

Utility Services Committee Meeting : 7 May 1999

Decisions from Report 99.182 (File: B/4/6/1)

Hutt City Fluoridation

Resolved

Cr McQueen/Cr Laidlaw

That the Committee:

- (i) Notes that the 1993 fluoride consultation process was independent, comprehensive and had full community representation.*
- (ii) Notes that the Public Health Service, as our health advisor, fully supports the addition of fluoride to water supplies noting that the additional information about the safety and effectiveness of fluoridation since 1993 and strongly reinforces and endorses the general conclusions of the 1993 report.*
- (iii) Notes the significance of the public health benefits of fluoridation and strongly reaffirms the WRC's general policy of fluoridating the bulk water supply.*
- (iv) Notes that preparations are well advanced to supply the Rahui reservoir with fluoridated water from the Waterloo Treatment Plant when the reservoir is completed in about two months.*
- (v) Indicates to Hutt City Council that it is technically feasible to supply the City, except for the suburb of Manor Park, with non-fluoridated water should that be its requirement, and notes that if this path is followed the cost will lie with Hutt City Council.*
- (vi) Notes that if any change to the WRC fluoridation policy, or its implementation, is to be considered by the WRC, the change would need to be at the initiative of, and as a result of, a formal proposal from any one or more of the bulk water supply customers.*

Note: The above recommendations were prepared by Des Darroch, Senior Committee Secretary on 7 May 1999 on conclusion of the Utility Services Committee Meeting of 7 May 1999. These recommendations will be included in the report of the 7 May 1999 meeting which is to be reported to the Wellington Regional Council on Thursday 13 May 1999.