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Report to Council on the Wellington Regional Strategy meeting 8 December 2015

1. Purpose

To inform Council of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting of 8 December 2015.

2. Reports

2.1 Messages for the Letter of Expectation

The Committee received a report outlining matters for the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency (WREDA) to consider in preparing its draft Statement of Intent for 2016/17.

2.2 Quarterly report and WREDA update

The Committee received an update on WREDA from Chris Whelan, Chief Executive, WREDA, and considered WREDA's first quarter 2015/2016 report.

The Committee discussed WREDA's funding allocation, and proposals in education and how WREDA intends to grow this area. The Committee noted that WREDA intends to double the numbers of International fee paying students by marketing Wellington as a destination to study. The proposals and recent developments have been industry led, which ensures that WREDA and Wellington education institutions work best together.

The Committee also discussed growing business outside of the Wellington CBD by incentivising business activities in other areas of the region.

3. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3.1 Engagement

Engagement on this matter is unnecessary.

4. Recommendations

That the Council:

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

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