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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 Thursday, 15 December 2005 at 9.32am

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

Officers

Benham (Chief Executive), Bradbury, Cameron, Corry, Cutler, Gray, Forsyth, Hastie, Kennedy, McLea, Norrish, Reay, Shaw, Turfrey, Waititi, Watson, and Wright.

Public Business

Procedural Items

PF&S 104 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

Accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Laidlaw and McDavitt, and the early departure of Councillors Glensor and Turver.

PF&S 105 **Public Participation**

Paul Bruce addressed the Committee on STV. Mr Bruce asked the Council to add the review of electoral systems to the terms of reference for the proposed Representation Review Subcommittee.

Matters for Consideration

PF&S 106 **Process for Representation Review**

Report 05.657

File: E/01/04/01

Resolved	(Cr Turver/Cr Wilde)
That the Committee recommends that Council	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes its contents.
(3)	Establishes the Representation Review Subcommittee to aid the Council with reviewing its representation arrangements for the 2007 elections.
(4)	Appoints Councillors Shields (Chair), Baber, Glensor, and Long to the Representation Review Subcommittee.
(5)	Adopts the attached terms of reference for the Representation Review Subcommittee and delegates to the Subcommittee the powers, functions and duties detailed in the terms of reference.

PF&S 107 **Appointment of Harbours' Enforcement Officers**

Report 05.654

File: E/01/06/04

Resolved	(Cr Wilde/Cr Long)
That the Committee recommends that Council	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes its contents.
(3)	Appoints the following people as enforcement officers to carry out the powers, functions and duties specified in part 39A of the Local Government Act 1974 and to enforce the navigation and safety bylaws for the Wellington Region.

Greater Wellington Officers	Members of Wellington Police Maritime Unit
Patrick Atwood, Deputy Harbourmaster	Sergeant John Bryant
Grant Nalder, Harbour Ranger	Senior Constable Andrew Cobden-Cox
Gregory Meikle, Harbour Ranger	Senior Constable Ross Lane
	Senior Constable David Martin
	Senior Constable David Houston
	Senior Constable Barry Hart
	Constable Paul Martin
	Constable Rob Masters

PF&S 108 **Wind Energy Subcommittee 26 October and 1 November 2005**

Report 05.592

File: E/06/09/38

Resolved	(Cr Shields/Cr Baber)
That the Committee adopts the report of the meeting of the Wind Energy Subcommittee held on 26 November and 1 November 2005, items WES 01 to WES 05 inclusive.	

PF&S 109 **Wind Energy Submissions**

Report 05.611

File: RE/02/02/04

Resolved	(Cr Shields/Cr Turver)
That the Committee recommends that Council	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the contents of the report.
(3)	Takes into account the submissions made by the region's public when making its decision on whether or not to proceed with making Council land at Puketiro available for a wind energy development.

Noted

Councillor Baber expressed gratitude to Councillors Laidlaw and Shields for their input into this exercise.

Councillor Glensor left the meeting at 9.59 am.

PF&S 110 Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee, 17 October and 6 December 2005**(1) Report 05.578**

File: E/06/24/02

Resolved**(Cr Aitken/Cr Kirton)**

That the Committee adopts the report of the meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee held on 17 October 2005, items PMS16 to PMS19 inclusive.

(2) Report 05.690

File: E/06/24/02

Resolved**(Cr Aitken/Cr Wilde)**

That the Committee adopts the report of the meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee held on 6 December 2005, items PMS20 to PMS28 inclusive.

Noted

Councillor Evans expressed concern about PMS 23: Office of the Auditor General Review of Greater Wellington's self assessment as part of the audit of the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-16.

PF&S 111 Puketiro Wind Energy Feasibility Study**Report 05.651**

File: RE/02/02/04

Resolved**(Cr Shields/Cr Greig)****That the Committee****(1) Receives the report.****(2) Notes its content.****(3) Approves in principle the offering of a 50 year easement over GWRC land at Puketiro for a wind energy development.****(4) Instructs officers to initiate the process to find a suitable wind energy developer, to be approved by the Council.**

Noted

Councillor Shields thanked the officials for their excellent work on this study. Councillor Evans suggested the Committee should carefully consider point (3).

