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**Report of the Strategy and Policy Committee  
Meeting of 26 October 2005**

**MEMBERS:** Mayor Prendergast, Councillors Armstrong (Chair), Ahipene-Mercer, Cook, Foster, Gill, Goulden, McKinnon, Morrison, Pepperell, Ritchie, Ruben, Shaw, Wade-Brown and Wain.

**MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE**

The Strategy and Policy Committee dealt with a number of issues for which it has delegated powers to act and therefore these are before the Council for noting.

The Committee hereby recommends that the information be received.

1. **ITEM 241/05P WELLINGTON ZOO FUTURE DEVELOPMENT  
OPTIONS**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 1)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree that the Wellington Zoo Trust will be asked to submit a business case in support of Option 3 (the modified 10 year development plan), for review by Council Officers prior to a report being presented to the Council for its consideration by no later than 3 March 2006.*
3. *Agree to provide the Wellington Zoo Trust with an additional \$40,000 in OPEX funding in 2005/2006 (from savings to be found by the Chief Executive from within the 2005/2006 Annual Plan budget) to assist with preparation of a business case for the option put forward in recommendation 2.*
4. *Agree to approve the revised 2005/06 Statement of Intent, as attached at appendix 5 to the Officers report, submitted by the Wellington Zoo Trust.*

2. **ITEM 242/05P WELLINGTON REGIONAL AQUATIC CENTRE**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 2)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that a total of \$7.939m had been approved for the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre (WRAC) Shallow Water Play project.*
3. *Note that the total Shallow Water Play project cost is now \$11.376m which is \$3.437m (43%) higher than the approved budget.*
4. *Note that a total of \$1.985m was approved by the Council in June 2003 for the provision of Hydrotherapy Services. This project was contingent upon Capital and Coast District Health Board (CCDHB) involvement and cost neutral to the Council.*
5. *Note that since this decision revised costs for the Hydrotherapy Services proposal have risen by \$0.593m (23%) to \$2.578m.*
6. *Agree to integrate the Shallow Water Play (CX055) and Hydrotherapy Services (CX485) projects to reduce overall costs by \$1.037m and complete both projects.*
7. *Note that at its Board meeting held Wednesday 5 October, CCDHB agreed to enter into a strategic and contractual relationship with Council for the provision of Hydrotherapy Services in Wellington City.*
8. *Agree to the recommended re-prioritised CX055 - Aquatic Facility Upgrade projects in the Swimming Pools Asset Management Plan as identified in Section 5.6 Option 3 of this report.*
9. *Agree that the \$2.4m funding identified from re-prioritised CX055 projects is applied to addressing the funding shortfall to undertake the re-scoped Shallow Water Play project and integration of Hydrotherapy Services.*
10. *Agree that the project will be funded by borrowings and for these borrowings to be made in accordance with the reprioritisation noted in Section 5.6 Option 3 of this report.*
11. *Note that user charges will be increased at WRAC when the Shallow Water Play and Hydrotherapy developments are complete (average of \$1.30 per visit) to recoup 45% of the increased operating costs in accordance with the Revenue and Financing Policy over the 40 year life of the new asset.*

3. **ITEM 243/05P DRAFT STRATEGIES – URBAN DEVELOPMENT,  
TRANSPORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 3)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information*
2. *Agree that the Economic Development Strategy as attached as attachment 3 be used to guide business planning and budgeting for the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-2016.*
3. *Note that further detail on strategic priorities contained in the strategies and potential impacts on other activities will be brought back to a Councillor Workshop in December 2005.*
4. *Note that a final draft of the strategies will be presented for approval in early 2006 prior to public consultation on them as part of the Draft Long Term Council Community Plan consultation process.*

4. **ITEM 244/05P LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN:  
PROCESS**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 4)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note the key inputs and timetable for the Long Term Council Community Plan process as outlined in the attached appendices 1 and 2 of the officers report.*
3. *Note the methodology and the schedule for the detailed activity review as outlined in the attached appendix 3 of the officers report.*

5. **ITEM 245/05P SUBMISSION ON DRAFT REGIONAL TRAVEL  
DEMAND STRATEGY**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 5)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*

2. *Approve the attached amended submission on the Draft Regional Travel Demand Management Strategy, subject to any changes made by the Strategy and Policy Committee.*
3. *Agree to delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive the authority to make any minor drafting changes necessary before forwarding the submission to Greater Wellington Regional Council.*

6. **ITEM 246/05P WESTERN TREATMENT PLANT, SOUTH KARORI RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS FOR WET WEATHER OVERFLOW DISCHARGE TO KARORI STREAM**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 6)

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that the discharges comprise predominantly fully treated effluent, but that it has very recently been established that during some discharge events (when flows are at the maximum capacity over a sustained period) there is potential for the discharge to include a portion of partially treated effluent.*
3. *Note that the discharges to the Karori Stream occur infrequently (average 3x/year), are of limited duration (average 8 hours), take place when there is maximum available dilution in the Karori Stream and are not having significant adverse effect on stream water quality or ecology.*
4. *Note that there is some historical and current opposition from interested parties to continuation of overflow discharges to the Karori Stream and some support for immediate replacement of the pipeline.*
5. *Note that over the past 13 years there has been significant Council investment in mitigation measures (in particular I&I works in the catchment and provision of wet weather storage) aimed at reducing the volume and/or duration of peak flows arriving at the WWTP and hence the frequency, duration and volume of overflows to the Karori Stream.*
6. *Note that there is an ongoing programme of sewer maintenance and stormwater management in the Karori Catchment, which is likely to achieve some I&I reductions.*
7. *Note that under existing consent conditions there are requirements for regular maintenance inspections of the pipeline and for any leaks to be repaired as soon as practicable after identification, and the Council will volunteer that such requirements are carried over into any replacement consents.*

7. **ITEM 247/05P EXPERT MEETING ON COMBATING RACISM IN CITIES IN ASIA AND PACIFIC, BANGKOK THAILAND, 27 – 29 OCTOBER 2005**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 7)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Note that there is a Wellington Regional Stadium Trust and a Wellington Regional Strategy Forum meeting scheduled on Thursday 27 October and a Positively Wellington Tourism and Wellington Zoo Trust meeting scheduled for Friday 28 October 2005.*
3. *Note that a report back on the meeting will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.*

8. **ITEM 248/05P MAYORAL VISIT TO SAN FRANCISCO – 3-7 AUGUST 2005**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 8)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*

9. **ITEM 249/05P FORWARD PROGRAMME**  
(1215/52/IM)(REPORT 9)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree the Forward Programme for the Strategy and Policy Committee attached at Appendix One to the officers report.*

**Robert Armstrong**  
**Chair**