

REGULATION HEARING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held in the
Council Chamber, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch, on
Thursday, 13 February 2020 at 8.00am

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PRESENT

Councillors Claire McKay (Chair), Grant Edge, Nicole Marshall, and Lan Pham

IN ATTENDANCE

Virginia Loughnan (Consents Manager), Tania Harris (Senior Manager Operational Support)
Catherine Schache (General Counsel) and Alison Cooper (Consents Hearings Officer)

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor C Pauling

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no deputations or petitions.

4. MINUTES OF MEETING - 12 DECEMBER 2019

Resolved:

The Regulation Hearing Committee:

Confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 12 December 2019 as a true and correct record.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 – Hearing Policy

Councillor Marshall noted that the Hearing Policy was dated 2014 and asked if it had been reviewed since then.

Catherine Schache (General Counsel) advised the Policy was a Council policy and that a formal review of the policy had not been undertaken.

Resolved:

That Council staff undertake a review the Hearing Policy – dated 2014, and report back to the Regulation Hearing Committee.

Cr McKay / Cr Marshall
CARRIED

Councillor Marshall referenced the Hearing Policy and asked if definitions of fairness and natural justice should be included.

It was noted that the principles of fairness and natural justice is covered in the Ministry for the Environment - Good Decisions Programme and that hearings should be conducted by Hearing commissioners under those principles.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

6.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner – Southern Proteins Limited

Resolved:

That the Regulation Hearing Committee in regard to resource consent application CRC200154 to be held by Southern Proteins Limited:

- 1. Appoints Gina Solomon as a Hearings Commissioner; and member of a Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and**
- 2. Delegates to Gina Solomon pursuant to s34A(1) Resource Management Act 1991, the function, powers and duties required to: deal with any preliminary matters; hear; and decide the resource consent application.**

Cr McKay/ Cr Pham
CARRIED

6.2 Hearing Commissioners List

It was noted that the list of hearing commissioners held included contact information that the Mfe website did not; and that it needed reviewing to update certification details. It was also suggested listing the hearings undertaken.

It was agreed that the Hearing Commissioner list be returned to the Regulation Hearing Committee when updates occur.

Moved:
That the Hearing Commissioner List be received.

Cr Edge / Cr Marshall
CARRIED

7. EXTRAORDINARY AND URGENT BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary or urgent business.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that Councillor Marshall will be attending the Good Decision Makers Programme; and that Councillor Pham will be undertaking the Chair course for Good Decision Makers

9. NEXT MEETING - To be advised

10. CLOSURE - The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8.20 am

CONFIRMED

Date:

12/3/2020

Chairperson:

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