Report 00.154

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Record of the Special Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 9 March 2000 at 9.45am

Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

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

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Annakin, Benham, Darroch, Maguire, Schollum, Stone, Wright and Drs Bradbury and Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 180 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 181 CentrePort Ltd - Half Year Report

Report 00.88 File: CFO/21/3/1

Resolved

(Chairperson/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 182 WRC Holdings – Capital Restructuring

Report 00.138 File: CFO/9/1/1

Mr P Whyte, Delloitte Touche Tohumatsu and Mr B Neilson, Chapman Tripp, were present for this item.

Resolved (Cr Long/Cr Gibson)

(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Gibson)

- (2) That Council:
 - (a) grant its consent to the capital restructuring proposals included within this report and, subject to the receipt of the necessary consent from the Company's Bank, authorise the Chief Financial Officer to put into effect the transactions necessary on behalf of the Council.
 - (b) authorise the Council Secretary to affix the Council's common seal to the necessary documentation as evidence of the Council's consent to the restructuring proposals.

P&F 183 CentrePort - Director Vacancy

Report 00.139 File: CFO/21/3/1

Resolved (Cr Long/Cr Werry)

(1) That the Report be received and the contents noted.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Werry)

- (2) That the process for appointment of a new Director to the Board of CentrePort include:
- (a) That determination of the detailed process for selection of a suitable candidate be delegated to the Screening Group comprising:
 - Chairperson of Wellington Regional Council
 - Chairperson of Horizons MW
 - Chairperson of CentrePort Ltd
- (b) That identification of potential directors be by both advertisement and direct approach.
- (c) That the screening of potential directors (including conducting interviews) be conducted by the Screening Group seeking the following key attributes:
 - Independence
 - Integrity
 - Ability to analyse, question, and apply judgement
 - Competence
 - Ability to devote time and attention to entity
 - Good personal skills
 - Leadership and strategic thought
 - Common sense
 - Previous experience as a director
 - Awareness of the responsibility of good environmental management
- (d) That the Screening Group report its recommendations to both shareholders for approval prior to any appointment being made.

P&F 184 WRC Holdings Group – Half Year Report

Report 00.135 File: CFO/9/1/1

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

That the Report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 185 Financial Report for 7 Months ended 31 January 2000

Report 00.144 File: G/4/1/5

Resolved

(Cr McQueen/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

Council noted that in the future full financial reports will be made available on a quarterly basis, with exceptions noted on a monthly basis.

P&F 186 **Dissolution of the RISC Working Group**

Report 00.145 File: CC4/2/3

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Bonner/Cr Thomas)

- (1) That the RISC Group be dissolved with immediate effect.
- (2) That the Policy and Finance Subcommittee be the Council's formal body for considering strategic communications matters.
- (3) That the members of the RISC Group be thanked for their contribution.

P&F 187 Adoption of the Proposed Regional Coastal Plan for the Wellington Region

Report 00.94 File: X/9/6/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Shields)

That Council:

- (1) Notes that amendments have been made to the Proposed Regional Coastal Plan that give effect to the directions of the Environment Court.
- (2) Notes that minor amendments have been made to the Plan that group together the objectives, policies and rules, and consequential reordering of other provisions, without changing their wording.
- (3) Adopts the Plan
- (4) Authorises the affixing of the seal of the Council to the Plan.
- (5) Sends the Plan to the Minister of Conservation for approval.

- (6) Notes that the operative date for the Plan will be publicly notified at least five working days in advance.
- (7) Congratulates Dr Hastie and his team for the very skilful way the Coastal Plan had been completed to the satisfaction of all parties involved in the process.

Members requested that the Hon Marian Hobbs, Minister of Conservation be invited to launch the Regional Coastal Plan once she has approved it.

P&F 188 Strengthening the Relationship between the Council and Tangata Whenua

Report 00.113 File: X/16/1/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Long)

That the proposal for strengthening the relationship between the Council and Tangata Whenua attached to this report be adopted.

P&F 189 The Future of the Council's Involvement in Landscape

Report 00.127 File: X/22/4/1

Councillor Bonner left at 11.30am.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McDavitt)

That the recommendations of the Environment Committee attached as Report 00.136 be endorsed.

Councillor Gibson dissented.

P&F 190 Charges for Council Responses to Environmental Incidents

Reports 00.82 and 00.98

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Buchanan)

File: E/6/12/1, E/6/18/2

That the extract of the Report of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee meeting held on 8 February 2000, Item RSW 151, and the extract of the Report of the Environment Committee held on 15 February 2000, Item E 179, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted.

The meeting closed at 11.35am.

Cr S A MACASKILL Chairperson

Date: