10 May 2000 File: E/6/12/1

Report of the Meeting of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee held in the Otaki Service Centre, Kapiti District Council, Main Street, Otaki, on Tuesday, 9 May 2000, at 9.30a.m.

Matters for Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Other matters for information of Council only are in italic type.

Present:

Councillors Long (Chairperson), Buchanan, Macaskill, McQueen, Shields and Turver. Messrs Berkett, Beetham, Dalziell and Southey.

Also Present:

Councillor Laidlaw

Officers Present:

S Blakemore, I Gunn, W O'Donnell, L Race, C Wright.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Chairperson advised that representatives of the Otaki Branch of Federated Farmers and members of the public had been invited to attend the meeting at 11.30 a.m. for an informal discussion with Committee members.

Procedural Items

RSW 183 Apology

Resolved

(Cr McQueen/Cr Buchanan)

That the apology for lateness from Mr Berkett be sustained.

RSW 184 Public Participation

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

RSW 185 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr McQueen/Cr Turver)

That the minutes of the meeting of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee held on 28 March 2000; the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, be confirmed.

Matters for Recommendation to Policy & Finance Committee

RSW 186 Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee Terms of Reference

Report 00.287

File: E/6/2/2

This matter has been reported separately to the Policy & Finance Committee.

RSW 187 Long Term Financial Strategy – Ara Tahi Submissions

Report 00.313

File: Y/21/7

File: Y/4/1/1

This matter has been reported separately to the Policy & Finance Committee.

Mr Berkett arrived at 10.16 a.m.

Matters for Committee Decision

RSW 188 Bovine Tb Vector Control Programme for 2000/01

Report 00.311

The Committee expressed their concerns at the current situation with the Animal Health Board's stance relating to funding support in terms of the Council's proposed Bovine Tb vector control programme for 2000/01.

Mr Dalziell indicated that 15 regions were lobbying the Animal Health Board for funding allocations in excess of what was available. The Board was, however, fully sympathetic with the Council's position and he suggested that it was appropriate for the matter to be strongly aired at the forthcoming meeting with the Committee and Animal Health Board representatives on 29 May.

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Macaskill)

That the current unsatisfactory situation with the future Bovine Tb budget be noted, and that every opportunity be pursued to achieve funding support from the Animal Health Board for the proposed Long Term Financial Strategy Vector Control Programme.

RSW 189 Appeal of Resource Consent Application WAR 990026 – Gravel Extraction from the Ruamahanga River System

Report 00.312

Members were advised that the mediator had now indicated her willingness to return for further mediation meetings. Following the withdrawal of the representative of Ngati Kahungunu from the April meeting, there was clearly some urgency for discussions to occur to clarify each party's stance on the appeal.

Resolved

(Cr McQueen/Cr Turver)

File: Y/1/8/10

That the Council Chairman and Councillors Long and Buchanan meet with appropriate representatives in relation to the appeals of Resource Consent Application WAR 990026.

Morning tea: 10.40 a.m.

Resumed at: 11.00 a.m.

Matters Reported for Information

RSW 190 Divisional Manager's Report

Report 00.293 File: Y/21/1

Concerning 4.6 – Regional Pest Management Strategy Review Update

Copies of the summary pamphlet "Help Us to Make the Right Decisions by Having Your Say" associated with the Regional Pest Management Strategy Review Document were circulated to members.

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McQueen)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

The meeting adjourned at 11.30 a.m. for an informal discussion with twelve members of the public and representatives of the Otaki Branch of Federated Farmers.

The meeting reconvened at 12.25 p.m.

RSW 191 Financial Report for the Nine Months to 31 March 2000

Report 00.314 File: Y/2/1/1

Resolved (C

(Cr Buchanan/Mr Dalziell)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

RSW 192 Key Native Ecosystem Management: Update Report

Report 00.298 File: Y/4/0/3

Members were advised that Council certificates were to be presented by the Council Chairman at the forthcoming Forest & Bird Society meeting to a number of volunteers involved with the KNE operations in the Upper Hutt area in recognition of their enthusiasm and considerable efforts towards the KNE work.

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Mr Berkett)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

RSW 193 Catchment Works

Report 00.294 File: Y/0/4

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Mr Dalziell)

That the schedule be received.

RSW 194 Resource Consents (Non-Notified)

Report 00.296 File: Y/12/2/0

Resolved (Cr McQueen/Cr Buchanan)

That the report be received and its contents noted.

RSW 195 Statutory Planning

Report 00.292 File: Y/11/2

Resolved (Cr Buchanan/Cr McQueen)

That the information be received.

RSW 196 Questions

Mr Dalziell enquired as to whether the Council's recent open day held at the Pirinoa Hall had been well received by those attending.

It was noted that approximately 20 people had attended despite the day being scheduled during school holiday time and that no specific issues were happening. Further discussions would be held prior to any future open day being programmed.

RSW 197 General Business

Mr O'Donnell advised that the Bovine Tb Strategy Review Discussion and Summary Documents were to be circulated to all Committee members shortly which would form part of the discussion meeting with the Animal Health Board representatives on 29 May.

Cr Turver thanked everyone for attending the changed Committee venue meeting in Otaki. He believed that the meeting had been a good exercise and had promoted the Council's profile in the area.

The meeting closed at 12.40 p.m.

Cr F R Long Chairman

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 30 May 2000

To be moved:

That the Report of the Meeting of the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee held on 9 May 2000, Items RSW 183 to RSW 197 inclusive, be adopted.