



Minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the eighth triennium of Horizons Regional Council held at 10.02am on Wednesday, 26 October 2011, in the Tararua Room, Regional House, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs EB Gordon (Chairman), JJ Barrow, LR Burnell, GL Cox, MC Guy GM McKellar, MW Plowman, PW Rieger QSO JP, CI Sheldon (from 10.05am), RG Walker JP, and JJ White.

IN ATTENDANCE Chief Executive Mr MJ McCartney
Acting Group Manager Mrs S Craig
Corporate and Governance
Committee Secretaries Mrs JA Kennedy
(to 12.25pm)
Ms K Booth
(from 1.03pm)

ALSO PRESENT At various times during the meeting:
Mr C Mitchell (Group Manager Environmental Management), Mr A Cook (Group Manager Operations), Mr G Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services & Information), Ms A Russell (Environmental Protection Manager), Mrs C Rowe (Media and Communications Manager), Ms K Ritani (Communications Advisor), Mr B Gilliland (Appeals Project Manager), Mr T Collé (Chief Financial Officer), Mr E Duggan (Strategic Planner), Ms F Quilongquilong (Audit New Zealand Limited), Mr C Ramoo (Audit New Zealand Limited), Mr B Wills (President, Federated Farmers), Mayor I McKelvie (Manawatu District Council), Mayor J Naylor (Palmerston North City Council), Ms E Reilly (Vision Manawatu), Mr G Beal (Vision Manawatu), interested members of the public, and a member of the Press.

APOLOGIES

11-191 *Moved* **White/Rieger**

That an apology be accepted from Cr Chettleburgh (unwell).

CARRIED

PUBLIC SPEAKING RIGHTS

There were no requests for public speaking rights.

LATE ITEMS

There were no late items to be considered.

MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr McKellar noted that he knew Mr Wills and Ms Reilly from his involvement with Federated Farmers.

Discussion ensued about whether Cr Jill White should have declared a conflict of interest in regard to the Palmerston North City Council Sewage Treatment Plant item. The Chairman said he appreciated the comments made and undertook to investigate the matter further. Cr Sheldon declared a conflict of interest in regard to Item 12, Report No. 11-188, Affixing of the Common Seal.

PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS

There were no petitions/deputations.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Under Cr White's Members Report she noted that on the second line, Environmental Workshop Manawatu should read Environmental Network Manawatu. The last sentence in her report should start with: She noted **her** error.....

11-192

Moved

Walker/Plowman

That the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2011, as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record, with the following amendments to Cr White's Members Report:

- *Environmental Workshop Manawatu to read: Environmental Network Manawatu.*
- *Last sentence to read: She noted **her** error.....*

CARRIED

An amendment to the Chairman's Report at Annex A to the minutes was noted:

- 14 September – change Prosecution Advisory Committee to Prosecution Advisory Group.

An amendment to the Chief Executive's Report at Annex B to the minutes was noted:

- 14. Change PAC to read **PAG**.

ANNUAL REPORT 2010-11

Report No. 11-190

This item presented the 2010-11 Annual Report for adoption by Council.

The Chief Executive introduced the Annual Report (AR) for the financial period 2010-11 for adoption by Council. He noted that a draft of the AR had been presented for discussion to the September Audit, Risk and Investment Committee and also to Audit New Zealand for their review.

The Chairman welcomed Mr C Ramoo and Ms F Quilongquilong from Audit New Zealand to the meeting. Mr Collé advised that a schedule containing minor wording and some minor monetary changes in regard to where things were disclosed had come back from Audit New Zealand. He undertook to provide a copy of the schedule of changes to those who wished to have one. He noted the operating surplus for the year was \$3.1M which was unchanged from that previously reported to the Audit, Risk and Investment Committee in September.

Mr Ramoo and Ms Quilongquilong answered Members' questions of clarification about the operating surplus and One Plan completion and maintenance.

Mr Collé circulated an example of the proposed template for the AR summary. He said Audit New Zealand were satisfied with the approach and expanded on how the proposed calendar format would be assembled.

11-193

Moved

Rieger/Guy

That the Council

- a. **adopts** the Annual Report 2010-11;
- b. **receives** the unqualified audit opinion of Audit New Zealand in relation to the Annual Report 2010-11;
- c. **instructs** the Chief Executive to prepare the Annual Report for publication and distribution (including any minor presentational changes arising from Audit New Zealand's final review);
- d. **receives** the draft Annual Report Summary 2010-11; and
- e. **instructs** the Chief Executive to finalise the Annual Report Summary 2010-11 for publication and distribution.

CARRIED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

The Chief Executive (CE) elaborated on highlights contained in his report and referred to the activities contained in the attached Regional Roundup. He noted that prior to the end of the year there would be an official opening of the Kopane Bridge to which Members would be invited. The CE further updated on progress with the Manawatu River Leaders' Accord application to government for funding from the Government Clean Up Fund. He was optimistic that the bid would be successful. He referred Members to the attached agendas to meetings he attended recently in Wellington.

With the resignation of Mr Carlyon (Group Manager Regional Planning and Regulatory), the CE said Mr Craig Grant had been appointed Acting Group Manager Regional Planning and Regulatory, and Mrs Suzanne Craig would take up the role of Acting Group Manager Corporate and Governance.

Members asked questions of clarification on points of interest.

The CE and Mr Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services and Information) provided an update on assistance offered from Horizons Regional Council in regard to the oil spill incident off the coast of Tauranga.

11-194

Moved

Gordon/Barrow

That the Chief Executive's report be received.

CARRIED

The Chief Executive tabled a written statement provided by Mr A Beveridge (Manager-Biodiversity and Water Quality). The statement was prepared to provide background to comments made by Mr Beveridge in an article published recently in the Manawatu Evening Standard.

11-195

Moved

White/Plowman

*That the Council **receives** the statement prepared by Mr Alistair Beveridge.*

CARRIED

The Chief Executive noted the resignation of Mr Beveridge and acknowledged the efforts, passion and contribution displayed by Mr Beveridge in his role with Horizons Regional Council. He wished him all the best for the future. Cr White asked that a report be presented as soon as practicable on how the role undertaken by Mr Beveridge would be continued in his absence.

REPORT FROM APPEALS ADVISORY GROUP

Report No. 11-187

This report updated Council on progress made to resolve appeals to the Proposed One Plan as Amended by Decisions. The report covered the period 16 September 2011 to 14 October 2011. Mr Gilliland, Appeals Project Manager noted that the appeals resolution team was seeking Court time in March-April 2012 for those unresolved appeal points that needed to be heard by a Judge. Mr Gilliland explained the financial data contained in the graphs depicted a summary of costs versus budget. Members made comment on points of interest in the item and asked questions of clarification about the number of appeal points expected to be resolved through mediation, and the type of evidence expected to be submitted to the Environment Court by Horizons Regional Council and the expected costs involved to present that evidence.

11-196

Moved

Barrow/Sheldon

That the Council

a. ***receives*** the information in Report No. 11-187, Appeals Advisory Group.

CARRIED

MR BRUCE WILLS – PRESIDENT FEDERATED FARMERS

The Chairman welcomed Mr Wills to the meeting and acknowledged the presence of Mayor Ian McKelvie, Manawatu District Council.

Council Members introduced themselves and outlined the area they represented.

Mr Wills thanked Council for the invitation to address Members. He said he had been in his role as President of Federated Farms for four months. He wished to speak specifically about the relationship between the farming community and Horizons Regional Council, his role as President of Federated Farmers, the responsibility of farmers to look after the environment, and the financial cost to meet that environmental obligation. Mr Wills was available to answer Members' questions of clarification.

The Chairman thanked Mr Willis for his attendance and for speaking to Council.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TEAM WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

Report No. 11-191

This item provided Members with responses to matters raised at the Compliance Workshop held on 29 June 2011 and subsequent follow-up workshops.

Ms Russell (Manager Compliance), and the Chief Executive (CE) clarified Members' questions about the Senior Investigator job title, the formulation of a Restorative Justice Policy, and Horizons' operational approach to be the lead agency for consent condition information and education.

Members discussed the use of Senior Investigator as a job title and believed it to be an inappropriate title. They asked that alternative job titles for that position be investigated. Discussion ensued about the term Restorative Justice Policy for dealing with prosecution issues. Ms Russell and the CE explained that when dealing with lesser cases and extraordinary personal circumstances, a case-by-case management approach would be taken by appropriate staff, rather than be led by a set policy

Accordingly, recommendation (b) and (c) were included to reflect the discussion.

11-197

Moved

White/Guy

That the Council

- a. **notes and receives** the Compliance Workshop responses and proposed actions contained in the report;
- b. **requests** that the Chief Executive follow-up on alternative job titles for the current Senior Investigator title;
- c. **notes** that remedial restorative actions and any disclosed personal extraordinary circumstances are decided on a case by case basis.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 12.25pm

The meeting resumed at 1.03pm

The Chairman welcomed Ms Elaine Reilly (Chief Executive Vision Manawatu), and Mayor Jono Naylor (Palmerston North City Council [PNCC]) to the meeting, and invited them, together with Mayor Ian McKelvie (Manawatu District Council [MDC]), to speak to the Councillors.

Mayor Jono Naylor said that while Ms Reilly would present the Regional Development Strategy, he and Mayor McKelvie had come to bring it to Members' attention because of its regional involvement. He explained that the real focus was on what was needed for the region to move ahead, and to build on existing strengths of the region. Mayor McKelvie apologised that he was not able to attend the whole presentation, and explained it was not a council-driven strategy, but rather a strategy to be driven by anyone who felt they belonged to it. Members were given a copy of the draft Strategy.

PRESENTATION BY ELAINE REILLY, VISION MANAWATU

Ms Reilly explained the background, rationale and content of the Regional Development Strategy, the purpose of the Strategy and progress to date. The focus was on employment, longevity, sustainability and values, and by 2021 the goal was to be the best place in New Zealand to raise a family. Ms Reilly explained the work that was underway and why she thought the Strategy would work. She referred Members to "What's next" and to the communications plan which was being developed by Graeme Beal, the Communications Manager for Vision Manawatu. She introduced him to the meeting. Ms Reilly stressed it was a living document: a 10 year Plan with two x five year Action Plans.

Ms Reilly and Mayor Naylor clarified Members' questions about the wider buy-in by territorial authorities other than PNCC and MDC, was the project looking at regional tourism developing around the international airport, branding – why not have one brand, and demographics in the future. The Chairman thanked them for addressing the meeting.

ENDORSEMENT AND ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Cr White said she wished to make two points. It had come to her notice that a Horowhenua resident was concerned that neither Mayor Duffy nor Mr Ward (Chief Executive) were mentioned in the apologies on the front page. She referred to the fourth page of the minutes, third paragraph, where she had noted their apologies during discussion on the Lake Horowhenua Review. She understood the concerned resident may not have read that part of the minutes, and she wished to make it clear for all Horowhenua residents that these apologies had been noted. She asked whether apologies of people invited to the meeting should be noted on the front page of the Agenda. The Chairman advised that apologies at the beginning of the meeting were for Horizons' Members. It was noted that the minutes incorrectly said they were from 'Tararua' District Council, and an amendment was requested to read "Horowhenua District Council".

Cr White then mentioned that at her Member's report at the last Council meeting, she had said there were no requests for public speaking rights. She apologised for that mistake, and said there had been a request from Mr Judd which was declined. The reason it was declined was because she understood that the item he wished to speak to was probably not going to be discussed. She was delighted he could speak at the following Strategy and Policy Committee meeting and make his public comment about the item.

There was a query about the process for speaking rights, if a report had not yet been formally moved to lie on the table or been withdrawn. The Chairman clarified that public speaking rights would be granted if an item was going to be heard (provided that it would be new information if that person had already had previous public speaking rights). If it was likely that an item would not be heard, then public speaking rights would be declined.

Cr McKellar noted that it was not recorded in the minutes that he had asked if any Members had a conflict of interest to Palmerston North City Council. He asked for it to be included as he believed it was an important question. He put a motion to include the comment in the report, which was seconded by Cr Plowman. There was full discussion around whether the report of the Environment Committee meeting could be amended at the Council meeting, or whether it should be amended at the next Environment Committee meeting when they considered those minutes. It was agreed that the Council meeting could receive, and/or adopt and/or endorse the resolutions and recommendations of a Committee report, but could only recommend any amendments (other than typos) back to the relevant Committee. The motion was therefore not put to the meeting.

Crs Sheldon, McKellar and Plowman advised they had voted Against resolution ENV 11-31 and would ask for their names to be recorded at the next Environment Committee meeting.

11-198

Moved

White/Barrow

*That the Council **receives, and adopts** the resolutions and recommendations of the Environment Committee meeting held on 14 September 2011, with an amendment to page 56, 3^d paragraph to read **Horowhenua District Council** and not Tararua District Council.*

Against: Cr McKellar, Sheldon, Plowman, Walker
CARRIED

STRATEGY & POLICY COMMITTEE

In response to Cr McKellar's question about matters arising from the report of the Strategy and Policy Committee – plant identification, and Mrs Christina Paton's question about the prosecution

advisory committee – the Chairman asked him to raise the matters at the next meeting of the Strategy and Policy Committee.

11-199

Moved

Cox/Guy

*That the Council **endorses and adopts** the resolutions and recommendations of the Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held on 11 October 2011.*

CARRIED

PROPOSED TARINGAMOTU RIVER SCHEME

Report No. 11-189

This report informed the Council of the outcome of the Submissions Hearing on the proposed Taringamotu River Management Scheme (the proposed Scheme) and sought its recommendation for the adoption of a proposal, including amendments recommended by the Hearing Committee, for inclusion in the Draft 2012-2022 Long Term Plan (LTP).

The Group Manager Operations (GMO) introduced the item and said it was the culmination of a comprehensive investigation and consultation process. He said he was very pleased with the level of involvement of the community which had strongly advocated some months prior for active management of the Taringamotu River and this triggered the investigation and consultation process. The Submission Hearing process confirmed that the majority of stakeholders did want some form of channel management scheme, being mindful of costs, and he believed the recommendations in the report addressed the various issues raised during the process. He was confident the scheme in the format now proposed would be accepted by the majority and would provide an appropriate level of service. Cr Guy, Chairman of the Catchment Operations Committee agreed with the high level of community involvement. Council was being asked to consider a proposed cheaper, modified scheme: a work programme spread over ten years rather than seven years, and rated uniformly over the whole reach of the River.

Members asked questions about the amendments to the proposed Scheme. The GMO clarified the rating that applied if landowners wanted to do the erosion work themselves. He said it was a similar model to the Pohangina-Oroua Scheme which had been in place for several years, which was well supported. It recognised that the main community benefit from the scheme was overall scheme function of channel management, controlling debris blockages that caused erosion. If works were undertaken that protected the land of a particular landowner from erosion, there was a greater individual property benefit which was reflected through individual landowner contribution. This applied to light erosion protection work. If there was a need for major protection works, it would be 100% funded from the landowner concerned. If there was major work required, the landowner could apply for an environmental grant. In response to a question, Cr Plowman clarified that it was the catchment that contributed to the Scheme. The GMO clarified other questions from Members.

11-200

Moved

Guy/Plowman

That the Council

a. **notes** the contents of Report No. 11-189;

- b. **endorses** the recommendations of the Hearing Committee established to hear submissions on the Proposed Taringamotu River Management Scheme, as set out below:

“Amendments to Proposed Scheme

- a. Adopt the proposed Scheme, with the following amendments (as set out in Annex B and C to Report No. 11-189).
1. Reduce the initial clearing works in the congested Middle Reach by approximately half to effectively reduce the overall costs by approximately 30%;
 2. Extend the revised initial works programme over 10 years instead of seven;
 3. Erosion control work to be funded from the general rate contribution (20%), Scheme rate (20%) and local contribution by the affected landowner (60%);
 4. Combine the proposed T1, T2 and T3 direct benefit rates as a uniform T1 rate along the full 32 km length of channel.

The Committee **noted** that:

- *the revised channel clearance programme results in a more uniform spread of costs and benefits along the river;*
- *erosion protection was largely for the benefit of adjoining landowners so it was fair that they contribute directly to any such works;*
- *Scheme Rates and General Rate contributions would effectively provide a 40% subsidy for light erosion works, which compares favourably with the current 30% Environmental Grant regime;*
- *extending the initial works programme to 10 years delays the full benefits of the Scheme but reduces the annual rates to a more affordable level and allows the Scheme to gather its own momentum as the benefits of the works become apparent to ratepayers;*
- *local Maori would be represented on the Scheme Liaison Committee or otherwise actively engaged by the Scheme Manager to help ensure the success of the Scheme;*
- *the effective T1 benefit rate would be approximately \$1,500 per kilometre (excluding GST) and the 20% catchment-wide contributor rate would be approximately \$0.80 per hectare (excluding forested areas).*

Name of Scheme

- b. Adopt the name “Taringamotu River Scheme” for the implementation of the Taringamotu River Management Scheme.

The Committee **noted** that:

- *this would be consistent with other river Schemes managed by Horizons.*

Engagement with the Community

- c. Inform submitters and ratepayers of the outcomes of the current submissions process and the subsequent steps to set up the Scheme:
1. A circular letter explaining the revised proposal, including rating impacts, and informing ratepayers of the forthcoming LTP submissions process be sent to all riparian property owners along the river.
 2. Assuming the proposed Scheme is ultimately adopted through the 2012-22 LTP, that a public meeting be held in early July 2012 to confirm a work programme for Year 1 and to establish a Scheme Liaison Committee.”

- c. **approves** the proposed Taringamotu River Scheme for inclusion in the Draft Long Term Plan (LTP) 2012-22;
- d. **instructs** the Group Manager Operations to finalise a draft rating system and prepare the rating database for the Taringamotu River Scheme in time for striking the rates in 2012-13;
- e. **notes** that all submitters and other affected landowners will be advised of the outcome of the current non-statutory consultation process and of the opportunity to further submit through the forthcoming LTP process.

CARRIED

CATCHMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Cr Plowman referred to his declaration of a 'possible' conflict of interest which was noted in the report of the meeting. He said he tendered for part of the property, that it was not a planted section of the property. He understood that Councillors would have then decided whether he had a conflict of interest or not. The Chairman clarified it was for the Member to declare a possible conflict of interest, and then decide whether or not to withdraw. The Chair may advise whether it was cautionary for the Member to remove himself/herself from the table, but it was for the Member to decide. Cr Plowman then said he wished to state he had declared a possible conflict of interest, but he did not believe he had a conflict of interest. He explained he tendered for 313 hectares of farm property, not the full property and not the forested part of the property. The questions he had been asking were to do with the forested part of the property. He therefore believed he did not have a conflict of interest. The Chairman advised him that he needed to address this matter at the next Catchment Operations Committee meeting, as had been discussed earlier in the meeting when considering the reports of the Environment Committee meeting and the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting. There were further comments from Members that it was wise to declare any 'possible' conflicts of interest. Cr Plowman said he was told at the last Catchment Operations Committee meeting that he could not ask certain questions as he had a conflict of interest, and could not ask a question in Members' Questions as he was not a member of that Committee. He referred to a letter he had received which indicated it was the councillors who would decide if he had a conflict of interest. The Chairman repeated his advice to address the matter at the next Catchment Operations Committee meeting.

In response to Cr McKellar's query about a timeframe around his Member's Question, he was referred to the answer in the Follow Ups for that meeting.

11-201

Moved

Guy/ Barrow

*That the Council **endorses and adopts** the resolutions and recommendations of the Catchment Operations Committee meeting held on 12 October 2011.*

CARRIED

AFFIXING OF THE COMMON SEAL

Report No. 11-188

This paper reported on a document to which Horizons Regional Council's Common Seal had been affixed. Cr Sheldon expressed a conflict of interest with this item at the beginning of the meeting and did not participate or vote on this item.

11-202

Moved

Rieger/Burnell

That the Council **acknowledges** the affixing of the Common Seal to the following document:

- Lease Agreement 8/28
 Lessee Name: Eastview Farming Partnership
 Lease Area: 77.6654 ha
 Lease Location: SH 56, Rangiotu

CARRIED

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

11-203

Moved

Guy/Barrow

that the public is to be excluded from this portion of the Council meeting as the general subject matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing of this resolution is as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution	Grounds under section 48 (1) for passing this resolution
PX1 Confirmation of Minutes of 27 September 2011	As disclosure would not be in the public interest because of the greater need to enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage commercial negotiations.	That the exclusion of the public from that part of the meeting is necessary to prevent the disclosure of information for which good reasons for withholding exist.
PX2 Endorsement and Adoption of the Audit, Risk and Investment Committee resolutions and recommendations of 28 September 2011	As disclosure would not be in the public interest because of the greater need to enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage commercial negotiations.	That the exclusion of the public from that part of the meeting is necessary to prevent the disclosure of information for which good reasons for withholding exist.
PX3 Council to consider whether any item in the Public Excluded minutes can be moved into the public domain, and define the extent of the release.		

