

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
CANTERBURY WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE

**Held at the Canterbury Club Worcester Street Christchurch
on Friday 12 August 2011 at 11.40am.**

PRESENT: Councillor Sally Buck (Chairperson)(Christchurch City Council)
Mayor Clare Barlow (Mackenzie District Council)
Councillor Stu Burrows (Kaikoura District Council)
Councillor Dick Davison (Hurunui District Council)
Councillor Glenn Livingstone (Christchurch City Council)
Councillor Darryl Nelson (Ashburton District Council)
Councillor Lindsay Philps (Selwyn District Council)

IN ATTENDANCE: Jane Parfitt (Christchurch City Council)
Don Chittock (Ecan)
Chris Keeling (Ecan)
Davina McNicoll (Ecan)
Gerard Cleary (Waimakariri District Council)
Carl McKay (Mackenzie District Council)
Ruth Clarke (Timaru District Council)
Zefanja Potgieter (Christchurch City Council)
Kevin Crutchley (Christchurch City Council)
Chris Hopman (Selwyn District Council)
Jim Palmer (Waimakariri District Council)
Kitty Waghorn (Waimakariri District Council)
Sally Cracknell (Hurunui District Council)
Gavin Sole (Selwyn District Council)
Peter McCormick (Screen Vistas)
Janet Anderson (Christchurch City Council – Minutes secretary)

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Councillors Aaron Keown and Pat Mulvey.

1. MINUTES OF MEETING 29 APRIL 2011

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Glenn Livingstone, seconded by Councillor Dick Davison that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2011, as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

2. REPORT BACK ON 2010/11 PROJECTS

Compost product development

This project is now in its fifth year. The \$30,000 per annum is part of a larger budget contributed to by Transpacific Industries, Ecan and MAF. Five year trials of a variety of land uses had been carried out with five different soil types. Farmers are particularly interested in the benefits of compost with increased cost of fertilisers.

Business resource efficiency

Staff are keen for this project to continue. Progress in Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri had been disrupted by the earthquake, but Timaru had done well in recruiting new businesses. An opportunity was seen for Christchurch to set up a waste exchange, for example working alongside any large construction project. The committee suggested that staff could work with damaged schools.

E-Scrap recycling

Ashburton have delivered 30 pallet loads for recycling. The plant extracts 99% of material for recycling and sorts all metals. Council members were encouraged to take a tour of the facility in Halswell Junction Road. Ashburton charges \$6 per item for delivery to the plant.

E-Book

Staff advised that after three proofs a final version was expected within a few days. It is a legislative requirement that Councils host their own information and this is currently being worked through.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Darryl Nelson seconded by Councillor Dick Davison to receive the information.

3. PROPOSED REGIONAL WASTE MINIMISATION PROJECTS 2011/12)

As previously noted the Compost product development project is in the last year out of a five years project. The Regions shared information regarding waste minimisation projects: Ashburton is working with supermarkets and the hospitality sector and looking at a range of options for dealing with organic waste, including trialling a rotary machine. The Council has budgeted \$200,000 for a greenwaste project at Rakaia. The McKenzie district advised that a large scale worm farm in Cromwell operated at no cost to the Council and they are currently looking at options for collection of organic waste. Selwyn advised that it was investigating remote rural transfer stations because Rolleston is not very central to the District. Kaikoura deals with this by sending a truck out to each household. Timaru advised that the figures for E-book and E-Scrap recycling had become transposed in the report.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Darryl Nelson seconded by Councillor Linday Philps that the projects identified in the staff report for funding in the 2011/12 year be approved subject to amendment to the E-scrap recycling (\$30,000) and E-book (\$4,450).

4. CANTERBURY HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (CHWMS) REVIEW

Don Chittock reported that the aim of the strategy is to reduce the volume of hazardous waste to landfill and resulting harm to the environment. A number of product stewardship schemes are envisaged, that is funding disposal at the point of sale. The MTA and majority of tyre companies have now signed up to the scheme and future schemes envisaged involve paint and treated timber.

It was resolved on the motion of Councillor Dick Davison seconded by Councillor Glenn Livingstone that the information be received.

5. STOCKPILING OF WASTE AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

Timaru advised that a joint response between the Council, Child, Youth and Family, and Ecan had been agreed. Where the Council's investigation is unable to find the offender then Young Offenders are sent out under supervision to clean up as community service. Kaikoura is developing a public awareness programme and is considering setting up a similar programme, although supervision of the young offenders is an issue in their district. Ecan staff reported that five cases were currently under investigation mainly involving demolition waste dumped in Waimakariri, Hurunui and Selwyn. There had been an increased trend in roadside dumping in Kaikoura.

It was resolved on the motion of Councillor Sally Buck, seconded by Councillor Dick Davison that Ecan staff work with the staff of the District Councils to investigate the feasibility of setting up illegal dumping clean-up programmes and report back to the next meeting of this Committee.

The chairperson advised that the next meeting of the Canterbury Regional Landfill Joint Committee would be held at Kate Valley Landfill on 28 October 2011 and invited the members of this Committee who are not members of CRLJC to join them for a tour of the site in the morning prior to the CRLJC meeting.

The meeting concluded at 12.40pm.