



Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the meeting of Regional Sustainability on 15 October 2008.

Report 08.612

3 September 2008

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Unconfirmed Minutes of the Meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee held at South Wairarapa District Council, 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough, on Wednesday 3 September 2008 at 9.33 am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chair), Bruce, Buchanan, and Donaldson.

Also Present

Councillors Glensor and Lamason

Officers Present

Archibald, Bradbury, Skene, Reay, and Velde.

Public Business

RS 55 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee accept the apologies for absence from Councillors Aitken, Wilde, and Mrs Mellish.

RS 56 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

RS 57 **Public Participation**

Mayor Adrienne Staples, South Wairarapa District Council, spoke on the “Greentown “ promotion, and the potential for further similar events.

Sonia Corbett and Helen Dew spoke on the “Greentown” promotion and suggested how a future event could be run. They also talked about the Transition Towns concept.

RS 58 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee

Confirms the minutes of the meeting of 23 July 2008, Report 08.533.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.34 am and 10.52 am for morning tea.

RS 59 **“Greentown” evaluation**

Report 08.592

File: ENV/15/08/08

Resolved (Cr Bruce/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

Noted

Officers were:

- Congratulated by the Committee on the role they played in making the Greentown “ promotion such a success.
- Asked to consider Greater Wellington’s role in this type of promotion, and the nature of any future events, whether in Greytown or elsewhere in the region.

The meeting was adjourned between 12.03 am and 12.37 am for morning tea.

RS 60 **Centres of Excellence**

Oral report

Laurence Greig, General Manager Centres of Excellence Project, Grow Wellington, gave a *Powerpoint* presentation on the concept and rationale for the centres, which the committee endorsed.

RS 61 **Take Action Annual Report 2007-2008**

Report 08.591

File: ENV/19/18/01

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Bruce)

That the Committee

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

RS 62 **Sustainable Business update**

Report 08.590

File: ENV/25/01/03

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The meeting closed at 1.14 pm.

CR C LAIDLAW
Chairman

Date: