7. REPORT OF THE ZERO WASTE WORKING PARTY



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

 The purpose of the report is to seek approval from the Council to the updated Terms of Reference for the Working Party.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. At its meeting of 9 February 2006 the Council approved the establishment of a Working Party consisting of Councillors Bob Shearing, Sally Buck, Graham Condon and Carole Evans to develop and recommend to the Council a solution to advance the vision, goals and targets contained in the draft Waste Management Plan 2005 and within the budget allocation to be agreed at the Council meeting of 13 February 2006.
- 3. The initial Terms of Reference were adopted by the Working Party at its meeting on 10 March 2006 and the Working Party reported back to the Council on 9 November 2006 when the Council adopted the 2006 Waste Management Plan. The Council requested that the Zero Waste Working Party continue work with officers with respect to the registrations of interest, and the ongoing implementation of the Waste Management Plan. The Working Party has met on a monthly basis to achieve this aim.
- 4. Following on from this changed role, revised Terms of Reference for the Working Party were adopted at its meeting on 16 February 2007 (see Attachment A). The formal approval of the Council to these revised Terms of Reference is now sought by the Working Party.
- 5. As a consequence of a legal opinion from the Council's Legal Service Unit, Councillor Sally Buck advised the Working Party that she had a conflict of interest in terms of her membership of the Working Party while holding a position as a trustee on the board of Terra Nova (which owns the subsidiary company Meta New Zealand Limited, which is currently involved in waste management and operation of transfer stations). Accordingly Councillor Buck submitted her resignation from the Working Party.
- 6. The Working Party does not wish to seek a replacement member for Councillor Buck and requests that the Council allow the Working Party to complete its task with the remaining three members. The Working Party intends to report back to the Council on the range of options identified on completion of the registration of interest process (ROI).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. There are no direct financial implications.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

Covered by existing budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. The Seventh Schedule of the Local Government Act 2002 allows the Council to appoint and remove members of its subcommittees and to direct any committee or subcommittee.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

10. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Page 112 of the LTCCP, level of service under Democracy and Governance and page 139 Refuse Minimalisation and Disposal refer.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Supports the Council's Waste Management Plan.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. Yes, see above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

WORKING PARTY RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council:

- (a) Confirm the revised Terms of Reference for the Zero Waste Working Party as shown in Attachment A.
- (b) Accept the resignation of Councillor Sally Buck from the Working Party and thank her for the service she has provided to the Working Party.