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Report to the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee from Paula Pickford, Section Leader, Consents & Compliance

Jointly Notified Resource Consent Applications by Castlepoint East Coast Recreational Jetty Trust

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee of a recent Hearings Committee decision on resource consents for a jetty at Castlepoint.

2. Background

A Joint Hearings Committee comprising Cr E McQueen (Chairperson) and Commissioner I Stewart was appointed by the Wellington Regional Council and the Masterton District Council to consider various resource consent applications relating to a jetty at Castlepoint. The Castlepoint East Coast Recreational Jetty Trust applied for coastal permits to erect and maintain a jetty and walkway with associated disturbance of the seabed through rock removal and pile driving, and a coastal permit to occupy and use the coastal marine area. A land use consent to construct a pedestrian pathway on land adjacent to mean high water springs was also required.

3. Application Process

The coastal consent applications were lodged with the Wellington Regional Council at the same time as a land use consent was lodged with Masterton District Council. Both Councils decided to jointly notify and hear the applications. Applications were notified on the 12th December 1998 and submissions closed on the 5th February 1999. A total of 80 submissions were received within the timeframe. A joint hearing took place on Wednesday 21st April 1999.

4. Decision

The Hearing Committee declined all the applications.

A full copy of the Decision is available from the Planning and Resources Department on request.

5. Recommendation

That the report be received.

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