

**MINUTES OF THE 88<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SELWYN WAIHORA ZONE COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE LINCOLN EVENTS CENTRE, LINCOLN ON TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2018  
COMMENCING AT 3.30PM**

**AGENDA SUMMARY**

Item	Time	Description	Presenter
	12.00 – 3.00pm	<b>Selwyn Waihora Youth in the Zone!</b> 12.00-12.20 pm Welcome and Karakia 12.20-1.00 pm Lunch 1.00 – 2.30 pm Sharing our knowledge 2.30 – 3.00 pm Poroporoaki – sharing/reflection/close	
	3.30pm	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 2 October 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> <li>• Te Reo</li> </ul>	
	3.50pm	General Public Contribution	
1.	3.55pm	Selwyn River Waikirikiri Plan Working Group update	Paul Hodgson
2	4.05pm	Update from Te Waihora Co-Governance Meeting	<i>Tim Davie,</i> Environment Canterbury
3	4.15pm	Zone Facilitator's Report	<i>Miria Goodwin,</i> Environment Canterbury
	4.30pm	<b>Approximate finish time</b>	

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**PRESENT**

Allen Lim (Chair), Dr Benita Wakefield (Wairewa Rūnanga), Megan Hands (Community Member), Paul Hodgson (Community Member), Mayor Sam Broughton (Selwyn District Council), Ron Pellow (Community Member), Councillor Anne Galloway (Christchurch City Council), Councillor Iaeen Cranwell (Canterbury Regional Council), Karaitiana Taiuru (Te Rūnanga o Koukourārata) and Maree Goldring (Community Member)

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Miria Goodwin, Dr Tim Davie, Angus McLeod, Ian Whitehouse, Mananui Ramsden, Dr Johannes Welsch and (Canterbury Regional Council); and Therese Davel (Selwyn District Council)

## **APOLOGIES**

An apology was received from Councillor Murray Lemon (Selwyn District Council)

**Moved:** Les Wanhalla / **Seconded:** Maree Goldring

*That the Committee accept the apology, as noted.*

**CARRIED**

## **IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

None.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of the 87<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 2 October 2018.**

**Moved:** Megan Hands / **Seconded:** Councillor Iaeen Cranwell

*That the minutes of the 87<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 2 October 2018, be confirmed.*

**CARRIED**

## MATTERS ARISING AND ACTIONS FROM MINUTES

None.

## REPORT FROM REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The report from the Regional Water Management Committee meeting was taken as read. Staff will, in future, circulate the summary to Zone Committee members as soon as it becomes available. For ease of reference, the summary is included here:

### **1. Farm Environment Plan and Independent Audits** **Are they making a difference?**

- *The committee received an update on the numbers of farmers who have applied for landuse consents and as part of this process completed Farm Environment Plans that are independently audited (1200 audits completed last season).*
- *Audit grades are improving as farmers become aware of issues and invest in new infrastructure and systems/practices.*
- *Farmers attitudes are changing from suspicion to acceptance and there is pride in good audit grades. Grades are also starting to be used as part of the marketing profile of farms when they are sold.*
- *The committee discussed whether terrestrial biodiversity could be included in Farm Environment Plans given the different responsibilities of regional and district councils (ie. regional councils are responsible for wet biodiversity and district councils for dry biodiversity). Currently the trigger for Farm Environment Plan sits within the Regional Council's Land and Water Regional Plan. The advice from staff was to "walk first before trying to run".*

### **2. CWMS Fit for Future Project**

- *The committee received a report on the progress to develop interim targets for 2025 and 2030.*
- *The committee provided feedback on the emerging issues such as climate change, urban issues, over allocation and the apparent inability to report on "real" progress. The committee then worked in pairs to test the targets to see whether they are challenging enough but still achievable.*
- *The draft targets will be discussed again by various groups and zone committees before a final set of draft targets are presented to the committee in December.*

### **3. Updates from DOC, MPI and MFE**

- *MFE provided links to the government's "Freshwater Agenda – next 2 years" that was released the day before the meeting.*  
<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/fresh-water/essential-freshwater-agenda>  
<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/fresh-water/we-all-have-role-play>
- *As part of the governments "3 Waters Review" DIA released a report estimating a cost of \$2billion to upgrade waste water treatment plants to meet provisions of the National Policy Statement on Freshwater. The costs will fall on TAs*  
[https://www.dia.govt.nz/diawebsite.nsf/Files/Three-waters-documents/\\$file/Costs-of-wastewater-upgrades-GHD-Boffa-Miskel-Final-report-Oct-2018.pdf](https://www.dia.govt.nz/diawebsite.nsf/Files/Three-waters-documents/$file/Costs-of-wastewater-upgrades-GHD-Boffa-Miskel-Final-report-Oct-2018.pdf)

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

Members of the Zone Committee reported on meetings attended that relate to the work of the Zone Committee including:

Maree Goldring – New Zealand Wilding Conifer Conference

Councillor Iaeen Cranwell – Waikirikiri Working Group; Port Hills Biodiversity Management Plan Group Meeting;

Paul Hodgson - Waikirikiri Working Group meeting; 2 meetings on fish screens, Meeting at ESR Ltd on collaborative processes

Megan Hands – Balance Farms Awards entrants networking group; field trip with auditing colleagues focused on mahinga kai

Ron Pellow – Waikirikiri Working Group meeting

Allen Lim – Nutrient Allocation workshop; Freshwater leadership group launch, New Zealand Institute of Agricultural and Horticultural Science Symposium

Les Wanhalla - Waikirikiri Working Group meeting; Christchurch West Melton Zone Committee; Launch of Billion Trees programme with MfE at Yarrs Flat; New Zealand Institute of Agricultural and Horticultural Science Symposium; Coes Ford Field Trip

### **GENERAL PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION**

None.

