CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CANTERBURY WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE

Held in the No 3 Committee Room, Civic Offices on Monday 13 November 2006 at 10.00am

PRESENT: Councillor Sally Buck (Christchurch City Council) (Chairperson),

Councillor Robbie Brine (Waimakariri District Council),

Councillor Pat Mulvey (Timaru District Council), Councillor Lindsay Philps (Selwyn District Council), Councillor Dave Pullen (Mackenzie District Council), Councillor Bev Tasker (Ashburton District Council) and

Councillor Ross Little (ECan).

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from

Mayor Garry Jackson (Hurunui District Council), Councillor James Gibson (Waimate District Council)

Brian Purcell (Waimate District Council)

IN ATTENDANCE Mark Christison, Simon Collin, Zefanja Potgieter,

Kevin Crutchley (Christchurch City Council), Dave Hock

(Selwyn District Council), Tammara McKernan

(Ashburton District Council), Darren Patterson (ECan),

Sarah Tammick (ECan), Sian Carvell (ECan),

Mike Freeman (ECan/from 10.45am), Brian Gallagher

(Timaru District Council) and Tony McKendry

(Committee Secretary)

ACTION

1. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 11 SEPTEMBER 2006

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee meeting of 11 September 2006 be confirmed.

2. UPDATE ON THE COMPOST PROGRAMME AND COMPOST STANDARDS

The Committee considered a report prepared by Tony Moore (Christchurch City Council) and Brian Gallagher (Timaru District Council). The report provided results of a Crop and Food Research market appraisal for municipal compost in Canterbury as well as an update on other compost related matters.

ACTION

Dr Glyn Francis and Craig Tregurtha (Soil Research Associate) from Crop and Food spoke to their comprehensive review of published research with the aid of overheads (copies on file) in association with the report from Tony Moore and Brian Gallagher. The two presenters and Brian Gallagher responded to the many and varied questions from the Committee.

It was **resolved** that:

- (a) Staff proceed with arrangements for stakeholder meetings with representatives of the potato growing industry (eg McCains, Horticulture New Zealand, key Canterbury potato growers, farm advisers etc) to determine their interest and need for research and to determine how best to influence the use of municipal compost in this sector.
- (b) Based on a positive response from this sector, staff proceed with arrangements for the trials necessary to verify and demonstrate the costs and benefits of the application of municipal compost to potato production in Canterbury.
- (c) Staff confirm the scope and costs of trials for a three year period and report back when this information is available.
- (d) That the Committee records its thanks for the presentation by Dr Glyn Francis and Craig Tregurtha.

3. INTERACTIVE COMPUTER BASED EDUCATION TOOL

Darren Patterson and Sian Carvell spoke to this report which sought funding to develop an interactive computer based education tool focusing on the reduction of waste produced in Canterbury.

It was **resolved** that a further \$18,000 be committed towards the development of an interactive computer based education tool on 'reduction'.

4. INFORMATION SHARING

Members were invited to share items of concern or interest.

Christchurch City Council

Simon Collin advised:

 The Council has approved its revised Waste Management Plan, including expanded provision of kerbside recycling services as from 2008. Introduced Kevin Crutchley (Lead Resource Efficiency Adviser).

ACTION

Timaru District Council

- New Resource Centre opened by the Prime Minister on 3 November 2006 (popular with public and other local authorities throughout New Zealand).
- Submissions have closed for the proposed Solid Waste Bylaw.
- Waste Minimisation Bill due February/March 2007.

5. **NEXT MEETING**

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The meeting concluded at 12.05pm.