



**HURUNUI**  
*District Council*



# Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee

## Agenda

3.00pm, Monday, 20 May 2019

Leithfield Community Hall, Cnr Leithfield Road and Brighton Street, Behind the Church, Leithfield.

### **Committee Membership:**

John Faulkner (Chairperson)  
Ken Hughey (Deputy Chairperson)  
Mayor Winton Dalley (Hurunui District Council)  
Cr Vince Daly (Hurunui District Council)  
Cr Cynthia Roberts (Canterbury Regional Council)  
Josh Dondertman  
Michele Hawke  
James McCone  
Julia McLean  
John Preece  
Makarini Rupene (Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga)  
Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash (Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura)

### **Quorum:**

The quorum of the meeting consists of:

- half of the members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even; or
- a majority of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is odd.

**Committee Secretary** – Michelle Stanley

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### **The purpose of local government:**

- (1) The purpose of local government is—
  - (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
  - (b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.
- (2) In this Act, **good-quality**, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are —
  - (a) efficient; and
  - (b) effective; and
  - (c) appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

*(Local Government Act 2002 – Amendment Act 2012)*

HURUNUI – WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
Monday, 20 May 2019  
**Leithfield Community Hall, Leithfield**

**AGENDA**

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|   | 3.00pm | <p><b>Zone Committee Meeting commences</b> with karakia and formal order of business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Te Reo Maori: places in the zone</li> <li>• Apologies</li> <li>• Announced urgent business</li> <li>• Interests register (updates)</li> <li>• Confirmation of minutes – 15 April 2019</li> <li>• Matters arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ See Action List for updates</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Correspondence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reply to Hurunui District Landcare Group</li> <li>○ Requesting review of zone committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Letter to Hurunui District Council and Canterbury Regional Council;</li> <li>▪ Email replies from Hurunui District and Regional Councils</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Response to Federation of Freshwater Anglers</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>4<br/>5-11<br/>12-13<br/>14<br/>15-17<br/>18<br/>19-20</p> |
| 1 | 3.30pm | Public contribution  |   |
| 2 | 3.35pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wetland mapping in Hurunui Zone</li> <li>▪ On-the-ground projects – examples from other zones and discussion about the committee’s approach to its wetlands work.</li> </ul> <p>Andrew Arps, Environment Canterbury</p>   | 21-22   |
|   | 4.50pm | BREAK  |   |
| 3 | 5.10pm | Zone Committee’s 2019 Work Programme<br>Ian Whitehouse, Environment Canterbury   | 23-27   |
| 4 | 6.00pm | Rhythm and Pines Youth (restoration) event<br>Marco Cataloni, Environment Canterbury   | 28  |
| 5 | 6.10pm | Update on Regional Committee<br>John Preece and Winton Dalley  |   |
| 6 | 6.15pm | Update from Zone Committee members on activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee’s outcomes for the zone  |   |
| 7 | 6.20pm | Update from organisations wishing to speak   |   |
|   | 6.30pm | Meeting concludes  |   |

## Register of Interests for the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee

| Committee Member        | Interests  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Mayor Winton Dalley     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Register of Interests lies with the CEO of the Hurunui District Council.</li> </ul>   |
| Cr Vince Daly           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Farm owner - mixed cropping and livestock farm</li> <li>Water resource consent to take water from unnamed lake in Jed catchment</li> </ul>  |
| Josh Dondertman         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Managing Director Pahau Flats Dairy/Caithness Dairy Ltd – Craigmore Farming Ltd</li> </ul>  |
| John Faulkner           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dairy farm owner in the Amuri Basin.</li> <li>Irrigation water supplied by Amuri Irrigation Company Ltd (Shareholder).</li> <li>Dairy Support block owner, consent to take water from a gallery.</li> <li>Member of the independent irrigators Group.</li> </ul>  |
| Michele Hawke           | Nil  |
| Ken Hughey              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professor of Environmental Management, Lincoln University (2 days per week)</li> <li>Chief Science Advisor, Department of Conservation, Wellington (3 days per week)</li> <li>Board member Waihora Ellesmere Trust</li> <li>Board member Hanmer Springs Conservation Trust</li> <li>Member Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society.</li> <li>Member Royal Society of NZ</li> <li>Member NZ Geographical Society.</li> <li>Occasional contract water-related research work including for Environment Canterbury.</li> </ul> |
| James McCone            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dry Creek Dairy Ltd- AIC Balmoral scheme</li> <li>Kinloch Dairy Ltd- AIC Waiiau Scheme</li> <li>Amuri Irrigation Company Director</li> <li>Committee Member Upper Waiiau Independent Irrigators</li> <li>Informal interest in potential emu plains irrigation</li> </ul>  |
| Julia McLean            | TBA  |
| John Preece             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultant wetland ecologist – including occasional contracts for Environment Canterbury</li> <li>Part owner of commercial flower garden at Conway Flat</li> <li>Coordinator Hutton's Shearwater Charitable Trust</li> </ul>  |
| Cr Cynthia Roberts      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Register of Interests is held by Environment Canterbury.</li> </ul>   |
| Makarini Rupene         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cultural Land Management Advisor, Environment Canterbury</li> <li>Tangata Kaitiaki</li> <li>Ngāi Tūāhuriri Representative, Motanau Coastal Guardians</li> <li>Member, Executive, Ngāi Tūāhuriri Runānga</li> </ul>  |
| Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tangata Kaitiaki</li> <li>Trustee, Te Kōhaka ō Tūhaitara Trust</li> <li>Member, Ngāi Tahu Farms Mana Whenua Working Party</li> <li>President, Gore Bay Board Riders</li> <li>Iwi/environmental management consultant</li> <li>Director, Hui Ngaru ō te Wai Pounamu</li> </ul>   |

# HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES



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| <b>Meeting</b>                                | Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee  |
| <b>Date and Time</b>                          | 15 April 2019, 3.10pm  |
| <b>Venue</b>                                  | Cheviot Community Hall, Cheviot Area School  |
| <b>Agenda</b>                                 | <a href="http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/15-April-2019-Hurunui-Waiiau-Zone-Committee-Agenda.pdf">http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/15-April-2019-Hurunui-Waiiau-Zone-Committee-Agenda.pdf</a>  |
| <b>Members Present</b>                        | John Faulkner (Chair), Mayor Winton Dalley, Cr Vince Daly, Josh Dondertman, Michele Hawke, Julia McLean, John Preece, Cr Cynthia Roberts, and Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.   |
| <b>In Attendance</b>                          | <p><b>Environment Canterbury (ECan)</b> – Ian Whitehouse (Zone Facilitator), Stephen Bragg, Marco Cataloni, Andrew Arps, Angus McLeod, Andrew Parrish, and Nadeine Dommissie.</p> <p><b>Hurunui District Landcare Group (HDLG)</b> – Josh Brown</p> <p><b>Hurunui District Council</b> – Hamish Dobbie, Judith Batchelor</p> <p><b>Department of Conservation</b> – John Benn and Daniel Kimber</p> <p><b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (TRONT)</b> – Lisa Mackenzie</p> <p><b>Rural Advocacy Network (RAN)</b> – Jamie McFadden</p> <p><b>Community</b> – Jane Demeter</p> <p><b>Committee Secretary</b> – Michelle Stanley</p>  |
| <b>Recording Device</b>                       | A recording device was in use for the accuracy of the minutes.   |
| <b>Karakia</b>                                | John Faulkner opened the meeting with a karakia.   |
| <b>Te Reo Māori – Place names in the zone</b> | <p><i>Gore Bay</i></p> <p>Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash spoke on the Māori name for Gore Bay. Gore Bay is made up from a lot of precipitous cliffs and coastline. Therefore, the name Pariroa was given to this particular area. Pari means a precipitous cliff like the type at Gore Bay, and roa means long.</p> <p>When looking back at Pariroa from sea, the coastline looks like a series of white indicative and navigational points.</p> <p><i>St Annes Lagoon</i></p> <p>Matakōpae is the Māori name for St Annes Lagoon.</p> <p>Mata is a surface or face. In this case it is from an aerial view looking down on the surface of the earth.</p> <p>Kōpae has a number of potential meanings. Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash's personal interpretation is that from an aerial view looking onto a body of water it looks like</p> |

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an eye and the pupil in the middle is the island. Therefore, a Kōpae is like a circular eye on the mata/face of the earth.

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**Apologies**

James McCone, Ken Hughey, and Makarini Rupene.

THAT THE APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED.

Faulkner/McLean

CARRIED

David Croft and Andrew Barton also sent their apologies.

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**Conflict of Interest  
Declarations**

Nil.

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**Urgent Business**

Nil.

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**Minutes**

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2019 ARE CONFIRMED, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

- Page 5, Te Reo Māori – Place names in the zone, first bullet point, second paragraph, fix spelling of name from Rokohui **to** Rokihouia.
- Page 5, Te Reo Māori – Place names in the zone, second paragraph, change to read “...because when **he was on a high area**, he looked down **at the** water hue, ...” “Therefore, Waikari was a reference given by Rākaihautū **noting** water evaporates ...”
- Page 8, Item 2, last bullet point, change to: “concern was raised **by Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash** over the health ... Observations of the Hurunui Hapua are that it **had run** at less ...”.
- Page 9, Item 4, third bullet point, fix spelling of Ashley.
- Page 9, Item 4, last bullet point, remove the word **the** to read “... and recognise Māori values...”

Faulkner/Roberts

CARRIED

**Matters Arising:**

*Addressing concerns from Pyramid Valley Vineyard on the record of the 18 February 2019 Meeting*

Lynda Murchison addressed, via the letter, comments made in the record of the 18 February 2019 meeting. She wished to clarify that the consents mentioned had not yet gone through the consenting process and still needed Rūnanga approval.

The reason for the original presentation was to highlight to the Zone Committee that it was not an impossible process but was an expensive one, which is counter to the goals of the Zone Committee to encourage low emitter land use.

The Zone Committee agreed that the consenting cost issue is a significant one and will need addressing in the future.

*Proposed response to Freshwater Anglers on control of southern black-backed gull*

The written response was taken as read.

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The Zone Committee discussed it and requested that the Chairperson ask that it be edited to be written from the Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee. The Zone Committee approved the body of the letter.

It was suggested, via John Benn, that mention of the availability of alphachlorolose over the counter, and that the gull controls are unchallenged in other zones, also be mentioned in the letter.

*Matters arising – MKT report (Page 6)*

An update on the report relating to implementing minimum flows by Mahaanui Kurataio Ltd (MKT) was provided by Andrew Parrish after his meeting with MKT representatives. He confirmed that there is a useful report that will need supplementary input, in the form of a position statement, from Rūnanga. Once this has been completed, it will be presented to the Zone Committee.

*Item 4. Information on a review of water take consents (Page 9)*

It was noted that the issue of managing HDC water takes under a possible review of consents would be a negative impact on the community, if the mitigation package had failed.

It was asked that it be noted that David Just, ECan, stated that the cost of the Hurunui District Council following a Water Supply Asset Management Strategy would be negligible.

Discussion between ECan and HDC on the Ashley River minimum flows for community water takes is ongoing.

*Item 10. Zone Delivery Update (Page 11)*

It was updated that the monitoring water quality data from the hapua of the Hurunui and Waiau River has not been published on the LAWA website. It was reported that there has been some ongoing issues with the data translation and some technical issues.

A member of the public enquired into Chlorophyll a monitoring and if this is taking place alongside other periphyton monitoring in the Waiau Uwha. This monitoring has commenced and will provide data relating to the periphyton bottom-line in the NPS for Freshwater Management.

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**Correspondence**

*Incoming – Letter from the Hurunui District Landcare Group (HDLG)*

The letter was taken as read. Discussion was held and the following was noted:

- The Zone Committee expressed appreciation for the group staying involved with the process. The HDLG confirmed that it will stay engaged but not at the same level as in the past due to limited resources.
  - Josh Brown to check to see if the HDLG are happy to have members of the Zone Committee attend their meetings on occasion.
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- The issue of grandparenting is a recognised issue that is scheduled to be addressed in the 2023 plan review. It was requested that the Zone Committee put together a position paper as a starting point and to solidify its position.
  - It was agreed that a response be written to HDLG clarifying the Zone Committees position and commitment to helping with more on ground works. John Faulkner and Ian Whitehouse to action.
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**1. Considering a review of the Zone Committee**

Ian Whitehouse spoke to his report asking the Zone Committee to consider what the Terms of Reference for the proposed 'Review of the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee' would consist of.

Discussion was held and the following was recorded:

- It was agreed that the it be added to the scope "How the Zone Committee could work better to deliver on the ground action through the use of the Immediate Steps biodiversity fund and other tools".
- A suggestion was made that a booklet be created that would outline the Zone Committees story, how and what resources are available to utilise, and what its options are under the Treaty of Waitangi, CWMS etc.
- It was suggested that an extra entry under Scope 2 be added, "How the Zone Committee engages with local communities".
- It was discussed that consideration should be given to the expertise of the reviewers. It was a preferred option of the Zone Committee to have a reviewer well experienced in the partnership and Treaty of Waitangi.

