

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 6 October 1999 at 9.30am**

**Present**

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shaw, Shields, Thomas, Turver and Werry

**Officers Present**

Messrs Allard, Benham, Darroch, Maguire, Schollum and Stone

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

166 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Allen)*

*That the apology from Councillor McQueen and the apology for lateness from Councillor McDavitt be confirmed.*

167 **Public Participation**

**Mr Garlick, Water Supply Manager, Hutt City Council**

Mr Garlick said that Mayor Terris, who was unable to be present this morning, had requested that the Wellington Regional Council be thanked for proposing the commissioning of the temporary use of Gear Island Water Treatment Plant so that unfluoridated water can be supplied to Petone consumers while a permanent solution to the supply of water to Petone is considered.

Mr Garlick said Hutt City had examined the Memorandum of Understanding and were happy to be a party to an agreement except for Clause 9.

Mr Garlick noted that Clause 9 stated the agreement would not come into effect until the Regional Council and the Hutt City Council had agreed to the funding of a permanent unfluoridated water supply to Petone and Korokoro through the Rahui Reservoir. Mr Garlick said that Hutt City would like the temporary Gear Island proposal to be commenced as soon as possible and not be unnecessarily delayed while a permanent solution is negotiated.

Mr Garlick concluded by saying that Hutt City agreed that the temporary solution should not extend beyond 31 December 2000.

The Chairperson thanked Mr Garlick for his representations and said these would be considered by members when the item was debated later in the meeting.

**Vera Allen, Deputy Chairperson, Petone Community Board**

Vera Allen said that Petone residents had been convinced that the Regional Council had turned its back on the desires of the local community. The Regional Council's proposal for today to offer temporary use of the Gear Island Water Treatment Plant for the supply of unfluoridated water in the Petone water supply is gratefully received by residents. Vera Allen said she would especially like to thank officers of the Wellington Regional Council and the Hutt City Council, Councillor McQueen and two Hutt representatives on the Regional Council for their support.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 9.45am in order to commence the Policy and Finance Committee meeting.

The meeting reconvened at 11.21am.

**Present**

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shaw, Shields, Thomas, Turver and Werry

**Officers Present**

Messrs Allard, Darroch, Maguire, Schollum and Stone

**Matters for Consideration**

**168 Policy and Finance Committee – 6 October 1999**

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Allen)*

*That the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting on 6 October 1999 be adopted.*

The meeting closed at 11.26am.

Cr S A MACASKILL  
Chairperson

Date:

147 **Deputation from Hutt City Council**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shields/Cr Thomas)*

*That Standing Order 66 be suspended to allow the three speakers total time of 15 minutes.*

Mayor Terris, Councillor Baird and Mr Garlick made a presentation on behalf of Hutt City Council. The deputation requested that no change be made to the water supply for Petone until the residents have expressed their view in a survey being conducted by Hutt City Council.

Councillor Macaskill thanked the deputation for attending and stated his belief that each of the issues raised could be satisfactorily answered by the Wellington Regional Council.

Council meeting adjourned at 10.15am  
 Councillor McDavitt joined the meeting at 11.43am  
 Councillor Laidlaw left the meeting at 12.30pm  
 Council meeting resumed at 12.30pm

148 **Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr McQueen)*

- (1) That the Public and Public Excluded minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 3 August 1999, Report 99.441 and Report PE 99.442, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, be confirmed.*
- (2) That the Public and Public Excluded record of the special Policy and Finance meeting held on 3 August 1999, Report 99.439 and Report PE 99.440, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, be confirmed.*

149 **Chairman's Report**

**Report 99.523**

***Water Schemes in Drought Prone Areas***

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Long)*

*That Council appoint Councillor Long as its representative on the proposed Steering Committee.*

***Stadium Open Day***

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Werry)*

*That the WRC match the WCC contribution by contributing \$25,000 towards the Stadium open day.*

***University of Auckland Business School Executive Programme***

*Resolved* (Chairperson/Cr Thomas)

*That Council approve the attendance of Councillor Shields at the “Leadership in Organisations” course.*

***Local Authority Elected Members’ Remuneration: Public Discussion Document***

*Resolved* (Chairperson/Cr Long)

*That the Working Group comprise Councillors McQueen (Chair), Allen, Gibson, Shields and Turver.*

***Leave of Absence***

*Resolved* (Chairperson/Cr Allen)

