



**Report 05.581**

18 October 2005

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 18 October 2005 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 Buchanan (Chairman), Aitken, Baber, Evans, Glensor, Greig, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Shields, Turver and Wilde

**Officers Present**

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cameron, Corry, Cutler, Gray, Jackson, Kennedy, Turfrey, Waititi, Margaret Meek, Amy Norrish, and Drs Bradbury, Hastie and Watson

**In Attendance**

Rudie Tomlinson (Audit New Zealand) and Peter O'Brien (Property Consultant)

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

PF&S 91      **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

PF&S 92 **Public Participation**

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

**Matters for Consideration**

PF&S 93 **Approval of Dividend from WRC Holdings Limited**

**Report 05.565**

File: CFO/09/01/01

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Buchanan/Cr Laidlaw)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
<b>(1) Receive the report.</b>	
<b>(2) Note its contents.</b>	
<b>(3) Approve the payment by WRC Holdings Ltd of \$650,987 (fully imputed).</b>	
<b>(4) Authorise the Council Secretary to approve the necessary documentation giving effect to the transaction.</b>	

PF&S 94 **WRC Holdings Limited – 2005 Financial Statements**

**Report 05.566**

File: CFO/09/01/01

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Aitken/Cr Baber)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
<b>(1) Receive the report.</b>	
<b>(2) Note its contents.</b>	
<b>(3) Receive the 2004/05 financial statements of Pringle House Ltd and Port Investments Ltd.</b>	
<b>(4) Approve, as sole shareholder, the 2004/05 financial statements of WRC Holdings Ltd.</b>	

## PF&amp;S 95 WRC Holdings Limited – Resolutions in Lieu of AGM

Report 05.564

File: M/30/09/01

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Buchanan/Cr McDavitt)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council, as sole shareholder of WRC Holdings Ltd:</b>	
(1)	<b>Resolve by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 1 not to hold an AGM.</b>
(2)	<b>Authorise the Council Secretary to affix the Council's Common Seal to the resolutions of the Company (Attachment 1).</b>

## PF&amp;S 96 Annual Report for the Year ended 30 June 2005

Report 05.570

File: CFO/02/01/11

Amended recommendations to Report 05.570 were tabled by the Chief Financial Officer.

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Wilde/Cr Aitken)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
(1)	<b>Receive the report.</b>
(2)	<b>Note its contents.</b>
(3)	<b>Approve the following net amounts, in addition to those budgeted, be added to or deducted from, the respective reserves:</b>
(a)	<b>Regional Parks Land Purchase (\$94,648)</b>
(b)	<b>Transport Rate Reserves \$1,702,470</b>
(c)	<b>Wairarapa Bovine TB Rate – Bov TB \$156,833</b>
(d)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Catchment Awhea \$876</b>
(e)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Catchment Whareama (\$858)</b>
(f)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Catchment Homewood (\$2,564)</b>
(g)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Catchment Mataikona \$133</b>
(h)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Catchment Maungaraki \$2,153</b>
(i)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes – Catchment Kaiwhata (\$4,217)</b>
(j)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - Drainage (\$112,127)</b>
(k)	<b>Wairarapa Shingle Royalty \$12,971</b>
(l)	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River LWVD (\$252,779)</b>

