



Minutes of a meeting of the
Implementation Committee held in the
Council Chamber on Wednesday 10 March 2021, commencing at
11:00 AM

Membership

Cr Carmen Hope (Co-Chair)
Cr Bryan Scott (Co-Chair)
Cr Hilary Calvert
Cr Michael Deaker
Cr Alexa Forbes
Hon Cr Marian Hobbs
Cr Gary Kelliher
Cr Michael Laws
Cr Kevin Malcolm
Cr Andrew Noone
Cr Gretchen Robertson
Cr Kate Wilson

Welcome

Co-Chair Carmen Hope welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 09:02 am.

Staff present included Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory), Amanda Vercoe (Executive Advisor), Liz Spector (Governance Support), Dianne Railton, Ann Yang, Shayde Bain, Andrea Howard, Pam Wilson, Michelle Mifflin.

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1. APOLOGIES

Resolution

That the lateness for Cr Laws be accepted.

Moved: Cr Calvert
Seconded: Cr Forbes
CARRIED

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was confirmed as published.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution

That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2020 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Cr Wilson
Seconded: Cr Hobbs
CARRIED

6. ACTIONS

There are no outstanding resolution actions of the Implementation Committee.

Cr Hope requested a short adjournment at 9:05 a.m.

Moved: Cr Wilson
Seconded: Cr Noone
CARRIED

Cr Hope called the meeting back to order at 9:08 a.m.

Cr Laws joined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1. Infrastructure Strategy for LTP 2021-31

The report was provided to seek Committee approval of the draft 2021-2051 Flood Protection, Land Drainage and River Assets Infrastructure Strategy which will form part of the Draft 2021-31 Long Term Plan (LTP). Michelle Mifflin (Manager Engineering), Pam Wilson (Infrastructure Engineering Lead), and Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. After a discussion of the draft strategy, Dr Palmer noted Councillor

requests to strengthen recognition of mana whenua provisions in the document and increase focus on trees as infrastructure.

After further discussion of the proposed strategy, Cr Scott moved:

Resolution

That the Committee:

- 1) **Receives** this report.
- 2) **Approves** the draft 2021-2051 Infrastructure Strategy to be included in the information available for community consultation in the Long-Term Plan 2021-31 process, subject to any minor editorial changes made by staff.
- 3) **Notes** that the Infrastructure Strategy is to provide the framework (direction) for managing current assets and making future decisions that are identified by the significant issues.

Moved: Cr Scott

Seconded: Cr Deaker

CARRIED

Cr Laws left the meeting at 09:41 am.

Cr Scott left the meeting at 09:42 am.

Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 09:43 am.

Cr Scott returned to the meeting at 09:44 am.

Co-Chair Bryan Scott took over chairing duties.

7.2. Environmental Implementation Update

The report was provided to summarise quarterly operational implementation activities undertaken in the areas of freshwater, biosecurity, and biodiversity and complemented Annual Plan quarterly reporting. Andrew Howard (Manager Biosecurity and Rural Liaison) and Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions. After a discussion of the report, Cr Hope moved:

Resolution

That the Committee:

- 1) **Receives** this report.
- 2) **Notes** the range of standard business and transformational activities being undertaken to maintain and improve Otago Regional Council's delivery of environmental implementation activities.

Moved: Cr Hope

Seconded: Cr Malcolm

CARRIED

Cr Hope left the meeting at 10:36 am.

Cr Hope returned to the meeting at 10:48 am.

Cr Laws left the meeting at 10:48 am.

7.3. Tomahawk Lagoon Enhancement Project Update

This report was provided to update the Committee on proposed future improvement activities for the Tomahawk Lagoon catchment. Libby Caldwell (Project Delivery Specialist), Andrew Howard (Manager Biosecurity and Rural Liaison), and Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Deaker noted previous ORC contributions via ECO Fund grants for Tomahawk Lagoon work and said it was important to keep up the momentum on the lagoon improvements. Dr Palmer noted the first draft of the LTP included work in the current year for the lagoon, but during subsequent LTP work, it was pushed into year 2. He said staff realised this could slow momentum with the community and as there is money in existing budgets for some of the work, staff was now asking to reprioritise some of the planned work and move back into year one of the LTP. After a discussion of the options, Cr Malcolm moved:

Resolution

That the Committee:

- 1) **Receives** the report.
- 2) **Approves** that the draft outline management plan is the basis of further community consultation and the prioritisation of projects in 2021/22, managed within existing budgets.
- 3) **Notes** that the implementation of projects would proceed in 2022/23, subject to Long Term Plan decisions.
- 4) **Approves** implementation of "quick win" actions, where funding allows, in the current financial year.

Moved: Cr Malcolm

Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

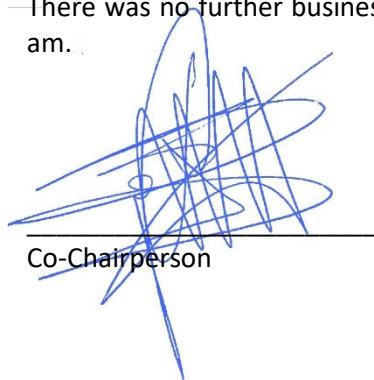
Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 10:51 am.

Cr Noone left the meeting at 10:52 am.

Cr Noone returned to the meeting at 10:54 am.

8. CLOSURE

— There was no further business and Co-Chair Bryan Scott declared the meeting closed at 11:05 am.



Co-Chairperson

9 June 2021

Date