

**MEETING OF THE AIR QUALITY AND ENERGY
PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE**

TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Cr R A Budd (Chairperson)

Cr T K Burke
Cr A S Carroll
Cr M E Oldfield
Cr J F Slee

A meeting of the Committee will be held on
Wednesday, 26 July 2006 at 12 noon
(or at the conclusion of the Regulation Overview Committee meeting)

VENUE: Council Chamber
First Floor
Pegasus Building
58 Kilmore Street
CHRISTCHURCH

BUSINESS: As per Order Paper attached

Dr Bryan Jenkins
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 DECISION-MAKING REQUIREMENTS

Except as below, a statement of compliance and a completed decision checklist is required for any agenda item on a council committee or the council recommending that a decision be made. This will be the responsibility of the person signing off the agenda item.

The compliance statement and checklist will not be used for:

- Recommendations that information be received or that the Council make a decision.
- Decisions taken under the Resource Management Act 1991 or the Biosecurity Act 1993 in relation to resource consents, decisions required when following the procedures set out in Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, other permissions, submissions on plans, or references to the Environment Court.
- Decisions taken to proceed with enforcement procedures under various primary or secondary legislation or regulations, including procedures under the Resource Management Act 1991, the Biosecurity Act 1993, the Local Government Act 2002, and Environment Canterbury Bylaws.
- Administrative and personnel decisions that are entirely internal to Environment Canterbury.
- Other decisions where the procedures to be followed are set out in Legislation.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The council committee (or the council) must formally certify that:

- (a) It is satisfied that it has sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, in terms of the region's social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being and the effects on community outcomes, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions.
- (b) It is satisfied that it knows enough about and has given adequate consideration to the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

INFORMATION CHECKLIST

(a)	A Statement of the Proposed Decision
(b)	A Statement of the Objective of the Proposed Decision and the Issue or Problem being addressed
(c)	A list of all reasonably practicable options, (including doing nothing).
(d)	For each option in (c): An evaluation of the Benefits and Costs, in terms of the region's social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being.
(e)	For each option in (c): A statement of the extent to which community outcomes would be promoted or achieved in an integrated and efficient manner.
(f)	For each option in (c): A statement of the Impact, if any, on Environment Canterbury's capacity to undertake its statutory responsibilities
(g)	If the Proposed Decision is a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, a statement of how Maori values have been taken into account
(h)	A Statement of significant inconsistencies, if any, with any Existing Policy, Plan or Legislation arising from the Proposed Decision.
(i)	A statement how the views and preferences of affected or interested persons have been given adequate consideration during the definition of the problem or issue, the objective, the assessment of options and the development of the proposed decision, including the particular contribution of Maori to the decision-making process.

Notes:

The significance of proposals and decisions determines how much time, money and effort is put into exploring and evaluating options and obtaining the views of affected and interested parties. The significance of proposals and decisions is determined through reference to criteria contained in the policy on significance.

The policy on significance together with Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002 set out the Council's requirements in relation to decisions. Some decisions can only be made through the Long-Term Council Community Plan, or after the Special Consultative Procedures set out in the Act have been used, (refer to the policy on significance and the Act).

All decisions of Environment Canterbury are subject to the decision-making requirements of section 76 of the Act unless inconsistent with specific requirements of other legislation.

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ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY

AIR QUALITY AND ENERGY PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AIR QUALITY AND ENERGY PORTFOLIO
COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 17 AUGUST 2005
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR, PEGASUS BUILDING,
58 KILMORE STREET, CHRISTCHURCH FROM 1.45PM.

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PRESENT

Crs A S Carroll (Acting Chairperson), T K Burke, and M E Oldfield (from 1.50pm to 2.40pm).

IN ATTENDANCE

Crs E H Cunningham, R H M Johnston and W E Woods

MANAGEMENT AND STAFF PRESENT

B R Jenkins (Chief Executive), J D Talbot (Director Policy & Planning), K Lawn (Director Operations), W M Falconer (Director External Relations), M C Freeman (Director Regulation), G A Griffiths (Director Investigations & Monitoring), P C Pilbrow (Portfolio Manager Finance & Corporate Services), J McEwing (Portfolio Manager Community Plan), K Taylor (Environmental Quality Manager), L McCallum (Energy, Transport and the Built Environment Policy Manager), M Gaudin (Clean Heat Project Manager), E Walker (RMA Compliance & Enforcement Manager), E Scott (Portfolio Communications & Relations Officer), and L M McDonald (Administration Officer).