<b>(m)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Waiohine</b>	<b>(\$39,929)</b>
<b>(n)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Gladstone</b>	<b>(\$21,941)</b>
<b>(o)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Waipoua</b>	<b>\$17,751</b>
<b>(p)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Waingawa</b>	<b>\$6,641</b>
<b>(q)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Lower Tauera</b>	<b>(\$558)</b>
<b>(r)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Lower Whangaehu</b>	<b>(\$338)</b>
<b>(s)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes - River Upper Mangatarere</b>	<b>(\$86)</b>
<b>(t)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes – River Te Ore Ore</b>	<b>\$8,725</b>
<b>(u)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Rating Schemes – River Mt Bruce</b>	<b>\$18,118</b>
<b>(v)</b>	<b>Wairarapa Workshop</b>	<b>\$4,066</b>
<b>(w)</b>	<b>Akura Nursery Reserve</b>	<b>(\$280)</b>
<b>(x)</b>	<b>Bioworks Reserve</b>	<b>\$110,534</b>
<b>(y)</b>	<b>River Rate Reserve - Hutt City</b>	<b>\$147,442</b>
<b>(z)</b>	<b>River Rate Reserve – Kapiti Coast</b>	<b>(\$163,928)</b>
<b>(aa)</b>	<b>River Rate Reserve – Porirua City</b>	<b>(\$21,995)</b>
<b>(bb)</b>	<b>River Rate Reserve – Upper Hutt City</b>	<b>(\$34,083)</b>
<b>(cc)</b>	<b>River Rate Reserve – Wellington City</b>	<b>\$19,965</b>
<b>(dd)</b>	<b>Flood Contingency Reserve</b>	<b>\$897,474</b>
<b>(ee)</b>	<b>Corporate System Reserve</b>	<b>\$307,405</b>
<b>(ff)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget – Pauatahanui Inlet Sediment Coring</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
<b>(gg)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget – Council Website</b>	<b>\$13,833</b>
<b>(hh)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget – IT Operations Capex</b>	<b>\$22,834</b>
<b>(ii)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Belmont Signage</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>
<b>(jj)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Management Plans</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>
<b>(kk)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Heritage Asset Mgr</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>(ll)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - South Coast Trail</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
<b>(mm)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - EHRP Plant Control</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>(nn)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Belmont Plant Control</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
<b>(oo)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Tree Removal Belmont</b>	<b>\$110,000</b>
<b>(pp)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Intranet Development</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>(qq)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Council Website</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>(rr)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - IFRS Project</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
<b>(ss)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Nat Biodiversity</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>
<b>(tt)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Private Land Protection</b>	<b>\$122,000</b>
<b>(uu)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Owhiro Stream Reserve</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
<b>(vv)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Travel Demand</b>	<b>\$28,200</b>
<b>(ww)</b>	<b>Expense Rebudget - Brand Promotion</b>	<b>\$50,612</b>

(xx)	Expense Rebudget - Rail Carriage Refurbishment	\$297,248
(yy)	Expense Rebudget - Metlink signage	\$117,070
(zz)	Expense Rebudget - Manor Park	\$16,000
(aaa)	Expense Rebudget - Manor Park Rock	\$30,000
(bbb)	Expense Rebudget - Whakatikei Carpark	\$18,860
(ccc)	Expense Rebudget - Plant Database	\$26,000
(ddd)	Expense Rebudget - Bovine TB control	\$70,272
(eee)	Expense Rebudget - RT set purchase	\$28,100
(fff)	Expense Rebudget - RT set purchase	\$30,000
(ggg)	Expense Rebudget - Asset Management System	\$26,650
(hhh)	Expense Rebudget - Contract Management System	\$26,650
(iii)	Expense Rebudget - Integrated Ticketing	\$46,645
(jjj)	Expense Rebudget - Travel Demand	\$15,261
(kkk)	Expense Rebudget - Road Safety Project	\$23,625
(lll)	Expense Rebudget – Emergency Management	\$95,000
(4)	Agree that the requirement for the forestry business units to pay a dividend be waived for the 2004/05 year.	
(5)	Adopt the Financial Statements and accompanying notes for the year ended 30 June 2005.	
(6)	Agree that the 2005 Annual Report and Summary Annual Report be published subject to any minor editorial amendments which should be approved by the Chief Financial Officer, in conjunction with the Chairperson.	

PF&S 97      **Delegation to Chief Executive**

**Report 05.577**

File: E/01/06/12

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Evans/Cr Turver)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
(1)	<b>Receive the report.</b>
(2)	<b>Note the content of the report.</b>
(3)	<b>Delegate the powers in Attachment 1 to this report to David Benham, the Chief Executive of Greater Wellington Regional Council.</b>

PF&S 98 **Confirmation of Appointments****Report 05.532**

File: E/01/01/01

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Greig/Cr McDavitt)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
(1) <b>Confirm the appointment of Wayne Hastie as Electoral Officer for the Wellington Regional Council.</b>	
(2) <b>Confirm the appointment of Mike Pryce as Harbourmaster for the Wellington Regional Council and Regional On-scene Commander.</b>	
(3) <b>Confirm the appointment of Grant Nalder as Regional On-scene Commander in Mike Pryce's absence.</b>	
(4) <b>Appoint Patrick Atwood as Harbourmaster for the Wellington Regional Council in Mike Pryce's absence.</b>	

PF&S 99 **Maori Constituencies****Report 05.530**

File: E/01/04/01

<b>Resolved</b>	<b>(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)</b>
<b>That the Committee recommends that Council</b>	
(1) <b>Receive the report.</b>	
(2) <b>Note the content of the report.</b>	
(3) <b>Note that Ara Tahi has considered the establishment of Maori constituencies and recommended that the Council makes no decision for the 2007 triennial elections.</b>	
(4) <b>Make no decision on establishing Maori constituencies.</b>	

Each part of the above resolution was voted upon separately, and **CARRIED**.

Councillor Aitken requested that her vote against part 4 of the above resolution be recorded.

**Amendment**

**Resolved** (Cr Turver/Cr Evans)

**That the Committee recommends that Council**

**Publicly notify that Council has considered the issue of Māori constituencies and there is no change to the current situation, and the public has a right to demand a poll on the matter.**

PF&S 100 **Delegation of Resource Management Act 1991 Functions to Hearing Commissioners**

**Report 05.571**

File: WAR 050014 & WP/03/06/09

**Resolved** (Cr Long/Cr Turver)

**That the Committee recommends that Council**

**Appoint, pursuant to section 34(A) of the Resource Management Act 1991, Paul Thomas and Roger Lane as independent commissioners to jointly hear and decide resource consent application WAR 050014 from Martinborough Coastal Developments Ltd.**

PF&S 101 **Outcomes of the 2005 Consents Review**

**Report 05.558**

File: CMM/01/04/01

**Resolved** (Cr Turver/Cr Baber)

**That the Committee recommends that Council**

- (1) Receive the report.**
- (2) Agree to use the terminology Iwi appointees rather than Iwi Commissioners.**
- (3) Request Ara Tahi to make further recommendations for Iwi appointees.**
- (4) Agree that the Council should cover all costs associated with Iwi appointees sitting on resource consent hearing panels.**
- (5) Agree that Iwi appointees, when sitting on resource consent hearing panels, will be paid at the same hourly rate as councillors and appointed members sitting on resource consent hearing panels.**

- (6) **Agree that the use of the commissioners' lists be discontinued rather than reviewed, and that commissioners to be used on resource consent hearing panels be appointed on a case-by-case basis.**
- (7) **Agree to delegate to the Chairpersons of both the Environment Committee and the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee the authority to appoint appropriately qualified people to act as a commissioner on behalf of the Council, and to report back to their committees as appropriate.**

10.40am Morning Tea Adjournment.

10.55am Meeting Resumed.

PF&S 102 **Exclusion of the Public**

**Report 05.576**

File: E/06/03/02

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)*

*That the Committee*

*Exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:*

- (1) *Managing Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown*
- (2) *Purchase of Waitangirua Farm from Landcorp Farming Ltd*
- (3) *Greater Wellington Regional Council Rates*
- (4) *Stadium Tax Case*

*The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:*

<b><i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i></b>	<b><i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i></b>	<b><i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i></b>
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| <i>(1) Managing Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown</i> | <i>Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist, (ie because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on</i> |
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*negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage.)*

- (2) *Purchase of Waitangirua Farm from Landcorp Farming Ltd* *Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage* *That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist, (ie because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage.)*
- (3) *Greater Wellington Regional Council Rates* *Because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage* *That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist, (ie because of the need to preserve commercial confidentiality and to enable the Council to carry on negotiations, including commercial negotiations, without prejudice or disadvantage.)*
- (4) *Stadium Tax Case* *Because of the need to maintain legal professional privilege.* *That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist, (ie because of the need to maintain legal professional privilege)*

*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.*

PF&S 103     **Purchase of Waitangirua Farm from Landcorp Farming Ltd and Managing Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)*

*That the Committee*

*Allow Peter O'Brien, property consultant, to remain in the meeting after the public has been excluded, during consideration of the purchase of Waitangirua Farm from Landcorp Farming Ltd and Managing **Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown** because of his property expertise and knowledge of this issue which will be of assistance and relevance to the issues.*

10.55am     The open part of the meeting closed.

Cr I M BUCHANAN  
Chairman

Date: