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REGIONAL COUNCIL

Report 06.739

14 December 2006

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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, 14 December 2006 at 9.30 am

Present

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

Officers Present

Benham, Bradbury, Corry, Cox, Davis, Dick, Gray, Gabara, Hastie, R Hewitt, Henwood, Kennedy, McLea, Norrish, Reay, Skene, and Turfrey.

Public Business

Procedural Items

PF&S 204 Apologies

There were no apologies.

PF&S 205 **Public Participation**

Tabled

Councillors (formal complaint and accompanying documents). Michael Gibson

John Lancashire, representing the Friends of Queen Elizabeth Park, urged the Council to consult with stakeholders as soon as possible to discuss upgrading the barn at the park. Mr Lancashire estimates that the local community has already contributed 15-20% of the labour and finance. He acknowledges that landscaping, architecture, and painting are still areas of disagreement between the parties.

Michael Gibson lodged a formal complaint that the Representation Review Subcommittee sought to discharge its duties by holding three workshops and then meeting in public for thirty minutes before bringing its initial recommendation to the Council.

Matter for Information

PF&S 206 **Financial Report for the Four Months ended 31 October 2006**

Report 06.722

File: G/04/01/05

Resolved	(Cr Buchanan/Cr Shields)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.

Matters for Decision

PF&S 207 **Valuation of Assets**

Report 06.699

File: G/01/04/03

Resolved	(Cr Kirton/Cr Aitken)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.

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| <p>(3) Agrees that a desktop valuation of the water assets is undertaken as at 30 June 2007.</p> <p>(4) Notes that if this valuation is not accepted by the auditor it may result in a qualified audit opinion.</p> |
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PF&S 208 **Queen Elizabeth Park Barn Upgrading: Financial Allocation**

Report 06.720

File: PK/14/01/08

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| <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Committee recommends to Council that it:</p> <p>(1) Receives the report.</p> <p>(2) Directs Officer to convene a multi-and party discussion to agree on specifications for the proposed building upgrade by 22 February 2007.</p> <p>(3) Approves the seeking of quotations for carrying out the upgrading work.</p> <p>(4) Requests officers to prepare a revised estimate for the project once prices are known for the upgrading work, and refer this to the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee so it can consider a financial allocation.</p> <p>(5) Acknowledges and welcomes public participation in the project.</p> | <p>(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)</p> |
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PF&S 209 **Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Coastal Plan – Port Noise Provisions**

Report 06.687

File: X/09/06/11

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| <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Committee recommends to Council that it:</p> <p>(1) Receives the report.</p> <p>(2) Approves the public notification of Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Coastal Plan (Attachment 2 to this report)..</p> <p>(3) Adopts the background (Section 32) report on Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Coastal Plan (Attachment 3 to this report).</p> | <p>(Cr Wilde/Cr Laidlaw)</p> |
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PF&S 210 **Greater Wellington Environmental Awards Programme**

Report 06.710

File: ENV/15/01/01

Resolved	(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.
(3)	Agrees with the concept in principle and consider the funding implications as part of the Annual Plan 200708 review.

PF&S 211 **New Zealand Urban Design Protocol****Report 06.671**

File: WRS/06/03/01

Resolved	(Cr Wilde/Cr Laidlaw)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1)	Receives the report.
(2)	Notes the content of the report.
(3)	Agrees to become a signatory to the Urban Design Protocol.
(4)	Appoints Councillor Baber as the Council's Urban Design Champion.
(5)	Instructs officers to make the appropriate arrangements for signing the Protocol.
(6)	Delegates to the Urban Design Champion the authority to sign the Protocol on behalf of the Council.
(7)	Instructs officers to prepare an action plan, to be presented to the Committee for approval.

PF&S 212 **Appointment of New Electoral Officer**

Report 06.705

File: E/09/07/07

Resolved **(Cr Aitken/Cr Shields)**

That the Committee recommends to Council that it:

Appoints Margaret Meek as Greater Wellington's electoral officer.

Noted

The Committee thanked Ms Norrish for her work as electoral officer, and welcomed Ms Meek to the position.

PF&S 213 **Objections/appeals on Final Representation Proposal**

Report 06.706

File: E/01/04/01

Resolved **(Cr Shields/Cr Baber)**

That the Committee recommends to Council that it:

- (1) Receives the report.**
- (2) Notes the content of the report.**
- (3) Receives and notes the content of objections/appeals on the Council's final representation proposal that have been sent to Greater Wellington and forwarded to the Local Government Commission.**

Noted

The Committee noted that the Council's decisions on the proposal were not made unanimously, and acknowledges that different points of view were expressed by some Councillors.

PF&S 214 **Puketiro Wind Farm Development Agreement**

Report 06.721

File: RE/01/02/03

Resolved	(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Evans)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1) Receives the report.	
(2) Endorses the decision by officers to conclude the development agreement with RES New Zealand Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of Renewable Energy Systems Holdings Limited..	

PF&S 215 **2007 Meeting Schedule**

Report 06.728

File: E/06/02/02

Resolved	(Cr Aitken/Cr McDavitt)
That the Committee recommends to Council that it:	
(1) Approves the proposed 2007 meeting schedule, subject to any amendments requested at this meeting.	
(2) Agrees that the proposed 2007 meeting schedule be circulated to key stakeholders.	
(3) Authorises the Divisional Manager, Corporate and Strategy, to modify the schedule, as and when required, in accordance with procedures specified in the Council's Standing Orders.	

Noted

The Committee acknowledged the complex nature of this exercise, and thanked Officers for taking Councillors' other commitments into account while designing the schedule.

PF&S 216 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 06.724

File: E/06/03/02

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan./Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

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

Purchase of 58 Electrical Multiple Units (EMU)

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>Purchase of 58 Electrical Multiple Units (EMU)</i>	<i>The report includes the company names of three proposed preferred suppliers. The Expressions of Interest which were registered by each potential tenderer are subject to an obligation of confidentiality. Release would be likely to prohibit future tenderers from tendering if they were aware that their names would be made public in advance of a tender decision being made. It is in the public interest that Greater Wellington receives tenders to ensure that Greater Wellington is able to attract the best possible tenderers. 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 this prejudice.</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 under sections 7(2)(c) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence which, if released would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information and it is in the public interest that such information continue to be supplied)..</i>
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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.

The open part of the meeting closed at 10.14 am.

Cr I M BUCHANAN

Chairman

Date: