

Ashburton Water Zone Committee

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Dear Nicky

Re: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ON THE ZONE COMMITTEES

I am writing in reply to your letter to Zone Committee Chairs 19th August.

I am aware of the Auditor General decision to revoke the declaration made relating to Zone members.

Under the declaration knowledgeable committee members were able to participate in all discussions and make recommendations relating to the development of programmes and targets set out in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy.

It seems highly likely that this decision by the Office of the Auditor General will have some impact on how the Zone Committee operates going forward. We have invited the Ashburton District Council and Environment Canterbury to consider how we can work best in the future. We will consider their advice and continue to work collaboratively with Forest and Bird.

Yours sincerely



Bill Thomas
Chair Ashburton Water Zone Committee