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Appointment of Harbours' Enforcement Officers

1. Purpose

To appoint enforcement officers to carry out duties under the harbours provisions of the Local Government Act 1974 and the Navigation and Safety Bylaws for the Wellington Region.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

Under section 650B of the Local Government Act 1974 regional councils can appoint enforcement officers for the purpose of carrying out the powers, functions and duties specified in Part 39A (**Attachment 1**). Under the Council's Navigation and Safety Bylaws for the Wellington Region the Council has the role of appointing enforcement officers for the purpose of enforcing the Bylaws.

The Council last appointed harbours' enforcement officers in 2000 and 2002. Since then new bylaws have been adopted and there have been some changes to members of the Wellington Police Maritime Unit. This makes it a good time to review the list of enforcement officers.

4. Comment

We recommend that the Council appoint the people in the table below as enforcement officers to carry out the powers, functions and duties specified in part 39A of the Local Government Act 1974, and to enforce the Navigation and Safety Bylaws for the Wellington Region.

Many of the proposed enforcement officers are members of the Police Maritime Unit. This Unit has assisted the Council for many years in controlling

and regulating water activities in the region. They have a regular presence on the harbour and are fair and reasonable in their approach to safety and water.

Greater Wellington Officers	Members of Wellington Police Maritime Unit
Patrick Atwood, Deputy Harbourmaster*	Sergeant John Bryant
Grant Nalder, Harbour Ranger	Senior Constable Andrew Cobden-Cox
Gregory Meikle, Harbour Ranger	Senior Constable Ross Lane
	Senior Constable David Martin
	Senior Constable David Houston
	Senior Constable Barry Hart
	Constable Paul Martin
	Constable Rob Masters

** Patrick Atwood has also been appointed as Harbourmaster in the absence of Mike Pryce.*

5. Communication

All persons appointed as enforcement officers will be provided with confirmation of their appointment and their appointment will be recorded in Greater Wellington's delegation manual.

6. Recommendations

That the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee recommend that Council:

1. ***Receives*** the report.
2. ***Notes*** the content of the report.
3. ***Appoints*** the following people as enforcement officers to carry out the powers, functions and duties specified in part 39A of the Local Government Act 1974 and to enforce the Navigation and Safety Bylaws for the Wellington Region.

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Attachment 1: Local Government Act 1974 powers of harbours' enforcement officers