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Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting 8 September 2011

1. Purpose

To inform the Council about the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting that occurred on 8 September 2011.

2. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3. Report

3.1 Confirmation of Asset Condition for 2010/11 and Proposed Work Programme 2011/12

The Committee sought clarification about Greater Wellington's relationship with different community groups with regards to reviewing and reporting on flood protection assets and works programmes. In the Wairarapa, the Scheme Committees make recommendations on the service levels for the various river schemes. The Otaki and Waikanae River Friends groups have a memorandum of understanding with Greater Wellington to monitor the implementation of schemes. The Committee agreed the Wairarapa model is good practice that could be applied other schemes. Achieving a level of consistency across the region would be beneficial. The Friends of the Hutt River is a self established group so there is no expectation that they become part of Greater Wellington's formal processes.

The Committee noted that in-depth updates on the Hutt River works are necessary due to its significant works programme budget.

3.2 Year end review

Public Transport

The Committee asked about installing CCTV cameras at Pomare station. Officers advised that the car park had been developed on the basis that CCTV

would not be installed in the near term unless some funding support could be obtained from Hutt City, and this was still the case.

The Chair requested that officers meet with Councillors Brash, Donaldson, and him to discuss the changes to Porirua school bus services.

Catchment Management Group

The Chair asked officers to keep Councillors informed about progress in reaching an agreement with the NZTA for river work maintenance at River Road following the conclusion of the current 25 year maintenance arrangements.

The Committee is expecting a report on the outcomes of the hydraulic modelling for the Porirua Stream in December 2011.

Strategy and Community Engagement Group

The Committee discussed the budget figures relating to the WRS. It confirmed that the full year budget for the following Performance Indicator, 'The WRS Committee will approve the annual report of the WRS office on progress with implementation of the WRS', reflects the cost of running the WRS office and projects within the office. The Chair suggested a full Council discussion on the review of the WRS.

Councillors asked to be briefed on the Wellington Region Open Space Strategy and Action Plan.

3.3 General Managers' report

The Committee noted the upcoming walkovers for the Waikanae and Otaki Rivers as well as the scheduled trip with Friends of Hutt River.

The Committee discussed features of the Ganz Mavag refurbishment and noted that the line by line review should indicate areas for potential savings.

4. Recommendations

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

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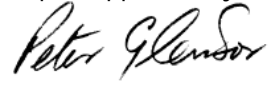
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