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## Divisional Manager's report

### 1. Purpose

To inform the Committee about the activities and progress of the Environment Management Division and about any matters that have arisen since the Committee's last meeting.

### 2. Managers' reports

The Department Managers' reports, along with the Divisional Accountant's report follow as **Attachment 1**.

### 3. Hulls Creek Planting

In late August, the Environment Division had our annual planting day in which staff from both the Wellington and Wairarapa offices planted over 1000 plants along the banks of the creek, weeded, cleaned up rubbish, and were addressed by members of the local care group. Hulls Creek is one of the many examples of the restoration work undertaken by Care Groups throughout the region, and has been subject to a great deal of work not only by the Care Group itself in the last few years, but also other Divisions of the Council and corporate groups. A fish pass has also recently been installed and 'opened' near the Creek's confluence with the Hutt River. An annual report on the work of all the Care Groups supported by Greater Wellington during the last year is the subject of a separate paper.

### 4. Captain Pryce

I would like to offer congratulations to Mike Pryce, who, on 14 September, celebrated 20 years with the Regional Council, or the Wellington Harbour Board as it was when he commenced. Mike's work in managing our harbours functions has been outstanding over this time. Greater Wellington has been fortunate in having someone of Mike's calibre managing our Harbours Department, and as our Regional Harbour master, over the last two decades.

## **5. In closing...**

This Committee meeting represents the last for those Councillors retiring at the end of the current triennium. On behalf of the Environment Division, I would like to thank you very much for your efforts in supporting and promoting Greater Wellington's endeavours with regard to our environmental functions and responsibilities, and wish you all the best for the future.

I would also note that under the proposed committee Terms of Reference for the next triennium, reporting on Civil Defence and Emergency matters would rest with the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee. Given this, it is also fitting to thank Rian for his work in keeping the Environment Committee informed of matters civil defence over the last triennium, and indeed, the many years prior.

## **6. Recommendations**

*It is recommended that the Committee:*

- 1. Receives the report; and*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

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**Attachment 1: Department Managers' Reports**