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**AGENDA AND SUPPORTING PAPERS
FOR COUNCIL'S JULY MEETINGS**

**TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOOUTH**

TUESDAY, 10 JULY 2018

The programme for the day is:

10.30 a.m:

Resource Management Committee Meeting

On completion of RMC Meeting:

Council Meeting

COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP:

PLANNING MATTERS

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Paroa, Greymouth on **Tuesday, 10 July 2018**

N. CLEMENTSON
CHAIRPERSON

M. MEEHAN
Chief Executive Officer

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON 12 JUNE 2018, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.30 A.M.****PRESENT:**

N. Clementson (Chairman), A. Robb, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield, S. Challenger, J. Douglas

IN ATTENDANCE:

M. Meehan (Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), R. Beal (Operations Manager), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science & Innovation Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media.

1. APOLOGY

There were no apologies.

2. MINUTES

Moved (Archer / McDonnell) *that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 12 June 2018, be confirmed as correct, with the amendment to the gravel take report.*

Carried

Matters Arising

Cr Ewen expressed concern that Elect Mining Ltd is going through the Alternative Justice process. He stated that Elect Mining Ltd would not come in to talk to Council when invited to do so. Cr Ewen stated that this policy may need reviewing as he feels it is not inconsistent for all prosecutions. M. Meehan responded that it is the Company's right to choose whether or not to proceed with a formal interview and in this case, the Company choose not to attend the interview but provided a written statement instead.

Cr Birchfield drew attention to a typographical error in the gravel take report.

3. There was no presentation.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and stated that he attended the Marrs Beach Working Group meeting during the reporting period.

5. REPORTS**5.1 PLANNING AND OPERATIONS GROUP****5.1.1 PLANNING REPORT**

H. Mills spoke to this report. He stated that the RPS Hearing will reconvene on 15 June, then the Panel will adjourn for deliberations with the aim of having recommendations to the August RMC meeting.

H. Mills advised that there is general support for the One District Plan, with the exception of Buller District Council and two other submitters from Buller District Council.

H. Mills stated that the Marrs Beach Working Group is very keen to improve the water quality in the Buller River. He advised that work is progressing well with the next meeting scheduled for 14 June. Cr Clementson stated this is a very good group of people to work with, and work is moving forward nicely.

Moved (Ewen / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.1.2 REEFTON AIR QUALITY SUMMARY

H. Mills spoke to this report and advised that there have been no breaches of the NES so far this year. H. Mills advised that the gap in data during April was caused by a fault with the machine. Cr Birchfield asked for an update on the use of Oekotubes. H. Mills responded that MfE has advised the air quality NES is currently being revised, and a consultation package is expected early in 2019.

Moved (Archer / Challenger) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.1.3 GNS GEOTHERMAL DEFINITION STUDY UPDATE

H. Mills spoke to this report. He stated that a number of Councillors along with M. Meehan and himself attended a recent meeting. H. Mills advised that Stage 1 is expected to be completed by November 2018, and will explore potential use and potential heat supply prospects in proximity to users. He stated that Stage 2 will include drilling and testing but will only go ahead if Stage 1 goes to plan. Stage 3 will involve developing the project.

Moved (Robb / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report and advised the resource consent application numbers have now picked up after a slow start to the year. She reported that six site visits were carried out, 12 non-notified resources consents were granted and four change to and review of consents conditions were granted along with one limited notified consent application.

H. McKay answered questions from Councillors.

Moved (Archer / Challenger) *That the June 2018 report of the Consents Group be received.*

Carried

5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report. She advised that 48 site visits were carried out during the reporting period with nine of the visits resulting from complaints. H. McKay drew attention to an error in the report, there were eight non-compliances, not four, during the reporting period. H. McKay advised that compliance staff are working closely with Westland District Council staff to resolve the odour problems at the Hokitika Waste Water Treatment Plant. She stated that aerators are being installed. It was noted that no further complaints have been received, inquiries are ongoing as to whether or not there will be any enforcement action.

H. McKay advised that two abatement notices and two infringement notices were issued during the reporting period.

Cr Archer requested that resource consent numbers are included in the recommendations for bond releases.

H. McKay answered questions from Councillors and offered to supply additional information relating to non-compliances.

Cr Ewen spoke of the importance in following up on consent conditions. M. Meehan advised that work is in progress to carry out a comprehensive review of consents held by District Councils and Regional Council. He stated that there is potential for further work to be required from the different agencies

involved with these consents. H. McKay advised that compliance staff had asked the district council for the information regarding the reporting of consent conditions prior to the expiry of the 24 months period. Cr Archer stated that a robust reminder system is required to ensure that consent conditions are met with the required timeframe.

Moved (Archer / Ewen)

1. *That the June 2018 report of the Compliance Group be received.*
2. *That the bonds for Elect Mining Ltd, RC-2015-0015 and RC-2015-0050, are released.*

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Ewen raised the matter of Minister Sage’s announcement that mining is going to be banned as well as the use of conservation land for mining. Cr Ewen expressed his concern about the impact this will have on the West Coast. He stated that this is similar to impact that the wetlands case has had on landowners. Cr Ewen stated that he feels that it is high time the West Coast made a stand on these matters. M. Meehan spoke of the discussion that was had at the recent Minerals Conference in Queenstown. He stated that Minister Woods was present and a lot of questions were asked about what the consultation is likely to be and what is likely to happen as a result of this mining ban. Minister Woods also asked about what existing mining is and what the different classifications of land are. M. Meehan advised that Mayors and Chairs have already sent a letter to the government regarding their concern about Minister Sage’s comments and their concerns around the importance of the mining industry which is vital to the economy of the West Coast, and New Zealand. M. Meehan stated that he is still not clear whether the mining ban is to do with climate change, biodiversity values or if it is just an idea that the government has had. He stated that he is optimistic that when the Government comes to consult in September that they will be much clearer on what they are seeking to achieve. M. Meehan advised that the Mayors and Chairs have mobilised, and are getting information together. He stated that Mayor Smith has provided information about stewardship land and work has started on a submission. M. Meehan stated that there is an opportunity to outline the issues and he is hopeful that the government will be taking advice from officials. Cr Robb advised that the Mayors and Chairs are going to Wellington to meet with Minister Jones and Rt Hon Winston Peters next week. Cr Robb spoke of the risk this decision has to the West Coast and the country. Cr Robb stated that he met with Minister Woods at the Minerals Conference and asked her questions about what the intent is with green minerals on the West Coast and is there going to be access to these minerals if there is a move away from other minerals. Cr Robb spoke of the importance in getting good information out during the submission period to ensure that people are educated on this. Cr McDonnell stated that it is important to speak with politicians as NZ First have vetoed the three strikes law, and they may do the same with this matter. Cr Robb stated that our role up until September, is to get as much information as possible into a submission, to act in an engaging way in order to get our message across to as many Ministers as possible.

Cr Birchfield stated that he to heard Minister Woods speech and there is no good news. He stated that there is to be no mining on DoC land. Cr Birchfield stated that Minister Woods said that green minerals will not be mined off DoC land, they must come from private land. M. Meehan advised that Minister Woods is also the Minister of Science and Innovation. He stated that mining has changed a lot over the years and there is potential for a lot more innovation for mining methods. Cr McDonnell agreed, and stated that previous mining methods were a lot more damaging then methods used nowadays. M. Meehan advised that if the wetland plan change was to be withdrawn then the status quo would remain. He stated that plan change was to try to remove parts of the Schedule 2 wetlands and remove some in their entirety. He advised that to withdraw now would impact on these affected landowners who have committed and invested in the current process.

The meeting closed at 11.14 a.m.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Edith Bretherton - Senior Policy Planner, Emma Perrin-Smith – Senior Resource Science Technician, Stefan Beaumont - Team Leader Resource Science, Lillie Sadler – Team Leader Planning
 Date: 28 June 2018
SUBJECT: PLANNING AND HYDROLOGY MONTHLY REPORT

RPS Hearings Update

The hearing was reconvened on 15 June for the staff right of reply on matters raised in the hearing process. The hearing has now closed and the Panel is completing deliberations. The Panel's recommendations report and version of the RPS will be brought to the Committee at the August meeting.

Plan Change 1 Hearings Update

Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearings were held on 18 and 19 June with independent Chair Allan Cubitt, and Councillor Representatives Andrew Robb and Terry Archer as the Panel. Following presentations from submitters, the hearing was adjourned while the Panel undertook site visits on 20 June. The hearing reconvened on 21 June for the Council's staff right of reply, and was then adjourned again to enable the Panel to obtain further advice on some of the issues raised.

