



MINUTES

Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting

13 February 2019

**MINUTES OF LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD AT THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL, 125 QUEEN STREET, WAIMATE ON
WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019, COMMENCING AT 1.20PM**

PRESENT: Chair Kate White, Suzanne Eddington, Cr Jakki Guilford, Sandra Hampstead-Tipene, Cr Jeremy Holding, Barney Hoskins, Bruce Murphy, Brent Packman, Jared Ross, Cr Peter Scott

APOLOGIES: Daniel Isbister, Ranui Ryan

IN ATTENDANCE: Committee Secretary Karalyn Reid (Waimate District Council)

OPENING

The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting and Cr Peter Scott performed a karakia.

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COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/

Moved: Suzanne Eddington

Seconded: Sandra Hampstead-Tipene

That the apologies of Daniel Isbister and Ranui Ryan are accepted.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no additions or modifications to the Declarations of Interest Register.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**MINUTES OF THE LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 12 DECEMBER 2018**

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/1/

Moved: Cr Jakki Guilford

Seconded: Sandra Hampstead-Tipene

That the Minutes of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting held on 12 December 2018 be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

CARRIED

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Suzanne and Sandy explained the difference between *iwi* and *rūnanga*

Iwi – meaning whole (all tribes)

Hapū – meaning sub-tribe i.e., Arowhenua and Waihao. Four main tribes in South Island became *Ngai Tahu* for the reason of one body negotiating with the crown. Suzanne also explained how the *Ngai Tahu* funding works for *iwi* and for the good of the community.

Rūnanga (North Island) *rūnaka* (South Island) meaning ‘the committee elected by the people of the local marae to represent them’

Waitaki means – wai (water), taki (gripe)

The Committee agreed to email Dave Moore with any te reo words they would like to learn more about at a future meeting.

REPORTS

GENERAL BUSINESS

ELECTION OF CHAIR, DEPUTY CHAIR AND REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

The Zone Facilitator called for nominations for Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/2

Moved: Suzanne Eddington

Seconded: Sandra Hampstead-Tipene

That KATE WHITE be nominated as Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

CARRIED

There were no other nominations so KATE WHITE was duly re-elected as Chair. Kate resumed her position as Chair.

Chair Kate White called for nominations for Deputy Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/3

Moved: Cr Peter Scott

Seconded: Sandra Hampstead-Tipene

That BRUCE MURPHY be nominated as Deputy Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

CARRIED

There were no other nominations so BRUCE MURPHY was duly elected as Deputy Chair.

Chair Kate White called for nominations for Regional Representative for the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/4

Moved: Suzanne Eddington
Seconded: Cr Jakki Guilford

That SANDRA HAMPSTEAD-TIPENE is re-elected as Regional Representative until June, with BARNEY HOSKINS to take over from June for the rest of the term.

CARRIED

There were no other nominations so SANDRA HAMPSTEAD-TIPENE and BARNEY HOSKINS were duly elected as Regional Representatives.

5.1 FACILITATORS UPDATE - DAVE MOORE

Ranui Ryan notified the Zone Facilitator verbally that she is resigning as Moeraki representative. ACTION POINT: Dave to send an email to Moeraki Marae and make official enquiries.

A Zone Committee Orientation Day is being held in Timaru, on 20 March 2019.

An email with links to the Zone Map has been sent out, and members were shown the link on the projector.

An overnight Marae (*Noho Marae*) stay on 21-22 March is being planned at the Waihao Marae and is open to Zone Committee members. It was suggested members could meet at the Marae for morning tea and then take a field-drip to Waihao Box, and then up river to Black Hole (lunch at Waihao Forks) and further upstream. This could also involve testing water samples.

A Treaty of Waitangi course may be arranged in Timaru during the winter months if there is enough interest.

The Chair introduced Waimate District Council Chief Executive Stuart Duncan and welcomed him to the meeting.

