



Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy and Planning Committee
held in the Council Chamber
on Wednesday 13 April 2022 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 Robertson welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 1:04 pm. Staff present in the Chamber was Dianne Railton (Governance Support). Staff present electronically were Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Anita Dawe (Acting GM Policy and Science), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), and Jonathan Rowe (Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future), Tim van Woerden (Acting Manager Hazards), Sharon Hornblow (Natural Hazards Analyst), Garry Maloney (Principal Advisor – Transport Planning), Doug Rodgers (Manager Transport), Andrea Howard (Manager Environmental Implementation), Sam Walton (Policy Analyst - Freshwater and Land), Dolina Lee (Senior Analyst - Freshwater and Land) and Warren Hanley (Senior Resource Planner Liaison).

1. APOLOGIES

Resolution: Cr Robertson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded:

That the apology for Cr Laws lateness be accepted. Cr Deaker and Cr Scott attended the meeting electronically, and it was noted that Cr Laws would attend the meeting electronically.

MOTION CARRIED

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Chairperson Robertson confirmed that item 7.7 LWRPGG would be considered before item 7.6 Proposed ORC submission to MPI consultation on changes to the NZ ETS for managing exotic forestry incentives, as a number of members would leave the meeting for item 7.6 due to possible conflicts of interest.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairperson Robertson, Cr Noone, Cr Hope, Cr Scott and Mr Ellison confirmed possible conflicts of interest for item 7.6 Proposed ORC submission to MPI consultation on changes to the NZ ETS for managing exotic forestry incentives. Cr Wilson would Chair item 7.6.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 February 2022 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record, with the amendment that it was noted that only the TAG minutes for the October 2022 meeting were available, and Ms Elsum provided verbal update of the November and December 2021 TAG meetings.

MOTION CARRIED

6. ACTIONS

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

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1. Update on the South Dunedin Future Programme

The report provided an interim update on the South Dunedin Future (SDF) programme. The programme will provide a framework for developing climate change adaptation options for South Dunedin (and Harbourside). Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) and Jonathan Rowe (Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Jonathan Rowe advised that the report is an update on the definition phase over the last 3-4 months looking into those issues more deeply, deciding how the elements relate to another, who would need to be involved and how that may be packaged moving forward. Mr Rowe said that the next report in June 2022 will lay that out in more detail and present a plan for how the plan is proposed to be taken forward for the next 4 to 5 years.

The meeting adjourned for 5 minutes due to a power outage in the Council Chamber.

Cr Hope asked how the public can find out information regarding the South Dunedin area with regard to purchasing property. Mr Rowe said that LIM is the primary source of that data, and

advised that natural hazards information is a key element. He said that work is currently being undertaken with the ORC Natural Hazards Team on how to package the information ORC is collecting and monitoring to make it more accessible to a layperson.

Cr Laws joined the meeting at 1:26pm

Resolution SP22-103: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** the South Dunedin Future – Interim Update report.
- 2) **Notes** that Councillors will have an opportunity to discuss development of the South Dunedin Future programme plan during a workshop in May 2022.
- 3) **Notes** that a further update report, and draft South Dunedin Future programme plan, will be submitted to Councils for consideration and approval in June 2022.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2. Otago Active Faults: Planning Options

The report was provided to inform the Committee of options for incorporating information on active faults held by ORC into planning frameworks across Otago and to seek endorsement of an approach to fault zone management across the region. Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Tim van Woerden (Acting Manager Hazards), Anita Dawe (Acting General Manager Policy and Science) and Sharon Hornblow (Natural Hazards Analyst) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Dr Hornblow spoke to the presentation Active Faults in Otago, which explained the process of mapping and understanding Otago's active faults, and next steps toward a risk-based approach to ground surface rupture hazard.

Cr Calvert left the room due to a possible conflict of interest at 1:55pm.

