
Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Thursday 26 April 2018
Time: 6.03pm
Venue: Environment Canterbury,
200 Tuam Street

Present

Acting Chairperson
Members

Suzanne Furkert – Community Representative
Kevin Brown - Community Representative
Helen Caley - Community Representative
Gareth Oddy - Community Representative
Carly Sluys - Community Representative
Robert Wynn-Williams - Community Representative
Councillor Pauline Cotter - Christchurch City Council – departed 7.20pm
Councillor Tom Lambie - Environment Canterbury
Councillor Debra Hasson - Selwyn District Council – departed 7.25pm
Les Wanhalla - Te Taumutu Rūnanga

In Attendance: Environment Canterbury: Lesley Woudberg, Gillian Jenkins, Geoff Thompson; Christchurch City Council: Diane Shelander, Liz Ryley, Belinda Margetts; Ngatapa Farms: Mark Cox; Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network: Annabelle Hasselman, Karen Whitla, Sue Bye; Storm Environmental: Sylvia Maclaren; Beca: Colin McCreaver

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The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

Election of a Chair

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00017

It was resolved on the motion of Robert Wynn-Williams, seconded by Debra Hasson that Suzanne Furkert be appointed Acting Chairperson of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee for the meeting of 26 April 2018.

Carried

1. Apologies

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00018

That the apologies for absence from Arapata Reuben, Lance Kenyon and Herewini Banks, and for early departure from Councillor Hasson and Councillor Cotter, be accepted.

Member Wanhalla/Councillor Lambie

Carried

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00019

Committee Decision

That the minutes of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee meeting held on Thursday, 22 March 2018 be confirmed.

Councillor Cotter/Member Caley

Carried

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

4. Deputations by Appointment

4.1 Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network

Annabelle Hasselman, along with members of the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network, attended the meeting to present a Power Point about the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network and action to improve the health of the river.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00020

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone:

1. Thank the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network for their deputation.
2. Write to the Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury about a structure to assist groups such as the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network, to be able to work more

closely with the Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury through the Zone Committee, and investigation into the possibility of a single point of contact within the organisations for river related issues to assist these groups.

3. Request Zone Committee staff to make contact with the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network through the Biodiversity Working Group.

Member Furkert/Councillor Cotter

Carried

4.2 Young Leaders

Two members of the “Smart Seeds” Young Leaders Group provided the Committee with an update about their challenge to provide a solution that gives urban residents the opportunity to recognise clean waterways.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00021

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Thank the Young Leaders for their presentation.
2. Support the Young Leaders in their project which aligns with the Zone Committee’s priorities of improving water qualities through behaviour change.
3. Request an update from the Young Leaders in due course.

Councillor Hasson/Member Furkert

Carried

5. Identification of Urgent Items

Nil.

6. Identification of General Public Contributions

Nil.

The Committee dealt with Item 8 at this time.

8. Potential Future of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Network

Murray England of the Selwyn District Council presented a report on the potential future of the Selwyn District Council water race network.

Staff Recommendations Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the report on the Potential Future of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Network.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00022

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the report on the Potential Future of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Network.
2. Recommend Environment Canterbury and Christchurch City Council in their submissions to the Selwyn District Council note that the Zone Committee sees biodiversity and eco-stream health of the water races is a critical part of the health of the water, aquifer recharge and ensuring the continuance of springs and streams of the Christchurch waterways.
3. Recognise existing ecological value of the water races and supports efforts to avoid any closures.

Member Wynn-Williams/Member Brown

Carried

Member Wanhalla asked for his abstention to be recorded.

7. Support for the Instigation of Otukaikino River Catchment Management Plan

Dr Belinda Margetts updated the Committee on the Ōtukaikino River Management Catchment Plan.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00023

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Ōtukaikino River Catchment Management Plan report.
2. Provide a letter of support from the Zone Committee and Ngāi Tūāhuriri to the joint Environment Canterbury/Christchurch City Council Water Management Issues Group for the instigation of the Ōtukaikino River Catchment Management Plan.

Member Wanhalla/Member Oddy

Carried

Councillor Cotter departed at 7.20pm.

9. Working Group Updates - 26 April 2018

The Working Group update reports were taken as read.

Kevin Brown spoke to a tabled document on the Canterbury Plains Grassland Park, A proposal to capture the experience and broad vistas of formerly extensive primeval grasslands, shrublands and woodlands on the Canterbury Plains.

Councillor Hasson departed at 7.25pm.

A letter dated 16 April 2018 from the Office of the Mayor of the Christchurch City Council relating to copper from vehicle brake pads – Christchurch waterways, was tabled and noted by the Committee.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00024

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Working Group Updates report.

Councillor Lambie/Member Brown

Carried

10. Land and Water Regional Plan - Proposed Omnibus Plan Change 2019

In relation to other topics that should be addressed, the Committee noted:

- Recreation and Access
- Additional standards or guidelines such as ANZECC.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00025

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee receive the report.

Member Furkert/Member Wynn-Williams

Carried

11. Quarterly Report - Canterbury Water Management Strategy Zone Delivery

Iain Beaton presented the Quarterly Report – Canterbury Water Management Strategy Zone Delivery.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2018/00026

Joint Committee Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy Zone Delivery report.

Member Furkert/Member Caley

Carried

12. Facilitator's Update - 26 April 2018

The following additional events and issues were noted:

- Regenerate Christchurch will be holding a major public exhibition of the Ōtākaro Avon River corridor from 26 May to 30 June 2018 at 99 Cashel Street, Christchurch
- A planting day at Koukourārata Marae for Peter Ramsden, date and time to be advised
- Jetty maintenance required, photographs showed degraded jetties that create safety and access issues for river users.

Staff Recommendations Decision

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Facilitator's report.
2. Note the upcoming events.
3. Note updates on issues raised during Committee meetings.
4. Note the media articles.

Joint Committee Decision

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1. Receive the information in the Facilitator's report.
2. Note the upcoming events.
3. Note updates on issues raised during Committee meetings.
4. Note the media articles.
5. Write to the Christchurch City Council to request that the maintenance of the recreational and access structures on the Heathcote River are included as part of the regular river maintenance schedule.

Moved Suzanne Furkert, seconded Gareth Oddy - Carried

Meeting concluded at 8.21pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 24TH DAY OF MAY 2018

**SUZANNE FURKERT
ACTING CHAIRPERSON**