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Committee Council  
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## Appointment of Harbourmaster and Enforcement Officer

### 1. Purpose

For the Council to appoint the Harbourmaster and an Enforcement Officer for the purpose of enforcing the Maritime Transport Act 1994 and Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws (the Bylaws).

### 2. Background

On 19 May 2017, Captain Mike Pryce, retired from his role as Manager, Harbours. Captain Pryce has been the region's appointed Harbourmaster.

Grant Nalder has recently been appointed as Manager, Harbours.

James Allen has been appointed as Harbour Ranger, replacing the position left vacant by Grant Nalder's appointment to the role of Manager, Harbours.

Clause 5 of the Council's current Bylaws requires that the appointments of Harbourmaster and Enforcement Officer be made by Council resolution.

#### 2.1 Powers given as a result of these appointments

The powers given directly to harbourmasters are set out in Part 3A of the Maritime Transport Act 1994. In addition, the Bylaws give powers directly to an appointed harbourmaster.

Section 33G(b) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 sets out the powers given directly to enforcement officers. Section 33G(c) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 provides that additional powers relating to directing ships may be given to an enforcement officer. In addition, the Bylaws give powers directly to an appointed enforcement officer.

### 3. Communication

No communications are necessary.

#### **4. Consideration of climate change**

The matters addressed in this report are of a procedural nature, and there is no need to conduct a climate change assessment.

#### **5. The decision-making process and significance**

The matter requiring decision in this report has been considered by officers against the requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.

##### **5.1 Significance of the decision**

Officers have considered the significance of the matter, taking into account the Council's significance and engagement policy and decision-making guidelines. Due to the procedural nature of this decision officers recommend that the matter be considered to have low significance.

Officers do not consider that a formal record outlining consideration of the decision-making process is required in this instance.

##### **5.2 Engagement**

Due to its procedural nature and low significance, no engagement on this matter has been undertaken.

#### **6. Recommendations**

*That the Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Appoints Grant Nalder as Harbourmaster for the Wellington Region.*
- 4. Appoints James Allen as an Enforcement Officer for the Wellington Region.*
- 5. Authorises James Allen, Enforcement Officer to exercise the powers set out in section 33F(1)(c) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994.*

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