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# REPORT SUMMARY

**Report to:** Engineering Services Committee

Meeting Date: 15 September 2011

Report Author David Stephenson

Subject: Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report updates the committee on the development of a joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (with Nelson City Council) and seeks approval for substitution of a member on the Working Party.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the report be received.

## **DRAFT RESOLUTION**

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan report, RESC11-09-05 and;

THAT Councillor Edgar be nominated to represent Council on the joint Waste Working Party to replace Councillor Maling as outlined in the report, RESC11-09-05.



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#### 1. Purpose

1.1 This report updates the committee on the development of a joint waste management and minimisation plan with Nelson City Council and seeks for nomination of a substitute member on the working party.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The Waste Minimisation Act 2008 requires that Council review its Waste Management and Minimisation Plan ("WMMP", formerly a Waste Management Plan) prior to July 2012. The Act requires a "Waste Assessment" to be completed prior to this review (and subsequent amendment or replacement of the Plan).
- 2.2 A joint Waste Assessment was completed with Nelson City in early 2010 and accepted by the Councils as the basis for development of a WMMP (ESC10-04-06). In November 2010 the working party was enlarged to include three elected members from each Council. The committee resolved to nominate Councillors Dowler, Bryant and Maling to represent Council on the joint working party (ESC10-11-13).
- 2.3 The joint waste working party met on 19 August 2011 to commence development of the joint plan. Members of the working party agreed in principle to a vision, goals and working principles for the plan and agreed the terms of reference. The working party was joined by representatives of the Medical Officer of Health, who has a statutory role in the development of the plan.

#### 3. Present Situation/Matters to be Considered

3.1 At the 19 August 2011 Councillor Edgar volunteered to substitute for Councillor Maling who was unable to attend subsequent meetings. Councillor Edgar was subsequently elected chair of the working party.



3.2 This report seeks a resolution from the committee for Councillor Edgar to replace Councillor Maling on the working party.

## 4. Financial/Budgetary Considerations

4.1 There are no financial or budgetary implications of this decision.

### 5. Options

- 5.1 The Committee nominates Councillor Edgar as a member of the working party to replace Councillor Maling.
- 5.2 The Committee nominates an alternative replacement Councillor.
- 5.3 Councillor Maling remains a member of the working party, but is absent from some meetings due to unavailability.

# 6. Pros and Cons of Options

- 6.1 Councillor Edgar is an active participant in the working party and has been elected chair. Removal of Councillor Edgar from this position may impact on progress of the working party.
- 6.2 Leaving Councillor Maling (who is unable to attend all meetings) or nomination of an alternative Councillor on the working party is likely to reduce Council's input to the development of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.

#### 7. Evaluation of Options

7.1 It is considered that nomination of Councillor Edgar is in the Councils' best interests for development of the WMMP.

#### 8. Significance

8.1 This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Significance Policy because the Working Party has no decision-making delegations.

#### 9. Recommendation

9.1 That the report be received.



#### 10. Timeline/Next Steps

- 10.1 An indicative timeline of upcoming actions is attached (**Appendix 1**). The working party met on 2 September 2011 to consider objectives, policies and methods for the plan. A third meeting is scheduled for 21 September 2011 to finalise the plan.
- 10.2 Staff expect to present the draft WMMP to the Committee for approval on 27 October 2011. Following the approval of the Committee (and Nelson City Council) the draft WMMP will be released in early November for public consultation (through a special consultative process). Submissions are expected to close in early December 2011.
- 10.3 Joint hearings are expected to occur in early February 2011 and each Council will need to nominate members of a joint hearings panel (and any appropriate delegations).
- 10.4 Adoption of the final WMMP is proposed for each Council in mid March 2012. This will enable the plan to be adopted prior to consideration of submissions to the Long Term Plans of each Council.

#### 11. Draft Resolution

- 11.1 THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan report, RESC11-09-05 and;
- 11.2 THAT Councillor Edgar be nominated to represent Council on the joint Waste Working Party to replace Councillor Maling as outlined in the report, RESC11-09-05.

## **Appendices:**

Appendix 1: Proposed timeline: Joint Waste Management and Minimisation