*That leave of absence be granted to the following Councillors:*

- *Councillor McQueen*      *2 October to 6 October*  
*10 October to 20 October*
- *Councillor Laidlaw*      *22 September to 4 October*

*Resolved* (Chairperson/Cr McQueen)

*That the Report be received and the contents noted.*

**Reports of Committees**

**150 Policy and Finance Committee – 21 September 1999**

*Resolved* (Chairperson/Cr Shaw)

*That the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting held on 21 September 1999, be adopted.*

**151 Rural Services and Wairarapa – 26 August 1999**

**Report 99.496**

File: E/6/12/1

*Resolved* (Cr Long/Cr Buchanan)

*That the report of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee meeting held on 26 August 1999, Items RSW 100 to RSW 116 inclusive, be adopted.*

152 **Landcare – 31 August 1999**

**Report 99.501**

File: E/6/16/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr Werry/Cr Shields)*

*That the report of the Landcare Committee meeting held on 31 August 1999, Items LC82 to LC95 inclusive, be adopted.*

153 **Passenger Transport – 2 September 1999**

1. **Report 99.503**

File: E/6/8/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)*

*That the report of the Passenger Transport Committee meeting held on 2 September 1999, Items PT 45 to PT57 inclusive, be adopted.*

2. **Report 99.525**

File: T/8/2/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr McDavitt/Cr Shields)*

*That Wellington Bus/Rail Interchange at Lambton described as option 4 in the Wellington City Council report to the 2 September 1999 Passenger Transport Committee be adopted in principle.*

154 **Utility Services – 7 September 1999**

**Report 99.515**

File: E/6/17/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr McQueen/Cr Shaw)*

*That the report of the Utility Services Committee meeting held on 7 September 1999, Items US 63 to US 72 inclusive, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted.*

155 **Environment – 9 September 1999**

**Report 99.520**

File: E/6/18/2

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Gibson)*

*That the report of the Environment Committee meeting held on 9 September 1999, Items E121 to E140 inclusive, be adopted.*

156 **Regional Land Transport – 15 September 1999**

**Report 99.531**

File: E/6/8/1

An amended set of minutes was circulated in which reference to a point of order was deleted.

*Resolved*

*(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)*

*That the report of the Regional Land Transport Committee meeting held on 15 September 1999, Items RLT27 to RLT30 inclusive, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted*

Councillor Gibson requested that his abstention be recorded.

157 **Hospital Submission Subcommittee –6 August 1999**

**Report 99.446**

File: E/6/3/3

*Resolved*

*(Cr Long/Cr Turver)*

*That the report of the Hospital Submission Subcommittee meeting held on 6 August 1999, Items HS 1 to HS 4 inclusive, be adopted.*

158 **Hospital Submission Subcommittee –10 August 1999**

**Report 99.452**

File: E/6/3/3

*Resolved*

*(Cr Long/Cr Shields)*

*That the report of the Hospital Submission Subcommittee meeting held on 10 August 1999, Items HS 5 to HS 74 inclusive, be adopted.*

## **Matters for Consideration**

159 **Wellington Conservation Board –3 September 1999**

**Report 99.521**

File: E/7/10/7

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Thomas)*

*That the report be received and the information noted.*



160 **Notice of Motion –Councillor Gibson**

**Report 99.538**

This notice of motion was not proceeded with.

161 **Notice of Motion – Councillor Shaw**

**Report 99.540**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shaw/Cr Turver)*

*That officers report urgently on:*

- (a) dioxin emissions from Medical Waste’s Miramar incinerator, and*
- (b) practical means by which emissions may be promptly stopped.*

162 **Questions**

There were no questions.

163 **Use of Official Seal**

**Report 99.524**

File: E/4/2/2

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr McQueen)*

*That the report be received.*

164 **General**

Councillor Allen took the opportunity to bestow the “Sesqui Award” on Councillor Turver for his ability to ask so many enlightened questions.

165 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 99.506

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Shaw)*

*That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:*

*Report of the public excluded part of the Utility Services Committee meeting held on 7 September 1999*

*Waiwhetu Tunnel Easement to Hutt City Council*

*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:*

<b><i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i></b>	<b><i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i></b>	<b><i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i></b>
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(1) <i>Waiwhetu Tunnel Easement to Hutt City Council</i>	<i>Because of the need to carry on commercial negotiations</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 (ie to carry on commercial negotiations).</i>
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*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) 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 of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:*

*Wellington Regional Council*

The open part of the meeting closed at 1.16pm.

Cr S A MACASKILL  
Chairperson

Date: