MINUTES

SUBJECT WATERCARE SERVICES BOARD MEETING

VENUE Boardroom Level 2, Watercare Services Limited, 73 Remuera Road, Remuera, Auckland

DATE 19 December 2014

TIME 09:00

STATUS Open Session

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	Present: D Clarke (Chairman) N Crauford P Drummond C Harland J Hoare T Lanigan D Thomas A Delany (Board Observer)	In Attendance: R Chenery R Fisher D Hawkins R Jaduram T Langridge B Monk J Redwood B Taplin G Wood D Worsnop S Huria	Public in Attendance: Nil	
1.	Apologies • M Allen			
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting The Board resolved that the Minutes of the public section of the Board meeting held on 21 November 2014 at 13:00 be confirmed as correct.			
3.	Pirectors Corporate Governance Items Corporate Planner 2014 The Corporate Planner for 2014 was noted. Corporate Planner 2015 The Chairman advised that the meeting on 4 February 2015 will be a full Board meeting. The meeting on 26 February 2015 will be more project oriented dealing with matters such as Health & Safety and Communications. Disclosure of Interests The Disclosure of Interests was noted. Organisational Chart The Organisational Chart was noted.			
4.	Scorecard and Chief Executive's Report • Key Performance Scorecard The Chief Executive advised that all water treatment plants are supplying water which meets the Drinking Water Standard. Lake levels are about the same as this time last year, just under 80% full. Compared to last year, there is now more pumping capacity from the Waikato River. All modelling results show that supply can be maintained at the appropriate levels with use of Waikato River.			

Water demand is lower which is affecting revenue, however, with increased development, IGC revenue will be in the order of \$45m compared to budget of \$35m year end.

Statutory Planning - Proposed Water Supply and Wastewater Bylaw

Rob Fisher advised that the form of bylaw attached to the paper had minor amendments to the version approved by the Board at the meeting on 29 November 2015.

The Board resolved to:

- Adopt the proposal to revoke legacy bylaws and make a new bylaw;
- Commence public consultation, using the special consultative procedure, on the proposal;
- Appoint Councillor Cameron Brewer and Independent Maori Statutory Board Member Glenn Wilcox to the hearing panel (alongside Catherine Harland and Peter Drummond who have already been appointed and with Nicki Crauford as a reserve); and
- Delegate to the hearing panel the powers to deliberate on submissions and make recommendations in respect of the proposal.

Application of Sodium Fluoroacetate (1080) in the Hunua Catchments

David Worsnop spoke to the paper.

The Board noted that Auckland Council, as landowner of the land surrounding the Wairoa and Cosseys water supply lakes, had decided to manage pest numbers by aerial application of 1080.

Watercare is on record with Auckland Council that it has concerns over the use of herbicides in the catchments owned by Auckland Council that are adjacent to the Hunua water supply lakes.

Watercare has requested significant controls to be implemented during the Auckland Council programme of pest management namely:

- Application to a single catchment at a time
- Each reservoir will be isolated from supply during the application
- There will be a minimum 200m setback from the top water level of each reservoir
- Helicopters will not be able to fly across the reservoir
- > Staff will be positioned on the reservoir to confirm no product is applied directly to the water
- Pre application monitoring and post application monitoring at a number of points within the reservoir will be undertaken.

Watercare since has been advised that the Council now wish to apply 1080 to two catchments at once, rather than to a single catchment as per the Watercare control. Further, advice has been received from Professor Colin Fricker relating to the possible effects on the lakes from carcasses remaining on site.

The Board requested that Council be advised that Watercare requires its controls be included in the operational plan and be implemented including possible removal of all resulting carcasses.

The Board emphasised to management the requirement to be conservative in approach on this matter and that Council be put on notice as to the concerns held by Watercare.

5.

	General Business
6.	There was no general business.
	The public section of the meeting closed at 12 noon.

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

Chairman