

Minutes of a meeting of the Data and Information Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 10 March 2021 at 2:00 PM

Membership

Hon Cr Marian Hobbs (Co-Chair) Cr Alexa Forbes (Co-Chair)

Cr Hilary Calvert

Cr Michael Deaker

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Gary Kelliher

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Kevin Malcolm

Cr Andrew Noone

Cr Gretchen Robertson

Cr Bryan Scott

Cr Kate Wilson

Welcome

Co-Chair Alexa Forbes welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 02:03 pm.

Staff present included Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy and Science), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory), Amanda Vercoe (Executive Advisor), Liz Spector (Governance Support), Dianne Railton, Ellyse Gore, Jean-Luc Payan, Amir Levy, Marc Ettema, Sarah Harrison, Kyle Balderston and Garry Maloney.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Cr Forbes asked to move consideration of the Queenstown and Dunedin Bus Patronage report to third in the order of business.

Moved: Cr Hope Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution

That the minutes of the Data and Information Committee meeting held on 14 October 2020 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Cr Hobbs Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

6. ACTIONS

The Actions Register was reviewed with staff. Dr Jean-Luc Payan noted the outstanding action had been partially completed as the report is available on the ORC website and has been uploaded to the national Geotechnical Database. He said ORC staff are in discussions with DCC staff on the best way to use the report in the planning framework.

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1. Otago Climate Change Risk Assessment

This report was provided to present the first Otago Climate Change Risk Assessment (OCCRA) dataset and report for Otago and information on Otago's climate over the next century. Ellyse Gore, Natural Hazards Analyst, Jean-Luc Payan, Manager Natural Hazards, and Gavin Palmer, GM Operations were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. After a discussion of the report, Cr Forbes moved its receipt.

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) Receives this report.

- 2) **Notes** the data set and information the first Otago Climate Change Risk Assessment provides for the region for building understanding, further investigation, and preparation for adaptation.
- 3) **Notes** the changes expected to occur in Otago's climate.
- 4) **Endorses** the data set and report and the proactive presentation and dissemination of this information to the public and stakeholders.

Moved: Cr Forbes Seconded: Cr Wilson

CARRIED

7.2. Overview of Groundwater Quality State of Environment for Otago

This paper was provided to present the groundwater State of the Environment report as of December 2019. The paper highlighted key findings identified in the report regarding groundwater quality in Otago and identified a range of measures to consider for improving the Otago Regional Council's monitoring programme, public awareness, and the protection of groundwater quality. Amir Levy, Groundwater Scientist, and Gwyneth Elsum, GM Strategy, Policy and Science, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

After a thorough discussion of the report, Cr Noone moved its receipt.

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) Receives this report.

Moved: Cr Noone Seconded: Cr Hobbs

CARRIED

7.3. Queenstown and Dunedin 2020/21 Quarter 1 and 2 Patronage Report

This report was provided to update the Committee on the performance of its public transport and total mobility services for the first half of the 2020/21 financial year, including Super Gold usage. Julian Phillips, Implementation Lead - Transport, Garry Maloney, Manager Transport, and Gavin Palmer, GM Operations, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

After questions and discussion, Cr Hobbs moved receipt of the report.

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) Receives this report.

Moved: Cr Hobbs Seconded: Cr Malcolm

CARRIED

Cr Forbes requested a short adjournment at 3:20 p.m.

Cr Forbes called the meeting back to order at 3:25 p.m.

7.4. SoE Monitoring Bi-annual Update

This paper was provided to update the Committee about hydrological data capture and quality produced from the environmental monitoring network operated by the Otago Regional Council Environmental Monitoring team. Eike Breitbarth, Manager Environmental Monitoring and Gwyneth Elsum, GM Strategy, Policy and Science, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. Following questions and discussion of the report, Cr Hope moved its receipt.

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) Receives this report.

Moved: Cr Hope Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

7.5. Annual Air Quality Report 2020

This report was provided to review results of State of the Environment monitoring for air quality for the year 2020. Sarah Harrison, Air Quality Scientist and Gwyneth Elsum, GM Strategy, Policy and Science, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. After a discussion of the report, Cr Malcolm moved:

Resolution

That the Council:

1) Receives this report

Moved: Cr Malcolm Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

7.6. Emissions Inventory and Low Emissions Technology Review

This report was provided to review the Emissions Inventory 2019 and the Low Emissions Technology Review 2020. Sarah Harrison, Air Quality Scientist and Gwyneth Elsum, GM Strategy, Policy and Science, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. After a discussion of the report, Cr Laws moved:

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) Receives this report.

Moved: Cr Laws Seconded: Cr Calvert

CARRIED

7.7. Urban Monitoring Quarterly Update

This report was provided to review the initial Quarterly Monitoring Report produced by the Otago Regional Council, as required by the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 (NPSUD) and covered the period up to and including the fourth quarter of 2020. Kyle Balderston, Team Leader Urban Growth and Development, and Gwyneth Elsum, GM Strategy, Policy and Science, were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. A discussion of the paper was held with several Councillors asking questions of Mr Balderston and Ms Elsum. Cr Forbes then moved:

Resolution

That the Committee:

1) **Receives** this report.

Moved: Cr Forbes Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Co-Chair Forbes declared the meeting closed at 03:55 pm.

09 June 2021

Chairperson Date