

Report 07.132

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Policy, Finance, and Strategy Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 13 March 2007 at 9.32am

Present

Councillors Buchanan (Chairman), Aitken, Baber, Evans, Glensor, Greig, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shields, Turver, and Wilde.

Officers Present

Benham, Corry, Davis, Dick, Ding, Gray, Grounds, Hastie, Reay, Ryan, Saywell, and Turfrey.

Also present

Rudi Tomlinson (Audit New Zealand)

Public Business

Procedural Items

PF&S 228 Apologies

There were no apologies.

PF&S 229 Public Participation

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

Matters for Decision

PF&S 230 Proposed 2007/08 Annual Plan and Proposed Amendment to the 2006-16 Ten Year Plan (LTCCP)

Report 07.101

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Laidlaw)

File CFO/07/06/14

That the Committee recommends to Council that it:

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.
- (3) Approves the Council's Proposed 2007/08 Annual Plan and summary document.
- (4) Approves the Proposed Amendment to the 2006-16 Ten Year Plan (LTCCP) relating to the Revenue and Financing Policy.

Noted

Apart from acknowledging that minor editorial alterations needed to be made, Rudi Tomlinson, on behalf of Audit New Zealand, gave an unqualified oral acceptance of the Proposed Amendment to the 2006-16 Ten Year Plan (LTCCP).

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McDavitt)

(5) Upon receipt of the Audit opinion, adopts the Proposed Amendment to the 2006-16 Ten Year Plan (LTCCP) relating to the Revenue and Financing Policy and the Proposed 2007/08 Annual Plan and summary document, for the purpose of public consultation.

Noted

Officers were asked to prepare a memo advising of references in the draft 2007/08 annual plans of the region's territorial authorities relating to their reduction in rates for economic development purposes to take account of the Council's rating in 2007/08 for the Wellington Regional Strategy.

PF&S 231 Financial Report for the seven months ended 31 January 2007

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Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee recommends to Council that it:

- (1) Receives the report.
- (2) Notes the content of the report.

Noted

Officers agreed to split the expenditure in the Catchment Divisions for the next financial report between Western and Wairarapa flood protection.

PF&S 232 New Zealand Planning Institute Conference – 'The Politics of Planning'

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Noted

No resolution was made. The matter was left to be considered at some time in the future. The Chairman agreed to review the Council's policy on elected members' attendance at conferences.

The meeting closed at 10.16 am.

Cr I M BUCHANAN Chairman

Date: