

**MINUTES**

**THURSDAY 26 APRIL 2007**

**3.30PM**

**Council Chamber  
First Floor, Town Hall  
Wakefield Street  
Wellington**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor Prendergast (Chair)  
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer  
Councillor Cook  
Councillor Foster  
Councillor Gill  
Councillor Goulden  
Councillor McKinnon  
Councillor Morrison  
Councillor Pepperell  
Councillor Ritchie  
Councillor Ruben  
Councillor Wade-Brown  
Councillor Wain

**APOLOGIES:**

Councillor Armstrong  
Councillor Shaw

090/07P **APOLOGIES**  
(1215/52/IM)

**RESOLVED:**

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

- 1. Accept apologies for absence from Councillors Armstrong and Shaw.*

091/07P **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**  
(1215/52/IM)

**NOTED:**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

092/07P **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
(1215/52/IM)

**NOTED:**

There was no public participation.

093/07P **RATES ENQUIRY SUBMISSION**  
Report of Paul Desborough – Manager, Strategy Unit.  
(1215/52/IM)

(REPORT 1)

**Moved Mayor Prendergast, seconded Councillor Morrison the substantive motion.**

**Moved Councillor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Foster the following amendment to Appendix One, section 5 “Specific Options”:**

**“5. Regional Petrol Tax**

In addition, consider regional diesel tax.

**7. Full Environment Cost Pricing for Water Services**

Note that in some areas non-price water demand management may suffice to avoid new capital infrastructure.

**8. Green Taxes**

Point of sale charges that contribute to effective recycling of items, e.g. containers or computers should be investigated.

Change X under ‘pragmatic options for real change’ to a tick.”

**The amendment to Appendix One, Section 5, Option 5 was PUT and declared LOST on voices.**

**The amendment to Appendix One, Section 5, Option 7 was PUT and declared LOST on voices.**

**The amendment to Appendix One, Section 5, Option 8 was PUT and declared CARRIED on voices.**

The substantive motion Recommendation 2, Appendix One, Section 5, Option 5 was PUT and declared CARRIED on voices.

The substantive motion Recommendation 2, Appendix One, Section 5, Option 28 was PUT and declared CARRIED on voices.

The remaining substantive was PUT and declared CARRIED on voices.

**RESOLVED:**

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the draft submission attached as Appendix 1 to the officers report, **as amended**, to the Rates Inquiry being conducted by an Inquiry Panel on behalf of central government.*
3. *Agree to delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive the authority to make any drafting changes before forwarding the submission.*

**NOTED:**

1. Mayor Prendergast and Councillors Foster, Goulden, McKinnon and Morrison requested that their dissenting votes be recorded against the substantive motion Recommendation 2, Appendix One, Section 5, Option 5
2. Mayor Prendergast and Councillors Foster and Goulden requested that their dissenting votes be recorded against the substantive motion Recommendation 2, Appendix One, Section 5, Option 28.
3. The committee added the words in **bold**.

The meeting concluded at 5.09pm.

Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair  
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