



Notice is hereby given of the

Proposed Long-term Plan Hearing of Submissions and Views by Council

Monday, 20 May 2024 at 3.00 pm

Environment Southland Council Chamber, 220 North Road, Invercargill

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Council Members

Chairman Nicol Horrell
Cr Jeremy McPhail (Deputy)
Cr Neville Cook
Cr Paul Evans

Cr Alastair Gibson
Cr Robert Guyton
Cr Lyndal Ludlow
Cr Peter McDonald

Cr Jon Pemberton
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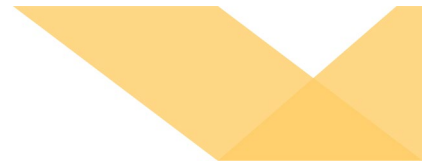
Agenda

- 1 Welcome I Haere mai
- 2 Apologies I Ngā pa pouri
- 3 Declarations of interest
- 4 Notification of extraordinary items/urgent business I He panui autaia hei totoia pakihi
- 5 Public forum, petitions and deputations I He huinga tuku korero
 - 5.1 Consideration of the Long-term Plan 2024-34 Submissions and Views
- 6 Extraordinary/urgent business I Panui autaia hei totoia pakihi
- 7 Public excluded business



Wilma Falconer
Chief Executive

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Consideration of 2024-34 Long-term Plan Submissions

Objective ID: A1086488

Report by: Dave Gibbs, Strategy and Partnership Manager

Approved by: Rachael Millar, General Manager, Strategy, Science and Engagement

Purpose

To provide Council with the feedback received on the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan Consultation Document, supporting documents, and other concurrent consultations.

To provide Council with a schedule of people who have asked to speak to Council about their submission at a hearing that is proposed to take place at this Council meeting.

Summary

The consultation document for the 2024-34 Long-term Plan (LTP) titled '*Investing in Southland Whakangao Ki Murihiku*' has attracted a total of 326 submissions and it is proposed to hear those submitters who wished to speak to their submissions at this Council meeting.

A meeting to consider all the submissions received and to deliberate on how to proceed will take place on 30 May 2024. The final Long-term Plan (including any changes) will then be put together for audit and subsequent adoption by Council.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council resolve to:

1. note that the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan Consultation Document *Investing in Southland Whakangao ki Murihiku* has undergone consultative processes and submissions have been received;
2. receive the submissions made to the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan Consultation Document *Investing in Southland Whakangao ki Murihiku*;
3. receive the submissions and feedback made on supporting documents and concurrent consultations as follow:
 - draft Financial Strategy;
 - draft Infrastructure Strategy 2024-2054;
 - draft Groups of Activities/Performance Framework (including links to strategic direction and levels of service);
 - draft Financial Information (including Prospective Financial Statements, Disclosure Statement and Funding Impact Statement)
 - proposed Financial Reserves Policy
 - draft Statement of Accounting Policies;
 - draft Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO);
 - proposed Treasury Policy;
 - proposed Marine Fee Reserve Allocation Policy;
 - Significant Forecasting Assumptions;
 - draft Revenue and Financing Policy;
 - draft Funding Needs Analysis;

- Revenue and Financing Policy update and rating review 2024 Statement of Proposal;
 - Fees and Charges Schedule 2024-2025 and associated Statement of Proposal;
 - Proposed Rates Remission and Postponement Policy (including for Māori Freehold Land) and associated Statement of Proposal;
 - Proposed Significance and Engagement Policy and associated Statement of Proposal.
4. agree to accept all late submissions received up to 15 May 2024;
 5. agree not to receive any further late submissions;
 6. agree to hear all submitters who wish to be heard on the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan Consultation Document *Investing in Southland Whakangao ki Murihiku*, Statement of Proposal Revenue and Financing Policy, concurrent consultations, and supporting documents.

Background

The consultation document titled *Investing in Southland Whakangao ki Murihiku* was made available to the public from 27 March to 13 May 2024 (extended from the original close date of 6 May 2024) and set out questions around the key issues identified for Council's Long-term Plan.

Information about the document was made widely available through:

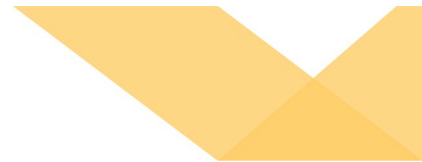
- *Over 15 public events/drop-ins/meetings held or attended across the region (not including Catchment Liaison Committee AGMs and meetings)*
- *Feedback forms emailed to Environment Southland databases*
- *Catchment Liaison Committee meetings have included LTP information/discussions*
- *Flyers and Consultation documents at Invercargill Library and all SDC libraries*
- *Radio, newspaper, and Stuff online advertising*
- *Videos and other social media content posted and sponsored*
- *Enviroweek/Envirofarms running LTP content*
- *EnviroSouth with LTP feedback form and 1984 flood stories - delivered across region*
- *Stakeholder communications –emails and meetings with most affected.*
- *Chamber of Commerce newsletter/ads*
- *Newspaper Columns: Express and Southland Times/Stuff*
- *900 leaflets delivered to Te Anau*

Three hundred and twenty six submissions on the consultation document were received and it is proposed to hear those submitters who wish to speak to their submissions at this Council meeting. A meeting to consider all of the submissions received and to deliberate on how to proceed will take place on 30 May 2024. The final Long-term Plan (including any changes) will then be put together for audit and subsequent adoption by Council.

Submissions

As noted above, 326 submissions on the consultation document were received. In comparison, 50 submissions were received in 2021, 63 in 2018, 84 in 2015, and 149 in 2012.

A copy of all submissions are contained in a separate appendix to this report. Council has complied with the special consultative procedure requirement in the Local Government Act 2002 to acknowledge receipt of the submissions in writing. The submitters appearing before Council have also been sent a link to a copy of this report so they are aware of all submissions.



Overview of feedback from submissions

Due to the restricted timeframe as result of extending the consultation period and the number of submissions received, staff have been unable to review and provide an overview of the feedback. A submission summary will be provided prior to the hearing.

Hearing

As noted previously, it is proposed to hear those submitters who wish to speak to their submissions at this Council meeting. The Local Government Act 2002 sets out criteria to be followed in the process of consultation. The relevant criteria are set out in Sections 82, 83 and 84. Of particular note for this report and Council’s consideration of the submissions is the following summary of provisions relevant to hearing submissions:

Section 82(1)...

- (d) provide a reasonable opportunity for persons making their views known in a way appropriate for them;
- (e) receive views with an open mind and to give them due consideration;

Hearing timetable

Submitters have been timetabled to appear, and that timetable follows. It is not yet complete, as staff are still contacting submitters as this report is issued. The finalised table will be provided to the hearing on the first day.

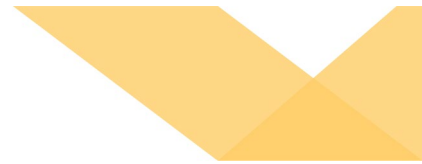
<i>SubmissionNo</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Time</i>
77	MERIDIAN (<i>MR ANDREW FEIERABEND</i>)	3.20 PM
44	WAIAMAU CATCHMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (<i>MR PAUL MARSHALL AND MR PETER BAKER</i>)	3.30 PM
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60	THE FUTURE IS RAIL (<i>MR DAVE MACPHERSON IN PERSON WITH POWERPOINT</i>)	3.50 PM
42	TE ANAU CATCHMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (<i>MR BARRY TAYLOR</i>)	4.00 PM
63	MATAURA CATCHMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (<i>MR HUGH GARDYN</i>)	4.10 PM
63	MATAURA CATCHMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (<i>MR HUGH GARDYN</i>)	4.20 PM
09	MR GEOFF SCOTT	4.30 PM
43	MS WENDY JOY BAKER	4.40 PM
79	MR EWEN DUNNAGE	4.50 PM
04	MR MARTIN GLEDHILL	5.00 PM



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02	UNDER 20K INCOME RATEPAYERS (<i>Ms ALANNA BARRETT</i>)	5.10 PM
05	MR DOUG FRASER	5.20 PM
202	MR ANDREW MORRISON	5.30 PM
175	MID DOME WILDING TREES CHARITABLE TRUST (<i>Ms ALI BALLANTINE VIA ZOOM</i>)	5.40 PM
	<i>LIGHT MEAL ADJOURNMENT</i>	
22	MR LIAM CALDER	6.30 PM
54	SOUTHERN PEST ERADICATION SOCIETY (<i>MR PHILIP GORDON</i>)	6.40 PM
70	MS SALLY MCINTYRE	6.50 PM
80	MS CHERYLE BLIGHT	7.00 PM
82	MR CRAIG EDGERTON	7.10 PM
130	MS CARMEN STEWART	7.20 PM

