

**MINUTES OF THE 289TH MEETING OF ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 58 KILMORE STREET, CHRISTCHURCH ON 7 DECEMBER 2006
AT 9.30 A.M.**

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PRESENT

Crs T K Burke (Chairman), R A Budd, A S Carroll, E H Cunningham, R H M Johnston, R M Kirk, R I R Little, A R McKay, A G Neill, M E Oldfield (until 3.58 p.m.), J F Slee, J M Waters (until 4.45 p.m.) and W E Woods.

PARTICIPATING BY WAY OF A TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

Cr Wagner (until 10.00 a.m.)

MANAGEMENT AND OFFICERS PRESENT

B R Jenkins (Chief Executive) and J C Pani (Manager Secretariat).

W M Falconer (Director External Relations), M C Freeman (Director Regulation), I W Thomas (Director Finance and Corporate Services) and J D Talbot (Director Policy and Planning) were in attendance for part of the meeting and some report authors were in attendance to present their reports.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS –26 OCTOBER AND 23 NOVEMBER 2006

Resolved

That the Council minutes of 26 October 2006, as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record, and be adopted.

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That the Council minutes of 23 November 2006, as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record, and be adopted.

Cr Burke/Cr Woods

3. MATTERS ARISING

Bryan Jenkins (Chief Executive) confirmed that genetic engineering matters are excluded from Regional Councils' biosecurity responsibilities. He undertook to provide information to Cr Slee on this issue.

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no deputations and petitions.

5. DRAFT METRO STRATEGY 2006 – 2012

Jill Atkinson (Portfolio Manager Transport) spoke to a PowerPoint presentation on the Draft Metro Strategy 2006 – 2012, a collaborative document between Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council for the development of the Public Transport system. Cr Wagner, as Chair of the Public Passenger Transport Portfolio, (participating by way of a telephone conference call) commented that the process of developing the Draft Metro Strategy was very successful. She emphasised that the two key areas were the continuing development of the bus exchange and raising awareness of the need for buses to be given priority on the streets.

Cr Wagner terminated the telephone conference call at 10.00 a.m.

Resolved

- (a) That, pending adoption by the Christchurch City Council, the Draft Metro Strategy 2006 – 2012 is adopted.***
- (b) That, pending adoption, the Metro Strategy is launched in early 2007.***
- (c) That additional resolutions recognised during the consultation period are adopted:***
 - (i) Public Transport Advisory Group, the Hearing Panel, and submitters shared a preference for any expanded/re-located bus exchange to remain very central within the city.***
 - (ii) That both Councils lobby central government for a law change to require cars to let the bus go first. That in the interim there is a marketing campaign undertaken to promote other road users to 'Let the Bus Go First'.***
- (d) That Environment Canterbury support the Christchurch City Council to progress the following:***
 - (i) Christchurch City Council to require the city plan section to report back on investigations towards ensuring the provision of public transport infrastructure associated with the development/expansion of key destinations in the resource consents process (RMA).***

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- (ii) ***That public transport issues are fully considered within the Christchurch City Council's consultation process regarding developments and its application to consents. A Code of Urban Subdivision Standards is due for completion in 2007 and should similarly give full consideration to public transport provision.***

Cr Waters/Cr Little

6. SCHOOL BUS SERVICE REVIEW

Shannon Ussher (Passenger Services Operations Planner) talked to a PowerPoint presentation on school bus service review.

Resolved

That the Taylors Mistake and Westmorland school bus services continue to operate throughout 2007. Continuous monitoring of patronage will contribute to a review of each service at the end of that year. If the average number of passengers per trip is under ten at the end of any year, the service can be terminated and alternative options will be explored with the community.

Cr Budd/Cr Cunningham

7. REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT REVIEW

Richard Ball (Coasts, Biodiversity and Pests Policy Manager) presented an update on the review of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement.

Resolved

That Council receives the report on the progress with the review of the Regional Policy Statement.

Cr McKay/Cr Budd

Morning tea was taken from 10.40 until 10.55 a.m.

