defence matters for consideration.

## **Environmental Matters**

### **Matters for Decision**

E 147      **Waitohu Stream Study**

**Report 06.87** File: N/06/30/08

*Resolved* (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Shields)

*That the Committee:*

- (1)      *Receives the report.*
- (2)      *Notes the contents of the report.*

- (3) *Approves the distribution of the summary report to previously consulted parties for comment.*
- (4) *Sends a letter from the Chair of the Environment Committee, along with the summary report, which acknowledges the work of care groups etc and notes the difference that the work that they undertake makes.*

E 148 **Regional Freshwater Plan Evaluation**

**Report 06.86**

File: X/10/07/11

*Resolved*

*(Cr McDavitt/Cr Evans)*

*That the Committee:*

- (1) *Receives the report.*
- (2) *Notes the contents.*
- (3) *Receives the Regional Freshwater Plan Evaluation 2006.*
- (4) *Directs staff to investigate the preparation of draft changes to the Regional Freshwater Plan that limit the taking of additional water from the following water bodies:*
  - *Parkvale, Martinborough Terraces and Kahutara groundwater zones.*
  - *The Makoura Stream; Otukura Stream; Papawai Stream; Parkvale Stream; Donald Creek and Dock Creek and Tauweru River.*

**Noted:**

Council officers tabled the Regional Freshwater Plan Evaluation 2006 at the meeting.

## **Matters for Information**

**E 149      Divisional Manager's Report**

**Report 06.104**

File: ENV/06/18/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Turver/Cr Shields)*

*That the Committee:*

*(1)      Receives the Report.*

*(2)      Notes the contents.*

**E 150      Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Programme – Report on the Recent Beaches  
and River Estuaries Survey**

**Report 06.83**

File: ENV/13/07/01

**Presentation from Cawthron Institute**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Baber/Cr Shields)*

*That the Committee:*

*(1)      Receives the Report.*

*(2)      Notes the contents.*

**E 151      Upper Hutt Fault Trace Project**

**Report 06.107**

File: X/13/03/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shields/Cr McDavitt)*

*That the Committee:*

*(1)      Receives the Report.*

*(2)      Notes the contents.*

E 152      **Take Charge Area Investigation: Drain Six, Wharemauku Stream**  
**Report 06.88**      File: ENV/15/02/01  
*Resolved*      (*Cr McDavitt/Cr Shields*)  
*That the Committee:*  
(1)      *Receives the Report.*  
(2)      *Notes the contents.*

E 153      **Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications**  
**Report 06.89**      File: ENV/01/08/04  
*Resolved*      (*Cr Baber/Cr Evans*)  
*That the Committee:*  
(1)      *Receives the Report.*  
(2)      *Notes the contents.*

E 154      **Pollution Control Report for the Period 27 January to 10 March 2006**  
**Report 06.84**      File: ENV/17.02/01  
*Resolved*      (*Cr Laidlaw/Cr Buchanan*)  
*That the Committee:*  
(1)      *Receives the Report.*  
(2)      *Notes the contents.*

E 155      **Ara Tahi Representation on Environment Committee**

Councillor Turver said that on 19 April 2006 Ara Tahi would consider whether or not it would like one of its members to be appointed to the Environment Committee. If Ara Tahi selects a representative to sit on the Environment Committee, then a report will be submitted to the next Environment Committee meeting to recommend that the Committee ask the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee to appoint that representative to the Environment Committee.

## **Other Matters**

E 156     **Questions**

There were no questions.

E 157     **General**

There were no matters of general business.

12:20pm   The meeting closed.

CR C TURVER

Chairperson

Date: