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## **Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee OPEN MINUTES**

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**Date:** Thursday 28 October 2021  
**Time:** 6.05pm  
**Venue:** Harvard Community Lounge  
Wigram Village Green, Corsair Drive, Wigram

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**Present**

Chairperson	Kevin Brown - Community Representative
Deputy Chairperson	Annabelle Hasselman - Community Representative
Members	Mike Patchett - Community Representative Shona Sluys - Community Representative Brynlea Stocks - Community Representative Abbie Wilson - Community Representative Emma Norrish - Christchurch City Council Elected Representative Councillor Sophie McInnes - Selwyn District Council

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In Attendance: ECan – Murray Griffin (Team Leader Strategy & Planning (Facilitation) (Acting Zone Facilitator), Irai Weepu (Tangata Whenua Facilitator Tuia team), Channell Thoms (Matauranga Putaiao Senior Advisor); Mahaanui Kurataiao Ltd - Stephanie Dijkstra; Banks Peninsula Zone Committee - Aurora Smith; DOC – John Benn; Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network – Rachel Barker

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Irai Weepu opened the meeting with a Karakia/Timatanga.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

## 1. Apologies

### Committee Resolved CWZC/2021/00015

That the apologies received from Les Wanhalla, Arapata Reuben, Oscar Bloom, Kākati Royal, Helen Rutter and Cr Phil Clearwater, be accepted.

Abbie Wilson/Annabelle Hasselman

**Carried**

## 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

## 9. Mahinga Kai - Background

Irai Weepu, Tangata Whenua Facilitator for Kaitiakitanga Targets in ECan's Tuia team, presented to the Committee on Kaitiakitanga Targets Mahinga Kai Projects. Kaitiakitanga was a target in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy (CWMS). Videos and information are available on ECan's website. Irai identified mahinga kai as the value of natural resources and their habitats, birds, plants, fish, animals and resource...that sustain life including the life of people. The information showed that by 2030 10 sites in each Papatipu Rūnanga area (including freshwater mātaimai and Fenton Reserves) being restored or protected in recognition of them as wāhi taonga and/or to support and be accessible to Papatipu Rūnanga for mahinga kai and resource gathering purposes.

Irai reported on the Karoro (southern black-backed gull). Next month the team will collect Karoro egg samples. Discussion was held about support by the Zone Committee, and importance of partnerships. Also supporting instream ecosystems such as sediment control.

Channell Thoms, Mātauranga Putaiao Senior Advisor – Surface Water Science for ECan, provided an update on her role as a Freshwater Ecologist and about her PhD on Freshwater Mussels. She reported on Mātauranga, i.e. indigenous knowledge systems, traditional ecological and environmental knowledge, including observational science and intergenerational exchange. ECan carries out a Mātauranga monitoring programme that is Rūnanga specific, site specific and criteria determined by purpose. This programme is Rūnanga led involving kaumātua and rangatahi, using traditional tools/methodologies, and looking from a traditional Māori viewpoint and western science together.

Stephanie Dijkstra presented on her role as Mahinga Kai/Ngā Wai Advisor for Ngāi Tahu and based mainly at Mahaanui Kurataiao Ltd. She is involved in work associated with the Christchurch City Council, such as the Comprehensive Stormwater Network Discharge Consent and Cashmere Stream Enhancement Project. The work involves identifying areas of the catchment that require future resource.

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**Committee Resolved CWZC/2021/00016**

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives information on: mahinga kai; mahinga kai project process; Te Mana o Te Wai engagement timeframes; and the Mātauranga Māori monitoring programme.

Kevin Brown/Annabelle Hasselman

**Carried**

**3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

**Committee Resolved CWZC/2021/00017**

That the minutes of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee meeting held on Thursday, 26 August 2021 be confirmed.

Mike Patchett/Abbie Wilson

**Carried**

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

The deputations about the Estuary Green Edge walking and cycling track that were heard from the Avon Heathcote Estuary Ihutai Trust, and Christchurch 360 Trail Inc, were noted.

**5. Deputations by Appointment**

There were no deputations by appointment.

**6. Identification of Urgent Items**

Nil.

**7. Identification of General Public Contributions**

Nil.

**8. Correspondence**

The Committee appreciated and noted its thanks to the Christchurch City Council for the comprehensive information on the Long Term Plan.

**Committee Resolved CWZC/2021/00018**

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the following correspondence:
  - a. Christchurch City Council's response about the Zone Committee's input into the Council's Long Term Plan 2021-2031;
  - b. Canterbury Water Management Strategy Targets documentation.

Brynlea Stocks/Sophie McInnes

**Carried**

## 10. Facilitator's Update - October 2021

### Committee Resolved CWZC/2021/00019

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the Facilitator's report to October 2021.

Annabelle Hasselman/Emma Norrish

**Carried**

At the conclusion of the formal meeting, Zone Committee action leads provided updates in relation to progress of their Action Plans.

Irai Weepu closed the meeting with a Karakia/Whakamutunga.

**Meeting concluded at 8.06pm.**

**CONFIRMED THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021**

**KEVIN BROWN  
CHAIRPERSON**