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned to the Public Excluded part of the meeting at 2.24pm and resumed at 2.40pm.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman presented his report and answered questions of clarification about his attendance at various meetings and upcoming scheduled meetings. He provided a stock truck effluent update, and commented on his meeting with David Smith Cr Rieger updated Members about his attendance, on the Chairman's behalf, at the Whanganui River Record of Understanding signing ceremony at Parliament. Cr Plowman requested a copy of the presentation.

That the Chairman's report be received.

CARRIED

MEMBERS' REPORTS AND QUESTIONS

Cr White attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, and a seminar organised by Horizons at the Convention Centre on climate change where Rod Oram, Jim Salinger and Caroline Saunders spoke about the possible environment and economic issues of climate change. She attended a talk by Janet Reid (from Massey University) about SLUI as part of a series run by Massey University, presented at Palmerston North City library. She attended a presentation by Dr Huhana Smith on landscape architecture by eight students, relating to the area between Otaki and Levin which considered the area around coastal dune wetland, and rural restoration concepts and plans. She commented on the relevance between the students' work and the work of Horizons.

Cr Walker attended the Strategy and Policy, and Catchment Operations meetings, and presented a paper from the Strategy and Policy meeting to a Wanganui Rural Board meeting. He attended a Whanganui River Users meeting, and through a request from the Commodore of the Sailing Club, he and the Group Manager Operations would look at issues on the River.

Cr Sheldon attended a Riversymposium Conference in Brisbane, a meeting with Wayne Rider, spoke to the Manawatu Federation of Women's Institute, attended the Strategy and Policy and Catchment Operations Committee meetings, a meeting with Ian Easton, the talk by Janet Reid as mentioned by Cr White, the talk by Dr Huhana Smith presenting the work of the landscape architects, looking at the mountain to sea approach, and spoke to the Levin Probus Club.

Cr Rieger attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, and noted his apology to several of them.

Cr Plowman attended the usual Horizons' meeting and workshops. He was part of the Hearing Committee for the Proposed Taringamotu Scheme.

Cr McKellar attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, the climate change seminar, the Fonterra Birthday party at Massey University, and would attend a meeting in Rangitikei on 2 November.

Cr Guy attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, was involved with a conference call in regard to the appeal to the Open Country dairy decision. He ~~attended~~ **chaired** the Lower Whanganui River Working Party meeting with Cr Cox, a meeting with Ian Easton around his scheme issues, the Hearing at Taumarunui with Crs Cox and Plowman. He attended several meetings in respect of the Holding Company. He put forward his apology for the Workshop following the Council meeting, and for Audit, Risk and Investment the following day as he would be attending an Emissions Trading Scheme seminar in Hamilton. He reminded Members that the Scheme Liaison Committees would be meeting in November to discuss asset management plans.

Cr Cox attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops. He ~~chaired~~ **attended** a meeting for the second stage of the flood protection, and engaged with ratepayers. He was part of the Hearing Committee for the Proposed Taringamotu Scheme, and chaired a sector meeting of the Wanganui Waterways Group and hoped to see a Chair and a Committee appointed to that Group, at the next meeting.

Cr Burnell attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, met with Wayne Rider, and attended a meeting with Ian Easton and a number of ratepayers.

Cr Barrow attended the usual Horizons' meetings and workshops, and the talk by Janet Reid on SLUI at the Palmerston North City library with Crs White and Sheldon, which he said was well presented.

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Cr McKellar referred to the Follow Ups and requested a change of wording from "issue" to "inform". The Committee Secretary undertook to make the amendment.

The Chairman clarified that a workshop on the Chief Executive's Review would follow the close of the meeting.

The meeting closed at 3.07pm.

Confirmed

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

CHAIRMAN