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Minutes of the Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 23 May 2007 at 9.13 am

Present

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

In Attendance

Sir John Anderson (Chairman of Wellington Regional Strategy Committee).

Officers Present

Benham, Davis, Reay, Ryan, and Turfrey.

Public Business

On behalf of the Council, Councillor Buchanan welcomed Sir John Anderson, Chairman of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

Procedural Items

313 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Long)

That the Council

Accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Greig and McDavitt, and for lateness from Councillors Baber and Kirton.

314 **Public Participation**

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

315 Exclusion of the Public

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Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Wilde)

That the Council

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

1. Regional EDA Board appointments

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:

General subject of Reason for passing this resolution in Ground under section each matter to be relation to each 48(1) for the passing of this resolution

Regional EDA
 Board
 appointments

The information contained in this report contains information relating to the appointment of directors to the economic region's development agency as it would disclose the fact that they are being considered for appointment. Release of this information would prejudice their privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered as directors of the region's economic development agency. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override his privacy.

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 under sections 7(2)(a) of Government Local the Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

2. Permits Sir John Anderson to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of his knowledge of matters under discussion. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed, is relevant to that matter because of Sir John's position of Chairman of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

Other Matters

316 Questions

There were no questions.

317 General

There was no general business.

The open part of the meeting closed at 9.15 am.

Cr I M BUCHANAN Chairman

Date: