

# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

22 FEBRUARY 2012

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## AGENDA ITEM C2

### ADOPTION OF POLICIES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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#### **Purpose of Report**

To inform Councillors of policies which are recommended for adoption by the Policy and Finance Committee.

#### **Recommendations**

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and adopt the changes to the Community Housing Policy, effective from 29 June 2011.*
3. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and adopt the changes to the Policy Manual Introduction, effective from 10 August 2011.*
4. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and adopt the Terms of Reference for SWDC Community Boards, effective from 10 August 2011.*
5. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and adopt the changes to the Protected Disclosures Act 2000, effective from 10 August 2011.*
6. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and adopt the changes to the Wairarapa Library Service Membership Policy, effective from 21 September 2011.*
7. *Accept the recommendation from the Policy and Finance Committee and agree that the Partnerships with the Private Sector Policy lapses on the 30 June 2012.*

#### **1. Executive Summary**

Recommendations for policies to be adopted made by the Policy and Finance Committee must be brought to Council for formal adoption.

The Housing Policy, Policy Manual Introduction, Terms of Reference for SWDC Community Boards, Protected Disclosures Act 2000, Wairarapa

Library Service Membership and Partnerships with the Private Sector Policy have been through the Policy and Finance Committee in 2011 and officers now request formal Council adoption.

## 2. Background

Following are the resolutions made by the Policy and Finance Committee. Changes recommended by the Policy and Finance Committee have been made and the following policies have been distributed:

- Community Housing
- Terms of Reference for SWDC Community Boards
- Protected Disclosures Act 2000

The following policies are to be updated and redistributed following Council adoption:

- Wairarapa Library Service Membership
- Policy Manual Introduction

The Policy on Significance, the Revenue and Finance Policy will be adopted by Council when the LTP draft document is adopted for public consultation.

### 2.1 The Community Housing Policy

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/18):*

1. To receive the information
2. To broaden the eligibility criteria as follows:
  - Age – 55 years of age or over, or
  - In receipt of an invalid or widow's benefit, and
  - Assets to be matched to the eligibility for subsidy to aged care facilities, WINZ or Housing NZ as appropriate.
3. That the housing policy be amended to reflect the above new criteria and changes made in the meeting.

*(Moved Cr Sexton/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

### 2.2 Policy Manual Introduction

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/23):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To adopt the updated "Policy Manual Introduction" with the changes as discussed.
3. To set the review date at May 2020.

*(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Riddell)*

Carried

## **2.3 Terms of Reference for SWDC Community Boards**

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/24):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To approve the Community Board Terms of Reference.
3. To set the review date as August 2021.

*(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Riddell)*

Carried

## **2.4 Protected Disclosures Act 2000 Policy**

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/25):*

1. To receive the information
2. To adopt the updated “Protected Disclosures Act 2000” with the changes as discussed.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Riddell)*

Carried

## **2.5 Wairarapa Library Service Membership Policy**

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/31):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To approve the policy changes to the Wairarapa Library Service Membership Policy.

*(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Stevens)*

Carried

## **2.6 Partnerships with the Private Sector Policy**

*P&F RESOLVED (P&F2011/33):*

1. To receive the information.
2. To note that there is no longer a requirement to have a policy on partnerships with the private sector.
3. To note that the current policy was a requirement for the 2009-19 LTCCP, which is operative until 30 June 2012.
4. To let the current policy lapse on 30 June 2012.

*(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Craig)*

Carried

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