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9 September 2004

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Report of the Meeting of the Utility Services Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 9 September 2004 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 Thomas (Acting Chairperson), Aitken, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long and McDavitt

Officers Present

Messrs Benham, Darroch, Kennedy, Laidlow, Nugent, Samuel and Sells

Public Business

Procedural Items

US 149 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Aitken)

That the apologies from Councillor Werry and Councillor Shields, who was absent on other Council business, be confirmed.

US 150 **Public Participation**

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

US 151 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr Long/Cr Aitken)

That the minutes of the meeting of 10 August 2004, Report 04.513, be confirmed.

Matter for Recommendation

US 152 **Report 04.519**

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Resolved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Laidlaw)

- (1) *That it be noted that Landcare staff will consult with various interest groups before the wetland is opened to the public.*

Resolved to Recommend to Council	(Cr Aitken/Cr Laidlaw)
(2) That the lowering of the spillway to create a wetland is the preferred decommissioning option as it is the lowest cost option and should now proceed.	

Matters for Information

US 153 **Water Conservation Promotion – Summer 2005**

Report 04.528

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Councillor Kirton arrived at 9.40am.

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Long)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

US 154 **Annual Review for Greater Wellington Water and Plantation Forestry for the 12 Months Ended 30 June 2004**

Report 04.524

File: O/03/02/15

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Aitken)

That the report be received and the information noted.

US 155 **Divisional Report**

Report 04.527

File: O/02/01/10

Meetings Held by Ministry of Health (MOH) and Ministry for the Environment (MfE)

This item to be discussed at the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee meeting.

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Long)

That the report be received and the information noted.

US 156 **Questions**

There were no questions.

US 157 **General**

Councillor Thomas said she would like to read the following message from Councillor Werry who had been Chairperson of the Committee during the past three years. Councillor Thomas read Councillor Werry's message as follows:

"I very much regret being unable to attend today's meeting.

I would like to thank our superb staff for the excellent contribution they have made to the Division during this Triennium.

The team has been a pleasure to work with and I am sure we will all look forward to continuing our work in Utility Services for the next Triennium – give or take the vicissitudes of our voters! – thank you all"

Councillor Thomas said she would like to endorse the comments of Councillor Werry and thanked members and officers for their hard work during the past Triennium.

The meeting closed at 10.31am.

CR R F THOMAS
Acting Chairperson

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 28 September 2004

To be moved:

<p>That the report of the meeting of the Utility Services Committee held on 9 September 2004, Items US 149 to US 154 and US 156 to US 157 inclusive, be adopted.</p>
