

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

REPORT and **MINUTES** of a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 24 July, 2008, commencing at 1.30 pm.

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Mayor, M B O'Malley; Councillors R J Kilworth (Chair), R C Beavan, L J Leadley, I J Burgess, J A Kingsbury, P W Reveley, J Sparks and B A Tasker.

Also in attendance Crs K L Holmes and J A Everest; Regulatory Manager, Senior District Planner and Committee Secretary.

APOLOGIES: Crs N Brown and K Lowe **Sustained**

Confirmation of Minutes

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The minutes of the extraordinary meeting were corrected to reflect Cr Reveley's opposition to the proposed greenbelt reduction on Bennett Street, in favour of more residential housing in the south west. It was noted that other submissions supporting this had been received in the consultation process.

"That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting held on 12 June 2008, and the Extraordinary Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 26 June 2008, be taken as read and confirmed."

Beavan/Burgess **Carried**

Private Plan Change – Lochhead Charitable Trust

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Committee accepts the proposed Lochhead Charitable Trust Plan Change for public notification."

Tasker/Leadley **Carried**

Activity Reports

"That the reports be received."

Burgess/Sparks **Carried**

Valetta Stopbank Resource Consent

Ten submissions have been received and a joint ADC/ECan hearing will be held with a Commissioner who is yet to be appointed.

Railway Station

No appeals have been received to date but it is understood that the applicant is preparing an appeal to the Environment Court.

Ashburton Events Centre

All work requested has been carried out and a certificate of completion issued.

Bylaws

The Regulatory Manager reported that the Dog Control Act requires that a new dog policy be developed and this is underway. Options for locating dog exercise areas are being investigated and will be the subject of a further report to the Committee.

The Committee heard that following the review of Council’s Bylaws, the need for a number of new signs has been identified, the cost for which has not been budgeted. Mr Humphries said that a report will be provided to Council with a likely request for additional funding. He further noted that the glass ban area has not been correctly identified in the Bylaw and this will be amended to include the areas identified by the Methven Community Board.

Subdivision Consents

The Senior District Planner reported that applications for subdivision consents have been granted under delegation in the reporting period, however this information was omitted from the agenda in error. The report will be provided to the meeting on 4 September.

Heritage Subcommittee

A meeting of the Heritage Subcommittee was held on 11 July 2008, to consider a funding assistance request from Ashburton East Plunket. The Subcommittee also discussed progress with the proposed 150th Anniversary celebrations. A draft programme of events was tabled for the Committee’s information.

- “1. That the report be received.
- 2. That a grant of \$2,000 be allocated from the District Council’s Heritage Reserve Fund to the Ashburton East Plunket c/o Jane Pearce, 72A Eton Street, Ashburton, for the repair work to the underside of the veranda in accordance with the information provided with the heritage grant application.
- 3. That it be noted that the balance of the heritage grant fund is \$48,881 of which \$25,881, was carried over to the 2008/ 09 year.”

Beavan/Tasker

Carried

District Licensing Agency Meeting – 24 July 2008

A meeting of the District Licensing Agency was held this morning. There were no recommendations to the Committee and the minutes will be reported on 4 September 2008.

Business transacted with the public excluded (2.15 pm)

“That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item no	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:	
9	Confirmation of minutes -12/07/08 District Plan (Plan Change)	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
10	Liquor Licensing Matter	Section 7(2)(i)	Conduct of negotiations

Tasker/Burgess

Carried

The meeting concluded at 2.28 pm.