Cr Peter Scott advised ECan are reorganising the pest committees across Canterbury in an effort to link pest control and re-appropriate assets to where the pests are.

Chris gave the Committee an overview of **inZone** which links outcomes, milestones and projects together, to provide a defined matrix on the (6) outcomes which match with ZIP document. Milestones contribute to the Outcomes and are large chunks of work, and projects are smaller pieces of work (1 month to 1-2 year) which feed into milestones.

Cr Peter Scott gave the Committee an update on ECan's prosecution case. The High Court has overturned the findings of the District Court over ECan's prosecution of Dunsandel dairy farmer for work undertaken in the Selwyn River without appropriate resource consents, as well as the diversion of water in 2016. Future land use across the Canterbury Plains may hinge on the outcome of court action about the width of the region's braided rivers. Environment Canterbury (ECan) had until 4 February to decide whether to appeal a High Court decision with potentially far-reaching consequences for those who farm alongside braided rivers. ECan are taking the stance to stand in court and create case law around river margins. This may mean there is a need for a plan change to reflect what believe river margins are. There are implications also for LINZ and DoC.

The Committee adjourned at 2.45pm for afternoon tea.
The Committee reconvened at 2.55pm.

PLANNING FOR 2019 (WORKSHOP)

A Zone Committee Planning Workshop 2019 paper was tabled and members discussed the focus for the Committee for the year. There was a discussion around the vacant Community Member position.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/5

Moved: Barney Hoskins

Seconded: Brent Packman

1. That the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee endorses that Emily Anderson be appointed as an additional community member; and
2. That this be endorsed by the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Councillor from Waimate District Council, Waitaki District Council, Environment Canterbury Councillor and Arowhenua and Waihao rūnaka representatives; and
3. That Emily be invited to the March meeting.

CARRIED

Suggestions

- A combined Lower, Upper and OTOZ Zone Committee meeting with a cultural focus be held at Waihao Marae (May meeting)
- An update on Biosecurity/Biodiversity for June/July meeting
- The Zone Facilitator write to Elizabeth Soal to thank her for her support to the Zone Committee and send congratulations for her new role as CEO of Irrigation NZ.
- Field trips are useful and it is good to see how Immediate Steps money is being spent. A trip to Waihaorunga (March/April), including the Black Hole, would be good.
- Hon Nanaia Mahuta (Minister of Local Government) is expected to visit the Waimate District in April, and Jakki will talk to Mayor Rowley to see if Zone Committee can be involved.
- The Zone Committee could focus on cultivating catchment groups to encourage farmers to take ownership of their own waterways.
- A session to explain the nitrogen cycle would be useful.
- Presentation on testing water quality and nitrates (possibly a field trip)

GRAVEL EXTRATION – CONSENTS AND PROCESSES

Hilary Fraser, Area Engineer Southern, gave the Committee a presentation on Gravel Extraction. Generally the relationship between ECan and the gravel extractors in South Canterbury is good and useful to all parties.

ACTION POINT: It was suggested that Dave Moore put another layer on his Zone Map to show gravel extraction sites.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Peter Scott highlighted the ECan Council is meeting tomorrow (14 February) will be discussing their draft Annual Plan. Staff have trimmed back proposed high rate rise to a 5.9% general rate increase plus 3% for Public Transport (Christchurch and Timaru residents). Public Transport, Zone Committee's freshwater management, biosecurity and biodiversity are key factors in rate increase.

Members agreed a discussion is needed around the augmentation of the Wainono Lagoon but that it was not the Zone Committee's role to led this. In two months the flow in the river has gone from almost flood event to hardly any flow. A discussion needs to be held with interested parties with someone taking leadership. Suzanne suggested possibly (Meridian governance).

Chair Kate White, Jared Ross, and Bruce Murphy visited the Waihao Box with Hilary Fraser following the meeting.

MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 4.00pm with Zone Facilitator Dave Moore performing a karakia.

The minutes of this meeting are to be confirmed at the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting scheduled on 20 March 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON