

OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Regulatory Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 11 March 2015 commencing at 12.07 pm.

Present:

- Cr Sam Neill (Chairperson)
- Cr Graeme Bell
- Cr Doug Brown
- Cr Louise Croot MNZM
- Cr Michael Deaker
- Cr Gary Kelliher
- Cr Trevor Kempton
- Cr Gretchen Robertson
- Cr Bryan Scott
- Cr David Shepherd
- Cr Stephen Woodhead

Apologies:

Cr Gerrard Eckhoff
The apology was accepted on the motion of Crs Neill and Bell.

In attendance:

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

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2015, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Robertson and Bell.

Matters arising from minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 1

2015/0787 **Biosecurity and RMA Monitoring Report.** DEMO, 23/2/15

The report detailed water, air, pest, and contaminated site environmental monitoring and incidents for the period 1 January to 6 February 2015.

Cr Scott moved
Cr Kempton seconded

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 2

2015/0795 **Consent processing, consent administration and Building Control Authority update.** DPPRM, 27/2/15

The report detailed consent processing, consent administration and building control authority activity for the period 12 January to 27 February 2015.

In response to a question Mr McRae explained that consent applications could be put on hold where more information was required. Sometimes the applications could be on hold for a long time, although the timeframes were not affected. Work was under way to finalise these applications.

Cr Kelliher moved
Cr Bell seconded

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 3

2015/0778 **RMA, Biosecurity Act and Building Act Enforcement Activities.** DPPRM, 19/2/15

The report detailed Resource Management Act 1991, Biosecurity Act 1993 and Building Act 2004 enforcement activities undertaken by the Otago Regional Council for the period 9 January to 19 February 2015.

It was noted that six infringement notices had been issued, mostly relating to dairy infrastructure. Mr Bodeker explained that the initial responsibility was with the operator of the farm, not the owner, and the operator had to work with the infrastructure supplied.

Cr Croot moved
Cr Shepherd seconded

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 4
2015/0794

Appointment of Plan Change Hearing Commissioners.
DPPRM, 27/2/15

The report noted that the Commissioner Appointment Subcommittee had recommended commissioners for upcoming plan change hearings, and Council's endorsement of the appointments was sought.

It was noted that provision had been made in the Councillor salary pool for payment for plan change hearing commissioners, but no policy had been drawn up. Mr Scott was to check whether the policy employed for payment of the PC6A commissioners was for 6A only or all plan change hearings.

Cr Croot moved
Cr Deaker seconded

- 1. That the plan change hearing commissioners as proposed by the Commissioner Appointment Subcommittee meeting of 5 February 2015 be confirmed.*
- 2. That the Chief Executive discuss with the Director Corporate Services a policy for payment for Councillors acting as commissioners for plan change hearings, as distinct from consent hearings.*

Motion carried

The meeting closed at 12.21 pm

Chairperson

