



HURUNUI
District Council



Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee

Agenda

Ordinary Meeting
5.30pm, Monday, 17 February 2020

Waiau Community Hall, Waiau

Community Partnership in Growth and Wellbeing

Committee Membership:

Ken Hughey (Deputy Chairperson)
Mayor Marie Black (Hurunui District Council)
Cr Lynda Murchison (Hurunui District Council)
Cr Claire McKay (Canterbury Regional Council)
Josh Dondertman
John Faulkner
Michele Hawke
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

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 promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.

(Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Act 2019 – Section 10)

HURUNUI WAI AU ZONE COMMITTEE
WORKSHOP & MEETING
Monday, 17 February 2020, Waiau Hall, Waiau.

AGENDA

	2.30pm	Zone Committee Workshop	
	5.00pm	Break	
	5.30pm	Zone Committee Meeting commences with karakia and formal order of business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Reo Maori: places in the zone • Apologies • Announced urgent business • Interests register (updates) • Confirmation of minutes – 9 December 2019 • Matters arising 	Pages 4-5 Pages 6-12 Page 13
	5.45pm	Public contribution	
1	5.50pm	Election of Officers Lyn Carmichael, Environment Canterbury	Page 14
2	6.05pm	Hurunui Catchment Project Josh Brown, Hurunui District Landcare Group	Pages 15-16
3	6.25pm	Update from HWZC Wetlands Working Group Josh Dondertman, Michele Hawke, John Preece and Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash	
4	6.30pm	Update from Zone Committee members on activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the zone	
5	6.40pm	Zone Facilitator's Report Lyn Carmichael, Environment Canterbury	Pages 17-19
	6.45pm	Meeting concludes	

Register of Interests for the Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee

Committee Member	Committee Member Interests
Mayor Marie Black	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landowner at 553 Hawarden-Waikari Road Landowner at 28 Seadown Crescent, Amberley Director of Eventful Hurunui Trustee of Hawarden/Waikari Community Vehicle Trust Trustee of Hawarden/Waikari Community Trust
Cr Lynda Murchison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JG & LM Murchison Farm Partnership Murchison Trust Murchison Planning (Sole Trader) New Zealand Planning Institute (Member) QEII Trust (Life Member) Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Farm p/s member & Member North Canterbury Executive) Alliance Meat Company (Shareholders) Silver Fern Farms (Shareholders) Ravensdown (Shareholder) Heartland Bank (Shareholder) Hawarden Waikari Lions Glenmark Waikari Parish Vestry Committee
Cr Claire McKay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dairy/grazing Farmer in the Waimakariri District Inenga Holdings partner (with spouse) Woodfields Partnership partner (with spouse) McKay Family Trust trustee (spouse is also a trustee) Waimakariri Irrigation Ltd Shareholder Consent holder of water take and use consents – CRC050222.1, CRC093084, CRR990908.1, CRC102890, CRC103260 Consent holder of effluent discharge consents – CRC990910.4, CRC102594, CRC122256, CRC122318, CRC144865. Member of Federated Farmers Dairy New Zealand Environmental Leaders Alumni
Josh Dondertman	Nil
John Faulkner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dairy farm owner in the Amuri Basin. Irrigation water supplied by Amuri Irrigation Company Ltd (Shareholder). Dairy Support block owner, consent to take water from a gallery. Member of the independent irrigators Group. Member of Federated Farmers.
Michele Hawke	Nil
Ken Hughey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professor of Environmental Management, Lincoln University (2 days per week) Chief Science Advisor, Department of Conservation, Wellington (3 days per week) Board member Waihora Ellesmere Trust Board member Hanmer Springs Conservation Trust Member Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society. Member NZ Geographical Society. Occasional contract water-related research work including for Environment Canterbury.
Julia McLean	Nil
John Preece	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultant wetland ecologist – including occasional contracts for Environment Canterbury Part owner of commercial flower garden at Conway Flat

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinator Hutton's Shearwater Charitable Trust
Makarini Rupene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural Land Management Advisor, Environment Canterbury • Tangata Kaitiaki • Ngāi Tūāhuriri Representative, Motanau Coastal Guardians • Member, Executive, Ngāi Tūāhuriri Runānga
Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tangata Kaitiaki • Trustee, Te Kōhaka ō Tūhaitara Trust • Member, Ngāi Tahu Farms Mana Whenua Working Party • President, Gore Bay Board Riders • Iwi/environmental management consultant • Director, Hui Ngaru ō te Wai Pounamu

