



# Agenda

**Notice is hereby given of  
a Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone  
Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday 18 September 2019**

1.00pm

Waimate Event Centre  
15 Paul Street  
Waimate

[www.waimatedc.govt.nz](http://www.waimatedc.govt.nz)

**Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee will be held in the Waimate Event Centre, 15 Paul Street, Waimate, on Wednesday 18 September 2019, commencing at 1.00pm.**

**Committee Membership**

Kate White	Chairperson
Emily Anderson	Community Member
Suzanne Eddington	Waihao Runanga Rep
Jakki Guilford	Councillor
	Arowhenua Runanga Rep
Jeremy Holding	Waitaki Councillor
Barney Hoskins	Community Rep
Daniel Isbister	Community Member
Bruce Murphy	Community Member
Brent Packman	Community Member
Jared Ross	Community Member
Peter Scott	Environment Canterbury Councillor
Kieran Whyte	Te Rūnanga o Moeraki Rep

Quorum – no less than five members

**18 September 2019, 1:00pm**  
**Waimate Event Centre, Waimate**

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**OPENING**

**1 APOLOGIES**

Chris Eccleston

**2 VISITORS**

**3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

## MINUTES

### 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<b>4.1 MINUTES OF THE LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17 JULY 2019</b>
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**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Attachments:** 1. Minutes of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone  
Committee Meeting held on 17 July 2019

#### PURPOSE

To present the unconfirmed Minutes of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee meeting held on 17 July 2019 for confirmation.

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
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That the Minutes of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting held on 17 July 2019 be adopted as a true and correct record.
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# **MINUTES**

## **Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting**

**17 July 2019**

**MINUTES OF WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE WAIMATE EVENT CENTRE, 15 PAUL STREET, WAIMATE  
ON WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 2019, COMMENCING AT 1.15PM**

**PRESENT:** Chair Kate White, Waihao Runanga Rep Suzanne Eddington, Waimate Councillor Jakki Guilford, Community Member Daniel Isbister, Community Member Bruce Murphy, Community Member Jared Ross, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki Rep Kieran Whyte

**APOLOGIES:** Community Member Emily Anderson, Arowhenua Runanga Rep Sandra Hampstead-Tipene, Community Member Barney Hoskins, Community Member Brent Packman, Waitaki Councillor Jeremy Holding and Cr Peter Scott

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Environment Canterbury Lower Waitaki Zone Committee Manager Chris Eccleston and Facilitator Dave Moore, Karalyn Reid (Committee Secretary)

## **OPENING**

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and asked Irai to give a karakia.

Irai has been recently appointed as Mātauranga in the Regions and provides support for Suzanne, Kieran, Sandra and other Runanga reps to help with any Mahinga kai projects.

## **1 APOLOGIES**

### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/8**

Moved: Bruce Murphy

Seconded: Suzanne Eddington

That apologies from Emily Anderson, Sandra Hampstead-Tipene, Cr Jeremy Holding, Barney Hoskins, Brent Packman and Cr Peter Scott be received and accepted.

**CARRIED**

## **2 VISITORS**

Colin Hurst, Jason Evered (ORC), John Begg (DoC) and Irai Weepu (ECan Tangata Whenua Facilitator (Kaitiaki Targets))

## **3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

## **MINUTES**

## **4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**



**4.1 MINUTES OF THE LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17 APRIL 2019**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/9**

Moved: Suzanne Eddington

Seconded: Daniel Isbister

That the Minutes of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting held on 17 April 2019 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**REPORTS**

**5 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**5.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER**

There were no changes identified.

**5.2 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2019/10**

Moved: Suzanne Eddington

Seconded: Bruce Murphy

That the correspondence be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**Note:**

The Committee agreed the Zone Facilitator writes to the Waitaki Irrigation Collective Ltd on behalf of the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee and confirms its support of the water stewardship programme.

**5.2.1 TE REO**

Two members of the Zone Committee attended the recent Treaty of Waitangi workshop and found it valuable.

The Chair talked about Zone Committees being encouraged to learn more Te Reo, and Zone Committee members agreed they would like to learn more words, the correct pronunciation and karakias. The Chair said another Zone Committee asks members to bring a new te reo word to each meeting and introduce it to the committee and that the Committee might like to consider this in future.

*Te Kohurau* – Kurow River

*Te Tari-a Te-Kaumira (The Long Range of Te Kaumira)* – The Hunters Hills

### **5.3 FACILITATORS UPDATE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Zone Committee receive the update.

#### **Note:**

- The Treaty of Waitangi Workshop was valuable
- Matt Dobson (Hillslope and Landslip Project) is still working hope to come back with an update to the Committee around September 2019

### **5.4 REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE**

There was no Regional Council update as Cr Peter Scott was not at the meeting.

### **5.5 ZONE DELIVERY QUARTERLY REPORT**

Zone Manager Chris Eccleston gave a presentation, and tabled his report.

The Committee asked Chris to supply this report prior to the Zone Committee meeting to allow members to read it in advance because of its importance to the Zone Committee. Chris advised that the timing on the reporting cycle makes it difficult to achieve this but it would be possible to delay the report until the subsequent meeting to allow for this. The Committee said they would be happy to receive the report via email even a day or two before the meeting. Chris will look into what is possible.

A rubbish problem was identified at Wainono, as there was currently no bin there. Suzanne Eddington suggested the Waihao Marae may be able to provide a daily rubbish collection service and will advise.

A new shared role of Compliance and Enforcement Officer (funding 20% ECan, 80% Waimate District Council) will soon be starting at the Waimate District Council under a Memorandum of Understanding with ECan.

There is work being done on rationalising and unification of water samples. The first meeting was well attended. The aim is to provide clear process for people taking water samples for consistency and to reduce total number of samples being taken. This work is being driven by Waitaki Irrigators Collective with support from ECan.

There was discussion around the lack of level of compliance monitoring and enforcement staff within Environment Canterbury, and constant changeover of staff. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

It was identified there were many rural (catchment) groups and farmers (goodwill) wanting to do the right thing, but there is a need for facilitators.

It would be helpful if the Territorial Authorities were more supportive.

The Chair commended ECan staff generally for their commitment to their roles.

### **5.4 CONSENT COMPLIANCE MONITORING AND INCIDENT RESPONSE - QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION**

The Committee asked for this to be brought to the next meeting to allow for more time for discussion.

**5.6 WILDING CONIFER CONTROL**

Biodiversity Manager Graeme Sullivan gave a presentation on the Wilding Conifer Control Programme.

**5.7 GENERAL**

**DoC Ranger for River Projects**

John Benn advised DoC are allocating financial reserves to restore rivers around country. Some of this funding is coming to Canterbury. A ranger has been appointed to the Geraldine office (Brad Edwards) to look at projects in the Lower Rangitata and Waitaki.

**MEETING CLOSURE**

The Chair asked Irai to give a karakia to close the meeting.

The meeting closed at 2.50pm.

The minutes of this meeting are to be confirmed at the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Meeting scheduled for 21 August 2019.

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**CHAIRPERSON**

<b>4.2      RECEIPT OF WORKSHOP OUTCOMES - 21 AUGUST 2019</b>
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**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor

**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor

**Attachments:** 1. Workshop Notes (Outcomes) - 21 August 2019

**PURPOSE**

To present the outcomes taken at the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee workshop held on 21 August 2019.

## **Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee Planning Workshop**

**Waimate Event Centre**                      21 August 2019

**Present:**                                      Sandra Hampstead-Tipene, Bruce Murphy, Cllr Jakki Guilford, Emily Anderson, Keiran Whyte, Jared Ross, Brent Packman, Cllr Peter Scott

ECan Staff: Chris Eccleston, Anna Mehrtens, Kennedy Lange, Dave Moore

**Apologies:**                                      Kate White, Daniel Isbister, Suzanne Eddington, Barney Hoskins, Jeremy Holding

### **Purpose**

To agree high-level priorities to support the development of the Zone Committee's work plan for the next one to two years by:

1. Sharing knowledge between committee members and ECan staff
2. Agreeing the most important issues for each catchment area
3. Agreeing high-level solutions/actions in each catchment or across catchments
4. If time permits, prioritise actions

### **Background**

The Lower Waitaki Zone Committee is transitioning from a time of intensive community engagement and authoring the ZIP and ZIPAs to focussing on "on the ground" implementation of the CWMS.

Plan Changes 3, 5 and 7 (currently notified) apply to various parts of the zone. While the Committee to some extent has a role in educating the community about the plan changes it is primarily the role of ECan to ensure compliance. The Zone Committee, however, with its strong connections into the local community, has the ability to identify, socialise and leverage community and industry support to encourage and support non-statutory actions towards the CWMS targets.

