

# REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.44AM ON WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2016 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.

**PRESENT:** Councillor D Morgan (Chair), Mayor W Gray, Councillors T Blunt, J Diver, J Howden, D Millton.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** A Oosthuizen (Chief Executive Officer), S Syme (Committee Secretary), M Hoggard, R Vaughan (District Planners).

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors G Harmon, C Mackle.  
***Moved by Councillor Howden, seconded by Mayor Gray and resolved that apologies be accepted.***

## 1. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

### a) **Resource Planning**

A discussion was held regarding Esplanade reserves. The District Planner advised Esplanade reserves were dependent on the District Plan and Resource Management Act rules. The Act required Council take a reserve or a strip when subdivision was less than 4 hectares adjoining a river or lake. The definition of what constituted a river and a lake were contained in the Resource Management Act. It was noted a strip moved with the land where as an Esplanade reserve was fixed.

### b) **District & Environmental Planning**

#### **Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill (No 2)**

The key aspects of the bill were;

- Options for Council to coordinate and combine networks and scarce resources
- Additional powers for the Local Government Commission in terms of reorganisations
- Additional mechanisms which related to Council Controlled Organisations.

The matter would be discussed and a submission lodged by the Canterbury Mayoral Forum. Submissions closed on 28 July 2016.

The Chief Executive Officer advised a lot of small communities were viewing the proposed legislation as a threat. While the reorganisation process would be more consultative the Commission would be making the final decision as there would no longer be a requirement for the community to vote on the proposal. The Chief Executive Officer would circulate the collaborative submission from the Canterbury Mayoral Forum.

#### **National Infrastructure Fund**

A letter from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment outlining the criteria for the National Infrastructure Fund was tabled. It was noted applicants were expected to co-fund projects to their maximum ability and this would be determined on a case by case basis. Any project approved for funding had to be completed within six months.

Providing toilets at the Ohau Point site was a very challenging project and could take some time.

A discussion was held regarding the issue of trucks and places for them to stop and possible locations for a truck stop.

It was noted the National Infrastructure Fund was focussed around areas of high visitor demand.

***There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.19am.***