incurred in the levying and collecting of rates (including goods and services tax); and

(b) Paying reasonable remuneration for clerical and other work.

pay to each constituent authority an amount equal to 2 percent of the total amount of rates, including goods and services tax, collected by that constituent authority on behalf of that Council.

- (7) The Northland Regional Council and the constituent authorities may, by unanimous agreement, resolve:
- (a) That, at any time after the 1st day of July 1990, that Council shall levy and collect all or any rates directly; or
- (b) That, at any time after the 1st day of July 1990, the amount payable by that Council to each constituent authority, pursuant to subclause (6) of this clause, may be increased or decreased or calculated in accordance with a formula not based upon a percentage.

22 REGIONAL PLANNING SCHEME

- (1) The Northland Regional Council shall not be required to prepare a new regional planning scheme immediately.
- (2) The approved regional planning schemes and the proposed regional planning schemes under the Town and Country Planning Act 1977 of the former authorities shall be deemed to be the approved, or as the case may be the proposed, regional planning scheme of the Northland Region.
- (3) Where any former authority had, prior to its dissolution, begun the preparation of any review of its regional planning scheme or any change or variation thereof, then subject to any resolution of the Northland Regional Council to the contrary, all such preparation shall be deemed to have been done by, or on behalf of, the Northland Regional Council, and may be adopted and acted upon by it.

23 CIVIL DEFENCE

The operative regional civil defence plans of the former Northland and Auckland Regions shall continue in force in those areas included in the Northland Region until a new plan is approved for the whole region, in accordance with the Civil Defence Act 1983.

24 VESTING OF PROPERTY

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this order, all property, real and personal, vested in the corporations of any former authority and situated in the Northland Region is hereby vested in the corporation of the Northland Regional Council, subject to all existing encumbrances.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this order, all property, real and personal, vested in the corporation of any former authority and situated in a region in which that former authority is not also a former authority is hereby vested in the corporation of the Northland Regional Council, subject to all existing encumbrances.

25 TITLE TO PROPERTY

Any reference, express or implied, to any former authority in any instrument or other document, or in any entry or record made in any register in relation to any property vested in the Northland Regional Council by clause 24 of this order shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be read as a reference to "The Northland Regional Council".

26 TRANSITIONAL COMMITTEE

- (1) The local authorities named in subclause (2) of this clause shall unite in appointing a transitional committee for the Northland Region.
- (2) The local authorities to which this clause applies shall be:
 - (a) The former Northland Regional Council; and
 - (b) The Mangonui District Noxious Plants Authority; and
 - (c) The Whangaroa District Noxious Plants Authority; and

- (d) The Hokianga District Noxious Plants Authority; and
- (e) The Bay of Islands District Noxious Plants Authority; and
 - (f) The Whangarei District Noxious Plants Authority; and
 - (g) The Hobson District Noxious Plants Authority; and
 - (h) The Otamatea District Noxious Plants Authority; and
 - (i) The Mangonui County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (i) The Hokianga County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (k) The Whangaroa County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (I) The Bay of Islands County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (m) The Whangarei County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (n) The Hobson County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (o) The Otamatea County Pest Destruction Board; and
 - (p) The Northland Harbour Board.

27 MEMBERSHIP OF TRANSITIONAL COMMITTEE

The transitional committee for the Northland Region shall consist of:

- (a) Three members appointed by the former Northland Regional Council; and
- (b) Two members appointed by the Northland Harbour Board; and
- (c) One member appointed jointly by the district noxious plants authorities and the pest destruction boards named in paragraphs (b) to (o) of clause 26 (2) of this order; and
- (d) One officer appointed by each local authority named in paragraphs (a) and (p) of clause 26(2) of this order who shall be non-voting members of the transitional committee; and
- (e) One officer appointed jointly by the district noxious plants authorities and the pest destruction boards named in paragraphs (b) to (o) of clause 26(2) of this order, who shall be a non-voting member of the transitional committee; and
- (f) The Chief Executive designate, when appointed in accordance with clause 30 of this order, who shall be a non-voting member of the transitional committee; and
- (g) One member appointed by the New Zealand Council of Trade Unions, being an employee of a local authority named in clause 26(2) of this order, who shall be a non-voting member of the transitional committee.

28 NO CASTING VOTE

The Chairperson of the transitional committee for the Northland Region or other person presiding at any meeting of the committee shall not have a casting vote in the case of equality of votes.

29 EXCLUSION OF NON-VOTING MEMBERS

The transitional committee for the Northland Region may resolve to exclude any non-voting member of that committee from any meeting or part of a meeting where it proposes to consider any matter that affects that member personally.

30 OBLIGATION OF TRANSITIONAL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The transitional committee for the Northland Region shall appoint a person to be the Chief Executive of the Northland Regional Council.

31 PRINCIPAL LOCAL AUTHORITY

The principal local authority for the transitional committee for the Northland Region shall be the former Northland Regional Council.

32 COSTS OF TRANSITIONAL COMMITTEE

(1) The costs of the transitional committee for the Northland Region (including the costs of providing administrative