

**REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 11.05AM ON  
WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2011 IN MEMORIAL HALL  
SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor S Burrows (Chair), Mayor W Gray, Councillors J Diver, G Harmon, D Holmes, J Macphail, D Morgan,

**IN ATTENDANCE:** S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), S Syme (Executive Officer), M Hoggard, R Vaughan (District Planners), D Shovel (Environmental Health Officer)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor N Pablecheque

*Moved by Mayor Gray, seconded by Councillor Morgan and resolved that apologies be accepted.*

**1. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE REPORT OF 17/08/2011**

**Information Boards**

The District Planner advised as soon as the group who were constructing the structure for the information boards were available these would be erected. It was noted the north sign would be located in the vicinity of 'Nins Bins' and the south sign would be located at Peketa. The information boards would be permanent structures.

**2. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS**

**a) Environmental Health**

**Environmental Health Update Report**

The Environmental Health Officer provided an overview of the proposed legislation changes being The Food Bill 2011 and the Alcohol Reform Bill 2011.

The Environmental Health Officer advised the Food Bill 2011 if enacted would replace the Food Act 1981. The Food Bill aimed to provide an efficient, effective and risk-based food regulatory regime that managed food safety, suitability issues, improved business certainty and would minimise the compliance costs for businesses. This Bill would not be enacted until 2013.

The Environmental Health Officer advised the Alcohol Reform Bill had been through its second reading in parliament and had been put on hold until mid 2012. The bill had five policy objectives which included reducing excessive drinking by adults and young people and reduce the harm caused by alcohol use, including crime, disorder and public nuisance. It was noted the District Licensing Committee would be made up of community members and three or four elected members. The Local Alcohol Policy would supercede the bylaw but would support initiatives already put in place like the liquor ban area. The Chief

Executive Officer advised there would be ongoing discussion regarding how to get started with the process.

**Water Monitoring**

The Environmental Health Officer explained the water monitoring reports. Total coliforms were a measure of naturally occurring bacteria in the environment and FAC stood for free available chlorine. It was noted the Fernley Supply had an FAC reading of 1.92. The Environmental Health Officer advised this level was high but was still acceptable. With regard to E.Coli, anything less than one was a good sample.

**b) Building**

23 Building Consents with a combined construction value of \$2,161,450 were issued in August. 5 of these were for new dwellings. 8 Code Compliance Certificates and 15 Land Information Memorandums were also issued during the month.

**c) Resource Planning**

2 new resource consent applications had been received during the reporting period. One application was for subdivision and one was for land use.

**d) District and Environmental Planning**

**Natural Resources Regional Plan**

The District Planner advised Environment Canterbury were preparing a review of the Natural Resources Regional Plan and were calling it the Land and Water Management Plan. The review included all chapters except the Air chapter. Environment Canterbury had requested feedback on five concerns with the existing Natural Resources Regional Plan.

**Coastal Management Strategy**

The District Planner advised the Lions Club had completed the walkway from Jimmy Armers Beach to Point Kean Seal Colony. She understood there would be more planting around the pond at some stage in the future.

***Moved by Councillor Harmon, seconded by Councillor Holmes and resolved that the Environmental Services Reports be received.***

***There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.35am.***