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES



Meeting	Hurunui-Waiiau Zone Committee
Date and Time	9 December 2019, 5.10pm
Venue	St Johns Hall, 66 Carters Road, Amberley
Agenda	https://www.hurunui.govt.nz/find/how-the-council-works/meetings
Members Present	Ken Hughey (Acting Chair), Mayor Marie Black, Cr Clair McKay, Cr Lynda Murchison, John Faulkner, Michele Hawke, Julia McLean, John Preece, Makarini Rupene and Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.
In Attendance	<p>Environment Canterbury (ECan) – Lyn Carmichael (Zone Facilitator), Andrew Arps, Stephen Bragg, Marco Cataloni, Caroline Hart, Zipporah Ploeg.</p> <p>Hurunui District Council – Hamish Dobbie, Judith Batchelor (<i>minute taker in the absence of the Committee Secretary</i>)</p> <p>Department of Conservation – John Benn</p> <p>Member of the public – Winton Dalley</p>
Recording Device	A recording device was in use for the accuracy of the minutes.
Karakia	Ken Hughey opened the meeting with a karakia.
Te Reo Māori – Place names in the zone	<p>Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash spoke to the Zone Committee on the importance of supporting each other through the learning of te reo Māori as a second language.</p> <p>He reiterated that for personal development always go back to reciting the five vowels. This will help with fluency and phonetic pronunciation.</p> <p>Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash noted that research has shown that when speaking a new language the use of your hands helps to retain 80% more information.</p>
Apologies	<p>Members of the committee: Josh Dondertman. Makarini Rupene and John Faulkner for early departure.</p> <p>Public: David Croft</p> <p>THAT THE APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED.</p> <p>Hughey/Hawke</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Conflict of Interest Declarations	<p>John Faulkner updated his interests for the Interest Register to include that he is a member of the Dairy Environment Leaders Organising Committee.</p> <p>The updated register of interests from the Environment Canterbury Council and Hurunui District Council to be included once available.</p> <p>An update from the ECan-run Conflict of Interest and Chair Training Workshop was provided for the information of the Committee. The following was noted:</p>

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- A new interest's register format was discussed at this workshop with the intention that it will be adopted by all Zone Committees. This will be sent around to the Zone Committee members when it is ready. Lyn Carmichael will be available to assist with interests queries.
 - Whilst discussion around pecuniary conflicts were discussed, bias conflicts were also workshopped. It was noted that if there is a perception that there could be a bias, then this should be declared.
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Urgent Business

Nil

Minutes

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2019 ARE CONFIRMED, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

- Page 7, Item 2, first bullet point, correct spelling of Cracked **to** Crack.
- Page 7, Item 3, last word on page, correct spelling of trailed **to** trialled.
- Page 8, Item 3, second bullet point, remove the word 'control'.
- Page 8, Item 3, paragraph starting with "ECan has committed...", second sentence, add the word 'actions' so that the sentence reads "There will be more of a focus on non-statutory **actions** with the leading values..."
- Page 8, Item 3, Bullet point 5, correct spelling of Cracked **to** Crack.
- Page 9, Item 5, last bullet point, change sentence to read "...wetland project needed to **be** more encompassing..."
- Page 11, Item 8, bullet point 2, fix spelling of Cawthorn **to** Cawthron.

Hughey/Faulkner

CARRIED

Action List/Matters Arising:

Lyn Carmichael gave a verbal update on the status of the action sheet. Further updates were noted:

- The Jed River – Lyn Carmichael and Ken Hughey have worked with John Benn who will forward on the appropriate information to the Jed River Group. The Group is looking at possibly running a future workshop with ECan to supply water quality data.
- Biosecurity Work Program action on pest management of braided rivers (Page 8) – LINZ still to provide further information on this work program as requested by the Committee. The Committee would like LINZ to feed back to it on engagement, a Mountains to the Sea initiative and planned integration of all relevant parties.

It was noted that in the LINZ presentation it was stated that the relationship between LINZ and the local iwi could use some work but on its website, it states that LINZ has a good relationship with iwi. It was asked that this be clarified.

It was agreed that this will be included as a part of the Zone Committee's work program for 2020 and then it will be linked through the agendas as appropriate.

