

11. CENTRAL PLAINS IRRIGATION STEERING COMMITTEE: COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION

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The purpose of this report is to recommend the appointment of a second Councillor to Central Plains Irrigation Steering Committee and to advise of a suggested name for the Committee.

REPRESENTATION

At its September 1999 meeting the Council approved the establishment of a special joint committee, with Selwyn District Council as the other participating local authority, to manage the completion of feasibility studies into the viability of Central Plains Irrigation schemes.

The recommendation adopted concerning membership was that each Council appoint one Councillor to the joint committee and that the balance of the committee, being four - six additional members be appointed following a publicly notified call for expressions of interest.

Councillor Harrow was appointed as the City Council's representative.

Selwyn District Council in considering the same report decided to appoint two Councillors to the Steering Committee (Councillors Heather Wilde and Jens Christensen) and in view of the approximate equality of financial resources being provided for the committee's work it is recommended that the City Council also appoint a second Councillor.

NAME

Selwyn District Council also viewed the name Central Plains Irrigation Steering Committee as too restrictive, considering the likely multi-purpose nature of any successful scheme and favoured the name Central Plains Water Enhancement Steering Committee.

Recommendation: That the Council appoint one further Councillor to the Central Plains Water Enhancement Steering Committee.

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Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.