This workshop focussed on identifying the high-level non-statutory opportunities and actions the Zone Committee might undertake over the next one to two years.

### **Approach**

The Workshop opened with everyone reading a Karakia.

Dave briefly reminded the committee of the CWMS desired outcomes, principles, priorities and the 10 targets and discussed what we hoped to get out of the workshop.

Bruce Murphy highlighted the statement below from the ZIP, stating that for him this summed up everything about why we are here as a committee.

*Ko te wai ko te mauri o te whenua ka takoto mai nei.  
Kia ora ai ngā mea katoa ki uta ki tai e.  
Water is the life force of the land that lays here.  
For the wellbeing of all things from the mountains to the sea.*

## General

The group discussed each catchment in turn. There were common themes/ideas listed below:

- Review priorities/plans
  - 3 year cycle
  - Scheduled into yearly meeting plans. E.g. this month focus on Hakataramea.
- Critical Source Area (CSA) mapping
  - Seen as very useful to get granular detail on where individual farmers can really make a difference
- Achieve much more by engaging industry, government departments, and individuals.  
e.g:
  - Beef and Lamb
  - Territorial Authorities
  - Catchment Groups
  - Dairy NZ
- Strong Relationships are key
- Advocacy and Education
  - Youth engagement
  - Community events
  - Link into existing e.g. Strawberry Fair or create new
- Waitaki Iwi Management Plan now published  
<https://www.aukaha.co.nz/files/141/file/Waitaki-Iwi-Management-Plan-2019-pdf>

## Waihao Wainono

- Main issues are Sediment and Phosphorus
- Influence in the non-statutory space recommended as many farms come under permitted activity.
  - Project approach (similar to approach used in Hook catchment) recommended as most effective
  - Drivers for change:
    - Probable tightening of National Environment Standards in near future
    - Plan review 2025
    - If TLI doesn't improve, it could mean tighter restrictions.
- Work closely with Waihao Wainono Catchment group
  - Black Hole
  - Community Meetings
  - Field days and workshops
  - ZC members to attend/have closer relationship

- Augmentation
- Parked but not forgotten (ECan science and modelling being done)

### **Northern Streams**

- Main issues are Sediment and Phosphorus
  - Investigate Catchment Groups – likely 3. Run as a project, i.e. specific goals
  - Project approach similar to Waihao Wainono
  - FEP Focus – Mainly arable and dairy support
  - Find out water quality “hot spots”

### **Morven Drains and Sinclairs**

- Park for now

### **Northern Fan**

- Drinking Water (WDC have issues)
- Better soil data, enabling precision agriculture with quite variable soil types
- Information sharing on best practice – education, field days, industry groups
- ? Catchment Group / facilitation

### **Hakataramea Valley**

- Support Hakataramea Sustainability Collective (HSC)
- Willow control and support of funding application (? From HSC)
- Braided River (BRIDGE), once court case outcome known
- Pre-Waitaki Allocation Plan review. Science work underway currently
- Spawning sites
- Pest issues
  - Wilding conifers
  - Wallabies
  - Link to Southern Pest Management Liaison Committee

### **Waitaki River and Tributaries**

- Future Irrigation Development – e.g. Kurow Duntroon Irrigation
  - Will this lead to further intensification and if so what are the implications?
  - Front foot this.
- Water sampling/testing – WIC project
- Recreation
  - Access to river
  - Track maintenance by Rod and Gun Club, ECan, others
  - Alps to ocean (not discussed just put in by Dave now)
- Mahinga Kai
  - What are the opportunities, protection?
- Rock art

- Biodiversity?
  - Bird Islands
  - Grey Scrub

## **Urban**

- 3 Waters (Drinking, Stormwater, Sewer)
  - Big changes coming with drinking water, financial implications for WDC
  - Stormwater Super Heroes type campaigns?
- Education and Awareness
  - Youth Engagement
    - Work in with ECAN youth council and Youth Engagement Team (Peter Scott to discuss with Team Leader). Involve Waimate High
    - Field trips with youth, Black Hole, etc
- Waimate District Council and Waitaki District Council Engagement
  - Invite CE and Mayor to meeting(s)
  - Better collaboration is especially important for the biodiversity crossover with regional and district councils.

## **Preservation of mahika kai areas**

A priority across all catchments/areas in the zone

## **Sandy's last meeting**

As this was sadly Sandra Hampstead-Tipene's last Zone Committee meeting Bruce took a moment express his appreciation for her service and said how much she will be missed.

