



LOWER WAITAKI - SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE

**A MEETING of the LOWER WAITAKI - SOUTH COASTAL
CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE will be held as follows:**

Date: Wednesday 19 July 2017
Time: 1.00pm
Venue: Waimate Event Centre, Paul Street, Waimate

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Kate White (Chair)	Suzanne Eddington
Andrew Feierabend	Mark Giles (Deputy Chair)
Sandra Hampstead-Tipene	Andrew Hayes
Jeremy Holding	Mark Kingsbury
Miriam Morton	Bruce Murphy
Brent Packman	Elizabeth Rollinson
Ranui Ryan	Peter Scott

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ZONE COMMITTEE
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19 July 2017, 1.00pm**

No Time Page Item

Karakia and Welcome

	1.00pm		Permanent Items Apologies Declarations of Interest Minutes – 21 June 2017 Matters Arising Correspondence Regional Committee update Facilitator update
	1.15pm		Zone Delivery Verbal Progress Update (Chris Eccleston)
1	1.30pm	7	South Coastal Canterbury Plan Change 3: Status Update & Implementation Advisory Group Proposal (Julia Forsyth / Nic Newman)
2	2.00pm	9	Lower Waitaki Plan Change 5: Update on Status and Proposal Community Meetings (Julia Forsyth / Nic Newman) Update from Waitaki Irrigators Collective (Elizabeth Soal)
	2.30pm		Afternoon Tea
3	2.45pm	10	Zone Committee Research into Water Governance in New Zealand (Elizabeth Soal) Upcoming Committee Membership Refresh (Nic Newman)
	3.15pm		General Business / General Public

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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF A LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE WAIMATE EVENT CENTRE, WAIMATE ON WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2017, AT 1.00PM

PRESENT	Kate White (Chair, Community), Suzanne Eddington (Waihao Runanga), Sandra Hampstead-Tipene (Arowhenua Runanga), Andrew Hayes (Community), Mark Giles (Deputy Chair, Community), Mark Kingsbury (Community), Bruce Murphy (Community), Brent Packman (Community), and Cr Peter Scott (Environment Canterbury), Liz Rollinson (Community), Ranui Ryan (Moeraki Runanga)
APOLOGIES	Andrew Feierabend (Meridian Energy), Cr Jeremy Holding (Waitaki District Council), Cr Miriam Morton (Waimate District Council) Nic Newman (Zone Facilitator – ECan)
ABSENT	Ranui Ryan (Moeraki Runanga)
IN ATTENDANCE	Olivia Smith (Acting Zone Facilitator – ECan) Karalyn Reid (Committee Secretary, Waimate District Council)

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting, and asked Peter Ramsden to open the meeting with a karakia.

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Andrew Feierabend (Meridian Energy), Cr Jeremy Holding (Waitaki District Council), and Cr Miriam Morton (Waimate District Council)

RESOLVED
LWSC17/14 Moved Bruce Murphy
Seconded Mark Giles
"That the apologies are accepted."
MOTION CARRIED

2 Register of Interests

There were no additional interests registered.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED
LWSC17/15 Moved Suzanne Eddington
Seconded Elizabeth Rollinson
"That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2017 are adopted as a true and correct record, with the below amendments."
MOTION CARRIED

Amendments

- Regional Committee Update: Andrew Feierabend not Jeremy Holding stated that areas of the aquatic weed lagarosiphon have been detected on Lake Aviemore.
- There had been a discussion on wilding pines, however it was noted that this is not an issue on DOC land in the Zone.

Matters Arising

- Jet boating on the Waitaki Discussion: Cr Peter Scott informed the Committee that the boat ramp installer is responsible health and safety, and this should be communicated to the Jet boat Association.
- Cr Miriam Morton (via email): Ara Hikoī Aotearoa – Walking Access Maps NZ <https://www.wams.org.nz> provides extensive data which seems to match Council's GIS information regarding paper roads. This may make it easier to compare with the historical map referred to by Brent Packman.
- The Canterbury Swimming Survey has been circulated to the Committee (also tabled)
- The Effluent Management Report is still to come to the Committee – this will be reported on as part of the zone compliance report which will be available in August. It was noted the main area of concern is communication and education between farm owners and sharemilkers on non-compliance.
- 3 Immediate Steps Fund Projects – Biodiversity Project Funding Approval (page 4) – staff resources will be raised and discussed under general business.

5 Correspondence

- Letter from Fish & Game – 12 June 2017 (to be discussed further under General Business)
- David Bedford – 16 May 2017

RESOLVED

LWSC17/16

Moved Mark Giles

Seconded Mark Kingsbury

“That the correspondence is approved.”