8. SUBMISSION TO ERMA ON APPLICATION HRE05002 BY THE ANIMAL HEALTH BOARD AND DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION FOR THE REASSESSMENT OF 1080

Richard Ball presented this item requesting Council approval of a submission to the Environmental Risk Management Authority on application HRE05002 by the Animal Health Board and the Department of Conservation for the reassessment of sodium fluoroacetate (1080) and substances containing 1080. Mr Ball advised that he would reflect in the submission Council's request for the human health impacts to be more available to the public.

Resolved

That the Council approves the submission, as amended, to ERMA on the application HRE05002 by the Animal Health Board and the Department of Conservation for the reassessment of sodium fluoroacetate (1080) and substances containing 1080.

Cr Johnston/Cr Little

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9. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE REGIONAL COASTAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN

David Gregory (Senior Resource Management Planner) presented this report seeking confirmation of the intended scope of a plan change to the Regional Coastal Environment Plan.

Resolved

- (a) ***That Council adopts the Regional Coastal Plan Change Scoping Report as the basis for preparing a Proposed Change to the Canterbury Regional Coastal Environment Plan 2005.***

Cr Kirk/Cr Waters

- (b) ***That the Council appoints Cr Little (with Crs Kirk, Johnston and Cunningham as alternates) as Environment Canterbury's representative on the steering committee being established to assist with the community planning process for the Ashley River/Rakahuri-Saltwater Creek Estuary and for Pegasus Bay.***

Cr Johnston/Cr Kirk

10. SUBMISSION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION ON THE ISSUES AND OPTIONS DOCUMENT FOR THE REVIEW OF THE NEW ZEALAND COASTAL POLICY STATEMENT

David Gregory (Senior Resource Management Planner) presented this report seeking approval of a submission on the Review of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement; Issues and Options paper as made to the Department of Conservation on 10 November 2006.

There was discussion on the timing of the request for Council approval in retrospect of this submission with a view expressed that the submission should be received only. John Talbot (Director Policy and Planning) clarified that there was still an opportunity for changes to Council's submission even though the submission had already been forwarded to Department of Conservation.

Moved Cr Little, seconded Cr Woods.

That the submission on the review of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement be received.

The motion was put and LOST

Resolved

That the submission on the review of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement be approved.

Cr Kirk/Cr Waters

Cr Little and Cr Woods requested that their votes against this motion be recorded.

Lunch was taken from 12.35 – 1.20 p.m.

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11. REDEFINING THE STARTING POINTS ON THE STRAIGHT LINE PATHS FOR CANTERBURY AIRSHEDS

Katherine Wilson (Senior Resource Management Planner) presented this item seeking Council direction on whether to adjust the starting points on the straight line paths for Canterbury Airsheds, as they are defined under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards Relating to Certain Air Pollutants, Dioxins and Other Toxins) Regulations 2004 (the NES).

Cr Neill returned at 1.30 p.m.

Discussion continued with a request for consultation with Ashburton District Council early in 2007 to discuss the outcome of the review of the straight line path for Ashburton.

Cr Oldfield returned at 1.40 p.m.

Resolved

REDEFINING STRAIGHT LINE PATHS FOR KAIAPOI AND RANGIORA

- (a) That the starting points for the straight line paths for Kaiapoi and Rangiora remain as they were previously defined, on the basis that they estimate the 'worst possible' concentrations using the best information available at the time the airsheds were gazetted.***

Cr Budd/Cr McKay

Cr Johnston requested that his vote against this motion be recorded.

- (b) That the Council consults with the Ashburton District Council on the outcome of the review of the straight line path for Ashburton at the joint Council Workshop early in 2007 and reports back to Council.***

REDEFINING STRAIGHT LINE PATH FOR GERALDINE

- (c) That the starting point for the straight line path for Geraldine remains as it was previously defined, but with a view to future modification (following a Council resolution) if the scientific consensus for the adjustment factor in combination with site specific information leads to a conclusion that the current starting point is significantly under/overestimating the size of the problem and that this will have significant implications on industrial consents.***

Cr Budd/Cr Oldfield

REDEFINING STRAIGHT LINE PATHS FOR CHRISTCHURCH, TIMARU AND WAIMATE

- (d) That the starting points for the straight line paths for Christchurch, Timaru and Waimate remain as they were previously defined.***

Cr Budd/Cr Carroll

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12. NOTIFICATION/NON-NOTIFICATION OF RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE CHRISTCHURCH GROUNDWATER RECHARGE ZONE

Ivan Holland (Team Leader Consents Investigations Discharge) presented a summary of discharge to land and land use consent applications within the Christchurch Groundwater Recharge Zone. Mike Freeman (Director Regulation) talked in some detail of the current consents.

Cr Oldfield left the meeting at 2.20 p.m.

Resolved

That the report "Summary of discharge to land and land use consent applications within the Christchurch Groundwater Recharge Zone" be received.

Cr Kirk/Cr Waters

13. ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENT FUND

Melanie Schauer (Resource Care Co-ordinator) talked to a PowerPoint presentation advising of the assessments of applications to the 2006 Environment Enhancement Fund funding round; and to inform Council of the funding allocations for the 2006 Environmental Enhancement Fund. Information relating to funding applications and allocations was tabled.

Resolved

That the assessments of applications to the 2006 Environment Enhancement Fund and of the funding allocations for the 2006 Environment Enhancement Fund be received.

Cr McKay/Cr Little

14. FINANCIAL REPORTS ON COUNCIL PORTFOLIO ACTIVITIES

Wayne Thomas (Director Finance and Corporate Services) presented the financial summary of the Council's activities for the four months ended 31 October 2006.

David Stenhouse (Passenger Services Assistant Manager) tabled a document and talked to a PowerPoint presentation providing information relating to Passenger Services expenditure.

Afternoon tea was taken from 3.10 p.m. to 3.25 p.m.

Cr Oldfield returned to the meeting at this time.

Mr Stenhouse advised that as a result of high inflation indexing, the 2006/07 year-end expenditure for Passenger Services has increased from the budgeted amount in the Long Term Council Community Plan of \$22,170,970 to approximately \$24,500,000.

Resolved

(a) That the Passenger Transport funding shortfall for 2006/07 is jointly funded between Environment Canterbury's Passenger Transport Reserve and Land Transport New Zealand.

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(b) That additional Passenger Transport funding for 2007/08 is calculated in conjunction with Land Transport New Zealand and funded jointly through increased targeted transport rate and Land Transport New Zealand.

(c) In the event of changes to the work time rule, staff investigate an appropriate funding methodology with preference to a fare increase.

Cr Waters/Cr Johnston

(d) That the information on the financial reports for the period ending 31 October 2006 be received.

Cr Burke/Cr Budd

15. EMERGENCY COMMITTEE FOR 2006 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PERIOD

Jude Pani (Manager Secretariat) presented this item for Council to consider appointing a Committee to deal with any matters of urgency over the Christmas holiday period, from 22 December 2006 to 31 January 2007.

Resolved

(a) That an Emergency Committee of the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and any two other members be appointed to deal with any matters of urgency over the period 22 December 2006 to 31 January 2007.

(b) That any decisions made be reported to the next meeting of Council.

Cr Woods/Cr Budd

16. 2007 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE AND 2007 REGULATION HEARING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Jude Pani (Manager Secretariat) presented this item for Council approval of the 2007 Council and Committee meetings schedule and the Regulation Hearing Committee membership for 2007.

There was discussion on how Council might introduce enhanced meeting process efficiency to achieve a shorter monthly Council meeting timeframe to accommodate an afternoon workshop or other Council meeting. It was mentioned that as this change would mean a change in behaviour, it was considered appropriate to discuss this issue at a meeting of Councillors early in 2007. There was a view expressed that an 8.30 a.m. start to the Council meeting was too early for those needing to travel to Christchurch.

Resolved

(a) That the 2007 Meetings Schedule be adopted.

(b) That the Council approve the schedule and membership roster for the meetings of the Regulation Hearing Committee for the period 26 January to 12 October 2007.

