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## Regional Council input to statutory planning

### 1. Purpose

To inform the Committee of Greater Wellington Regional Council's input to the statutory resource management processes of territorial authorities in the western part of the Region.

### 2. Overview

#### 2.1 Resource consents

Six notified resource consent applications were received since the last Committee report and a submission was made on the proposed surf reef at Lyall Bay. An update of progress with submissions made on earlier consent applications is also reported below.

##### 2.1.1 Lyall Bay Charitable Trust, Greater Wellington Regional Council

A submission was made on behalf of the Greater Wellington Regional Council Harbours Department (GWRC Harbours) on the proposed surf reef at Lyall Bay. GWRC Harbours has concerns about the location of the proposed surf reef, enforcement issues, and the potential impacts it may have on the safety of recreational users.

##### 2.1.2 Ngarara Partnerships, Kapiti Coast District Council

GWRC has appealed the decision made by the Kapiti Coast District Council which granted resource consent for this nine lot rural-residential subdivision. GWRC made a submission on the application identifying concerns about the on-site disposal of wastewater and the impacts on wetland habitat.

#### 2.2 District plans

##### 2.2.1 Consultation on draft plan change, Fault Rupture Hazard, Wellington City Council

Feedback was given on a draft plan change proposed by Wellington City Council. The change will re-align the fault rupture hazard area on the district plan maps and alter the rules that apply in that area. We supported the re-

alignment of the fault rupture hazard zone in the hazard maps as this recognises the most up-to-date information available about the faultline. Some concerns were noted about the clarity of the wording in the draft rules and the changes in development standards.

#### 2.2.2 Consultation on draft plan change, Evans Bay Slip, Wellington City Council

Feedback was given on a draft plan change proposed by Wellington City Council. The plan change provides for better identification of the Evans Bay Slip as a heritage area and a zoning adjustment to better provide for a suburban shopping area, a road realignment and open space areas.

#### 2.2.3 Proposed plan change 16, Wellington City Council

Proposed Plan Change 16 was notified on 7 May 2003. The Proposed Plan Change introduces a new rule to apply to the Central Area requiring new buildings, and conversions to existing buildings for noise sensitive activities (such as residential use), to be protected against external noise. The Change also proposes to amend the existing acoustic insulation requirements for the Te Ara Haukawakawa Precinct (the rail-yards site) within the Central Area to be consistent with the proposed new rule. No submission is considered necessary.

#### 2.2.4 Consultation on Porirua City Council plan changes regarding Aotea Block

Carrus Ltd have prepared a discussion document regarding future plan changes to the Porirua District Plan. The plan changes will enable Carrus Ltd to develop the Aotea Block as per the Comprehensive Development Proposal that was approved by Porirua City Council in February 2003.

The Aotea Block is currently zoned suburban which provides primarily for residential development. A plan change will be required to provide for the business park, medium density residential areas, commercial recreation areas and suburban shopping centres that are detailed in the Comprehensive Development Proposal for the Aotea Block. Carrus Ltd are seeking feedback on the discussion document and GWRC will provide comments.

### **3. Communication**

The matters referred to in this report are part of an on-going statutory process, and these processes are the appropriate way of communicating the relevant information.

#### **4. Recommendations**

*It is recommended that the Committee*

1. *receive the report; and*
2. *note the contents.*

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