THAT THE ZONE COMMITTEE REQUESTS CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL AND HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL TO COMMISSION AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW (OR REVIEWS) OF THE ZONE COMMITTEE AS DESCRIBED IN THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AGREED BY THE ZONE COMMITTEE.

Faulkner/Roberts

CARRIED

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**Break**

*The meeting adjourned for a break at 4.33pm and reconvened at 4.45pm.*

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**2. Public Contribution**

Nil.

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**3. Identifying and protecting wetlands in the zone.**

John Preece

John Preece presented to the Zone Committee on progressing an improved information base for wetlands in Hurunui District. John asked that the Zone Committee consider recommending to ECan that an inventory and report of the Hurunui wetlands be undertaken which would include mapping of former areas of wetlands and setting up a network of monitored wetlands.

Discussion was held and the following was noted:

- Discussion was held around the concern by stakeholders and some zone committee members over what the gathered information would be used for. There is a concern that it would be used against landowners.
  - It was suggested by Jamie McFadden that ECan already has a database of wetlands that could be utilised. He has requested the information through a LIGOMA request.
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- It is thought that the official number of recorded wetlands is only 20% of the actual number.
  - It was noted that the Zone Committee have always been interested in wetland restoration but funding has been a key constraint. There are some landowners who are able and willing to do wetland projects but there are others who must consider the economic loss factor.
  - The post-quake farming project is also looking at wetlands. There is a fine line between restoration and supporting families.
  - It was suggested that this project idea be approached in educational way. There is a lot of opposition to mapping of wetlands and therefore the focus should move to providing education on the value of wetlands. There is a growing interest in the district in the value of wetlands.
  - It was noted by ECan officers that they wanted to hear the views of the committee without ECan input. ECan is very supportive of the non-statutory pathways and look for guidance from the Zone Committee on how to do this. ECan's biodiversity priority is wetlands but officers are only working with willing landowners.

The Zone Committee asked for a further report from ECan Officers on what data is available already on wetlands, examples of wetland protection and discuss options to facilitate conversations with the community on the proposal.

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#### **4. Zone Committee position on Braided River Management**

John Faulkner and Ken Hughey.

John Faulkner spoke to the report on the Zone Committees position on Braided River Management.

The Zone Committee sees the termination of the BRIDGE project as an opportunity for multi stakeholder ownership for establishing a community driven Braided River Management Plan (BRMP) based first and foremost on consultation and engagement with adjacent river property owners. This new BRMP will be referred to as the Reach Program.

The Zone Committee discussed the report and the following was noted:

- This approach focuses on on-ground actions.
- It was requested that the Rūnanga be included in the ground up approach.
- It is envisaged that a case study on an area on the Waiau Uwha River will be undertaken to see if the BRMP is a viable option. This template could then be utilised to start projects on other reaches of the rivers.

The Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee were asked for indication of support for the position:

- Josh Dondertman – Supports.
  - Cr Cynthia Roberts – Supports.
  - Julia McLean – Supports
  - Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash – Abstain due to the uncertainty of how Rūnanga would perceive the new approach.
  - Michele Hawke – Supports
  - Mayor Winton Dalley – Supports the approach.
  - Cr Vince Daly – Is supportive of the intent but is unsure how/if it would work.
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- John Preece – Supports.
  - John Faulkner – Supports.

That the Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee agrees that the position statement outlined in the report be adopted and further work with the Rūnanga on what it means.

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- 5. Zone Committee's 2019 Work Programme**  
Ilan Whitehouse,  
ECan
- Ilan Whitehouse spoke to the proposed work programme. Discussion was held and the following suggestions were made:
- Due to the Zone Committees interest in visiting a number of different sites it was agreed that a full day of site visits be organised. Some suggested sites were the Hanmer wetlands, the Waitohi wetland, and mahinga kai access points on John Faulkner's farm.
  - A suggestion was made to shift the briefing on the results of the Hurunui hapua monitoring to early 2020. The committee were undecided on this.
  - The Zone Committee would like to include the noho marae visit if it can be scheduled in. It was suggested that it be tied in with a walk down the river to hear and see how Māori view resources.
- Ilan Whitehouse to consider all suggestions and bring a further report to the Zone Committee on the draft work programme for 2019.
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- 6. Confirmation of the Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee's representative on the Regional Committee**
- The report was taken as read.
- THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE AGREES TO APPOINT JOHN PREECE AS THE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR 2019.
- McLean/Roberts CARRIED
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- 7. Update on Regional Committee**  
Mayor Winton Dalley and John Preece
- John Preece updated the Zone Committee on the recent meeting of the Regional Committee. The following was noted:
- The committee signed off the work program for the CWMS Fit for Future. There are a number of new programs being produced. Priorities for these programs will be discussed at the next meeting. A future discussion will be held on the ability to convert policies into actions on the ground.
- The agenda can be found at: <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/get-involved/council-and-committee-meetings/> 9 April 2019 Regional Water Management Committee Agenda.
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- 8. Update from Zone Committee members on other activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the Zone.**
- Nil.
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| <b>9. Update from organisations wishing to speak</b>   | Nil.  |
| <b>10. Information paper: update on Omnibus Plan Change to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan</b><br>Andrea Richardson,<br>ECan | <p>The update on the Omnibus Plan Change to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP) was taken as read.</p> <p>It was noted that the Chair will be called to present to the independent hearing panel for the proposed plan change to the HWRRP. This panel will include a Te Rūnanga o Ngai Tahu representative.</p> |
| <b>Urgent Business</b>   | Nil   |
| <b>Meeting concluded</b>   | The meeting concluded at 6.46pm with a whakamoemiti from Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.   |
| <b>Next meeting</b>  | Monday, 20 May 2019.  |