19 submitters appeared, including Te Rūnanga o Makaawhio, Buller District Council, Federated Farmers, DoC, sphagnum moss harvesters, and a number of Schedule 2 wetland landowners. The main themes submitters raised were the scheduling of wetlands as per the Environment Court order, and the proposed permitted activity rule for sphagnum moss harvesting.

Zero Carbon Bill

MfE have released a discussion document "Our Climate Your Say: Consultation on the Zero Carbon Bill", outlining the proposed main contents of the Bill. The purpose of the Bill is for New Zealand to deliver its part in the global effort to address climate change through putting in place targets, long term goals, plans to respond to climate change impacts, and institutions to support these.

The discussion document outlines three target options: net zero carbon dioxide emissions, net zero carbon of long-lived gases (including carbon dioxide and nitrous oxide), and stabilising short lived gases (including methane), or net zero carbon across all greenhouse gases. All options have a **2050 target**.

Key ways in which the targets can be achieved are to increase renewable electricity generation, plant more trees, invest in new technologies, move to electric vehicles/public transport, promote cycling and walking, and continue our world-leading research exploring how to reduce emissions on farms.

From an initial staff review of the discussion document, the potential implications for the West Coast are:

- Industrial heating is expected to switch from fossil fuel to electricity and biomass. Geothermal electricity generation is an extensive, untapped renewable energy resource, which may provide a mitigation option within the energy sector.
- Within the agricultural sector, a methane vaccine is under development to mitigate emissions from dairy, beef and sheep sectors. However, land use change to lower-emitting uses are likely to be needed to achieve material emissions reductions from this sector.
- New Zealand wide, an additional 10% of land will need to be forested to soak up emissions, both commercial and permanent native forests.
- A possible targeted adaptation reporting power in the Bill which would see some organisations share information on their exposure to climate change risks.

Submissions close 19 July. As this date is before the August Council meeting, a draft submission will be circulated to the Resource Management Committee members for comment prior to the submission closing date.

National Planning Standards Update

The proposed National Planning Standards have been released for consultation. The Council has provided input on previous discussion documents and drafts. From an initial staff review of the proposed Standards, the majority of our concerns appear to have been allayed. However, the following are key matters to consider submitting on:

- Eplans: a spatially integrated eplan will be required which allows the user to drill through different map layers and specific rules that apply to particular properties or activities and infrastructure providers. While IT staff have not raised concerns about the technology costs, loading the data may take up a considerable amount of IT resource.
- RPS structure: The proposed standard for the structure of RPS chapters, and the current structure of the West Coast proposed RPS, are generally well aligned. The Standards would also require changes to the Introduction, Ngāi Tahu and Glossary chapters, and the addition of a chapter on NPS's and NES's that have been given effect to.
- Status of rules: Permitted Plan rules must list the default rule status that applies if the permitted rule is not complied with, for example controlled or discretionary.

Submissions close 17 August. The Ministry for the Environment is expecting to gazette these sets of Standards by April 2019, with changes to be given effect to by April 2024.

NPSFM Progress - Update

Staff in partnership with Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu have developed a draft Terms of Reference for the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPSFM) Grey Fresh Water Management Unit (Grey FMU) Group. Refer Attachment 1. The terms of reference outlines the purpose and structure of the group. Also included in Attachment 1 is a timeline for the Grey FMU Group.

Latest Land and Water Forum Report

The Land and Water Forum publicly released its most recent (and fifth) report at the end of June. The Report sets out the steps members of the Land and Water Forum assert are needed to manage freshwater within limits and avoid further degradation, manage sediment better, and provide for a national approach to how nitrogen is allocated. The Forum identified a number of national level actions to quickly help prevent further degradation:

- At-risk catchments have an effective plan-of-action in place. Where this hasn't happened or plans are inadequate, the government should act.
- Improving the way the Resource Management Act (RMA) and the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPSFM) is being applied around the country.
- Changing the NPSFM and its National Objectives Framework (NOF) as recommended in earlier Forum reports.

Other key recommendations include:

- Let current plans that appear to be addressing nitrogen effectively run till review time.
- Where nitrogen is a problem & it isn't being addressed, ensure that those catchments are identified.
- Support councils to deal with situations where consents collectively may be inconsistent with a limit.
- Create a short-term interim national framework requiring over-allocation of nitrogen to be reduced, providing movement for those with no/little discharge, and that a threshold is not being exceeded.
- Meanwhile, move quickly to sort out essential nitrogen discharge and allocation tools (improved modelling for limits, a national framework for accounting for contaminant discharges in catchments).
- And, in conjunction seek to resolve iwi rights and interests.

The Report also addresses sediment in urban stormwater discharges, enabling catchment level environment groups, and addressing key science issues.

To view the Report, click on this link: <http://www.landandwater.org.nz/>

Sustainable Farming Fund (SFF)

The SFF funding round will open for applications on **9 July 2018**, until 17 August for large projects, and 30 June 2019 for small projects.

The SFF invests in applied research and projects led by farmers, growers, or foresters that aim to deliver economic, environmental and social benefits for New Zealand. SFF projects normally run for up to three years, receiving up to \$200,000 a year in funding. Successful SFF projects demonstrate strong collaboration and are supported by a large number of benefactors, providing at least 20 per cent co-funding. For more information, go on the SFF website via the link below:

<https://www.mpi.govt.nz/funding-and-programmes/farming/sustainable-farming-fund/>

Marrs/Shingle update

The Marrs/Shingle Beaches working group has held two further meetings. Council staff presented a summary of water quality data to the group, followed by a discussion around the community values of these beaches and identification of knowledge gaps which, if filled, would assist future decision making.

The group has identified that swimming is the highest priority value for both beaches, and the water quality target for them should be to achieve a relevant contact recreation standard. If the standard chosen proves to be unobtainable following the collection of more data and information, the group will re-evaluate it.

To achieve a greater understanding of where potential sources of *E. coli* may be coming from, the group has identified a number of new sampling sites around the catchment. These are currently being sampled weekly, along with Marrs Beach and Shingle Beach, by one of the group members. This extra sampling may help us identify areas where *E. coli* is higher, and where we might undertake more detailed sampling.

Group member Erica Jar, a Buller High School teacher, and her students, have collected many of their own water samples from around the catchment, and cultured *E. coli* themselves. Comparison between student and lab analysed samples are proposed for the future.

A media release will be publicised in the coming weeks and a page set up on the Council website to promote the group and keep the community up to date with progress. Buller District Councillor Jamie Cleine has been nominated as the public point of contact for the group.

Hydrology – Flood Alerts

There have been no flood alarms for the reporting period.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the report is received.*
- 2. That the draft Terms of Reference for the Grey Fresh Water Management Unit (FMU) Group are supported.*

Hadley Mills
Planning, Science, and Innovation Manager

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Grey FMU Group Terms of Reference**Purpose and Function**

The purpose of the Group is to engage with the community to identify their values for, and understand the issues with, freshwater quality and quantity in the Grey Freshwater Management Unit (FMU). The Group will then make recommendations to the Council Resource Management Committee (RMC) for future plan provisions and work programmes to manage the land and water resources within the FMU. The recommendations may contain both regulatory (e.g. rules in plans) and non-regulatory (e.g. riparian planting) measures to maintain or improve freshwater quality and quantity outcomes in the FMU.

The Group will operate in partnership with Poutini Ngāi Tahu to recognise and respect the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and develop recommendations which consider mana whenua cultural values including:

- Te Mana o te Wai and the taonga status of Waimāori
- Kaitiakitanga
- Mahinga kai and other customary uses including pounamu
- Protection of the Mauri of waterbodies and restoration where degraded
- A Ki Uta Ki Tai - (mountains to sea) approach to integrated land and water management
- Mātauranga Māori
- Recognition and protection of wetlands, waipuna (springs), estuaries, hāpua and lagoons, of significance to Poutini Ngāi Tahu, as Wāhi taonga

Group Objectives

Work with the community to:

1. Understand the issues affecting freshwater quality and quantity in the Grey FMU
2. Identify and prioritise values and uses for freshwater quality and quantity in the Grey FMU
3. Maintain or improve Te Mana o te Wai
4. Develop objectives and limits for maintaining or improving freshwater quality and quantity, informed by how land and water are valued and used in the FMU
5. Develop a range of regulatory and non-regulatory approaches for achieving those objectives and limits
6. Provide Council with issues, values, objectives and limits and their recommended regulatory and non-regulatory approaches for achieving these by December 2019.

