

5.5 Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee Update

The Council Secretary provided a report to update the Council on the recent activity of the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee. The Council's representative on the committee, Mayor Dalley, provided a further oral update at the meeting.

Mayor Dalley advised that the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee signed off its Zone Implementation Programme (ZIP) at its 18 July meeting and this would be translated into a draft Regional Plan. He said the Council and the committee would need to keep a close eye on this process to ensure the Regional Plan reflects the intent of the ZIP.

Cr Little expressed his congratulations to the Committee for achieving the results it had and asked if there was any dissent. Mayor Dalley reminded councillors that there was no voting around the committee table as it takes a consensus approach, but the ZIP was signed off by all members.

Cr Daly said that local people would be closely following the issue of Waiiau River minimum flows and Mayor Dalley said flows would be unchanged until changes in development occurred. Cr Daly noted that the committee agreed to better gauging of both water quality and quantity in the river to address the dearth of recording.

Mayor Dalley commented that the ZIP has far-reaching implications and he suggested that the youth councillors in attendance may wish to review the document and provide input.

In response to a question from Cr Davison, officers noted that the Hurunui District Council would continue to provide \$28,000 to run the committee but the Canterbury Regional Council would pay most of the ongoing monitoring and implementation costs associated with the ZIP.

THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

McKendry/R Black

CARRIED

Presentation to Jolanda Simon, long-serving staff member

Mayor Dalley made a presentation to Jolanda Simon, Information and Technology Services Manager and commented that Jolanda had provided excellent and valued service to the Hurunui District Council for approximately 19 years and he wished her well with her future career.

Jolanda Simon thanked the Council and said that in her new role with a neighbouring local authority she would look forward to continuing strong relationships and exploring shared services opportunities.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30am for morning tea and reconvened at 10.45am. Cr M Black left the meeting at the morning tea break.

**MINUTES OF 380TH MEETING OF ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY
AND 25TH MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL, 2 NORMAN KIRK DRIVE, ROLLESTON
ON THURSDAY, 25 AUGUST 2011 AT 8.35 A.M.**

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PRESENT

Commissioners Dame Margaret Bazley (Chair), David Bedford, David Caygill, Donald Couch, Tom Lambie, Peter Skelton and Rex Williams

IN ATTENDANCE

David Eder, John Faulkner, Andrew Harris, Michele Hawke, and Tony Hawker of the Hurunui-Waiu Zone Committee. The Hon Dr Nick Smith, Minister for the Environment.

MANAGEMENT AND OFFICERS PRESENT

Bill Bayfield (Chief Executive), Wayne Thomas (Deputy Chief Executive), Jill Atkinson (Director Regional Programmes), Kim Drummond (Director Resource Management), Wayne Holton-Jeffreys (Acting Director Operations), Don Rule (Director Resource Planning and Consents) Mark Vermeeren (Acting Director Finance and Corporate Services), Francis Pauwels (Programme Director Canterbury Water Management Strategy), Christina Robb (Programme Director Water and Land), Dirk Brand (Acting Regional Planning Manager), Ross Campbell (Property, Parks and Forests Manager), Tania Harris (Consents Manager), Neil Pilbrow (Manager Democracy Services), David Stenhouse (Acting Passenger Services Manager), Katherine Trought (Communications and Marketing Manager), Kristi Gray (Stakeholder Relations and Communications Advisor), Simon Milner (Senior Strategy Advisor), Andrew Parrish (Principal Planner Flows), Gerald Raymond (Senior Communications Advisor Water and Land), Phil Roberts (Communication Officer), Charlene Smart (Communications Officer), Don Vattala (Senior Planner) Tami Woods (Team Leader Flows) and Louise McDonald (Senior Administration Officer)

INTRODUCTION

Dame Margaret Bazley welcomed everyone to the meeting. She advised that the members of the Hurunui Zone Committee would be joining the meeting for item 8.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. MINUTES

Resolved

That the Council confirms as a true and correct record and adopts the minutes of the meeting held on 28 July 2011.

Dame Margaret Bazley/Peter Skelton

4. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

5. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no deputations or petitions.

Item 12 was taken at this time.

