

LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A LOWER WAITAKI SOUTH COASTAL CANTERBURY ZONE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE WAIMATE EVENT CENTRE, WAIMATE ON WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2018, BEGINNING AT 1.00PM

PRESENT	Chair Kate White (Community) Andrew Hayes (Community), Suzanne Eddington (Waihao Runanga), Cr Jakki Guilford (Waimate District Council), Sandra Hampstead-Tipene (Arowhenua Runanga), Jeremy Holding (Waitaki District Council), Barney Hoskins (Community), Daniel Isbister (Community), Bruce Murphy (Community), Brent Packman (Community), and Cr Peter Scott (Environment Canterbury)
APOLOGIES	Mark Kingsbury (Community), Ranui Ryan (Moeraki Runanga)
IN ATTENDANCE	Olivia Smith, Zone Facilitator Karalyn Reid, Committee Secretary David Moore, Zone Facilitator

Peter Ramsden opened the meeting with a Karakia.

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and expressed her condolences on the passing of former Environment Canterbury Chair, David Bedford.

The Chair welcomed Barney Hoskins and Daniel Isbister to the Committee.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Mark Kingsbury and Ranui Ryan.

RESOLVED

LWSC18/01 Moved Bruce Murphy
Seconded Jakki Guilford
"That the apologies are accepted."
MOTION CARRIED

Declaration of Interests

There were no interests registered. The facilitator to investigate if the new members need to receive a form.

Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED

LWSC18/02 Moved Cr Peter Scott
Seconded Suzanne Eddington
"That the minutes of the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee meeting held on 13 December 2018 are adopted as a true and correct record, with the below amendment."
MOTION CARRIED

Amendment

The venue for the meeting was the Makikihi Hotel, not Waimate Event Centre.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Signage

Chris to update in his report later in the agenda.

River Access to Public

The Chair enquired about what progress had been made getting spraying alongside the Alps to Ocean track to improve access to the river. Chris advised that he was discussing this within Environment Canterbury and there is uncertainty as to which budget this could come from. The Chair questioned whether an organisation could apply to the Meridian Fund for this. Chris is to follow this matter up further.

Waitaki River mouth slipway maintenance

Cr Peter Scott to establish who is responsible for the maintenance.

Correspondence

- Inward: Email from Chrys Berryman to Chair Kate White (17 January 2018) 'Black Hole Recreation Reserve': It was felt the Committee's views were well aligned with the communication from Environment Canterbury to Mr Berryman. However, the committee would also respond to Mr Berryman by letter. The Waihao Wainono Catchment Group plan to lead the Black Hole Enhancement initiative and host a meeting of interested groups/organisations in April.
- Outward: Letter from Chair Kate White to CEO Environment Canterbury Bill Bayfield; CE Waimate District Council Stuart Duncan; CEO Waitaki District Council Michael Ross. The letter to be amended with the new CE at the Waitaki District Council.

RESOLVED

LWSC 18/03 Moved Andy Hayes
Seconded Suzanne Eddington
"That the incoming and outgoing correspondence be accepted."

Regional Committee Update

There was no update.

Elections of Chairperson and Deputy Chair and Confirmation of CWMS Representative

The Zone Facilitator called for nominations of officers:

RESOLVED

LWSC 18/04 Moved Suzanne Eddington
Seconded Sandra Hampstead-Tipene
"That Kate White be nominated as Chair."

There were no other nominations for Chair, so Kate White was duly elected as Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

RESOLVED

LWSC 18/05 Moved Kate White
Seconded Sandra Hampstead-Tipene
"That Mark Kingsbury be nominated as Deputy Chair."

Note: Mark Kingsbury had given his consent prior the meeting for the nomination.

There were no other nominations for Deputy Chair, so Mark Kingsbury was duly elected as Deputy Chair of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee.

RESOLVED

LWSC 18/06 Moved Cr Peter Scott
Seconded Andy Hayes
“That Sandra Hampstead-Tipene be elected as
Regional Committee Representative of the Lower
Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee for
2018.

There were no other nominations for Regional Committee Representative, so Sandra Hampstead-Tipene was duly elected as Regional Representative of the Lower Waitaki South Coastal Canterbury Zone Committee for 2018.

Kate White took over as Chair for the rest of the meeting.

