

Minutes of the 556th Extraordinary Meeting of the Canterbury Regional Council held at Environment Canterbury, Council Chamber, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch on Monday, 19 December 2022 at 10.06am

Present

Chair Peter Scott, Councillors Greg Byrnes, Iaeon Cranwell, David East, Grant Edge, Tutehounuku Korako, Ian Mackenzie, Claire McKay, John Sunckell, Deon Swiggs, and Nick Ward

Report writers and other staff were also present.

In attendance:

Yvonne Yang, Audit New Zealand

1. Mihi/Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Councillor Cranwell opened the meeting with a mihi whakatau, followed by a karakia.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Paul Dietsche, Craig Pauling, Genevieve Robinson, Vicky Southworth, and Joe Davies.

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest reported.

4. Report Items

Refer pages 5-172 of the agenda.

4.1. Adoption of the 2021/2022 Annual Report

Refer pages 5-172 of the agenda.

Staff presented the updated draft 2021/22 Annual Report and Annual Report Summary noting no material changes from the draft in the agenda papers and highlighted the following updates:

1. Further clarification of major variances between actual and budgeted results has been disclosed

2. Updated figures included in the prudence graphs and funding impact statements required to be included by the Local Government Act 2002
3. Notes to the financial statements presented for the first time, or reformatted during the current year, were adjusted to address Audit NZ suggestions
4. Clarification of the status of contingent liabilities included
5. Incorporated wording change for the climate change levy, noting the Council approved further investigation of a climate change levy, rather than investigating how to implement it.
6. Annual Report Summary clearly notes the prior year balances have been restated (aligned with the full annual report)

The following papers were tabled:

1. Annual Report 2021/22
2. Summary Annual Report 2021/22
3. Independent Auditor's Report – To the readers of Canterbury Regional Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2022.
4. Independent Auditor's Report – To the readers of Canterbury Regional Council's summary of the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2022.
5. Representation letter for the year ended 30 June 2022.
6. Representation letter for the summary annual report the year ended 30 June 2022.

Resolved CNCN/2022/175

Staff recommendations.

That the Council:

1. Approves the tabled draft 2021/22 Annual Report and Annual Summary of the financial reports for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Cr Edge/Cr Swiggs
CARRIED

2. Delegates to the Director Corporate Services the authority to make alterations of minor effect or to correct any minor errors to the approved 2021/22 Annual Report.

3. Authorises the Chair and Director Corporate Services to sign the representation letters to the auditor.

Cr Cranwell/Cr East
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10.16am and reconvened at 10.17am

Chair Scott and Giles Southwell, Director of Corporate Services, signed the representation letters for Audit New Zealand.

Yvonne Yang from Audit New Zealand spoke to the Independent Auditor's Report.

4. Receives the Independent Auditor's Report of Environment Canterbury's Annual Report and Annual Report Summary for the year ended 30 June 2022.
Cr Swiggs/Cr Ward
CARRIED
5. Adopts the 2021/22 audited Annual Report and Annual Report Summary.
Cr Mackenzie/Cr East
CARRIED

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 15 February 2023 at 10.30am.

6. Mihi/Karakia Whakamutunga - Closing

A karakia was provided by Councillor Cranwell.

The meeting concluded at 10.35am

TO BE CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL 15 FEBRUARY 2023

Chair Peter Scott
Environment Canterbury