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9 June 2005

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Strategy
Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142
Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 9 June 2005 at 9.31am**

**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 Buchanan (Chairperson), Aitken, Baber, Evans, Glensor, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Wilde

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cutler, Forlong, Harris, Holmes, Jackson, Saywell, Turfrey, Waititi, and Wright, Rachael Tong and Annie Wright, and Drs Bradbury, Hastie and Watson

Also Present

Mr O'Brien, Consultant (for Agenda Item 12)

Public Business

Procedural Items

PF&S 53 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

Accept the apologies for absence from Councillors Greig, Laidlaw and Long.

PF&S 54 **Public Participation**

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

Report of Committee

PF&S 55 **Report of Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee – 17 May 2005**

Report 05.234

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Resolved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Glensor)

That the Committee

Adopt the report of the meeting of Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee held on 17 May 2005, Items PMS 07 to PMS 15.

Matters for Consideration

PF&S 56 **Provision of Standby Power to the Regional Council Centre**

Report 05.225

File: CFO/22/01/04

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Baber)

That the Committee recommends that Council

Ask the Council Secretary to negotiate a variation to the current lease for the Regional Council Centre so that provision of standby power is included.

9.38am Councillor Wilde entered the meeting.

PF&S 57 **Finalisation of the 2005/06 Annual Plan and Amendment to the 2003/13 LTCCP**

Report 05.263

File: CFO/07/06/13

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee recommends that Council

- (1) Receive the report.**
- (2) Note its contents.**
- (3) Approve the operating expenditure items listed within Attachment 2 of this report (as amended by the Committee) to be rebudgeted within the 2005/06 Annual Plan.**

- (4) **Approve the capital expenditure items listed within Attachment 3 of this report (as amended by the Committee) to be rebudgeted within the 2005/06 Annual Plan..**
- (5) **Approve the items of operating expenditure/(savings) and other adjustments within this report (as amended by the Committee) for inclusion within the 2005/06 Annual Plan.**
- (6) **Note that the impacts of the rebudgeting and other adjustments, as approved in recommendations 3-5 above, have been reflected within Table 2 and Attachment 1 of this report.**
- (7) **After having considered the other items contained within this report and other reports on this order paper which could impact on the finalisation of the 2005/06 Annual Plan, approve the level of regional rates and the bulk water levy for the 2005/06 year (and the following seven years) as contained in this report (as amended by the Committee).**
- (8) **Approve the proposed amendments to the amended LTCCP, in particular:**
 - **Council ownership of rolling stock and related rail infrastructure.**
 - **Amendments as detailed in the amended LTCCP in respect of the Council's Policies on Significance, the Revenue and Finance Policy and the Treasury Management Policy.**

PF&S 58 **Transport Reserves**

Report 05.250

File: CFO/11/04/01

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| Resolved | (Cr Aitken/Cr Wilde) |
| That the Committee recommends that Council | |
| (1) Receive the report. | |
| (2) Note the contents of the report. | |
| (3) Approve the policy and funding of the Transport Reserves as detailed in the report. | |

PF&S 59 **Targeted Scheme Rates and Balances**

Report 05.260

File: WS/04/09/01

Resolved

(Cr Kirton/Cr Turver)

- (1) Receive the report.*
- (2) Note the contents of the report.*

PF&S 60 **Financial Report for the Ten Months ended 30 April 2005**

Report 05.233

File: G/04/01/05 & CFO/13/02/01

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Shields)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receive the report.*
- (2) Note the contents.*

PF&S 61 **Energy Management Update**

Report 05.218

File: X/15/01/01

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee recommends that Council

- (1) Receive the report.**
- (2) Note the contents of the report.**
- (3) Resolve to monitor the Communities for Climate Protection Programme – NZ at this time.**

Noted

Officers will report back in 12 months after assessing whether membership by other participating councils has produced real and measurable reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

PF&S 62 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 05.261

File: E/06/03/02

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

Exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- (1) Appointment of External Directors – WRC Holdings Limited*
- (2) Waitangirua Farm - Update of Progress Made*
- (3) Trolley Bus Contract*

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 matter:</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution:</i>
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<i>(1) Appointment of External Directors – WRC Holdings Limited.</i>	<i>Because of the need to protect the privacy of natural persons who had applied to be appointed as Directors of WRC Holdings Limited.</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 protect the privacy of natural persons).</i>
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<i>(2) Waitangirua Farm - Update of Progress Made.</i>	<i>Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, 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 preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on negotiations), including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage.</i>
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(3) *Trolley Bus Contract.* *Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage.* *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 preserve commercial confidentiality).*

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

PF&S 63 **Waitangirua Farm – Update of Progress Made**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

Allow Peter O'Brien, O'Brien Property Consultants Ltd, to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, during consideration of the Waitangirua Farm - Update of Progress Made item because of his property expertise and knowledge, which will be of assistance and relevance to the issues.

10.23am The open part of the meeting closed.

Cr I M BUCHANAN
Chairperson

Date: