

# Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy and Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 7 July 2021 at 1:00 PM

(Co-Chair)

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# Membership

Cr Gretchen Robertson

Cr Kate Wilson

Cr Hilary Calvert

Dr Lyn Carter

Cr Michael Deaker

Mr Edward Ellison

Cr Alexa Forbes

Hon Cr Marian Hobbs

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Gary Kelliher

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Kevin Malcolm

Cr Andrew Noone

Cr Bryan Scott

## Welcome

Chairperson Robertson welcomed Councillors, Mr Edward Ellison, Dr Lyn Carter, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 2:26 pm. Staff present included Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory and Communications), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Dianne Railton (Governance Support), Eleanor Ross (Manager Communications Channels), Sylvie Leduc (Senior Strategy Analyst) and David Cooper (Principal Engagement Advisor).

## 1. APOLOGIES

# Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Kelliher Seconded

That the apology for Cr Deaker be accepted. Dr Carter attended the meeting via electronic link.

#### **Motion Carried**

# 2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

## 3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

## Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Noone Seconded

That the late paper, Natural and Built Environments Act (NBA) Exposure Draft – Submission Process, be included on the agenda.

## **Motion Carried**

## 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

## 5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

## Resolution SP21-107: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2021 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

## **Motion Carried**

# 6. ACTIONS

The Actions Register of the Strategy and Planning Committee were reviewed. Cr Robertson noted the action point South Dunedin/Harbourside Adaptation collaboration with DCC was overdue, and following discussion Cr Hobbs moved:

#### Resolution SP21-110: Cr Hobbs Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That Chair Noone formally write to DCC requesting a discussion is held on the action point South Dunedin Harbourside Adaptation Programme.

## **Motion Carried**

## 7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

## 7.1. He Mahi Rau Rika Draft Significance, Engagement and Maori Participation Policy

Cr Scott and Cr Wilson left the room due to a possible conflict of interest at 2:32 pm.

The report was provided for approval from Council to commence a special consultative procedure for the draft He Mahi Rau Rika – Significance, Engagement and Māori Participation Policy. The draft policy is consistent with the ORC Strategic Directions and will make a public commitment to improve our partnership with iwi and engagement with the community. Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory and Communications) and Eleanor Ross (Manager Communications Channels) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Richard Saunders advised that it is a statutory requirement to have a Significance and Engagement Policy. He said the draft policy would go through a consultation process and the document would be formally designed before coming back to Council for formal approval. Mr Ellison fully endorsed the policy, saying it is a necessary building block. Cr Robertson said it is good for ORC to have a clear policy that has been carefully crafted and thanked mana whenua, Aukaha and Te Ao Marama Inc for their contribution to the document.

#### Resolution SP21-108: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Forbes Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Approves** Option 1 the draft He Mahi Rau Rika Significance, Engagement and Māori Participation Policy for consultation under Section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2) **Appoints** Councillors Deaker (Chair), Wilson and Scott to hear any submissions and make recommendations to Council.
- 3) **Notes** that consultation is scheduled to commence on 19 July 2021 and will run for four weeks or 20 working days.
- 4) **Notes** the draft document is subject to a formal design process prior to being presented to Council for final adoption on 29 September 2021.

#### **Motion Carried**

Cr Kelliher requested his vote against the motion be noted in the minutes. Cr Laws requested his vote against the motion be noted in the minutes.

Cr Scott and Cr Wilson returned to the meeting at 3:06 pm.

## 7.2. Natural and Built Environments Act (NBA) Exposure Draft - Submission Process

The report was to set the approval process for ORC's submission to the NBA exposure draft released by Government on 29 June 2021. Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance Culture and Community) and Sylvie Leduc (Senior Strategy Analyst) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Sylvie Leduc advised that submissions are due on 4 August 2021 and said work will be done on an Otago and Southland joint submission as well as an ORC submission. Sarah Gardner said that the joint Otago and Southland submission would go through the Otago Southland Mayoral

Forum and advised that staff may also make a submission which would be more technical than a submission from Governance. There was discussion on the Strategy and Planning Co-Chairs approving the ORC submission, and Cr Robertson and Cr Wilson will send the Strategy and Planning Committee members some high-level questions for their input.

#### Resolution SP21-109: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Hobbs Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Notes** ORC is working with Otago and Southland councils to coordinate responses to resource management reform, including a potential joint submission on the Natural and Built Environments Act exposure draft.
- 3) **Agrees** for the review and approval of the ORC submission (joint or individual) to be done by the Co-Chairs of the Strategy and Planning Committee, before being submitted to the Select Committee on 4 August 2021.
- 4) **Notes** that a copy of the finalised submission will be brought to the Strategy and Planning Committee on the 11 August 2021 for noting.
- 5) **Notes** that this is the first opportunity to provide feedback on the exposure draft, and there will be further opportunities later in the year.

#### **Motion Carried**

#### 8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chairperson Robertson declared the meeting closed at 3:26 pm.

Chairperson

11 August 2021

Date