Establishment and Status

The Grey FMU Group (the Group) is established under the Local Government Act 2002. It has the status of an Advisory Committee of the West Coast Regional Council (the Council) with no decision-making powers.

Council Consideration of Grey FMU Group Recommendations

The RMC is responsible for the review and approval of the regulatory proposals recommended by the Group, including ensuring consistency with relevant statutory requirements. Non-regulatory proposals will be considered by the Council (RMC) in conjunction with relevant external organisations, including local and iwi authorities.

The Council (RMC) will consider the Group's recommendations. If any recommendations are inconsistent with the Council's views or statutory requirements, these elements will be referred back to the Group for further consideration.

Group Membership

The Grey FMU Group will be appointed by the Council and will have the following membership:

1. One member appointed by the Regional Council, who shall be an elected member
2. One member of each of the Grey and Buller District Councils, who shall be an elected member, appointed by the respective Council
3. Two members appointed by each Papatipu Rūnanga whose takiwā falls entirely or partially within the Grey FMU boundary
4. Up to eight members from the community with a range of backgrounds and interests related to land and water management within the FMU. Selection will ensure a cross section of values, understanding and perspectives in the community. The Council may approve additional members if it determines their necessity to ensure appropriate balance.

In determining the composition of the Group's community membership, consideration will be given to balancing land and water management values and interests, including, but not limited to:

- Agriculture
- Indigenous biodiversity/environment
- Recreation
- Mining
- Forestry
- Hydro
- Drinking water
- Conservation
- Sustainable development
- Tourism
- Economic development
- Urban
- Public health
- General community
- Rural settlements

To be eligible for consideration for appointment to the Grey FMU Group, a community nominee must live in, or be able to demonstrate a close connection with, the FMU.

Each community member must also reflect the interests of a wider group within the community, and will be required to engage with their organisations and networks to share information and get feedback on matters being considered by the Group.

West Coast Regional Council, Grey District Council, Buller District Council and Poutini Ngāi Tahu will appoint their own representatives on the committee.

Chairperson

The Chairperson has additional responsibilities, including ensuring that the Group functions properly, there is full participation during meetings, all relevant matters are discussed and that effective decisions are made and carried out in a timely manner as per the Terms of Reference.

WCRC staff will provide the chairperson and the group with administrative support including direction on planning policy and science. The Chairperson must provide leadership and ensure that the goals and objectives of the Group are met. The Chairperson may need to work between meetings to liaise with technical experts, and represent the Group at external meetings when required.

The Chairperson is to be determined by the full Grey FMU Group when all members have been appointed. The Group will be chaired by the member from the Regional Council in the interim.

Quorum

A quorum consists of:

- I. Half of the members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even; or
- II. A majority of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is odd.

Proxies or alternates are not permitted to vote or provide input into group deliberations on behalf of a group member or organisation. The Group will at all times operate in accordance with the requirements of the Standing Orders of Council, under the Local Government Act (2002), and the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act.

Reporting

The group will provide updates to the Council's Resource Management Committee, and the community via the WCRC website, at least quarterly.

Meetings and Workshops

The Group will generally meet monthly, with workshops and additional meetings as required.

Some meetings may be open to the public to attend as observers with an allocated time slot for public questions.

Meeting Protocols

General meeting protocols are to be agreed upon by the Group.

Duration of the Grey FMU Group

The Grey FMU Group shall exist for the duration of the development and delivery of Grey FMU freshwater quality and quantity recommendations to Council, and shall cease to exist once Council has made decisions on the proposals recommended.

General Operating Principles

The Group is expected to:

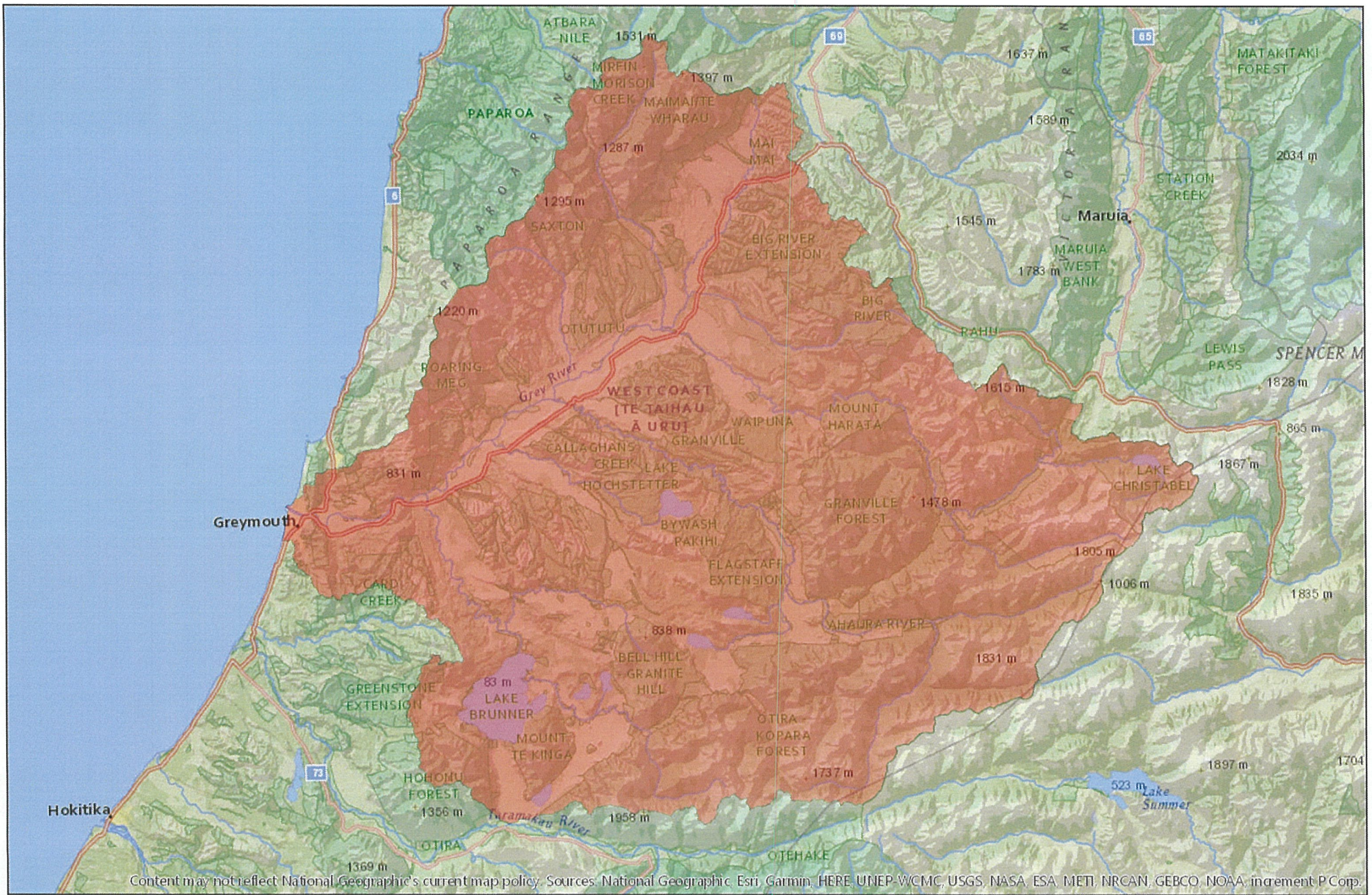
1. Work in a collaborative and co-operative manner using its best endeavours to reach solutions that take account of the interests of all sectors of the community
2. Seek consensus in its decision-making where possible
3. Seek assistance and exhaust all avenues to resolve matters where the Group encounters fundamental disagreements
4. Report to the Council the matters where agreement has been achieved and also matters where disagreement has not been resolved, including whether there is a consensus or majority view on each matter.

Group Support

The Group will be supported by the West Coast Regional Council, with the primary contact being the Planning Team Leader, Lillie Sadler.

A minimum of two Council staff will attend each meeting and will provide administrative support, minute taking, technical advice and information. Any additional investigation or data collection requested by the Group will require Council approval. Staff from Grey District Council, Buller District Council, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae, and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu will be invited to attend meetings, and provide technical advice and information where appropriate.