12. PUBLIC EXCLUDED

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- 12.1 Christchurch West Melton Zone Committee Appointments***
- 12.2 Banks Peninsula Zone Committee Appointments***
- 12.3 Chaney's Lot 1 Lease***
- 12.4 Finance and Audit Committee report***
- 12.5 Urban Development Strategy Implementation***

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>Christchurch West Melton Zone Committee Appointments</i>	<i>That good reason exists for not discussing the matter with the public present and is not outweighed by the public interest.</i>	<i>Section 48(1)(a)</i>
<i>Banks Peninsula Zone Committee Appointments</i>		
<i>Chaney's Lot 1 Lease</i>		
<i>Finance and Audit Committee report</i>		
<i>Urban Development Strategy Implementation</i>		

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

12.1 & 12.2 Protect the privacy of natural persons – Section 7(2)(a)

12.3, 12.3 & 12.5 Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations Section 7 (2) (i)

And that the appropriate Council officers remain to provide advice to the Council.

Dame Margaret Bazley/David Bedford

The meeting went into public excluded session from 8.42 to 9.26 am.

DECISIONS CONFIRMED IN OPEN MEETING

Resolved

That the following decisions be confirmed in the open meeting:

- *Christchurch West Melton Zone Committee Appointments*
- *Banks Peninsula Zone Committee Appointments*

Christchurch-West Melton Zone Water Management Committee

That the Council:

- (a) *Notes the Christchurch-West Melton Zone Water Management Committee is a Joint Committee of the Canterbury Regional Council, Christchurch City Council and Selwyn District Council.*
- (b) *Appoints Ann Winstanley, Deidre Francis, Hugh Thorpe, Ian Fox, Jon Harding, Martin Maguire and Robert Wynn-Williams as the community representatives of the Christchurch-West Melton Water Management Zone Committee.*
- (c) *Approves the amendments to the terms of reference for the Christchurch-West Melton Zone Committee.*

Banks Peninsula Zone Water Management Committee

That the Council:

- (a) *Notes the Banks Peninsula Zone Water Management Committee is a Joint Committee of the Canterbury Regional Council and Christchurch City Council.*
- (b) *Appoints Pam Richardson, Yvette Couch-Lewis, Stephen Lowndes, Richard Simpson and Kevin Simcock as the community representatives of the Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee.*
- (c) *Approves the amendments to the terms of reference for the Banks Peninsula Zone Committee.*

Commissioner Couch abstained from voting on this item, as he is related to one of the nominees.

David Caygill/Tom Lambie

ITEMS FOR DECISION

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL PASSENGER TRANSPORT PLAN

Rex Williams introduced this item.

Resolved

That Council:

- a) *notes that appropriate consultation, with operators and the New Zealand Transport Agency has been undertaken around the proposed changes to the Canterbury Regional Passenger Transport Plan;*
- b) *amends the Canterbury Regional Passenger Transport Plan as outlined in Attachment 1 to enable a renegotiation of all urban service contracts with operators using the Public Transport Operating Model;*
- c) *approves the minor service changes proposed as part of this contract renegotiation process; and*
- d) *notes that further service change proposals may be brought to Council following approval of an appropriate Order in Council to facilitate this.*

Rex Williams/Tom Lambie

7. NOTIFICATION OF THE PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 2 TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES REGIONAL PLAN AND WITHDRAWAL OF VARIATION RELATING TO THE CONWAY RIVER

Peter Skelton introduced this item and provided background to the process from the variation proposal to the current Plan Change proposal.

Resolved

That Council approves:

(1) Proposed Plan Change 2 to the Natural Resources Regional Plan, and the Section 32 Report (Attachments 1 and 2) for public notification on Saturday 10 September 2011; and

(2) The public notification of the withdrawal of Variation 7 to the Proposed Natural Resources Regional Plan on Saturday 10 September 2011.

Peter Skelton/David Bedford

Items 9, 10 and 11 were taken at this time

9. UPDATE TO REGULATORY DELEGATIONS

Peter Skelton spoke to this item. A copy of the proposed revised Regulatory Delegations (25 August 2011) was tabled.

Resolved

That the Council approves the Regulatory Delegations.

Peter Skelton/David Bedford

10. REPORT OF REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Rex Williams presented the report of the meeting of the Regional Transport Committee held on 1 August 2011.

