

Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy and Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 10 November 2021 at 1:00PM

Membership

Cr Gretchen Robertson

(Co-Chair)

Cr Kate Wilson

(Co-Chair)

Cr Hilary Calvert

Dr Lyn Carter

Cr Michael Deaker

Mr Edward Ellison

Cr Alexa Forbes

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Gary Kelliher

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Kevin Malcolm

Cr Andrew Noone

Cr Bryan Scott

Welcome

Chairperson Wilson welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 1:00 pm. Staff present included Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy and Science), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Dianne Railton (Governance Support), Anita Dawe (Manager Strategy, Policy and Science), Kyle Balderston (Team Leader Urban Growth and Development), Sylvie Leduc (Senior Strategic Analyst), Anne Duncan (Manager Strategy), Sarah Harrison (Scientist - Air Quality) and Hugo Borges (Scientist - Lakes).

1. APOLOGIES

Resolution: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded:

That the apologies for Dr Lyn Carter and Cr Deaker be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Resolution: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Robertson Seconded

Cr Wilson requested a change to the agenda, and that the items 7.3 Housing Bottom Lines and 7.4 RPS Summary of Decisions Requested, be reordered to allow them to be discussed first under Matters for Consideration, due to the availability of the Manager Policy and Planning.

MOTION CARRIED

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2021 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

6. ACTIONS

The status report on the resolutions of the Strategy and Planning Committee was reviewed.

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.3. Housing Bottom Lines

The report was provided to amend the Partially Operative Regional Policy Statement (RPS) by inserting 'Housing Bottom Lines' for Dunedin and Queenstown, in accordance with the National Policy Statement for Urban Development 2020 (NPSUD). Kyle Balderston (Team Leader Urban Growth & Development) and Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy & Science) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Resolution SP21-120: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) Notes the report.
- 2) **Notes** amendments to the Partially Operative RPS 2019 (modification to Schedule 6: Housing Capacity) by the insertion of the Housing Bottom Lines for Dunedin and Queenstown urban environments that can occur immediately.
- 3) **Notes** that the relevant District Plan's will also be amended subsequently without a Schedule 1 Process.

MOTION CARRIED

7.4. RPS Summary of Decisions Requested

The report was provided to release of the Summary of Decisions Requested (SoDR) in relation to the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 (pORPS) for further submissions. Kyle Balderston, Anita Dawe (Manager Policy & Planning) and Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy & Science) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. Kyle Balderston spoke to the RPS Summary of Decisions PowerPoint presentation, which included graphs and details on submissions received. Ms Dawe said that a hearing date is set down for early February 2022 and those parties who wish to join, have done so. Ms Elsum advised that for further information, the RPS page on the ORC website is kept updated.

Resolution SP21-121: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Notes** this report.

MOTION CARRIED

7.1. Otago Lakes Strategic Plan – Scope

The report was provided for the Committee to agree on the brief and scope of the study relating to an Otago Lakes Strategic Plan, as requested by Council on 26 May 2021. Sylvie Leduc (Senior Strategic Analyst), Anne Duncan (Manager Strategy) and Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy & Science) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. Ms Leduc advised that she is aware there is a lot of work being done in the great lakes, and she has spoken to those who are managing the great lakes, including Dr Marc Schallenberg, a researcher from the University of Otago. She said that this is an early scoping brief and initially has only consulted with statutory bodies but is aware of other groups. Ms Elsum advised that a consultant will undertake this initial work due to staff being committed to other work. There was lengthy discussion on the brief and scope.

Resolution SP21-122: Cr Malcolm Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Approves** the proposed brief and scope of the project associated to the Council's resolution made on 26 May 2021, requesting a scoping study for an Otago Lakes Strategic Plan.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2. Air Quality Knowledge Gaps

The Data and Information Committee requested on 8 September 2021 that a report on areas of concern regarding potential knowledge gaps regarding Otago's air quality be brought to the Strategy and Planning Committee. Sarah Harrison (Air Quality Scientist) and Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy & Science) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. During discussion Ms Elsum advised that the Air Plan is being reviewed in Year 2 of the Longterm Plan. Cr Forbes asked about monitoring and Ms Harrison advised that this is required as part of the NES. She said that data for airsheds will be available soon and once analysed, will be reported on early next year.

Resolution SP21-123: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Notes** this report.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Calvert left the meeting at 2:44 pm and returned at 2:45pm Cr Hope left the meeting at 2:52 pm.

7.5. TAG Report

Cr Kelliher declared a potential conflict and sat back from the table for this item.

The paper was provided for TAG to report to Strategy and Planning Committee on progress towards finalising the required science for the Manuherekia catchment. Gwyneth Elsum (GM Strategy, Policy & Science) was present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Hope returned to the meeting at 2:57 pm.

Resolution SP21-124: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Noone Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Notes** this report.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Kelliher returned to the table.

7.6 LWRP GOVERNANCE GROUP UPDATE

Cr Noone, Cr Robertson and Mr Ellison provided a verbal update of work undertaken by the LWRP Governance Group, which has included a comprehensive review of every report on water and reviewing legislative requirements. Mr Ellison said the group is not critiquing, but providing oversight and gaining a level of confidence and understanding.

8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chairperson Wilson declared the meeting closed at 3:15pm.

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Chairperson Date