



Report 17.223

21/06/2017

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Confirmed public minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 21 June 2017 in the Level 2 East meeting room, Westpac Stadium, Waterloo Quay, Wellington at 10.00am

Present

Councillors Kedgley (Chair), Brash (Deputy), Blakeley (until 1.02pm), Donaldson, Gaylor, Laban, Laidlaw, Lamason, McKinnon (until 11.42am), Ogden, Ponter, Staples and Swain.

Ihaia Puketapu.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Kedgley/ Cr Brash)

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Peter Gawith.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Declarations of conflict of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public Participation

Professor Jonathan Gardner, Victoria University Marine Biology, and Dr Geoffroy Larmarache, NIWA Principal Scientist, spoke about the findings of their recently completed high resolution, multi beam sonar mapping project of the Kapiti marine environment that was conducted by a team from NIWA, Victoria University, Land information NZ and DoC.

Grant Baker, Chairperson, Te Awarua o Porirua Harbour Trust, spoke about a scorecard on progressing the Porirua Harbour Strategy.

Dana Carter, Enviroschools Regional Coordinator, spoke about the Enviroschools programme.

4 **Confirmation of the public minutes of 10 May 2017**

Moved

(Cr Blakeley/ Cr Lamason)

That the Committee confirms the public minutes of the meeting of 10 May 2017, Report 17.145, as amended.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

5 **Western river management resource consents update**

Tracy Berghan, Principal Planning Advisor, spoke to the report.

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Moved

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Gaylor)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: Officers to bring an item to a Council workshop on iwi concerns regarding rivers management.

The meeting adjourned at 11.42am and reconvened at 11.50am.

Cr McKinnon left the meeting during the adjournment.

6 **Are we meeting our environmental outcomes in the Ruamāhanga catchment?**

Penny Fairbrother, Senior Science Coordinator, spoke to the report.

Report 17.216

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Moved

(Cr Staples/ Cr Brash)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report*
- 2. Notes the content of the report*
- 3. Recommends that this report is considered by the Wairarapa Committee and the Ruamāhanga Whaitua Committee, and circulated to the Wairarapa territorial authorities for their information.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: Officers to prepare a media release regarding water quality in Wairarapa rivers.

Noted: A similar report to be prepared by officers for the Hutt Valley catchment.

The meeting agreed to consider item 8 on the agenda General Managers' report to the Environment Committee meeting, 21 June 2017 ahead of item 7, Predator-free initiatives.

8 General Managers' report to the Environment Committee meeting, 21 June 2017

Sharyn Westlake, Senior Engineer, Strategy and Advisory, gave a presentation on making flood hazard information available on the internet.

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Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Lamason)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 Predator-free initiatives

Oral report

Wayne O'Donnell gave an oral update to the Committee on predator-free initiatives.

Noted: Officers to bring an item to a Council workshop on regional predator-free initiatives and the potential future role of GWRC.

Cr Blakeley left the meeting during consideration of this item.

The meeting closed at 1.08pm.

Cr S Kedgley
(Chair)

Date: