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**Report 08.653**

4 September 2008

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Catchment Management Committee held in the Committee Room, Greater Regional Council, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton, on Thursday 4 September 2008 at 9.34 am**

**Present**

Councillors Buchanan (Chair), Laidlaw, Lamason, & Wilson; and Messrs Card, Barton, & Royal.

**Officers Present**

Benham, Campbell, Dick, Reay, and O'Donnell.

**Public Business**

CM 61     **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Kirton, Wilde, and Mr Gawith; and for lateness from Councillor Wilson.*

CM 62 **Possible Conflict of Interest declarations**

Mr Card declared a possible conflict of interest with Agenda Item 6 as a member of the Animal Health Board Representatives' Committee, and took no part in the discussion.

CM 63 **Public Participation**

Peter Gaskin, Chairman of the Wellington Regional Animal Health Committee spoke on the Tb eradication programme in the Wairarapa area.

CM 64 **Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting**

*Resolved* (Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)

*That the Committee*

*Confirms the minutes of the meeting of 24 July 2008, Report 08.537.*

CM 65 **Maintaining the Gains – The Future of Possum/Predator Control**

**Report 08.604**

File: WB/01/06/01

Wayne O'Donnell, manager Biosecurity, gave a *Powerpoint* presentation.

*Resolved* (Cr Wilson/Cr Laidlaw)

*That the Committee*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Supports inclusion of the new strategic management programme for possums and other predators, as outlined on this report, within the proposed 2009 –2019 LTCCP for community consultation.*
4. *Supports the principle of a new biodiversity uniform annual charge and land area rate to fund the proposed management programme,*

Councillor Wilson joined the meeting at 9.50 am.

CM 66 **Future Funding of the Regional Bovine Tb Vector Control Programme**

**Report 08.607**

File: WB/01/11/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Committee*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Adopts Option C (cease funding) of this report for consultation with the Animal Health Board prior to Council considering the matter as part of preparing the draft 2009-19 LTCCP.*

**Noted**

The Committee noted in its decision a wish to “maintain the gains” (see resolutions for item CM 66 above) achieved in the region – and so supports the concept of a regional possum control programme.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.58 am and 11.14 am for morning tea.

CM 67 **Regional Pest Management Strategy: Operational Plan 2008-2009**

**Report 08.605**

File: WB/01/11/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Wilson/Mr Card)*

*That the Committee*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the proposed Operational Plan 2008/09 (Attachment 1) for the Regional Pest Management Strategy 2002-2022.*

**Noted**

Officers were asked to provide Linnaean and Maori names for species mentioned in the text as a glossary in future reports.

CM 68 **Akura Conservation Centre: Review for the Year Ending 30 June 2008**

**Report 08.601**

File: WO/03/08/03

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Lamason)*

*That the Committee*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

CM 69 **Divisional Manager's Report**

**Report 08.606**

File: WS/08/16/01

*Resolved*

*(Cr Wilson/Mr Barton)*

*That the Committee*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

**Noted**

Officers were asked to arrange for post – meeting field trips to follow future Committee meetings.

The meeting closed at 12.06 pm.

CR IM BUCHANAN  
Chairman

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