



Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Corporate  
Committee held in the Edinburgh Room, Municipal  
Chambers, The Octagon, Dunedin on  
Wednesday 13 June, commencing at 11:02 am

**Membership**

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

**Welcome**

Cr Brown welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting and the attendees for public forum.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apology noted for Cr Woodhead.

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Leave of Absence noted for Cr Kempton.

*For our future*

### **3. ATTENDANCE**

Sarah Gardner	<i>(Chief Executive)</i>
Nick Donnelly	<i>(Director Corporate Services)</i>
Tanya Winter	<i>(Director Policy, Planning &amp; Resource Management)</i>
Sian Sutton	<i>(Director Stakeholder Engagement)</i>
Gavin Palmer	<i>(Director Engineering Hazards &amp; Science)</i>
Scott MacLean	<i>(Director Environmental Monitoring &amp; Operations)</i>
Sally Giddens	<i>(Director People &amp; Safety)</i>
Ian McCabe	<i>(Executive Officer)</i>
Mike Roseler	<i>(Manager Corporate Planning) - Item 10.2</i>
Gerard Collings	<i>(Manager Support Services) - Item 10.2</i>
Petra Hunting	<i>(Minute taker)</i>

### **4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Cr Brown requested a change in item order for the agenda as:

10.3 Wanaka Depot,

10.2 Director's Report, followed by item

10.1 Long Term Plan Hearing Committee recommendations.

Agreed.

### **5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were advised.

### **6. PUBLIC FORUM**

Alpine Lakes Research Centre (ALREC) proposal.

Speakers Ruth Harrison (ALREC) joined the meeting via video link with Mara Wolkenhauer (Otago University) in attendance.

Cr Lawton, stepped away from the Council table and introduced the ALREC proposal, outlining the community desire for pristine water quality and being proactive in undertaking and funding and projects. The proposal sought Council support to the lease of the Wanaka depot buildings to allow groups and organisations to work collaboratively on projects.

Discussion was held lease term, rental cost and business plan ALREC were proposing.

Ms Wolkenhauer provided a summary of background on the community lead initiative and the role the Wanaka depot site could provide for interaction between community groups and organisations such as Lake Wanaka Trust, Fish and Game and the Otago University.

Ruth Harrison spoke in support of the proposal as member of the ALREC steering group and Wanaka Community Board as it would allow:

- Council to partner with the community on issues such as Lake Snow.
- Enable community to provide complimentary and additional science, e.g. projects on freshwater.

Cr Lawton responded to councillors on questions of clarification.

## Draft Long Term Plan - Lake Hayes

Andrew Davis spoke via video link.

He advised the community is seeking Council's position, and commitment (including set plan and timelines) for the restoration of Lake Hayes. Mr Davis commented that clarity on Council's position would encourage and enable others to join in the efforts.

Mr Davis responded to questions of clarification from councillors.

*Public forum closed at 11:45 am.*

### **7. PRESENTATIONS**

No presentations were held.

### **8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **Resolution**

*That the minutes of the (public portion of the) meeting held on 2 May 2018 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.*

Moved: Cr Noone

Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

### **9. ACTIONS**

<b>Report No.</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Status</b>
10.2 Passenger Transport Update	21/3/18	That the changes to the Waikari and Helensburgh services outlined in Option 5 are endorsed and implemented as soon as practicable	CLOSED. Scheduled for 2 July 2018
10.2 Director's report – Peninsula Bus Service	2/5/18	That the Council immediately take proactive steps in addressing the misinformation that has been publishing relating to the peninsula bus service issue.	CLOSED Mr Donnelly advised the action as completed, following the 2 May 2018 meeting, with an advertorial published in the Otago Daily Times newspaper. Status report on the resolutions of the Finance and Corporate Committee.

*The meeting reconvened at 1:25 pm.*

## **10. MATTERS FOR COUNCIL DECISION**

### **10.1. 2018-2018 Long Term Plan Hearing Committee recommendations**

An apology was noted for Cr Neill.

The report detailed the Hearing Committee's recommendations on public submissions to the Consultation Document for Council's Long-Term Plan 2018 -28 'For Our Future' in support of the intended adoption of the the Long-Term Plan 2018-28 (LTP) at the Council 27 June 2018 meeting.

Discussion was held on the impact on estimates.

#### **State of the Environment Water Monitoring**

##### **Resolution**

*Amendment - install all three lakes buoys in the next financial year. (Year 1 of the LTP)*

Moved        Cr Laws  
Seconded    Cr Scott  
CARRIED

#### **Environmental Enhancement - Lake Hayes**

Mrs Sutton (Director Stakeholder Engagement) confirmed and engagement process and communication strategy is being developed. She confirmed that during the consultation process that the economic assessment had been targeted.

Dr Palmer advised an upcoming report on time frame, consultation feedback, costs on current options would be provided to Council.

A request was made for a map of all the catchment groups in Otago to be provided to the next Council round. AGREED.

#### **Public Passenger Transport**

A request was made for staff to provide information on the Long Term Plan process for looking at the school bus services of the Regional Public Transport Plan (RPTP). Mrs Gardner advised this request was noted.

## **Biodiversity & Pests - Predator free Dunedin**

### **Resolution**

- a) *Approves \$300,000 to Predator Free Dunedin in year 1 LTP funded equally from the environmental enhancement fund and general reserve and that potential funding and funding method for years 2 – 5 is consulted as part of the 2019 Annual Plan.*

Moved        Cr Lawton  
Seconded    Cr Robertson  
CARRIED

It was noted Council's commitment to funding for the next five years.

### **Lake Dunstan – Lagarosiphon control**

Cr Laws sought a funding increase to match the LINZ funding of \$50,000.

Cr Robertson advised that more information would be required to support the increase in funding, including what additional work would be provided for the additional \$25,000 funding. She also requested for Cr Laws to declare his interest in the petition.

Cr Laws advised he was not part of a group at this moment, he was a chair of Lake Dunstan Guardians but no longer involved.

### **Resolution**

*Increase rate of funding to \$50,000.*

Moved        Cr Laws  
Seconded    Cr Lawton  
vote: 3 in favour, 6 against  
The motion was lost

Discussion was held on the community commitment for increase funding for lagarosiphon control as a targeted rate.

### **Resolution**

*Consider an additional \$25,000 funding in our next year's LTP*

Moved:        Cr Noone  
Seconded:    Cr Lawton  
CARRIED

## **Regional Leadership - establishment of an Alpine Lakes Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**

### **Resolution**

*Direct staff to consider and report back to Council benefits and risks on the establishment of an Alpine Lakes Technical Advisory Group (TAG).*

Moved : Cr Noone  
Seconded: Cr Deaker  
CARRIED

### **Resolution**

*The Chief Executive is asked to report on establishing a water advisory group with technical expertise.*

Moved: Cr Laws  
Seconded: Cr Scott  
CARRIED

### **Resolution**

*That the Finance and Corporate Committee:*

- a) *Receives the public submissions to the Consultation Document for Council's Long Term Plan 2018-28 'For Our Future'*
- b) *Notes attachment 4 provides a council staff summary of the public submissions to the Consultation Document for Council's Long Term Plan 2018-28 'For Our Future'*
- c) *Notes attachment 1 provides the Hearing Committee recommended changes to complete the Otago Regional Council Long Term Plan 2018 -28*
- d) *Notes attachment 2 shows the financial impacts of the Hearing Committee recommended changes*
- e) *Endorses the Hearing Committee recommendations contained in attachment 1 of this report (with the changes that have been moved)*
- f) *Directs Council staff to implement the recommendations in attachment 1 along with any amendments decided at the 13 June 2018 Finance and Corporate meeting to complete the Long Term Plan for Council approval at its 27 June 2018 meeting*
- g) *Notes that the Council's external auditors will complete the legal requirement of auditing and reporting on the Long Term Plan 2018-28 based on the recommendations of the 13 June Finance & Corporate Committee meeting*
- h) *Notes that the Council Rates Resolution will be put to the 27 June Council meeting following adoption of the Long Term Plan 2018-28.*

Moved: Cr Brown  
Seconded: Cr Noone  
CARRIED

## 10.2. Director's Report

The report advised the significant financial and corporate activity and presented the account payments for endorsement.

### Peninsula Bus Service Petition

Mr Jason Graham and Mr Paul Pope in attendance on behalf of the Peninsula community.

Cr Brown noted the submission from Peninsula Bus and petition presented to 16 May Council meeting with 3 recommendations made and consideration is being made today.

Cr Neill spoke in support of the petition requests for a 10 minute change to the current 7.57 service from the peninsula to 7:47 am, route review to change the bus route from the causeway for convenience and safety. He advised he was pleased to see Council review of the additional 3:08 pm service to the peninsula.

