



Minutes of a meeting of the
Regulatory Committee held in the
Council Chamber on
Thursday 9 December 2021 at 9:00am

Membership

Cr Gary Kelliher *(Co-Chair)*
Cr Andrew Noone *(Co-Chair)*
Cr Hilary Calvert
Cr Michael Deaker
Cr Alexa Forbes
Cr Carmen Hope
Cr Michael Laws
Cr Kevin Malcolm
Cr Gretchen Robertson
Cr Bryan Scott
Cr Kate Wilson

Welcome

Chairperson Noone welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 9:00am. 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 and Communications), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Dianne Railton (Governance Support), Jo Gilroy (Manager Consents), Tami Sargent (Manager Compliance), Steve Rushbrook (Harbourmaster), Simon Wilson (Manager Regulatory Data and Systems), and Alexandra King (Team Leader Consents - Coastal Otago).

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received. Cr Laws was absent. Cr Deaker attended via electronic link.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the published agenda.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Wilson and Cr Kelliher advised they would stand aside for item 7.3 Plan Change 7 and Consent Applications, due to a possible conflict of interest.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2021 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

6. ACTIONS

The status report on the resolutions of the Regulatory Committee was reviewed.

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1. Regulatory Group - Quarterly Activity Report

The report updated the Committee on activities of the Regulatory Group between 1 July 2021 and 31 October 2021. Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory and Communications), Jo Gilroy (Manager Consents), Tami Sargent (Manager Compliance), Steve Rushbrook (Harbourmaster), and Simon Wilson (Manager Regulatory Data and Systems) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. Following discussion, Cr Wilson moved:

Resolution REG21-107: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Committee:

- 1) **Notes** the Quarterly Update Report from the Regulatory Group.
- 2) **Acknowledges** the improvements in compliance monitoring and enforcement for Mrs Gardner and her staff.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2. Territorial Local Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant Compliance Report

The report updated the Committee on the compliance of territorial local authority (TLA) wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) and the actions that have been taken to achieve compliance. Richard Saunders (General Manager Regulatory and Communications) and Tami Sargent (Manager Compliance) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. Ms Sargent said that the report provided an overview of consent compliance over the last 18 months, including a summary of results of the audits carried out, and advised that there have been substantial improvements. Mr Saunders said that the relationship between Compliance and TAs is much better. Following further discussion, Cr Wilson moved:

Resolution REG21-108: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Committee:

- 1) **Receives** this report.
- 2) **Notes** that the Annual Compliance Report will include information on the compliance of wastewater treatment plants in the Otago region.

MOTION CARRIED

7.3. Plan Change 7 and Consent Applications

The report updated the Committee on the processing of applications relating to deemed permits and outline the implementation of the decisions version of Plan Change 7 (PC7). Richard Saunders (General Manager Regulatory and Communications), Jo Gilroy (Manager Consents) and Alexandra King (Team Leader Consents) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Wilson and Cr Kelliher left the meeting due to a possible conflict of interest.

Cr Calvert acknowledged the work undertaken by the Consents team, including templates for consents, supporting applicants with information, and pre-consent meetings.

Resolution REG21-109: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Committee:

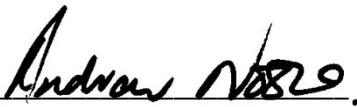
- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Requests** that staff provide Councillors with a quarterly update on progress to complete the processing of deemed permit replacement applications.

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Cr Wilson and Cr Kelliher returned to the meeting.

8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chairperson Noone declared the meeting closed at 10:09am.



Chairperson

10 March 2022

Date