
Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Tuesday 17 March 2020
Time: 4.15pm
Venue: Akaroa Sports Pavilion, 28 Rue Jolie, Akaroa

Present

Chairperson Dr Benita Wakefield - Te Rūnanga o Wairewa
Deputy Gina Waibl - Community Representative
Chairperson
Members Rima Herber - Community Representative
Elizabeth Macpherson - Community Representative
Ben Manson - Community Representative
Paula Smith - Community Representative
Garrick Thorn - Community Representative
Lan Pham - Councillor Environment Canterbury
Erana Riddell - ECan Youth Rōpū
Manaia Cunningham - Te Rūnanga o Koukourārata
Rik Tainui - Te Rūnanga o Ōnuku
Aurora Smith - Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke/Rapaki

16 March 2020

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Manaia Cunningham opened the meeting with a Karakia/Timatanga.

Manaia advised this was his last meeting with the Banks Peninsula Zone Committee and that he would be formally resigning from the Committee because he is moving to the Chatham Islands.

Members discussed how the Covid19 situation was impacting them.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies

Committee Resolved BPZC/2020/00011

That the apologies received from Deputy Mayor Andrew Turner be accepted.

Paula Smith/Gina Waibl

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest recorded.

3. Updates from Banks Peninsula Zone Committee Members

Members were asked if they had any highlights about events/meetings/issues relevant to the Zone Committee, and some matters raised included:

Rima Herber – Has attended a Treaty of Waitangi workshop held at Environment Canterbury, and that she is helping remove the horned poppy weed on Kaitorete Spit.

Aurora Smith – Spoke about the great collaboration by partners at the Whaka-Ora Noho Marae held at Rāpaki with matters including coastal planning and pooling of data.

Garrick Thorn – Dealing with water and environmental issues with students, including with EnviroSoc at University of Canterbury. Garrick will be providing an update about the Zone Committee function and activities shortly to EnviroSoc. The Student Volunteer Army would be interested in any opportunities to assist on Banks Peninsula.

Erana Riddell – Advised that the Youth Rōpū was meeting with Environment Canterbury Councillors about the Annual Plan.

Councillor Lan Pham – Thanked the Zone Committee members for their commitment. The Whaka Ora Governance Group met last week. The roadside cutting project funding issue arose at the Whaka-Ora Noho Marae and she advised that Deputy Mayor Turner had picked that up. Councillor Pham advised that members could submit as individuals to the Annual Plan and that Benita had given a great presentation last week to Environment Canterbury on the Zone Committee's Annual Plan.

Elizabeth Macpherson – Advised that she would attend the April and May meetings, and then be on a six month extended leave of absence from the Committee due to expecting a baby. She thanked the Committee for its support.

Gina Waibl – The noho marae was great with all the partner organisations in the same room and committed, and consideration to how the Zone Committee can provide further support to Whaka Ora.

Dr Benita Wakefield – Benita referred to discussion with CCC she attended about Climate Change Adaptation and risk assessment. A plan about this is being developed.

It was noted that an update to the Committee on the Christchurch City Council’s Climate Strategy will be provided at a future meeting with a chance for the Committee to provide feedback, considering climate change and within the scope of the Committee’s responsibilities on Banks Peninsula.

Benita asked the wider group if they had any contributions to make at this time, and the following points were noted.

Harry Miller (Land Management Advisor) – Noted that further discussion is required on the Farm Environment Plan workshops and whether these are being received well by the relevant audiences. The plans are not a regulatory tool.

Pam Richardson (community landowner) – Reported that the feral goat eradication programme will commence next week. The Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust is working with Environment Canterbury, the Department of Conservation and Christchurch City Council on this matter, at Kinloch and Purau.

Brad Waldon-Gibbons (Tangata Whenua Facilitator) – Thanked the Committee for hearing his presentation at the last meeting on the “Fit for Future Targets & Goals: (Kaitiakitanga & Mahinga Kai)”.

Presentation by Rik Tainui about Ōnuku Rūnanga

A presentation was given by Rik Tainui about Ōnuku Rūnanga, and a video clip played, “Wananga” by Keelan Walker. Rik provided details about:

- Ngāi Tahu has 18 regional Papatipu Rūnanga
- The Treaty of Waitangi was first signed at Ōnuku
- Ōnuku is located on the harbour
- There are approximately 11,600 registered Ngāi Tahu that whakapapa to Ōnuku
- Rik has been the Chair of Ōnuku Marae for approximately five years
- Spoke about the Akaroa Wastewater project and about the history of Takapūneke where Te Rauparaha killed a large number of people in 1830. This is the location where wastewater is currently discharged to the harbour.

