

Waitaki District Council

Assets Committee

**CONFIRMED MINUTES of Assets Committee Meeting of the
Waitaki District Council held in the Council Chamber,
Waitaki District Council Headquarters, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru
on Tuesday, 5 June 2018 at 9.18am**

Present	Cr Bill Kingan (Chair), Cr Guy Percival (Deputy), Cr Jeremy Holding, Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale; and Mayor Gary Kircher (ex officio)
Apology	Cr Hugh Perkins
In Attendance	Cr Craig Dawson Cr Peter Garvan Cr Jim Hopkins Cr Jan Wheeler Cr Colin Wollstein Fergus Power (Chief Executive) Neil Jorgensen (Assets Group Manager) Paul Hope (Finance and Corporate Development Group Manager) Lisa Baillie (People and Culture Group Manager) Lichelle Guyan (Heritage, Environment and Regulatory Group Manager) Bill Chou (Information Services Group Manager) Martin Pacey (Water Services and Waste Manager) Andrea Kydd-Law (Consultant) Erik van der Spek (Recreation Manager) Renee Julius (Property Manager) Ainslee Hooper (Governance and Policy Advisor)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9.18am, and welcomed everyone present.

1. Apologies

RESOLVED
AC 2018/020 Mayor Gary Kircher / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale
That the Assets Committee accepts an apology for absence from
Cr Hugh Perkins.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED
AC 2018/021 Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Jeremy Holding
That the Assets Committee confirms public meeting minutes for
1 May 2018, as circulated, as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

4. Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018-24 – Summary of submissions and resulting proposals for final plan

The report, as circulated, sought to make recommendations to the Committee for referral to Council on the content of the final Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018-24 following consideration of public submissions.

Group Manager Neil Jorgensen and Water Services and Waste Manager Martin Pacey spoke to the report and answered questions from Councillors.

There was brief discussion on recommendation 19 (to not include the term ‘zero waste’ in the WMMP’s vision, goals or objectives). Several Councillors commented that there was a lot in the Plan to encourage people towards that goal (eg provision of recycling initiatives), and accordingly a change to the wording of recommendation 19 could be to “recognise the steps in the plan to aspire towards the goal of zero waste’.

It was also suggested that “additional user charges collected” be used as a funding source for options about the Palmerston Landfill.

RESOLVED

AC 2018/022

Mayor Gary Kircher / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale:

The Assets Committee recommends:

That Council:

1. Notes the public submissions received on the Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018-24 (WMMP) included as Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Notes the officer comments included in Appendix 1 of this report.
3. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to increase charges for rubbish disposal at the Rural Resource Recovery Parks to \$120 per m³.
4. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to increase charges for green waste disposal at the Rural Resource Recovery Parks to \$50 per m³ and that the chipped green waste is available for use by the community free of charge.
5. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to investigate ways of maximising use of capacity and increasing revenue at Palmerston Landfill, with the intention of closing it earlier than 2027.
6. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to remove the contents of the Hampden Closed Landfill for transfer to the Palmerston Landfill if further investigation confirms this is the most cost-effective option and the required consents can be obtained.
7. Amends its proposed budget in the Draft WMMP to \$21k per annum from Ministry for the Environment (MfE) levy funding to engage an education resource/s and to implement waste minimisation initiatives, and increases the total to \$31k per annum by an additional \$10k per annum funded from rates.
8. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to continue its current financial support for WRRT and considers additional support on a case-by-case basis.
9. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to provide Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust (WRRT) with MfE levy funding to distribute to other community providers, subject to specific criteria and conditions, and increases the proposed funding from \$25k to \$30k per annum.
10. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to continue providing the township recycling bins, to review how these are operating in order to make the service more consistent across the centres, and to consider providing them in other townships, if appropriate.

CARRIED

RESOLVED
AC 2018/023

Mayor Gary Kircher / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale

The Assets Committee recommends:

That Council:

11. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to continue collaborating with WRRT to develop a phased programme for replacing existing litter bins in key public locations around the district with bins that provide for a combination of waste disposal and recycling.
12. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to continue collaborating with the WRRT and Waste Management NZ Ltd in accordance with the current Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) while also seeking opportunities for collaboration and service provision through other organisations or agencies in accordance with the Local Government Act (LGA) and as appropriate under the MoU. Council will also pursue opportunities for collaboration and shared services with other local authorities through the Otago Regional Solid Waste Section 17A Review Group, where appropriate.
13. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to:
 - continue to leave kerbside collection of residual waste, recycling and green waste to the private market, and
 - more proactively inform and educate the community on options for kerbside collection during the first year of the plan, and
 - undertake a community survey on kerbside collection.
14. Notes that, before proceeding with this survey, officers will bring a report to Council to review and confirm the scope of the survey questions and content.
15. Confirms its proposal in the Draft WMMP to amend the Solid Waste Bylaw in 2018/19 following adoption of the WMMP.

CARRIED

RESOLVED
AC 2018/024

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16. Retains current opening hours at the Rural Recovery Parks, with flexibility around how these are configured.
17. Investigates options for a 24-hour recycling drop-off in Omarama and trials a preferred option in consultation with the Ahuriri Community Board at an estimated cost of \$5k, to be funded through revenue from increased refuse disposal charges at the rural recovery parks.
18. Increases the number of litter bin servicing collections (Waihemo, Ahuriri and Oamaru), to be funded from the individual ward accounts.
19. Does not include the term 'zero waste' in its WMMP vision, goals or objectives *but recognises that the steps in the plan will lead us towards the goal of 'zero waste'*.
20. Proceeds with all other matters included in the Draft WMMP, including the proposed Action Plan.
21. Notes and agrees the proposed WMMP funding included in Appendix 2 of this report.

CARRIED

It was NOTED for the record that the additional words in Recommendation 19 (*as italicised in Resolution AC 2018/024 above*) incorporated some sense of aspiration towards the 'zero waste' goal as raised in several submissions and discussed earlier in this agenda item. It was also suggested that this demonstrated leadership on the part of Council to move in the direction of a 'zero waste' goal.

5. Assets Group Activity Report

The memorandum, as circulated, sought to inform the Assets Committee about the activities of the Assets Group for the period 17 April to 28 May 2018.

There was brief discussion on the concept of Vehicle Risk Rating (VRR), the Severn Street wall; the Oamaru Creek suspension bridge (not open yet, but signage will be coming soon); the Thames Street bridge and repairs; the bike park in Kurow; and designs for streetscapes (Item 4.3).

RESOLVED
AC 2018/025

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Jeremy Holding
That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

With no further business to be conducted, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.18am.

CONFIRMED at the Assets Committee Meeting held on the 18th day of July 2018 in the Council Chamber, Waitaki District Council Headquarters, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru.

(signed)

Chairperson