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Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 23 February 2006 at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Turver (Chairperson), Baber, Buchanan, Evans, and Laidlaw.

Officers Present

Bitteridge, Conland, Corry, Cross, Ellis, Lisk, Markland, Pryce, Reay, Sherriff, Skene, Van Schalkwyk, Waddy, Shorten, Van Erp, and Woods.

Public Business

Procedural Items

E 130 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee

Accept the apology for absence from Councillor Shields, and for the absence of Councillor McDavitt, due to other Council business, and for the early departure of Councillor Buchanan.

E 131 **Public Participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

E 132 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved (Cr Baber/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

Confirms the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 December 2005, Report 05.691.

Matters Arising

Re E 115 (1) Divisional Manager's Report – What input is the Environment Division is making to roading proposals that impact on the environment?

Councillors felt it would timely to receive more information. Officers to report at the next meeting.

Harbour Matters

Matters for Information

E 133 **Port and Harbour Risk Assessment**

Tabled:

Wellington Harbour Port and Harbour Marine Safety Code. Navigational Risk Assessment. Marico Report 05NZ104.

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Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

- (1) *Receives the report.*
- (2) *Notes that the implementation of the recommendations found in the Port and Harbour Risk Assessment report will have budgetary implications for the Council over and above those already anticipated in the current Long Term Council Community Plan forecasts.*

E 134 **Presentation by John Riding, Marico Marine NZ Ltd, on the Port and Harbour Marine Safety Code Navigational Risk Assessment**

Noted

Councillors requested

- comparative information on harbour charges from international examples
- a tour of the Beacon Hill Facility.

Officers to arrange.

Civil Defence Matters

There were no civil defence matters for consideration.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.45am and 10.59am for morning tea.

Environmental Matters

Papers tabled:

- *Financial Position: 31 December 2005.* Richard Waddy, Divisional Accountant
- *Proactive Odour Monitoring – Information Collection Sheet.* Greater Wellington.

Matters for Information

E 135 **Acting Divisional Manager’s Report**

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Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

- (1) *Receives the report.*
- (2) *Notes the contents.*

Noted

Councillors suggested that

- ways in which the findings of *Measuring Up – the State of Environment Report* be further explored.
- the Chairperson of the Landcare Committee attend the Climate Change and Governance Conference at Te Papa on 28 & 29 March 2006. The Chairman suggested that as Cr Laidlaw will attending in another capacity, he delegate another Councillor from the Landcare Committee. Councillors Baber and Evans were also given authority to attend.

E 136 **Toxic Algae in the Region’s Rivers – Summer 2005/06**

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Resolved

(Cr Baber/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

(1) Receives the report.

(2) Notes the contents.

E 137 **Update of Pro-active Odour Monitoring Activities**

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Resolved

(Cr Evans/Cr Laidlaw)

That the Committee:

(1) Receives the Report.

(2) Notes the contents.

E 138 **Decisions on Non-notified Resource Consent Applications**

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File: ENV/01/08/04

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

(1) Receives the Report.

(2) Notes the contents.

E 139 **Regional Council Input to Statutory Planning**

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Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

(1) Receives the Report.

(2) Notes the contents.

E 140 **Pollution Control Report for the period 4 November 2005 to 27 January 2006**

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Resolved

(Cr Baber/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

(1) Receives the Report.

(2) Notes the contents.

E 141 **Ara Tahi Report**

Jack Rikihana, Chairperson of Ara Tahi, gave a verbal report on the Ara Tahi meeting of 3 February 2006. Mr Rikihana also formally requested that the Chairman of Ara Tahi be a representative on the Environment Committee. This request is consistent with the resolution contained in the minutes of the Ara Tahi meeting of 3 February 2006. Officers will provide a report to the next committee meeting as to how to progress this request.

Other Matters

E 142 **Questions**

Councillor Evans asked when the policy on the management of Waiwhetu Stream will be published. Officers are to provide answers to Cr Evans directly.

E 143 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

12.12pm The meeting closed.

CR C TURVER

Chairperson

Date: