**7.** **Exclusion of the Public** **Report 09.144**

*That the Committee*

*Exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:*

*Metlink Service Centre – proposal for change*

*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 each matter to be considered: | Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter | Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution |
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| *Metlink Service Centre – proposal for change* | *The information contained in this report relates to Greater Wellington making changes to the operation of the Metlink Service Centre. The report outlines contract pricing arrangements and reveals potential contracting variations. The contract variations have not yet been entered into. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal the Council's negotiation strategy. The Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.* | *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 section 7(2)(h) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to enable Greater Wellington to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities).* |

*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.*