



**Report 04.163**

23 March 2004

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**Report of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 23 March 2004 at 9.30am**

**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 Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Evans, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields and Thomas and Mr Gilbert

**Officers Present**

Messrs Ballantine, Campbell, Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Harris, Oliver, Amanda Cox and Tina Walker and Dr Crisp

**Also Present**

Councillor Turver

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

LC 174 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Thomas)*

*That the apology from Councillor Werry be confirmed.*

## Matter for Recommendation

LC 177 Flood Damage, Western Rivers – February 2004

Report 04.149

File: N/70/04/01

### Waiwhetu Stream

Mr Dick said both Mayor Terris and Councillor Evans had requested that a joint officer task force be established to investigate solutions for the flooding risk posed by the Waiwhetu Stream. Mr Dick said Greater Wellington officers will be working closely with officers at the Hutt City Council as storm water flooding is also a problem in the area.

Members agreed that a report be prepared for consideration by the Landcare Committee and as there will be significant input from Hutt City Council staff there will not be a need for a joint Committee. Also this was not a matter for the Hutt River Advisory Committee as it was outside the Committee's Terms of Reference.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shields/Cr Evans)*

- (1) *That the report be received and the contents noted.*
- (2) *That a scoping report be prepared on investigations required to look at options for reducing the flood impacts from the Waiwhetu Stream for subsequent consideration by the Committee.*

### **Resolved to Recommend to Policy, Finance & Strategy (Cr Shields/Cr Evans)**

**(3) That it:**

- (a) Approve the expenditure of \$441,200 to undertake flood damage repair work in the western rivers and streams as set out in Attachment 2 to Report 04.149.**
- (b) Approve funding of the \$441,200 flood damage repair expenditure by reallocating \$170,708 from existing maintenance budgets, by withdrawal of \$135,246 from the Flood Contingency Reserve and withdrawal of \$135,246 from a combination of the River Rate Reserves and invoicing the relevant Territorial Authorities under the Watercourses Agreement.**
- (c) Approve the expenditure of up to \$206,000 for new capital edge protection works on the lower Otaki River (to be loan funded), to be completed by 30 June 2005.**
- (d) Approve an increase in the Wainuiomata River maintenance budget by \$10,000.**
- (e) Increase the Isolated Works subsidy budget by \$9,000 for the 2004/05 year**

Cr C LAIDLAW  
Chairperson

Date:

**Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee – 20 April 2004**

*To be moved:*

**That the report of the meeting of the Landcare Committee held on 23 March 2004, Item LC 177, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted.**