



Environmental Implementation Committee MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Environmental Implementation Committee held in the Council Chamber, Level 2 Philip Laing House, 144 Rattray Street, Dunedin on Thursday 23 May 2024, commencing at 11:30AM.

PRESENT

Cr Bryan Scott *(Chairperson)*
Cr Kate Wilson
Cr Alexa Forbes *online*
Cr Gary Kelliher
Cr Kevin Malcolm
Cr Lloyd McCall *online*
Cr Tim Mepham
Cr Andrew Noone
Cr Gretchen Robertson
Cr Alan Somerville

1. WELCOME

Chair Bryan Scott welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 11:32AM. Staff present included Richard Saunders (Chief Executive), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Joanna Gilroy (Acting GM Regulatory), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Kylie Darragh (Governance Support), Libby Caldwell (Manager Environmental Implementation), Murray Boardman (Performance and Delivery Specialist), KC Worden (Project Manager – Business Improvement).

2. APOLOGIES

Resolution: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Robertson Seconded:

That the apologies for Cr Weir, Cr Laws, and Cr Wilson (for early departure) be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

3. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no requests to speak.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was confirmed as published.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No changes to Councillor Declarations of Interests were noted.

11:38AM Cr McCall joined the meeting online.

11:39AM Cr Forbes joined the meeting online.

12:02PM Cr Laws joined the meeting online.

12:07PM Cr Laws left the meeting.

12:10PM Cr Wilson left the meeting.

6. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

6.1. RPMP Operational Plan 2024/25

(YouTube 00:07:24) This paper sought approval of the 2024-2025 Biosecurity Operational Plan. Libby Caldwell (Manager Environmental Implementation) and Murray Boardman (Performance and Delivery Specialist) were available to respond to questions.

Resolution EIC24-110: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Environmental Implementation Committee:

- 1) **Notes** this report.
- 2) **Recommends to Council to approve** the Otago Regional Council's 2024-2025 Biosecurity Operational Plan to enact the Otago Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-2029 and authorises the Chief Executive to correct minor errors to the 2024-2025 Biosecurity Operational Plan in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Environmental Implementation Committee.
- 3) **Notes** that a copy of the Otago Regional Council's Regional Pest Management Plan 2024-2025 Biosecurity Operational Plan will be provided to the Minister for Biosecurity.
- 4) **Notes** that staff will report back to Council any response from the Minister for Biosecurity.

MOTION CARRIED

6.2. Biosecurity Compliance and Enforcement Policy

(YouTube 00:47:50) Libby Caldwell (Manager Environmental Implementation), Murray Boardman (Performance and Delivery Specialist), KC Worden (Project Manager – Business Improvement) were available to respond to questions on the report.

Resolution EIC24-111: Cr Somerville Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the Environmental Implementation Committee:

- 1) **Recommends that the Council approves and adopts** the revised Biosecurity Compliance and Enforcement Policy.
- 2) **Notes** that the policy will be reviewed in March 2027.

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7. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chair Scott declared the meeting closed at 12:26 pm with a karakia.

Chairperson

Date