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**Confirmed Minutes of the meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Monday, 9 March 2009 at 9.31 am**

**Present**

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Bruce, Buchanan, Burke, Donaldson, Glensor, Greig, Kirton, Laidlaw, Lamason, and Wilson.

310 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Wilde/Cr Glensor)*

*That Council:*

*Accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Baber due to other Council business.*

311 **Declarations of conflict of interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

312 **Public participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

313 **Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken/Cr Greig)*

*That the Council confirms minutes of the meeting of 10 February 2009, Report 09.54 and Report PE 09.56.*

314 **Confirmation of minutes of the Parks, Forests and Utilities Committee meeting of 12 February 2009**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Greig/Cr Burke)*

*That the Council confirms minutes of the Parks, Forests and Utilities Committee meeting of 12 February 2009, Report 09.62.*

**Noted**

These minutes were confirmed by the Council as the Parks, Forests and Utilities Committee was disestablished on 1 March 2009.

Councillor Laidlaw joined the meeting at 9.48 am.

315 **Proposed 10-Year Plan 2009-19 and Proposed 2009/10 Annual Plan**

The report was introduced by David Benham, Chief Executive. Andy Burns of Audit New Zealand indicated that Audit New Zealand would be giving the proposed 10-Year Plan 2009-19 and 2009/10 Annual Plan its unqualified opinion.

**Report 09.111**

File: WRS/09/01/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Glensor/Cr Aitken)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the proposed Long-term Council Community Plan 2009-19, incorporating the 2009/10 Annual Plan.*
4. *Upon receipt of the Audit opinion, adopts the Council's proposed Long-term Council Community Plan 2009-19, incorporating the 2009/10 Annual Plan.*

5. *Asks the Chair to formally approach central government, to express the Council's concern at the requirements for the LTCCP process.*
6. *Thanks officers who prepared the LTCCP documents for their hard work and dedication.*

The meeting was adjourned between 11.05 am and 11.19 am for morning tea.

### 316 **Proposed Regional Policy Statement**

#### **Report 09.18**

File: X/08/07/04

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Aitken)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the release of the proposed Regional Policy Statement and the Section 32 reports.*
4. *Notes that submissions will be sought between 21 March and 25 May 2009.*
5. *Thanks officers who prepared documents for the Proposed Regional Policy Statement for their hard work and dedication over a long period.*

### 317 **Proposed amendments to the Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws 2003**

#### **Report 09.74**

File: J/01/03/05

*Resolved*

*(Cr Lamason/Cr Greig)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes that submitters will be advised of the Council's decision, and the reasons for that decision.*
3. *Amends the Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws 2003 by making the changes set out in attachments 3 and 4.*
4. *Resolves that the amendments shall come into operation on 1 July 2009.*

318 **Approval of the Greater Wellington Regional Pest Management Strategy 2002-2022 (five year review)**

**Report 09.108**

File: WB/01/11/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Wilson)*

*That Council:*

1. *Adopts the recommended amendments to the Proposed Regional Pest Management Strategy.*
2. *Confirms that it is satisfied that the benefits for the region of implementing the strategy outweigh the costs to the region.*
3. *Adopts the Regional Pest Management Strategy for the Wellington Region, and affixes the seal of the Council to that strategy.*
4. *Affirms the Council's functions, powers and duties as the Management Agency for the Regional Pest Management Strategy 2002-2022.*
5. *Notes that the Regional Pest Management Strategy 2002-2022 approved by Council on 17 September 2002 will be revoked.*
6. *Thanks officers who prepared documents for the Proposed Regional Pest Management Strategy for their hard work and dedication over a long period.*

319 **Review of the Charter of Understanding with the iwi of the Wellington region**

**Report 09.97**

File: X/16/07/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Lamason/Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Notes that the approach to the review of the charter, as outlined in section 3 of the report, has been endorsed by Ara Tahi.*
4. *Endorses the process for the review of the charter.*

320 **Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme – revised development works programme**

**Report 09.122**

File: WO/02/01/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*
3. *Approves the changes made to the existing development works programme, amounting to a reduction of \$731,975, as set out in section 5.3 of the report.*
4. *Approves the addition of the two new items totalling \$675,000, as set out in section 5.4 of the report*
5. *Approves the retention of the balance forecast in the development works programme as a contingency*

321 **Proposal to revoke an appointment of Council to control and manage a soil conservation and river control reserve at Upper Hutt**

**Report 09.123**

File: N/03/09/17

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*
3. *Endorses the revocation of the appointment to control and manage the Crown soil conservation and river control reserves, being sections 745 and 746 Hutt District.*

322 **Approval of expenditure for Wairarapa flood damage repairs**

**Report 09.124**

File: WO/02/50/04

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*
3. *Notes that in accordance with his delegated authority, the Divisional Manager, Catchment Management has authorised expenditure of up to \$150,000 from the Council's flood contingency fund for urgent flood damage repairs in the upper Ruamahanga-Gladstone Section, Waipoua, Waingawa, and Waiohine River schemes.*
4. *Approves the expenditure of up to a further \$150,000 from the upper Ruamahanga-Gladstone section, Waipoua, Waingawa, and Waiohine River schemes reserves for the flood damage repairs.*

323 **Treasury policy – increase in the limits of interest rate swaps**

**Report 09.125**

File: G/16/06/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken /Cr Buchanan)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Notes that the recommended increase is inconsistent with the existing TMP, and agrees with the reasons outlined in this report for the proposed increase.*
4. *Notes that Greater Wellington is proposing to amend its TMP as part of the 2009-19 LTCCP.*
5. *Approves an increase from \$50 million to \$100 million of notional principal on interest rate swaps per registered bank, with the aggregate notional principal for all banks not to exceed \$250 million.*

324 **Audit management letter for the year ending 30 June 2008**

**Report 09.87**

File: CFO/13/02/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken/Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*

325 **Financial report for the six months ended 31 December 2008**

**Report 09.89**

File: CFO/13/02/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken/Cr Burke)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*

326 **Financial report for the seven months ending 31 January 2009**

**Report 09.110**

File: CFO/13/02/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken/Cr Burke)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*

327 **Wholesale water capital works programme 2008/9 half year review**

**Report 09.126**

File: B/25/01/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Kirton)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the forecast cost reduction of \$941,000 and total net underspend of \$148,964 in the capital works programme, as detailed in attachment 1.*

3. *Approves the increased expenditure on capital works programme projects of \$792,036, as detailed in attachment 1.*
4. *Approves the expenditure on the unplanned project, Stuart Macaskill Lake 1 apron repair, of \$279,000.*

328 **Representation review in 2009 or 2012**

**Report 09.114**

File: E/01/04/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Kirton/Cr Burke)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents.*
3. *Notes that the Council's next representation review will be undertaken in 2012, for the 2013 elections.*

329 **Report on the Catchment Management Committee meeting held on 3 February 2009**

**Report 09.48**

File: WS/08/16/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

330 **Report on the Transport and Access Committee meeting held on 11 February 2009**

**Report 09.67**

File: E/06/29/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Glensor/Cr Greig)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*



331 **Report on the Parks, Forests and Utilities Committee meeting held on 12 February 2009**

**Report 09.66**

File: O/02/01/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Kirton/Cr Wilson)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

332 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 19 February 2009**

**Report 09.109**

File: TP/01/02/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Wilde/Cr Glensor)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

333 **Report on the Finance, Evaluation and Risk Committee meeting held on 24 February 2009**

**Report 09.86**

File: CFO/13/02/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Aitken /Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

334 **Report on the Regional Sustainability Committee meeting held on 25 February 2009**

**Report 09.116**

File: E/06/32/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

335 **Ara Tahi Meeting on 11 February 2009**

**Report 09.115**

File: E/06/21/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Wilde/Cr Glensor)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The meeting closed at 12.16 pm.

Cr FH WILDE  
Chair

Date