

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

26 AUGUST 2009

Venue: ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY

Present: Ray Goldring (Canterbury Environmental Trust - Chair), James Hoban (ECan), Dean Turner (DoC), Chris Stewart (DoC), Chris Todd (Forest and Bird), Jack van Berkel (University of Canterbury), Bob Leonard (Canterbury Environmental Trust - Treasurer), Maree Goldring (Canterbury Environmental Trust - Minute Secretary), Pete Brady (DoC), Donna Woodley (ECan).

Apologies: Dave Hewson, Nick Ledgard, Mike Willis, Duncan Mill (Transpower), Pete Wakefield, Barry Stratton (NZTA), Mark Fraundorfer, Lloyd Fergusson, Richard Hill (latter three Flock Hill).

(Graeme Edwards - Transfield another more relevant contact???)

Moved: Bob/James - passed

Welcome - Chair welcomed those present, and all invited to introduce themselves and association with WELRA.

Donna was thanked for her work in the successful funding applications to date.

Minutes of AGM November 2007:

Amendments - Gerry (not Jerry), and Ann Saunders (not McSweeney). Maree/Bob

Matters Arising:

- Ngai Tahu have been contacted but not responded. Will continue to be pursued.
- Chris suggested including the Great Alpine Highway Group in future. (Ray)
- Documentation was produced to incorporate society.

Correspondence:

Nil in or out.

Reports:

Chairs report was tabled.

Action re change required from Charities Commission. (Ray)

Appreciation to Jack van Berkel for his work in setting up the website.

Moved: Chair that report be accepted - passed

Discussion - Jack raised issue of dating work done, and a sign at various sites indicating which group has cleared the area.

Website potential for keeping work updated.

Indicated that seed source trees encroaching on University land from Cora Lynn were felled by the University with cooperation of land owner. Such efforts can be added to

data base through linking to ECan to set in motion the chain of action for the future, and adding to data base.

WELRA is the overall coordinator of wilding activity in the basin, so need to be informed of all such activity to track progress.

Financial:

Total income \$158,595.56 (LGB funds not in bank). Bank Balance \$40,595.56

Lotteries funding is subject to supplying invoices.

Moved: Bob/James - passed (subject to final figures).

Constitution:

To change:

10.1 'Disestablishment

FROM: If the Society is dissolved or liquidated for any reason, after payment of creditors and associated accounting and legal expenses, all surplus funds and other assets belonging to the group shall be transferred to a charitable organisation, or an organisation with similar aims and objectives within New Zealand.

TO: If the Society is dissolved or liquidated for any reason, after payment of creditors and associated accounting and legal expenses, all surplus funds and other assets belonging to the Society shall be given or transferred to another organisation that is charitable under New Zealand law and has purposes similar to those of the Society.

Moved: Bob/James - passed

Election of Officers:

James acted as Chair for the election purposes. He thanked the current office holders for their work.

Chair Ray Goldring - Jack/Bob.

Secretary Maree Goldring - Chris/Jack

Treasurer Bob Leonard - Chris T/Chris S

Executive: David Hewson, James Hoban, Richard Hill, Michael Willis, Peter Wakefield, Nick Ledgard - Ray moved that the existing executive be re-elected, subject to their agreement. The Executive has the power to co-opt members as required.

General Business:

1. **Website** - Jack was thanked for the work he has done to set up the website. Any further material for this is welcome, including photos or videos. The website was viewed by the meeting. Thanks to Donna for her work involved in the setting up of the site.

2. **DoC Update (Dean)** since last meeting.

Flock Hill - 2 lots of \$15,000 for control.

\$97,000 annually for Helicopter Hill last 4 years. This year lost \$50,000. Should be cleared in 4 years at current funding level. Dean suggested that DoC be informed of WELRA activity in area as this may effect future funding levels.

Suggested that an overarching plan be made (DoC and WELRA), and put on the website.

(David/James)

Korowai Torlesse Tussockland Conservation Park., 2,500 hectares, Aerial spraying Helicopter Hill (last 3 years), Spray trials down south, and on Flock Hill, Mt. Wall Slide, Cheeseman Road, Burnt Face (\$130,000).

Chris queried the carbon sequestering issue. Could be an issue in the future for moves to retain the pines.

Meeting closed 11.50 a.m.