

Minutes of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee held at Environment Canterbury, Council Chamber, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 9 August 2023 at 10.30am.

Present

Chair Peter Scott, Deputy Committee Chair Vicky Southworth, Councillors Greg Byrnes, Iaeen Cranwell, Joe Davies, Paul Dietsche*, Grant Edge, Tutehounuku Korako, Claire McKay, Craig Pauling, Genevieve Robinson, Deon Swiggs, John Sunckell, and Nick Ward.

*via audio/visual link

1. Karakia/Mihi Timatanga - Opening

Cr Korako opened the meeting with a karakia and mihi whakatau. He also acknowledged the recent passing of the former All Blacks captain Rangitane (Tane) Norton.

The meeting did not go into the public excluded session (agenda item 9.0). The Chair informed the Committee that the items requiring approval in the public excluded session could be addressed within the context of the open meeting.

2. Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Cr David East who was on Council business, and apologies for absence were received from Cr Ian Mackenzie.

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest reported.

4. Public Forum, Deputations, and Petitions

There were no requests for public forums, deputations, or petitions.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

There was no extraordinary or urgent business.

6. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

7. Minutes

7.1 Unconfirmed Minutes - Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality - 14 June 2023

Refer to pages 9-14 of the agenda.

The open and public excluded minutes were taken at this time.

Resolved TUDAQ/2023/21

An updated staff recommendation was provided.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Confirms the minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee meeting held on 14 June 2023.
2. Confirms the public excluded minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee meeting held on 14 June 2023.

Cr McKay/Cr Byrnes
CARRIED

8. Report Items

Refer to pages 15-34 of the agenda.

8.1 Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report - August 2023

Refer to pages 15-18 of the agenda.

Staff provided visibility on the status of resolutions made by the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee from open and public excluded meetings.

Resolved TUDAQ/2023/22

An updated staff recommendation was provided.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Notes the status of previous resolutions provided in the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status report August 2023.
2. Notes the status of public excluded resolutions provided in the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report Public Excluded August 2023.

Cr Southworth/Cr Robinson
CARRIED

Cr Korako left the meeting at 10.50am and returned at 10.55am during the discussion on agenda item 8.2.

8.2 Portfolio Work Programme Update Including PT Performance and Clean Air Winter Programme

Refer to pages 19-31 of the agenda.

Staff updated the Committee on the progress of the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Secretarial note: The Chair requested the following be noted:

- MyWay Fare Trial – Timaru
A committee member commented on the success of the ongoing Timaru MyWay Fare Trial, noting that nearly 230,000 trips were undertaken during the 2022/23 financial year. Attention was also drawn to MyWay's public transport satisfaction score of 95%, with ratings of 4.7 out of 5.0. It was acknowledged that the level of patronage in Timaru is the highest annual patronage since the 2004/05 financial year. Staff were commended for the success of the trial.
It was emphasised that there was a need for a substantive discussion concerning Waka Kotahi in relation to MyWay, aiming to facilitate its evolution from a trial phase. The importance of addressing this matter was underscored as a critical consideration.

Resolved TUDAQ/2023/23

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Receives the work programme report for quarter four 2022/23 for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Cr Davies/Cr Ward
CARRIED

Cr Dietsche joined the meeting online at 11.02am during the discussion of agenda item 8.3.

8.3 Report from the Chair

Refer to pages 32-34 of the agenda.

Chair Scott raised matters of current interest to the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Secretarial note: The Chair requested the following be noted:

- Report on Dust Mitigation and Monitoring Initiatives
 - An update was given regarding Councillors engagement in advancing progress on dust issues in the Yaldhurst/Hornby area. There was an expectation of a forthcoming report stemming from a comprehensive literature review, aimed at identifying global best practices for dust mitigation, with a projected release in mid-October 2023.
 - Ongoing actions were being taken to engage Te Whatu Ora Health NZ in leveraging their expertise, concerning optimal approaches and possible aspects to enhancements to health. Council funding allowed an increased staff presence for proactive compliance activities. A supplier provided Council field staff with their latest monitor model, which they were utilising. The supplier was covering the monitor costs.

Resolved TUDAQ/2023/24

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Receives the Chair's report for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Cr Swiggs/Cr Pauling
CARRIED

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11 October 2023.

11. Karakia/Whakamutunga - Closing

A karakia was provided later in the day.

The meeting concluded at 11.07am

CONFIRMED 11 OCTOBER 2023

Chair Peter Scott
Environment Canterbury