



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 13 May 2009

Time: 9 a.m.

Venue: Council Chamber
Hawke's Bay Regional Council
159 Dalton Street
NAPIER

Present: E von Dadelszen – Chairman
M Black
A J Dick
T Gilbertson
N Kirton
E McGregor
P Paku
L Remmerswaal
K Rose
C Scott
F Wilson

In Attendance: L Hooper – Minute Secretary
E Lambert – Manager Policy
D Lew – Manager Regulation
G Sevicke-Jones – Manager Environmental Science
B Riley – Senior Planner
C Rycroft – Harbourmaster
F King – Advisor Hazardous Substances

1. WELCOME/NOTICES/APOLOGIES

Chairman von Dadelszen welcomed everyone to the meeting, with a special welcome to Mr Peter Paku and Councillor Fenton Wilson who were attending their first Committee meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Newman.

Apologies were received from Councillors Gilbertson and Remmerswaal for lateness.

**Scott/Rose
CARRIED**

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

There were no declarations.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2009

Moved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4 March 2009, a copy having been circulated prior to the meeting, be confirmed as amended.

**Scott/Remmerswaal
CARRIED**

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2009

There were no matters arising.

5. ACTION ITEMS FROM ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Moved: That the Action items from 4 March 2009 meeting be confirmed as completed.

**Scott/Rose
CARRIED**

6. CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL BUSINESS

- (a) Gareth Morgan
- (b) Roys Hill enhancement

7. PLAN CHANGE 2 AND VARIATION 2: SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

Ms Riley compiled the summary of the 196 submissions received, which cover just over 1100 points made.

The summary will be publicly notified at the end of May, and the period for further submissions will commence (20 working days). During this period, copies of the original submissions will be available to view at public libraries and all HBRC offices as well as available on CD.

Recommendation

- 1.1. That the Committee receives the report titled "*Plan Change 2 and Variation 2 – Submissions Received*".

**Gilbertson/Rose
CARRIED**

8. PROPOSED STORMWATER PLAN CHANGE – MAY 2009 UPDATE

Ms Lambert updated the Committee on the current status of the proposed plan change, which is in the process of being finalised to include agreed changes from the Maori Committee and TLAs. It is intended that the final Plan Change will be brought to the July Environmental Management Committee for adoption and public notification.

Recommendation

- 1.1 That the Committee receives the report titled '*Proposed Stormwater Plan Change – May 2009 Update*'.

**McGregor/Scott
CARRIED**

9. PORT AND HARBOURS SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS APPROVAL

Captain Rycroft informed the Committee that Council and the Port of Napier Limited (PONL) successfully achieved Maritime New Zealand (MNZ) approval for the Napier Pilotage Area and Inner Harbour, Navigational Safety Management System (SMS). Napier is one of the first four ports (out of a total of 21) to have their SMS approved.

The approval is valid for three years, until 13 November 2011, subject to an interim MNZ audit within 12 months of the approval date.

The Director of MNZ will award the SMS certification to PONL and HBRC jointly when she is next in Napier, possibly in June, and would be willing to participate in a discussion of any issues or views Councillors might like to express 'around the table' at that time. Staff will keep councillors informed of a likely date for the presentation.

Recommendation

- 1.1 That the Committee receives the report titled '*Port and Harbours Safety Management Systems Approval*'.

**Scott/Gilbertson
CARRIED**

10. ROYS HILL CLOSED LANDFILL

Mr King spoke to the recently completed Pattle Delamore Partners Ltd (PDP) investigation to assess the effectiveness of the current monitoring wells and sampling programme for the closed Roys Hill landfill.

The PDP investigation found that the effects of any contaminants emanating from the closed landfill appear to be minimal, and the wells closest to the landfill are detecting only the most conservative of leachate tracers. As well, the less mobile contaminants, for example heavy metals and semi-volatile organic compounds (including pesticides), were not detected above background concentrations in even the closest wells. Therefore contaminants from the landfill pose only a minimal threat to downstream groundwater users or the industrial users further down gradient in Hastings.

In short, the PDP report confirms that the current monitoring wells established at the landfill and the sampling programmes being carried out are effective and that no additional monitoring wells are required.

Recommendation

- 1.1 That the Committee receives the report titled '*Roys Hill Closed Landfill*'.

**Gilbertson/Kirton
CARRIED**

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a) Hastings District Council is investigating the potential for enhancing the Roys Hill landscape for public use.
- b) The Napier Pathways Trust is hosting Gareth Morgan on 3 June, 5.30pm at the Municipal Theatre – as a fundraising event.
- c) It was noted that Council's library holds a number of publications which Councillors are welcome to borrow if of interest to them.
- d) Karamu Planting is scheduled for the first week of June and the Karamu Care Group would appreciate being put in touch with any schools or other community groups that Councillors think might be interested in participating.

Closure:

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.11am.

Signed as a true and correct record.

DATE:

CHAIRMAN: