

17 RANGITAIKI DRAINAGE AREA

(1) The area of the former Rangitaiki Drainage District shall be deemed to be a drainage area constituted under section 504 of the Local Government Act 1974.

(2) Notwithstanding anything else in this order, sections 9 to 16 and section 19 of the Rangitaiki Land Drainage Act 1956 shall continue to apply to the area of the former Rangitaiki Drainage District.

18 RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(1) The Bay of Plenty 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 Bay of Plenty Regional Council to be of particular concern to the rural community.

(3) The persons appointed by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to the Rural Services Committee established under this clause shall include not less than 2 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 COMMITTEES

(1) The Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, unite with the Waikato Regional Council, the Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council, the Taranaki Regional Council and the Hawke's Bay Regional Council in appointing a joint committee, comprising an equal number of representatives of those councils, for the purposes of:

(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.

(2) The Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, unite with the Hawke's Bay Regional Council and the Gisborne District Council in appointing a joint committee, comprising an equal number of representatives of those councils, for the purposes of:

(a) Co-ordinating planning for the control of those agricultural pests and noxious plants of particular concern in relation to their regions, and in the case of the Gisborne District Council, in relation to its district; and

(b) Co-ordinating the performance of the functions, duties, and powers of a catchment board and a regional water board in respect to those areas of the Gisborne District not wholly within a water catchment; and

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

20 REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

(1) The Bay of Plenty 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

(c) Such other functions as the Bay of Plenty Regional Council considers appropriate.

21 HARBOUR COMMITTEE

(1) The Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, establish and maintain a Tauranga Harbour Committee.

(2) The Tauranga Harbour Committee shall be responsible for:

(a) Navigation and safety within those areas within harbour limits for which the Bay of Plenty Regional Council is, from time to time, responsible; and

(b) Any other matter associated with the regulation of those areas other than maritime planning; and

(c) Such other functions as that Council considers appropriate.

(3) The persons appointed by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to the Tauranga Harbour Committee established under this clause shall include not less than 2 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.

22 ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS

Until the Bay of Plenty Regional Council otherwise resolves, the administration headquarters of that Council shall be located in Whakatane.

23 RATING

(1) Without limiting the powers of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council under the Rating Powers Act 1988 to make and levy any rate under a different system of rating, the system of rating in the Bay of Plenty Region shall be the land value system.

(2) The Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall exercise within the Bay of Plenty Region or any part thereof:

(a) Any rating powers possessed by any former authority; and

(b) Any powers to make and levy assessments relating to the functions and powers possessed by any former authority.

(3) Subject to subclause (7) of this clause, and until at least the 30th day of June 1992, all rates made by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall be levied and collected by the constituent authorities of the Bay of Plenty Region as if an agreement had been made under section 127(1) of the Rating Powers Act 1988.

(4) Where a rate to which subclause (3) of this clause applies has been made on a different rating system to that which applies in the district of the constituent authority by which the rate is to be collected, that rate shall be levied and collected by the constituent authority:

(a) On the system of rating in force in the district of the constituent authority; or

(b) On the system of rating upon which the rate was made by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council.

(5) Where any rate to which subclause (3) of this clause applies is made by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council in respect to an area of benefit, it shall be levied and collected by the constituent authority or authorities within which that area of benefit is located and, where appropriate, according to any graduated scale applying to that rate.

(6) Subject to subclause (7) of this clause, the Bay of Plenty Regional Council shall, for the purpose of:

(a) Reimbursing each constituent authority for costs 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.