



## Minutes of a meeting of the Data and Information Committee held in the Council Chamber on 30 June 2022 at 10:00 AM

### **Membership**

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

### **Welcome**

Co-Chairperson Alexa Forbes welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 10:03 am. Staff present included Pim Borren (interim Chief Executive), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Liz Spector (Governance Support), Rachel Ozanne (Sr Scientist - Water Quality), Tom Dyer, (Manager Science), Hugo Borges (Scientist - Lakes), Julian Phillips (Implementation Lead - Transport), and Doug Rodgers (Manager Transport). Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services) was present electronically.

## **1. APOLOGIES**

**Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Noone Seconded:**

*That the apologies for Cr Laws be accepted.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

*Crs Scott and Malcolm were present electronically.*

## **2. PUBLIC FORUM**

No public forum was held.

## **3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was confirmed as published.

## **4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were advised.

## **5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded**

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2022 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded**

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2022 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **6. ACTIONS**

Open actions from resolutions of the committee were reviewed.

## **7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**

### **7.1. Contact Recreation Monitoring 2021-2022**

The report was provided to update the Committee on details of the contact recreation monitoring programme undertaken by ORC staff for the 3rd quarter of financial year 2021/22 and included information on 29 sites in Otago rivers, lakes, and coastal waters. Rachel Ozanne (Senior Scientist - Water Quality) and Tom Dyer (Manager Science) were available to respond to questions about the report.

Following a discussion of the report, Cr Wilson asked that staff find a way to make the information more easily accessible by the community. Cr Calvert suggested a comms statement be included with the report to facilitate that. Mr Dyer said he would review the best way to accomplish the two requests going forward.

**Resolution DAIC22-107: Cr Deaker Moved, Cr Hope Seconded**

*That the Committee:*

- 1) **Notes** this report.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **7.2. Lake Snow Report**

The report was provided to update the Committee on Lake Snow-related research, to present monitoring data, and to outline future research for management and mitigation of algal growth in Otago lakes. Hugo Borges (Scientist - Lakes) and Tom Dyer (Manager Science) were present to respond to questions about the report.

Following a discussion of the report, Cr Robertson asked what the next steps should be. She suggested the evidence presented indicated more attention should be focused on the issue. Mr Borges stated costs of remediation would be higher than working first to manage the algal problem. Cr Calvert suggested the Chair and Deputy Chair discuss the issue with their counterparts at other councils and find a way forward.

### **Resolution DAIC22-108: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Deaker Seconded**

*That the Committee:*

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Requests** the Chair, Deputy Chair, and Chief Executive follow up with other councils facing similar issues with a view to jointly requesting help from Central Government on the lake snow problem.

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## **7.3. Queenstown and Dunedin Patronage Report**

The report was provided to report on performance of public transport and Total Mobility services for the third quarter of financial year 2021/22. Julian Phillips (Implementation Lead - Transport), Doug Rodgers (Manager Transport) and Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) were available to respond to questions about the report.

Cr Deaker asked how the ORC could work to counteract negative publicity surrounding public transport. Mr Rodgers said the best way to counteract negative publicity was to provide the customer with good performance and reliable service. Cr Deaker suggested that transport staff meet with ODT/other media and provide a briefing that includes the positive information from the report.

Following further discussion of the report, Cr Noone moved:

### **Resolution DAIC22-109: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Kelliher Seconded**

*That the Data and Information Committee:*

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Requests** a media briefing be provided by Transport staff.

### **MOTION CARRIED**

*Cr Hope left the meeting at 11:24 am.*

*Cr Hope returned to the meeting at 11:28 am.*

*Cr Kelliher left the meeting at 11:28 am.*

*Cr Kelliher returned to the meeting at 11:30 am.*

## 8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Co-Chair Alexa Forbes declared the meeting closed at 11:49 a.m.

  
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Co-Chair Alexa Forbes

14 September 2022

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