

## OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of the Policy Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 14 October 2015 commencing at 2:41pm

- Present:**
- Cr Gretchen Robertson (Chairperson)
  - Cr Michael Deaker (Deputy Chairperson)
  - Cr Graeme Bell
  - Cr Gerrard Eckhoff
  - Cr Gary Kelliher
  - Cr Sam Neill
  - Cr Bryan Scott
  - Cr David Shepherd
  - Cr Stephen Woodhead
- Apologies:**
- Cr Doug Brown  
The apology was accepted on the motion of Crs Shepherd and Woodhead
- Leave of absence:**
- Cr Trevor Kempton
  - Cr Louise Croot MNZM
- In attendance:**
- Peter Bodeker
  - Gavin Palmer
  - Scott MacLean
  - Nick Donnelly
  - Fraser McRae
  - Caroline Rowe
  - Charlotte Stickings
  - Lauren McDonald

#### CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2015, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Neill and Woodhead

## Matters arising from minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 1

2015/1168 **Director's Report on Progress.** DPPRM, 2/10/15

The report gave an overview of significant activities undertaken by the Policy section since the last meeting of the Policy Committee.

It was confirmed that Council was engaging with other regional councils to provide a regional response to the declarations made to the High Court by the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ. LGNZ involvement was noted.

Noted that the RPS and PC5A: Lindis Minimum Flow processes had become closer in timing. Agreed the hearings and deliberations process should be continuous with RPS hearings commencing in November 2015 and PC5A in early 2016. Mr McRae confirmed the community and submitters would be advised as soon as possible.

Support was sought for further discussion on the TPPA resolution submitted through a public forum petition to Council at the 2 September 2015 meeting.

Cr Scott moved  
Cr Deaker seconded

*That Otago Regional Council supports the Tran-Pacific Partnership resolution for local government consideration and that it lies on the table.*

### **Motion lost**

Respect was noted for the public forum and the petition received, but the preference was to leave this with central government as this is where the responsibility sat.

Cr Shepherd moved  
Cr Neill seconded

*That:  
The report including appendix 1 be noted.*

### **Motion carried**

The meeting closed at 3:12pm

Chairperson

