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**Report 01.546**

20 July 2001

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**Minutes of the Emergency Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Friday, 20 July 2001 at 9.30am**

**Present**

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shields, Thomas, Turver and Werry

**Officers Present**

Messrs Benham, Darroch, Kennedy, Maguire and Stone

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

442 **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Turver)*

*That the apology from Councillor McQueen be confirmed.*

**Matters for Consideration**

443 **Water Fluoridation Petition**

(1) **Report from Strategy and Asset Manager, Utility Services**

**Report 01.524**

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*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Laidlaw)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

(2) **Report from Council Secretary**

**Report 01.515**

File: E/9/7/1

*Resolved*

*(Chairperson/Cr Laidlaw)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

(3) **Chairperson's Recommendations**

**Report 01.525**

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**Moved**

*(Chairperson/Cr Shields)*

That Council:

- (1) notes the Council's policy is that if any change to the Fluoridation Policy or its implementation is to be considered by Council, the change would need to be at the initiative of, and as a result of, a formal proposal from any one or more of the bulk water supply customers.
- (2) notes that if any Referendum was to be held with the 13 October 2001 Local Body Elections, the Local Electoral Act 2001 requires Public Notice to be given by 25 July 2001.
- (3) notes that the number of petitioners seeking the Referendum is (although not directly applicable) well below the threshold generally accepted as being sufficient to justify a Referendum.
- (4) declines to hold the Referendum as sought by the petitioners.

The above motion was **CARRIED**, 9 votes in favour and 2 opposed as follows:

	<b>Ayes</b>		<b>Noes</b>
Councillors	Bonner Buchanan Laidlaw	Councillors	Allen Thomas

Long  
Macaskill  
McDavitt  
Shields  
Turver  
Werry

Councillor Gibson abstained.

The meeting closed at 10.03am.

CR SA MACASKILL  
Chairperson

Date: