

# Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy and Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 13 July 2022 at 1:00pm

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## Membership

Cr Gretchen Robertson

Cr Kate Wilson

Cr Hilary Calvert

Dr Lyn Carter

Cr Michael Deaker

Mr Edward Ellison

Cr Alexa Forbes

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Gary Kelliher

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Kevin Malcolm

Cr Andrew Noone

Cr Bryan Scott

# Welcome

Chairperson Robertson welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 1:01 pm. Staff present in the Chamber include Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Lisa Hawkins (Acting Manager Planning and Policy), Jonathan Rowe (Project Manager - South Dunedin Future), Tom de Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy), Rachel Currie (Project Manager, Land and Water Regional Plan), and Dianne Railton (Governance Support), and staff present electronically included Pim Borren (Interim Chief Executive), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Jean-Luc Payan (Manager Natural Hazards), Warren Hanley (Senior Resource Planner Liaison) and Sam Walton (Policy Analyst Land and Freshwater).

## 1. APOLOGIES

**Resolution: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded:** 

That the apology for Lyn Carter be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Michael Deaker, Cr Andrew Noone, Mr Edward Ellison and Dr Pim Borren attended the meeting electronically.

## 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: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Robertson Seconded

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2022 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 6. ACTIONS

The open actions on the resolutions of the Strategy and Planning Committee were reviewed.

#### 7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

### 7.1. Joint Future Development Strategy with Dunedin City Council

The report was provided to inform the Committee of the requirement to develop a Future Development Strategy (FDS), and to seek approval of an interim governance structure, to work in partnership with Dunedin City Council (DCC) to deliver the FDS for Dunedin. Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science) and Lisa Hawkins (Acting Manager Planning and Policy) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Mrs Hawkins said that a similar paper went to the Dunedin City Council Planning and Environment Committee the previous week and advised that they will be working to a tight timeframe. Ms Dawe spoke about the impacts of resourcing in Urban Planning and the RPS teams, advising she is currently recruiting for the two vacant Urban Planner roles, and that Lisa Hawkins will soon be leaving ORC.

#### Resolution SP22-112: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Endorses** the recommendation that DCC act as lead coordinator in the preparation of the Dunedin FDS and Implementation Plan, subject to endorsement of Dunedin City Council.
- 3) **Endorses** the workshop approach, noting that workshops are held in public excluded sessions.

4) **Endorses** the interim governance arrangement for the period leading to the 2022 local government elections, and refers the ESG membership and the public/ non-public nature of the proposed workshops and any ancillary matters to the incoming Council to discuss who and how it moves forward.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

### 7.2. Joint Future Development Strategy with Queenstown Lakes District Council

The report was provided to inform Council of the requirement to development a Future Development Strategy (FDS), and to seek endorsement of a governance structure, to work in partnership with Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC) to deliver the FDS for Queenstown. Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science) and Lisa Hawkins (Acting Manager Planning and Policy) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Mrs Hawkins spoke of the Grow Well Whaiora Partnership, and following discussion, Cr Noone moved:

# Resolution SP22-113: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Endorses** the approach to build on the Spatial Plan for Queenstown Lakes District to fulfil the requirements of delivering an FDS.
- 3) **Endorses** the use of the existing Grow Well Whaiora Partnership to deliver the FDS in partnership with QLDC.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

# 7.3. South Dunedin Future – Programme Plan

The report provided an update on the South Dunedin Future (SDF) programme and for Committee approval to proceed on the basis outlined in the attached programme plan. Gavin Palmer (GM Operations) and Jonathan Rowe (Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Following discussion, Cr Robertson said this is a quantum leap forward from where we have been, and it affects all of Dunedin. She said there will be a need to look at the governance structure in the new triennium, and thanked Jonathan Rowe and the team for their input.

# Resolution SP22-114: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Scott Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report titled South Dunedin Future Programme Plan.
- 2) Notes the contents of the attached South Dunedin Future Programme Plan, which outlines the proposed process for developing a climate change adaptation strategy and implementation plan for South Dunedin.
- 3) **Endorses** the proposed approach to delivering the South Dunedin Future programme, which includes utilising the Dynamic Adaptive Planning Pathways (DAPP) methodology, as recommended by the Ministry for the Environment for climate change adaptation work.

- 4) Notes the proposed strategic intent for the South Dunedin Future programme, noting this is interim, will be further developed to incorporate mana whenua inputs, and that Council approval of a final version will be sought in due course.
- 5) **Endorses** the proposed scope of the South Dunedin Future programme, noting the complexity, uncertainty and interdependence of the issues involved, and the graduated and flexible nature of the scope.
- 6) **Notes** the systemic nature of climate change and urban development issues will require the South Dunedin Future programme to examine the wider natural hazards environment, and to consider city-wide planning and infrastructure issues, when assessing the implications for South Dunedin.
- 7) **Endorses** the proposed South Dunedin Future governance and management arrangements, noting these arrangements may need to be revisited in future, including following the local government elections in October 2022.
- 8) **Endorses** the continued collaboration between Dunedin City Council (DCC) and Otago Relational Council (ORC) to manage and deliver the South Dunedin Future programme
- 9) **Approves** the South Dunedin Future Programme Plan attached to this report. **MOTION CARRIED**

Cr Noone left the meeting at 3.05pm.

The meeting adjourned for a break at 3.05pm and reconvened at 3.15pm.