Zone Team Update

Zone Team Manager Chris Eccleston verbally reported and updated the Committee on the following:

- ECan staff changes
- Cropping Setback Programme (approved for funding)
- Tabled the ‘The Black Hole’ Project (communication). The Committee suggested other suitable swimming venues in the Lower Waitaki area are added.
- Fonterra 50 Catchments Programme
- ‘Water Shed’ CWMS Symposium in Christchurch – 9 April 2018 (TBC). All Zone Committee members were encouraged to attend.
- Mining Rights (meeting on Monday)
- OTOP and Upper Waitaki Committees
- Cr Peter Scott updated the Committee on the McKenzie Basin Management Document (Mackenzie Accord and Trust for guardianship of basin). This is topical for the Upper Waitaki Zone Committee. There has been a delay due to complexity and funding issues. May have few implications for Lower Waitaki Zone, but Ministers keen on making progress particularly relating to the heritage areas of national importance. Start process led by ECan. There is a meeting of stakeholders next week and Lower Waitaki Zone Committee members are welcome.

**Daniel Isbister left the meeting at 2.00pm
and re-entered the meeting at 2.10pm**

Facilitator Update

Dave Moore updated the Committee on the following:

Identified Priorities for 2020

- The ecosystem health and mauri of Wainono lagoon and its catchments is improved - **Ongoing**
- All land is managed at good management practice and priority issues/areas are dealt with - **Ongoing**
- The biodiversity in the priority areas of Waitaki Mouth, Waitaki riparian wetlands, Northern Fan spring heads, and areas of grey scrub are protected and enhanced (**Committee asked for a report at April or May meeting**)

- There is widespread community understanding of and compliance with the Waitaki sub-regional section of the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan and Waitaki Catchment Water Allocation Plan - **Ongoing**
- We have increased catchment knowledge in priority areas (science) and we understand the effectiveness of interventions (monitoring) – **Ongoing**
- There is widespread ownership of catchment health by the community – **Ongoing**

New Identified Priorities for 2018

- Presentation on Drinking Water Standards from the Waimate District Council staff
- Continued focus on the Wainono Lagoon and targets
- Information report at the March meeting on the current operational management of the Wainono Box (including lake levels, affect/issues with manual opening, protocols, obligation on drainage to landowners).
- Update on Braided River Margins Works (Lower Waitaki)

Community Groups/other Organisations Involvement in the Zone Committee

The Hakataramea Collective Group has indicated interest in having representatives attend the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee meetings.

Clean Check Dry Advocacy Programme

The Committee agreed that it would be useful to have an update, and asked for a presentation at the next meeting.

Bridge Project update (verbal report)

The Committee agreed that it would be useful to have an update and asked for a presentation at the next meeting.

Limestone Hills Road Immediate Steps Project Funding Proposal (paper tabled)

Kennedy Lange updated the Zone Committee on the Limestone Hills Road Immediate Steps Proposal for fencing an area of scrub and to seek approval of funding.

RESOLVED

LWSC18/07 Moved Sandra Hampstead-Tipene
 Seconded Daniel Isbister
 "That the Committee approve funding of \$15,000 to fence an area of scrub identified on a property on Limestone Valley Road.
 MOTION CARRIED

2017 Draft Annual Report

Dave Moore presented the 2017 Draft Annual Report and asked the Committee to finalise and approve the document.

RESOLVED

LWSC18/08 Moved Jakki Guilford
 Seconded Suzanne Eddington
 That the Zone Committee approve the 2017 Draft Annual Report, as presented.
 MOTION CARRIED

Proposed Science Work for Flow Regimes in the Hakataramea and tributaries on the South Bank of the Waitaki River affected by mining rights

Helen Shaw provided an update and invited comment on the stakeholder list for collaboration.

The Committee suggested some simple publicity be undertaken by Environment Canterbury's Comms team to inform the community about the additional hydrology information which is been collected in the catchments. The comms would also be an opportunity to explain how this data will help inform the review of parts of the Waitaki Allocation Plan review process.

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General Business

The Chair farewelled Peter Ramsden from the Lower Waitaki Zone Committee and thanked him for his mana and involvement and suggested that from now on as a legacy at each Zone Committee meeting, the members could learn the correct pronunciation and meaning of two Maori words. The Committee agreed this would be useful.

RESOLVED
LWSC18/09

Moved Sandy Hampstead-Tipene
Seconded Suzanne Eddington
"That Peter Ramsden's position on the Lower Waitaki
Zone Committee be replaced."
MOTION CARRIED

Emily Anderson reported she had decided to leave Environment Canterbury. The Chair complemented Emily on her work and her value to the Zone Committee. Kennedy Lange acknowledged the significance difference that Emily has made to the Zone over the years, and her ability to form relationships and make things happen, which has had a huge positive influence on Plan Change 3.

Peter Ramsden closed the meeting with a Karakia at 3.15pm.

K White
Chairperson