Moved Cr Neill  
Seconded Cr Scott

- a) *Council grant the ten-minute timetable change 7:47 am bus from Portobello as soon as practicable.*
- b) *That Council make a small route adjustment as requested in option B of the petition for the now 7:47 am bus and for the new 3:08 pm bus when implemented.*
- c) *That the introduction of 3:08 pm service is investigated further including undertaking negotiations with the operator and seeking NZTA funding approval and do this as soon as practicable.*

Discussion was held on implications (including consultation) to variations to the Regional Public Transport Plan (RPTP), in regard to what determined a minor or significant variation.

A request was made to seek a legal opinion on the policy for variation.

*Cr Lawton left the room at 12:38 pm.*

Moved Cr Neill  
Seconded Cr Scott

- a) *Council grant the ten-minute timetable change 7:47am bus from Portobello as soon as practicable.*  
CARRIED (Cr Robertson voted against the motion)
- b) *That Council make a small route adjustment as requested in option B of the petition for the now 7:47 am bus and for the new 3:08 pm bus when implemented*  
CARRIED (Cr Deaker and Robertson voted against the motion)

c) *That the introduction of 3:08pm service is investigated further including undertaking negotiations with the operator and seeking NZTA funding approval and do this as soon as practicable.*

CARRIED

#### **Resolution**

a) *That this report is received.*

b) *That the payments summarised in the table above and detailed in the payments schedule, totalling \$2,972,999.77, be endorsed.*

Moved Cr Noone

Seconded Cr Scott

CARRIED

#### **Resolution**

*That legal comment is sought on the trip point for significance policy of the RPTP and a report be brought back to the 27 June Council meeting.*

Moved Cr Laws

Seconded Cr Scott

CARRIED

*The meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.*

#### **10.3. Wanaka Depot leasing proposal**

The report outlined the proposal received from the Alpine Lakes Research and Education Centre (ALREC) Board to lease Council's Wanaka depot to facilitate the creation of an alpine lakes research and education centre in Wanaka. The report sought Council direction on whether the initiative should be considered and progressed.

Cr Laws proposed amendments to the recommendations, to:

- Negotiate to seek an agreement for the CE to negotiate mutually acceptable terms with ALREC terms for the lease of ORC's vacant Wanaka building including updates of buildings work programmes and reporting progress back to the Council
- ALREC responsible for: rates and insurance; building maintenance; 3 year renewable lease

Discussion was held on the setting of a precedence for leasing of the depot to a catchment group, protection of Council's future use of the site, rental cost expectations and term, partnership expectations and benefits to Council work programmes for the alpine lakes and Upper Clutha catchment.

#### **Resolution**

*That the motion be left to lie on the table and discuss at next round.*

Moved: Cr Laws

Seconded: Cr Deaker

CARRIED



## Resolution

- a) *That this report is received, and*
  - b) *That Council considers whether it wishes to financially support community groups such as ALREC either financially or in-kind.*
- CARRIED

(motions c,d and e were left to lie on the table)

- c) *If the above is supported, that Council considers the ALREC proposal to lease some or all of the Wanaka depot and determines whether such an agreement should be entered into, and*
- d) *If an agreement is to be entered into with ALREC, authorise the Chief Executive to under take negotiations, and*
- e) *Provide guidance as to acceptable lease term and rental to be paid if an amount other than market is to be considered.*

## 10.4. Passenger Transport Update

This report provides the Finance and Corporate Committee with an update on significant public passenger transport activity.

This report provides the Finance and Corporate Committee with an update on significant public passenger transport activity, including: changes to the Wakari and Helensburgh routes; Peninsula bus stop and central city bus loop investigation.

## Resolution

- a) *That this report be received.*
- b) *That no further action be taken on the development of a central city bus loop and the DCC be advised of this decision and provided a copy of the attached report.*

Moved: Cr Brown  
Seconded: Cr Noone  
CARRIED

## 11. MATTERS FOR NOTING

### 11.1. Financial Report to 30 April 2018

The report provided a summary of the Council's financial performance compared to budget for the ten months ended 30 April 2018, and a summary of the financial position as at that date.

## Resolution

- a) *That this report is received.*


Moved: Cr Noone  
Seconded: Cr Robertson  
CARRIED

## 12. NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were advised.

## 12. CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 02:50 pm.

  
2/8/18

Chairperson