

Minutes of a meeting of the
Technical Committee held in the
Council Chamber, Phillip Laing House,
144 Rattray Street, Dunedin on Wednesday,
30 January 2019, commencing at 10:59 am

Membership

Cr Andrew Noone

(Chairperson)

Cr Ella Lawton

(Deputy Chairperson)

Cr Graeme Bell

Cr Doug Brown

Cr Michael Deaker

Cr Carmen Hope

Cr Trevor Kempton

Cr Michael Laws

Cr Sam Neill

Cr Gretchen Robertson

Cr Bryan Scott

Cr Stephen Woodhead

Welcome

Cr Noone welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am and re-adjourned at 11:20am.

1. APOLOGIES

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 Wainscott	<i>(Acting, Committee Secretary)</i>
Mike Roesler	<i>(Manager Corporate Planning)</i>
Neil Thomas	<i>(Groundwater Service Leader, Pattle Delamore Partners Ltd)</i>
Rachel Ozanne	<i>(Environmental Resource Scientist)</i>
Jean-Luc Payan	<i>(Acting Manager Resource Science)</i>

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 Technical Committee meeting held on 28 November 2018 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Cr Noone
Seconded: Cr Lawton
CARRIED

9. ACTIONS

Status report on the resolutions of the Technical Committee.

Report	Meeting Date	Resolution	Status
An assessment of the Clean Heat Clean Air program's effectiveness	13/6/18	That this report be used to inform the review of ongoing financial incentives for Air Quality, proposed for 2018/19 in the 2018-2018 Draft Long-Term Plan	OPEN
Lake Hayes Restoration	1/8/18	That the consultant report by Castalia be re-framed into a more public intelligible document.	CLOSED
Lake Snow technical workshop recommendations	18/10/18	The CE engage on the with CEs at the regional CEOs meeting on 8 November 2018 on the primary objectives from the workshop. Invite Regional Councils and MPI to formally endorse and support the proposed research programme and to discuss funding arrangements.	IN PROCESS

10. MATTERS FOR NOTING

10.1. Director's Report on Progress

The report provided an update on the following matters:

- [1] Lake Hayes water quality remediation;
- [2] Lower Waitaki River Control Scheme;
- [3] November 2018 Otago Flood, and;
- [4] Leith Flood Protection Scheme;

The committee noted that Dr Palmer will provide a revised budgetary report for Lake Hayes at the March Technical Committee meeting.

The committee asked for information regarding community engagement regarding the Leith Flood Protection Scheme and were advised that the Otago Regional Council Communications Team is very involved with the University and community who are affected, providing updates, letterbox drops and signage.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) ***Receives*** this report.
- 2) ***Notes*** this report.

Moved: Cr Noone
Seconded: Cr Lawton
CARRIED

Cr Laws left the meeting at 11:30 am.
Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 11:33 am.
Cr Bell left the meeting at 11:35 am.
Cr Bell returned to the meeting at 11:40 am.
Cr Laws left the meeting at 11:41 am.

10.2. Recreational Water Quality monitoring in Otago

- [1] The report provided a brief update on current recreational water quality monitoring in Otago's rivers, lakes and coastal waters. Monitoring is undertaken at a suite of sites at weekly intervals over the summer months and focuses on human health risks relating to faecal contamination and/or potentially toxic cyanobacteria.
- [2] New provisions in the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPS-FM) mean that the current programme will need to be revisited once Council identifies primary contact recreation sites in an update of the Regional Plan: Water (Water Plan). State of the Environment (SoE) river and lake sites that will be used to monitor progress towards achieving freshwater objectives established in the Water Plan relating to human health will also need to be identified.

Discussion was held on a possible pilot on one of the river flows; and more proactive information for, and engagement with, the community.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) ***Receives*** this report.
- 2) ***Notes*** the summer monitoring programme.
- 3) ***Requests*** that a paper be provided on opportunities regarding forecasting in priority areas, and best practice for communication options for informing the public regarding contamination of recreational swimming sites with the aim for implementation by next summer.

Moved: Cr Woodhead
Seconded: Cr Noone
CARRIED

Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 11:55 am.

10.3. Contact Recreation Results 2018-2019

- [1] The report provided a brief update on 2018/2019 recreational water quality monitoring results in Otago's rivers, lakes and coastal waters.
- [2] The report is an addendum to the paper 'recreational water quality monitoring in Otago' presented to the Technical Committee on 30-Jan-19.

The committee noted the need for discussion on budgetary issues, and the communication approach, during the annual plan process.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) ***Receives*** this report.

Moved: Cr Noone

Seconded: Cr Lawton

CARRIED

10.4. Wanaka Basin-Cardrona Gravel Aquifer Groundwater Model Report

The report detailed the results of a groundwater model developed by Pattle Delamore Partners ('PDP') that simulates the effect of groundwater abstraction on surface water flows and recommends an appropriate allocation approach. The findings from the study are included in the Wanaka Groundwater Model Report (*Attachment 1*).

The committee noted the importance of disseminating this report and the communication between staff and those receiving it.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) ***Notes*** this report.
- 2) ***Notes*** that the Wanaka Groundwater Model Report will be made publicly available and will be provided to Cardrona catchment water users.

Moved: Cr Lawton

Seconded: Cr Bell

CARRIED

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were advised.

12. CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 12:20 pm.



Chairperson