

**REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 10.32AM ON  
WEDNESDAY 25 JULY 2007 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL  
SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), L Copping (Executive Officer), M Hoggard, R Vaughan (Planning/District Planning Officers), J Denton (Monitoring/Biodiversity Officer).

**1. MINUTES ACTION LIST UPDATE**

**Update of Zero Waste Plan**

The Chief Executive Officer advised the Environmental Development Officer had made amendments to the draft plan in line with the Annual Plan and a final draft would be provided in the August agenda.

**2. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS**

**a) Building**

The building control report was presented by the Chief Executive Officer. He advised a contractor was currently in-house processing applications and conducting inspections in the absence of the Building Control Officer.

**b) Resource Planning**

The Planning Officer presented the report advising processing of resource consents had slowed with 3 new consents received for the period. Planning staff recently attended a Section 42A report writing workshop in Blenheim which confirmed Council's notified hearing reports were on track.

**c) Monitoring/Biodiversity**

The Monitoring/Biodiversity Officer presented the report advising complains received had been appointed to the appropriate officer or agency.

Mayor Heays asked if reports were received back from the agency the complaint was sent to such as dog control.

Councillor Woods suggested it may be useful to receive monthly feedback from monitors.

The Chief Executive Officer advised monthly reports would be requested from complaints monitors such as noise and dog control.

**d) District Planning**

**South Bay Height Restrictions**

It was advised this matter had been resolved with the Environment Court upholding the submission of Kaikoura District Council. A contour map of the area would now be prepared and submitted to the Environment Court for final sign off, which would be followed by adoption of the Proposed District Plan.

### **Regional Policy Statement Review**

A further workshop was held with Councillors and Environment Canterbury on 9<sup>th</sup> July. A summary of feedback now needed to be prepared and lodged with Environment Canterbury by the end of August.

### **Transit NZ**

R Vaughan advised clarification was being sought regarding this matter.

### ***e) Environmental Development***

The Chief Executive Officer presented the report in the absence of the Environmental Development Officer. He advised a Green Globe workshop was held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June with a total of 24 individuals attending from 16 local businesses. He further advised Green Globe was mentioned often at the recent annual Local Government Conference.

### **Rates & Resource Consent Information Booklets**

Booklets promoting sustainable practices and various actions that could be taken to minimize environmental impacts and save money among ratepayers and resource applicants were being distributed via rates and were available from Council offices and the website.

### **Creative Places Award**

The Creative Places Built Environment Award was won by Kaikoura District Council following an application on behalf of Council being submitted to the Creative Places Award relating to the work undertaken by Department of Conservation, Whale Watch, Runanga and Council on the Southbay walkway.

### ***f) Resource Planning List Update***

Planning Officer, M Hoggard, advised there were currently two applications under appeal, being Midway Fleet and T Thompson however they were not shown in the agenda.

Councillor Woods noted consent for the large sign north of the mall must be due to expire and suggested Hapuku Lodge signage be chased up as it had been on the list for a very long time.

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

***There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.13am.***