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### Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee Action Sheet (for 20 May zone committee meeting)

| Item | Meeting Date  | Name of Item  | Action Required   | Actioned By/Manager                    | Status of Action  |
|------|---------------|---|---|--|---|
|      | 18 March 2019 | Monitoring Data on LAWA                                 | Andrew Arps to check to see if the information on the Hurunui and Waiiau hapua is up on the LAWA Website  | Andrew Arps                            | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>It is not up on the website due to technical difficulties with the data translation.<br>ECan is looking into transferring the HDC consent for the monitoring site onto ECan.  |
|      | 18 March 2019 | Cultural Impact Assessment                              | Report back to the Zone Committee on the status what report has been commissioned from MKT.   | Andrew Parrish                         | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>There is a useful report that has been completed but will need supplementary information from the two Rūnanga on their positions. Once this is completed it will be presented to the Zone Committee to decide on further actions.   |
|      | 18 March 2019 | Understanding of mātaimai.                              | Makarini Rupene has been working with landowners to explain that a mātaimai has no impact on landowners and that it is a fisheries tool for the Ministry of Primary Industries. | Makarini Rupene                        | <b>Completed</b><br>Makarini Rupene sent an email to the committee on this. Information also at <a href="https://ecan.govt.nz/get-involved/news-and-events/zone-news/kaikoura/quashing-the-misunderstanding-around-mataimai/">https://ecan.govt.nz/get-involved/news-and-events/zone-news/kaikoura/quashing-the-misunderstanding-around-mataimai/</a> |
|      | 18 March 2019 | Monitoring of the Hurunui hapua                         | Requested that monitoring of the Hurunui hapua is undertaken.   | Ian Whitehouse                         | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>Some monitoring is done at hapua – see above. Results of monitoring will be presented at a future meeting.  |
|      | 18 March 2019 | Cultural Discussion of identifying grades of the Rivers | That a cultural discussion of the rivers be undertaken to identify and recognise Māori values versus A and B grades used by ECan.   | Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash/Ian Whitehouse | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>Māori look at the river in terms of reliability of the water and grade via state of the river: Drinking water, baptism, wai tapu.<br>Further discussion to be held.   |

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|   | 18 March 2019 | Billion Trees Project  | The billion trees project and possible nursery creation in the Hurunui District to be further discussed.  | Andrew Arps                          | Update at the May meeting   |
| 1 | 15 April 2019 | Response to Freshwater Anglers on Control of Southern black-backed gulls | Edit the letter to be on behalf of the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee. Suggestion to include information on the availability of alphachlorolose without a permit and the support of programs in other zones.   | Ken Hughey/John Faulkner             | <b>Completed</b><br>Revised letter sent by Ken Hughey                       |
| 3 | 15 April 2019 | Response to the HDLGs letter   | That the Zone Committee send a response to the HDLG outlining its position and intention on the grandparenting issue and its willingness to work with the group on the ground actions.<br>That the Zone Committee confirm in writing its position on the issue of grandparenting                      | John Faulkner/<br>Zone Committee     | <b>Completed</b><br>Letter sent by John Faulkner                            |
| 4 | 15 April 2019 | Review of the Zone Committee   | That the Zone Committee requests ECan and HDC to commission an independent review of the Zone Committee as described in the terms of reference (TOR) agreed by the Zone Committee.  | Ian Whitehouse/<br>John Faulkner     | <b>Completed</b><br>Letter sent to ECan Chair and HDC Mayor along with TOR. |
| 5 | 15 April 2019 | Wetlands Project   | That the data already available on wetlands in the Hurunui-Waiiau Zone be made available to the Zone Committee and a discussion be held to facilitate conversations with the community.   | Ian Whitehouse                       | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>ECan will present at May meeting                |
| 6 | 15 April 2019 | Braided River Management – reach program                                 | The Zone Committee agreed to support the drafted letter outlining its position on Braided river management.<br>“a multi-party Braided River Management Plan to be developed based on the values and philosophy of the CWMS – collaboration and consensus”.<br>Work with the Rūnanga to be undertaken. | John Faulkner/Ken Hughey/Andrew Arps | <b>Work in progress.</b><br>Update to a future meeting                      |
| 7 | 15 April 2019 | Work Program   | Ian Whitehouse to update the work program and bring to a future meeting.  | Ian Whitehouse                       | <b>Completed</b><br>Work Programme included in May agenda                   |

Letter from John to Ben Ensor

Via email

16 April 2019

Update from Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee meeting 15 April 2019 – Response to HDLG letter 15 March 2019

Dear Ben

At its 18 March 2019 meeting the Zone Committee recommended postponing discussion on your letter to the 15 April meeting.

The Zone Committee understand the concerns raised by the Hurunui District Landcare Group, they have been articulated well with the involvement of Dan Shand, James Costello and yourself on the Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee, and the Zone Committee extends our appreciation for the commitment.

The points of view and perspectives that have been raised are accepted by the Zone Committee especially in regards to the issue of “grand parenting” of nutrients and the impacts on small irrigators.

The Zone Committee have indicated that the current work stream that has resulted in the HW Plan change 1 whilst dealing with the 10% Rule issue and securing a legal solution to the Advice Note is not the end of the nutrient allocation issue for dryland farmers.

Limitations to the scope of the current Plan Change does not mean that the Zone Committee fails to take seriously the call to address the concerns of HDLG and others within a full Plan Review beginning 2022, that intent was reinforced at the 15 April 2019 meeting.

The Zone Committee also wish to be actively involved in supporting initiatives undertaken by the group as well as request the opportunity for the Zone Committee to remain informed and engaged by the HDLG.

As you are well aware the Zone Committee process can be time consuming for what may appear at times to be little gain, I want to assure you that the presence of the group has made significant impact on the future Work Plan of the Zone Committee and also the 2022 Plan review.

Yours sincerely

John Faulkner

Chair, Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee

## Hurunui Waiau Water Zone Committee

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17 April 2019

Chair  
Environment Canterbury  
(via email)

Mayor  
Hurunui District Council  
(via email)

Kia ora Steve and Winton

### **Request for an independent review of Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee**

The Hurunui Waiau Zone committee is in a period of change and there have been frustrations, questions and criticism about how the committee operates and whether it can do enough to fully implement the CWMS in the Hurunui Waiau zone.

The Zone Committee asks that Environment Canterbury and Hurunui District Council review the Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee to identify changes that will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the zone committee in implementing the CWMS in the Hurunui Waiau Zone.

The Zone Committee asks that the attached Terms of Reference be used for an independent review of the zone committee. These Terms of Reference have been prepared by the committee and agreed by committee members at the zone committee meeting on 15 April 2019.

The committee looks forward to more information on the review, its timetable and to be involved in the review.

Yours sincerely

John Faulkner  
Chair Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee

*Copy to:* Hamish Dobbie, CEO, Hurunui District Council  
Bill Bayfield, CEO, Environment Canterbury

## Terms of Reference for a review of the Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee

*Prepared by the zone committee and agreed unanimously by committee members at the 15 April 2019 meeting.*

### 1 Purpose of review:

To identify changes that will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the zone committee in implementing the Canterbury Water Management Strategy in the Hurunui Waiau zone.