Resolved

That the report of the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee meeting on 1 August 2011 be received.

Rex Williams/Tom Lambie

11. REPORT OF FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

David Bedford presented the report of the meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee held on 18 August 2011.

Resolved

That the report of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held on 18 August 2011 be received; and

That the matter for Council decision (Kilmore Street offices demolition and repairs to building be approved:

That any recommendation for action and to expend any money required to either carry out reinstatement repairs or demolition of buildings deemed dangerous or beyond

practical or economic repair, within the funds available from the insurance cover held on the buildings, be referred to the Finance and Audit Committee for approval.

David Bedford/Rex Williams

8. HURUNUI WAIU ZONE IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME

Dame Margaret Bazley welcomed David Eder, John Faulkner, Andrew Harris, Michele Hawke and Tony Hawker of the Hurunui-Waiu Zone to the meeting. She congratulated the Zone Committee on preparing their Implementation Programme, which was achieved in a short time frame. The Minister is interested in this and was planning to join the meeting for this item.

David Caygill invited the Zone Committee to present their programme to the Council.

David Eder, Zone Committee Chair, acknowledged the calibre of members of the committee and apologised that some were unable to be at this meeting as they were attending a Hurunui District Council meeting. He was pleased to present to Environment Canterbury the Hurunui Waiu Zone Implementation Committee Programme (ZIP) and highlighted the following points:

- This is an integrated approach to water quality, quantity and land use. Land use is the greatest challenge and a community based structure is essential.
- The need for the people in the community to be well resourced and to have leadership and commitment from Environment Canterbury as the lead agency.
- Acknowledgement that the water quality in some rivers was not as good as it should be.
- Water management needs to be on a catchment basis.
- Thanks to Environment Canterbury staff for their advice and especially to James Hoban and Ian Whitehouse.

Michele Hawke spoke about biodiversity. Initially they had chosen some projects to be involved in and were now looking to be more strategic. Environment Canterbury has provided advice and the Zone Committee were also asking the community for input. There were lots of opportunities including working with runanga, schools and the Council to improve wetlands.

John Faulkner and Tony Hawker both referred to the diversity of views and opinions held by zone members and the community, and how the process of developing the ZIP had provided a good opportunity for people to understand other peoples' views and build relationships. Building these relationships will be very important for the success of the land use and water quality projects.

Tony Hawker encouraged the Council to work with the Zone Committee to resolve any issues with the ZIP, its implementation and its relationship with the regional plan.

Andrew Harris explained that the committee is looking to set up cluster groups to facilitate the link of research from the universities to farmers.

Dame Margaret welcomed the Minister Nick Smith who joined the meeting at 10.08 am.

David Caygill expressed his appreciation to the Zone Committee for their work, effort and community engagement. The development of the first ZIP was a very important step in the implementation of the Canterbury Water Management Strategy.

Resolved

That the Council

(a) Receives the Hurunui-Waiu Zone Implementation Programme

(b) Notes the content and that this is the first of eleven implementation programmes and is a substantial contribution to implementing the Canterbury water management Strategy

- (c) **Endorses the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Implementation Programme as the basis for the design and realignment of work programmes, for drafting regional plan provisions and for preparation of a draft Long Term Plan**
- (d) **Notes that:**
- (i) **many of the recommendations in the Zone Implementation Programme are being addressed through existing Environment Canterbury work programmes**
 - (ii) **any further adjustments in work programmes that are necessary to address recommendations in the Zone Implementation Programme will be discussed with Commissioners; and**
 - (iii) **recommendations relating to implementation of the Land Use and Water Quality programme are expected to be included in all implementation programmes and discussion on the region-wide implementation will form part of the Long Term Plan discussions.**
- (d) **Acknowledges the work of the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee, Ian Whitehouse and staff.**

David Caygill/David Bedford

Minister Dr Nick Smith congratulated the Zone Committee and said he was encouraged by the progress made in a short time frame. This collaborative model will guide other zone committees, and work through out New Zealand.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

14. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

15. EXTRAORDINARY AND URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

16. NEXT MEETING – 29 September 2011


17. CLOSURE

Dame Margaret declared the meeting closed at 10.24 a.m.

CONFIRMED

DATE

29/9/11



CHAIRPERSON