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EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Commencing at 1.15 pm

on

Tuesday 10 February 2009

**Council Chamber
District Council Building
King George Place
Timaru**

TIMARU DISTRICT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary meeting of the Timaru District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, District Council Building, King George Place, Timaru on Tuesday 10 February 2009, at 1.15pm.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (MEMBERS' INTERESTS) ACT 1968

Councillors are reminded that if you have a pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda, then you must declare this interest and refrain from discussing or voting on this item, and are advised to withdraw from the meeting table.

Warwick Isaacs
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**TIMARU DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

10 February 2009

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TIMARU DISTRICT COUNCIL
FOR THE MEETING OF 10 FEBRUARY 2009

Report for Agenda Item No 2

Prepared by **Peter Nixon** **Mark Low**
 Assistant Chief Executive **Strategic Planning Manager**

Aoraki Development Trust/Central South Island Tourism – Proposal to form a Council Controlled Organisation Submissions (File E3/7)

Purpose of Report

This report summarises the submissions to the ADT/CSIT Proposal to form a Council Controlled Organisation and outlines relevant information for the Hearing to be held on Tuesday 10 February 2009.

Submissions

Submissions on the proposal closed on Friday 23 January. 11 submissions were received with the majority in favour of the proposal. Enclosed with this agenda are:

- **Hearing Schedule** – one page showing submitters to be heard on Tuesday 10 February 2008. 3 submitters have requested to speak to their submissions.
- **Submission Summary** – document summarising individual submissions by topic, including officer comments on the submissions. It can be cross referenced to the Submissions volume by the submission number and page number shown in the columns on the left hand side of the report.
- **Submissions Volume** - ordered by submission number. This includes the following:
 - Submission Index (numerical)
 - Individual submissions.

Recommendations

- 1 **That the report be received and noted.**
- 2 **That the Council consider and make decisions on the submissions to the Proposal.**

**ADT/CSIT Council Controlled Organisation:
HEARING TIMETABLE
TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2009**

Time	Sub No	Pge No	Submitter	Subject	Officers' Comments (Page No)
1.15pm	General matters relating to hearing				
1.20pm	7	9	Brian Ward		
1.30pm	11	15	McGregor Simpson	ADT/CSIT Council Controlled Organisation	
1.40pm	10	13	Roger Payne	ADT/CSIT Council Controlled Organisation	
1.50pm	Consideration of submissions and balance of agenda items				

Submitters not being heard

Sub No.	Pg No.		Sub No.	Pg No.	
1	1	Southend Ratepayers Association	6	7	Blandswood Residents Association
2	3	Alliance Group Ltd.	8	10	Wendy Smith
3	5	NZ Automobile Association	9	12	Barbara Aitken
4	6	Central South Island Tourism			
5	7	PrimePort Timaru Limited			

Summary of Submissions

ADT/CSIT Consultation re Council Controlled Organisation Summary of Submissions BY SUBMITTER

Sub No	Pg No	Submitter
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1	1	Southend Ratepayers Association
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Association supports Option Two

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support is noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

That the Council make a final decision on the ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal following the hearing and consideration of submissions.

2	3	Alliance Group Ltd.
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Favour merging ADT and CSIT due to efficiency and synergies achieved, pressure over next period for TDC to find efficiencies and reduce costs.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support and comments are noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

That the Council make a final decision on the ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal following the hearing and consideration of submissions.

3	5	NZ Automobile Association
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Supports establishment of a new CCO to take over the roles of ADT and CSIT. Support streamlining and cutting of costs where possible, better utilisation of skills. Support CCO concept retaining an independent business, rather than integration into Council operations.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support and comments are noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

That the Council make a final decision on the ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal following the hearing and consideration of submissions.

4	6	Central South Island Tourism
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Timaru District Promotions Trust support proposal to establish a new CCO to take over the existing trust and manage economic development and district promotions activities under one entity. Believes proposal will mean greater efficiencies and access to funding and benefits outweigh any disadvantages. Thought does need to be given to the appropriate skill set for the new board.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support and comments are noted.

ADT/CSIT Consultation re Council Controlled Organisation Summary of Submissions BY SUBMITTER

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Recommendation:

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5 7 PrimePort Timaru Limited

ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Support Option 2 to combine ADT and CSIT as outlined in the proposal.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support is noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

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6 8 Blandwood Residents Association

ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Support Option 2 to form a new CCO merging two existing CCOs. Request broad promotion of District attractions - cultural, historic and scenic - and that they do not take second place to economic development.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support and comments are noted

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

That the Council make a final decision on the ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal following the hearing and consideration of submissions.

7 9 Ward, Brian

ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Support proposal to merge ADT/CSIT into one CCO. Request the Council ensures that businesses directed to the Trust can ensure highly credible assurance and public evidence of confidentiality and trust. Any interests of staff should be publicly declared.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Comments are noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

That the Council make a final decision on the ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal following the hearing and consideration of submissions.

8 10 Smith, Wendy

ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Support Option 2 to form a new CCO merging the two existing CCOs.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support is noted.

ADT/CSIT Consultation re Council Controlled Organisation Summary of Submissions BY SUBMITTER

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Recommendation:

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9	12	Aitken, Barbara
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Support Option 2 to form a new CCO merging the existing CCOs.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Support is noted.

Recommendation:

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10	13	Payne, Roger
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Suggests new governance team for the new CCO should be appointed with people who can deliver public accountability with ratepayer and taxpayer funds. CEO appointment has been 'cart before the horse.

Annual Reports of ADT show lack of accountability with public funds. Public enquiry into lack of accountability should be held.

Assistant Chief Executive Comments

Comments are noted.

Recommendation:

That the submission be received and noted.

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11	15	Simpson, John McGregor
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ADT/CSIT CCO Proposal

Do not support proposal. Request both ADT and CSIT are wound up and rates saved to alleviate rate increases. Economic Development and Tourism are not core business of Council. I-sites should be taken over by the Ministry of Tourism or travel agencies and economic development should be left to private enterprise.

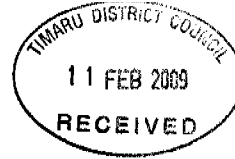
Assistant Chief Executive Comments

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Recommendation:

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SOUTH CANTERBURY'S DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION

ADT/CSIT CCO Submission - 23 January 2009
Supplementary Submission - 10 February 2009

1. Combining the community's role in development and promotion strongly supported because of:
 - a) complementary nature of development and promotion
 - b) efficiencies with governance
2. Private sector alone cannot provide the role because of the extent of public good involved. Council – private sector partnerships required. Ratepayer funding in part essential because of public good.
3. The partnership unlikely to achieve charity status because charities prevented from political lobbying role which will be an essential role in delivering South Canterbury's potential.
4. Allegations abound throughout the region about long-standing mis-management of the ADT & CSIT. The appointment of managers of the new merged organisation before a legal base was established provides evidence of governance incompetence. The "cart before the horse" scenario is simply not acceptable.
5. A brand new governance team is required where "big picture" vision, accountability with public funds, and advanced management skill dominate.
6. Such a team would be able to put focus on:
 - a) cost/benefit analysis
 - b) open dialogue with the region's best managers
 - c) constructive partnering
 - d) excellence in resource management
 - e) balance of urban/rural interests
 - f) promotion of the "South Canterbury" brand

Roger Payne

tabled at the meeting