MOTION CARRIED

6 Regional Committee Update

- Bruce Murphy reported Hunter Downs are funding water testing (depth and quality) on Lake Wainono
- Sandy Hampstead-Tipene reported Arowhenua Runanga has received Government funding for both toilet facilities and wilding pine removal in Upper Waitaki Zone
- Arowhenua Runanga has received a letter of resignation from Ranui Ryan. Olivia Smith to make some enquiries on her intentions.
- Sandra Hampstead Tipene discussed ECan's Central South Island Water Group publication. Olivia to source and circulate a copy to Committee members and include context. Cr Peter Scott will follow up also on this document.

7 Facilitator Update (Olivia Smith)

- Committee Refresh: Three members are up for refresh – Kate White, Brent Packman and Liz Rollinson. This would be a good time for anybody else who is considering leaving to inform the Facilitator. The refresh process for all Zone

Committees begins in September with the advertising for expressions of interest, selection workshops in October with the new members to begin at the beginning of 2018. An email with timeframes will be circulated to the Committee.

- The Committee agreed it would be useful to have a joint meeting in August with Upper Waitaki Zone Committee most likely in Omarama, possibly including a site visit to the dam or wetlands (prefer wetlands). This would be an opportunity to talk about items of interest such as – cultural mapping, the CWMS journey for both zones, an update on Plan Change 5.
- The Committee agreed it would be worthwhile inviting NIWA to present on weather (possibly at the combined August meeting).

8 Zone Delivery – Zone Team Update (Chris Eccleston)

- The Committee was asked how and what they would like Zone Manager to report. There was a suggestion of verbal monthly reports with every third (quarterly) month a written report. The Committee suggested the below content:
 - Consents, non-compliances and any local issues around consents.
 - Process on ZIP and targets
 - Plan Change Update
 - Measurable engagement
- Olivia outlined the 'Ashburton model' which highlighted Outcomes/Actions this Quarter, Contributors and Priority Actions for next quarter.

9 Zone Consents – Update (Zella Smith)

- Zella updated the Committee on consents in the zone.
- The Committee discussed the issues of accessing farm records to calculate nutrient baselines/budgets when a farm changes owners (from Matters Arising). ECan has a link on their website for new farm owners which goes some way to assisting, which will be circulated to the Committee.

10 Lower Waitaki – Plan Change 5 Decision Briefing (Craig Davison)

- Craig gave a presentation to the Committee on the Hearing Commissioners Recommendations on Plan Change 5 to the Land and Water Regional Plan.
- Olivia Smith talked on the delivering of ZIP addendum recommendations in relation to the Plan Change.
- Winter grazing definition change was highlighted and needs to be looked at.
- The Committee agreed there is a strong need for community engagement. They agreed there is a need for staff who could educate farmers on the Plan Change. It was agreed that in July the committee will discuss ideas about the best way to communicate and educate farmers on the Plan Change.

The meeting adjourned at 3.00pm for afternoon tea.
The meeting reconvened at 3.15pm.

11 Black Hole Water Quality Results & Actions

- Shirley Hayward updated the Committee on the Black Hole *EColi* Investigation 2016/17 summer. Early indications are it is likely high *E.coli* results at the Black Hole are from local sources, and are generally trending upwards. More information on the 'sources' (i.e. human, birdlife or grazing animals) will be available by way of a faecal source tracking analysis in the next few months.
- Emily Anderson gave a presentation to the Committee (attached). The Committee commended Emily on work she is doing and reiterated the importance

of having staff to work 1:1 with landowners. The committee discussed the importance of targeting this 1:1 support with disengaged landowners.

12 Plan Change 3 Implementation

- Keitha Laming gave a presentation to the Committee, discussed the work streams underway and asked for ideas from the Committee,
- The Committee raised the possibility of establishing an implementation advisory group to provide advice on the practical implementation of the Plan Change 3. The group could be essential to the evolution of the NARG. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

13 General Business / General Public

- The Committee discussed the letter from Fish & Game dated 12 June 2017 (see 'Correspondence') asking for a resolution that would better address the shortcomings and better support the aspirations of the community - "That the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee supports requesting Environment Canterbury to bring forward the review of the Hakataramea River flow regime.
- Jason Holland spoke to the Committee on the implications of bringing the Environmental Flow Regime for the Hakataramea River forward and the Committee discussed the pros and cons. The Committee agreed to the below motion:

RESOLVED:

LWSC17/17 Moved Brent Packman
Seconded Andrew Hayes
"That the Zone committee ask ECan to provide an outline of a work programme to start gathering technical work required for the review of the Hakataramea Flow Regime.
MOTION CARRIED

Suzanne Eddington voted against the motion.

At the invitation of the Chair, Peter Ramsden shared a closing karakia.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 4.45pm.

