

# WasteMINZ

## Annual General Meeting 2015



# 1. Apologies

- No apologies were received

## 2. Confirmation of minutes

- The minutes are attached to the meeting papers at Appendix One

## 3. Matters arising

- Any matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda

## 4. General business

- Notification of items for general business
- Any general business will be addressed at item 9 of the agenda

# 5. Resolution

- *“That Paul Bishop is granted Life Membership to WasteMINZ in recognition of his significant contribution to the organisation, including eight years on the WasteMINZ Board.”*
- The Life Membership nomination was received 42 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with rule 4.3 (iii) of the rules of the Waste Management Institute New Zealand.
- The resolution was proposed by Grahame Christian and seconded by Darren Patterson.
- **Members are asked to vote on the proposed resolution.**

## 6. Proposed rule change

- One substantive change is proposed to WasteMINZ's Society Rules, this is in relation to the introduction of a Code of Conduct. The proposed change has been:
  - Previously raised with WasteMINZ members and feedback sought
  - Subsequently approved in principle by the WasteMINZ Board
- The change is now brought before the AGM for the consideration of WasteMINZ's financial members.

- The proposed rule change relates to “Section 7 – Breach of rules or misconduct of members”. The key changes to the rule are:
  - Inclusion of references to the Code of Conduct
  - Clarification of the process in relation to a breach of rules or misconduct of members
- The proposed Code of Conduct and related rule change are attached to the meeting papers at Appendix Two.
- **Members are asked to:**
  - **Vote on the adoption of the Code of Conduct**
  - **Vote on the related change to Section 7 of WasteMINZ’s society rules to give effect to the Code of Conduct**

# 7. Chair's Overview

Darren Patterson  
Patterson Environmental  
Chair of WasteMINZ





# Finance

- Surplus for the year of \$48,021 (Budget of \$50,868)
- Current year surplus budgeted to be circa \$40,000
- This will be a challenge, as we have increasing costs in a number of areas. However we need to adapt our operating model.
- We have been reducing surpluses over time. However, we need to run a surplus at about this level to safeguard the organisation.
- A portion of surpluses are set aside for Strategic Investment Fund

# Contaminated Land

- Three years' of work with EIANZ on a trans-Tasman certification scheme
- Officially launched in December 2014
- This type of accreditation brings many benefits to the sector
- Supporting this is a key priority for WasteMINZ
- Ongoing professional development is another priority

# Health and Safety

- Focused on identifying and addressing training needs
- Briefing event with 80 attendees from across the sector (available online)
- Health and safety survey to understand sector needs and challenges
- Webinar delivery
- Fact sheet development - ongoing
- Leadership and focus on H&S in our own operations

# Organics

- Clopyralid: Survey in relation to EPA's controls. Work is ongoing.
- Legionella:
  - Study (funded by Strategic Investment Fund) into prevalence of legionella
  - Work with NGINZ to update health warning panel on bagged products
  - Work towards broad industry adoption
- Standard for compostable plastic film: Lengthy consultation, recommended that *Australian Standard AS 4736* is used
- Look at determining a standard for other compostable plastics

# Waste Data Framework

- On 30 July 2014 Environment Minister announced \$97,500 WMF grant
- The total project cost was \$160,000
- This project is now complete, with it establishing:
  - Definitions for waste data terms
  - Protocols for gathering waste data
  - Protocols for managing and reporting waste data
  - Roles and obligations of key parties
- Now working on implementation

# Behaviour Change

- Two significant projects completed
- Standardising colours for mobile rubbish and recycling containers
  - Significant consultation with all parts of the industry
  - Agreement now reached
  - Now working to promote adoption
- Love Food Hate Waste
  - This one gets its own slide 😊

# Love Food Hate Waste

- Three significant pieces of research completed
- Huge media interest
- Built a coalition of the willing (55 councils and a community organisation)
- Now working collectively to develop a three-year national campaign
- Well done to all involved, in particular Jenny Marshall



# Strategic Investment Fund

- Important tool for WasteMINZ to provide seed funding
- Contestable round held in early 2015 (recipients announced soon)
- Funding disbursed in 2014/2015 was
  - Water NZ, Organic Materials Guidelines (\$10,000)
  - Ecan, Rural Waste Minimisation (\$10,000)
  - Winstone Wallboards, Design Out Waste (\$5,000)
- Full reporting on projects funded to date coming in early 2016



# Events and training

- Four key events held
  - Conference, October 2014
  - Round Up, April 2015
  - Tyre Summit in partnership with 3R, June 2015
  - Health and safety briefing, June 2015
- Investment in technology to support webinars on a range of topics
- Coming changes in the way we deliver some events
  - Smaller scale with regional focus to recognise our geographically disbursed membership

# The Future of WasteMINZ...

- Mapping out our strategic approach with the Board
- We will communicate this back to the membership in the New Year
- In short it is about:
  - Elevating WasteMINZ to where it needs to be
  - Providing strong leadership
  - Being the pre-eminent voice in our sector, the “go to” organisation

# Achieving this will involve

- Thought leadership
- Influencing the agenda
- Enhancing the sector's profile
- Ensuring relevancy
- Increasing our reach

# Any questions?

# 8. Announcement of Board Members

- Interest was high, with 424 e-voting papers returned
- A hotly contested race with eight candidates vying for three spots
- Those elected to the Board are as follows:
  1. John Dragicevich (Auckland Council). Re-elected with 216 votes.
  2. Dominic Salmon (Hastings District Council). Re-elected with 230 votes.
  3. Wayne Plummer (EnviroNZ). Newly elected with 163 votes.
- The other five candidates ranged from 35 votes to 141 votes.

# 9. General Business

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# Thank You

## Join us in the foyer for a drink