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Meeting Memo

Meeting with Federated Mountain Clubs (FMC)



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To: Minister of Conservation

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Event name: Meeting with Federated Mountain Clubs (FMC), 15/11/2022, 4:45pm

Key contacts

Name	Organisation	Role	Cellphone
Tim Bamford	DOC	Support	s9(2)(a)

Context & purpose

1. This memo is to support your meeting with Federated Mountain Clubs (FMC) President Robin McNeill.

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Milford Opportunities Project (MOP)

25. Robin McNeill has identified himself as the key contact leading the MOP engagement on behalf of FMC. He is working closely with the MOP Unit and DOC representing FMC interests. FMC worked closely with the MOP planning team during Stage 2, development of Masterplan.

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27. DOC also received an Official Information Act request from Rob Mitchell (former FMC President and current member of the FMC Executive) in late August, asking a range of questions about DOC's management of the MOP including concerns around the NZ public's right of free access to National Parks. Chris Goddard (Programme Director Milford Opportunities) responded to his list of questions (see [Appendix C](#)).
28. The purpose of Phase Three of the MOP is to ensure that the recommendations of the masterplan are thoroughly tested, including the matters FMC are raising. FMC's input and perspective into the process is valued, and officials (DOC and the MOP Unit) will continue to engage with FMC as the work progresses.

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