
Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Thursday 25 May 2017
Time: 6.00pm
Venue: Environment Canterbury,
200 Tuam Street

Present

Deputy Chairperson
Members

Suzanne Furkert Community Representative
Councillor Pauline Cotter Christchurch City Council – arrived at 6.08pm
Councillor Debra Hasson Selwyn District Council
Councillor Tom Lambie Environment Canterbury
Herewini Banks Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke/Rapaki
Les Wanhalla Te Taumutu Rūnanga
Robert Wynn-Williams Community Representative
Kevin Brown Community Representative
Lance Kenyon Community Representative

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Peter Ramsden opened the meeting with a Karakia/Timatanga.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

Apologies

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00016

It was resolved on the motion of Member Banks, seconded by Member Wanhalla that apologies for absence from Arapata Reuben and Chris Kelliher, and an apology for lateness from Cr Cotter, be accepted.

Member Banks/Member Wanhalla

Carried

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00017

Committee Decision

That the minutes of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee meeting held on Thursday, 27 April 2017 be confirmed, subject to the following amendments:

- Item 11, addition of name "Charlotte O'Sullivan"
- Item 12, first indented line to read "Evan Smith of the Avon Network was keen for reinstating rubbish bins within the collection points".
- Item 12, third indented line, replace question marks with "to mitigate Port Hills fire sediment".

Councillor Hasson/Member Furkert

Carried

Councillor Cotter arrived at 6.08pm.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- A sign in sheet of people attending the Zone Committee meeting was requested.
- Regarding Item 5 and a letter from the Christchurch City Council to Central Government about copper free brake pads, Lesley advised that she had email contact with MFE and MBIE about a date/time set for a workshop to discuss this. Once the workshop has been completed, there could be an opportunity to send a letter to Central Government in relation to this. Diane Shelander and Lesley Woudberg will follow up on multiple opportunities, including:
 - Letter from CCC to Central Government
 - Possible agenda item to the Mayoral Forum
 - Possible agenda item to Chief Executives' Forum
 - Workshop 29 June 2017
 - Remit to Local Government Conference
- The Committee members noted that Biodiversity Immediate Steps funding was a priority for the Port Hills fire recovery.

4. Deputations by Appointment

- 4.1** Alice Shanks and Sue Grant addressed the meeting on behalf of the Beckenham Neighbourhood Association in relation to the tree planting policy along the Heathcote River and requested a clear point of contact in the Christchurch City Council who makes decisions on the planting policy.

This matter will be referred to the Land Drainage Team for the Christchurch City Council and Arborists for consideration and for a response to be sent back to the Beckenham Neighbourhood Association and the Zone Committee.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00018

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Refers the issues raised to City Council staff for investigation and response.
2. Thanks Alice Shanks and Sue Grant for their deputation.

Member Banks/Member Kenyon

Carried

5. Identification of Urgent Items

Nil.

6. Identification of General Public Contributions

Discussion will be held about the Heathcote Estuary during the Mother of all clean ups update.

7. Verbal Updates to the Zone Committee

The Committee received verbal updates by:

- Evan Smith – Avon-Ōtākaro Network reported on the successful Mother of all Clean Ups day where over 9 tonnes of rubbish was removed. He updated the meeting on the City to Sea River Trail with a celebration of the partial opening of the trail to be held on 25 June 2017. He referred to a concept for a groundwater sourced lake for flatwater sports that had been modified to an in-river facility, and tabled documents in relation to this, “Reimagining the river for recreation and nature” and a map of the area proposed. Les noted that more indigenous plants were needed in the area also.
- Tim Joyce updated the meeting on the Port Hills fire recovery work that included sediment control and planting, completed aerial seeding of grasses and silt control. A funding request would be sought from the Christchurch City Council for the recovery. Contestable funding could potentially be administered by ECan and the Zone Committee.
- Lance Kenyon provided an update on the Mother of all Clean Ups. There was a request to support the replacement of rubbish booms. The Zone Committee welcomed the news that booms would be reinstalled in the Avon River in July.
- Lance Kenyon reported on the Ōpāwahō/Heathcote River Community meeting. A presentation from meeting will be emailed to Committee members.

8. Farming to Good Management Practice

Tami Woods, ECan provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Committee on *Farming at Good Management Practice: Stage 1 Campaign*. The campaign is to assist farmers with land >50 hectares of irrigation to have tools, systems and processes available to farm within water quality limits.

Discussion was held about nitrogen limits and the effects of nitrogen on waterways. Tami will be invited to a future Zone Committee meeting to discuss the rationale behind nitrogen levels. Lesley advised that a series of seminars would be held in the Selwyn-Waihora zone relating to water quality issues, and when the dates were available she would advise the Committee.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00019

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the information in the report.

Member Brown/Member Wanhalla

Carried

9. Urban Contaminants - Use of Herbicides Close to Waterways

This item was deferred to the next Zone Committee meeting. The Committee requested information on the residual effect of chemicals and the current Christchurch City Council policy on the use of herbicides to be included in the report.

10. CWMS Target: Recreation and Amenity Opportunities

Priority recreation and amenity restoration sites

The Regional Water Management Committee's Recreation and Amenity Working Group sought from each Zone Committee a list of up to five of their top priority recreation or amenity restoration sites for action in their region.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00020

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the information in the report.
2. Emails Lesley Woudberg their priority sites for restoration for amenity and recreation within the Christchurch West Melton zone.

Member Furkert/Member Banks

Carried

11. CWMS Target: Recreation and Amenity Opportunities - River and Lake Swimming in the Canterbury Region

The Regional Water Management Committee's Recreation and Amenity Working Group sought from each Zone Committee feedback on the rivers and lakes across Canterbury that have been identified

as their local freshwater swimming sites in the 'River and Lake Swimming in the Canterbury Region' draft report.

The Committee requested a map to identify the sites and to check their cultural significance. Some inaccuracies in the report will be corrected. River and estuary networks input was to be requested, along with information via newspaper articles, Facebook and websites.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00021

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the information in the report.
2. Confirms accuracy of local freshwater river and lake swimming sites.
3. Provides to Lesley Woudberg details of any omissions.

Member Furkert/Member Banks

Carried

12. Update Working Groups - 25 May 2017

Charlotte O'Sullivan tabled a Draft Communications Plan 2017 at the meeting and outlined its detail. She asked for feedback on the Plan from Zone Committee members by the next meeting.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00022

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the information in the report.

Member Kenyon/Councillor Hasson

Carried

13. Facilitator's Update - 25 May 2017

Lesley Woudberg tabled a document titled "Water bottling – what's the story?". The document contained a number of questions and answers relating to water consents.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2017/00023

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receives the information in the report.

Member Banks/Councillor Cotter

Carried

Peter Ramsden closed the meeting with a Karakia/Whakamutunga.

Meeting concluded at 8.07pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE 2017

**SUZANNE FURKERT
DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**