Hearing Timetable – Tuesday 21 May 2024

<i>Submission No.</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Time</i>
38	MR CHRIS CARRAN (<i>VIA ZOOM FROM AU</i>)	9.00 AM
179	MR RUSSELL MACPHERSON	9.10 AM
58	PREDATOR FREE RAKIURA (<i>MR DEAN WHAANGA AND MR PAUL NORRIS</i>)	9.20 AM
237	GROUNDSWELL WESTERN SOUTHLAND (<i>Ms SUE ALLISON</i>)	9.30 AM
129	B CRONIN	9.40 AM
140	HW RICHARDSON (<i>Ms SUE HILL</i>)	9.50 AM
	<i>MORNING TEA ADJOURNMENT</i>	
191	MRS ANNIE ENGLISH (<i>MR HAMISH ENGLISH SPEAKING ON BEHALF IN PERSON</i>)	10.20 AM
142	INVERCARGILL SALEYARDS CO LTD (<i>MARK HAMILTON</i>)	10.30 AM
153	MR GARY AND MRS BEV SWNEY	10.40 AM



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103	MS CHRISTINE SMITH	10.50 AM
10	MR JOHN TURNER (YET TO BE CONFIRMED)	11.00 AM
154	MR GEOFF AND MRS SUSAN SMITH	11.10 AM
157	FISH AND GAME (<i>MR JACOB SMYTH</i>)	11.20 AM
	YET TO BE ALLOCATED	11.30 AM
164	MR ALLAN BAIRD	11.40 AM
168	MR DAVE MARSHALL	11.50 AM
169	CHRIS HENDERSON	12.00 PM
172	ORETI CATCHMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (<i>MR DAVID ROSA AND MR DAVE MARSHALL</i>)	12.10 PM
182	FORREST AND BIRD (<i>MS JEN MILLER</i>)	12.20 PM
	<i>LUNCHEON ADJOURNMENT</i>	
55	MR RON BAXTER	1.30 PM
35	BACK 2 HEALTH LTD (<i>MS DIANA PEARS</i>)	1.40 PM
57	ICC (<i>MR MICHAEL DAY</i>)	1.50 PM
39	MR GAVIN AND MRS FIONA McCABE	2.00 PM
183	MR MARTIN SLIVA	2.10 PM
195	MR RICHARD KYTE	2.20 PM
11	MRS JENNY AND MR TERRY McNAMARA	2.30 PM
196	MR DAVE DIACK	2.40 PM
176	MR BRIAN RANCE	2.50 PM
	<i>AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT</i>	
197	MS JENNY CAMPBELL	3.20 PM
206	MR BERTRAM HAMMOND	3.30 PM
207	MR DAVE RIDDELL	3.40 PM
216	MS MICHELLE FRASER	3.50 PM



<i>Submission No.</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Time</i>
216	MR STEVE MEAR	4.00 PM
220	MR LAURANCE PATERSON	4.10PM
199	FEDERATED FARMERS (<i>MR JASON HERRICK</i>)	4.20PM

Hearing Timetable – Friday 24 May 2024

<i>Submission No.</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Time</i>
262	MRS JUDY SCOTT (<i>MR GEOFFREY SCOTT ON BEHALF</i>)	11.00 AM
294	MS CHRISTINE BOGERS	11.10 AM
300	MS SHONA STEWART	11.20 AM
314	MR PAUL DUFFY	11.30 AM
316	COOK FARMING CO LTD (<i>MR RUSSELL COOK</i>)	11.40 AM
318	MR JOSH CUMBERLAND	11.50 PM
321	OTATARA LANDCARE GROUP (<i>MR RICHARD JOHNSON</i>)	12.00 PM
323	MR KEN BUCKINGHAM	12.10 PM
319	GROUNDSWELL WESTERN SOUTHLAND (<i>MS CHANTEL MARSHALL</i>)	12.20 PM
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Next steps

A meeting to deliberate on all submissions and how to proceed will take place on 30 May 2024.

The final Long-term Plan (including any changes) will then be prepared for audit and adoption by Council at an Extraordinary Meeting of Council. Prior to the adoption of the Long-term Plan, the audit must be completed as the audit report received to date relates only to the Consultation Document. A further audit report for the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan is required prior to formal plan adoption.

Considerations

Legal Implications

This report and the associated recommendations comply with the appropriate statutory requirements placed upon the Council.

Consistency with Council’s LTP/Annual Plan/Policy/Strategy

The Long-term Plan is consistent with the strategic direction as provided by the Council.

Attachments

1. Copies of submissions (appended as a separate attachment)