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Grey Freshwater Management Unit

Grey FMU



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Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Emma Perrin-Smith, Senior Resource Science Technician
 Date: 26 June 2018
Subject: REEFTON AIR QUALITY SUMMARY

There have been no exceedances of the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Air Quality) Regulations 2004 for PM₁₀ in Reefton so far this year (Figure 1). The gap in the data record was due to a machine fault.

This is the second winter of monitoring at the new site location (at the Reefton Area School). It was necessary to relocate the monitoring site due to the sale of the property on which the old site was located (at the old school pool). The new location provides Council with long term security of site use. Figure 2 shows the location of the original site and the new site location. There are a number of requirements around the location of air quality sites (e.g. power, security, un-restricted air flow) so this limited the options available to us.

The National Environmental Standard for Air Quality (NESAQ) is in the process of being updated. Once the document is finalised it will be going out for public consultation around mid-next year and is scheduled to be implemented early 2020.

Council is waiting for the NESAQ to be finalised before progressing further with work on Reefton air quality management options (e.g. Oekotubes) to ensure that any work carried out will be applicable to the new requirements.

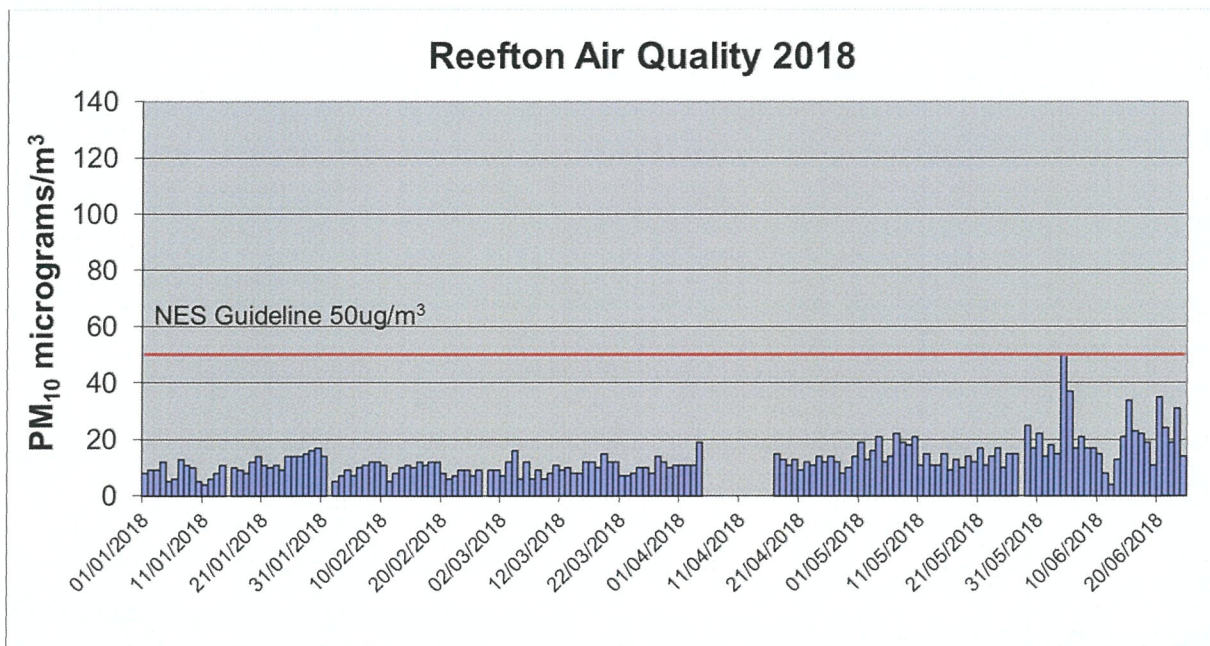


Figure 1. Reefton daily PM₁₀ for 2018.

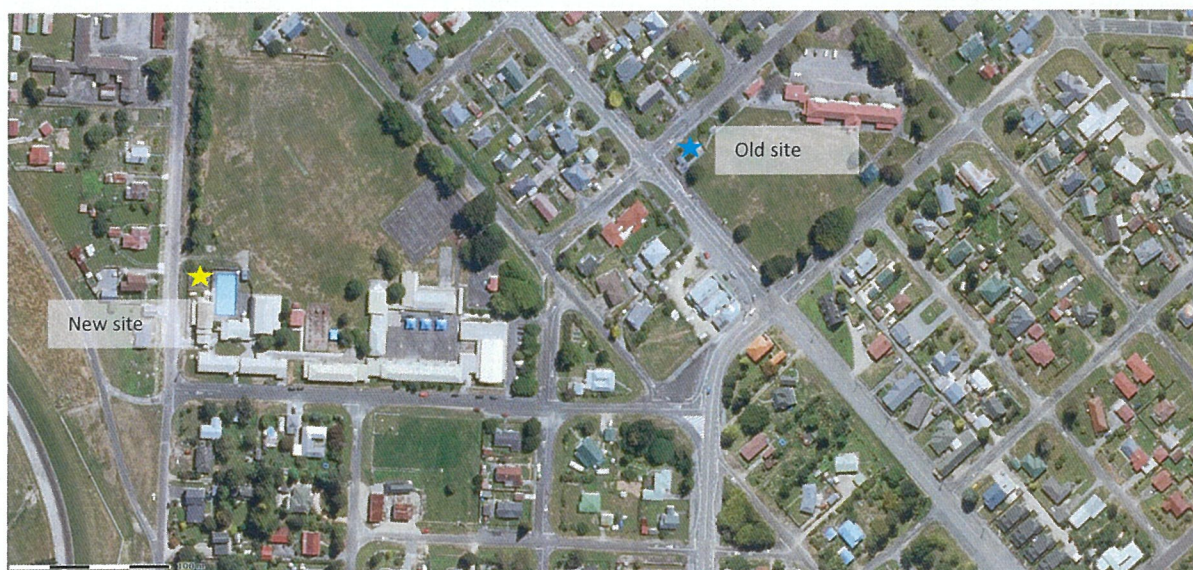


Figure 2. Map of Reefton showing the change in monitoring site location.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received.

Hadley Mills
Planning, Science and Innovation Manager

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Cassidy Rae – Consents and Compliance Administrator
 Date: 27 June 2018
Subject: CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

2 Consents Site Visit were undertaken 30 May 2018 – 27 June

11/06/18	RC-2017-0118 Butlers Mining Ltd, McLeod's Road, Mikonui, Application	Visited site to view location of proposed drainage modification.
13/06/18	RC97028-V1 Birchfield Coal Mines Ltd, Rocky Creek Coal Washery, Variation	Visited site with applicant to observe what is currently occurring on site and status of works authorised by the consent with a view to bonding requirements.

4 Non-Notified Resource Consents were Granted 30 May 2018 – 27 June 2018

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER	PURPOSE OF CONSENT
RC-2017-0118 Butlers Mining Limited McLeod's Road, Mikonui	To mine and undertake vegetation disturbance within MP53355, at McLeod's Road, Mikonui. To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining within MP53355, at McLeod's Road, Mikonui. To take and use water associated with alluvial gold mining activities within MP53355, at McLeod's Road, Mikonui. To discharge sediment-laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter water, associated with alluvial gold mining within MP53355, at McLeod's Road, Mikonui.
RC-2018-0021 Department of Conservation Punakaiki	To discharge herbicide to land by aerial spraying methods, Punakaiki.
RC-2018-0042 CYB Construction Limited Hebbard Road, Gladstone	To discharge treated onsite sewage wastewater to land from a domestic dwelling at Lot 1 DP 305152 20 Hebbard Road, Gladstone.
RC-2018-0053 R & CA Oliver Kumara Junction Highway	To restore an historic water channel within the Coastal Marine Area (CMA). To undertake earthworks associated with reinstating an historic channel and replacing an original culvert. To take and use surface water with the CMA.

11 Change to and Reviews of Consent Conditions were Granted 30 May 2018 – 27 June 2018

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER	PURPOSE OF CHANGE/REVIEW
RC93070-V1 Birchfield Coal Mines Limited Strongman Underground Coal Mine	Change monitoring requirements of discharge, Strongman Underground Coal Mine.
RC94080-V1 Birchfield Coal Mines Limited Rapahoe Coal Handling Facility	Change to reporting requirements, Rapahoe Coal Handling Facility.
RC98033-V6 Westland Milk Products Hokitika River	Increase maximum water take, Hokitika River.

