

MINUTES OF THE 122nd MEETING OF THE SELWYN WAIHORA ZONE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE TAI TAPU COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2023 COMMENCING AT 4PM

Meeting Agenda

Item	Time	Description
		<i>Public meeting begins</i>
1	4.00 pm (15 min)	Meeting commences with Karakia and formal order of business: <i>Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Apologies • Identification of Urgent General Business • Register of Interests review • Confirmation of minutes 14 August 2023 • Public contribution • Correspondence
2	4.15 pm (30 min)	Waterways – Aquatic Bug Bags project – for information Issie Barrett, Waterways Centre, will be presenting a project to be considered by the Committee for funding using the Zone Committee Action Plan Budget FY23-24.
3	4:45 pm (30 min)	Wai Connection – Tatai ki te Wai – for information Jessica Halsey, Wai Connection Regional Manager for Canterbury will provide an overview of the Wai Connection work programme in Canterbury.
4	5:15 pm (15 min)	Committee updates – for information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zone Committee priority focusses for the year • Action Plan review • ECan Council and Committee meetings • Selwyn District Council updates • Tiriti o Waitangi training • Huritini/Halswell bus trip planning • Upcoming planting days • Actions from previous meetings. • Zone Committee calendar
5	5:30 pm (10 min)	General Business <i>Any items confirmed by the Committee for follow up or information.</i>
	5:40 pm (10 min)	Meeting closed with <i>karakia</i> .
6	5:50 pm (40 min)	Briefing session commences.
	6:30 pm	Briefing session concludes.

PRESENT

Les Wanhalla (Te Rūnanga o Taumutu / Chair); Matt Dodson (Deputy Chair / Community Member); Councillor Vicky Southworth (Environment Canterbury Regional Council); Khan McKay (Community Member); Simon Bryant (Community Member); Councillor Sophie McInnes (Selwyn District Council); Helen Troy (Community Member); Marie Pollisco (Christchurch City Council); Tayla Nelson-Tūhuru (Community Member); Allanah Kidd (Community Member), Dr Karaitiana Taiuru (Te Rūnanga o Koukourarata); and Dr B Wakefield online (Wairewa)

IN ATTENDANCE

Jaimee Grant (Facilitator) (Environment Canterbury); John Benn (DOC); & T Davel (Committee Advisor) (SDC).

The Chair welcomed everyone, and J Grant then opened the meeting with a karakia.

APOLOGIES

James Booker and Caine Tauwhare.

Moved – Les Wanhalla **Seconded** – Councillor Sophie McInnes

‘That the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee receives the apologies for information.’

CARRIED

IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

No urgent business was noted.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the 121st Meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Monday 14 August 2023

Moved – Cr Sophie McInnes / **Seconded** – Simon Bryant

‘That the minutes of the 121st meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Monday 14 August 2023 be confirmed as circulated.’

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

REPORTS

1. Aquatic Bug Bags Project – Waterways Centre

Dr Issie Barrett presented on the project. She noted they are asking for funding of \$4,475. There was a discussion on whether the bags have been tested for microplastic with Dr Barrett noting they haven't done microplastic testing and may be something to consider in the future. Hemp and coconut husk bags do not contain any microplastics and they could be looking into that in the future.

In response to T Nelson-Tūhuru's query, Dr Barrett stated they would be using a looser, heavier weave and hemp would break down slower.

Cr Southworth enquired whether there was any previous sampling done to enable comparisons between what is drifts past and to get an idea of what is trying but not liking it. She also enquired whether Dr Barrett anticipated creating something regularly to replace it. In response, Dr Barrett said the project was not necessarily a long-term solution but was a good short-term solution to help get a population established.

Dr Wakefield asked about the temporary nature of the research and what Dr Barrett hoped to achieve, to which she responded they could give useful information as to how the communities function. It could also help determine what actions might be appropriate and said it was an effective engagement tool.

T Nelson-Tūhuru enquired as to the success of Dr Barrett's previous project in the Upper Rakaia. Dr Barrett noted that cotton had been used and they were seeing bugs they had not seen before in that area where the habitat tended to be more homogenous. She also noted that harakeke was used in a project undertaken in the Waikēkēwai with Te Taumutu.

The Chair asked about the effectiveness of riparian vegetation providing habitat and Dr Barret answered that the indigenous biodiversity does provide some habitat but not much.

The funding application will be discussed at the Committee's October workshop and the Chair thanked Dr Barrett for her presentation.

K Taiuru arrived at 4.13 pm.

Moved – Matt Dodson / **Seconded** – Cr Vicky Southworth

That the Zone Committee:

- **Receive** the information on the Aquatic Bug Bags project proposal from Waterway Centre; and
- **Receive** the request for funding of 4,475 (excl. GST) using the Zone Committee Action Plan Budget FY2023/24.

CARRIED

2. Wai Connection – Tatai ki te Wai

Jessica Halsey presented noting EOS Ecology was responsible for the national technical support team and the Canterbury regional team. She provided a summary of work done by EOS and support to the catchment groups including assisting them with applications for funding.

J Halsey said they want to have all of the catchment groups mapped and will get information from the regional hui as well as their work with zone committees.

S Bryant enquired how they are hearing about groups. J Halsey noted through conversations with numerous organisations and parties. S Bryant noted there was a community meeting held in Colgate recently.

J Halsey noted they are looking to map all the known catchment groups and noted the survey put out to catchment groups. J Grant noted she would re-send the survey link to the Committee to share with their networks.

Wai Connection intend on doing a road show in future and work close with zone committees and those doing the mahi. The intention is to connect groups and not have them work in silos. The mapping series and resources would be made available.

It was noted that Wai Connection's work is for awa but they may be able to direct groups with a different focus to NZ Landcare Trust. Jessica confirmed that they were engaging with Rūnanga.

It was confirmed S Bryant would attend the Wai Connection Regional Hui alongside J Grant on behalf of the Committee.

The Chair thanked her for the presentation noting it was a project well overdue.

Moved – Les Wanhalla / **Seconded** – Helen Troy

That the Zone Committee:

- **Receive** the information on the Wai Connection – Tatai ki te Wai community catchment group project.

CARRIED

3. Committee updates

J Grant went through the report. She asked for any ideas for the action plan to be forwarded to her and the Committee agreed to hold a workshop in the new year given the full calendar for the remainder of this year.

The Chair said it would give the Committee a purpose as he thought they had lost their purpose for the moment.

It was noted Christchurch City Council (CCC) had noted zone committees could provide early feedback into the Long-Term Plan (LTP). Clarity is to be sought around the timing early feedback is required. The Zone Committee wish to receive briefings providing a high-level overview looking broadly at what the current thinking is for the LTP from each Council. This will inform any feedback they provide. J Grant agreed to follow up.

The Chair encouraged members to attend Tiriti o Waitangi Training.

Moved – Matt Dodson / **Seconded** – Khan McKay

‘That the Zone Committee:

***Receives** these updates for its information and in consideration of its Action Plan 2021-24.’*

CARRIED

4. General Business

The meeting closed at 5.50pm and commenced a workshop until 6.32pm.

J Grant led the karakia to close the meeting.



CHAIRPERSON

13-11-23
DATE