

**REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 10.28AM ON
WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2005 IN THE MEMORIAL
HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

PRESENT: Councillor B Woods (Chair), Mayor K Heays, Councillor J Diver, S Thomas, B Seddon, J Macphail, M Pablecheque.

IN ATTENDANCE: S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), L Copping (Committee Secretary), D Laughton (Building Inspector) S van Aswegen (District Planner), M Hoggard (Planning Officer), R Vaughan (Planning Officer), J Denton (Monitoring/Biodiversity Officer), T Rasmussen (Food & Health Standards New Zealand).

APOLOGIES: Councillor M McChesney

Moved by Councillor Seddon, seconded by Councillor Woods and resolved that apologies be accepted.

1. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

a) Building

The Building Inspector presented his report and advised thirteen building consents with a combined construction cost of \$2,846,999 were processed. 22 Code Compliance Certificates and 18 Land Information Memorandums were also issued for the period.

He advised 2.5 days had been spent compiling the first stage of documentation towards accreditation and had been forwarded to Christchurch City Council and K Holland, a consultant engaged to collate and disseminate information provided by the 13 Councils who were members of the cluster group.

b) Resource Planning

The Planning Officer advised 6 new resource consents were received for the period 15 September to 12 October 2005. It was noted consents were down for the period.

c) Monitoring/ Biodiversity

The Biodiversity Officer presented the report. She advised survey work had been undertaken by an ecologist and as a result it was hoped recognition and ownership of biodiversity values would be taken on board from landowners.

d) District Planning

The District Planner presented the report. She advised drafting of preliminary decisions on the Proposed Plan were completed and a meeting had been held on 17 October for the Planning Committee to

discuss the draft decision documents. A workshop with Council was expected to be scheduled with the aim to discuss and work through the amendments to the Proposed District Plan with a view to it being adopted soon after by Council.

A memo was circulated by the Chief Executive Officer advising a workshop would be held at 9.00am on 27 October to work through draft decisions and answer questions. He advised if Council was satisfied with the decisions it was proposed a special meeting be held at 1.00pm to adopt the Proposed Plan. If Council was unhappy with any of the decisions they would then be taken back to the Planning Committee. He advised Council was the only part of the organisation that could release such decisions, however the Planning Department would be the organ for decisions.

The District Planner advised it was with great joy and relief that decisions had been completed. She advised it was her last meeting with Council due to her resignation and noted the past 5 ½ years working for Council had been the best years of her planning career.

Councillor Seddon advised the District Planner had done a magical job with the plan and noted he felt confident the District Plan Committee had been through the decisions thoroughly and could see no reason why the Proposed Plan could not be adopted by Council next week. He advised Council had been extremely lucky to have such good planners and that it had been a pleasure working with the District Planner over the past 5 ½ years.

e) Environmental Health

The Environmental Health report was presented by T Rasmussen. He advised a special licence was issued and approved for Seafest 2005. I Shaw of Food & Health had attended the event and a report on the event would be provided at the next meeting.

Moved by Mayor Heays, seconded by Councillor Macphail and resolved that the Environmental Services Reports be received.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.48am.