URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Held in the Waitaki Room, Environment Canterbury on Friday 21 September 2007 at 1pm

PRESENT: Mr Bill Wasley (Independent Chair),

Councillor Kath Adams, Sir Kerry Burke, Councillor Kelvin Felstead, Mayor Jim Gerard, Councillor Malcolm Lyall, Mayor Malcolm McEvedy, Councillor Alec Neil and Councillor Sue Wells.

IN ATTENDANCE: James Caygill, Jackie Curtis, Paul Davey, Caroline Ingles,

Colin Knaggs, Laurie McCallum, Ken Tremaine, and

Maurice Roers.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from

Councillors Richard Budd, Bob Parker, Annette Foster,

Mark Solomon and Mayor Garry Moore.

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ACTION

Meeting of 24 August 2007

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of 24 August 2007 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

2. MATTERS ARISING

Nil.

3. MONTHLY IMPLEMENTATION REPORT – INDEPENDENT CHAIR AND IMPLEMENTATION MANAGER

Mr Wasley and Mr Caygill spoke to this report and it was noted there is a need for member Councils to re-establish the Urban Development Strategy Implementation Committee as a Joint Committee of the partner Councils, and to formally appoint representatives to it, following the triennial elections.

It is intended that the first meeting of the UDSIC be held on 17 December 2007. It was suggested that the Chairman write to each Council reminding them of this requirement.

Mr Wasley

ACTION

It was noted that the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy (RLTS) would be notified on 20 October 2007 with submissions closing in December, and the Chairman acknowledged the work which had been undertaken by all those involved with this strategy.

He also took the opportunity to acknowledge the work undertaken on the Committee by Mayor Michael McEvedy and Mayor Garry Moore who were both retiring.

Mr Caygill advised that the second meeting of the Strategic Partners Forum had been held the previous day on Thursday 20 September 2007.

In response to a question Councillor Wells was advised that there were approximately 40 organisations in the Strategic Partners Forum and it was advised that CCHL and Selwyn Holdings were not currently included. It was suggested that in the minutes and agenda a list of Forum partners be provided.

Staff to note

At the next meeting of the UDSIC on 17 December 2007 a schedule of meetings for 2008 would be presented for endorsement.

It was **resolved**:

- (a) That the monthly report of the Independent Chair and Implementation Manager be received.
- (b) That the next meeting of UDSIC be on Monday 17 December 2007 commencing at 1pm at Environment Canterbury.

4. PROPOSED CHANGE TO REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT – MOU 2

The Chairman outlined two new recommendations in respect to this item:

- "1. That the memorandum of understanding be further considered by the Chief Executive Officers of the Member Councils.
- 2. That the Urban Development Strategy Implementation Committee authorise the independent Chair and one member of each of the partner Councils to approve MOU 2 for forwarding to the partners for execution and adoption after advice from the CEO's, and after completion of the Environment Court hearings."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

ACTION

It was agreed that representatives from each of the partner Councils would be as follows:

- Selwyn District Council Councillor Malcolm Lyall
- Environment Canterbury Councillor Richard Budd
- Christchurch City Council Councillor Sue Wells
- Waimakariri District Council Councillor Kevin Felstead

5. SUBMISSIONS BY UDS STRATEGIC PARTNERS ON CHANGE NO. 1 TO THE REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT

The meeting considered a report from Laurie McCallum, Environment Canterbury, seeking a recommendation from the UDSIC that submissions in support, and a number of technical editorial submissions, be lodged on the Proposed Change No.1 to The Regional Policy Statement.

The policy statement had been notified on 28 July 2007 with submissions closing on 31 October 2007. It was advised to date no submissions had been received.

Mr McCallum spoke regarding the test which required to any changes in terms of ascertaining if these would:

- 1. Make the document more effective
- 2. Add value
- 3. Could be dealt with on an individual basis without the need to amend the document
- 4. Would not undermine the document as a whole.

A set of recommendations were then tabled to replace the recommendations within the report and these were then spoken to by the Chair and discussed as follows:

- Recommendation No. 4 agreed the word "*pro-forma*" should be deleted.
- Councillor Wells commented that the Implementation Committee was being asked to sign on behalf of the Councils. Mr McCallum commented that the technical submissions in Appendix A were not considered significant matters.
- Mayor McEvedy commented that the issue raised by Councillor Wells
 was valid and there was need to ensure there were no disaffected
 Councils. It was suggested that the submission could be lodged subject
 to partner Council confirmation.
- It was noted that in Recommendation 4 there was process for dealing with areas where no agreement could be reached by the partners.
- It was agreed that the word "outstanding" be deleted from Recommendation 4 and the word "individual" be added as well.

ACTION

The Chairman then put the motion:

- 1. That the UDSIC lodge submissions to the Regional Policy Statement Plan Change No. 1 containing the technical matters set out in Attachment A of the report subject to any minor agreed amendments.
- 2. That the UDSIC recommends to the UDS Partners that each strategy partner lodge a submission in support of Proposed Change No.1.
- 3. That the Independent Chair, after advice from CEAG, lodge any further technical submissions on behalf of the UDSIC.
- 4. That in the event where there are matters where no agreement can be achieved by the UDS Partners then submissions be lodged but on the basis that the individual partners using best endeavours commit to resolving such matters prior to the public notification of the submissions summary.

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

6. PROJECT CENTRAL CITY

Caroline Ingles distributed a handout regarding information on Project Central City and spoke to this. It was agreed that in the new triennium the Committee could discuss this further.

The meeting concluded at 1.45pm.