The workshop closed at 3:20pm with a Karakia.



## Background information

### CWMS Desired Outcome

To enable present and future generations to gain the greatest social, economic, recreational and cultural benefits from our water resources within an environmentally sustainable framework.

### Primary principles:

- sustainable management
- regional approach and Tangata Whenua

### Supporting principles:

- natural character
- indigenous biodiversity
- access, quality drinking water
- recreational opportunities
- community and commercial use

### Priorities for natural water use

#### First order

- Environment
- customary use
- community supplies and stock water

#### Second order

- Irrigation
- renewable electricity generation
- recreation and amenity

### Ten targets

- Ecosystem health and biodiversity
- Natural character, processes and ecological health of braided rivers
- Kaitiakitanga
- Drinking water
- Recreational and amenity opportunities
- Water use efficiency
- Irrigated land area
- Energy security and efficiency
- Indicators of regional and national economies
- Environmental limits

## REPORTS

### 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

<b>5.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER</b>
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**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor

**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor

**Attachments:** 1. Declarations of Interest Register

#### PURPOSE

1. To present the Declarations of Interest Register for the information of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.
2. Members are welcome to update the attached document.

## LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER

MEMBER	DECLARATION
Emily Anderson - Community	
Suzanne Eddington – Waihao Runanga	
Cr Jakki Guilford – Waimate District Council	Waimate District Councillor
Arowhenua Runanga	
Cr Jeremy Holding – Waitaki District Council	Waitaki District Councillor
Barney Hoskins - Community	
Daniel Isbister - Community	Farmer - McKirdy Ventures Ltd Shareholder – Fonterra Shareholder – Lower Waitaki Irrigation Company Councillor – Fish & Game Central South Island Councillor – NZ Fish and Game Council Steering Committee – North Otago Sustainable Land Management (NOSLaM)
Bruce Murphy (Deputy Chair) - Community	Farmer Director – Murphy Farms Ltd Trustee – Waimate Vet Trust Shareholder – Fonterra Shareholder Councillor – LIC Member – Otaio Water Users Group Director – Hunter Downs Irrigation
Brent Packman - Community	
Jared Ross - Community	Farmer Director – Home Creek Holdings Ltd Director – Kurow Duntroon Irrigation Company Federated Farmers North Otago Dairy Chairman Central South Island Beef and Lamb Farmer Council
Cr Peter Scott – Environment Canterbury Councillor	Environment Canterbury Councillor Orari Temuka Opihi Pareora Water Zone Committee member (temporary) Farmer – Dirragh Farm Ltd Ballance Shareholder Ravensdown Shareholder Silver Fern Farms Shareholder
Kate White (Chair) - Community	Shareholder in the Kurow and Duntroon Irrigation Company Ltd (KDIC)
Kieran Whyte – Moeraki Runanga	

<b>5.2      CORRESPONDENCE REPORT</b>
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**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Attachments:** 1. Letter received from Forest & Bird - 19 August 2019

**PURPOSE**

For the correspondence to be presented for the information of the Zone Committee.

<p><b>RECOMMENDATION</b></p>
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<p>That the correspondence be accepted.</p>
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19 August 2019



Canterbury Regional Council  
PO Box 345  
Christchurch

Attention: Zone and Regional Committee Chairs

Royal Forest and Bird Protection  
Society of New Zealand Inc.  
Christchurch Office:  
PO Box 2516, Christchurch 8140  
New Zealand

P: 021 165 9658  
[www.forestandbird.org.nz](http://www.forestandbird.org.nz)

Dear Committee Chair,

**RE: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ON THE ZONE COMMITTEES**

1. As you will no doubt be aware the Auditor General has revoked the declaration made in 2018 (the 2018 declaration) relating to section 6(1) of the Local authorities (Members Interests) Act 1968. This was done as a result of legal proceedings lodged by Forest & Bird in the High Court.
2. I thought I would take this opportunity to advise you of Forest & Bird's views of this issue. Please can you ensure that this letter is circulated to members of the committee that you chair?
3. Section 6(1) gives effect to the principle that those who take a public position should not use that position to advance their own pecuniary interests. It does this by prohibiting those with a pecuniary interest from participating in discussions or voting on matters where they have a pecuniary interest.

