
Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Thursday 28 April 2022
Time: 6.04pm
Venue: Via audio/visual link

Present

Chairperson
Members

Annabelle Hasselman - Community Representative
Helen Rutter - Community Representative
Brynlea Stocks - Community Representative
Emma Norrish - Christchurch City Council Elected Representative
Councillor Phil Clearwater - Councillor Environment Canterbury
Councillor Sophie McInnes - Selwyn District Council
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The meeting was opened by Arapata Reuben with a Karakia/Timatanga.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies

Committee Resolved CWZC/2022/00007

That the apologies received from Mike Patchett and Shona Sluys be accepted.

Annabelle Hasselman/Sophie McInnes

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Committee Resolved CWZC/2022/00008

That the minutes of the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee meeting held on Thursday, 24 February 2022 be confirmed.

Brynlea Stocks/Phil Clearwater

Carried

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Correspondence from Hon Kiri Allan, Associate Minister for the Environment addressed to the Mayor of CCC and Chair of ECan, about the management of urban contaminants in waterways, was tabled at the meeting (refer Minutes Attachment). This was a response to queries by CCC and ECan to the Minister about the development of national measures and industry standards to better manage urban contaminants, such as copper and zinc.

Following discussion agreement was reached by members about the next steps to aide their follow up on the matter.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2022/00009

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:


1. Agree to write to the ECan Chair and CCC Mayor about next steps regarding urban contaminants in waterways, including a meeting with the Ministry for the Environment and Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, Zone Committee members and interested water care community members, to discuss urban contaminants in Christchurch waterways, and their ecological and health impacts.
2. Seek a greater understanding of the scope and purpose of the research project, led by Waka Kotahi, and confirmation of any proposed outcomes.

Annabelle Hasselman/Helen Rutter

Carried

Correspondence from Hon Kiri Allan, Associate Minister for the Environment addressed to CCC and ECan, about the management of urban contaminants in waterways

Attachments

A Correspondence Hon Kiri Allan 

5. Deputations by Appointment

There were no deputations by appointment.

6. Identification of Urgent Items

Nil.

7. Identification of General Public Contributions

John Benn, Department of Conservation, referred to the presentation at the Zone Committee's 24 February 2022 meeting, Item 10, by Paul Dickson about the Ihutai-Estuary proposal that included the Linwood paddocks. He noted that area is included in the Christchurch District Plan as a site of ecological significance.

(The link to that area of the Plan is at:

<https://districtplan.ccc.govt.nz/Images/DistrictPlanImages/Site%20of%20Ecological%20Significance/SES%20LP%202014.pdf>

8. Canterbury Water Management Strategy Action Plan Progress

The priority actions had been discussed at the Zone Committee's recent workshop, and members agreed on their areas of focus, as noted below.

Stormwater Superhero awareness campaign and Stormwater Superhero/Healthy Waterway awards

- Mike, Annabelle, Brynlea, Oscar, Phil

Community Waterways Partnership

- Mike, Annabelle, Oscar, Phil

Mahinga Kai

- Brynlea, Shona, Sophie

Groundwater

- Helen, Phil, Sophie

Other community engagement – sharing biodiversity stories, working with landowners and catchment groups, link with community boards

- Shona, Phil, Emma

Sediment, Cashmere and Port Hills working group

- Annabelle, Mike, Phil

Advocacy to councils and central government

- Annabelle, Mike, Phil

At this meeting updates were provided by members about the status of these activities, and ideas noted:

- Media and flyer documents for advertising of the Stormwater Superhero awareness campaign. Provide information on - what is lost; the effect on people. Include graphics.
- Involve schools in the advertising, to raise awareness.
- Use of the stormwater trailer, stormwater tshirts.
- Stormwater Superhero/Healthy Waterway awards – awards template to be finalised, and an awards evening to be organised for late October 2022.
- Community Waterways Partnership – development happening of online website for information-sharing.
- Mahinga kai – gain an understanding of how much sediment was flushed from the Ōpāwaho/Heathcote River during recent heavy rain event, use of straw bales to provide spawning habitat, raupo plantings, dredging.
- Other community engagement – engage with CCC Community Boards, hold joint briefings, use of a social media page to promote for example, the awards.
- Provide plants to schools who are ready to do plantings.
- Noted two day Te Tiriti training workshops organised, that are part funded by the CWMS Action Plan Budget, as recommended by this Committee.
- Events the Zone Committee could attend with the stormwater trailer, e.g. Community volunteers day, Mother of all Cleanups.
- Sediment, Cashmere and Port Hills Working Group – waiting for a rainy day inventory following rainfall event to gather information and identify interventions – suggestions to work with Adventure Park and forestry partners.
- Zone Committee has provided its feedback to CCC on the 2022/23 Annual Plan.

Committee Resolved CWZC/2022/00010

That the Christchurch West Melton Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy Action Plan Progress Report.

Oscar Bloom/Emma Norrish

Carried

Additional discussion prior to the conclusion of the meeting covered:

Canterbury Water Management Strategy Refresh – process for appointment of Zone Committee members:

- Promotion of this year's CWMS Refresh has been conducted in April 2022.
- Expressions of interest are open from Monday 2 May, and close on Monday 30 May.
- Selection workshops will be held in June 2022 with the Selection Panel recommendations of refresh appointments being presented to Councils for approval after that time.

Zone Member Resignation – the resignation of Les Wanhalla has been received. Arrangements will be made for a farewell for Les, who has been the Te Taumutu Rūnanga representative on the Committee for a number of years.

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Arapata Reuben closed the meeting with a Karakia/Whakamutunga.

Meeting concluded at 7.36pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 30TH DAY OF JUNE 2022

**ANNABELLE HASSELMAN
CHAIRPERSON**

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