#### 7.4. Water Services Entities Bill

The report provided the Committee with an overview of the Water Services Entities Bill (the Bill) which will be considered by the Government's Finance and Expenditure Committee, and the initial comments of Otago Regional Council (ORC) staff as to how the Bill may impact ORC. Lisa Hawkins, Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science) and Warren Hanley (Senior Resource Planner Liaison) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Ms Dawe said that the submission is from an operational perspective. During discussion Cr Wilson said there should be Councillor involvement in the submission to give a community perspective. Cr Calvert and Cr Laws clarified that the Otago Regional Council, neither staff or Governance, has a policy position on the Three Waters Reform.

#### Resolution SP22-115: Cr Laws Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) Notes this report.
- 2) **Notes** that staff will make a staff submission, lodged under delegation by the Chief Executive, and report back at the 24 August 2022 Council meeting.
- 3) **Notes** that the Otago Regional Council have no policy position on three waters reform, and that any staff submission will relate to the technical aspects of the Water Services Entities Bill.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### 7.5. Proposed National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPS-IB)

The report gave an overview of the key aspects of the exposure draft on the Ministry for the Environment's (MfE) National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPS-IB) that was released on 9 June 2022, and was provided for the Committee's endorsement to lodge a staff submission on the exposure draft. Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Warren Hanley (Senior Resource Planner Liaison) and Tom de Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Mr de Pelsemaeker provided an overview of key messages likely to be included in a staff submission, which he said were also provided in the report. There was discussion regarding staff submissions, and Dr Borren expressed his view that the risk with staff submissions is where the staff position could be different to the governance position. He said his preference would be to have whole of Council submissions.

### Resolution SP22-116: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Scott Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) Notes this report.
- 2) **Approves t**he lodgement of a submission, signed by the Chief Executive under authorised delegation; on the Ministry for the Environment 2022 exposure draft of the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPS-IB).
- 3) **Notes** that a copy of the submission will be included in a report back to a full Council meeting in August 2022.
- 4) **Appoints** Cr Robertson and Cr Wilson to work with staff to develop a whole of Council submission in line with this paper.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

Cr Deaker left the meeting.

# 7.6. Summary of feedback received and policy guidance derived from region wide policy direction and guidance workshop April 2022

The report provided the Committee with a summary of the feedback and policy guidance on regionwide issues obtained from Councillors and Iwi representatives during a series of workshops held between 29 September 2021 and 13 April 2022. This feedback and policy guidance will inform the development of the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP). Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Tom De Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy) and Sam Walton (Policy Analyst Land and Freshwater) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Wilson and Cr Forbes left the meeting at 4:00pm

### Resolution SP22-117: Cr Laws Moved, Cr Calvert Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Notes** the policy guidance confirmed by Councillors and Iwi representatives on the Strategy and Planning Committee during workshops held between 29 September 2021 and 13 April 2022 and appended as Attachment 1.
- 3) **Agrees** that recommendation 3 in the report lay on the table until the next Strategy and Planning Committee meeting.

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### 7.7. Report back on the first stage of FMU consultation for the development of the LWRP

The paper summarised the results and learnings from Stage 1 of the Freshwater Management Unit (FMU) community consultation for the development of the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP). Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), and Tom de Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

# Resolution SP22-118: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Notes** this report.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# 7.8. Overview of approach and timing for future consultation stages for the development of the LWRP

This paper provided an overview of the ongoing consultation and engagement to inform the development of the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP) and advises of steps to ensure communities and key stakeholders are kept both informed and engaged in this work. Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Tom De Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy), and Rachel Currie (Project Manager, Land and Water Regional Plan) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Mr de Pelsemaeker advised there was a need for another round of consultation and staff are seeking endorsement from the Committee. Ms Dawe said that there are timing issues, not as a result of a third consultation, but due to the release in June 2022 of MfE's guidance on look-up tables for setting nutrient targets for periphyton.

Cr Laws left the meeting at 4:10pm.

The meeting lapsed at 4:10pm due to a loss of quorum. Cr Robertson, Cr Calvert, Mr Ellison Cr Hope, Cr Kelliher, Cr Malcolm and Cr Scott were present.

Cr Laws rejoined the meeting electronically at 4:15pm.

The meeting resumed at 4:15pm as the quorum was regained.

Cr Malcolm spoke of the letter from the North Otago FMU stakeholder group and requested the Chief Executive, Chair and Deputy Chair meet with the North Otago stakeholder group to establish a LWRP engagement process that meets the needs of the community, the government timeframe for the LWRP, and ORC staff programme. Cr Robertson responded, saying it wasn't fair to focus on one particular area. Mr Ellison said that this was the reason the LWRP Governance Group was established.

Mr Ellison advised he needed to leave the meeting at 4:50pm, and as the meeting would be inquorate Cr Robertson moved:

# Resolution: Cr Robertson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee meeting adjourn and reconvene at 8:30am on 14 July 2022.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Cr Robertson reconvened the meeting at 8:34am on 14 July 2022, with all members present.

Following discussion, a procedural motion was moved by Cr Hope:

# Resolution SP22-119: Cr Hope Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the Strategy and Planning Committee:

1) **Lay** papers 7.8 and 7.9 on the table to allow the Land and Water Governance Group to feed into it and then meet late July 2022 for a workshop, then Strategy and Planning meet to confirm a way forward.

# A division was called:

## Vote

IFOr:	Cr Calvert, Cr Deaker, Cr Hope, Cr Kelliher, Cr Laws, Cr Malcolm, Cr Noone and Cr Wilson
Against:	Dr Lyn Carter, Mr Edward Ellison, Cr Forbes, Cr Robertson and Cr Scott

# **MOTION CARRIED (8 to 5)**

#### 8. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chairperson Robertson declared the meeting closed at 8:52am.

Chairperson Date