# GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (UDS) FORUM

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FORUM

Held in the Council Chamber, Environment Canterbury Council Building, Christchurch on Monday 17 July 2006 at 1pm

**PRESENT:** Environment Canterbury

Councillor Alec Neill (Chairperson)

Selwyn District Council Councillor Debra Hasson

Waimakariri District Council

Councillor Kevin Felsted

**KEY STAKEHOLDERS:** Peter Townsend (Chamber of Commerce) (until 2.05pm)

Pam Richardson (Federated Farmers) Steve Lowndes (Community Board)

**Committee Secretary** 

Warren Brixton

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies for absence were received and accepted from

Councillors Bob Parker, Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Bob Shearing, Sue Wells, Richard Budd, Sir Kerry Burke, Kath Adams, Mr Steve Collins, Dr Simon Kingham

## **MEETING QUORUM**

In view of there not being a quorum of elected members present, it was decided the meeting proceed on an informal basis.

## 1. CHAIRPERSON

Councillor Alec Neill was elected as Chairperson for the meeting.

# 2. **MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting of 15 May 2006, as circulated, were received.

#### 3. UPDATE REPORT FROM PROJECT LEADERS

The report was received.

## 4. INQUIRY BY DESIGN UPDATE REPORT

It was noted that:

- Relevant staff are to communicate with UDS Forum members re their attendance at the forthcoming workshops.
- Awareness needs to be taken of the CRET'S Study awaiting consultation.

Information was provided on the attendance at the various community and stakeholders meetings held around the UDS area and the issues that had arisen.

The report was received.

#### 5. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE REPORT

The report was received.

#### 6. GOVERNMENT ENGAGEMENT PROPOSALS REPORT

It was noted that the Department of Conservation and telecommunications should be added to the list of key areas for building long term relationships with Government agencies.

It was **decided** that the UDS Forum:

- 1. Receive the report.
- 2. Agree in principle to the Ministerial and Members of Parliament briefing approach as outlined in the report, with further discussions to be undertaken with the Partner, Council, Mayors and Regional Chair to finalise the briefing detail, participants in respective roles.
- 3. Note that the UDS Forum Chair will invite Ministers and host the briefings.
- 4. Note that the Members of Parliament briefings, briefings of Government agencies/departments having a presence in greater Christchurch, and key influencers will be undertaken on a regular basis.

#### 7. STRATEGY FRAMEWORK REPORT

Comment was made on the need for the system to be both robust and flexible, in the event of new options arising through the consultation process.

In response it was suggested that there would be an ongoing monitoring process against strategy, area growth etc.

The report was received.

## 8. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

## 1. **Public Consultation**

It was reported that at one of the recent public meetings issues had been raised as to the need for the forum to meet its obligations under the Treaty Partnership and Local Government Act requirements, as well as those of public consultation.

Comment was also made on the importance of the rural sector and its support of the city.

## 9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

In order to workshop the implementation toolkit and the draft strategy document framework, it was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 21 August at 1pm.

The meeting concluded at 2.19pm.