### 2 Scope:

1. Consider matters relating to the operation of the zone committee with the aim of identifying how the zone committee can improve its efficiency and effectiveness. This should include:
  - a. How meeting agendas are set and managed;
  - b. How participation from people other than the zone committee is managed at meetings and workshops;
  - c. The detail required in the record (minutes) of meetings;
  - d. The way the committee can use workshops, including whether the committee can have workshops without others being involved;
  - e. How the committee handles meetings between the Chair and Council staff/management and governance, and between zone committee members and Council staff/management and governance;
  - f. How the could operate better to delivery more on-the-ground action, including through the use of Immediate Steps Biodiversity funding and other tools;
  - g. How the committee engages with local communities;
  - h. How the committee engages with environmental NGOs;
  - i. How the committee engages with rūnanga;
  - j. How the committee gets its information, including consideration of whether the information provided to the committee is independent;
  - k. How the zone committee decides what it will get involved in;
  - l. How new committee members are inducted and come up to speed;
  - m. What is working well (not just what is not).
2. Consider matters relating to the committee's mandate, authority, membership and governance arrangements to identify how the committee can better deliver the CWMS in the zone. This should include:
  - a. Whether the power of the committee and its authority (and limitations to this) are appropriate for its role in delivering the CWMS;
  - b. Whether the purpose of the zone committee, as per its Terms of Reference, should be revised to reflect changes since the committee was established in 2010;
  - c. Clarify the tools available for the zone committee to enable action on-the-ground to deliver the CWMS in the zone;
  - d. The committee's responsibilities in relation to the Treaty of Waitangi and whether these should be reflected in the committee's Terms of Reference;
  - e. Whether the membership of the committee and the selection process(es) are appropriate;

- f. Whether the committee members have the skills and experience to provide collaborative leadership and governance, and if not, how this could be developed;
- g. The role of the chair and facilitator, including whether these should be independent;
- h. How the zone committee provides community leadership to implement the CWMS in the zone.

### **3 Independent review**

The review should be carried out by an independent reviewer or reviewers who have knowledge of the CWMS and how zone committees operate and have cultural capacity with direction to Rūnanga interests.

### **4 Who should be involved in the review**

The reviewers should obtain input from anyone who wishes to contribute to the review. This should include input from the zone committee, Hurunui District Council and Environment Canterbury.

When compiling the review, views or comments should be kept anonymous.

### **5 Developing the final review recommendations**

A draft of the review should be discussed with the zone committee and staff of Hurunui District and Environment Canterbury. Final recommendations should be developed through this discussion.

## Correspondence

**Incoming Correspondence received in response to letter sent from the Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee, 'Request for a review of Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee'.**

***Response - Steve Lowndes, Environment Canterbury.***

Kia ora John

Thank you very much for this work. We support the work of the Hurunui / Waiau Zone Committee and recognise that such a review is timely. We will be discussing the Zone Committees' recommendations and a request for a review at an upcoming ECAN/HDC Councillor Meeting on the 15th of May.

Kind regards

Steve

***Response - Mayor Winton Dalley, Hurunui District Council.***

Good evening John.

My council had a brief discussion about the proposed review at yesterday's council meeting.

They wish to have a more in depth look at, and gain a greater understanding of the CWMS and the ZC structure as the appropriate vehicle to continue to deliver water management going forward.

We will respond more fully in due course.

Regards

Winton

## **Response to Federation of Freshwater Anglers**

### **Controlling kororo (black-backed gulls) with alphachlorolose has multiple benefits**

The Hurunui Waiau Water Zone Committee is established under the Local Government Act. Its membership includes rūnanga representatives, regional and district councillors and appointed community members. It is one of 10 zone committees established to help drive achievement of the Canterbury Water Management Strategy, a strategy that includes very strong expectations around the sustainable management of fresh water and its related biodiversity, including recreational and other activities.

It is within this context that we have a major focus on biodiversity. We recognise as a Zone Committee that braided rivers are special in New Zealand – indeed worldwide rivers like ours are very rare. So too are many of the special bird species that nest on these rivers. It is these birds that are under huge threat from a variety of quarters (ongoing monitoring attests to the worsening status of some species, e.g., black-fronted tern and banded dotterel).

We know there is a range of critical threats to these species. Key needs relate to river flow and associated habitat, and to predation by mammalian and avian predators – we know this from research undertaken into these species.

In terms of river flow, the Zone Committee has been very active – indeed, the minimum flows defined within the terms of the Hurunui Waiau River Regional Plan (HWRRP) have increased since the plan became operative in 2013, and they will increase as the plan is progressively implemented. These flows are vital for fish, for birds and for recreation in general.

For these ground nesting birds, the flows in a braided river provide a level of protection from mammalian predators on the islands they nest on, but not from avian predators.

One of these avian predators is the kororo, the southern black-backed gull. In its' own right this is a valued species, but in huge numbers, breeding in what we call 'mega colonies' spread over kilometres of riverbed, it poses a significant and demonstrable negative impact on these other bird species, and indeed on some other values.

We know that over the past 100 or so years, albeit largely via anecdotal observation, that numbers have grown enormously, to the point where there are many tens of thousands now present. Science suggests these numbers are too high and that control is necessary. In other words, there is no longer a natural balance in place.

We know that it is land use that has contributed to this population growth. We work with farmers, directly and indirectly, including via farm environment plans, to

improve practices so that over time, hopefully this is not such an issue. However, these changes take time – the threatened and at-risk species do not have this time.

The Zone Committee, wanting to protect and enhance the threatened and at-risk bird species, therefore explored the most cost and effective and relatively environmentally friendly means of achieving control. Alphachloralose was advised to us as the best solution. We were also informed by considerable successful control work on gulls elsewhere which effectively used this poison. It is considered safe enough to be available and used without a permit. No, it's not perfect, although it is widely considered to be the best poison available for bird control, and yes it can lead to some secondary poisoning. But, working with the Regional Council, with DOC and with a wildlife management company (WMIL) we are satisfied that we put in place best practice to minimise any impact.

In undertaking these operations, the Zone Committee, Regional Council, DOC and WMIL have used absolute best practice. Operations occurred during stable non-flood periods, dead birds were collected by staff and trained volunteers, and observations kept of any poisoning of other species. Information about the gull control operations was communicated to local communities and neighbouring property owners were fully informed of all activities. Ultimately we were very successful in controlling gull numbers – our monitoring will hopefully show over time an increase in the populations of key bird species.