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- (c) *That where a member rostered on a specific Regulation Hearing Committee is unavailable for that meeting, the first available member not already rostered in column four of the roster (attached to the agenda), starting with the subsequent meeting, shall be the replacement member.*

Cr McKay/Cr Slee

Cr Johnston requested that his vote against this motion be recorded.

17. 2007 LOCAL AUTHORITY ELECTIONS

This item requesting appointment of an Electoral Officer for the Canterbury Regional Council was presented.

Resolved

- (a) *That the Manager Secretariat, Jude Pani, be appointed as the Electoral Officer for the Canterbury Regional Council, and*

- (b) *That the information on the 2007 Local Authority Elections be received.*

Cr Slee/Cr Budd

17A. GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

An updated report was tabled requesting approval of the Joint Committee for hearing of submissions on the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy.

Cr Oldfield left the meeting at 3.58 p.m.

Resolved

- (a) *That pursuant to Clause 30, Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, a Joint Committee of Christchurch City Council, Waimakariri District Council, Selwyn District Council and Environment Canterbury be established to hear, deliberate on and make recommendations on all Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy submissions, to the UDS Forum and partner Councils, and that the Committee have the terms of reference and membership as outlined in Appendix I of the report of the UDS Chief Executives of 7 November 2006.*

- (b) *That the UDS Forum Chair (Bob Parker) be appointed as Joint Committee Chair but in non-voting capacity.*

- (c) *That Cr Budd, Cr Neill and Cr Cunningham be appointed as Environment Canterbury's representatives to the UDS Joint Hearing Committee.*

Cr McKay/Cr Waters

18. REPORT OF THE MAORI LIAISON COMMITTEE

Cr Cunningham presented the report of the Maori Liaison Committee.

Resolved

That the terms of reference for the Maori Advisory Committee be approved.

Cr Cunningham/Cr Burke

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19. REPORT OF THE REGULATION OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

The report of the Regulation Overview Committee meeting held on 25 October 2006 was presented.

Resolved

That a report of the Regulation Overview Committee meeting held on 25 October 2006 be received.

Cr McKay/Cr Neill

20. REPORTS OF THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

The report of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held earlier in the day was tabled.

Cr Kirk presented the reports of the Finance and Audit Committee meetings held on 7 November, 22 November and 7 December 2006.

Resolved

(a) *That the report of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held on 7 November 2006 be received.*

Cr Kirk/Cr Budd

(b) *That the report of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held on 22 November 2006 be received.*

Cr Kirk/Cr Johnston

(c) *That the report of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held on 7 December 2006 be received and the following recommendations adopted:*

Uniform Annual General Charges

That:

- 1. Principles and policy relating to Uniform Annual General Charges (UAGC) be reviewed and clarified including further analysis of components of expenditure relevant for inclusion in any UAGC.***
- 2. Further funding strategies for UAGC be developed and examined.***
- 3. Associated administrative constraints and costs are identified along with requirements for achieving implementation for the 2008/09 year.***
- 4. A consultation strategy on UAGC be prepared for Council consideration.***
- 5. Council proceeds with public consultation on UAGC during 2007 for consideration for implementation on 1 July 2008.***

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Charging for Water Management

That:

- 1. Principles and policy relating to charging for water management be reviewed and clarified including further analysis of components of rating principles and sustainable management policy.**
- 2. Further funding strategies for charging for water management be developed and examined, particularly but not limited to targeted rates for consented water management.**
- 3. Associated administrative constraints and costs are identified along with requirements for achieving implementation for the 2008/09 year.**
- 4. A consultation strategy on charging for water management be prepared for Council consideration.**
- 5. Council proceeds with public consultation on charging for water management during 2007 for implementation on 1 July 2008.**

Cr Kirk/Cr Johnston

21. REPORTS OF THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEES

Cr Burke as chair of the Combined Portfolios Committee presented the 2007/08 Annual Plan – Review of Portfolio Committee Recommendations, from the meeting of the Combined Portfolios Committee held on 23 November 2006. At the meeting of the Combined Portfolios Committee recommendations from the Portfolio Committees meetings held 14, 15 and 21 November were considered.

