

## OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a meeting of the Technical Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 15 October 2014 commencing at 12.37 pm**

**Present:**

- Cr Bryan Scott (Chairperson)**
- Cr Graeme Bell**
- Cr Louise Croot MNZM**
- Cr Michael Deaker**
- Cr Gerrard Eckhoff**
- Cr Gary Kelliher**
- Cr Trevor Kempton**
- Cr Sam Neill**
- Cr David Shepherd**
- Cr Stephen Woodhead**

**Apologies:**

- Cr Doug Brown**
- Cr Gretchen Robertson**

The apologies were accepted on the motion of Crs Scott and Croot.

**In attendance:**

- Peter Bodeker**
- Wayne Scott**
- Jeff Donaldson**
- Jane Leahy**
- Fraser McRae**
- Gavin Palmer**
- Deborah Mills for Item 1**
- Janet Favel**

#### **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2014, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Croot and Deaker.

#### **Matters arising from minutes**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## ITEMS FOR NOTING

### Item 1

2014/1364    **2014 Air Quality Results.** DEHS, 1/10/14

The report described the results of ambient air quality monitoring of PM<sub>10</sub> carried out at nine sites throughout Otago.

Comment was made that after much discussion and work over a number of years, barely measurable progress had been made, and although the trends were in the right direction, they were not significant. Council should look at more radical solutions, and also consider a higher level of investment in education in relation to air quality.

Dr Palmer advised that a new air quality strategy would be presented to a Council workshop next month, and Ms Mills noted that Councillors' comments had been taken into account.

Cr Neill moved  
Cr Woodhead seconded

1.    *That the report be received.*
2.    *That the state of air quality in Otago be noted.*

**Motion carried**

### Item 2

2014/1448    **Director's Report on Progress.** DEHS, 2/10/14

The report described work on the Leith Flood Protection Scheme, Totara flooding, riparian margins in Dunedin City, and riverbank instability in Albert Town.

Dr Palmer advised that through a value engineering exercise, action had been identified which would reduce the cost and complexity of work on the Dundas Street-St David Street reach. As a result of this the start of the work had been delayed, but enabling works would commence soon.

In response to a question about riverbank instability in Albert Town, Dr Palmer advised that there was no causal relationship between the recently identified ground movement and the work carried out downstream of the site by the ORC in 2003.

Cr Shepherd moved  
Cr Bell seconded

*That the report be noted.*

**Motion carried**

The meeting closed at 12.48 pm.

**Chairperson**