Another benefit of the gull control is for swimming. We know from work undertaken by ESR that these gulls are the primary source of the *E. coli* that has been negatively impacting on swimming in the Hurunui around State Highway 7 at Balmoral. Again, this is another part of the work the Zone Committee is trying to do, this time for recreation – via better management, integrated, and delivering multiple positive outcomes.

Dr Ken Hughey  
Deputy Chair  
Hurunui Waiiau Water Zone Committee

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| <b>AGENDA ITEM NO: 2</b>                                 | <b>SUBJECT MATTER:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wetland mapping;</li> <li>▪ On-the-ground projects – examples from other zones and discussion about how to approach the committee’s wetlands work.</li> </ul> |
| <b>REPORT BY:</b><br>Andrew Arps, Environment Canterbury | <b>DATE OF MEETING:</b><br>20 May 2019  |

**Purpose**

To provide the committee with information on Environment Canterbury’s wetland mapping in the zone and with information about on-the-ground projects in the zone and elsewhere to help the committee develop their wetlands’ work programme.

**Background**

John Preece’s Wetlands presentation last month perhaps highlighted a change in conversation to one that is more focused to “on-the-ground action”, in this case around wetlands.

John Preece made the request to Environment Canterbury (in the first instance) to:

- carry out an inventory of Hurunui wetlands, including both GIS mapping and a report
- include mapping of former areas of wetlands
- set up a network of monitored wetland ...

In this presentation the ECan will partially address that request and present in a broader context an update on some of the “on-the-ground actions” that are taking place in the zone. The items to be covered are:

1. Development of indicative Canterbury Maps wetlands layer:  
On 7 May ECan launched an updated [GIS layer](#) showing indicative Canterbury wetlands on Canterbury Maps. The updated information is based on on-the-ground survey information and aerial photos, and contains significantly more potential wetlands than were included previously. The information will be a valuable tool to help landowners identify whether a wetland potentially exists on their property and, if so, whether the Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP) rules apply to them.

An important point to note is that, as far as landholders are concerned, this does not change their responsibilities in any way. It is also an essential tool for our consents planners and technical staff to work with consent applicants on a case-by-case basis to gather information and confirm the location/extent/values of any wetlands identified. More information is available here: <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/get-involved/news-and-events/2019/updated-wetlands-info-provides-key-guidance-for-landowners/>

2. Update about “On-The-Ground Actions”
  - a. Flagship Project
  - b. Hurunui Splash - swimming hole project
  - c. Waiau Uwha Reach - braided river reach project at Spotswood
  - d. S.C.A R Soil Conservation and Revegetation - Hill country erosion project
  - e. 1 Billion Trees

3. Wetlands Action examples - Kaikoura and Waimakariri zones

4. Progressing the Hurunui Wetlands work programme.

We request that the Zone Committee discuss and provide direction:

- a. What is the committee’s approach to the “on the ground” management and protection of priority wetlands.
- b. The co-design of a wetlands’ work programme.

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| <b>AGENDA ITEM NO: 3</b>  | <b>SUBJECT MATTER:</b><br><br>Zone Committee's 2019 Work Programme |
| <b>REPORT BY:</b><br><br>Ian Whitehouse, Environment Canterbury | <b>DATE OF MEETING:</b><br><br>20 May 2019                         |

**1 Purpose**

To provide the zone committee with an outline of their 2019 work programme, including meeting topics and field trips.

**2 Staff Recommendation**

- a) The zone committee adopts the 2019 Work Programme (subject to any changes made at the meeting).
- b) The committee updates the Work Programme in August 2019.
- c) The zone committee identifies xxx, yyy and zzz as the most important items on its 2019 Work Programme and that these will be given priority in meeting agendas.

**3 Background**

At the March meeting committee members identified what they wanted covered at meetings, field trips and through other activities in 2019. The Zone Facilitator compiled this into a draft Work Programme that was discussed at the April meeting. The proposed Work Programme incorporates additional items identified at the April meeting.

There is considerable uncertainty around some matters that significantly impact the committee's 2019 activities. The timing and Zone Committee's activities are unclear with regards to:

- The review of the Zone Committee;
- Implementing the Plan minimum flows.

Therefore, the Work Programme will be a live document. It is proposed to review and revise the Work Programme in August 2019 and March 2020.

**4 Overview of the proposed Work Programme**

The table on the next page outlines the key topics or focus for each month. Details of the proposed Zone Committee activities are provided in the table at the end of this paper.

### Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee – key topics/focus for monthly workshops, meetings & field trips

| June                                 | July  | August                    | September                     | October   | November   | December   | February   | March                |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|----------------------|
| <i>Amberley</i>                      | <i>Omihi</i>  | <i>Amberley</i>           | <i>Field trip</i>             | <i>Hawarden</i>   | <i>Waiau</i>   | <i>Amberley</i>  | <i>Hikoi &amp; marae</i>   | <i>tbc</i>           |
| Meeting & (poss) workshop            | Meeting & (poss) workshop   | Meeting & (poss) workshop | Field trip<br><b>FULL DAY</b> | Meeting & workshop  | Field trip & meeting   | Meeting  | Field trip & noho marae<br><b>FULL DAY + OVERNIGHT + HALF DAY</b>                    | Field trip & meeting |
| How to implement HWRRP minimum flows |   |                           |                               | State of the water resource.  |  |  |  |                      |
| Wetland protection & management      |   |                           |                               |   |  |  |  |                      |
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|                                      | Communication Plan  |                           |                               | Farming at GMP – AIC, Cheviot Irrigators, HDLG  |  |  |  |                      |

Note: other matters will also be covered at meetings – see the proposed Zone Committee’s 2019 Work Programme for more information.

The proposed committee activities are grouped in five themes. Commentary on these is provided below.

***i) Making things happen***

This theme covers the work the zone committee is doing, or wants to do, to improve land and water management in the zone. Most of the discussion at the April meeting was about activities related to this theme. A full-day wetland field trip has been added (September) as have activities related to the Hurunui hapua (March). Scheduling significant committee activities relating to the hapua any earlier would require dropping some other activities.

The proposed Work Programme has wetlands as a focus of the committee's activities for the next five months (including the all-day field trip). This length of times takes will allow the committee to take a measured and well-informed approach to deciding on what it wants to do to help protect and manage wetlands in the zone.

