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## Wellington Regional Strategy Review Proposed Terms of Reference

### 1. Purpose

This report is to provide the Committee with a draft Terms of Reference for the review of the Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS).

### 2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

### 3. Proposed Terms of Reference

Following a mediated agreement between Hutt City Council, Upper Hutt City Council and Greater Wellington Regional Council (GW) the final proposal for the Wellington Regional Strategy was adopted by GW, on behalf of the Region, on 8 May 2007. The mediated agreement included a commitment to undertake a full, independent review by 30 June 2011. Based on the outcome of the review the WRS Committee will make a decision about whether or not to continue the WRS.

The Chief Executives have drafted Terms of Reference for the review. These are in **Attachment 1**. Under the draft Terms of Reference the review will include both quantitative and qualitative assessments, focusing on the implementation of the WRS and the outcomes achieved. It will include the WRS economic development activities (primarily Grow Wellington's work) and the non-economic development activities, led primarily by the region's councils.

An independent consultant will be sought to carry out the review. It is expected an appointment will be made in November 2010. A final report will be presented to the WRS Committee by the reviewer by May 2011. A final decision will then be made on the continuation of the WRS by the end of June 2011.

#### **4. Communication**

No external communications are required at this stage.

#### **5. Recommendations**

*That the Committee:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Approves the Terms of Reference for the review in Attachment 1.*

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**Attachment 1: Draft Terms of Reference for the review of the Wellington Regional Strategy**