1. Public Contribution	Nil.
2. Immediate Steps Funding and Key Projects. Zipporah Ploeg, Environment Canterbury	<p>Zipporah Ploeg spoke to a presentation outlining the history, case studies and the criteria of the Immediate Steps fund. The Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee was asked to consider allocating Immediate Steps Funding to two projects.</p> <p>The projects considered were fencing of the Beltana Bush II – QEII Covenant, and the fencing of the Mount Guardian Covenant.</p> <p>Discussion was held and the following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was queried if the Mount Guardian Covenant could be used as an education resource or a community connection. It was advised that the landowner is passionate about the area and is considering putting a walking track through the covenant. He does currently allow walking groups through the area. • Mount Guardian Covenant has opted to use deer fencing around the covenant due to the large numbers of feral deer around that area. • The Committee agreed that both projects add to the corridor of covenants in the area. <p>THAT THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE SUPPORTS THE TWO IMMEDIATE STEPS FUNDING OF:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$43,600 TO THE BELTANA BUSH II FENCING – QEII COVENANT; AND 2. \$89,967 TO THE MOUNT GUARDIAN COVENANT <p>Hawke/McLean CARRIED</p> <p>THAT THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE AGREES TO ALLOCATE THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/21 AND 2021/22 OF THE MOUNT GUARDIAN COVENANT FUNDING IN THE 2019/20 FINANCIAL YEAR.</p> <p>Hawke/McLean CARRIED</p> <p>It was agreed that this should be added to the Zone Committees good news stories as it promotes the connectivity around the Conway area. Zipporah Ploeg has spoken with the landowner of the Mount Guardian Covenant and they have indicated that they are happy with publicity being created on what they are doing.</p>
3. Meeting Schedule 2020	<p>The Zone Committee considered the meeting dates, times and venues for the year 2020.</p> <p>The possibility of meeting in Hanmer Springs was discussed. It was noted that past meetings in Hanmer Springs have not been well attended by members of the public in comparison with meetings held in the other areas of the zone that have been reasonably well attended.</p> <p>It was discussed that some groundwork has been laid in the Hanmer Springs area due to the wetlands discussions and field trip. The Zone Committee agreed to try to fit a meeting in Hanmer into the work program and to advertise it well as part of the communication strategy.</p> <p>It was agreed that the venues will be realigned to reflect the topics of the work program.</p>

THAT THE HURUNUI-WAIAU ZONE COMMITTEE APPROVE THE MEETING DATES AS FOLLOWS WITH A START TIME OF 3PM:

- 17 FEBRUARY
- 16 MARCH
- 20 APRIL
- 18 MAY
- 15 JUNE
- 20 JULY
- 17 AUGUST
- 21 SEPTEMBER
- 19 OCTOBER
- 16 NOVEMBER
- 14 DECEMBER

Hughey/Black

CARRIED

**4. Update on
Delivery work
programme**

Marco Cataloni,
Environment
Canterbury

The Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee took the report as read. Discussion was held and the following was noted:

- The message about the importance of wetlands is not being widely received by landowners which is increasing the risk of potential wetlands being destroyed.
- It was suggested that context and more information be added to the 'incident response' graphs in the report so that it tells a story. Officers to go back to the communication team to provide more information alongside the snapshots. It was suggested that the report also be linked to key issues for the Zone Committee in terms of engagement.
- It was highlighted that there is a mistake on page 28 of the agenda where black-bill gulls were discussed. ECan Communications team to action.
- The swimming holes article was discussed and it was suggested that the third paragraph on page 29 be reworded to say, "The swimming hole **kicks** off the Hurunui..."
- The recent floods have had no impact on any project work, as the work had not yet started.
- It was noted that the financial year for this is from June to July.

A verbal update on the SCAR project was provided to the Zone Committee. The following was noted:

- The poplar poles have been fully allocated for the next two years.
 - ECan officers are carrying out the land use capability mapping on farms.
 - This project ties in nicely in with discussions around retiring land. There have been some good outcomes out of the close contact with landowners.
 - A report to Ministry for Primary Industries showing the SCAR project milestones will be drafted in early 2020. The Zone Committee requested that this report also be presented to the Zone Committee.
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5. Update from Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee Wetlands Working Group.

Josh Dondertman,
Michele Hawke,
John Preece, and
Nukuroa
Tirikatene-Nash

Lyn Carmichael spoke to the report outlining the Wetlands Working Group's progress.