***ii) Review of the Zone Committee***

The timing and nature of the zone committee's role in the review will be determined by the final terms of reference for the review and when the review commences. A review probably will not commence before June at the earliest.

***iii) Understanding Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Ngai Tahu values***

In the March discussion about their work programme, the committee identified that it needed to better understand the Treaty and Ngai Tahu values to ensure the committee takes these into account in its decision making. At the April meeting a 2-hour briefing on Ngai Tahu values (proposed for December) and a one-and-a-half day hikoī with an overnight on a marae (proposed for February 2020) were proposed.

Committee members are encouraged to attend (free) Treaty Training Workshops and Noho Marae (overnight on a marae) that are organised by Environment Canterbury. The Facilitator will notify committee members of these as they are scheduled.

***iv) Communication and engagement***

The committee communicates primarily through the Chair's newspaper column. The Chair also provides input to help ECan communications staff with region-wide issues that have a strong Hurunui Waiau zone component, such as recent articles on black-backed gull control. The committee has endorsed ECan's efforts over the last few years to tell the story of local farmers demonstrating good management. The committee does little on social media. Julia McLean has suggested the zone committee support a calendar promoting good land and water management in the zone. Others may have ideas as well. The proposed Work Programme suggests the committee develop a communication action plan and then implements this. One way to lift the committee's communication effort could be to form a Communication (and engagement) Working Group and for them to meet regularly to identify and implement specific communication opportunities.

The committee engages with many organisations and individuals at meetings. Improving the involvement of environmental NGOs in the work of the zone committee has been identified as something the committee would like to see. The draft Work Programme is light on details on how the committee wishes to do this. The committee engages with farming and irrigator organisations at its meetings and historically through annual updates from irrigation collectives. The Work Programme includes updates from Amuri Irrigation and Cheviot Irrigators. These are scheduled for the October meeting, however, Amuri Irrigation indicates that they will be ready to present the results of 2018/19 FEP audits in June. The committee has lost its strong connection to the Hurunui District Landcare Group (HDLG) and the draft Work Programme suggests the HDLG be asked to provide an update later in the year.

In the past the committee has had some involvement with youth through schools and the Hurunui Youth Council. These activities have been sporadic and rely on the commitment of one or two committee members. The Work Programme does not currently include any activities relating to engaging with youth in the zone. The Zone Delivery Team is involved with youth in the zone.

***v) Keeping informed on the state of the water resource and on water management activities***

It is important that the zone committee is well informed on the state of the land and water resources in the zone. Understanding this will help the committee in its decision making. It also helps committee members communicate accurately to their networks and community. The Work Programme includes a briefing or workshop where Environment Canterbury would present the results from the water resource monitoring in the zone and the committee would discuss what the results mean. Some committee members have asked for “independent information”. Most information on the zone’s water resources are collected by Environment Canterbury with Hurunui District Council and Amuri Irrigation also collecting some information. Given this, zone committee members are asked what they want included in the Work Programme to reflect their wish to have independent information.

There are projects and work programmes in the zone that the committee has an interest in. The draft Work Programme includes briefings or updates from Amuri Irrigation, Cheviot Irrigators, Hurunui District Landcare Group, on Richard Measure’s project on the Hurunui hapua, on the Braided River Flagship Project, on the Post Earthquake Recovery Project and the just started Soil Conservation (SCAR) Project, as well as updates from Environment Canterbury’s Zone Delivery Team.

**Prioritising items for committee meetings and workshops**

The proposed Work Programme is a full one. This could lead to zone meetings and workshops with full agenda leaving limited time for committee discussion. Guidance is sought on what items should be given priority.

It is suggested that priority be given to items relating to:

- implementing the HWRRP minimum flows;
- the review of the zone committee.

*Zone Committee members are asked to identify other priority items, if any.*



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| <p><b>AGENDA ITEM NO: 4</b></p>  | <p><b>SUBJECT MATTER:</b></p> <p>“Rhythm and Pines” – Hurunui Youth Event</p> |
| <p><b>REPORT BY:</b></p> <p>Marco Cataloni, Environment Canterbury</p> | <p><b>DATE OF MEETING:</b></p> <p>20 May 2019</p>                             |

**1 Purpose**

To provide the zone committee with information on a forthcoming youth event adjacent to Hurunui River.

**2 Staff Recommendation**

The zone committee receives the information on the Rhythm and Pines event.



# Hurunui Waiau Zone Water Management Committee

## Terms of Reference

The area of the Hurunui Waiau Water Management Zone is shown on the attached map.

## Establishment

The Committee is established under the auspices of the Local Government Act 2002 in accordance with the Canterbury Water Management Strategy 2009.

The Committee is a joint Committee of Environment Canterbury (the Regional Council) and Hurunui District Council (the Territorial Authority).

## Purpose and Functions

The purpose and function of the Committee is to:

- Facilitate community involvement in the development, implementation, review and updating of a Zone Implementation Programme that gives effect to the Canterbury Water Management Strategy in the Hurunui Waiau area; and
- Monitor progress of the implementation of the Zone Implementation Programme.

## Objectives

- 1) Develop a Zone Implementation Programme that seeks to advance the CWMS vision, principles, and targets in the Hurunui Waiau Zone.
- 2) Oversee the delivery of the Zone Implementation Programme.
- 3) Support other Zone Implementation Programmes and the Regional Implementation Programme to the extent they have common areas of interest or interface.
- 4) Ensure that the community of the Zone are informed, have opportunity for input, and are involved in the development and delivery of the Hurunui Waiau Implementation Programme.
- 5) Consult with other Zone Water Management Committees throughout the development and implementation of the Hurunui Waiau Implementation Programme on matters impacting on other zone areas.
- 6) Engage with relevant stakeholders throughout the development of the Hurunui Waiau Implementation Programme.
- 7) Recommend the Hurunui Waiau Implementation Programme to their respective Councils.
- 8) Review the Implementation Programme on a three yearly cycle and recommend any changes to the respective Councils.
- 9) Monitor the performance of Environment Canterbury, Hurunui District Council, and other agencies in relation to the implementation of the Hurunui Waiau Implementation Programme.
- 10) Provide Environment Canterbury and Hurunui District Council with updates on progress against the Zone Implementation Programme.

### **Limitation of Powers**

The Committee does not have the authority to commit any Council to any path or expenditure and its recommendations do not compromise the Councils' freedom to deliberate and make decisions.

The Committee does not have the authority to submit on proposed Resource Management or Local Government Plans.

The Committee does not have the authority to submit on resource consent matters.