RC05217-V3 Birchfield Coal Mines Limited Strongman Opencast Coal Mine	Change to reporting frequency, Strongman Opencast Coal Mine.
WDC-RC110105-V1 BRM Developments Limited Ianthe Forest	Amend area of Gold mining in the Westland District, Ianthe Forest (MP52010).
RC-2015-0112-V1 Goldriver Mining Limited Waimea (Goldsborough)	Sediment discharges for Gold mining activities, Waimea (Goldsborough) (MP60227).
RC-2015-0147-V2 Westland Milk Products Hokitika River	To increase number of disposal trenches, Hokitika River.
RC-2016-0015-V1 Ross Beach Mining Limited Goldsborough	Additional disturbed area of Gold mining activities, Goldsborough (MP53695).
WDC-RC160017-V1 Ross Beach Mining Limited Goldsborough	Amend Goldmining Area in the Westland District, Goldsborough (MP53695).
WS-2017-0857-V1 RJ Coers & CM Daley Paringa River	Change to design of Whitebait Stand, Paringa River.
WS-2017-888-V1 RJ Coers & CM Daley Paringa River	Design change to Whitebait Stand, Paringa River.

0 Limited Notified and Notified Resource Consents were granted 30 May 2018 – 27 June 2018

Public Enquiries

36 written public enquiries were responded to during the reporting period. 34 (94%) were answered on the same day, and the remaining 2 (6%) within the next ten days.

RECOMMENDATION

That the July 2018 report of the Consents Group be received.

Heather McKay

Consents & Compliance Manager

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Heather McKay – Consents & Compliance Manager
 Date: 29 June 2018
 Subject: **COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

Site Visits

A total of 35 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

Activity	Number of Visits
Resource consent monitoring	16
Mining compliance & bond release	6
Complaint/Incident related	13
Dairy farm	0

- A total of 11 complaints/reported incidents were received, with 10 resulting in site visits.

Non-Compliances

Note: These are the activities that have been assessed as non-compliant during the reporting period.

A total of 7 non-compliances occurred during the reporting period.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Gold Mining	Complaint regarding the discharge of sediment to a creek.	Kaniere	The site was inspected and established that sediment laden water had discharged through the wall of a settling pond then into a creek. An abatement notice was issued to the miner to cease the discharge. Enquiries are ongoing.	Complaint
Gold Mining	Complaint regarding Maori Creek discoloured with sediment from a gold mining operation.	Dunganville	The site was inspected and established that sediment laden water had discharged from a settling pond then into Maori Creek. Samples obtained during the inspection have been analysed and confirm the consented discharge limit was breached. An infringement notice was issued to the miner	Complaint
Stock access to water	Complaint regarding dairy cows pugging a riparian margin.	Arahura	The site was inspected and established that cows had been in a crop paddock and pugged the margins of a small spring creek. The farmer had already removed the cows from the paddock prior to the inspection. Advice was given on how to manage the area better.	Complaint

Storm water discharge	Complaint that a person has altered the drainage on their driveway which was causing issues to another property.	Ruatapu	The site was inspected and the property owner was required to address the problem. Subsequently a culvert has been placed on the driveway to redirect the storm water runoff.	Complaint
Rubbish Dumping	Complaint received that an unknown person has dumped car parts over the road edge at 10 mile.	10 Mile, Coast Rd	Enquiries are ongoing	Complaint
Gold Mining	A site inspection to a non-operational gold mining operation to check compliance with the consent	Taylorville	The site has not been operational for some time and a small area disturbed by mining is required to be rehabilitated. As the miner is also the property owner no further action will be undertaken at this stage.	Incident
Discharge to land	Complaint received that water blasting of an old building has discharged old paint onto nearby properties and storm drains.	Greymouth	The operator was required to clean it up.	Complaint

Other Complaints/Incidents

Note: These are the other complaints/incidents assessed during the reporting period whereby the activity was not found to be non-compliant or compliance is not yet established at the time of reporting.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Discharge to air	Complaint regarding the periodic burning of rubbish	Taylorville	Enquiries are ongoing	Complaint
Earthworks	Complaint regarding earthworks being undertaken on a hazardous site.	Hokitika	The site is the old 3 mile saw mill and an inspection was undertaken. As no material was being removed from the site there was no breach of the regional rules. The matter was referred to the District Council.	Complaint
Black Sand Mining	Complaint regarding the depth of excavation undertaken by a black sand miner	9 Mile Beach Charleston	Enquiries were undertaken with the miner and established that they had currently ceased work. The resource consent does not have restrictions around depth however an inspection will be arranged when the site is operational again.	Complaint
River bed disturbance	Complaint regarding a bulldozer working in the bed of a creek.	Atarau	The site was inspected and established that the work was on behalf of the District Council for maintenance of their public road bridge.	Complaint

Update on Previously Reported Ongoing Complaints/Incidents

Note: This section provides an update on complaints and incidents from previous reporting periods where enquires were not yet complete.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Earthworks	Complaint regarding earthworks having changed the drainage on a property which has caused flooding and erosion to a neighbouring property.	Ruru	A follow up inspection was undertaken with the property owner. This has resulted in an abatement notice being issued to undertake remedial work to mitigate the eroded areas.	Complaint
Gold Mining	Miner outside of disturbed area allowed by their consent	Notown	An inspection was undertaken to ensure that the miner was complying with the abatement notice to rehabilitate disturbed areas. The miner has completed some rehabilitation.	Incident

Hokitika Waste Water Treatment Plant

This section of the report is to provide an update on the Councils responses into the WWTP compliance issues. The Westland District Council (WDC) operates the Hokitika WWTP under a Regional Council resource consent.

Occasionally the Council has received complaints from nearby residents regarding the discharge of odour from the treatment ponds. More recently complaints were received over the 2017 New Year period and again frequently during May 2018.

The Councils response to these complaints has been ongoing throughout this time by undertaking site inspections, liaising with complainants and the WDC. To gain an understanding of the effect and the frequency of the discharges odour diaries were distributed to complainants.

The WDC has recently installed aerators into the treatment ponds and held a meeting with residents about their concerns. WCRC has not received any further odour related complaints since this time, but has continued to engage with residents and WDC and inspect the site.

The last inspection was undertaken on 29 June 2018 in relation to comments in The Press newspaper. Included in the article were alleged breaches of the consent including no signage on the beach and solid waste materials from the discharge pipe littering the beach. The inspection established that the correct signage is in place and there was no rubbish littering the beach approximately 1km north of Houhou Creek.

In addition to odour related matters, during a site inspection, a WCRC compliance officer noted the discharge pipe discharging directly into the beach area above the low tide mark. WDC were immediately notified and undertook remedial works. A review of consent conditions established that discharge into the intertidal zone is allowed by the consent, however the site continues to be monitored.

The resource consent also requires a number of plans and surveys to be undertaken and provided to WCRC, including an odour monitoring survey to be commissioned prior to 7 April 2018. Following a query on this from WCRC to WDC in January 2018, WDC confirmed that this survey was being commissioned. WCRC are of the understanding that the survey has been completed and we are expecting the report in the near future. Compliance staff have also been engaging with WDC to ensure all other conditions of consent are complied with and this is ongoing.

Enquiries and consideration of the matter as a whole are ongoing, and no enforcement decisions have yet been made.

The table below is a record of site inspections and action undertaken by compliance staff when responding to complaints since May 2018.

Date	Description	Action/Outcome
4 May 2018	Complaint that the discharge of odour was offensive	Compliance officer met with WDC staff on site and found that there was no offensive odour
18 May 2018 1pm	Complaint that the discharge of odour was offensive	Inspection undertaken and no offensive odour detected.
18 May 2018 2.30pm	Compliance staff stopped at the WWTP and noted that the discharge of odour was objectionable.	The WDC was notified of the discharge.
19 May 2018	Complaint that the discharge of odour was offensive	Inspection undertaken and no offensive odour detected.
21 May 2018	Complaint that the discharge of odour was offensive	Inspection undertaken and no offensive odour detected. Odour diary provided to the complainant to record any further incidents.
23 May 2018	Complaint that the discharge of odour was offensive	Inspection undertaken and no offensive odour detected.
28 May 2018	No complaint received however an inspection undertaken	No offensive odour detected and noted that work had commenced to install aerators.
29 May 2018	No complaint received however an inspection undertaken	No offensive odour detected.
30 May 2018	No complaint received however an inspection was undertaken	Compliance officer met with complainants and uplifted odour diaries. During the site visit the discharge pipe was noted as discharging directly to the beach. WDC was notified and took remedial action to ensure no pooling/ponding of discharge continued.
31 May 2018	No complaint received however an inspection was undertaken while travelling past.	No offensive odour detected. Community meeting held at the WDC with affected residents.
8 June 2018	No complaint received however an inspection was undertaken.	Noted on site that the aerators were installed and functioning. There was no offensive odour detected. Enquiries also undertaken with the principal complainant.
27 June 2018	Enquiries undertaken with complainant	Complainant advises that the odour is still occurring intermittently.

