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Report of the Emergency Meeting of the Hospital Submission Subcommittee held in the Alpha Room, the Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Friday, 6 August 1999 at 9.30am

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 Long (Chairperson), Bonner, Gibson, Macaskill, McDavitt, McQueen, Shaw, Shields and Turver

Officers Present

Mr Green, Ms McLachlan, Mr van Dyk and Ms Wood

Public Business

Procedural Items

HS 1 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Gibson/Cr Shields)

That the apologies of Councillors Buchanan, Laidlaw, Thomas and Werry be confirmed.

HS 2 Standing Orders

Resolved

(Cr Gibson/Cr Shields)

That Standing Orders be suspended to allow free and frank discussion.

Standing Orders were suspended at 9.40am.

Matter for Decision

HS 3 Submission to Government on Wellington Regional Hospital

Michael Vincent, Booz Allen and Hamilton, presented a transport analysis for the Wellington regional hospital. Mr Vincent tabled a summary of his presentation for members.

The Chair advised that the Wellington Regional Council had received from the Ministry of Health an extension of a few days to make its submission.

Michael Green, Hazard Analyst, Resource Policy, presented an analysis of the potential earthquake risks to the Newtown and Kenepuru sites. Members would receive copies of Mr Green's report.

Members generally agreed that the Council's submission should speak with strength on issues within its relevant areas of expertise, that is, transport and hazard risk management. The meeting also agreed that the submission should, in terms of the Council's regional advocacy role, express a firm view that Porirua and Kapiti have the same access to secondary health services as other areas in the Region.

Cr Macaskill left the meeting at 10.55am.

Morning tea: 10.55am

Resumption: 11.15am

Members requested copies of the draft submissions of the Wellington City, Porirua City and Kapiti Coast District Councils, along with that of the Wellington Regional Council.

Resolved

(Cr Shaw/Cr McQueen)

That Standing Orders be resumed.

Standing Orders were resumed at 11.44am.

Resolved

(Cr McQueen/Cr Turver)

That a Wellington Regional Council submission to the Ministry of Health on hospital services for the Wellington region:

- (1) Request the Ministry of Health to note the Council's conclusions on issues of accessibility and hazard risk management, as they affect the decisions on the placement of health facilities in the Wellington Region.*
- (2) Request the Ministry of Health, in making its recommendations to Government, to pay particular attention to issues of demographics and equity as they apply to the future availability of secondary health services in the Region.*
- (3) Note the Wellington Regional Council's willingness to further assist the Ministry of Health in developing its recommendations to Government, by providing information and advice in the fields of Council expertise.*

HS 4 Next Meeting

Resolved

(Cr Long/Cr Shaw)

That the next meeting of the Subcommittee take place on 10 August at 9.30am.

The meeting closed at 11.46am.

Cr F R Long
Chairperson

Date

Wellington Regional Council – 21 September 1999

To be moved:

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