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**CANTERBURY WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE  
9 MAY 2005**

**A meeting of the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee  
was held on Monday 9 May 2005 at 10am**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Sally Buck (Christchurch City Council) (Chairperson),  
Councillor Robbie Brine (Waimakariri District Council),  
Mayor Garry Jackson (Hurunui District Council),  
Mayor Bob Parker (Banks Peninsula District Council),  
Councillor Lindsay Philps (Selwyn District Council),  
Councillor Dave Pullen (Mackenzie District Council),  
Councillor Bob Shearing (Christchurch City Council) and  
Councillor Bev Tasker (Ashburton District Council).

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies for absence were received from  
Councillor James Gibson (Waimate District Council),  
Councillor Pat Mulvey (Timaru District Council) and  
Councillor Sue Wells (Christchurch City Council),  
and for early departure from Councillor Robbie Brine  
who retired at 11.43am.

The Subcommittee reports that:

**PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS  
TAKEN BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE**

**1. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 11 APRIL 2005**

It was **resolved** that the minutes (both open and public excluded sections) be confirmed as a true and correct record, subject to noting that the reference to Aoraki Waste Busters on page 6 should be to Canterbury Waste Busters Trust.

**2. CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence from Councillor Robbie Brine regarding directorship training costs had been previously circulated with the agenda and was **received**. In addition the Committee **resolved** to receive, for information, a supplementary letter from Councillor Ross Little, Chair, Waste, Hazardous Substances and Contaminated Sites Portfolio, Environment Canterbury regarding participation on the Subcommittee.

**3. DIRECTOR TRAINING COSTS**

This clause was considered at this stage of the meeting. Following discussion the Subcommittee **decided** to decline the request for assistance towards director training costs for Councillor Robbie Brine.

(Note: Councillor Robbie Brine declared an interest in respect to this clause and retired from voting and discussion thereon.)

**4. CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE REDUCTION STRATEGY**

The Subcommittee considered a report from Diane Shelander, Senior Resource Planner Solid Waste, Christchurch City Council, identifying opportunities to reduce construction and demolition (C & D) waste.

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The report provided background to the Ministry for the Environment's national construction and demolition waste minimisation project and the industry sectors being targeted in this.

Details of a Christchurch market development strategy for C & D Waste materials and guidance notes on regulating waste management under the Local Government Act had been separately circulated with the agenda. The report noted that a workshop is to be held in Christchurch on 21 June 2005 as part of the national C & D waste reduction project for those in related areas to discuss C & D waste minimisation.

The Subcommittee **resolved**:

1. To support the 21 June 2005 construction and demolition workshop for local and regional government by encouraging waste management, procurement, project engineering and building consents staff from member councils, the South Island Sort Group and appropriate community groups, together with members of the Subcommittee, to attend the workshop.
2. To provide funding in the 2005/06 financial year for construction and demolition industry training and outreach using the materials developed by the national construction and demolition waste reduction project. Details of the scope of the project to be provided by staff at the next Subcommittee meeting.
3. To note that the additional issues identified in paragraph 9 of the report will need to be developed further following the workshop in June 2005 and will require budget provision.

**5. INFORMATION SHARING**

The opportunity was taken for members to share any items of concern or interest as follows:

**Hurunui District Council**

Mayor Garry Jackson, Hurunui District Council, advised that his Council's draft waste management plan was currently open for public consultation with submissions closing on 16 May 2005. He confirmed that in respect to the review of the "Green Gate" data regarding the alleged hydrocarbon presence at Kate Valley, Dr Alan Hull, of California, had been commissioned by his Council and Environment Canterbury to review this data.

Discussions were continuing with Transwaste Canterbury Ltd regarding the formation of the Community Trust Fund.

**Ashburton District Council**

Councillor Bev Tasker provided a brief update and mentioned that the Waste Busters Festival would be held in August over a three week period including a workshop with invited speakers and a wearable art competition.

**Waimakariri District Council**

Councillor Robbie Brine advised that their asset management plan is currently open for public consultation, including solid waste. He mentioned that their solid and hazardous waste management plan targets were not being met and that some of these targets might be reviewed as part of the asset management plan process.

Don Young advised that they had become aware of the possible establishment of private transfer stations within their area to collect and transfer waste to Kate Valley. The ramifications of this, including certification of waste to Kate Valley in terms of the resource consent and the use of bylaws similar to the Christchurch Waste Handling Facilities Licensing Bylaw, were discussed.

It was agreed that details of this bylaw would be sent to members for information and the topic could if required be placed on the agenda for further discussion at the next meeting.

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**Selwyn District Council**

Dave Hock advised that the siteworks contract for their resource recovery station had been let.

**Banks Peninsula District Council**

Mayor Bob Parker commented that with the advent of waste being sent to the Kate Valley landfill their charges would significantly increase and he advised that the debate regarding the number of rubbish bags to be issued had arisen in some areas with one Community Board suggesting that the number of bags be reduced from 52 to 26 per annum.

**Mackenzie District Council**

Councillor Dave Pullen advised that his Council had now operated a recycle programme for two years and was selling compost from their VCU plant. The amount of residual waste being sent to the Timaru landfill was now down to 30% of their waste collected and they were currently trying to reduce this to 15%. They had managed to hold their waste budget for 2005 to the same level as the previous year.

**Christchurch City Council**

Simon Collin advised that work was proceeding on the conversion of the transfer stations to allow for transfer of waste to Kate Valley with the work at Styx Mill to be concluded mid-May and work at the other two stations by the end of May.

**6. TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD - INTERIM REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2004**

The Subcommittee considered the interim report of Transwaste Canterbury Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2004 together with the comments from CCHL staff on the report.

Mr Denis O'Rourke, Chairman, Transwaste Canterbury Ltd, attended and answered questions from members and provided a brief update on progress on the landfill. He advised that construction was on time and within budget and that their only possible area of concern currently related to the transfer stations.

In response to a question from members he confirmed that TCL was obliged to accept waste from private operators provided it was certified to comply with the appropriate waste plan.

The Subcommittee **resolved** that the Interim Report for Transwaste Canterbury Ltd for the period to 31 December 2004 be received.

**7. TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD - STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The Subcommittee considered the Statement of Intent for Transwaste Canterbury Ltd for the year ending 30 June 2006, provided to the Subcommittee pursuant to section 64 of the Local Government Act 2002.

The Subcommittee also considered the comments on the draft Statement of Intent provided by CCHL staff and noted the recommendations contained within their report.

Mr Denis O'Rourke, Chairman, Transwaste Canterbury Ltd, also attended in respect to this item and answered questions from members. He confirmed that the company could provide quarterly reporting as suggested and noted in respect to the comments regarding an accounting policy in respect to after care provision for the landfill that this was a national accounting standard and had therefore not been set out in the SOI and that TCL would be complying with the national standard.

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In response to a question from the Chair he confirmed that transport services to the landfill would be utilising modern trucks with low emission motors and these would be fitted with side intrusion bars and also be regulated to prevent speeds exceeding 90kph.

The Subcommittee **resolved** that the Transwaste Canterbury Ltd Statement of Corporate Intent for the year ending 30 June 2006 be adopted subject to the following additions:

1. That the word "reliable" be inserted in performance target 5.4(a) - ie "Timely, high quality and **reliable** transport services".
2. That the Statement of Intent contain an indicative level of dividends payable over the next three years.

**8. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

The Subcommittee **resolved** that the draft resolution to exclude the public set out on page 27 of the agenda be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 11.45am

**CONSIDERED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY 2005**

**MAYOR**