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## **Workshop - Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee NOTES**

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**Date:** Thursday 24 August 2023  
**Time:** 6:04pm  
**Venue:** Wharekotuia Room at Environment Canterbury, 200  
Tuam Street

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### **Present**

Chairperson	Annabelle Hasselman - Community Representative
Deputy Chairperson	Mike Patchett - Community Representative
Members	Helen Rutter - Community Representative
	Brynlea Stocks - Community Representative
	Cailin Richardson-Hall - Community Representative
	Clare Piper - Community Representative
	Councillor Mark Peters - Christchurch City Council
	Tyla Harrison-Hunt - Te Taumutu Rūnanga
	Councillor Greg Byrnes - Councillor Environment Canterbury
	Amber Moke - Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke/Rapaki
	Oscar Bloom - Youth Representative

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**Karakia Tīmatanga:** Annabelle Hasselman

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

## **1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha**

There were apologies received from Tyla Harrison-Hunt and Arapata Reuben for absence and Councillor Greg Brynes for early departure.

## **2. Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee Committee Comment**

The meeting began with a brief introduction and overview of the workshop.

Jackie Howard from the Styx Living Laboratory Trust spoke to the Committee on the Stormwater Management Plan and shared the feedback she had given to Paul Dickson on how it could be improved.

The Committee then discussed their feedback on the Stormwater Management Plan, which include the following points:

- Maintain and improve the flow of water through the catchments by planting the correct types of trees.
- More community education and involvement.
- Restore existing wetlands and create more.
- Focus on having goals and related actions.
- Litter racks on drains should be included without interfering with the success of native fish.
- More emphasis on how they are planning for climate change.
- Restoration of drainage systems.
- Focus on keeping tributaries open and clear of obstructions which inhibit waterflow.
- More emphasis on targets and how they will be achieved.
- More emphasis on the next steps and how the identified issues will be solved.

The Chair and Deputy Chair gave an update on the following matters:

- A Regional Policy Statement is being drafted and there is a short time frame in which the Committee can participate in the process.
- A draft Healthy Waterways Partnership Action plan has been created.

The Committee noted that it is not beneficial to hold community related events and feedback sessions on the Healthy Waterways Partnership Action Plan in the middle of the day as this limits

the amount of community members who can be present due to work commitments. Sessions should be held either on the weekend or in the evening to encourage participation.

The Committee requested that ECan include the Zone Committee in the consultation process for the Regional Policy Statement and Healthy Waterways Action Plan.

The Committee requested that they be made aware of when the Council will be receiving a report on the Port Hills Management plan as they would like to make a public deputation on that item.

The Committee requested that the Zone Facilitator provide the Committee with a breakdown of the Actions which have been completed.

The Committee noted that funding applications need to be filled out for any intended projects by the end of September 2023.

Councillor Greg Byrnes left the meeting at 7:06pm.

**Karakia Whakamutunga:** Annabelle Hasselman

**Meeting concluded at 8:28pm.**