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Council decisions this week – Wednesday 10 July

Commissioners appointed for Fulton Hogan quarry consent application

The Council agreed to appoint independent commissioners to consider the application by Fulton Hogan for a quarry on Dawsons Road near Templeton.

At its meeting on Wednesday the Council voted to appoint experienced commissioners Rob van Voorthuysen, Shharon McGarry and Paul Thomas to oversee the resource consent applications by Fulton Hogan to both Selwyn District Council and Environment Canterbury.

Environment Canterbury had earlier voted to approve the commissioners and the applications will be heard at a joint hearing.

Long-term housing plan adopted

The Council agreed to adopt *Our Space 2018-2048: Greater Christchurch Settlement Pattern Update Whakahāngai O Te Hōrapa Nohoanga*, which sets out the plan for housing development in the greater Christchurch region for the next 30 years.

The plan was put together by representatives from the Selwyn District Council, Waimakariri District Council, Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury to plan the future development of the greater Christchurch region.

The plan identifies preferred locations for housing growth, including providing for township growth in centres outside of Christchurch, especially Rolleston, Rangiora and Kaiapoi.

The Council also voted to incorporate housing targets from the report, which see Selwyn aiming to build 17,290 houses in the next 30 years, with a target of building 8,600 houses from 2018-2028.

It also commits councils to working with housing providers to increase the supply of social and affordable housing across Greater Christchurch.

Councillors and staff appointed to regional committees

The Council selected its representatives to help decide on the trustees for the Central Plains Water Trust and future funding for Canterbury Museum.

Mayor Sam Broughton and Councillor Murray Lemon were appointed to a joint committee with Christchurch City Council for the purpose of helping select new trustees for the Central Plains Water Trust.

The committee will put forward its recommendations for the trustees by 30 September for the Council to vote.

Councillor Grant Miller and Group Manager Corporate Services Greg Bell were appointed to the Canterbury Museum Standing Committee will discuss aspects of funding for the museum redevelopment project. The Standing Committee will include representatives from Christchurch City, Selwyn and Waimakariri District.

No priority earthquake prone areas identified

No emergency routes at risk from earthquake prone buildings have been identified. Following a report the Council agreed there was no need to require any buildings to be prioritised for earthquake strengthening to prevent masonry falling during an earthquake. In 2018 and early 2019 the Council undertook a process to check buildings and carry out public consultation on possible buildings requiring urgent repairs on strategic routes. The Council could have required owners of identified buildings to carry out a priority fix, but through the consultation process it was determined that no buildings needed to be identified as priority buildings. The Council agreed to continue its regular communications with owners of earthquake prone buildings and work with them to ensure strengthening work is carried out within the required 15 year timeframe.

*Note: Full reports can be found in the Council meeting Agenda at:
https://www.selwyn.govt.nz/__data/assets/pdf_file/0020/305174/PUBLIC-Agenda-Council-10-July-2019.pdf*

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