K White
Chairperson

AGENDA ITEM NO 1	SUBJECT MATTER Plan Change 3 Implementation Advisory Group
REPORT BY Julia Forsyth / Nic Newman	DATE OF MEETING 19 July 2017

Purpose: To provide an update on the status of Plan Change 3 and present the committee with a proposal for a Plan Change Implementation Advisory Group.

Action required: Receive the update and decide on whether or not to form the advisory group, amend terms of reference, and suggest names for membership.

1. Update on Plan Status

Environment Canterbury is preparing the documentation for making Plan Change 3 to the Land and Water Regional Plan operative. We expect this to be passed at the Council meeting on 24 August 2017, and publicly notified shortly afterwards.

We have recently updated the webpages for the Land and Water Regional Plan on the Environment Canterbury website. All the relevant information is still available by clicking on the icon for "Change 3".

2. Proposal for a Plan Change Implementation Advisory Group

The committee has raised the idea of forming a working group to provide advice on the implementation of the plan change. This could include those involved in the development of the plan change (zone committee and wider), and keep community involvement in the process strong. The group could provide advice on communication and solving any issues, in line with the independent decision on the Plan and what is trying to be achieved through the ZIP Addendum.

DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE Plan Change 3 Implementation Advisory Group

1. Purpose

To provide advice to Environment Canterbury on the implementation on PC 3, in particular:

- a) advice on communication of the Plan Change requirements
- b) assistance with communication
- c) advice on solving any issues with implementation

2. Operation

The advisory group would function as follows:

- a) sponsored by the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee
- b) work on a voluntary basis
- c) meet on as-needs basis
- d) provide verbal updates to LWZC
- e) operate as a working group, without need for a chair or voting

3. Membership

The advisory group would be:

- a) appointed by the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee (as a working group of the committee)
- b) of no more than 5 members
- c) be inclusive of the following membership: Zone Committee member/s, membership of the wider community who were involved in plan development, representative of Te Rūnanga O Waihao

4. Limitations

The advisory group is limited to:

- a) non-binding advice
- b) the Plan Change 3 Independent Decision
- c) the spirit and intent of ZIP Addendum for South Coastal Canterbury

AGENDA ITEM NO: 2	SUBJECT MATTER: Plan Change 5 update
REPORT BY: Julia Forsyth, Nic Newman	DATE OF MEETING: 19 July 2017

Purpose: To provide an update on the status of Plan Change 5 and to discuss upcoming public meetings to explain the independent decision.

1. Update on Status

Environment Canterbury adopted the recommendations from the Hearing Commissioners on Plan Change 5 to the Land and Water Regional Plan on 15 June 2017.

These recommendations were notified as Environment Canterbury's decision on Plan Change 5 on 24 June 2017.

From this date, an appeal period of 20 working days applies, and will close the week starting 24 July 2017. Any person who submitted on Plan Change 5 as notified may lodge an appeal, but appeals are made to the High Court, and are limited to points of law only.

As of July 12th no appeals have been received.

2. Community Meetings

Both Upper Waitaki and Lower Waitaki Zone Committees have recommended that community meetings are held to explain the plan decision and status, soon after the close of the appeal period.

Planning is now underway for community meetings in early August (TBC) to inform the community of the plan decision and status, to highlight Good Management Practices, and to demonstrate the farm portal.

Members of the community will be informed of the meetings by direct email (where available) and through advertising.

Dates and committee role will be discussed at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO 3	SUBJECT MATTER Zone Committee Refresh
REPORT BY Nic Newman	DATE OF MEETING 19 July 2017

Purpose: To inform the committee on the details of the upcoming membership refresh.

Action Required: Note the details and begin thinking about the needs of the committee.

Background

As per the Zone Committee's Terms of Reference, community members are appointed for a term of three years; staggered so that approximately one third of members are affected each time so as to maintain continuity and minimise loss of committee knowledge. There is no limit on the number of consecutive terms a member may serve.

Members of this committee whose term expires at the end of December 2017 are: Kate White, Brent Packman, and Elizabeth Rollinson. Those members are warmly invited to reapply, and will go through the same appointment process as new applicants.

The timetable for the Zone Committee refresh is as follows:

- Beginning of September: Advertising and recruitment underway; applications open.
- Mid October – 10 November: Selection workshops held.
- December: Formal appointments made as soon as ECan and TA have received the recommendations at their meetings.
- Departing members' term expires 31 December and new members begin 1 January.

To be eligible for appointment to a Zone Committee the candidate must either live in or have a significant relationship with the zone. Recommendations to councils on successful candidates are made by a working group of representatives from Regional Council, District Councils, and Rūnanga. The recommendations take into account the balance of interests required for the committee, the geographic spread of members and the ability of the applicants to work in a collaborative, consensus-seeking manner. Environment Canterbury and District Councils receive the recommendations of the selection working group and make the appointments.

The committee are asked to think about the upcoming needs of the committee and therefore members of the community who might be encouraged to apply.