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Triennial Agreement

1. Purpose

For the Council to endorse the proposed Triennial Agreement for the 2010-13 triennium and to authorise the Chair to sign the Triennial Agreement.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

The Local Government Act 2002 requires that all the local authorities in the Wellington Region enter into a Triennial Agreement amongst themselves which sets out how they will work together for the good governance of their districts, cities and region by acting co-operatively and collaboratively. The Triennial Agreement for the 2010-2013 triennium must be in place by 1 March 2011. A Triennial Agreement was in place in the previous triennium.

The agreement has now been updated with minor changes that reflect the amendments made to the Local Government Act 2002 by the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Act 2010. The proposed agreement also includes two additional items, Wellington governance and regional amenities, on which the Wellington region's local authorities will meet to develop common approaches for the region. A copy of the draft agreement showing tracked changes to the previous Triennial Agreement is attached as *Attachment I* to this report.

The Chief Executives of the region's local authorities have reviewed the proposed amendments and have agreed to put the proposed agreement to their councils for endorsement and signing.

4. Communication

The territorial authorities in the Wellington Region will be informed of the Council's decision to endorse and sign the agreement.

5. Recommendations

That the Council:

- 1. **Receives** the report.*
- 2. **Notes** the content of the report.*
- 3. **Endorses** the proposed Triennial Agreement for the 2010-2013 triennium.*
- 4. **Authorises** the Council Chair to sign the Triennial Agreement on behalf of the Council.*

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Attachment 1: Triennial Agreement