

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
CANTERBURY REGIONAL LANDFILL JOINT COMMITTEE

Held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices
on Thursday 24 May 2007 at 9.30am

PRESENT: Councillor Sally Buck (Chairperson),
Councillor Robbie Brine (Waimakariri District Council),
Councillor Lindsay Philips (Selwyn District Council),
Councillor Bob Shearing (Christchurch City Council) and
Councillor Bev Tasker (Ashburton District Council).

IN ATTENDANCE: Zefanja Potgieter (Christchurch City Council),
Jane Parfitt (Christchurch City Council),
Dave Hock (Selwyn District Council),
Peter Langbein (Christchurch City Council),
Gareth James (Canterbury Waste Services),
Stephen Watson (Transwaste Canterbury Limited),
Kevin Roche (Secretary, Christchurch City Council).

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from
Mayor Garry Jackson (Hurunui District Council), and
Councillor Sue Wells (Christchurch City Council).

1. WELCOME

The Chairperson extended a welcome to the representatives from Canterbury Waste Services and Transwaste Canterbury Limited.

2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF 16 APRIL 2007

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Canterbury Regional Landfill Joint Committee meeting of 16 April 2007 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Nil.

4. COAST FARM PROPOSAL - TIROMOANA STATION

Mr James briefly discussed this. It was noted that a field trip was intended to be held in June for members of the shareholder councils.

5. **TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LIMITED – SIX MONTHLY REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2006 AND STATEMENT OF INTENT (SOI)**

Peter Langbein (Finance Manager, City Environment Group) spoke briefly to his report and drew attention to the revised dividend stream projections which forecasted a lower than previously indicated level of dividends to shareholder Councils.

Mr Langbein indicated that he would like a review of the longer term divided projections to see how these measured against previous projections.

Stephen Watson commented in response to a question that the lower dividends were a consequence of the need for earlier capital investment for the construction of new landfill cells, and also the gate price being lowered than that originally modelled.

Mr James advised that the current total annual tonnage going to the landfill was in the vicinity of 300,000 tonnes, not the originally projected 240,000 tonnes, and this had meant that they would have to move near the area of the special protected beech forest much earlier than anticipated, with higher capital costs.

The opportunity was also taken to discuss other aspects relating to the management of the landfill and the SOI, relating to; the return on shareholders funds, results from Council waste minimisation initiatives, the recovery of earlier capital costs, landfill compaction, and conditions of the Resource Consent in respect to the beech trees.

It was suggested that the **draft** copy of the SOI provided to the Councils show the changes from previous years as ‘tracked changes’ to readily identify the differences between the two documents.

In respect to a question regarding the Health and Safety objectives and complaints, Mr James advised that there had been eight complaints received in total regarding the operation of their trucks, and provided details of these. All complaints had been fully investigated, with the majority found to be without basis.

The Committee **resolved** to:

- (a) Receive the information.
- (b) Adopt the Transwaste Canterbury Limited Statement of Corporate Intent for the year ending 30 June 2008.
- (c) Receive the interim report for the six months ending 31 December 2006, and to request that Transwaste Canterbury Limited adhere to the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 with regard to the timing of the draft statement of intent (on or before 1 March each year), and the half yearly report (within two months of the first half year end).

The Chair thanked Mr Gareth James and Stephen Watson for their attendance.

The meeting concluded at 10.01am.