Reports relating to the indicative NRRP hearing programme and regional gravel management funding options were tabled.

Resolved

- (a) That approval of the funding for the Riparian Management Strategy is subject to the terms of reference being approved by Council and that a draft strategy be considered by Council before finalisation.**
- (b) That the \$20,000 Tinwald Flood Plain Management be deferred for one year due to needing to first resolve funding issues relating to works in upper catchments.**
- (c) That in future the Regulation Overview Committee considers Resource Management Act Regulatory activity levels of service, and levels of expenditure and funding for input into annual plans and the LTCCP.**
- (d) That in future the Regional Planning Committee considers planning activity levels of service, and levels of expenditure and funding for input into annual plans and the LTCCP.**
- (e) That the Council receive a report at its next meeting, setting out:**
 - 1. the advantages and disadvantages of funding gravel management from a Section 36 charge or general rates.**
 - 2. the charges and rates involved**
 - 3. draft funding policies and proposals for incorporation into the 2007/2008 Annual Plan.**

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- (f) *That the following recommendations from Portfolio Committees, as summarised on the summary spreadsheet on page 7 of the Committee's supplementary paper, including variations to Level of Service Number 4 in the Air, Coast, Land and Waste Portfolios, and Level of Service Number 5 in the Water Portfolio, be endorsed for adoption by the Council.*

Emergency Management

That no changes are required to the levels of funding and expenditure or levels of service in the 2006-16 LTCCP for 2007/08.

Hazards

- 1. That the variation to levels of service involving changing the order to reflect priorities be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
- 2. That the increased expenditure required for the Waimakariri secondary stopbank, and possible amendments, be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
- 3. That the proposals for funding gravel management, including an amendment to the Revenue and Finance Policy if required, to be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Water Quality, Quantity and Ecosystems

- 1. There be no changes to the Water Portfolio's budget and*
- 2. the proposed variation to Level of Service Number 6 be included in the 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Pests and Biosecurity

- 1. That no changes are required to the levels of funding and expenditure in the 2006-16 LTCCP for 2007/08.*
- 2. That variations to Levels of Service Numbers 2 and 8 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
- 3. That a report be presented to Council on increasing this activity in terms of rabbit management.*

Energy

That no changes are required for the levels of funding and expenditure or levels of service in the 2006-16 LTCCP for 2007/08.

Air Quality

- 1. That the variation to Level of Service Number 4 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
- 2. That the increased expenditure required for 0203 Public Information – Air Quality of \$160,000 for 2007/08 and \$160,000 for 2008/09 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Public Passenger Transport

- 1. That the increased expenditure of \$250,000 required for the projects Passenger Service Contract Payments – Christchurch (project code 046400) and Passenger Service Contract Payments – Waimakariri (project code 046403) be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

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2. *That the funding policy be amended to provide for the introduction of a targeted rate of 10% of the total contract cost for Passenger Service Contract Payments – Waimakariri (project code 046403).*
3. *That the variations to Levels of Service Numbers 1, 3 and 4 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Regional Land Transport

1. *That no changes are required to the levels of funding and expenditure in the 2006-16 LTCCP for 2007/08.*
2. *That the variation to Levels of Service Number 1 and 2 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Waste, Hazardous Substances and Contaminated Sites

1. *That the expenditure of \$68,000 no longer required for projects 0667 and 0668 be deleted from the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
2. *The variation to the Levels of Service Numbers 1 and 4 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Land and Biodiversity.

