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Record of the Meeting of the Special Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 18 December 2001 at 9.55am

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

Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

Councillors Shields (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Thomas, Turver, Werry and Yardley

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cutler, Darroch, Forlong, Maguire, Stone, Schollum, Wright and Drs Bradbury and Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 01 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 02 **Ratifying the Kyoto Protocol, and Climate Change Policy Options**

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Mr Holmes, Section Leader, Policy Analyst was present for this item.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Barr/Cr Thomas)

That the following words be added to the second bullet point in paragraph 3.6 of the submission as follows:

including particular economic impacts for the Wellington region..

Councillor Yardley dissented.

Members agreed to a further bullet point, as proposed by Councillor Evans, be added to paragraph 3.7 of the submission: " Recommends responsibility be given to the Ministry for the Environment to urgently coordinate and look to the implementation of the recommendations of the Select Committee in close liaison with Local Government New Zealand and its constituent local authorities to prepare for the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol prior to the ratification. At this time the Wellington Regional Council is not ready to ratify the protocol."

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Kirton)

That Council assesses the economic and social impacts of the Kyoto Protocol and Climate Change Policy Options through a workshop on sustainability.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Turver/Cr Yardley)

- (1) That the draft submission, as amended above, be adopted.**
- (2) That officers forward copies of the submission to the Government's Climate Change Programme team and to *Local Government New Zealand*.**

P&F 03 **Changes to Regional Plans**

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Yardley)

That Council:

Approve public notification of the following proposed plan changes according to the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991:

- **Proposed Plan Change 2 to the Transitional Regional Plan;**
- **Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Freshwater Plan;**
- **Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Plan for Discharges to Land;**
- **Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Air Quality Management Plan;**
- and**
- **Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Soil Plan.**

P&F 04

Financial Report for the Quarter Ended 30 September 2001

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Barr/Cr Laidlaw)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 05

Financial Report for the Four Months ended 31 October 2001

Report 01.860

File: G/4/1/5 & CFO/13/2/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Barr/Cr Evans)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 06

Tranz Metro – Officers’ Update

1. The following documents were circulated-
 - Letter dated 27 July 2001 to the Minister of Transport, the Minister of Finance, the Wellington Regional Council, the Wellington, Porirua, Hutt, Upper Hutt and Kapiti City Councils enclosing a press release from the 3 Wairarapa Mayors representing Carterton, Masterton and South Wairarapa District Councils about Tranz Metro and Masterton to Wellington Rail Service.
 - Minute extracts from recent meetings about the Tranz Metro Purchase Process from the Kapiti Coast District Council, Porirua City Council, Upper Hutt City Council, Hutt City Council and the Wellington City Council.
 - Regional Council Survey information

Resolved to Recommend**(Cr Yardley/Cr Aitken)**

- 1. That the oral reports be noted and**
- 2. That survey information additional to the papers circulated during the meeting will be made available to Councillors.**

The meeting closed at 12.20pm.

Cr M K SHIELDS
Chairperson

Date: