

Minutes of a meeting of the Policy Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday, 12 June 2019, commencing at 1:00 pm

Membership

Cr Gretchen Robertson

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Graeme Bell

Cr Doug Brown

Cr Michael Deaker

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Trevor Kempton

Cr Ella Lawton

Cr Sam Neill

Cr Andrew Noone

Cr Bryan Scott

Cr Stephen Woodhead

Mr Edward Ellison

Mr Tahu Potiki

(Chairperson)

(Deputy Chairperson)

Welcome

Cr Robertson welcome the Councillors, staff and members of the public to the meeting. She also made a special welcome to newly-seated Policy Committee members Edward Ellison and Tahu Potiki.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

No leaves of absence were requested.

3. ATTENDANCE

Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive)

Nick Donnelly (General Manager Corporate Services and CFO)

Gavin Palmer (General Manager Operations)

Sally Giddens (General Manager People, Culture and Communications)

Peter Winders (Acting General Manager Regulatory)

Andrew Newman (Acting General Manager Policy, Science and Strategy)

Liz Spector (Committee Secretary)

Anita Dawe (Acting Manager Policy and Planning)

Joanna Gilroy (Manager Consents)
Tom De Pelsemaeker (Senior Policy Analyst)

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was confirmed as tabled.

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

6. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

7. PRESENTATIONS

No presentations were held.

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution

That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 May 2019 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved:

Cr Hope

Seconded:

Cr Kempton

CARRIED

9. ACTIONS

Status report on the resolutions of the Policy Committee

Draft Biodiversity	13/06/18	That a paper on	IN PROGRESS: Strategy
Strategy Feedback		implementation be brought to	out. Reference group
		the Policy Committee in the	meeting to be held
		next 2-3 months	before end of year and

Biodiversity Action Plan	17/10/18	Approve the draft Biodiversity Action Plan in Attachment 2 for consultation with iwi and key stakeholders before a final draft is brought back to this committee for approval on 28 November 2018.	bring the next stage to Policy Committee in 2019. UPDATE: Setting up framework for biodiversity. A robust Action Plan discussion will be held with the 31 July Policy Mtg. ON HOLD.
Water Meter Telemetry	28/11/2018	Report to Policy Committee to detail the communications strategy to encourage landowners to install telemetry sites to improve real-time collection of water meter data.	IN PROGRESS: This project is now progressing. We have two goals, which are: 1. To do some proactive communications to consent holders to remind them they need to get their data to us by 31 July (this is the first time ORC will have done proactive comms on this) 2. To encourage people to use telemetry to collect their data The timeframe is to get a direct mailout sent in June to the consent holders. UPDATE: an update will be provided to next Policy Comm Mtg 31 July.
New Approach for managing water in the Priority Catchments	20/03/2019	Establish a TAG and CRG with formalised TORs to provide ongoing technical and strategic advice and input to the ORC to support delivery of the plan	COMPLETE

change for water management in the Manuherikia catchment	
and provide a progress report	
at the next council meeting.	

10. MATTERS FOR NOTING

10.1. General Manager's Report on Progress

General Manager Policy, Science and Strategy Andrew Newman, Manager Policy and Planning Anita Dawe, and Senior Policy Analyst Tom De Pelsemaeker spoke to the General Manager's Report on Progress. The report reviewed the Section 24A Investigation, Central Government freshwater proposals, 2GP decisions, the procedural decision on the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement, the Council's biodiversity and biosecurity work programme, the Environment Court Hearing Plan Change 5A, an update on catchments, and an overview of the ORC Regulatory response processes. After a lengthy discussion between the committee members and staff, Cr Robertson asked for a motion.

Resolution

That the Council:

1) Receives this report.

Moved:

Cr Scott

Seconded:

Cr Hope

CARRIED

Cr Deaker left the meeting at 02:32 pm. Cr Deaker returned to the meeting at 02:36 pm.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were advised.

12. CLOSURE

Cr Robertson declared the meeting closed at 2:33 pm.

Chairperson

Date