

**MINUTES OF THE 80<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SELWYN WAIHORA ZONE COMMITTEE  
HELD AT SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL, 2 NORMAN KIRK DRIVE, ROLLESTON, ON  
TUESDAY 6 MARCH 2018 COMMENCING AT 12:00 PM**

**AGENDA SUMMARY**

Item	Time	Description	Pages	Presenter
	12.00pm	Meeting commences with karakia and formal order of business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apologies</li> <li>• Identification of Urgent General Business</li> <li>• Confirmation of minutes 13 February 2018</li> <li>• Matters Arising &amp; actions from last meeting</li> <li>• Report to and from Regional Committee Meeting (Karaitiana Taiuru)</li> <li>• Update from Zone Committee members on activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the zone</li> </ul>		
	12.20pm	General Public Contribution		
1.	12.25pm	Potential future of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Network		<i>Murray England, Selwyn District Council</i>
	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Approximate finish time</b>		

Committee Members will now embark on a field visit

The meeting was opened with a welcome and karakia by Karaitiana Taiuru Te Rūnanga Representative from Koukourārata.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

### **PRESENT**

Allen Lim (Chair), Cr Murray Lemon (Selwyn District Council), Cr Iaeen Cranwell (Canterbury Regional Council), Megan Hands (Community Member), Ron Pellow (Community member), Paul Hodgson (Community Member), Maree Goldring (Community Member), George Tikao (Te Rūnanga o Ōnuku), Karaitiana Taiuru (Te Rūnanga o Koukourārata), Les Wanhalla (Te Rūnanga o Taumutu), and Matiu Payne (Te Rūnanga Ngāti Wheke).

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr Tom Lambie, Cr John Sunckell, Chris House, Ian Whitehouse, Johannes Welsch, Stephen Bragg, Sandy Bowman (Canterbury Regional Council); Murray England (Selwyn District Council); John Benn, Daniel Kimber (DOC); Craig Tikao, Tony Benny

### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from Councillor Anne Galloway (Christchurch City Council), Victor Mthamo (Community Member) were accepted by the meeting.

**Moved:** Maree Goldring /**Seconded:** Councillor Murray Lemon

*That the Committee accept apologies for absence as noted.*

**CARRIED**

### **IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

Johannes Welsch brought to the attention of the committee that an invite would be sent out inviting them to attend a workshop on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, at Lincoln Event Centre, 9:00am – 12:00pm, to outline scope for the Zone Youth Committee meeting in October.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 13 February 2018.**

*(Refer pages 2-10)*

Two amendments:

- *Page 4, Update from Zone Committee Members, Allen Lim, meeting with CEO of Horticulture New Zealand (Not Water NZ).*
- *Correct spelling of Karaitiana Taiuru's name (page 6)*

**Moved:** Karaitiana Taiuru / **Seconded:** Les Wanhalla

*That the minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 13 February 2018, be confirmed.*

**CARRIED**

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Ron Pellow highlighted that the ZIP addendum discussion from last month's meeting regarding monitoring/achievements/tracking/expected outcomes was not included in the 'Actions from Meeting' (page 10). The Committee to have updates from ECan.

## **REPORT TO AND FROM REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

No update as the Regional Committee meeting is on Tuesday 13 March and will be reported at the next Selwyn-Waihora zone committee meeting.

## **UPDATE FROM ZONE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS ATTENDED THAT RELATE TO THE COMMITTEE'S OUTCOMES FOR THE ZONE**

Zone committee members reported on meetings attended that relate to the work of the zone committee including:

Paul Hodgson – talked with people who may be on the working group developing a plan for Selwyn River.

Ron Pellow – queried whether there would be a TOR for this working group and the facilitator responded that this would be brought to the April zone meeting. Ron helped host a Lincoln University Dairy Farm focus day and approximately 250 people attended.

Maree Goldring – Rakaia Catchment Fund did not meet as no applications received.

Iaeen Cranwell – The Regional Council had discussed the Te Waihora - wet pasture vs wetlands issue. Tami Woods indicated at last meeting that an invite would be sent to all of the committee to attend, if they wish, a workshop to discuss this issue in the next couple of weeks.

George Tikao – gave a quick outline of the history of the Te Waihora wetlands and strongly opposed creating wetland areas around the lake, but emphasised to maintain the current ones.

Les Wanhalla – Visited Bathurst coal mine. Attended a community meeting on Yarrs Lagoon hosted by Living Water and DOC. Iaeen Cranwell and Murray Lemon also attended this meeting.

## GENERAL PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION

No Public contribution

### 1. POTENTIAL FUTURE OF THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL WATER RACE NETWORK

(Murray England, Selwyn District Council)

In summary, Murray England noted the following points for information of the Committee:

- Water Races have been operating for over 100 years and had been the backbone of agriculture in the District. Significant changes have been occurring, such as development of CPW irrigation scheme, that impact on the future of the water race scheme.
- As water races close the rating base to fund them reduces so more of the costs need to be met by public good.
- The proposal in the Long Term Plan is for a public good contribution of \$20 per ratepayer per year across the District. To maintain priority races this may need to increase to between \$50 – \$60.
- Christchurch City Council do not wish to close races that cross into their area.
- On the Strategic Water Races map provided – the Priority 1 (red lines) and Priority 2 (orange lines) to be kept open, but happy to close the races indicated on the green lines.
- Races provide corridor ‘mountain to sea’ and this process is a starting point of the journey.
- Timeline for Selwyn District Council for Long Term Plan – Consultation in April and Hearing in May 2018.

Discussion by Committee Members

- Les Wanhalla – asked about consultation with Te Taumutu prior to closing water races. Murray said this was done through the Taumutu office. Les said he was keen to be involved.
- Megan Hands – Community Board feedback has been about the importance of maintaining connectivity: more discussion and quite a lot of feedback to come.
- Paul Hodgson – queried whether closing water races will have affects downstream and to weigh up the consequences.
- Ron Pellow – there is significant “loss” of water from the races into the ground with about 95% of the water going into the groundwater system . Ron asked whether

“public good” contribution should come from more than just Selwyn District householders.

- Ian Whitehouse – zone committee to consider providing feedback to Selwyn District Council. Possibly by submitting on Long Term Plan. Will provide EOS report to committee.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

The meeting closed at 1:05 pm with a karakia.

DATED this 3 day of July 2018



**CHAIR**

**ACTIONS FROM MEETING**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Action</b>
Living Water	Update at a future meeting regarding their work
ECan / Fish and Game	List of potential Fish and Game sites to visit and staff to present to the Committee
ECan	Marae visit and potential overnight stay for the Committee
ECan Facilitator	Provide EOS report to committee
ECan	Provide progress report against ZIP Addendum (and Selwyn Te Waihora Plan) outcomes/targets
ECan Facilitator	Update Zone Committee's 2018 work programme for April meeting