

Minutes of the 562nd meeting of the Canterbury Regional Council, held at Environment Canterbury, Council Chamber, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch on 24 May 2023 at 10:30am.

Present

Chair Cr Peter Scott, Deputy Chair Cr Craig Pauling, Councillors Greg Byrnes, Iaeon Cranwell, Joe Davies, Paul Dietsche, David East, Grant Edge, Tutehounuku Korako, Ian Mackenzie, Claire McKay, Genevieve Robinson, Vicky Southworth, John Sunckell, Deon Swiggs, and Nick Ward.

1. Mihi/Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Councillor Southworth opened the meeting with a karakia, followed by Deputy Chair Craig Pauling with a mihi whakatau.

2. Apologies

No apologies were received.

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest reported.

4. Public Forum, Deputations and Petitions

There were no requests for public forum, deputations, and petitions.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

There was no extraordinary or urgent business.

6. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

6A Change of Procedure for Speaking and Moving Options

The Council opted to change from Option A to Option C (Standing Order 22.1 Procedure for speaking and moving options), in order to enable robust discussion of amendments to motions.

Resolved CNCL/2023/62

That the Council:

1. Adopt Option C as outlined in Standing Order 22.1, allowing the mover and seconder of, and speakers to, a motion to move and second amendments, and allowing any member, regardless of whether they have spoken to a motion or amendment, to speak to any subsequent amendment.
2. Notes that this resolution requires a 75% majority to pass.

Chair Scott/Cr Pauling
CARRIED

7. Report Items

7.1. Annual Plan Mahere ā Tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24 Deliberations

Information was provided to the Council to support deliberations on the Annual Plan Mahere ā tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24.

Resolved CNCL/2023/63

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Council:

1. Receives the summary of the public engagement on the draft Annual Plan Mahere ā Tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24 and the staff advice in Attachments 7.1.1 and 7.1.2, and agrees that this summary is an accurate reflection of the community feedback received.

Cr Korako/Cr East
CARRIED

Staff recommendation:

2. Directs the Chief Executive to prepare the Annual Plan Mahere ā Tau 2023/24, based on the draft Annual Plan 2023/24 engaged on, for consideration and adoption by the Council on 21 June 2023, noting the inclusion of reprioritized work programmes for 2023/24 identified by staff to address financial conditions.

An amendment was moved by Cr Grant Edge and seconded by Cr Vicky Southworth to add further to staff recommendation 2. The amendment was taken in 2 parts.

- 2.1. That the \$0.25 million proposed to be reduced from the Land and Water – Working together for healthy water and Land programme (Zone Action Plan budget) be re-allocated to the Regional and Strategic portfolio – Engagement and influence programme (Waitaha Action to Impact Fund).

Cr Edge/Cr Southworth
LOST

The motion was considered by way of division.

The division was declared LOST by 7 votes for to 8 votes against, the voting being as follows:

For: Councillors Greg Byrnes, Joe Davies, Paul Dietsche, Grant Edge, Craig Pauling, Genevieve Robinson, Vicky Southworth.

Against: Councillors David East, Tutehounuku Korako, Ian Mackenzie, Claire McKay, John Sunckell, Deon Swiggs, Nick Ward, and Chair Peter Scott.

Abstained: Cr Iaeen Cranwell.

A subsequent amendment was moved by Cr Grant Edge and seconded by Cr Vicky Southworth to add further to staff recommendation 2.

- 2.2. That Council approves an additional \$0.25 million to be allocated to the Regional and Strategic portfolio – Engagement and influence programme (Waitaha Action to Impact Fund).

Cr Edge/Cr Southworth
LOST

The meeting adjourned from 11:51am to 11:55am.

Cr Robinson left the meeting during the adjournment, returning at 11:56am.

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The division was declared LOST by 7 votes for to 8 votes against, the voting being as follows:

For: Councillors Greg Byrnes, Joe Davies, Paul Dietsche, Grant Edge, Craig Pauling, Genevieve Robinson, and Vicky Southworth.

Against: Councillors David East, Tutehounuku Korako, Ian Mackenzie, Claire McKay, Deon Swiggs, and Nick Ward.

Abstained: Cr Iaeen Cranwell.

Substantive Motion:

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Cr Sunckell/Cr Mackenzie
CARRIED

For clarity, the staff recommendations were adopted without change, being:

That the Council:

1. Receives the summary of the public engagement on the draft Annual Plan Mahere ā Tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24 and the staff advice in Attachments 7.1.1 and 7.1.2, and agrees that this summary is an accurate reflection of the community feedback received.

Cr Korako/Cr East
CARRIED

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Cr Sunckell/Cr Mackenzie
CARRIED

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 21 June 2023.

9. Mihi/Karakia Whakamutunga - Closing

A karakia was provided by Councillor Southworth.

The meeting concluded at 12:07pm.

Chair Peter Scott
Chair, Environment Canterbury

Draft Annual Plan Mahere ā tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24 reprioritisation of work programmes

The table below summarises the \$4m of proposed changes to 2023/24 work programme budgets due to a reprioritisation exercise undertaken by staff to offset cost pressures. This is referred to in recommendation 2 and in clauses 32 and 43 of the Annual Plan Mahere ā tau Tuhinga Tautahi 2023/24 Council Deliberations report dated 24 May 2023.

Note that:

- the final work programme budgets for 2023/24 cannot be derived from the information in the table below. Following Council approval to prepare the final version of the Annual Plan, there will be further changes to portfolio and programme budgets as final overheads are allocated and any final financial adjustments are made.
- Changes have not been proposed to Public Transport and the pressures that exist will be managed in year
- The proposed changes are not expected to impact on the achievement of LoS as set out in the Annual Plan

Portfolio/Programme	\$000s	Draft Annual Plan Expenditure	Reprioritised Expenditure
Braided River Revival		4,062	(98)
Leading and Partnering for Biodiversity Outcomes		2,006	(218)
Me Uru Rakau		974	-
Priority Habitats Wetland Protection		4,665	(171)
Regional Pest Management		14,277	-
Biodiversity and Biosecurity		25,984	(487)
Climate Change Resilience		1,445	-
Leading Community Resilience		5,025	(70)
Leading Flood & River Resilience		20,444	(100)
Managing the Coastal Environment		5,507	(100)
Managing Contaminated Land, Hazardous Substances &		1,987	(50)
Climate Change and Community Resilience		34,409	(320)
Data for Decision Making		5,512	(690)
Engagement and Influence		9,309	-
Investing for the Future		1,912	-
Leading Regional Planning, Consenting & Compliance		23,674	(110)
Tuia Partnership		1,563	-
Governance and Advisory Services		5,745	(220)
Regional and Strategic Leadership		47,715	(1,020)
Clean Air		3,197	(170)
Integrating Urban Land Use, and Regional Transport		2,424	4
Transforming Public Transport		114,253	-
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development		119,875	(166)
Freshwater Regulatory Framework		6,768	-
Freshwater Resilience		9,237	(150)
Healthy Waterway Actions		7,708	(200)
Monitoring and Understanding our Environment		13,461	(300)
Stewardship of Land and Water		824	-
Working Together for Healthy Land and Water		4,989	(685)
Water and Land		42,987	(1,335)
PORTFOLIO TOTALS		270,969	(3,328)
Corporate Services reprioritisation (to be allocated across portfolios)			(666)
REPRIORITISATION TOTAL			(3,994)