

## OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of the Communications Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 26 November 2014 commencing at 1.21 pm

**Present:**

- Cr Trevor Kempton** (Chairperson)
- Cr Graeme Bell** (Deputy Chairperson)
- Cr Doug Brown**
- Cr Louise Croot MNZM**
- Cr Michael Deaker** (from 1.26 pm)
- Cr Gerrard Eckhoff**
- Cr Gary Kelliher**
- Cr Gretchen Robertson**
- Cr Bryan Scott**
- Cr David Shepherd**
- Cr Stephen Woodhead**

**Apologies:**

- Cr Sam Neill**
- Cr Michael Deaker** (for lateness)

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

**In attendance:**

- Peter Bodeker**
- Wayne Scott**
- Jeff Donaldson**
- Jane Leahy**
- Fraser McRae**
- Gavin Palmer**
- Janet Favel**

#### **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2014, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Croot and Shepherd.

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

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## FOR NOTING

Item 1

2014/1717 **Stakeholder Engagement Report.** DSE, 30/10/14

The report detailed community, stakeholder and staff engagement activities carried out by Stakeholder Engagement directorate staff since the last meeting.

Peter Taylor, Manager Communications, demonstrated the water quality rules (Plan Change 6A) on the ORC website. The information and Frequently Asked Questions on the website, with other information being prepared, ensured the Water Plan would be well publicised to landowners in the Region. Photos showing good and poor water quality would be added to the page.

Cr Michael Deaker entered the meeting at 1.26 pm.

Mr Taylor circulated the Plan Change 6A information packages that were to be distributed to landowners.

Mrs Leahy advised that pilot awareness visits to landowners had been carried out, and a staff debrief would be held.

In response to a question Mrs Leahy advised that the database of all landholders showing who had been visited, attended roadshows, etc. would be updated as necessary. People who had already attended a workshop would be encouraged to attend public meetings, which was a better use of staff resources.

Mrs Leahy advised in response to a question that visits both casual and scheduled would be piloted to determine which was more effective. She noted that making appointments was a time consuming process, and this could be done more efficiently through a third party.

Cr Kelliher moved

Cr Bell seconded

*That the report be noted.*

**Motion carried**

The meeting closed at 1.36



**Chairperson**