

(g) The Returning Officer for the Wairarapa Constituency shall be the Returning Officer for the Masterton District.

(2) The first election of the Wellington Regional Council shall be conducted by postal vote.

14 FIRST MEETING

(1) The principal administrative officer of the Wellington Regional Council:

(a) Shall convene the first meeting of that Council; and

(b) Shall preside at the first meeting of that Council until the election of the Chairperson of that Council.

(2) The first meeting of the Wellington Regional Council shall be held no later than the 14th day of November 1989.

15 CHIEF EXECUTIVE

(1) The Chief Executive of the Wellington Regional Council shall be the person appointed to that position in accordance with clause 33 of this order.

(2) The Chief Executive shall be the principal administrative officer of the Wellington Regional Council.

16 FUNCTIONS, DUTIES, AND POWERS

The functions, duties, and powers of the Wellington Regional Council shall be:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this order, the functions, duties, and powers of a regional council under—

(i) The Local Government Act 1974; and

(ii) The Urban Transport Act 1980; and

(iii) Any public Act relating to the Wellington Regional Council or any of the former authorities and not expressly referred to in this clause; and

(iv) Any local Act relating to the Wellington Regional Council or any of the former authorities; and

(b) The functions, duties, and powers in relation to regional planning of a regional council under the Town and Country Planning Act 1977 or any other Act; and

(c) The functions, duties, and powers in relation to maritime planning of a maritime planning authority under the Town and Country Planning Act 1977 or any other Act; and

(d) The functions, duties, and powers of a catchment board and a regional water board under the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941, the Water and Soil Conservation Act 1967 and of the former Wellington Regional Council under the Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972, or any other Act; and

(e) The functions, duties, and powers in relation to civil defence of a regional council under the Civil Defence Act 1983 or any other Act; and

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this order, the functions, duties, and powers of a harbour board under the Harbours Act 1950 and the Marine Pollution Act 1974 or any other Act; and

(g) The functions, duties, and powers of a pest destruction board under the Agricultural Pests Destruction Act 1967 or any other Act; and

(h) The functions, duties, and powers of a district noxious plants authority under the Noxious Plants Act 1978 or any other Act; and

(i) The provision of bulk water supplies for the territorial authority districts within the Wellington Region, with the exception of the Masterton District, the Carterton District, the South Wairarapa District, and the Kapiti Coast District.

17 WAIRARAPA COMMITTEE

(1) The Wellington Regional Council shall establish and maintain a committee, to be known as "The Wairarapa Committee", comprising:

(a) Those members of the Wellington Regional Council elected from the Wairarapa Constituency; and

(b) Three other persons appointed by the Wellington Regional Council, after consultation with the district councils in the Wairarapa Constituency, who are themselves resident in the Wairarapa Constituency; and

(c) The Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Council.

(2) The Chairperson of the Wairarapa Committee shall be appointed by the Wellington Regional Council from the members elected to the Wellington Regional Council from the Wairarapa Constituency.

(3) The Wairarapa Committee may request the Wellington Regional Council to appoint other persons from the Wairarapa Constituency, with special knowledge of the Wairarapa Constituency, to the Wairarapa Committee.

(4) The function of the Wairarapa Committee shall be to consider and make recommendations on all matters affecting the Wairarapa Constituency which the Wellington Regional Council refers to it.

(5) Subject to section 114Q of the Local Government Act 1974, the Wellington Regional Council may delegate any matter to the Wairarapa Committee with power to act.

(6) The Wairarapa Committee may, of its own motion, consider any matter of concern to the Wairarapa Constituency and refer it with a recommendation to the Wellington Regional Council.

18 RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(1) The Wellington Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, establish and maintain a Rural Services Committee.

(2) The Rural Services Committee shall be responsible for:

(a) Agricultural pests destruction; and

(b) Noxious plants control; and

(c) Any other functions considered by the Wellington Regional Council to be of particular concern to the rural community.

(3) The persons appointed by the Wellington Regional Council to the Rural Services Committee established under this clause shall include not less than two persons:

(a) Who are not members of that Council; but

(b) Who, in the opinion of the Council, have knowledge that will assist the work of the Committee.

19 JOINT COMMITTEE

(1) The Wellington Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, unite with the Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council in appointing a joint committee.

(2) This joint committee shall comprise an equal number of representatives appointed by the Councils named in sub-clause (1) of this clause.

(3) The functions of this joint committee shall be:

(a) Co-ordinating planning for the control of those agricultural pests and noxious plants of particular concern in relation to their regions; and

(b) Co-ordinating action on such other matters as those councils are jointly interested in.

20 REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

(1) The Wellington Regional Council shall establish and maintain a Regional Land Transport Committee.

(2) The Regional Land Transport Committee shall be responsible for:

(a) Regional roading, under Part XXII of the Local Government Act 1974; and

(b) Such transport or other roading responsibilities as may from time to time, pursuant to any Act, become a function of a regional council; and