John Faulkner left 6.15pm

The working group has met regularly since the last Zone Committee meeting and attended a wetland field day on 10 October 2019 hosted by the Hurunui Biodiversity Group. John Preece presented at this field day, which was attended by approximately 65 landowners and interested community members including a number of Zone Committee members. Following this day, members of the Zone Committee attended a field day in Hanmer, which involved a tour of the different wetlands and discussion around the planning framework for wetlands in Hurunui.

Following these initiatives the Working group proposed the following actions for Zone Committees approval:

- Follow up with the Hurunui Biodiversity Group on a co-hosted workshop and education day (John Preece/Lyn Carmichael). The Hurunui Biodiversity Group have indicated that they are very keen to support the Zone Committee via their Facebook page, etc., rather than co-hosting. They would like to join in for the day but would prefer that the Zone Committee organise the event.
- Provide information to the committee on progress to date on wetlands through Immediate Steps funding (Zipporah Ploeg).
- Source a FAQ on wetlands for use in engagement and conversations with farmers. The draft document was included in the agenda for the Zone Committees consideration.
- Approach AIC and request a demonstration wetland project (Ken Hughey) – Ken Hughey updated that he has spoken with Andrew Barton about a demonstration wetland project, and he indicated that AIC would be open to an opportunity to rebuild the relationship with the Zone Committee midway through 2020. This would be after the release of the freshwater National Objectives Framework (NOF), the Biodiversity National Policy Statement work and the Biodiversity Strategy.

The Zone Committee considered the following key actions and agreed that the working party move forward with:

- Find the willing and provide information and support to access funding opportunities and next steps (all members).
- Develop branding for the project to promote engagement and partnering (Julia McLean/Fraser Walker- Pearce). This brand would be something different to the HDC and ECan branding.
- Key focus of stories using existing projects and celebrating successes.
- At this stage, the working group has been discussing what level of involvement external stakeholders would have in the working group with the intention to bring it back for discussion at a future Zone Committee meeting.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was discussed that the issue of wetland loss, and the lack of education around it, is a very real issue and one that ECan officers are working on. It is likely that work on this will be released by mid-2020 but is still happening. <p>It was discussed that the Zone Committees ZIP has an objective around no net loss of wetlands in the zone but it is clear that this is not happening. It is well known that it is not socially, environmentally, economically or culturally acceptable to drain wetlands. It was discussed that other factors such as Industry KPIs and looming government regulation uncertainty might be a part of the issue.</p> <p>It was agreed that ECan officers draft up communications in line with the Zone Committees expectations as per the ZIP and similar to what was recently publicized in the Waimakariri Zone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sustainable Farming Fund wetland project provides a funding opportunity for 30 key wetland projects across the Canterbury region and the working party has been active in communicating this opportunity to the Hurunui Biodiversity Group and interested landowners.
6. Update from Zone Committee members on other activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the Zone.	<p>Zone Committee members provided the following updates on activities and meetings attended since the September Hurunui-Waiarau Zone Committee meeting. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ken Hughey met with Andrew Barton for a positive catch up and discussions about what AIC are doing in the wetlands space and the status of the Enhancement Package. AIC indicated that at this stage there will be no further voluntary increases of the minimum flows. This is due to AIC disappointment with the lack of progress around the enhancement package. AIC are, however, keen to work with the Zone Committee on wetland projects mid 2020 after the nature and implications of the upcoming government initiatives have been explored.
7. Update from organisations wishing to speak	<p>There were no updates from organisations present. It was agreed that as this agenda item is similar to 'public contribution' that it will be combined in the future.</p>
8. Zone Facilitator's Report Lyn Carmichael, ECan	<p>The Zone Facilitator's report was taken as read. The following topics were further discussed:</p> <p><i>Consultation for proposed national policy statement for indigenous biodiversity</i></p> <p>Ken Hughey reported that both the NPS and the Biodiversity Strategy decisions are likely to be conjoined and released possibly around late May - early June 2020. This is lining up with the timeline for the Freshwater NOF initiatives as well.</p> <p><i>Youth Rōpū</i></p> <p>The Committee was asked to pass on the information outlined in the agenda to anyone who is interested in the Youth Rōpū.</p>

Draft Annual Report

The timing of the Draft Annual Report was discussed – these normally come out in March/April, which leaves time for any changes. The earlier the better. Ken Hughey to action.

Lyn Carmichael congratulated the Zone Committee on the work they did on Southern Black-Backed gull control, which has now formed part of the Canterbury-wide Southern Black-Backed Gull/Karoro Management Strategy.

