

**CHRISTCHURCH WEST MELTON WATER MANAGEMENT ZONE COMMITTEE
27 JUNE 2013**

**A meeting of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee was held in
The Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, Corner Clyde Road and Jeffery Street
on Thursday, 27 June at 6.07pm**

PRESENT: Ian Fox, Community Representative (Chairperson)
Deidre Francis, Community Representative (Deputy Chairperson)
Jon Harding, Community Representative
Hugh Thorpe, Community Representative
Robert Wynn-Williams, Community Representative
Ann Winstanley, Community Representative
Commissioner Rex Williams, Environment Canterbury

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor Sally Buck,
Councillor Debra Hasson, and Yvette Couch-Lewis.

Apologies for absence were received retrospectively from Arapata Reuben.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 22 MAY 2013

It was **decided** that the minutes of the 22 May 2013 meeting, be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Nil.

4. IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT ITEMS

Nil.

5. IDENTIFICATION OF ANY GENERAL PUBLIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Nil.

6. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

The Committee was advised that the Styx Stormwater Management Plan was submitted to the Regional Council on Thursday, 27 June 2013.

Following the Committee's request at its 22 May 2013 meeting staff from Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council have scheduled a meeting to develop the joint proposal for the Christchurch West Melton Zone Committee's involvement with Stormwater Management Plans.

7. LEARNING FROM STORMWATER COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING EXPERIENCES

The Committee **received** a briefing from Environment Canterbury staff on the practical problems facing Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council regarding stormwater and the presence of contaminants in local waterways, based on experiences around the implementation of the South West City Stormwater Management Plan.

In the context of long-term water quality challenges, Environment Canterbury is working with the Christchurch City Council on the following key issues:

- an audit of discharge from industrial sites e.g. risks from contaminated runoff – a major challenge due to number of connections
- run-off from medium scale development sites – where no regional council discharge consent i.e. dealt with via Christchurch City Council global consent
- run-off from building sites
- complaints received via the Christchurch City Council network.

The Committee requested a briefing from Christchurch City Council staff on how compliance issues around stormwater are being dealt with.

In addition, it was noted that staff from multiple teams in Christchurch City Council were involved, and that the re-instatement of a joint high level communication group with Environment Canterbury would be a helpful step to improving engagement.

8. DEVELOPMENT OF SELWYN-WAIHORA SUB-REGIONAL PLAN - UPDATE

The Committee **received** an update from Environment Canterbury staff on the development of the Selwyn-Waihora Sub-Regional Plan regarding the minimum flow review of the Halswell River.

It was noted that at its Workshop on 2 July 2013 the Selwyn-Waihora Zone Committee will consider a number of recommendations regarding the implementation of minimum flows on rivers in its zone, including the Halswell River, with a view to presenting its proposals to the community on 10 July 2013.

The Chair noted that the boundary between Selwyn-Waihora Zone and Christchurch West Melton Zone could be realigned to be consistent with the subregional planning boundaries of the Proposed Land and Water Plan. It was agreed that the Chair write to the Selwyn-Waihora Zone Committee to suggest that both committees ask the Environment Canterbury Commissioner to initiate discussion with affected parties.

9. CANTERBURY WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY TARGETS AND CHRISTCHURCH WEST MELTON ZONE

The Committee briefly discussed the Canterbury Water Management Strategy Targets and how they relate to the Christchurch West Melton Zone.

A further discussion on the matter will be held at the Committee's July meeting and in preparation members were asked to review the alignment of the Canterbury Water Management Strategy Targets with the Committee's ZIP targets and to look at how targets have been actioned and achieved across all the Water Management Zones.

The Chairperson thanked Deidre Francis for the work she has done on the targets to date.

10. CHAIRPERSON'S UPDATE

The Committee **received** information on the following:

- A joint deputation from the Zone Committee and Regional Canterbury Water Management Strategy Committee was made to the Christchurch City Council's Environment and Infrastructure Committee meeting on 6 June 2013 and a letter was presented in support of the Environment and Infrastructure Committee's decision to investigate opportunities to improve stormwater infrastructure as part of earthquake recovery repairs and rebuild.

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Representatives of the Zone Committee and Regional Canterbury Water Management Strategy Committee will meet with the Environment and Infrastructure Committee every four months.

- Deidre Francis, Ian Fox, Matthew Ross and Chrissie Williams (Environment Canterbury) had a positive meeting with the Christchurch Central Development Unit .

The committee considered that with the number of new building developments likely, in particular multi-building structures, now is the time for promoting that stormwater treatments be incorporated into the design plans to improve the quality of any run-off.

The Committee was advised that the New Zealand Green Building Council promoted green-based building practices and that its next meeting was scheduled for 4 July 2013.

The Committee **agreed** that Hugh Thorpe would contact the organisers of the New Zealand Green Building Council to discuss the promotion of installation of stormwater treatments in new buildings and developments.

It was further **agreed** that Diane Shelander and Matthew Ross meet with appropriate Christchurch City Council staff to promote sustainable stormwater management treatments to developers.

- The Chairperson attended the Avon Heathcote Estuary meeting on 26 June 2013.

The Committee **agreed** that Deidre Francis and Rex Williams prepare a draft submission on the Avon Heathcote Estuary's Draft Ihutai Management Plan 2013 and present it to Committee at its next meeting, for adoption.

11. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

Following on from the May 2013 Workshop regarding the implementation of the ZIP, the Committee **received** a tabled updated Work Programme and was invited to consider how best to progress the different topics.

The Committee **agreed** that a Workshop be held on 11 July 2013 to discuss what the Committee has achieved to date and what actions the Committee can take going forward to compliment the work of Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council in regard to water management.

12. COMPLETING ANNEX 1

The Committee considered the new draft content of the Regional Implementation Programme as set out in the document 'Completing Annex 1', with a view to providing feedback to the Regional Committee of the Canterbury Water Management Committee.

The Committee **agreed** that feedback to the Regional Committee of the Canterbury Water Management Committee on the draft content of the Regional Implementation Programme be given as follows:

- That the Styx River and the Otukaikino Creek be included in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy's Regional Implementation Programme.

The meeting concluded at 9.05pm

CONFIRMED THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY 2013

**IAN FOX
CHAIRPERSON**