1. *That variations to Levels of Service Numbers 1, 3, 4 and 5 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
2. *That the reduced expenditure of \$113,000 required for Projects 0379, 0352, 0353, and 0283 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Navigation Safety

1. *That no changes are required to the levels of funding and expenditure in the 2006-16 LTCCP for 2007/08.*
2. *That the variation to Level of Service Number 1 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

Coastal Environment

1. *That the following projects be deferred:*
 - *0279 Coastal Hazard Investigations – LIDAR survey of Canterbury Bight*
 - *0273 Coastal and River Environmental Monitoring – updating of coastal access database and mapping exercise.*
2. *That the variation to Level of Service Number 2 be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*
3. *That the changes to level of service and expenditure for the following projects for the 2007/08 Annual Plan be considered at the Combined Portfolio Committee meeting:*
 - *0338 Pegasus Bay Access Strategy*
 - *0344 Regional Coastal Environment Plan*
 - *0279 Coastal Hazards Investigations*
 - *0273 Coastal and River Environmental Monitoring*

Democratic Process

1. *That the additional funding required for the Council elections, from the general reserve, be included in the draft 2007/08 Annual Plan.*

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2. ***That the adjustments within the Democratic Process portfolio and transfers to the Coastal Environment portfolio be considered at the Combined Portfolio Committee meeting.***

Cr Burke/Cr Budd

22. REPORT OF THE REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Cr Waters as chair of the Regional Land Transport Committee presented the report of the meeting held on 29 November 2006.

Resolved

That the report of the Regional Land Transport Committee held on 29 November 2006 be received.

Cr Waters/Cr Burke

23. REPORT OF THE REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Cr Waters presented the report of the Regional Land Transport Advisory Subcommittee meeting held on 29 November 2006.

Resolved

That the report of the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Advisory Subcommittee meeting held on 29 November 2006 be received.

Cr Waters/Cr Burke

24. MINUTES OF THE CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP

The report of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held on 4 December 2006 was tabled.

Resolved

That the Council notes the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group's decision on its 2007-2008 Annual Budget for inclusion in Environment Canterbury's 2007-2008 Annual Plan.

Cr Cunningham/Cr McKay

25. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS

The Chief Executive's items were presented.

Resolved

- (a) ***That the Chief Executive's items be received, and***
- (b) ***That Wayne Thomas (Director Finance and Corporate Services) be appointed Acting Chief Executive from 23 December 2006 to 7 January 2007 inclusive during the absence of the Chief Executive.***

Cr Budd/Cr Waters

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26. COUNCILLOR REPORTS EXTERNAL APPOINTMENTS/ CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS

Cr Little – Attendance at Wasteminz Conference.
Cr McKay advised that Lake Pukaki levels were at the highest for 2006.
Cr Slee – Attendance at a Meridian seminar on the Lower Waitaki River Management. Suggested as a topic for a future Council Workshop.
Cr Slee – Thanked Council for the opportunity to attend the Corporate Governance Conference to be held in Wellington in February 2007.
Cr Waters – Attendance at the Biodiversity Strategy meeting.

Cr Waters left the meeting at 4.45 p.m.

Cr Woods – Attendance at Wastebusters Annual Presentation.
Crs Cunningham, Little and Carroll – Attendance at Enviroschools presentations.
Cr Burke – Attendance at recent Regional Affairs Committee. The RAC has set up a governance subcommittee of which Cr Burke is a member representing the South Island.

Resolved

(a) That the Councillor reports be received.

Cr Burke/Cr Johnston

(b) That Cr Johnston be granted leave of absence for the weekend 8-10 December.

Cr Burke/Cr Slee

27. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

28. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

29. EXTRAORDINARY AND URGENT BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary and urgent business.

The meeting moved into public excluded session from 4.50 p.m. to 5.09 p.m.

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30. MEETING WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Minutes of the 26 October Meeting and Matters Arising

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>Minutes of the 26 October Meeting and Matters Arising</i>	<i>That good reason exists for not discussing the matter with the public present and is not outweighed by the public interest.</i>	<i>Section 48(1)(a)</i>

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the council-controlled organisation which supplied or which is the subject of the information - section 7(2)(b)(ii).

Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons – Section (7)(2)(a).

Cr Budd/Cr Woods

The meeting resumed in open meeting at 5.09 p.m.

31. NEXT MEETING – 1 FEBRUARY 2007

32. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 5.10 p.m.

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DATE _____ CHAIRPERSON _____

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