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Committee Council
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Confirmation of intention to fill extraordinary vacancy

1. Purpose

For the Council to confirm the appointment of Daran Mark Ponter as a member of the Wellington Regional Council.

2. Background

On 6 April 2016 the Council resolved to fill the extraordinary vacancy caused by the resignation of Councillor Fran Wilde. The Council appointed Daran Mark Ponter as a member of the Wellington Regional Council. The criteria determined by the Council for the appointment was Mr Ponter's three years' previous experience as a regional councillor representing the Wellington Constituency.

Subsequently, Mr Ponter has advised that he is willing to accept the appointment. He has also advised that he is eligible for appointment, being a New Zealand citizen who is a parliamentary elector, and therefore qualified to be an elected member of the Council.

3. Communication

Mr Ponter will be advised of Council's decision.

4. The decision-making process and significance

The matter requiring decision in this report has been considered by officers against the requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.

4.1 Significance of the decision

Officers have considered the significance of the matter, taking into account the Council's significance and engagement policy and decision-making guidelines. Due to the procedural nature of this decision officers recommend that the matter be considered to have low significance.

Officers do not consider that a formal record outlining consideration of the decision-making process is required in this instance.

4.2 Engagement

Due to its procedural nature and low significance, no engagement on this matter is necessary.

5. Recommendations

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Confirms the appointment of Daran Mark Ponter as a member of Wellington Regional Council.*

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