PF&S 112 **Parks and Forests Hearing Committee 9, 11, and 14 November 2005**

Report 05.610

File: E/06/16/02

Resolved	(Cr Greig/Cr Turver)
That the Committee	
(1) Receives the report.	
(2) Notes its content.	

PF&S 113 **Queen Elizabeth Park Management Plan**

Report 05.695

File: PK/14/05/01

Resolved	(Cr Greig/Cr Turver)
That the Committee	
(1) Receives the report.	
(2) Notes its content.	
That the Committee recommends that Council	
(3) Adopts the Queen Elizabeth Park Management Plan as amended by the Committee, subject to any minor technical or editorial amendments to be approved by the Landcare Committee Chair.	
(4) Revokes the relevant provisions of the Queen Elizabeth Park Management Plan 1993.	
(5) Instructs officers to finalise the publication and distribution of the Queen Elizabeth Park Management Plan.	

The meeting was adjourned between 10.35 am and 10.59 am for morning tea.

PF&S 114 **Financial Report for the Three Months Ending 30 September 2005**

Report 05.697

File: G/04/01/05 & CFO/13/02/01

Resolved	(Cr Turver/Cr Aitken)
That the Committee	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.

PF&S 115 **Financial Report for the Four Months Ending 31 October 2005**

Report 05.698

File: G/04/01/05 & CFO/13/02/01

Resolved	(Cr Turver/Cr Aitken)
That the Committee	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.

PF&S 116 **Appointment to the Regional Land Transport Committee**

Report 05.609

File: E/06/11/06

Resolved	(Cr Baber/Cr Aitken)
That the Committee recommends that Council	
(1)	Appoints Mr Charles Finny as the representative for economic development on the Regional Land Transport Committee.
(2)	Appoints Mr Matthew Crawford as the alternative representative for economic development on the Regional Land Transport Committee, and agrees that as alternate he is able to attend meetings with the same rights as the appointed member, Mr Charles Finny, when Mr Charles Finny is unable to attend.

PF&S 117 **Measuring up 2005, the State of the Environment Report for the Wellington Region**

Report 05.693

File: ENV/20/02/

Resolved	(Cr Buchanan/Cr Long)
That the Committee	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.

PF&S 118 **Proposed National Environment Standard for Human Drinking-Water Sources - Submission**

Report 05.692

File: ENV/05/01/11/

Resolved	(Cr Greig/Cr Turver)
That the Committee	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Approves the submission made by Greater Wellington on the Proposed National Environment Standard for Human Drinking-water Sources.

Noted

Councillors Evans and Aitken thanked the officials for their excellent work on this submission.

PF&S 119 **2006 Meeting Schedule**

Report 05.675

File: E/06/02/02

Resolved	(Cr Kirton/Cr Wilde)
That the Committee	
(1)	Approves the proposed 2006 meeting schedule.
(2)	Agrees that the 2006 meeting schedule be circulated to key stakeholders.
(3)	Authorises the Council Secretary to modify the schedule as and when required.

PF&S 120 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 05.682

File: E/06/03/02

Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr Wilde.)

That the Committee

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

- (1) Hutt River: Ava to Ewen project Opahu Stream pumping station and associated works – tender acceptance*
- (2) Puketiro wind energy development commercial issues*
- (3) Performance agreement for the Chief Executive – Chairman Buchanan*

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:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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<i>(1) Hutt River: Ava to Ewen project Opahu Stream pumping station and associated works – tender acceptance</i>	<i>Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality</i>	<i>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, (i.e. to preserve commercial confidentiality)</i>
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<i>(2) Puketiro wind energy development commercial issues</i>	<i>Because of the need to preserve commercial negotiations</i>	<i>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, (i.e. commercial negotiations)</i>
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(3) *Performance Because of the need to protect the privacy of Chief Executive – natural persons*
Chairman
Buchanan

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 to protect the privacy of natural persons).

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.

11.18 am. The open part of the meeting closed.

Cr I M BUCHANAN
Chairman

Date: