



Christchurch City Council

CANTERBURY WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY 15 MAY 2006

AT 10AM

IN THE NO 3 COMMITTEE ROOM, 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)
Councillor Lindsay Philips (Selwyn District Council)
Councillor Dave Pullen (Mackenzie District Council)
Councillor Bob Shearing (Christchurch City Council)
Councillor Bev Tasker (Ashburton District Council)
Councillor Sue Wells (Christchurch City Council)

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1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF MEETING - 13 MARCH 2006

Attached.

3. WASTE MINIMISATION PROJECTS AND BUDGET

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| General Manager responsible: | General Manager City Environment |
| Officer responsible: | City Water and Waste Manager DDI 941-6231 |
| Author: | Zefanja Potgieter |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to update the Subcommittee on progress for the 2005/06 financial year.

UPDATE

2. Based on previous resolutions of the Subcommittee the 2005/06 regional waste minimisation budget of \$75,000 will by 30 June be spent as follows:

| | Budgeted | Spent by 30 June |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Construction and Demolition project | \$20,000 | \$6,000 |
| SKM Action Plan preparation | \$32,900 | \$32,900 |
| Regional organics | \$13,000 | \$13,000 |
| Silage contractors using tyres | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| Professional fees | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| TOTAL | \$74,900 | \$60,900 |

Construction and Demolition

3. The construction and demolition project involved support for the national REBRI program (*Resource Efficiency in Building and Related Industries*) and is aimed at identifying one-on-one project assistance for local Canterbury construction and demolition projects. Various possible projects were considered for participation including the replacement of civic offices for Selwyn District Council. However, only one suitable project has been identified (the construction of a Buddhist temple by Fletcher Construction), leaving approximately \$14,000 unspent. It is unlikely that an alternative option for spending this amount on projects other than C&D will be identified in time for firstly approval by Subcommittee and secondly implementation before 30 June 2006.

Regional Action Plan

4. SKM is on track with progress towards reporting to the Subcommittee in July on a proposed waste minimisation action plan for the next four years. A workshop with officers was held on 10 April 2006 to discuss strategic objectives, issues and proposed projects and a follow up workshop for officers is planned for 15 May 2006 after the Subcommittee meeting.

Regional Organics

5. A Market Research Action Plan is being developed based on stakeholder workshops and a literature review that will investigate the barriers, opportunities, priorities and uses/markets of municipal compost in Canterbury. A Lincoln-based HortResearch Scientist has been employed to undertake a literature review and assist with the stakeholder workshops.

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6. The literature review aims to:
- Identify and quantify the soil/crop mixes in Canterbury that would benefit from the application of municipal compost.
 - Prioritise the crop/soil mixes identified above based on the market potential for compost. For example, priority could be given to crops of high value (ability to pay for the compost products), proximity to major centres (to minimise transportation costs), area of the crops grown in Canterbury and the potential value that the compost may add to production (potential crop yield response or health improvement).
 - Review relevant research locally, nationally and internationally about the application of municipal compost on comparative crops and soils including the benefits of the compost to the productive system and identify any significant gaps that this research programme could address at a later stage.
7. Once the literature review is complete a stakeholder workshop will be held to review the information and devise a way forward. A joint application to the Sustainable Farming Fund to conduct field trials in Canterbury has been unsuccessful and other options for funding are being investigated.

Silage Contractors and Tyres

8. The project involves research and survey of the role silage contractors play and could continue to play in future in absorbing used tyres in Canterbury. The \$5,000 funding is part funding together with additional funding from Ministry for the Environment an industry stakeholder. The project is managed by TerraNova and will be completed by 30 June 2006.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the information be received.

4. PARTICIPATION OF ECAN IN CANTERBURY WASTE STANDING COMMITTEE

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| 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 the arrangements for Environment Canterbury's (ECan's) membership of the Canterbury Waste Standing Committee as from 1 July 2006

UPDATE

2. At the 13 March meeting of the Subcommittee an invitation was extended to ECan Councillors Waters and Little to attend the 15 May meeting prior to ECan becoming a member on 1 July. Officers of Christchurch City Council and ECan met on 7 April to discuss issues around the Regional Hazardous Waste Working Party which is a working party of both the Subcommittee and ECan, and it is proposed by officers that the working party continue to operate separately as at present, with administration provided by ECan. Once established and operating after 1 July the new Canterbury Waste Standing Committee could in due course evaluate options for future direction.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that after 1 July 2006 the Regional Hazardous Waste Working Party continue its operation as a working party of both the Canterbury Waste Standing Committee and of Environment Canterbury.

5. TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD QUARTERLY REPORT AND STATEMENT OF INTENT

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| General Manager responsible: | General Manager City Environment |
| Officer responsible: | City Water and Waste Manager DDI- 941-6231 |
| Author: | Richard Simmonds |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide comments on the two documents received from Transwaste Canterbury

BACKGROUND

2. At the 13 March meeting the Subcommittee requested that Richard Simmonds (Financial Analyst, Strategic Investment, Christchurch City Council) report back to the next meeting of the Subcommittee on associated questions raised by members in relation to the Quarterly Report and Interim Accounts, and on the draft Statement of Intent. The comments are attached as Attachments A and B.
3. Since the 13 March meeting Transwaste Canterbury Ltd has provided an updated Statement of Intent, which is attached as Attachment C.
4. The items updated are:
 - (a) Opening date of Tiromoana Bush in para 4.3 updated to 10 April 2006 (actual opening date)
 - (b) Financial performance targets in para 5.7 updated to those in model (assuming real increases as discussed)
 - (c) Para 6.1 shareholders funds ratio updated
 - (d) Para 8.4 indicative dividends updated

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended:

- (a) That the Subcommittee receive the information.
- (b) That the Transwaste Canterbury Ltd Statement of Corporate Intent for the year ending 30 June 2007 be adopted.

6. INFORMATION SHARING

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