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**Record of the Special Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee
held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146
Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 19 September 2000 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 Shields (Acting Chairperson), Allen, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, McQueen, Shaw, Thomas, Turver and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Annakin, Benham, Bodnar, Darroch, Gunn, Hutt, and Stone and Drs Bradbury and Watson.

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 259 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Thomas)

That the apologies from Councillor Bonner and Councillor Macaskill and the apology for lateness from Councillor Werry, be confirmed.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 260 **2000 Regional Constituency Review – Consideration of Objections**

Report 00.682

File: E/1/4/1

Resolved

(Cr Shields /Cr Turver)

(1) That all oral submissions be considered.

Councillor Shields invited the following persons to make oral submissions to the Committee:

- Michael Mellor
- David Butler and Robin Boldarin - Wellington Labour Local Bodies Committee
- Mayor Iride McCloy and Glenn Innes - Kapiti Coast District Council
- Mayor Jenny Brash and Ms Sue Veart, Porirua

Members noted that Mayor Kirton had been unable to attend and Mr Heerdegen had also sent his apologies.

Councillor Shields suggested that Councillor Armstrong, Wellington City Council, who was present in the public gallery, be invited to speak on behalf of the residents of Tawa.

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Gibson)

That Councillor Armstrong, Wellington City Council, be invited to speak.

Councillor Armstrong said he was a Wellington City Councillor and was also a member of the Tawa Community Board. He was speaking as a member of the Community Board.

Councillor Armstrong said the local community did not support combining the Tawa Community Board Area with Porirua City and said it should remain in Wellington City.

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Turver)

(2) That the attached submissions from Porirua, Upper Hutt and Hutt City Councils, Kapiti Coast District Council, Richard Heerdegen, Michael Mellor Wellington Labour Local Bodies Committee, be considered.

Following discussion members decided as follows:

Moved

(Cr Shields /Cr Turver)

That the proposal for the triennial review of membership and basis for election be approved as follows:

(3) (i) That, for the purpose of the 2001 Local Authority Elections:

(a) The Council shall be the following constituencies:

- *Kapiti Constituency – comprising Kapiti Coast District*
- *Mana Constituency – comprising Porirua City*
- *Wellington Constituency – comprising Wellington City*
- *Lower Hutt Constituency – comprising Lower Hutt City*
- *Upper Hutt Constituency – comprising Upper Hutt City*
- *Wairarapa Constituency – comprising South Wairarapa City Masterton District, Carterton District and part of Tararua District*

Amendment*(Cr Allen /Cr Thomas)*

That Porirua City and the Tawa Community Board area be combined into a single constituency.

The amendment was **Lost** on a show of hands 2 in favour and 8 opposed.

Councillor McQueen noted in moving the following amendment that it was as proposed by Mr Mellor on page 1 of his written objection.

Amendment*(Cr McQueen /Cr McDavitt)*

That the Wellington Constituency, comprising Wellington City, be divided into 3 constituencies comprising North-Western, with 2 Councillors, South-Eastern with 2 Councillors and Lambton with 1 Councillor to enable more effective representation.

The above amendment was put and **Carried** 6 votes in favour and 5 opposed after a division as follows:

	Ayes		Noes
Councillors	McDavitt	Councillors	Allen
	McQueen		Buchanan
	Shaw		Gibson
	Shields		Laidlaw
	Thomas		Long
	Turver		

Amendment*(Cr Gibson /Cr Long)*

That the constituency comprising Porirua City be called the Porirua Constituency

Carried

The motion as amended was then put and **Carried**.

Resolved to Recommend*(Cr McQueen/Cr McDavitt)*

(3) (i) That, for the purpose of the 2001 Local Authority Elections:

(a) The Council shall be the following constituencies:

- Kapiti Constituency – comprising Kapiti Coast District
- Porirua Constituency – comprising Porirua City
- Wellington (North-Western) Constituency - comprising - Northern, Onslow and Western Wards of Wellington City
- Wellington (Lambton) Constituency - comprising Lambton Ward of Wellington City
- Wellington (South Eastern) Constituency - comprising Southern and Eastern Wards of Wellington City
- Lower Hutt Constituency – comprising Lower Hutt City
- Upper Hutt Constituency – comprising Upper Hutt City
- Wairarapa Constituency – comprising South Wairarapa District
- Masterton District, Carterton District and part of Tararua District

Resolved to Recommend**(Cr Long/Cr Allen)****(3) (i) That, for the purpose of the 2001 Local Authority Elections:**

- (b) That, in order to achieve “fair representation”, the Council adopt the following weightings as a means of determining the level of representation each constituency will receive:**

Population	80 per cent
Net Equalised Capital Value	10 per cent
Land Area	10 per cent

Resolved to Recommend**(Cr Allen/Cr Thomas)****(3) (i) That, for the purpose of the 2001 Local Authority Elections:**

- (c) That the Council comprise 14 elected members and the number of representatives elected by each constituency be as follows:**

Kapiti Constituency	1
Mana Constituency	2
Wellington (North Western) Constituency	2
Wellington (Lambton) Constituency	1
Wellington (South Eastern) Constituency	2
Lower Hutt Constituency	3
Upper Hutt Constituency	1
Wairarapa Constituency	2

Resolved to Recommend**(Cr Turver/Cr Thomas)**

- (ii) That public notice be given of its proposal, including any amendments, as required by section 101J(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1974.**

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr McQueen)

- (iii) That persons and organisations have until Friday, 27 October 2000 to appeal or lay counter-objections to the Council's proposal.**

P&F 261 **Approval of the Regional Soil Plan**

Report 00.633

File: X/14/3/1

Councillor Allen left at 11.45am.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

- (1) That amendments have been made to the Proposed Regional Soil Plan that give effect to the directions of the Environment Court.**
- (2) That minor amendments have been made to the Plan that group together the objectives, policies and rules of each, and consequential reordering of other provisions, without changing their wording.**
- (3) That the Regional Soil Plan be approved.**
- (4) That the affixing of the seal of the Council to the Plan, be authorised.**
- (5) That the operative date for the Plan will be publicly notified at least five working days before the Plan becomes operative, be noted.**

Users Guide

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McQueen)

That the staff of the Environment Division be congratulated for their receipt of a KPMG Innovation Award 2000 for the preparation of the Users Guide for Regional Plans.

The above resolution was carried by acclamation.

P&F 262 **Regional Economic Development**

Report 00.702

File: CP/3/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Laidlaw)

- (1) *That the report of the Start Up Group on regional economic development be received.*

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Shields/Cr Laidlaw)

- (2) **That the Committee defers formal consideration of the recommendations in Report 00.702 until the territorial authorities of the region have determined their positions on Recommendation 16 in the S.U.G. report which states:**

"That support be given to a change in the Local Government Legislation to allow the Regional Council to participate in Regional Economic Development initiatives."

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Shaw/Cr Laidlaw)

That Dr Small and interested Territorial Authorities be invited to a Councillors workshop to discuss the proposed regional economic development initiative.

Councillor's Proposal

P&F 263 **Legal Opinions**

Report 00.692

File: E/5/1/55

Moved

(Cr Gibson/Cr McQueen)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

The above motion was carried on a show of hands 5 in favour and 4 opposed.

Councillors McDavitt, Shaw, Thomas and Turver requested their dissenting votes be recorded.

The meeting closed at 12.20pm.

Cr M SHIELDS
Acting Chairperson

Date: