

OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Communications Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 3 May 2017, commencing at 10:55am

Membership:

Cr Michael Deaker (Chairperson)
 Cr Carmen Hope (Deputy Chairperson)
 Cr Graeme Bell
 Cr Doug Brown
 Cr Trevor Kempton
 Cr Michael Laws
 Cr Sam Neill
 Cr Andrew Noone
 Cr Gretchen Robertson
 Cr Bryan Scott
 Cr Stephen Woodhead

Apologies: Nil

In attendance:

Nick Donnelly
 Scott MacLean
 Caroline Rowe
 Fraser McRae
 Suzanne Watt
 Lauren McDonald (Committee Secretary)

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

No changes to the agenda.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflict of interest were advised.

PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2017, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Neill and Hope.

ACTIONS

Status report on the resolutions of the Communications Committee.

Report No.	Meeting	Resolution	Status
2016/1107 Director report	23/11/16	<i>That the report be noted and that a schedule of activities be provided and indicate where councillors have an open invitation to attend, and include the details of venue and time</i>	CLOSED

Notice of Motion	23/1/16	<p>1. That all Otago Regional Council controlled or generated public meetings, within the wards of elected member be advised to those members, as both a courtesy and to improve ORC's communication strategy.</p> <p>2. That, prior to announcement, all elected members be informed of any decisions or pronouncements by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman or Chief Executive, especially those elected members within the ward to which the announcements/decisions directly apply.</p>	CLOSED
2017/0664 Director's report	22/3/17	<p>That ORC construct a simple explanation of water issues and how they interact, for water quality and water quantity.</p> <p>To be included in the next publication of Waterlines</p>	OPEN

PART A – ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 1

2017/0742 **Stakeholder Engagement Report.** DSE, 13/04/2017

The report provided an update on the community, stakeholder and staff engagement activities carried out by Stakeholder Engagement directorate staff for the period 4 March to 13 April 2017 and upcoming events.

Discussion included feedback on the Ballance Environmental Farm Awards evening, the Urban Water Quality Strategy Forum, and the Council's profile and identity with ratepayers.

It was suggested for key messages to be considered as part of the strategic planning session in July for governance and management to use in communications.

A request was made to investigate the clippings service used by Council to be extended beyond mainstream media, e.g. such as community newspapers.

Action: Mrs Rowe to investigate copyright issues and additional resourcing required to provide electronic copy of articles.

Mrs Rowe was acknowledged and thanked for her significant work as Stakeholder Engagement Director, and wished well for her new role outside of Council.

Moved Cr Deaker
Seconded Cr Woodhead

That this report is noted.

Motion carried

The meeting was declared closed at 11:29am.

Chairperson