#### **1. SELWYN WAIKIRIKIRI PLAN WORKING GROUP UPDATE**

*(Paul Hodgson)*

Paul Hodgson told the Committee the last Working Group meeting went well with two good presentations. He added he would bring the presentation to a future Zone Committee meeting. The Chair asked if the Working Group will be ready to have a workshop early in 2019 to tell communities about the work they are doing and Paul responded they would not be ready. He said the working group will have to work through a lot of new information first, but that the group will certainly consider this

#### **2. UPDATE FROM TE WAIHORA CO-GOVERNANCE MEETING**

*(Tim Davie, Environment Canterbury)*

Dr Tim Davie told the Committee that the major item discussed at recent Co-Governance meeting was the Department of Conservation becoming a Co-Governance member. He also noted discussion about options for future funding for Te

Waihora. There was a presentation from Fish and Game on Snake Creek and Tim added that the Selwyn District Council is working through the Yarrs Lagoon Management Plan which will go out for consultation.

Dr Davie noted that a response for the zone committee is still coming to their letter to the Co-Governors (suggesting working together on specific projects). Mayor Sam Broughton indicated that Co-Governors feel that before there is collaborative working on projects, there should be more time spent getting to know one another.

Dr Davie told the Zone Committee that the tender for Whakaora Te Ahuriri was close to being granted and work will start next Autumn. This will be for aquatic and terrestrial plants. The Macrophyte trial in the Whakaora Te Waihora project was progressing with a contract awarded to NIWA. 50% of the funding will come from NIWA.

Dr Davie said under the current consent conditions the Lake opening protocol will be reviewed in early 2019.

### 3. ZONE FACILITATOR'S REPORT

*(Miria Goodwin, Environment Canterbury)*

Miria Goodwin introduced Dr Johannes Welsch as the new zone team lead.

Dr Welsch told the Committee he looked forward to his new role as zone team lead. He tabled a project related to mudfish, for funding. When asked what will happen if the Committee did not approve the additional funding, Dr Welsch admitted that the project will go on hold and quite possibly never go ahead.

**Moved** – Maree Goldring / **Seconded** – Karaitiana Taiuru

*'That the Zone Committee approve an increase in funding for Immediate Steps project: Haldon Pastures Mudfish protection.'*

**CARRIED**

Miria noted she was starting to write the Zone Committee Annual Report and asked for volunteers to write parts of it. Maree Goldring, Megan Hands and others noted they would assist. Topics for the report would include:

- A description of the zone committee's work
- The youth meeting held earlier on this day
- Taumutu visit and meeting with co-governors
- Farm Plan Audit processes
- Immediate steps highlights

The Chair asked if someone else in the Committee would be willing to commit to attending meetings of the Te Waihora Agencies Group. He said they met 4 times a year and he found he was not able to commit to this any longer.

Megan Hands volunteered with Ron Pellow as alternate.

Maree Goldring said her stepping down from the Zone Committee at the end of the year will also necessitate a replacement on the Rakaia Catchment Enhancement Fund. They meet twice a year and look at applications for funding. It was a remunerated role. She had discussions with Councillor Lemon who indicated he would be willing to be the replacement.

**Moved** – Les Wanhalla / **Seconded** – Maree Goldring

*'That Councillor Lemon be the Zone Committee representative on the Rakaia Catchment Enhancement Fund Committee.'*

**CARRIED**

Referring to the first meeting of the Zone Committee in 2019, it was agreed to have it on 29 January due to the clash with Waitangi Day and most people's involvement in the event. Electronic meeting invitations for 2019 will be sent out shortly.

Miria also referred to the field trip scheduled for the end of the year. She asked members to indicate whether they intend to participate so that the necessary arrangements may be made as soon as possible.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Karaitiana Taiuru closed the meeting with karakia, wishing everyone a safe journey back home.

The meeting closed at 4.26pm.

DATED this 4 day of June. 2019



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**CHAIR**

## ACTIONS FROM MEETING

Name	Action
ECan	Provide progress report against ZIP Addendum (and Selwyn Te Waihora Plan) outcomes / targets
ECan	Lake margin wetlands and wet pasture
DOC	LINZ land adjacent to Rakaia River near Te Pirita with high biodiversity values. DOC to update committee
ECan Zone Team	Possible purchase of land in lower Silverstream. <b>Updates to be provided early 2019</b>
ECan	Arrange briefing on water balance for the Zone
SWZC Facilitator	Invite DairyNZ to future meeting to present on large catchment project relating to dairy farms
ECan	Arrange presentation to the Zone Committee on OVERSEER®
Zone Facilitator	Follow up on science of Swimmable Selwyn and forward to Committee
SWZC Secretary	Electronic invitations to 2019 meetings