



Christchurch City Council

CANTERBURY WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY 13 MARCH 2006

AT 10AM

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES

Subcommittee: Councillor Sally Buck (Christchurch City Council) (Chairman)
Councillor Robbie Brine (Waimakariri District Council)
Councillor James Gibson (Waimate District Council)
Mayor Kevin Heays (Kaikoura District Council)
Mayor Garry Jackson (Hurunui District Council)
Councillor Pat Mulvey (Timaru District Council)
Mayor Bob Parker (Banks Peninsula District Council)
Councillor Lindsay Philips (Selwyn District Council)
Councillor Dave Pullen (Mackenzie District Council)
Councillor Bob Shearing (Christchurch City Council)
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1. **APOLOGIES**

2. **MINUTES OF MEETING - 14 NOVEMBER 2005**

Attached.

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Membership of Canterbury Waste Joint Committee

ECan has written accepting the invitation to become a member of the Joint Committee, and has advised that Councillors Ross Little and Judy Waters have been appointed as its two representatives (see letter from ECan attached).

The two ECan representatives will become members of the Committee as from 1 July 2006.

4. DRAFT MEETING TIMETABLE FOR 2006

At the 14 November 2005 meeting it was agreed to hold regular meetings every two months, with additional meetings being held as necessary. The proposed meeting schedule set out below is therefore based on meetings being held on the second Monday of every second month, as previously. The dates for the main two monthly meetings are shown separately, with the dates of the "reserve" meetings being listed below:

CWSC Firm Meeting Dates

Monday 13 March 2006

Monday 15 May 2006

Monday 10 July 2006

Monday 11 September 2006

Monday 13 November

Reserve Meeting Dates

Monday 17 April 2006

Monday 19 June 2006

Monday 14 August 2006

Monday 1 October 2006

Monday 11 December 2006

Members are requested to note the five firm meeting dates in their meeting calendars.

5. UPDATE ON REGIONAL WASTE MINIMISATION ACTION PLAN

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	City Water and Waste Manager
Author:	Zefanja Potgieter, DDI 941- 8271

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on progress with the action plan.

BACKGROUND

2. On 14 November the Subcommittee approved the process for selecting and appointing consultants to prepare a draft action plan for 2006–2010. In terms of the approved process three consultants were requested to submit proposals and two followed through. A staff selection panel reviewed both proposals and the outcome of the selection process was that SKM (Christchurch) were appointed at a cost of \$32,700 (\$37,000 had provisionally been set aside for this purpose).

UPDATE

3. SKM has already held individual meetings with all Subcommittee member councils and with ECan. A workshop is planned for 10 April to which all staff have been invited. The preparation of the draft action plan is therefore on schedule to be presented to the Subcommittee at its July 2006 meeting.
4. It is suggested that the \$4,300 not utilised for the action plan be added to the \$8,000 already allocated to investigate options to find potential local markets for compost/soil enhancers produced in Canterbury.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended:

- (a) That the information be received.
- (b) That the reallocation of \$4,300 as set out in the report be approved.

6. UPDATE ON COMPOST MARKET RESEARCH

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	City Water and Waste Manager
Author:	Tony Moore, DDI 941- 6426

BACKGROUND

1. On 14 November 2005 the Subcommittee approved \$8,000 for research into potential markets in Canterbury for composts and soil enhancers. A further \$4,300 could be allocated to this project based on the recommendations of a CWSC report entitled Update on Action Plan.

UPDATE

2. Terms of reference for this work have been agreed by staff and industry/research representatives. This project will be performed in three phases.
 - (a) **Identification of key target markets** (e.g. crop types) in Canterbury via literature review and stakeholder workshops (later in March). Stakeholders at this meeting would include Council officers, compost manufacturers and agricultural/horticultural scientists/advisers.
 - (b) Development of an **action plan** via workshops with representatives of the target markets identified above (e.g. people representing the growers and food processors/manufacturers).
 - (c) **Joint implementation** based on the action plan developed from the above workshops (e.g. field trials, publications, education etc).
3. The allocation of \$12,300 should achieve the first two phases of this project. Once this work is completed a report to CWSC will outline further research and funding opportunities and requirements.
4. It is desirable to link this CWSC Canterbury-focused research programme with other related work. Two projects have been proposed by a WasteMinz working group:
 - (a) A *Sustainable Farming Fund* project that aims to **demonstrate** through field trials the benefits of compost and fertilizer mixes in three different crop types and locations (Attachment 1). Canterbury has been selected as a suitable location and the crop type will be identified through phase a) above.
 - (b) A *Sustainable Management Fund* project is proposed to **raise awareness** about the NZ Compost Standard, the methods of composting, resource consenting issues and the benefits of compost (Attachment 2).
5. An initial application by WasteMinz has been made to both of these Funds and if successful more detailed applications would be required. These WasteMinz projects would be assisted through the support of the CWSC (given that end-user involvement is a key criteria for project evaluation). This support could be in kind (e.g. by running workshops, promotion through Council-based media etc) or financial. Other parties (e.g. Living Earth, Perry Environmental and Envirowaste) have put forward \$10,000 per year for three years. The CWSC should consider what level and type of support it could contribute to these projects. Staff suggest \$10,000 per year for three years to support the field trials in Canterbury. (Note: If the CWSC decided to undertake this research independently it would cost significantly more than this and joining this research programme would provide wider benefits to the region in terms of scientific expertise and market development.)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the CWSC consider the level and type of support it is willing to offer these WasteMinz projects.

7. UPDATE BY TERRANOVA

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	City Water and Waste Manager
Author:	Zefanja Potgieter, DDI 941-8271

PURPOSE OF REPORT

Richard Lloyd, CEO of Terranova will provide a verbal update on current projects.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the information be received.

8. TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD QUARTERLY REPORT AND INTERIM ACCOUNTS

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	City Water and Waste Manager
Author:	Steven Watson, Company Secretary, Transwaste Canterbury Ltd

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Subcommittee to receive the attached reports, covering the period 1 July to 31 December 2005.

BACKGROUND

2. The quarterly report and interim accounts are attached for the information of the Subcommittee. The Company Secretary will be present to respond to questions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Subcommittee receive the Transwaste Canterbury Ltd Quarterly Report and Interim Accounts for the period up to 31 December 2005.

9. TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD 2007 DRAFT STATEMENT OF INTENT

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	City Water and Waste Manager
Author:	Steven Watson, Company Secretary, Transwaste Canterbury Ltd

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Subcommittee to receive the attached 2007 Draft Statement of Intent and consider any comments it may wish to make.

BACKGROUND

2. On an annual basis the Subcommittee has the opportunity to receive and review the Transwaste Draft Statement of Intent. Comments will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting of the Subcommittee on 8 May 2006 for submission to the Transwaste Board later that month.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Subcommittee:

- (a) Receive the 2007 Draft Transwaste Canterbury Ltd Statement of Intent.
- (b) Consider its comments at the 8 May Subcommittee meeting.

10. INFORMATION SHARING

The opportunity will be taken for all members to share any items of concern or interest.