

Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora Zone Water Management Committee

Minutes of an Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora Zone Water Management Committee Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Timaru District Council, 2 King George Place, Timaru, on Monday 26 November 2018 at 2pm

Present Hamish McFarlane (Chairperson), Phil Driver, Sue Eddington, John Henry, Kylee Galbraith, Ivon Hurst, Clr Anne Munro, Clr Richard Lyon, Clr Lan Pham, Ad Sintenie, Glen Smith, Herstatt Ullrich and Mark Webb

Apologies Proposed Mark Webb
Seconded Lan Pham

“That apologies from Clr David Anderson and James Pearse be accepted, and Clr Richard Lyon for lateness.”

Motion carried

In Attendance Lesley Woudberg (Facilitator), Clr Peter Scott (ECan), Craig Davison (ECan), Lyn Carmichael (ECan), Mellissa Robson-Williams, Lochiel McKellar (ECan), Kate Doran (ECan), Prue Thirkettle, Matthew Ross (TRONT), Trina Davidson (TRONT), Lionel Hume (Federated Farmers), John Benn (Department of Conservation)

Karakia Hamish McFarlane welcomed everyone to the formal meeting.

1. Declaration of Interests

Herstatt Ullrich declared that he has been elected to the Board of Directors of Opuha Water Limited.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed Sue Eddington
Seconded Anne Munro

“That the minutes of the Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora Water Zone Committee meeting held on 8 October 2018 be confirmed.”

Motion carried

3. Correspondence – letter from Auditor General

The Committee received correspondence from the Auditor General.

4. Activities and Actions around the Committee

The Committee noted the Otipua-Saltwater Creek Catchment Group launch meeting (29 October 2018). More than 50 people attended the meeting, Mark Webb gave an update during the General Business part of this meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 29 November 2018.

5. Community Forum

Nil.

6. Zone Implementation Programme Addendum (ZIPA)

Proposed Kylee Galbraith
Seconded Ad Sintenie

“That the Committee adopts the Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora Zone Implementation Programme Addendum December 2018 subject to the changes made during the workshop on 26 November 2018.”

Motion Carried

Clr Lan Pham acknowledged this is a milestone for the Committee and took a moment to reflect on the process –

- Thanked the Committee members for their time and commitment throughout this process.
- Thanked John Talbot (former Chair) and the late Mandy Waaka-Home (Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua representative) for their commitment and contributions to the ZIPA.
- Thanked the staff for their assistance and diligence.
- Noted the non-statutory components of the ZIPA and that responsibility now passes to the four Councils to deliver with funding and resources, so the Committee and community see results.
- Apologised to the community that this is still far from where we want to be, but the Committee is proud of this step forward to achieving the outcomes that the community desires.

Clr Peter Scott quoted Winston Churchill –

- *“This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning.”*
- Acknowledged the significant amount of work done by all people involved.
- Acknowledged the community who fed into the process.
- Acknowledged staff, in particular Lyn Carmichael, Craig Davison and Dan Clark.
- Acknowledged John Henry’s contribution in particular over the past six months, including clarifying to the Committee the role and position(s) of To Rūnanga o Arowhenua.

- Acknowledged Hamish McFarlane for his chairmanship of the Committee.

Clr David Anderson (by email, read by Hamish McFarlane) –

My congratulations and appreciation to the OTOP committee and ECan staff for the work and effort they have all put into getting the draft ZIPA completed.

We have all had to make compromises and readjustments to our views to come up with a truly consensus view. But we now placed have a serious stake in the ground which our community can monitor and measure water quality improvements in the OTOP region.

Clr Richard Lyon acknowledged Dermott O’Sullivan (a former Chair of the Committee) for his early contributions to the process.

Hamish McFarlane –

- Thanks to the Committee, everyone has learnt a lot throughout this process and handled the pressure well.
- Members have stayed true to their ideals and the ZIPA is a strong document which reflects the different personalities of each of us.
- Future generations will be the judge, but hopefully the members are proud of where the group has got to.
- Appreciative of all the ideas and robust discussions that went into this document, and members must keep staying true, and having new ideas because everyone is still acting towards a bigger picture.
- “[A masterpiece] is never finished, only abandoned.” – Leonardo da Vinci
- Special thanks to the four committee members who are leaving at the end of 2018 for the time they have put in to this document (Kylee Galbraith, Ivon Hurst, Ad Sintenie and James Pearse).

