

Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Date: Monday 20 May 2019
Time: 1pm
Venue: Council Chamber, Level 2, Civic Offices,
53 Hereford Street, Christchurch

Present

Chairperson	Councillor Vicki Buck
Deputy Chairperson	Councillor Sara Templeton
Members	Councillor Jimmy Chen
	Councillor Mike Davidson
	Councillor Anne Galloway
	Councillor James Gough
	Councillor Glenn Livingstone
	Deputy Mayor Andrew Turner

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- Part A Matters Requiring a Council Decision**
Part B Reports for Information
Part C Decisions Under Delegation
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The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies

Part C

Committee Resolved ISDC/2019/00013

That the apologies from Deputy Mayor Turner for absence and Councillor Livingstone for early departure be accepted.

Councillor Gough/Councillor Galloway

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest

Part B

Councillor Buck declared an interest in Item 11.

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Part C

Committee Resolved ISDC/2019/00014

That the minutes of the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 27 March 2019 be confirmed.

Councillor Davidson/Councillor Templeton

Carried

4. Public Forum

Part B

4.2 350.org Christchurch

Charles Drace spoke on behalf of 350.org Christchurch regarding waste minimisation and tree planting in relation to climate change.

Part B

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee:

1. Thanks Mr Drace for his presentation.

4.3 Electric Air

Gary Freedman spoke on behalf of Electric Air regarding bringing a demonstration electric aircraft to Christchurch, with a view to beginning their use to reduce reliance on fossil fuel.

Part B

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee:

1. Thanks Mr Freedman for his presentation.

4.1 Nicola Wilkie

Nicola Wilkie will speak to the Committee.

This public forum did not take place

5. Deputations by Appointment

Part B

5.1 Extinction Rebellion

Julie Downard spoke on behalf of Extinction Rebellion regarding declaring a climate change emergency.

Part B

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee:

1. Thanks Ms Downard for their deputation.

5.2 Christchurch School Strike 4 Climate Team

Mia Sutherland and Ciara Foley spoke on behalf of Christchurch School Strike 4 Climate Team regarding Climate Change.

Part B

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee:

1. Thanks Ms Sutherland and Ms Foley for their deputation.

6. Presentation of Petitions

Part B

There was no presentation of petitions.

Councillor Gough left the meeting at 1.40pm during presentation of item 5 and returned at 1.43pm

7. Information on declaring a climate emergency

Committee Resolved ISDC/2019/00015

Part C

1. That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee:
 - a. Receive this report and consider whether to recommend that Council declares a climate emergency.

Councillor Chen/Councillor Gough

Carried

8. Declaration of a Climate Change and Ecological Emergency

Committee Comment

1. The Committee received several deputations to this report at the start of the meeting. Following the deputations the Committee received the information report (Attachment A) from Council Officers regarding declaring a climate emergency and discussed this and the Chairpersons recommendations below.

Chairperson's Recommendations

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee Recommends that the Council Resolves that:

1. Christchurch joins with over 500 other cities and districts in declaring a climate and ecological emergency.
2. Climate change leadership and safe and sustainable water be the overarching objectives of our key Strategic Documents including, but not limited to the Long Term Plan/Infrastructure and Finance Strategies.
3. A question be included in the annual resident's survey on Council's action on climate change.
4. The Christchurch City Council approach other major cities to initiate cooperative work on climate and ecological change work.
5. The Christchurch City Council recognises that action is required and challenges other local authorities and Central Government to recognise the climate change emergency and act accordingly.

Notes that the following work on climate change is already underway;

- Work on a city-wide target for carbon net-neutrality is underway with an updated Climate Strategy due in 2019.
- Climate change impacts are now considered in all Christchurch City Council Reports.
- The City Council's vehicle fleet has been electrified through a shared fleet with Yoogo.
- The City Council procurement policy has been altered to include sustainability as a high priority.
- The Major Cycleway Routes are now being built across the city and are encouraging active transport and the central city is being designed to encourage active transport.

- An eco-designer is available to ensure people can get help with rebuild, or build of housing and has supported commercial buildings to be more sustainable.
- Sustainability is already included as an objective by the Christchurch City Council Holdings Limited (CCHL) group of companies.

Committee Decided ISDC/2019/00016

Part A

That the Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee Recommends that the Council Resolves that:

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2. Climate change leadership and safe and sustainable water should be the overarching objectives of our key Strategic Documents including, but not limited to the Long Term Plan/Infrastructure and Finance Strategies.
3. A question be included in the annual resident's survey on Council's action on climate change.
4. The Christchurch City Council approach other major cities to initiate cooperative work on climate and ecological change work.
5. The Christchurch City Council recognises that action is required and challenges other local authorities and Central Government to recognise the climate change emergency and act accordingly.
6. Requests further advice from Council Officers based on the deputation and requests presented by Extinction Rebellion, to be reported to the June and July 2019 Innovation and Sustainable Development Meetings.

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Councillor Davidson/Councillor Livingstone

Carried

Councillor Gough requested that his vote against the recommendation be recorded.

9 Resolution to Exclude the Public
Committee Resolved ISDC/2019/00017

Part C

That at 2.19pm the resolution to exclude the public set out on pages 21 to 22 of the agenda be adopted.

Councillor Livingstone/Councillor Galloway

Carried

The public were re-admitted to the meeting at 2.37pm.

Meeting concluded at 2.38pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE 2019

COUNCILLOR VICKI BUCK
CHAIRPERSON