Resolution SP22-104: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Endorses** the tiered approach to fault zone management in Otago – with Fault Avoidance Zones (FAZ) and Fault Awareness Areas (FAA) – as described in this report.
- 3) **Notes** the collaborative work being undertaken with the Otago territorial authorities.
- 4) **Directs** that a report be provided to the relevant Council Committee by January 2023 on a recommended option and implementation plan, developed in collaboration with Territorial Authorities, for incorporating the tiered approach into planning frameworks across Otago.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Calvert returned to the meeting at 2:07pm

7.3. Shaping Future Dunedin Transport Fares and Frequency Business Case

The report was provided to seek approval of the Shaping Future Dunedin Transport Fares and Frequency Single Stage Business Case scoping report. Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Garry Maloney (Principal Advisor – Transport Planning) and Doug Rodgers (Manager Transport) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

*Cr Hope left the meeting at 2:09pm and returned at 2:11pm.
Cr Kelliher left the meeting at 2:10pm and returned at 2:18pm.*

Cr Forbes questioned DCC's involvement and Sarah Gardner advised that Connecting Dunedin is the place where anything that intersects with ORC's transport and roading are discussed, and where support and alignment are generated. Mrs Gardner confirmed continuing a conversation through Connecting Dunedin is the appropriate way to manage this, and noted that Connecting Dunedin hadn't met for approximately one year. Cr Deaker said that he felt this paper is an ideal catalyst for ORC to convene a Connecting Dunedin meeting urgently.

Resolution SP22-105: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Forbes Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.

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Resolution SP22-106: Cr Forbes Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Approves** the scope of the Shaping Future Dunedin Transport Fares and Frequency Single Stage Business Case as described in the appended Shaping Future Dunedin Transport Fares and Frequency Single Stage Business Case Scoping Report.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution SP22-107: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Noone Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** that the business case will not consider a real time service as such a system became operative in April 2021 in Dunedin and Queenstown.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution SP22-108: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Requests** that Cr Forbes, Cr Noone and Cr Deaker present the report to the members of Connecting Dunedin at the earliest opportunity and to discuss it at the next meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

7.4. Manuherehia Interim Work Programme

The paper outlined Otago Regional Council's (ORC's) approach to developing a work programme specific to the Manuherehia rohe to enable Capacity building / education on water management; Catchment groups; and Riparian works. Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) and Andrea Howard (Manager Environmental Implementation) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

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

Following lengthy discussion on the work programme including nominating a representative, Cr Wilson moved:

Resolution SP22-109: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Noone Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Approves** that a more detailed strategic and work programme will be developed with *mana whenua*, stakeholders and the community as a part of catchment action planning for the Manuherehia, either through the ORC Integrated Catchment Management (ICM) process and with connection to the Ministry for the Environment's Manuherehia Exemplar Catchment Programme.
- 3) **Approves** the interim work programme which outlines which actions can be delivered through business-as-usual work.
- 4) **Notes** that further discussion with the community and stakeholders in the Manuherehia rohe will occur to inform a specific action plan for potential riparian/critical source area works, and provision for access.
- 5) **Nominate** Cr Malcolm (Cr Laws alternate) as representative for the Ministry for the Environment's Manuherehia Exemplar Catchment Programme Governance Group.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Kelliher returned to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned for a short break at 2:35pm.

7.5. Summary of key points from Environment Court Decision No. [2022] NZEnvC 25 and implications for identifying wetlands under the NPSFM 2020

The purpose of this paper is to provide the Otago Regional Council (Council or ORC) with a summary of key points from the Environment Court Decision *Greater Wellington Regional Council v S L Adams & others* [2022] NZEnvC 25 and an overview of key implications of this decision for the Council's various functions. Anita Dawe (Acting GM Policy and Planning) and Sam Walton (Policy Analyst - Freshwater and Land) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Resolution SP22-110: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 7.7 was considered before item 7.6 as advised in the Confirmation of Agenda.

7.7. LWRPGG Verbal Update

Cr Noone provided a verbal update from the LWRP Governance Group.

Cr Wilson took over as Chairperson for the remainder of the meeting. Cr Robertson, Cr Hope, Cr Noone, Cr Scott and Mr Ellison left the meeting due to a possible conflict of interest for this item.

7.6. Proposed ORC submission to MPI consultation on changes to the NZ ETS for managing exotic forestry incentives

The paper advised Councillors on the Ministry for Primary Industries' (the Ministry) current consultation: "*Managing exotic afforestation incentives: A discussion document on proposals to change forestry settings in the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme.*" (the consultation). Anita Dawe (Acting GM Policy and Science) and Warren Hanley (Senior Resource Planner Liaison) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Resolution SP22-111: Cr Malcolm Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Notes** that staff will be lodging a submission on the Ministry for Primary Industries consultation document: "Managing exotic afforestation incentives: A discussion document on proposals to change forestry settings in the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme.
- 3) **Notes** that a copy of the submission will report back to a full Council meeting in May 2022.

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8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chairperson Robertson declared the meeting closed at 4:09pm.



Chairperson

13 July 2022

Date