

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 8 August 2024, commencing at 10:00 AM.

PRESENT	
Cr Bryan Scott	(Chair)
Cr Alexa Forbes	
Cr Gary Kelliher	(online)
Cr Michael Laws	
Cr Kevin Malcolm	
Cr Lloyd McCall	
Cr Tim Mepham	
Cr Andrew Noone	
Cr Gretchen Robertson	
Cr Alan Somerville	
Cr Elliot Weir	
Cr Kate Wilson	

1. WELCOME

Chair Bryan Scott welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 10:01am with a karakia. Staff present included Richard Saunders (Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Finance) online, Anita Dawe (GM Planning and Transport), Joanna Gilroy (GM Environmental Implementation), Tami Sargeant (GM People and Corporate) Kylie Darragh (Governance Support), Anna Molloy (Principal Advisor Environmental Implementation), Libby Caldwell (Team Leader Environmental Implementation), Elodie Letendre (Environmental Initiatives Funding Coordinator).

2. APOLOGIES

Resolution: Cr Scott Moved, Cr Forbes Seconded: *That the apologies for Cr Robertson for lateness be accepted.* **MOTION CARRIED**

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Rebecca Shepherd (CEO) and Grant Dodson (Chair) spoke to the Committee in public forum on behalf of the Southern Wood Council, there was an opportunity for questions from Councillors, Chair Scott thanked both for attending and speaking to the Committee.

Cr Weir joined the meeting online at 10:12am. Cr Somerville left the meeting at 11:00 am. Cr Somerville returned to the meeting at 11:01 am.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Cr Scott and seconded by Cr Wilson *That* the agenda be confirmed as published. **MOTION CARRIED**

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No changes to Councillor Declarations of Interests were noted.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No presentations were held.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: Cr Scott Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the minutes of the 8 &23 May 2024 Environmental Implementation Committee be received and confirmed as a true and accurate record. **MOTION CARRIED**

8. OPEN ACTIONS FROM RESOLUTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

There are currently no open actions for this Committee.

Cr Robertson joined the meeting at 10:58 am.

Cr Somerville left the meeting at 11:00 am.

Cr Somerville returned to the meeting at 11:02 am.

Cr Laws left the meeting at 11:04 am.

Cr Laws returned to the meeting at 11:05 am.

9. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

9.1. Biodiversity Partnerships and Initiatives Update

(YouTube 34:55) This report provided an update on the environmental initiatives supported, and biodiversity partnerships and projects, as per the Annual Plan 2023-2024 level of service performance measures. Anna Molloy (Principal Advisor - Environment Implementation) online, and Libby Caldwell (Team Leader Environmental Implementation), Elodie Letendre (Environmental Initiatives Funding Coordinator) and Joanna Gilroy (GM Environmental Delivery) were present to respond to any questions.

Resolution EIC24-113: Cr Wilson Moved, Cr Somerville Seconded

That the Environmental Implementation Committee:

1. Notes this report.

MOTION CARRIED

9.2. Biosecurity Operational Plan Annual Report 2023-2024

(YouTube 1:04:30) This report was provided on the implementation of the Biosecurity Operational Plan 2023-24 for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, as required under Section 100C(2) of the Biosecurity Act 1993. Murray Boardman (Performance and Delivery Specialist), Libby Caldwell (Manager Environmental Implementation), and Jo Gilroy (General Manager Environmental Delivery) were available to respond to questions.

Cr Weir left the meeting at 11:21am

Resolution EIC24-114: Cr Laws Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the Environmental Implementation Committee:

1. Notes this report and the range of work undertaken to give effect to Otago's Regional Pest Management Plan and the Biosecurity Act (1993).

2. *Notes* the lessons learnt from the 2023-24 Biosecurity Operational Plan are being applied to the delivery of the 2024-25 Biosecurity Operational Plan.

3. Notes that this report and the attached Biosecurity Operational Plan 2023-24 Report will be provided to the Minister for Biosecurity as required under Section 100C(2) of the Biosecurity Act 1993.

MOTION CARRIED

12. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Chair Scott declared the meeting closed at 11:34am with a karakia.

Chairperson

Date