Date	Description	Action/Outcome
29 June 2018	Site inspection undertaken following Press article published that day.	On site noted that the aerators were working in both ponds. Noted that the correct signage was in place. The discharge pipe was discharging into the intertidal area as consented. Walked the beach in the vicinity of the discharge pipe and noted that there was no litter discharged from the WWTP. Drove to the mouth of Houhou Creek and walked approx 1 km north to take into account the northerly drift. Also spoke to several persons who walked the beach almost daily. No rubbish or waste from the WWTP was located. Persons spoken to also confirm that the complaint has no merit.

Formal Enforcement Action

Abatement Notices: Two abatement notices were issued during the reporting period.

Activity	Location
Gold Mining – notice served to cease the discharge of sediment	Kaniere
Farming (earthworks) – notice served to undertake remedial work to mitigate erosion caused by a storm water drain.	Ruru Lake Brunner

Infringement Notices: One infringement notice was issued during the reporting period.

Activity	Location
Gold Mining – infringement notice served for the discharge of sediment laden water.	Dunganville

Mining Work Programmes and Bonds

The Council received the following three work programmes during the reporting period. No work programmes have been approved. The work programmes require a site visit prior to approval.

Date	Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location	Approved
28-05-18	RC09031- RC13074	Henry Adams Contracting	Houhou Creek	In progress
11-06-18	RC07067	P Fielding	Inangahua	In Progress
22-06-18	RC-2014-0159	Prospect Resources	Maori Gully	In progress

Two bonds were received during the reporting period

Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location	Amount
RC10193	Buller Coal Ltd	Buller	\$1272,000,00
RC-2015-0106	TS Mining Ltd	Dunganville	\$10,000

No bonds are recommended for release

RECOMMENDATION

That the July 2018 report of the Compliance Group be received.

COUNCIL MEETING

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING** of the West Coast Regional Council will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Greymouth on **Tuesday, 10 July 2018** commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting

A.J. ROBB
CHAIRPERSON

M. MEEHAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 12 JUNE 2018,
AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH,
COMMENCING AT 11.14 A.M.**

PRESENT:

A. Robb (Chairman), N. Clementson, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield, S. Challenger

IN ATTENDANCE:

M. Meehan (Chief Executive Officer) R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), R. Beal (Operations Manager), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science and Innovation Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media.

1. APOLOGY:

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (Archer / Clementson) *that the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 8 May 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

Carried

Matters arising

Cr Ewen stated that he had requested that the Kiwi Quarry report be passed onto to KiwiRail and NZTA. Discussion took place and it was agreed the R. Beal would pass the report on to both parties, minus the financial information.

Moved (Ewen / Archer) *that the John Ellis report on Kiwi Quarry is passed onto KiwiRail and NZTA.*

Carried

REPORTS:**4.1 ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT**

R. Beal spoke to this report and advised that NZTA has provided the affected party sign off this week for the river training work in the Franz Josef rating district. R. Beal advised that the additional bulldozer work will go ahead and will be completed by the end of June.

R. Beal reported that a planting day will be held this Sunday for the Carters Beach work. He advised that engineers are considering a box culvert for the area near Elley Drive, this area was hit hard by Cyclone Fehi. R. Beal advised that options will be presented to the community at a meeting in July.

R. Beal advised that a community group in Okarito may use their own funding for work required. He stated that Council's Engineer will provide support with contractors and consents.

Cr McDonnell asked R. Beal if the \$18,000 the Franz Josef rating district is proposing to spend on additional river training work is on top of the \$100,000 already spent. R. Beal confirmed that this is additional.

R. Beal confirmed that Neil's Beach has built up well, and the sacrificial bund was not touched by Cyclone Fehi.

Discussion took place on the costs of works to special rating districts and the expectations that communities have. Cr Archer commented that there is a fine line between keeping costs down and providing the appropriate protection levels that the community expects. Cr Archer commented that communities will always want to keep the costs of rates down, but suppressing rates often has adverse

effects and results in finger pointing if the work agreed to doesn't achieve the outcome intended. R. Beal advised that this has been raised previously by Audit NZ. He stated that agreed services levels will need to be discussed further at the annual rating district meetings later in the year. The Chairman spoke of instances where Council has had to override a rating district decision as ultimately Council is responsible for work in rating districts.

Moved (Ewen / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

4.2 VARIATION 4 TO THE WEST COAST REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN 2015 – 21

N. Costley spoke to this report and advised that the improvements will provide cost savings across the local roading transport network. She stated that LED lights use up to 60% less power will be a long term cost saver. N. Costley advised that West Coast Regional Transport Committee has endorsed the variation and made the recommendations as below. N. Costley confirmed the cost share arrangement with Grey District Council.

Moved (Birchfield / Challenger)

1. *That Council approves the variation to the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 for the inclusion of the Grey District LED Lighting Improvements - \$800,000.*
2. *That Council submits the variation to the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 to the New Zealand Transport Agency.*

Carried

4.2.1 ADOPTION OF INTERIM REVIEW ON THE REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN 2015 – 21

N. Costley spoke to this report. She advised that the Regional Transport Committee have approved the review therefore Council can now also approve it and it can now be lodged with NZTA. Cr McDonnell drew attention to various errors in the report, he asked several questions relating to rail transport and drew attention to the Mingha Bluff work which has now been completed. Cr Archer agreed with Cr McDonnell's comments. Cr Archer drew attention to sections of the report relating to the LTP and several other minor matters. Cr Challenger stated that the keeping open of state highways should be a higher priority. N. Costley answered questions from Councillors and explained the prioritisation process to the meeting. Extensive discussion took place and it was agreed that N. Costley would check the current status of matters relating to Solid Energy, and make the requested amendments to the report.

Moved (Clementson / Challenger)

That Council adopts the Interim Review of the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 as per 18B (3) (a) of the Land Transport Management Act, and submits this to the NZ Transport Agency, subject to the minor amendments discussed at today's meeting.

Carried

4.3 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

R. Mallinson tabled an updated financial report. He advised that this is the ten month financial report with the result being a deficit of \$235,000. R. Mallinson reported that the investment portfolio improved by \$187,000 during April, with a further increase of \$100,000 during May. R. Mallinson stated that Council's fund managers will be giving their annual presentation at the conclusion of today's meeting.

Moved (Archer / McDonnell) *That the report be received.*

Carried

4.3.1 DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT FOR 2018 – 2028

R. Mallinson spoke to this report and advised that this report was prepared prior to receiving sign off from Audit NZ. He stated that it was hoped sign off would have been received by the end of this week but it is now looking like Wednesday of next week. R. Mallinson stated that this has been a huge piece of work

which has run behind schedule due to increased expectations from Audit NZ, and under estimating the staffing resources required. R. Mallinson answered numerous questions from Councillors and provided further detail on various matters. R. Mallinson advised that once sign off is received from Audit NZ, a special meeting will be required to adopt the audited Consultative Document.

Moved (Challenger / McDonnell)

1. *That Council formally adopts the information that is relied on in the content of the Consultative Document, including:*
 - *Budgetary Information*
 - *Significant forecasting assumptions*
 - *Performance framework*
 - *Revenue & Financing Policy*
 - *Financial Strategy*
 - *Infrastructure Strategy*
 - *Groups of Activities Information*
 - *Funding Impact Statements*
 - *Forecast Financial Statements and other Financial Disclosures*
2. *That Council agrees pursuant to S 100 (2) of the Local Government Act 2002 that it is financially sensible and prudent to operate a deficit of operating revenue less expenditure of -\$502,000 for year 1 of the LTP (18/19).*
3. *That Council receives the Draft Long Term Plan.*
4. *That Council receives the LTP Consultative Document.*

Carried

5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and took it as read.