1. APOLOGIES

Crs R A Budd and J F Slee

Cr Oldfield for lateness

Due to the expected late arrival of Cr Oldfield (Committee Deputy Chair), the Council Chairman invited Cr Carroll to chair the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF MEETING – 27 APRIL 2005

The minutes of the meeting held 27 April 2005 were taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Cr Carroll/Cr Burke

3. MATTERS ARISING

Energy Seminars

Wilma Falconer advised that four energy seminars have been arranged. Three will be held in Christchurch at the George Hotel on 20 September, 4 October and 20 October 2005. On 19 October a seminar will be held in Timaru.

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

Nil.

Cr Oldfield arrived at 1.50pm.

MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE COMBINED PORTFOLIOS COMMITTEE

5. DRAFT 10 YEAR PORTFOLIO BUDGET ENVELOPE – Air Quality

Ken Taylor introduced this item and explained that staff were seeking direction and guidance from the committee on portfolio priorities for the 2006-16 Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP).

John McEwing tabled information on the decision making process for the LTCCP and community outcomes identified by the public.

Ken Taylor explained the information on page 15 of the agenda *LTCCP 2006/07 Expenditure Movements 2006/07 – 2015/16 by Portfolio (base 05/06 Annual Plan)*. He said that the proposed changes had been foreshadowed at the Council workshop held 10 August 2005 and reflected the information that Council was now required to have by the Natural Resources Regional Plan (NRRP) and the National Environment Standard for air quality (NES).

Cr Oldfield requested information on the capital investment of the air quality monitoring units.

Cr Carroll commented that good information was needed to demonstrate that there is a problem and this would assist in encouraging people to change their behaviour.

Cr Oldfield left at 2.40pm.

Ken Lawn spoke to a presentation “Budget to Achieve 26,400” that looked at Clean Heat expenditure based on assumptions of when people may take up the scheme. He noted that the figures, at this stage, did not include any provision for the Clean Heat scheme outside of Christchurch.

Cr Burke stressed the need to include in the budget an assumption of obtaining central government funding to meet the NES.

Cr Johnston suggested considering extending the period of time to fund the Clean Heat scheme, with over-expenditure in early years being repaid, including interest, in later years beyond the current programme

Councillors were invited to prioritise expenditure for this portfolio to assist deliberations to the Combined Portfolios Committee meeting, where final discussions on prioritisation would take place.

The Committee's priorities were listed on the white board as follows:

Work that should be done sooner than proposed:	Include Clean Heat project for Timaru and other area sheds. All work associated with meeting NES. Advocacy/enforcement work with regard to NES
Work that could be done later:	None
Funding options to be explored further:	Include Government and other funding from Christchurch Clean Heat and other towns.
Work that is not essential:	None

Resolved

That the committee receives the portfolio's 10 year work programme and budget envelope.

Cr Burke/Cr Carroll

Recommended to the Combined Portfolios Committee

That the portfolio's budget envelope be referred to the Combined Portfolios Committee for consideration as the basis for undertaking detailed budgeting, setting levels of service provision, performance measures and targets for the 2006-16 LTCCP.

Cr Burke/Cr Carroll

6. DRAFT 10 YEAR PORTFOLIO BUDGET ENVELOPE - Energy

Laurie McCallum introduced this item and the information on page 23 of the agenda *LTCCP 2006/07 Expenditure Movements 2006/07 – 2015/16 by Portfolio (base 05/06 Annual Plan)*. He explained that this activity remains relatively small. The key additions are a number of demonstration programmes and some capacity for work that maybe required by central government.

Cr Burke said that an important issue was the security of supply of energy, which could impact on air quality.

No changes were recommended to the work programme and budget for the energy activity.

Resolved

That the committee receives the portfolio's 10 year work programme and budget envelope.

Cr Burke/Cr Carroll

Recommended to the Combined Portfolios Committee

That the portfolio's budget envelope be referred to the Combined Portfolios Committee for consideration as the basis for undertaking detailed budgeting, setting levels of service provision, performance measures and targets for the 2006-16 LTCCP.

Cr Burke/Cr Carroll

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

8. EXTRAORDINARY AND URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

9. QUESTIONS

Nil.

10. NEXT MEETING

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The Meeting closed at 3.55pm

CONFIRMED

DATE _____ CHAIRPERSON _____