**6 Member of local authority or committee not to discuss or vote on question in which he has pecuniary interest**

(1) A member of a local authority or of a committee thereof shall not vote on or take part in the discussion of any matter before the governing body of that local authority or before that committee in which he has, directly or indirectly, any pecuniary interest, other than an interest in common with the public.

4. A failure to comply with s 6(1) is an offence.
5. The 2018 declaration provided an exemption from s 6(1) to those on the zone committees and the regional committee (the committees). The effect was that members of the committees were able to discuss and vote on matters where they had a pecuniary interest. It allowed shareholders in companies to discuss and vote on matters that directly touched their financial interests, such as the review of consent conditions. Directors and Chief Executives were able to participate in discussions and vote on matters critical to the companies they directed or managed.

6. Forest & Bird considered allowing such blatant conflicts of interest were not appropriate. This concern was exacerbated by the makeup of many of the zone committees, which did not reflect the community but instead were dominated by farming and irrigation interests. We considered this was a significant contributor, along with the loss of elected representatives and appeals to the Environment Court, to the recent drastic decline in water quality and quantity in Canterbury.
7. The revocation of the 2018 declaration means that s 6(1) applies in full. Committee members must not participate in discussions or vote on matters where they have a pecuniary and they can be prosecuted if they do.
8. Forest & Bird will remain vigilant. We will be reviewing committee agendas and minutes to determine if there have been any breaches. If we come across any breaches, we will refer these to the Auditor General with a request that they be investigated and, if proved, prosecuted.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Snoyink'.

Nicky Snoyink  
Forest & Bird Regional Manager  
Canterbury/West Coast

**5.3 FACILITATORS UPDATE**

**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Attachments:** Nil

<b>HUI/MEETING:</b> Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee	
<b>AGENDA ITEM NO:</b> 3	<b>KAUPAPA/SUBJECT:</b> Facilitators update
<b>KAITUHI/AUTHOR:</b> Dave Moore, Zone Facilitator	<b>WĀ/MEETING DATE:</b> 18 September 2019

**PURPOSE**

1. To update the Committee on actions from the previous meeting, relevant information and upcoming engagement opportunities.

**UPDATE**

**16 October 2019 Field Trip**

2. Instead of a meeting on 16 October 2019, the Committee will have a field trip in the Northern Streams area. More details to follow.

**Meeting dates for 2020**

3. Below are the agreed Zone Committee meeting dates for 2020:
  - a. 19 February
  - b. 18 March
  - c. 15 April
  - d. 20 May
  - e. 17 June
  - f. 15 July
  - g. 19 August
  - h. 16 September
  - i. 21 October
  - j. 18 November
  - k. 16 December

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Zone Committee receive the Facilitators Update.

**5.4 ZONE COMMITTEE PRIORITIES FOR THE WAIHAO WAINONO CATCHMENT**

**Author:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Authoriser:** Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary and PA to the Mayor  
**Attachments:** Nil

<b>HUI/MEETING:</b> Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee	
<b>AGENDA ITEM NO:</b> 5	<b>KAUPAPA/SUBJECT:</b> Zone Committee Priorities for the Waihao Wainono Catchment
<b>KAITUHI/AUTHOR:</b> Dave Moore, Zone Facilitator	<b>WĀ/MEETING DATE:</b> 18 September 2019

**PURPOSE**

1. To agree to the Zone Committee actions to support water quality improvement in the Waihao Wainono Catchment.

**BACKGROUND**

2. Refer to the *Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury ZIP* and *South Coastal Canterbury ZIPA* recommendations and the high-level priorities for the Waihao Wainono Catchment as identified at the August 2019 Zone Committee workshop shown below.
3. Main issues are Sediment and Phosphorus
4. Influence in the non-statutory space recommended as many farms come under permitted activity.
  - a. Project approach (similar to approach used in Hook catchment) is recommended as most effective
  - b. Drivers for change:
    - i. Probable tightening of National Environment Standards in near future
    - ii. Plan review 2025
    - iii. If TLI doesn't improve, it could mean tighter restrictions.
5. Work closely with Waihao Wainono Catchment group e.g.
  - a. Black Hole
  - b. Community Meetings
  - c. Field days and workshops
  - d. ZC members to attend/have closer relationship
6. Augmentation of Wainono Lagoon
  - a. Parked but not forgotten (ECan science and modelling currently being done)

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Zone Committee discuss and agree on detailed priorities for the Waihao Wainono Catchment.



## MEETING CLOSURES