

17 RURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

(3) The persons appointed by the Auckland 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.

18 AUCKLAND-WAIKATO INTER-REGIONAL COMMITTEE

(1) The Auckland Regional Council and the Waikato Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, unite in appointing a joint committee to be known as "The Auckland-Waikato Inter-Regional Committee".

(2) The Auckland-Waikato Inter-Regional Committee shall consist of:

(a) Three persons appointed by the Auckland Regional Council; and

(b) Three persons appointed by the Waikato Regional Council.

(3) The functions of the Auckland-Waikato Inter-Regional Committee shall be:

(a) Considering and reporting to the Auckland Regional Council and the Waikato Regional Council on all matters which are functions of either regional council and which have a significance to both regions; and

(b) Co-ordinating action on such other matters as may be referred to the Committee by either regional council.

19 REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

(1) The Auckland 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 Auckland Regional Council considers appropriate.

20 HARBOUR COMMITTEE

(1) The Auckland Regional Council shall, at least until the 1st day of November 1995, establish and maintain an Auckland Harbour Committee.

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

(a) Navigation and safety within those areas within harbour limits for which the Auckland 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 Auckland Regional Council to the Auckland 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.

21 ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS

The administration headquarters of the Auckland Regional Council shall be located in the Auckland City.

22 RATING

(1) This clause shall be read subject to the provisions of sections 58 to 67 of the Auckland Regional Authority Act 1963.

(2) Without limiting the powers of the Auckland 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 Auckland Region shall be the land value system.

(3) The Auckland Regional Council shall exercise within the Auckland 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.

(4) Subject to subclause (8) of this clause, and until at least the 30th day of June 1992, all rates made by the Auckland Regional Council shall be levied and collected by the constituent authorities of the Auckland Region as if an agreement had been made under section 127(1) of the Rating Powers Act 1988.

(5) Where a rate to which subclause (4) 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 Auckland Regional Council.

(6) Where any rate to which subclause (4) of this clause applies is made by the Auckland Regional Council in respect of 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.

(7) Subject to subclause (8) of this clause, the Auckland 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.

(8) The Auckland 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 (7) of this clause, may be increased or decreased or calculated in accordance with a formula not based upon a percentage.

23 REGIONAL PLANNING

(1) The Auckland Regional Council shall not be required to prepare a new regional planning scheme immediately.

(2) The approved regional planning scheme and the proposed