9. Committee Role in Priorities for 2020

1. Smaller groups were formed to discuss the priorities as listed below:
 - a. Mahinga kai built into all decision-making
 - b. Whaka-Ora Healthy Harbour Plan Implementation – especially sediment components

- c. Investigate minimum flow and environmental flows and impacts on stream ecology and water supply
 - d. Removing wastewater out of Akaroa Harbour
 - e. Coastal management and climate change.
 - f. Strategically allocate Immediate Steps Fund and a strategic approach to freshwater related biodiversity.
2. Members were asked to consider:
- What is the ultimate outcome you seek?
What are the ingredients?
What role/niche does the ZC play?
How much effort?
3. The members' contributions were gathered during this session and will be collated and typed up by staff.
4. After the meeting, members separated into two working groups for workshops. One was a Mahinga Kai and Biodiversity working group and included Dr Benita Wakefield, Rima Herber, Ben Manson, Garrick Thorn, Councillor Lan Pham, Erana Riddell and Aurora Smith. Brad Waldon-Gibbons and Kate Hunt provided facilitation support. The other working group discussed Options for Undertaking Minimum and Environmental Flow Investigations and included Gina Waibl, Elizabeth Macpherson, Paula Smith, Manaia Cunningham and Rik Tainui. Gina Waibl and Gill Jenkins provided facilitation support. Gina, Gill, Brad and Shelley will collate and type up members' contributions.
5. At this time a decision was not required by the meeting.

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Committee Resolved BPZC/2020/00012

That the minutes of the Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 11 February 2020 be confirmed, subject to amendments noted:

- Page 8 - Garrick Thorn reported on the bank stabilisation programme and the Million Metres Planting Fund project plan that will be presented to.
- Page 9 – Paula Smith referred to an article titled “Water Plan for City Needs Work”.
- Page 9 – Liz Macpherson advised she was participating in the Sustainable Seas National Science Challenge.
- Page 13 – first paragraph to read “The Committee identified their top two priorities each for 2020...”

Paula Smith/Lan Pham

Carried

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

In relation to page 8, Item 3, Peter Kingsbury advised that the City Council was carrying out investigations on the type of information required to better define the water protection zones, and

that this would be completed within a couple of weeks and the information shared with ECan. Peter advised that the potential conflict of interest had been dealt with.

Peter Kingsbury advised that the Information cards about responsibilities near streams will be finalised shortly. These provide an easy to read overview with places to find further information and will be available for the community at various locations and events.

6. Deputations by Appointment

There were no deputations by appointment.

7. Identification of Urgent Items

Nil.

8. Identification of General Public Contributions

Nil.

10. Facilitator's Update - 11 February 2020

Committee Comment

1. The Facilitator's report was taken as read. Shelley added some comments relating to the GROW event cancelled, Watershed 2020 postponed, Regional Youth Voices Hui coming up, and that Christchurch City Council summer water conservation key messages included for information.

Committee Resolved BPZC/2020/00013

That the Banks Peninsula Water Management Zone Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Facilitator's Update Report.

Dr Benita Wakefield/Gina Waibl

Carried

11. Options for Undertaking Minimum and Environmental Flow Investigations

Committee Comment

1. This report was deferred to a future meeting due to Tim Davie not attending due to illness. The Committee decided some members would have a working group workshop to get prepared for when this topic is next discussed at a meeting.

A workshop followed the formal meeting on Enhancing CWMS Implementation: Role of the CWMS Water Management Committees and Mahinga Kai. The members' contributions were gathered during this session and will be collated and typed up by staff, with themes/consensus identified, and then circulated to the Committee for further feedback and comment within a week of receipt. Once finalised these will be provided to Caroline Hart for inclusion with the contributions from other CWMS Zone Committees and the Regional Committee.

Manaia Cunningham closed the meeting with a Karakia/Whakamutunga.

Meeting concluded at 8.13pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 21ST DAY OF JULY 2020

**BENITA WAKEFIELD
CHAIRPERSON**