Urgent Business

Nil.

Meeting concluded

The meeting concluded at 6.50pm with a whakamoemiti from Nukuroa Tirikatene-Nash.

Next meeting

Monday 17 February 2020.

Hurunui-Waiau Zone Committee Action Sheet *(updated for 20 February zone committee meeting)*

Item	Meeting Date	Name of Item	Action Required	Actioned By/Manager	Status of Action
	9 December	Branding for Wetlands Project	Develop branding for the Wetlands project to promote engagement and partnering	Julia McClean / ECan Comms	Work in progress.
	19 August	Letter in Support for	Letter in Support of Hurunui District Landcare Trust project "Resilient Rural Communities" from HWZC	Lyn	Work in progress. Drafted and on hold awaiting further advice from Josh Brown
	17 June 2019	Non-partisan Biodiversity Group	Investigate establishing a non-partisan Biodiversity Advisory Group	officers	Work in progress Wetland Working Group will look to add to its membership
	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/Lyn	Work in progress. Māori look at the river in terms of reliability of the water and grade via state of the river: Drinking water, baptism, wai tapu. Further discussion to be held – to be scheduled in Work Programme.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 1	SUBJECT MATTER: Election of officers
REPORT BY: Lyn Carmichael, Environment Canterbury	DATE OF MEETING: 17 February 2020

Action required

Zone Committee members elect the following officers for 2020:

- Chair
- Deputy Chair
- Hurunui Waiau Zone representative on Regional Committee.

Appointment of officers

Each year, the Committee is required to 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.

The committee also needs to appoint a member to the position of representative on the regional committee.

At the meeting the committee will elect members to these three positions.

HURUNUI WAI AU ZONE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM NO: 2	SUBJECT MATTER: Hurunui District Landcare Group Project
Author: Josh Brown, Hurunui District Landcare Group	DATE OF MEETING: 17 February 2020

A potential Hurunui catchment project

Background

The Hurunui District Landcare Group (HDLG)

The HDLG is a catchment group covering the Hurunui District. Established in 2016, HDLG now has 140, predominately dryland sheep and beef farmer members. Originally with the aim of facilitating and promoting “on farm good practice” of sustainable land principles, HDLG has over the past three years:

- in conjunction with Beef + Lamb NZ (B+LNZ), facilitated the development of Farm Environmental Plans (FEP) for our members farms. Over 80% of our members now have an FEP.
- Reviewed 1/3rd of our members FEPs to ensure they are quality plans that will deliver improved outcomes for the environment.
- Completed a detailed survey of all our members that has provided HDLG with an understanding of what our farmers are doing and the challenges they face.
- Provided a template for other catchment groups around the country to emulate; Sharing our learnings and experience.

Following on from these successes, HDLG has held several woolshed meetings with our members to obtain feedback on our future direction. At these meetings, our members expressed a need for support to assist them face the numerous social, environmental and policy changes ahead. This feedback prompted us to approach the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) Extension Services Programme team to begin the process of developing a future catchment group project.

MPI Extension Services Programme

MPI’s new Extension Services Programme is one component of the current governments “Productive and Sustainable Land-Use” package announced as part of the 2019 Budget. This programme has \$34m over 4 years to fund; “Farmer-led, farmer-focused groups to support sustainable land-use decisions and improve economic, environmental and well-being outcomes for farmers and their communities.”

Extension is about working together to face and tackle challenges and operate better in an increasingly complex environment. This means a stronger and more connected network of farmers, rural professionals, industry groups, and government.

MPI will partner with farmers and regional stakeholders to ensure services are relevant to the needs and priorities of local communities.

Scoping project

In October last year, the HDLG partnered with MPI to undertake a scoping project to gather community ideas for a large-scale community project funded through the Extension Services Programme. Three community workshops and a meeting of stakeholders have been held to date.

Once ideas from the community and stakeholders meetings are finalised, a project will be designed with expert input and an application will be made to the Extension Services Programme.

The HDLG invite the Zone Committee to provide feedback on the project and to consider what further support the committee can provide.

HURUNUI WAIU ZONE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM NO: 5	SUBJECT MATTER: Zone Facilitators Report
Report by: Lyn Carmichael Environment Canterbury	DATE OF MEETING: 17 February 2020

Action required:

Note the updates on:

- HWZC Annual Report
- Biosecurity Advisory Groups
- Jed River Catchment – Action Group

HWZC Annual Report

The Hurunui Waiau Zone Committee Annual Report has now been finalised. The report will be presented to the Hurunui District Councillors at their council meeting on 28th May and to the Environment Canterbury Councillors at their council meeting on 18th June.

