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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 Tuesday, 4 March 2003 at
12.10pm**

Present

Councillors Shields (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Thomas, Turver, Werry and Yardley

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Darroch, Benham, Cutler, Schollum, Stone, Wright and Drs Bradbury and Hastie

Public Business

Procedural Items

205 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

206 **Public Participation**

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

Matters for Consideration

207 Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee– 4 March 2003

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Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Aitken)

That the recommendations of the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee meeting held on 4 March 2003 be adopted.

208 Questions

Kapiti Coast Water Supply System

Councillor Werry said Kapiti residents were again debating the future of their water supply system and asked whether the Regional Council could assist in any way.

The Chairperson noted Council had responded to an approach from Kapiti Coast District Council last year and it was agreed that no further action be taken unless there was a further approach from the District Council.

209 General

The 'Grater' Shield

Councillor Long said that as the Sesqui award which Councillors had presented to each other from time to time had now lapsed it was timely to introduce a replacement.

Councillor Long, then displayed a blue plaque which he said was inscribed with the following words: *The 'Grater' Shield awarded from time to time to the Greater Wellington Regional Councillor who grates on his or her colleagues with a totally unhelpful comment'* and gave it to the Chairperson suggesting she be the first presenter.

The Chairperson said she was looking forward to the first opportunity to present the shield to one of her colleagues.

Hutt Corridor Plan Hearings Subcommittee

Councillor Evans said a copy of a letter from Joy Strawson, Haywards Action Group, to the Hutt News and Upper Hutt Leader had been circulated in the Councillors bulletin. The letter quoted the views of the members of the Hutt Corridor Subcommittee on the Belmont link road and questioned why Councillor Shaw had been replaced on the Subcommittee.

Councillor Evans said he had replied by congratulating Joy Strawson on her well constructed letter and had confirmed that Councillor Shaw had been replaced under the terms of reference for the subcommittee because of his public statements after appointment to the subcommittee.

210 **Exclusion of the Public**

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Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Report of the reconvened restricted public excluded part of the Chief Executive Recruitment Subcommittee held on 26 February 2003.

General subject of each matter to be considered:

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each

Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution

Report of the reconvened restricted public excluded part of the Chief Executive Recruitment Subcommittee held on 4 February 2003.

Because of the need to carry on negotiations (including commercial

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, ie (commercial negotiations).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) 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 of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

The Greater Wellington Regional Council

The open part of the meeting closed at 12.25pm.

Cr M K SHIELDS
Chairperson

Date