

Minutes of a meeting of the
Regulatory Committee held in the Council Chamber at Council
Chamber on Wednesday 1 May 2019, commencing at 8:30 am

Membership

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

Welcome

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

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were noted. Councillor Laws was attending via telephone.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence for Councillor Kempton, Councillor Noone and Councillor Woodhead were noted.

3. ATTENDANCE

Sarah Gardner (Chief Executive)
Nick Donnelly (General Manager Corporate Services and CFO)
Gavin Palmer (General Manager Operations)
Sally Giddens (General Manager People, Culture and Communications)
Andrew Newman (Acting General Manager Policy, Science and Strategy)
Liz Spector (Committee Secretary)

Peter Winder, Acting General Manager Regulatory was unavailable due to technical issues with teleconference.

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 conducted.

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2019 be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Cr Scott
Seconded: Cr Neill
CARRIED

9. ACTIONS

Status report on the resolutions of the Regulatory Committee

11.3 Managing the use of coal for domestic heating in Otago and	31/1/2018	<i>That the matter of the ability to enforce the current Regional Air Plan AirZone 1 provisions be considered by the Regulatory Committee</i>	IN PROCESS
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New Zealand (Technical Committee)			
11.1 Compliance Activity for 2017/18	17/10/18	<p><i>That a case study be undertaken on the Kaikorai Stream with a view to informing future work on urban waterways and other waterways of concern.</i></p> <p><i>That this paper be reframed and represented with analysis of trends and of highlights and issues governance should be address</i></p>	IN PROCESS
Wallaby Control	28/11/18	Cr Scott requested that the action item for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Environment Canterbury for wallaby control be reinstated to the action list and provide an update on the success of the wallaby control programme.	IN PROCESS
Lagarosiphon mgmt report	21/03/19	Cr Woodhead requested to have LINZ make a presentation to Council in the future re lagarosiphon management.	IN PROCESS

10. MATTERS FOR COUNCIL DECISION

Nil

11. MATTERS FOR NOTING

11.1. General Manager's Report on Progress

Cr Scott reviewed the GM report which highlighted March 2019 compliance in consents, forestry, dairy and contaminated sites. The report also outlined a programme to improve performance and effectiveness of the compliance team. Councillor Brown noted that compliance in the dairy sector was something to acknowledge and reflected a shift in the awareness of issues. Councillor Scott queried whether the scope of dairy farm assessments need to be re-examined. Councillor Lawton noted that many dairy farms may only be a big weather event away from non-compliance. Chief Executive Sarah Gardner said heavy rains do impact effluent storage and ORC staff are openly discussing water quality rules with the industry and farmers. Councillor Deaker asked about the chart showing a large increase in public enquiries related to contaminated sites. CE Gardner suggested this could be due to growth in the region related to development and an increasing public awareness related to contaminants.

Councillor Scott thanked the staff for the report. As there was no further discussion, he asked for a motion.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) **Receives** this report.

Moved: Cr Robertson

Seconded: Cr Hope

CARRIED

11.2. Consents and Building Control

Manager Consents Joanna Gilroy presented the committee with the regulatory activity report for consents, building control and deemed permit replacements for March. She said the team is implementing findings that came out of the consents review including staff training for permit processing and effective communications with consent applicants. She also noted work has begun to have copies of consents available online using a mapping service. Ms Gilroy mentioned that better time tracking for more effective cost recovery is a focus as well. Councillor Deaker said the report provided a good picture of what is happening with the regulatory team. Councillor Lawton asked to see a breakdown of when consents are filed by month over the previous years to see trends. Ms Gilroy said she would provide that information to the Councillors. After a general discussion, Cr Scott asked for a motion.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) **Receives this report.**

Moved: Cr Brown
Seconded: Cr Hope
CARRIED

11.3. Enforcement Activity

Councillor Scott reviewed the enforcement activity report. The report details infringement and abatement notices actioned during the period 1 March through 12 April. After a general discussion, Cr Scott asked for a motion.

Resolution

That the Council:

- 1) **Receives this report.**

Moved: Cr Hope
Seconded: Cr Robertson
CARRIED

12. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Resolution

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting (pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987) namely:

- *8.1 Approval of minutes of the Public Excluded Regulatory Committee Meeting held 21 March 2019.*
- *3.1EMO1858 Enforcement Activity*

Moved: Cr Scott
Seconded: Cr Hope
CARRIED

**12.99. PUBLIC EXCLUDED POSTAMBLE
Resolution**

That the meeting resume in public session at 9:54 a.m.

Moved: Cr Scott
Seconded: Cr Neill
CARRIED

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were advised.

14. CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 9:54 a.m.

Chairperson

Date

