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Report 01.588

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Record of the Meeting of the Special Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 15 August 2001 at 9.40am

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, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shaw, Shields and Turver

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cutler, Darroch, Maguire and Schollum

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 385 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Chairperson/Cr Allen)

That the apologies from Councillors Bonner, McQueen, Thomas and Werry be confirmed and the apologies for lateness from Councillors Laidlaw, Shaw and Turver be confirmed.

It was also noted that Mr Stone was unable to attend as he was involved in other Council business in the Wairarapa.

Mr Brett Ambler, WRC Councillor from 1989 to 1992

The Chairperson paid tribute to the late Brett Ambler, a former Regional Councillor and colleague who had recently died.

Members then stood in silence to remember Brett Ambler.

The Chairperson said he will be attending a service to celebrate Brett's life in the afternoon and members wishing to attend should contact Mr Maguire.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 386 **Submission on Capital and Coast Health Consultation Document**

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Councillor Turver and Councillor McDavitt arrived at 9.35am.

Councillor Laidlaw arrived at 10.10am.

Following discussion members agreed to the following changes in the submission:

- (1) In the second paragraph of page 2 of the document the following sentence be added:

“It is also clear that no amount of improvement in healthcare will eradicate completely the need for some overnight and longer stay beds for some patients”.

- (2) In page 2 of the third paragraph the first sentence be amended to read as follows.

“Our bottom line is there should be no consideration of closing Kenepuru for overnight stays” and the remaining words in the sentence be deleted.

- (3) The final sentence in the penultimate paragraph of page 2 be amended to read as follows:

“While we can offer reasonable expertise in transport planning we believe there

- (4) Reference be made to the importance of long term business planning and demographic trends.

Resolved to Recommend

(Chairperson/Cr Shaw)

That the submission to Capital and Coast Health set out in Attachment One, as amended, be approved.

P&F 387 **Energy Savings During Power Shortage****Report 01.579**

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Copies of updated graphics and information requested by Councillor Gibson were circulated.

Resolved to Recommend	(Chairperson/Cr Long)
That Council:	
(1)	initiate the Stage One operational changes in the bulk water area that will deliver energy consumption savings of 14%;
(2)	note that Trust Power will meet some of the increased costs to the Water Group;
(3)	make no change to the source of water to Petone at this stage;
(4)	thank Stagecoach for their co-operation, but not reduce utilisation of trolley buses at this stage;
(5)	note the action taken concerning the Regional Council Centre.

P&F 388 **Exclusion of the Public****Report 01.580***Resolved**(Chairperson/Cr Turver)*

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Tranz Metro Acquisition Process

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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<i>Tranz Metro Acquisition Process</i>	<i>To enable negotiations by the public authority without prejudice or disadvantage.</i>	<i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to</i>
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enable negotiations by the public authority without prejudice or disadvantage.)

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council

The open part of the meeting closed at 10.40am.

Cr S A MACASKILL
Chairperson

Date: