



## **Public Excluded**

**Report PE 03.589**

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**Minutes of the Public Excluded Part of the Meeting of the Whaka Drain Sub-Committee held in the Greater Wellington Regional Council office, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton, on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, at 1.04 p.m.**

<p><b>Matters for Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.</b> <i>Other matters for information of Council only are in italic type.</i></p>
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### **Present:**

Councillors Buchanan (Chairperson), Long, Draper (SWDC) and Mr Wright.

## **Procedural Item**

### **PE WDSC 18 Apologies**

There were no apologies.

## **Sub-Committee Decision**

### **PE WDSC 19 John Barton – Outstanding Rates**

The Committee discussed the various issues and also the events since the last committee meeting including:

- the approach received from Mr Barton's solicitor in late April,
- the Council's letter of 15 May 2003,
- the letter from Mr Barton's solicitor of 26 May 2003,
- the letter from Oakley Moran of 25 August 2003 on behalf of the Council,
- the subsequent oral request from Mr Barton to consider mediation.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Draper)*

- (1) That mediation with Mr Barton be declined.*
- (2) That the Council offer to forgo all outstanding rates penalties in exchange for agreement to leave all other matters in the past.*
- (3) That legal action to recover outstanding rate penalties be commenced if there is no agreement within one month of making this offer available to Mr Barton.*

**PE WDSC 20 John Barton – Appeals against Consent Charges**

The Committee noted that evidence for Mr Barton's two appeals against resource consent charges is required to be with the Environment Court by 15 October.

The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 1.57 p.m.

CR I M BUCHANAN  
Chairperson

Date: