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**Report 98.618**

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**Report of the Meeting of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Monday, 21 December 1998 at 2.30pm**

**Present**

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Thomas and Werry (Wellington Regional Council)

Mayor Terris and Councillors Baird and Cousins (Hutt City Council)

Mayor Kirton and Councillor Harris (Upper Hutt City Council)

**Also Present**

Councillor Brosnan, (Hutt City Council)

**Officers Present**

Messrs Abernethy, Annakin, Atapattu, Darroch, Dick, Paul and Wilshere (Wellington Regional Council)

Mr Garlick (Hutt City Council), Mr Wallach (Upper Hutt City Council) and MS Bergham, Opus International Consultants

## **Public Business**

### **Procedural Items**

#### **HRF 10 Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Macaskill/Cr Werry)*

*That the apology from Councillor Guppy, Upper Hutt City Council, be confirmed.*

#### **HRF 11 Public Participation**

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

### **Matter for Information**

#### **HRF12 Minutes - 21 September 1998**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Macaskill/Mayor Terris)*

*That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 September 1998 be received*

### **Matters for Consideration**

#### **HRF 13 Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee Independent Chairperson**

**Report PE98.612**

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Councillor Macaskill said that with leave of the meeting he would like to consider the question of the Independent Chairperson for the Committee as the first item of business.

Councillor Macaskill said he wished to discuss with the Committee whether the nomination for the Chairperson should come from Regional Council members or whether an Independent Chairperson should be recommended to the Landcare Committee. As it was not the intention at this time to discuss independent nominations the item could be considered in the open part of the meeting.

**Moved**

*(Mayor Kirton/Cr Werry)*

*That the Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee resolve to recommend that the Advisory Committee Chairperson be nominated from the Regional Council members.*

**Carried**

The above recommendation was carried on a vote on the casting vote of the Chairperson following a show of hands four votes in favour and four votes opposed.

**Resolved**

*(Mayor Terris/Cr Harris)*

*That the position of Chairperson of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee be reviewed in 12 months time.*

Members agreed to thank those who had allowed their names to be forwarded for nomination.

#### **HRF 14 Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee Terms of Reference**

**Report 98.614**

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**Resolved**

*(Cr Macaskill/Cr Werry)*

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.*
- (2) That the Terms of Reference for the Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee be recommended to the Landcare Committee for approval.*

Under the draft Terms of Reference members noted under paragraph 4 Objectives one of the points “recognises that methods chosen to mitigate the effects of flooding must be affordable”. Members further noted that the question of affordability and funding will require clarification at a later date.

Members also noted that under paragraph 7 of the Terms of Reference note (4) the words about the Chairmanship of the Committee, Chairmanship review and Iwi needed to be redrafted.

**HRF 15 Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee Iwi Involvement****Report 98.611**

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*Resolved**(Cr Macaskill/Mayor Terris)**That the report be received and the contents noted.**Resolved**(Mayor Terris/Cr Macaskill)**That the Wellington Tenth's Trust and Te Runanganui ki Taranaki o Te Upoko o te Ika a Maui each be invited to nominate a representative to the Committee.***HRF16 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Project Manager's Report****Report 98.603**

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Mayor Kirton left at 3.40pm.

Members noted that a consultation will be carried out during the period of January/February 1999 about the options that had been developed thus far for reducing flood risks and enhancing the natural and cultural values of the floodplain. Following discussions with various groups in the community any suggested additions for the list will be reported to the Advisory Committee during March 1999 for further consideration.

*Resolved**(Cr Macaskill/Cr Baird)**(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.**(2) That the list of options for public consultation be endorsed.*

Members noted that the above options are generic and that they may or may not have application in the final floodplain management plan and the full planning process will resolve these issues.

**HRF17 Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee Public Consultation****Report 98.613**

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Members noted that a copy of the press releases and the information kit would be circulated to members before finalisation.

Members also noted that networks and contacts for community and representative groups are being developed with the assistance of staff from the Hutt City and the Upper Hutt City Councils and members should communicate any groups which should be added to the list to Regional Council officers.

Members were also requested to contact Mr Derek Wilshere, Wellington Regional Council, for any suggestions about the public consultation programme

*Resolved* (Cr Macaskill/Cr Thomas)

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

**HRF18 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Drafting of Objectives**

**Report 98.609**

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Members had a wide ranging discussion about the draft objectives. It was agreed there would be no medium priority objectives but these be integrated into the high or low priority objectives.

Officers agreed to revise the list of objectives and report a new list to the next meeting of the Advisory Committee taking into account the comments of members.

Councillor Brosnan left at 4.15pm.

*Resolved* (Cr Macaskill/Cr Werry)

(1) *That the report be received and the contents noted, and in particular the Report (Attachment 2) from Opus International Consultants, summarising the process undertaken and the draft objectives for the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan, be also noted..*

(2) *That the draft objectives for public consultation as amended be endorsed.*

**HRF19 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Phases 2/3 and 4 - Draft Scope and Programme**

**Report 98.593**

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Members congratulated staff for the acceleration of the programmes for the project completion by the year June 2001, the advancement of the ability to commence structural works by three years, to July 2000 and beyond, and the advancement of completion of inclusion in district plans by two years to June 2002.

Councillor Cousins left at 4.30pm.

Mr Annakin said that consideration would be given to whether the programme could be further accelerated but this would depend on a number of factors including district plan approvals and increased workloads for the territorial authorities.

*Resolved* (Cr Macaskill/Cr Baird)

- (1) *That the scope and programme for Phases 2/3 and 4 of the accelerated Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan, be endorsed.*
- (2) *That the revised budget and timetable for the accelerated Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan be recommended to the Landcare Committee for approval.*

*Resolved* (Mayor Terris/Cr Thomas)

*That a report on the progress of the plan for the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan phases 2/3 and 4 scope and programme be reported to the Advisory Committee in six months time in order to determine whether the programme can be further accelerated.*

## **HRF20 Flood Events of 20/21 and 28 October 1998**

**Report 98.607**

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*Resolved* (Cr Macaskill/Cr Thomas)

- (1) *That the report be received and the contents noted.*
- (2) *Agree that the Hutt River flood damage repairs and capital improvements recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee of the Wellington Regional Council effectively fill the so called "window of opportunity" in the 1999/00 financial year.*

## **HRF2 1 Questions**

There were no questions.

## **HRF22 General**

### **Dates for Future Meetings**

Members agreed to the following meeting dates for 1999:

24 March  
12 May  
30 June  
22 September  
8 December

Members also agreed that the meetings should commence at 4.30pm on the above days.

The meeting closed at 5.1 Opm

Chairperson

Date