Hamish McFarlane congratulated all the Committee members.

Proposed Phil Driver
Seconded Ivon Hurst

“That the Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora ZIPA remains embargoed until 14 December 2018.”

Motion Carried

7. Fit for Future Project

Lesley talked about the CWMS Fit for Future Project (FFF)

- There is a process in place for setting intermediary targets
- The FFF team is planning to present a draft set of targets at the Mayoral Forum in April 2019.
- While there has been little direct engagement with the OTOP Zone Committee due to its recent focus on the ZIPA, the Committee’s draft

recommendations have been continually fed to the FFF team, to make sure OTOB targets have been aligned with the work.

- Other Zone Committees have been considering work and feeding back about the draft targets.
- Committee Members are invited to review the draft work programme and send individual responses (Lesley Woudberg to circulate feedback details). Feedback on work programmes will ideally be submitted before the Christmas break.
- The Committee can also provide feedback in the new year via Hamish McFarlane, who sits on the Regional Committee.

Cr Lan Pham asked that "Cultural Sites" be included in the table (Slide 9).

8. Omnibus Plan Change 2019

The Facilitator introduced the paper.

- Timeframes for Omnibus Plan Change to be aligned with the OTOB Plan Change (and Waimakariri).
- The Omnibus responds to region-wide issues in the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan, topics are outlined in the paper.
- The Committee will engage more on this Plan Change next year.
- Anne Munro asked how often Omnibus Plan Changes happen?
- Staff response – approximately 4 year cycles from the last one being made operative, they are a clean-up, or tweaking tool. This one has a region-wide focus, but that does not rule out having more catchment specific ones in the future. Cr Peter Scott also noted that the frequency of future omnibus plan changes is also dependent on staff capacity.

9. Canterbury Black-backed Gull/Karoro Strategy

The Facilitator gave a brief summary of the paper. She will mail out hard copies as some Committee members are having trouble viewing the document on screens.

10. Committee Members retiring

Hamish McFarlane noted that this is the last meeting for Committee Members Kylee Galbraith, Ivon Hurst, Ad Sintenie and James Pearse (apology due to extreme weather).

Ivon Hurst –

- Noted the importance for the membership of committees like this to change over to ensure continued new ideas and initiatives. *"Indeed it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time"* – Winston Churchill. The diverse views of the Committee mean the document (ZIPA) produced will please some people in some regards, and others in other regards.
- Thanked Committee members and wished them all the best for the future.

Ad Sintenie –

- Has been on the committee since its inception, approximately 8 years ago. The beginning was about asking where people would like to be in 2, 5 and 10 years time.
- Things are moving in the right direction, but it would have been nice if goals were achieved at a faster pace, where we are now was probably a 5 year goal, but the direction is right.
- The committee must keep thinking about the world and making rivers clean and healthy for the next generations.

Kylee Galbraith –

- Has learnt a lot being on the committee (membership of approximately 5 years). Has been glad to stay and see the ZIPA through.
- Everyone has been unhappy in certain decisions but sometimes we must be realistic.

This document (ZIPA) is the first step and will result in good improvements, but there is a long way to go!

Hamish McFarlane thanked Kylee Galbraith, Ivon Hurst, Ad Sintenie and James Pearse for their service to the Committee.

11. General Business

- Mark Webb – attended the first Otipua-Saltwater Creek Catchment meeting, it was to provide general information about the catchment. The meeting later this week will be about forming a catchment group. They are expecting reasonable attendance/turnout given the numbers at the last meeting.
- Hamish McFarlane – would like to include correspondence received by members of the community in future meeting agendas. The Committee supports this inclusion.
- Hamish McFarlane – would like to do a debrief with the committee in the new year about the process of writing the ZIPA and how they did things, also what worked and what did not work.

The meeting concluded at 2:46pm with a karakia from John Henry.

Chairperson