Moved (Robb / Clementson) *That this report is received.*

Carried

6.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

M. Meehan spoke to his report and spoke of the various meetings he attended during the reporting period. Cr Clementson asked M. Meehan about the reaction from the DHB regarding the Buller Hospital rebuild. M. Meehan advised that the DHB have done their due diligence, he stated that evacuation scenarios were discussed in the event of natural disasters and the information provided by the Civil Defence Regional Director was well received.

Moved (Archer / Birchfield) *that this report is received.*

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr McDonnell spoke of the email Councillors received regarding the possibility of having a covered lawn bowls stadium on the West Coast and the possibility of using Council owned land to the north of the building. R. Mallinson advised that the parties involved are interested in leasing land, not purchasing land. It was agreed that the Chairman would respond and advise the interested party that Council has previously resolved not to sell this land.

Cr Ewen spoke of the recent approach by the West Coast Whitebaiters Association to the district councils seeking \$7,000 to prepare a report to counter the report that Minister Sage has underway to change whitebaiting regulations on the West Coast. M. Meehan advised that H. Mills is working on this as the whitebait fishery was mentioned in the Growth Study. H. Mills advised that investigations are underway to look into how the fishery could be increased, by opening up fish passage and improving habitat. H. Mills

advised that this is being managed by DoC. R. Beal confirmed that the Alliance has no projects involving whitebait fisheries on the West Coast at present.

M. Meehan advised that Buller District Council is working on a master plan exercise for Punakaiki and are seeking \$15,000 in funding from Council. Cr Challenger stated that it is very important that Council looks at the master plan as Punakaiki is in a hazard zone. He stated that people need to be aware that one day they may need to retreat. He stated that most of the land in this area is DoC land. Discussion took place and it was agreed that M. Meehan would present this matter to the special meeting.

M. Meehan advised that he would circulate the remits for the LGNZ conference and these can be discussed and agreed upon at the special meeting.

Cr Archer stated that he has an item that he wishes to discuss which will run over time. It was agreed that the meeting would be adjourned and would reconvene after the JB Were presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 12.30 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 2.01 pm

Cr Archer stated that the issue of a tourism rate has once again arisen in the newspapers. He stated that he is disappointed that the Mayors have come out once again about this matter. Cr Archer acknowledged that it must be difficult for the tourism sector as a group to actually force benefitting parties in the tourism sector to contribute to the tourism rate. Cr Archer stated that his view is the only people that should be contributing to a tourism rate is the benefitting parties. Cr Archer said that he has reviewed the LTP's for the district councils and each one has a different structure for taking tourism money, and they each have a different mechanism for collecting tourism rates. Cr Archer stated that he would like to hear from Tourism West Coast and Development West Coast prior to making any decisions. Cr Archer feels that the statements from the Mayors need to be publicly refuted by this Council. M. Meehan stated that Council is not asking for a decision, and if there is going to be a targeted rate, then the benefitting parties would need to pay for it. The Chairman advised that if an economic development rate is to be set up at a later date then a discussion would need to be had with the benefitting parties, and a decision would be required as to whether the regional council would collect the rate on their behalf. The Chairman advised that at Mayors and Chairs level, it has been agreed that no decision would be made outside of this Council without consultation with Council, and our community via the LTP consultation process. He stated that this is the same type of process used for decisions relating to rating districts. Extensive discussion took place with Councillors expressing their opinions. Cr Ewen stated that there is a perception out there that Council is going to implement a tourism rate, and it is important that a clear message is put out to say that this is not happening. Discussion took place on whether a media statement should be released, and it was agreed that if the matter is raised again in the newspapers then the Chairman would release a statement outlining the actual approach.

The meeting closed at 2.23 pm.

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Chairman

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Date

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 10 July 2018
Prepared by: Paulette Birchfield – Engineer, Brendon Russ - Engineer
Date: 29 June 2018
Subject: **ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT**

WORKS COMPLETED AND WORKS TENDERED FOR

Mokihinui Rating District

Work involving the top-up of an existing rock groyne on the Mokihinui beach and the construction of three small rock spurs to tie into the primary sacrificial bund has been tendered.

Coal Creek Rating District

Work involving the placement of 100 tonne of rock to top-up a small spur above the diversion cut was completed by GH Foster Contracting at a cost of \$2,800 (GST Exclusive). An additional 100T of rock was carted and stockpiled close to the site for future use.



Completed spur, Grey River at Coal Creek

Kaniere Rating District

Work involving the placement of approximately 500 tonne of rock into slumped areas of rock riprap was completed by Henry Adams Contracting at an approximate cost of \$15,250 (GST Exclusive).



Placement of rock at slumped areas of the rock riprap at Kaniere

Wanganui Rating District

Work involving the placement of 700 tonne of rock into slumped areas of rock riprap (Site #88 Hodgkinson Spur) was completed by Arnold Contracting at a cost of \$18,325 (GST Exclusive).

Work involving the placement of 88 tonne of rock into slumped areas of a rock spur (Site #56/57) was completed by Arnold Contracting at a cost of \$2,112 (GST Exclusive).

Work involving the grading of the top of stopbanks to remove vegetation was carried out by Arnold Contracting at a cost of \$1,170 (GST Exclusive).

2000 tonne of rock was carted to stockpile to replace rock that was used for capital works. This work was paid for by the landowners that benefited from the protection works.



Site #88 Hodgkinson Spur



2000 tonne of rock carted to stockpile

Waitangitaona Rating District

Work involving the placement of 700 tonne of rock into slumped areas of rock riprap is currently being completed by Arnold Contracting Ltd under emergency works.



ONGOING WORKS

Rapahoe Resource Consent

The resource consent application has been submitted to Council with affected party approval now being sought.

Granity/Ngakawau/Hector Erosion

No progress.

Buller River Flood Consultation

No progress.

Carters Beach

A report including design and estimates to raise the low areas of the natural sand dunes along Carters Beach from Golf Links Road to Bradshaws Road has been completed. Our recommendation is that this report is circulated to the community and that a community meeting to discuss the report is arranged for late July/August 2018.

Hokitika Seawall – Sunset Point

No progress.

Okarito

A report including design and estimates to raise the low areas of the natural sand dunes at Okarito has been completed. Our recommendation is that this report is circulated to the community and that a community meeting to discuss the report is arranged for late July/August 2018.

QUARRIES

Rock movements 1 May 2018 – 31 May 2018

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Quarry		Opening Stockpile Balance	Rock Sold	Rock Produced	Closing Stockpile Balance
Camelback	Small/medium	11,943	0	0	11,943
	Large	3,673	0	0	3,673
Whataroa	Small/medium	6,016	0	0	6,016
	Large	11,731	429	0	11,302
Blackball		850	0	0	850
Inchbonnie		26,300	0	0	26,300
Kiwi		2,109	1,612	0	497
Miedema		0	0	0	0
Okuru		400	2,380	1,980	0
Whitehorse		1,334	0	0	1,334
Totals		64,356	4,421	1,980	61,915

Quarry Management and Operation Request for Tender

A contract for the management and operation of Inchbonnie and Camelback quarries is currently under development. This contract will be for a period of 5 years and will include the management and operation of the two Council quarries by suitably qualified personnel to ensure that the operations are undertaken in a manner which is fully compliant with relevant legislation, plans and guidelines, represents industry best practice and delivers whole of life best value for the Regional Council. This also includes the winning, grading, stockpiling and/or loading out of AGPR associated with capital and maintenance works in special rating districts and other rivers and streams in the wider West Coast region by council approved contractors.

Resource Consents

The land use consent for Kiwi Quarry expired in December 2017. Engineering staff are working with the councils to assess what consents are required for the current operation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received.

