

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TE TAI O POUTINI PLAN COMMITTEE HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2021, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL & VIA ZOOM, COMMENCING AT 9.00 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. Williams (Chairman), A. Birchfield, J. Cleine, S. Roche, L. Coll McLaughlin, P. Madgwick, A. Becker, P. Haddock (GDC for T. Gibson)

LATENESS

B. Smith (joined the meeting at 9.27am by zoom), L. Martin (joined the meeting at 10.00am)

APOLOGISES

T. Gibson, F Tumahai

IN ATTENDANCE:

H. Mabin (CEO WCRC), S. Bastion (CEO WDC), S. Mason (CEO BDC), J. Armstrong (Project Manager, WCRC), L. Easton (Principal Planner, WCRC), E. Bretherton (Senior Planner, WCRC), P. Lynch (Poutini Environmental)

WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He suggested a rearrangement of the agenda to allow late attendees to be available for discussions about the Exposure Draft and Natural Hazards Companion Document.

APOLOGIES:

Moved (Birchfield / Coll McLaughlin)

That the apologies be accepted.

Carried

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (Cleine / Roche)

That the minutes of the meeting dated 2 December 2021, be confirmed as correct.

Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

J. Armstrong spoke to this report. Brief discussion and clarification on future spending for review of the Outstanding Natural Landscape work.

That the Committee acknowledge the proposed variances to the 2021/22 budget which will be reflected in the Forecast for the Research component of Te Tai o Poutini Plan.

Moved (Roche / Smith)

Carried

CONSULTATION PLAN for the EXPOSURE DRAFT

J. Armstrong spoke to this report. S. Bastion queried if technical advisory team should attend drop-in sessions. L. Coll McLaughlin asked for invites to be sent to the events at earliest convenience. R. Williams asked for clarification on the different stages of the plan. L. Easton explained that the Exposure Draft has no legal status, whereas notification of the Proposed Plan in July 2022 will begin the legal Schedule process.

B. Smith joined the meeting at 9.27am by zoom.

General discussion on enabling certain provisions to become operative at the date of notification where strongly supported by the District Council.

L. Easton spoke to this, and how to pull forward parts of the plan to become operative at time of notification.

L. Easton will bring a paper on this at the February 2022 committee meeting explaining the process and requirements.

S. Mason and S. Bastion will confer on their requirements.

Discussion on timeframes, decision making and submissions. Decision makers are the Committee. Submissions are not part of the process seeking permission for some provisions to have this operative status. However the provisions would be open to submissions during the Schedule 1 notification process. The benefit of asking for immediate legal effect is to provide clarity to communities.

Confirmation sought and given that the plan has no legal status at draft. Discussion on the Court process, what is looked for, how the decisions are reached.

Clarification as to whether meeting dates clash with consultation dates.

Moved (Haddock / Cleine)

1. *That the Committee receives the report.*
2. *That the Committee discuss and approve the consultation plan and schedule for the TTPP Exposure Draft and Natural Hazards companion documents for community feedback.*

Carried

PROJECT MANAGERS REPORT

J. Armstrong spoke to the report and asked for queries.

A. Birchfield queried a risk register item regarding confidentiality. He was particularly interested in when Significant Natural Area (SNA) maps cease to be confidential. L. Easton responded that they formed part of an agenda, and are therefore publicly available on the TTPP website. S. Bastion confirmed confidentiality would be required for natural hazard maps which have not yet been brought to the committee.

Moved (Williams / Coll-McLaughlin)

L. Martin joined the meeting at 10.00am

Carried

FINAL REVIEW OF EXPOSURE DRAFT

L. Easton spoke to the draft. Clarification on how the Committee would access the maps was sought. E. Bretherton left meeting to print maps. L. Easton gave a zoning overview, followed by specific queries and clarifications. R. Williams queried map review process. J. Armstrong spoke to the mapping timeframes. R. Williams clarified how the Geographic Information System (GIS) functions and asked for staff clarification on how the Committee access maps.

Discussion on whether the Technical Advisory Team are included in the process. Workshopping to include them supported. Discussion on a peer review of the Draft Plan. Discussion on making a link to overlays available to the Committee.

1. *That the Committee receive the report.*
2. *That the draft Te Tai o Poutini Plan be released for public consultation on 26th January 2022.*

Moved (Cleine / Roche)

Meeting adjourned till 10.45am

Meeting resumed, proposal to adjourn the meeting to workshop the maps with the District's and resume the meeting at 11.30am.

Meeting resumed 11.30am.

A link to the overlays was provided to Committee during the adjournment. R. Williams spoke to the zoning maps having now been reviewed, and confirmed the availability and usability of the link to the maps being available to committee. R. Williams returned to the recommendations and queried if further discussion was required.

Committee members confirmed they were now comfortable with the overlays. S. Bastion and J. Cleine noted that there were some changes to be made before the zoning maps are released, but that these are in hand. J. Cleine supports the resolution as stands. Following a brief discussion on rules, the resolution was confirmed. All were in favour.

Carried

FINAL REVIEW OF NATURAL HAZARDS COMPANION DOCUMENT AND MAPS

E. Bretherton spoke to the paper and responded to queries on Natural Hazard Method 1. L. Easton also spoke to Natural Hazard Method 1. Discussion on existing use rights. Legal advice will be sought to confirm interpretation to be included in the Natural Hazard Companion Document Introduction. L. Coll-McLaughlin outlined her wish to abstain from voting on these resolutions and reasons for doing so. R. Williams highlighted that further Natural Hazards provisions (Coastal Hazards and Land Instability) will come back to the Committee next year.

1. *That the Committee receive the report*
2. *The Committee approves the companion document and maps for the Natural Hazards in Te Tai o Poutini Plan be released for public feedback in January 2022.*

Moved (Becker / Birchfield)

All in favour, noting L. Coll McLaughlin abstaining from vote.

Carried

General Business

R. Williams spoke to the meeting dates for 2022 and publication dates. The February 2022 meeting will include the 2022/23 Budget. S. Roche expressed her thanks to the Committee and TTPP team for the work and input. R. Williams thanked the spirit in which the Committee has undertaken this work.

Meeting Closed

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Thursday 17th February commencing at 9.00 a.m.

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Chairman

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Date