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Minutes of the Meeting of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Advisory Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Thursday, 8 March 2001 at 4.30pm

Present

Councillors Shields (Acting Chairperson), Thomas and Werry (Wellington Regional Council)
Mayor Terris, Councillors Cousins and Baird (Hutt City Council)
Councillor Harris (Upper Hutt City Council)

Officers Present

Messrs Annakin, Atapattu, Cross, Darroch, Dick, Paul, Wilshere and Trecia Smith,
(Wellington Regional Council)
Mr Miller and Mr Wallach (Upper Hutt City Council)
Ms Mellish, Wellington Tenth Trust

Quorum

Councillor Shields said that while only five members were present she would commence the meeting and formalise proceedings once a quorum (6 members) had been established.

Public Business

Procedural Items

HRF104 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Werry)

That the apologies from Councillor Macaskill (Wellington Regional Council), Mayor Kirton and Councillor Guppy (Upper Hutt City Council) and Mr Puketapu (Te Runanganui o Taranaki Whanui ki te Upoko o Te Ika a Maui) and also the apology for lateness from Mayor Terris, be confirmed.

HRF105 Public Participation

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

HRF106 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Werry/Cr Cousins)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2000 be confirmed.

Councillor Baird and Councillor Thomas arrived at 4.35pm.

Quorum

At 4.36pm members resolved as follows:

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Werry)

That decisions taken during the informal part of the meeting be now approved.

Quorum

Councillor Shields said the Advisory Committee had an important role and the next meeting on 24 May 2001 will consider public submissions on the consultation draft of the Floodplain Management Plan and, following the hearing, will possibly recommend changes to the Draft Plan. A good attendance will be essential.

The Terms of Reference allow for the appointment of deputies when members are unable to be present at a particular meeting.

It was agreed that all members should make every effort to attend the next meeting on 24 May 2001.

Matters for Consideration

HRF107 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Project Leader's Report

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Councillor Thomas sought assurances that Landcare officers were liaising with the Regional Transport Division on matters of planning overlap.

*Resolved**(Cr Werry/Cr Thomas)*

That the report be received and the contents noted.

HRF108 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Consultation Draft Endorsement to Release for Public Feedback

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Mayor Terris arrived at 4.50pm.

Following discussion it was agreed the Advisory Committee was the appropriate group to hear public submissions and, if necessary, members could declare a conflict of interest when considering a submission from their own organisation.

*Resolved**(Cr Werry/Cr Thomas)*

(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.

(2) That the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Consultation Draft for release, be endorsed.

HRF109 Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Revising the Structural Works Priority List

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*Resolved**(Mayor Terris/Cr Harris)*

(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.

(2) That the revised priority schedule of structural works for inclusion in the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan: Consultation Draft, be endorsed.

Mayor Terris said the Regional Council staff had completed a magnificent job and deserved a warm commendation for the high standard of their work.

HRF110 Questions

There were no questions.

HRF111 General

Hutt River Environmental Strategy

Tricia Smith, Environmental Planner, Landcare Division, said the Hutt River Environmental Strategy for the development and management of the Hutt River environment had just been printed, and she was pleased to circulate a copy to members.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is set down for Thursday, 24 May 2001 for the public hearing of submissions and the consequent possible redrafting of the consultation draft.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

Chairperson

Date