Randal Beal
Operations Manager

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager
 Date: 29 June 2018
 Subject: **Corporate Services Manager's Monthly Report**

1. Financial Report 1 July to 31 May 2018

FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDED 31 MAY 2018

	ACTUAL Year to Date	BUDGET	BUDGET Annual	% ACTUAL vs BUDGET
REVENUES				
General Rates and Penalties	2,185,672	2,190,833	2,390,000	91%
Investment Income	944,964	1,015,055	1,107,333	85%
Resource Management	997,196	1,172,073	1,278,625	78%
Regional Land Transport	93,439	75,469	82,330	113%
Emergency Management	798,948	641,667	700,000	114%
Economic Development	148,338	137,500	150,000	99%
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	1,539,950	1,439,820	1,570,713	98%
Warm West Coast	59,979	84,333	92,000	65%
VCS Business Unit	3,002,546	2,910,875	3,175,500	95%
Commercial Property Revaluation	-	32,565.50	35,526	0%
	9,771,030	9,700,191	10,582,027	
EXPENDITURE				
Governance	424,489	415,957	453,771	94%
Economic Development	336,248	275,000	300,000	112%
Resource Management	2,978,485	2,895,006	3,158,188	94%
Regional Land Transport	176,379	156,243	170,447	103%
Hydrology & Floodwarning Services	694,264	570,041	621,863	112%
Emergency Management	1,084,743	656,473	716,152	151%
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	1,418,475	1,661,736	1,812,803	78%
VCS Business Unit	2,861,957	2,400,292	2,618,500	109%
Other	57,666	70,709	77,137	75%
Warm West Coast	19,188	84,333	92,000	
	10,051,895	9,185,789	10,020,861	
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	- 280,865	514,402	561,166	

	Net Variance ACTUAL vs BUDGETED Year to Date	ACTUAL	BUDGET Year to Date	ANNUAL BUDGET
BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)				
Rating Districts	325,999	703,499	377,500	411,818
Economic Development	- 50,410	187,910	137,500	150,000
Quarries	37,698	34,694	72,392	78,973
Investment Income	- 70,092	944,964	1,015,055	1,107,333
VCS Business Unit	- 369,995	140,588	510,583	557,000
General Rates Funded Activities	- 689,734	1,830,435	1,140,701	1,244,401
Warm West Coast	40,791	40,791	-	-
Revaluation Investment Property	- 32,566	-	32,566	35,526
Other	13,042	57,666	70,709	77,137
TOTAL	- 795,267	280,865	514,402	561,166

	Net Variance ACTUAL vs BUDGETED Year to Date	ACTUAL	BUDGET Year to Date	ANNUAL BUDGET
Net Contributors to General Rates Funded Surplus /(Deficit)				
Rates	- 5,161	2,185,672	2,190,833	2,390,000
Representation	- 8,533	424,489	415,957	453,771
Resource Management	- 258,356	1,981,289	1,722,933	1,879,563
Transport Activity	- 2,167	82,940	80,774	88,117
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	- 20,305	547,329	527,024	574,935
Hydrology & Floodwarning	- 124,223	694,264	570,041	621,863
Emergency Management	- 270,989	285,795	14,806	16,152
TOTAL	- 689,734	1,830,435	1,140,701	1,244,401

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MAY 2018

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash	-	437,129
Deposit - Westpac		1,600
Accounts Receivable - General		551,175
Accounts Receivable - Rates		185,935
Prepayments		180,849
GST Refund Due		
Stock		696,530
Accrued Income		861,907
		<u>2,040,867</u>

NON CURRENT ASSETS

Investments		10,750,193
Strategic Investments		1,333,963
Strategic Investments		212,306
Term Deposit - PRCC Bond		50,000
MBIE & DOC Bonds		21,142
Investments-Catastrophes Fund		1,029,478
Warm West Coast Loans		410,636
Commerical Property Investment		1,480,000
Fixed Assets		4,106,230
Infrastructural Assets		58,582,788
		<u>77,976,736</u>

TOTAL ASSETS 80,017,603**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

Bank Short Term Loan	-	1,850,000
Accounts Payable	-	570,946
GST	-	10,727
Deposits & Bonds	-	947,969
Sundry Payables	-	80,992
Revenue in Advance	-	346,963
Accrued Annual Leave, Payroll	-	250,764
	-	<u>4,058,360</u>

NON CURRENT LIABILITIES

Future Quarry Restoration	-	70,000
Interest Rate Hedge Position	-	79,242
Punakaiki	-	300,000
Lower Waiho	-	156,040
Kaniere	-	85,981
Greymouth Floodwall	-	1,553,806
Hokitika Seawall	-	1,168,750
Strategic Investments	-	1,067,404
Warm West Coast	-	405,000
Working Capital Loan	-	589,318
	-	<u>5,475,541</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES - 9,533,901**EQUITY**

Ratepayers Equity	-	18,996,571
Surplus Transferred		280,866
Rating District Equity	-	2,686,828
Revaluation	-	38,339,289
Catastrophe Fund	-	1,020,880
Investment Growth Reserve	-	9,721,000
TOTAL EQUITY	-	<u>70,483,702</u>

LIABILITIES & EQUITY - 80,017,603

2. Investment Portfolio

31 May 2018	Catastrophe Fund	Major Portfolio	TOTAL
Opening balance 1 May 2018	\$ 1,023,102	\$ 10,656,062	\$ 11,679,164
Income	\$ 6,376	\$ 94,131	\$ 100,507
Deposit			
Withdrawal		\$ -	\$ -
Closing balance 31 May 2018	\$ 1,029,478	\$ 10,750,193	\$ 11,779,671
Total income year to date to 31 May 2018	\$ 45,598	\$ 663,977	\$ 709,575

3. Comments

This 11 month result to 31 May 2018 is a similar result to that reported for the 10 months to 30 April 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

Robert Mallinson
Corporate Services Manager

5.0

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting- 10 July 2018
Prepared by: Andrew Robb – Chairman
Date: 2 July 2018
Subject: **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Meetings Attended:

- I attended the Economic Development Workshop held at Shantytown on 13 June.
- I attended the hearing as a Commissioner on the Hearing Panel for the Regional Policy Statement on 13, 14 and 15 of June. Deliberations and discussions followed.
- I attended the hearing as a Commissioner on the Hearing Panel for the Land and Water Plan on 18 – 21 June.
- I attended the visit from the Local Government Commission on the afternoon of 20 June.
- I attended the Special Council meeting on 22 June.
- I took part in a site visit to the new Taramakau Bridge on Friday 22 June.
- I attended the Mayors and Chairs meeting on 26 June.
- I met with personnel from CNTY on the afternoon of 26 June.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Andrew Robb
Chairman

6.0

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 10 July 2018
 Prepared by: Michael Meehan – Chief Executive
 Date: 2 July 2018
 Subject: **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

Meetings attended:

- I attended the Franz Josef Governance Group meeting on 11 June.
- I attended the Economic Development Workshop held at Shantytown on 13 June.
- I met with Warren Usulele and Paul Barker from the Department of Internal Affairs on 18 June.
- The Deputy Chairman and I met with Hon Shane Jones and the Acting Prime Minister – Winston Peters in Wellington on 19 June along with the West Coast Mayors, and Chair and Chief Executive of Development West Coast. The group also met with Minister Sage earlier in the day.
- I met with Bruce Parkes and AJ Millward on 19 June to discuss the Provincial Growth Fund and support required from MBIE.
- I hosted a visit from the Local Government Commission on 20 June, which Crs Robb, Challenger and Archer attended.
- I participated in a teleconference on 21 June with the Local Government Reference Group regarding the TAG review for Civil Defence.
- I attended the Special Council meeting on 22 June.
- I took part in a teleconference for Renew Energy on 25 June.
- I met with Toni Brendish, Chief Executive of Westland Milk Products Ltd on 25 June.
- I met with Mark Davies from DoC on 26 June.
- I attended a Mayors and Chairs meeting on 26 June.
- I met with personnel from CNTY on 26 June.
- I will be attending the TAG Local Government Reference Group meeting in Wellington on 4 July.

Use of Council Seal

The Council Seal was affixed to the Deed of Transfer of Building Act Functions agreement between West Coast Regional Council and Otago Regional Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Michael Meehan
Chief Executive

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

To: Chairperson
West Coast Regional Council

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, -

Agenda Item No. 8.

- 16 – 17 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 12 June 2018
- 8.1.2 Minutes of a Special Confidential Meeting 22 June 2018 (to be tabled)

- 8.2 Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)

- 8.3 Response to Presentation (if any)

- 8.4 In Committee Items to be Released to Media

Item No.	General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 7 of LGOIMA for the passing of this resolution.
8.			
8.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 12 June 2018		Clause 7 subclause 2 (a)
8.1.2	Minutes of a Special Confidential Meeting 22 June 2018 (to be tabled)		Clause 7 subclause 2 (a)
8.2	Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)	Privacy of natural person	Clause 7 subclause 2 (i)
8.3	Response to Presentation (if any)		Clause 7 subclause 2 (i)
8.4	In Committee Items to be Released to Media		

I also move that:

- Michael Meehan
- Robert Mallinson
- Randal Beal
- Hadley Mills
- Heather McKay
- Nichola Costley

be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge on the subject. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed.

The Minutes Clerk also be permitted to remain at the meeting.