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Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 22 July 1999 at 9.35am

Present

Councillors Buchanan (Chairperson), Allen, Gibson, Macaskill, McDavitt and Turver and Messrs Earl and Morrison

Officers Present

Messrs Darroch, Forlong, Pryce, Skene, Sherriff, van Schalkwyk and Waddington and Drs Bradbury and Hastie

Public Business

Procedural Items

E 105 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Allen)

That the apology from Councillor Shields be confirmed.

E 106 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public that wished to participate in the meeting.

E 107 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Macaskill)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 1999 be confirmed.

Harbour Matters

There are no harbour matters for consideration by the Committee.

Civil Defence Matters

Matters for Decision

E 108 **Upper Hutt City Council Civil Defence Plan**

Report 99.400

File: C/3/1/3

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Macaskill)

That the Upper Hutt Civil Defence Plan be approved.

Matter for Information

E 109 **Six Monthly Activity Report**

Report 99.413

File: C/1/2/1

Year 2000 (Y2K)

Councillor Macaskill said he had recently attended the Government Communications Strategy launch for Year 2000 (Y2K) and noted it was a huge initiative. Mr Earl said as part of the Strategy the Regional Council would participate in the trial for the Emergency Communication System on 9 September 1999.

Resolved

(Cr Allen/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the information noted.

Environmental Matters

Matter for Decision

E 110 **Late Item – Conferences**

Councillor Buchanan said there was a late item for consideration about the Regional Council's representation at the Resource Management Law Association Conference from 30 September until 3 October 1999.

Councillor Buchanan said the programme had only just been received and registrations were required before the Environment Committee would next meet.

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That Report 99.420 about representation at the Resource Management Law Association Conference be considered at today's meeting of the Environment Committee and also representation to the "On the Road to Zero Waste" Seminar.

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Gibson)

That Councillor Buchanan, Chairperson Environment Committee and Councillor Allen attend the Resource Management Law Association Conference 1999.

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That Councillor Gibson attend the On the Road to Zero Waste Seminar on 30 July 1999.

Matters for Information

E 111 **Divisional Manager's Report**

Report 99.401

File: E/6/1 8/3

Councillor Macaskill left at 10.35am.

Resource Management Amendment Bill

Resolved (Cr Allen/Cr Macaskill)

That a draft submission be circulated to members for comment and then the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson Environment Committee sign off the final version and make an oral presentation to the Transport and Environment Select Committee.

Financial Report

Councillor Gibson requested that future financial reports include a breakdown of the revenue into internal and external sources of revenue.

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That the reports from the Divisional Manager, the Departmental Managers and the Divisional Accountant be received

Mr Earl left at 10.40am.

Morning tea: 10.40am

Resumption: 10.55am

E 112 **Audit of Resource Consent Conditions**

Report 99.391

File: CMM 6/1/7

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Gibson)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

E 113 **Peka Peka Groundwater Investigation**

Report 99.393

File: K/8/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

E 114 **Predicting Rainfall Droughts on the Kapiti Coast Using the Southern Oscillation Index**

Report 99.395

File: K/8/21/1

Communications

Members suggested that the key sector groups and schools could be sent copies of the findings and a copy could also be included on the Web site.

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

That this report be received and its contents noted.

E 115 **Dust Deposition in the Hutt Valley**

Report 99.394

File: Env/6/1/3

Resolved

(Cr Allen/Mr Morrison)

That the report be received and the contents noted

E 116 **Implementing the Regional Policy Statement: Integrated Urban Management**

Report 99.410

File: X/8/3/1

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Gibson)

That the report be received and the contents noted

E 117 **Regional Council Input to District Planning**

Report 99.408

File: X/26/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E 118 **Decisions on Non-Notified Resource Consent Applications**

Report 99.397

File: Various

Resolved

(Mr Morrison/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

E119 **Questions**

There were no questions.

E120 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 11.30am.

CR I BUCHANAN
Chairperson

Date:

