

(3) The principal administrative officer of the district council shall exercise the duties, powers, and functions of the principal administrative officers of the uniting authorities.

8. Aorangi United Council—(1) The district council shall appoint 2 members to the Aorangi United Council.

(2) Those members of the Aorangi United Council appointed separately by the uniting authorities shall continue in office until such time as successors are appointed.

9. Transfer of Responsibilities—Except as otherwise provided in this order, the district of the uniting authorities:

(a) Shall have and may exercise and be responsible for all the powers, duties, acts of authority, and functions which were previously exercised, or which would have been so exercised, by the uniting authorities as if they had remained in control of their districts;

(b) Shall have and may exercise and be responsible for all liabilities, obligations, engagements, and contracts which previously were, or which would have been the responsibility of the uniting authorities;

(c) Shall have and may exercise and be responsible for all actions, suits, and proceedings pending by or against, or which would have been the responsibility of the uniting authorities;

(d) Shall succeed to the bylaws which are in force in the districts of the uniting authorities and which are applicable to the united district's circumstances and, until revoked or altered by the district council, every such bylaw shall remain in force in the area in which it was in force immediately before the union and every bylaw which cannot be restricted to the area in which it was in force immediately before the union, or which is not applicable to the united district's circumstances, shall be deemed inapplicable and revoked by the union;

(e) Shall succeed to all rates and levies, and other money payable to the uniting authorities;

(f) Shall succeed to the valuation rolls, electoral rolls, and rate records in force in the districts of the uniting authorities, and these shall remain in force in the united district until such rolls or records are made by the district council, and until that time Part XIV of the Rating Powers Act 1988 shall apply as if the united district was the district of a special purpose authority and the areas from which it was formed were constituent districts.

10. Finance—(1) Except as otherwise provided in this order, the accounts of the district council shall be kept in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Territorial Authorities) Accounting Regulations 1979.

(2) All administrative accounts, works and services accounts and special funds accounts of the uniting authorities shall be merged so as to operate as the accounts of the district council by no later than 31 March 1990.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in this order, for a period of 5 years from the date of constitution of the united district, the district shall be divided into 2 financial divisions as follows:

(a) The Waimate Urban Division, comprising the Waimate Riding; and

(b) The Waimate Rural Division, comprising the 8 other ridings.

(4) For the period during which financial divisions are applicable all rates, excluding separate rates for water and drainage districts and rates levied on behalf of other authorities, shall be raised on the basis of 72 percent from the Waimate Rural Division and 28 percent from the Waimate Urban Division.

(5) All loan liabilities existing at the date of the union shall continue to be secured against the areas over which they were secured as at that date.

(6) The special funds of the uniting authorities shall be expended only for the purposes for which they were set aside and, after provision has been made for all liabilities, for the

benefit of the district of the uniting authority in which they originated.

11. Town and Country Planning—(1) Pursuant to section 63 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1977, the district council shall not be required forthwith to prepare a new district scheme for the united district.

(2) The district planning schemes and scheme statements and codes of ordinances in force in the respective districts of the uniting authorities shall be deemed to be the district planning scheme, scheme statement and code of ordinances of the united district and they shall remain in force in the respective parts of the united district until a new district scheme is prepared for the united district under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1977.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in subclauses (1) and (2) of this clause, the steps taken by the Waimate Borough Council and the Waimate County Council pursuant to Part III (and in particular section 61) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1977 towards the preparation of a new reviewed district scheme for the borough and county shall be deemed to have been lawfully taken, and such councils are hereby authorised to proceed pursuant to section 61B of the said Act as if such new reviewed district scheme were a section of the district scheme for the new district.

12. Vesting of property—All property, real and personal, vested in the corporations of the districts of the uniting authorities shall, subject to all existing encumbrances, vest in the corporation of the district council.

13. Title and property—For the purposes of clause 12 of this scheme, any reference (expressed or implied) to "The Waimate Borough Council" or "The Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the Borough of Waimate" or "The Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Waimate" or "The Waimate County Council" or "The Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Waimate" in any instrument or other document whatever, or in any entry or record made on any document whatever, or in any entry or record made on any register in relation to any instrument or other document whatever shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be read as a reference to the Waimate District Council.

14. Local Authorities Petroleum Tax—For the purposes of Part XI of the Local Government Act 1974, the district council shall be the successor of the uniting authorities.

15. Creditors—Subject to section 37F of the Local Government Act 1974, the rights or interests of creditors of any district affected by this order shall not be affected.

16. Civil Defence Plan—The operative civil defence plans in the former districts of Waimate Borough and Waimate County shall continue in force in those areas until a new plan is approved for the whole of the new district under Part II of the Civil Defence Act 1983.

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Video Recordings Act 1987

Decision of the Video Recordings Board of Review

1. The video *Angel of Vengeance* was classified as indecent by the Video Recordings Authority.

2. The distributor, CIC Taft Video (NZ) Ltd., sought a review of the authority's decision pursuant to section 36 of the Video Recordings Act 1987 (the Act).

3. The Video Recordings Board of Review (the board), in accordance with section 38 of the Act, has re-examined the video. The board reached its determination without the need to consult with the authority or the distributor.

4. The main theme of the video centres on a small group of ex-