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Minutes of a meeting of the
Communications Committee held in the
Council Chamber at Philip Laing House, 144 Rattray Street,
Dunedin on Wednesday 31 January 2019, commencing at
10:30 am

Membership

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

Welcome

Cr Deaker welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

The Committee noted the possible early departure of Crs Robertson and Brown.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3. ATTENDANCE

Sarah Gardner	<i>(Chief Executive)</i>
Tanya Winter	<i>(Director Policy, Planning and Resource Management)</i>
Peter Fitzjohn	<i>(Acting, Director Stakeholder Engagement)</i>
Gavin Palmer	<i>(Director Engineering, Hazards and Science)</i>
Peter Winder	<i>(Acting, Director Environmental Monitoring and Operations)</i>
Sally Giddens	<i>(Director People and Safety)</i>
Ian McCabe	<i>(Executive Officer)</i>
Kim Waincott	<i>(Acting, Committee Secretary)</i>
Shayde Bain	<i>(Communications and Engagement Advisor)</i>
Eleanor Ross	<i>(Manager Communication Channels)</i>

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Cr Deaker moved to add an item to the beginning of the agenda: Recognition of an outstanding staff member's long service. Agreed.

Resolution

That a letter be sent from the Communications Committee to Mr Bruce Monaghan, Liaison Specialist Central Otago, thanking and acknowledging his length of service as well as the extremely high value he brings to the Otago Regional Council in terms of his community liaison.

Moved: Cr Deaker

Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

6. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

7. PRESENTATIONS

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

8.1. Minutes

Resolution

That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2018 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Cr Hope

Seconded: Cr Deaker

CARRIED

9. ACTIONS

Status report on the resolutions of the Communications Committee

No current items for action.

10. MATTERS FOR COUNCIL DECISION

10.1. ECO Fund Applications - January 2019

Cr Deaker acknowledged the work and analysis provided on the applications by Miss Bain, Miss Begg and Mr Ravenscroft in particular, and also acknowledged and thanked Crs Lawton, Brown and Hope for their commitment to this round of allocations. It was noted that the Fund is heavily oversubscribed and a review is scheduled for July 2019.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) **Receives** this report.
- 2) **Approves** the funding recommendations of the ECO Fund decision panel for the following applications to a value of \$73,666 as per attached summary sheet of projects:

Applications under \$5,000

Applications over \$5,000

Moved: Cr Lawton

Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

Cr Laws left the meeting at 02:20 pm.

Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 02:22 pm.

11. MATTERS FOR NOTING

11.1. Director's Report on Progress

The report recorded Stakeholder Engagement activity between 22 November 2018 and 23 January 2019.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) **Receives** this report.

Moved: Cr Hope

Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

Cr Robertson left the meeting at 02:35 pm.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were advised.

13. CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 02:39 pm.

Chairperson



Regional Centre of Expertise (RCE- Otago)

Application to United Nations University (UNU).

Seeking your support



The background of the slide features a photograph of an Otago Polytechnic sign on the left, which includes the institution's logo and name. To the right, a modern building is visible through the branches of a tree. The overall scene is set against a clear blue sky.

Why Bother setting up an RCE?

- ✓ NZ is a signatory to the UN Sustainable Development Goals SDG's
- ✓ There is no RCE in the South Island of NZ
- ✓ There are other partners committed to UNESCO activity in Otago and interest from groups associated with them to support a Centre.
- ✓ There are a number of strategic regional issues directly related to the



Sustainable Development Goals that align with Regional Issues in Otago

- SDG4 Quality Education
- SDG6 Clean Water and Sanitation
- SDG8 Decent Work & Economic Growth
- SDG13 Climate Action
- SDG17 Partnerships for the goals





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What do the 17 SDG's mean for New Zealand?

- New Zealand will contribute to achievement of the goals through a combination of **domestic action, international leadership** on global policy issues, and supporting countries through the New Zealand Aid Programme.
- **The private sector and civil society can also help and are engaging with government agencies on the SDGs.**



Link and Leverage Regional Issues

RCE Otago

Climate Change: Transitioning to a low carbon economy

Climate change is a global challenge that affects everyone, everywhere.



