



Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy and Planning  
Committee held in the Council Chamber  
on Wednesday 24 August 2022 at 9:00am

**Membership**

Cr Gretchen Robertson *(Co-Chair)*

Cr Kate Wilson *(Co-Chair)*

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 9:02am. Staff present in the Chamber included Pim Borren, (Interim Chief Executive), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory and Communications), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Dianne Railton (Governance Support Officer), Rachel Currie (Project Manager Land and Water Regional Plan), Tom de Pelsemaeker (Acting Manager Policy), and Tom Dyer (Manager Science), and present electronically were Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations). Also present was Mr Shannon Wallace (MfE).

Cr Robertson acknowledged it was the last Strategy and Planning Committee meeting of the triennium. Cr Robertson also acknowledged that it was the final meeting for Cr Calvert, Cr Deaker and Dr Carter, and thanked them for their contribution over the triennium.

Interim Chief Executive, Pim Borren, advised that Dr Lyn Carter would be joining the ORC Executive Leadership Team as Kaitohutohu - Chief Advisor from next week, and will remain in the role for the duration of his appointment as Interim Chief Executive.

## **1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

Cr Deaker, Cr Hope, Cr Forbes, Cr Kelliher and Cr Laws 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 Wilson Moved, Cr Noone Seconded**

*That the minutes of the meetings held on 27 July 2022 and 10 August 2022 be received and confirmed as true and accurate records.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **6. ACTIONS**

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

## **7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**

### **7.1. LWRP Governance Group Report Update**

The report provided a project update from the Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP) Governance Group on the LWRP project to the Strategy and Planning Committee. Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science) and Rachel Currie (Project Manager Land and Water) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Robertson advised there is the need for the LWRP Governance Group to remain constituted at the end of the triennium until the membership is appointed by the incoming Council. Following discussion, Cr Wilson moved:

**Resolution SP22-127: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded**

*That the Strategy and Planning Committee:*

- 1) **Notes** the 15 August 2022 project update report from LWRP Governance Group.

- 2) **Resolves** for the Land and Water Regional Plan Governance Group to remain constituted in the interregnum period (commencing 8 October) in order to continue with this critical work programme.
- 3) **Appoints** Andrew Noone and Gretchen Robertson to the Group in the interregnum period until the incoming council has made decisions on group membership.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7.2. Overview of Approach for Future LWRP Consultation Stages**

The paper outlined the ongoing consultation for the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (pLWRP) and the steps, including proposed refinements, to ensure communities and key stakeholders are consulted on, and informed about, 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.

During discussion Mr De Pelsemaeker mentioned that staff could prepare stakeholder mapping against each topic, which would be provided to Councillor sponsors. There was discussion regarding the requirement to have Councillor sponsors attending key stakeholder discussions over the interregnum period, for each topic for the duration of the region-wide consultation phase. Ms Dawe said this would likely have a mid-November 2022 conclusion.

**Resolution SP22-128: Cr Malcolm Moved, Cr Scott Seconded**

*That the Strategy and Planning Committee:*

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Adopts** the refinement to the FMU consultation which includes a third (final) round of consultation which will be designed to present a preferred option and to discuss implementation and transition.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution SP22-129: Cr Malcolm Moved, Cr Noone Seconded**

- 1) **Nominates** 3 Councillors (Cr Kate Wilson, Cr Kevin Malcolm and Cr Bryan Scott) and 1 LWRP Governance Group member (Mr Edward Ellison) to work together with ORC staff to develop the consultation material and tools for the remaining stages of FMU community consultation, and Cr Michael Deaker be back-up if required.
- 2) **Adopts** the approach to consulting with key stakeholders on topics to develop on topics to develop region-wide provisions.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution SP22-130: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Hope Seconded**

- 1) **Make** appointments, including covering the interregnum period, for each topic (acting as sponsors and attending key stakeholder discussions) for the duration of this region-wide consultation phase (with a likely mid-November 2022 conclusion), as follows:
  1. **Environmental flows/levels:** Kate Wilson and Gretchen Robertson
  2. **Taking and use of water:** Gretchen Robertson and Kate Wilson
  3. **Damming and diversion:** Hilary Calvert and Kevin Malcolm
  4. **Agricultural discharges:** Kevin Malcolm and Bryan Scott
  5. **Activities on the beds or margins of lakes, wetlands or rivers:** Michael Laws and Alexa Forbes
  6. **Other discharges:** Bryan Scott and Carmen Hope

7. **Landfills and cemeteries:** Michael Deaker and Garry Kelliher
8. **Stormwater & wastewater discharges:** Bryan Scott and Carmen Hope
9. **Land use:** Garry Kelliher and Alexa Forbes  
(Andrew Noone – floating ‘back-up’)

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7.3. LWRP Timelines**

The paper provided an updated timeline for delivering the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (pLWRP) through to notification, following an update on timelines to the LWRP Governance Group on 14 July 2022. The timeline presented new information since the July Governance Group meeting, including the communication from the Minister for the Environment on the timeframe for notifying the pLWRP. Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science) and Rachel Currie (Project Manager Land and Water Regional Plan) were present to speak to the report and respond to questions.

Cr Malcolm spoke of the immense pressure on staff and the organisation to meet the notification date, and as a member of the Audit and Risk Subcommittee, he asked that staff come to Council if there are any issues. Cr Wilson also acknowledged the pressure on staff and also acknowledged the communities, saying that there is also a lot being asked of the communities.

**Resolution SP22-131: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Hope Seconded**

*That the Strategy and Planning Committee:*


- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Confirms** the current timeline for developing the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan for Otago, to achieve public notification by 31 December 2023.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**8. CLOSURE**

There was no further business and Chairperson Robertson declared the meeting closed at 9:55am.

  
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Cr Robertson, Chairperson      20 September 2022  
Date

  
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Pim Borren, I. Chief Executive      20 September 2022  
Date