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Divisional Manager's report

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee about the activities and progress of the Environment Management Division and about any matters that have arisen since the Committee's last meeting.

2. Managers' reports

The Department Managers' reports, along with the Divisional Accountant's report follow as **Attachment 1**.

3. Divisional reporting

Councillors will note when reading through the Manager's reports that we are now reporting in accordance with the new Divisional Structure that became effective on 1 July 2006. Reporting by Departments in this way will bring into focus the many Wairarapa issues that now form part of this Division's functions in relation to our policy, regulation and monitoring roles. We will of course continue to report on those issues in the western side of the region that have traditionally been reported through to the Environment Committee.

4. Navigation and Safety Bylaw Review

At the Council meeting of 20 July 2006 the Environment Committee was given delegated authority to hear and consider submissions on the review of the Wellington Regional Navigational and Safety Bylaws, specifically, in relation to the proposal to remove the Lyall Bay Reserved Area as provided for in the Bylaws. Submissions on the review close on 25 August 2006.

At the time of preparing this report, 40 submissions have been received, with two of these submitters indicating that they wished to speak to their submission.

Currently, Thursday and Friday 7th and 8th September have been set aside for the Environment Committee to hear and consider these submissions. While the responsibility to hear and consider submissions on this review has been given to the Environment Committee as a whole, Councillors may wish to consider their availability on these dates and confirm who will be able to participate in deliberating on the bylaw review.

5. Environmental Policy – Acting Manager

Councillors are aware that Nicola Shorten has gone on a period of parental leave. In the interim, I am pleased that Murray McLea has agreed to assume the role of Acting Manager, Environmental Policy, and welcome him to his first meeting in this capacity.

6. Environment Division Quarterly Review to 30 June 2006

The latest quarterly review is provided for your information as **Attachment 2**.

7. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 1. receive the report; and*
- 2. note the contents.*

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Attachment 1: Department Managers' Reports

Attachment 2: Environment Division Quarterly Review to 30 June 2006