
Workshop - Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee NOTES

Date: Tuesday 19 March 2024
Time: 4:08 pm
Venue: Lyttelton Community Boardroom
25 Canterbury Street
Lyttelton

Present

Chairperson	Gina Waibl - Community Representative
Deputy Chairperson	Trudi Bishop - Community Representative
Members	Andrea Davis - Community Representative
	Paul Dietsche - Councillor Environment Canterbury
	Amber Moke - Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke/Rapaki
	Rik Tainui - Te Rūnanga o Ōnuku

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Please Note:
This forum has no decision-making powers and is purely for information sharing.

Karakia Tīmatanga: Given by all.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

The apologies received from Councillor Tyrone Fields and Ben Manson were accepted.

2. Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee - Workshop outline

Opening introductions and updates:

- Brent Barrett (Programme Manager, Whaka-Ora Healthy Harbour) introduced himself to the meeting and discussed his work with Whaka-Ora.
- Jaimee Grant provided updates to members. Of note, was that the fish habitat funding available from the Department of Conservation closes 19 April and recommended that members share amongst their networks.

Main discussion – Zone Committee review

- A discussion was facilitated to address the questions outlined in the attached slide presentation. As there is a review of the wider Zone Committee structure, function and resourcing underway, the discussion was to get Banks Peninsula members feedback.
- Members contributed to a list of locally lead freshwater activities and groups within Banks Peninsula. Due to the large volume of groups listed, with varying functions, strengths and weaknesses, members decided it's more useful to focus on their outcomes. The Banks Peninsula Conversation Trust was noted as a good group to look at, as it's a huge organisation that tends to lead the way for smaller organisations in the area.

Is there any type of mahi that needs more focus?

- Consistency of funding was mentioned in that often groups are not aware of what funding is available, and that the members could work on directing people to available funding opportunities.
- Main avenue for advocacy are the quarterly reporting to the Christchurch City Council, and annual reporting to Environment Canterbury. This can be difficult with election cycles. Members feel that they can make suggestions to the Councils but do not have much influence.

What support do you think is needed?

- Public engagement a big opportunity as the public are not aware of the work and advocacy that the Zone Committees do. Broader engagement is needed. Especially with large rate rises coming, it's good for the community to understand where their money goes. The Zone Committees are a safe middle ground between Council's and the community.

Engagement with mana whenua

- Runanga representatives noted that due to capacity they have to be strategic in their focus. Many external groups/academics approach Runanga with projects and need to understand


that it's a reciprocal relationship. A recent climate mitigation hui was mentioned and how this was a good way to engage on a bulk level.

Final thoughts: What would you like to see come from the review?

- Working together and cross-functionality with the other Zone Committees.
- Shoring up the relevance of this group.
- Find funders or investors and bring them to the table?
- Connections a common theme.
- More engagement from Councils.

A survey for the Zone Committee review will be distributed to members shortly.

Attachments

A BPZC Meeting 19 March 2024 - Slideshow Presentation [↔](#) 

Karakia Whakamutunga: Given by all.

Meeting concluded at 6:03pm.