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Minutes of the Meeting of the Landcare Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 5 February at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairperson), Barr, Evans, Kirton, McDavitt, Shields, Thomas, Werry and Yardley and Messrs Flavell and Gilbert

Officers Present

Messrs Ballantine, Darroch, Dick, Forlong, Jackson, Oliver, Wallace, Amanda Cox and Tina Walker and Dr Crisp

Also Present

Councillor Turver

Welcome

Councillor Laidlaw welcomed Mr Jeff Flavell, Acting Conservator, to his first meeting of the Landcare Committee.

Public Business

Procedural Items

LC 165 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)

That the apologies for lateness from Councillors Evans, Kirton and Turver be confirmed.

Councillor Laidlaw said Councillor Turver intended to be present for the item on the Waitohu Stream Study.

LC 166 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

LC 167 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Barr/Cr Thomas)

That the minutes of the meeting of 19 November 2003, Report 03.738, be confirmed.

Matters Arising

Harvey Norman Request to Construct a Driveway over the Stopbank at Melling and to Lease a Section of the Riverside Car Park, Hutt River

Mr Dick said Council had almost reached full agreement with Harvey Norman and the Hutt City Council and a report will be prepared for Council in the near future.

Matter for Information

LC 168 Parks and Forests 2003/04 Work Programme Progress

Report 04.22 File: PK/03/02/02

Councillors Evans and Turver arrived at 9.40am.

Councillor Kirton arrived at 9.50am.

Following a presentation by Mr Jackson, Councillor Laidlaw proposed that the Committee consider Item 4 on the Waitohu Stream

Matter for Decision

LC 169 Waitohu Stream Study

Report 04.25 File: N/06/30/08

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Evans)

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That the Waitohu Stream Study and consultation, as outlined in Report 04.25, be endorsed.

Members requested more information on action being taken by Greater Wellington, at varying levels of involvement, on the most polluted rivers in the region.

Mr Forlong said he will circulate a paper summarising Council's responsibilities for the various streams in the region including the historical basis for the policy and where all projects sit in the LTCCP.

Matters for Information

LC 168 Parks and Forests 2003/04 Work Programme Progress (contd)

Report 04.22 File: PK/03/02/02

Amanda Cox, Dr Philippa Crisp and Messrs Ballantine and Fraser gave presentations on progress on 2003/04 work programmes and various projects completed during the past year.

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr Barr)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 170 International Home Spaces (Arboretum)

Report 04.37 File: PK/02/05/01

Resolved (Cr Thomas/Cr Werry)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 171 Divisional Manager's Report

Report 04.34 File: E/06/16/03

Preparation for Whitireia

Councillor Laidlaw said the preparations continue for the Regional Council to take control and management of the park for 2005/06. Following community consultation the Park Management Board will consider the matter further at its next meeting.

South Coast Walkway

Councillor Barr gave a presentation on the recent field visit to Terawhiti Station in conjunction with the Wellington City Council and other parties with an interest in developing recreation facilities in the area.

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Barr)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

LC 172 **Questions**

There were no questions.

LC 173 General

Erosion

Councillor Evans asked whether the Regional Council should have a monitoring programme and make budget provision for the erosion that was occurring in the region such as on Kapiti Coast. Mr Forlong said the coast is a dynamic system and that while it was currently in an erosive phase it may revert to an accretive phase some time in the future. Kapiti Coast District Council were monitoring the movements on the Kapiti Coast. Mr Forlong said no specific provision had been made in the LTCCP to combat erosion.

The meeting closed at 11.15am.

Cr C LAIDLAW Chairperson