Biosecurity Advisory Groups

These groups have been established and have held their first meetings. There are four groups across the region:

- North Canterbury Biosecurity Group – Cr Grant Edge
- Christchurch Banks Peninsula Biosecurity Group – Cr Lan Pham
- Central Canterbury Biosecurity Group – Cr Ian Mackenzie
- South Canterbury Biosecurity Group – Cr Elizabeth McKenzie

Northern Group	Central Group	Christchurch/Banks Peninsula	Southern Group
1. Duncan Lundy	1. Helen Stewart	1. John Clemens	1. Gary Foster
2. Norm Kereikeepa	2. Roger Bray	2. Colin Meurk	2. John Talbot
3. Hamish Roxburgh	3. Andy Cox	3. Gabe Ross	3. Rob Young
4. Richard Reed	4. Barry Austin	4. Gina Waibl	4. Tom Lambie
5. Winton Dalley	5. Chas Todhunter	5. Pam Richardson	5. Gavin Loxton

6. Hamish Chamberlain	6. Fiona McDonald	6. Paul de Latour	6. John Abelen
7. Mark Giles	7. Hamish Gilpin	7. Philip Hulme	7. Richard Patterson
8. Ted Howard	8. Maree Goldring	8. Richard Ball	8. Angela Johnston
9. Hamish Galletly	9. Michael Salvesen	9. Karl Dean	9. Ines Stager
10. Lorna Sandeman	10. Nicky Snoyink	10. Sam Yeatman	10. Matt Simpson

The Councillors will act as Establishment Chair for the groups' first year.

The groups:

- meet approximately four times per year
- composed of ECan Councillors, TA Councillor (represent all within the group's area), Papatipu Rūnanga representative, and community members
- meetings are open for public to attend
- have no decision-making or recommending powers
- for info on the purpose of the groups and their Terms of Reference see here: www.ecan.govt.nz/biosecuritychampions

Jed River Catchment - Action Group

The following letter was sent out to by Catherine Maxwell:

At the well-attended "Future for Cheviot" meeting in April 2018 facilitated by Peter Kenyon some people reported an interest in making the Jed a living stream again. To start with, it was decided to conduct a drone survey of the Jed River catchment (including its main tributaries Crystal Brook and Woolshed Creek).

Earlier (2010/11) surveys and water testing by ECan had reported issues with low flow and flood events, water quality and clarity, run-off from the Cheviot sewage treatment plant, E.coli overload, excessive nutrients in some areas, algal growth and bank erosion.

An "intrinsic stream report" by DOC from October 2011 focussed on plant and wild life. 14 native bird species were identified (8 of those were ranked as threatened) and 10 wetland bird species. However, only two fish species were found in the Jed, the common bully and the short fin eel.

DOC recognised the Jed estuary as an important wetland habitat in North Canterbury, due to its saltmarsh vegetation, mudflats and the habitat it provides for a variety of native wetland and migratory birds. The vegetation of the Jed River was reportedly dominated by introduced species (11 out of 20). Of the native plants, gossamer grass and the spider orchid were ranked as declining.

In summary, the Jed was attested a “low degree of naturalness and amenity value”.

The drone footage was shown at a “Cheviot's Future – Jed River” meeting on 28th August this year.

Key issues identified at this meeting were:

Water Quality:

- either low flow or flood scenario
- willows blocking flow
- anaerobic pools
- septic run-off from treatment plant
- nutrient run-off
- E.coli pollution
- erosion

Plant/ Bird Life:

- coastal nesting birds, salt marsh
- ducks contributing to E.coli pollution

What To Do? - Suggestions:

- communication to landowners and interested parties
- research, tests, map of river, more information needed
- feasibility study needed
- willow removal
- fencing stream
- planting natives to hold banks and filter nutrients

IF YOU WANT TO BE INVOLVED and/or are interested in more information:

- supporting DOC and ECan documents about the Jed River catchment have been published on <https://www.cheviotnz.com/jed-river-project>
- a meeting of interested parties and landowners is planned for taking place in the next few weeks
- a core group will be formed after that and a 5 year plan discussed
- Jed River walk is planned for April 2020
- please contact Catherine Maxwell (021-138 3841) if you are interested in the Jed River catchment and for more information

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

