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Report to Policy and Finance Committee
from Ted Maguire, Council Secretary

Appointments to Council Committees

1. Purpose

To approve appointments to the Environment and Regional Land Transport Committees.

2. Background

Council has previously resolved to publicly invite nominations from:

- (a) Persons with special knowledge or expertise to represent the Upper Hutt Constituency on the Environment Committee.
- (b) Persons to represent public transport users, cyclists and pedestrians on the Regional Land Transport Committee.

3. Comment

(a) Environment Committee – Upper Hutt Representative

Six people were nominated for the appointment. They were:

Wayne Chapman
 Keith Davis
 John McKechnie
 Nicola Meek
 Dave Spence
 Carolyn F Thomas

A panel comprised of Councillors Buchanan and Yardley assisted by Dr Bradbury have interviewed the nominees. In reaching its conclusions, the panel considered candidates' knowledge about the work of the Committee and the particular interests and skills each would bring to the Committee's work now and in the future. The panel recommends that Mr Wayne Chapman be appointed to the position.

(b) **Regional Land Transport Committee**

Three people were nominated for the position. They were:

Brent Efford
 Jim Allen
 Stephanie Lambert

A panel comprised of Councillors McDavitt and Evans and Dr Watson interviewed the candidates.

The panel recommends to Council the appointment of Mr Brent Efford. Mr Efford has had a long association with passenger transport issues through his membership of Transport 2000+. Cycle Awareness Wellington have indicated their support for Mr Efford's nomination. Mr Efford, in his interview, impressed with his sincere desire to ensure that those he would be representing were kept informed and had adequate opportunities to express their views through him. Mr Efford has made several presentations to Council Committees as a member of the public. These presentations have been forceful and well researched. The panel believes he will be an effective member of the Committee.

4. **Communications**

Once the Appointees, and those not appointed, have been advised, a media release will be issued.

5. **Recommendations**

That Council appoint:

- (a) *Mr Wayne Chapman to the Environment Committee as Upper Hutt Constituency representative.*
- (b) *Mr Brent Efford to the Regional Land Transport Committee as the Representative of public transport users, cyclists and pedestrians.*