### **Committee Membership**

The Zone Committee will comprise:

- 1) One elected member or Commissioner appointed by Environment Canterbury;
- 2) One elected member appointed by each Territorial Authority operating within the Zone Boundary;
- 3) One member from each of Tūāhuriri and Kaikōura Rūnanga;
- 4) Between 4-7 members appointed from the community and who come from a range of backgrounds and interests within the community;
- 5) Environment Canterbury and Hurunui District Council will appoint their own representatives on the Committee. Tūāhuriri and Kaikōura Rūnanga will nominate their representatives and the appointments will be confirmed by Environment Canterbury and Hurunui District Council.

### **Selection of Community Members**

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

### **Quorum**

The quorum at a meeting consists of:

- (i) Half of the members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even; or
- (ii) A majority of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is odd.

### **Chair and Deputy Chair**

Each year, the Committee shall appoint the Chair and Deputy Chair from the membership by simple majority. There is no limit on how long a person can be in either of these positions.

### **Term of Appointment**

Members of Committees are appointed for a term of three years. To coincide with Local Government Election processes terms shall commence from January each year, with each Committee requiring confirmation of membership by the incoming Council. The term for community members will be staggered so that one third of the community members is appointed (or reappointed) each year. There is no limit on the number of consecutive terms.

## Financial Delegations

None

## Operating Philosophy

The Committees will at all times operate in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and will observe the following principles:

- 1) Give effect to the Fundamental Principles, Targets and goals of the CWMS;
- 2) Be culturally sensitive observing tikanga Maori;
- 3) Apply a Ki uta ki tai (from the mountains to the sea) approach;
- 4) Work with the CWMS Regional Committee to support the implementation of the CWMS across the region as a whole;
- 5) Give consideration to and balance the interests of all water interests in the region in debate and decision-making;
- 6) Work in a collaborative and co-operative manner using best endeavours to reach solutions that take account of the interests of all sectors of the community;
- 7) Contribute their knowledge and perspective but not promote the views or positions of any particular interest or stakeholder group;
- 8) Promote a philosophy of integrated water management to achieve the multiple objectives of the range of interests in water;
- 9) Seek consensus in decision-making where at all possible. In the event that neither unanimous agreement is able to be reached nor a significant majority view formed, in the first instance seek assistance from an external facilitator to further Committee discussions and deliberations. Where the Committee encounters fundamental disagreements, despite having sought assistance and exhausted all avenues to resolve matters, recommend that the respective Councils disband them and appoint a new Committee.

## Meeting and Remuneration Guidelines

- 1) The Committee will meet at least eight times per annum and with workshops and additional meetings as required. At times, the workload will be substantially higher. Proxies or alternates are not permitted.
- 2) Any Committee may co-opt such other expert or advisory members as it deems necessary to ensure it is able to achieve its purpose. Any such co-option will be on a non-voting basis.
- 3) Remuneration for members will be paid in the form of an honorarium currently set at the following levels:
  - a. Appointed members - \$4,000 pa
  - b. Deputy Chair - \$5,000 pa
  - c. Chair - \$6,000 pa.

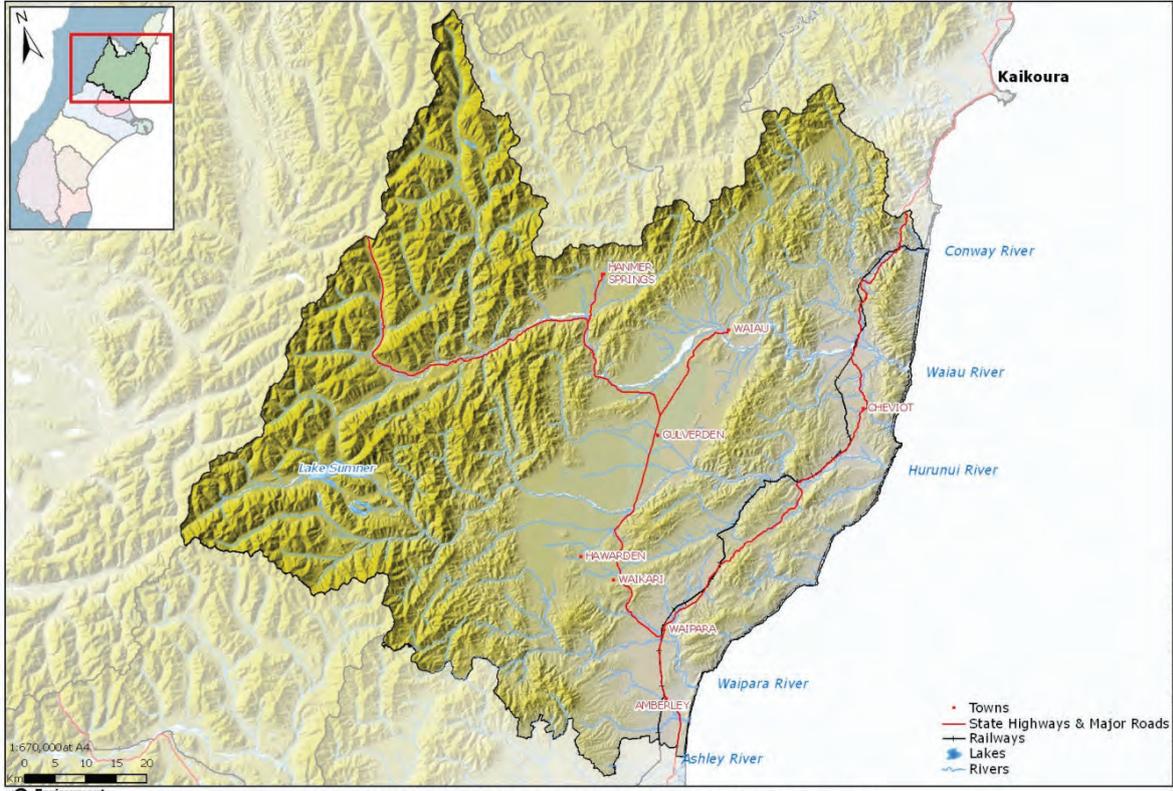
Staff or elected members of Territorial Authorities or the Environment Canterbury shall not be eligible for remuneration.

Mileage will be reimbursed.

## Committee Support

The Committee shall be supported staff from the Territorial Councils and Environment Canterbury, primarily through the Committee Secretary and the Zone Facilitator.

Map showing Hurunui Waiau Water Management



Canterbury Water Management Zones: Hurunui - Waiau Zone