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**Report 01.424**

14 June 2001

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**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 Thursday,  
14 June 2001 at 1.55pm**

**Present**

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

**Officers Present**

Messrs Bezett, Darroch, Maguire, Schollum, Stone and Wright and Dr Bradbury

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

417 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Bonner)*

*That the apology from Councillor Shields, absent on other Council business, be confirmed.*

418 **Public Participation**

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

## Matters for Consideration

### 419 Policy and Finance Committee – 14 June 2001

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#### **Stadium Trust – Appointment of Trustees**

Mr Maguire said the Policy and Finance recommendation at today's meeting extending Councillor Buchanan's and Councillor Armstrong's term on the Stadium Trust until 20/12/01 given the Local Government elections in October, should be approved subject to favourable legal advice.

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Allen)*

*That the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting, including the public excluded part, held on 14 June 2001, as qualified above, be adopted.*

### 420 Bovine Tb Vector Control Rates – Revocation Special Order

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*Resolved*

*(Cr Long/CrAllen)*

*(1) The Wellington Regional Council hereby resolves, by way of Special Order, pursuant to Section 87 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, Section 716B of the Local Government Act 1974, and all other provisions enabling it in that behalf, as follows:*

- 1. That the system of differential rating set out below for Bovine Tb Vector Control shall be revoked from 1 July 2001.*
- 2. The differentiated works and services rate, known as the Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate, made and levied by the Wellington Regional Council pursuant to section 44 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 on the area of all rateable property in excess of 10 hectares in that part of the Wellington Region determined by the Council to be the area of benefit of the pest destruction work, such that the rate made and levied in respect of any specified category of property shall vary from the rate made and levied in respect of any other specified category of property.*

*Currently the properties in the area of benefit and the differentials have been divided into the following categories:*

### ***Category 1 - Operational Areas***

*Rateable land receiving a direct benefit from Council's Bovine Tb vector control works, being land situated in those areas designated on Classification Roll 1, contributing 90% of the total revenue required.*

### ***Category 2 - Non-Operational Areas***

*Rateable land receiving an indirect benefit from Council's Bovine Tb vector control works, being land situated in those areas designated on Classification Roll 2, contributing 10% of the total revenue required.*

### **3. *Statement made in accordance with section 87(3) of the Rating Powers Act 1988, on the proposed revocation of the differential system.***

*That the follow matters were taken into account by the Council in proposing the revocation of the differential rating system:*

- *The Animal Health Board has indicated that the Proposed National Pest Management Strategy for Bovine Tb, due to commence in 2001/02, will require a significantly reduced regional contribution compared to previous years. Increases in Crown and industry contributions will offset the reduction in regional inputs.*
- *The cost of collection from non-operational areas is high compared to the amount of revenue to be collected.*
- *The expansion of the Bovine Tb Vector Control Programme will mean that over the next five years the non-operational area will decrease more.*
- *The Council's intention to introduce a uniform rate made and levied on the basis of land areas on all rural properties over 10 hectares within defined operational areas, to be known as the Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate.*
- *The intention to utilise of the Bovine Tb Rate Reserve to reduce the new uniform Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate over the next 12 year period.*

### ***General effect on the incidence of rates***

*The revocation of the system of differential rating and the introduction of a uniform land area rate on all properties in defined operational areas will have approximately the following effect on the incidence of rates:*

- *Rates for rural properties of 10 hectares or greater in operational areas will be reduced from \$1.4982 per hectare to a uniform \$0.5096 per hectare (GST inclusive).*
  - *Rates for rural properties of 10 hectares or greater in non-operational areas will be reduced from \$0.30 per hectare (GST inclusive) to \$0.*
  - *Some properties which are currently in non-operational areas will be included in operational areas and rates in these properties will increase from \$0.30 per hectare to \$0.5096 per hectare.*
4. *That the Council publicly notify its intention to confirm the attached Special Order.*

The meeting closed at 1.56pm.

CR SA MACASKILL

Chairperson

Date: