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**REPORT 6**  
(1215/52/IM)

**Report of the Council Controlled Organisation Performance  
Subcommittee  
Meeting of Monday 5 December 2011**

**Members: Mayor Wade-Brown, Denise Church, Alan Isaac (Chair), Councillors  
Coughlan, Marsh and Ritchie.**

**THE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:**

1. **ITEM 045/11FM REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE OF ALL COUNCIL  
CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED  
30 SEPTEMBER 2011**  
(1215/52/02/IM) (REPORT 1)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Note the following matters with regard to the first quarter 2011/12  
performance of Council Controlled Organisations:*
  - (a) *The Basin Reserve Trust had a strong quarter of activity as a  
result of hosting four training sessions as part of Rugby World  
Cup 2011. Work continues on completing maintenance work  
identified in the Shand Shelton report, and the trial night time  
closure of the ground is being well received.*
  - (b) *For the first quarter, Capacity overspent relative to budget on  
capex for Wellington City Council. No year-end variance is  
expected at this stage. Construction on the Tacy Street  
stormwater pump station and the Messines Road reservoir  
continues.*
  - (c) *Positively Wellington Tourism was heavily involved in the  
planning and delivery of Rugby World Cup 2011 events and has  
reported a very strong quarter across all of its key performance  
areas.*

- (d) *Positively Wellington Venues had its first quarter of operation with the St James Theatre and Opera House fully merged into the business structure. Venue utilisation is tracking well, despite the anticipated drop-off of corporate business during the Rugby World Cup 2011 period. Progress continues towards the wind up of the St James Theatre Trust in quarter two.*
- (e) *Cable car passenger numbers for the quarter were 221,962, which was 11% below budget and 3% below the same period last year. Passenger numbers in the quarter were impacted by the cable car breakdown in August, following the snow storm.*
- (f) *Overall, visitor numbers for the Museums Trust in quarter one were 124,782, 12% short of its quarterly target. Museum of Wellington performed particularly well; but City Gallery, Carter Observatory, Capital E and Cable Car Museum were all below their quarterly targets. However, repeat visitation to the Trust's museums and gallery spaces was 42% for the quarter, well above the 27% reported for the same period last year.*
- (g) *Wellington Waterfront Limited helped facilitate numerous events on the waterfront associated with Rugby World Cup 2011. Preparation work has continued on the Overseas Passenger Terminal development project. Wellington Waterfront Limited's Asset Management Plan was signed off by the auditors during the quarter.*
- (h) *Quarter one visitation for Wellington Zoo of 51,608 was ahead of target by 9,590 and ahead of last year by 7,077. Zoo management attribute the increase to favourable word of mouth and press around Happy Feet and other new exhibits.*
- (i) *Wellington Regional Stadium Trust had a good first quarter. The Stadium hosted eleven events, including four Rugby World Cup events, and tracked above budget.*
- (j) *The Karori Sanctuary Trust exceeded its quarterly visitor target by 3% and last year's quarter one result by 9.7%, mainly due to pre-booked tours to see Sirocco. A number of strategies have been implemented to enhance the education and visitor experience. At the last Council Controlled Organisations Performance Subcommittee meeting, the Subcommittee requested that the Trust provide any request for operational funding support from the Council by 30 November 2011.*

2. **ITEM 046/11FM ANNUAL REPORT FOR WELLINGTON CABLE CAR LIMITED 2010/11**  
(1215/52/02/IM) (REPORT 3)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Note the following:*
  - (a) *Wellington Cable Car Limited had a good year in 2010/11. On an underlying basis, the Company exceeded its budget forecast and is making progress on plans for the redevelopment of the Kelburn terminal. However, passenger numbers were below budget and last year.*

3. **ITEM 047/11FM 2012/13 LETTERS OF EXPECTATION TO COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS**  
(1215/52/02/IM) (REPORT 4)

*THAT the Strategy and Policy Committee:*

1. *Note the key messages to be included in the 2012/13 Letters of Expectation to Council Controlled Organisations, as confirmed by the Subcommittee and attached as appendix 1.*

**Alan Isaac**  
**Chair**