Regional Issues

- Preparing for climate change
- Clean air
- Low carbon lifestyle



Link and Leverage Regional Issues

RCE Otago

Decent work and economic growth

Sustainable economic growth will require societies to create the conditions that allow people to have quality jobs.



Regional Issues

- Sustainable Tourism,
- Sustainable living (liveability) lifestyle, recreation employment and fair wages



Link and Leverage Regional Issues

RCE Otago

Quality Education

Obtaining a quality education is the foundation to improving people's lives and sustainable development.



Powerful assessment and Evidence of Capability

Regional Issues

- Quality Education, more education options and life-long learning
- Youth leadership for a sustainable future
- Graduates being 'Work Ready Plus' & 'capable as the workplace changes'



Link and Leverage Regional Issues

RCE Otago


Water quality, availability and use. Careful management of this essential global resource is a key feature of a sustainable future.



Regional Issues

- Water monitoring - extended programme
- Urban water quality
- Water quantity and deemed permits
- Rural water quality towards 2020
- Harbour management

Link and Leverage Regional Issues

RCE Otago	Regional Issues
<p>Partnerships for change</p> <p>Building regional, national and international partnerships around sustainability and change.</p> <p>MOU's established for all joint work</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greater collaboration and alignment between institutions, business government, community and NGO's.• Sharing a common provincial vision that benefits all

Link and Leverage partner strengths to address the Global SDG's

- Otago's Education Institutions, Business, Community, Local Government, NGO's, Economic Development, Tourism and Food Sector Producers, Energy Producers, Heritage Organisations, Construction and significant others could work together to address the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)



Link and Leverage Quality Education for the SDG's

- Otago Polytechnic is a leading performer in the Vocational Education sector, VET. OERu already established with UNESCO chair.
- Otago University is a learning destination for both regional, national and international learners.
- Dunedin as a Centre of high quality learning.
- Otago Secondary Schools are highly valued at both a regional and national level.
- Cooperation between formal education and NGO's
- Local Government focus on sustainable development and climate based issues.





Alignment and Focus

- ✓ Work together to address the Sustainable Development 2030 agenda.
- ✓ Align regional challenges to ESD Goals ie sustainable tourism, sustainable food production.
- ✓ Identify key 2030 focus, goals and targets
- ✓ Identifying the 'common ground' between partners and holding 'conversations that matter'.



Considerations for Addressing SDGs'

- ✓ Regional and joint applications rather than competing ones are more attractive for funding bodies to meet SDG commitments
- ✓ RCE approval - every member will be able to include the **UNU and RCE logos** on their correspondence and promotional materials.
- ✓ If granted a RCE you gain access to 130 other regional centre's of expertise



Themes and aligned Actions are critical

- ✓ Each organisations while a member of the RCE continues to conduct it's own activity with expanded partner organisations



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Kindness



- ✓ Each organisation can apply for it's own funds but with RCE support.
- ✓ The RCE reports on it combined and collective efforts to address SDG's and highlights areas of excellent activity.
- ✓ All joint RCE activity aligned with both regional and national government outcomes for the SDG's.

Organisational Structure

- ✓ The RCE is based in one organisation for admin and correspondence
- ✓ Each organisation nominates a key person in their organisation who becomes the nominated RCE member.
- ✓ The nature and structure of the RCE is decided by the key partners
- ✓ Each organisation works through how they can support and implement actions that support the agreed focus of the RCE
- ✓ The RCE Action Plan is a collective and agreed process between all RCE

partners and signed off by UNU

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Otago's Identity as a Regional Centre of Expertise

- ✓ Achieving RCE Otago status could also **double as CoVE** in the Minister's version of the NZIT
- ✓ Allows proposed RCE Otago to **connect with regional partners on issues** that directly relate to sustainable development and the SDG's
- ✓ Provides a vehicle for **innovation in quality learning and teaching** that benefits the region
- ✓ **A model for NZ in how regions could work collaboratively to achieve the Global SDG's. NZ is a signatory to the Global SDG's.**

What do we need from you?

- ✓ Agreement in principle to be a member of the RCE.
We need a formal letter of support
- ✓ Active participation in one of the working groups established.
On work you are already doing.
- ✓ Attendance at **9 April RCE Planning meeting, OP Cromwell Campus**, or your nominee.
All working groups and activity of the RCE will be up for discussion.



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