

Notice of Meeting:

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Dunedin City Council will be held on:

Date: Tuesday 30 January 2024
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Council Chamber, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, The Octagon,
Dunedin

Sandy Graham
Chief Executive Officer

Council
PUBLIC AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Mayor
Deputy Mayor

Mayor Jules Radich
Cr Cherry Lucas

Members

Cr Bill Acklin	Cr Sophie Barker
Cr David Benson-Pope	Cr Christine Garey
Cr Kevin Gilbert	Cr Carmen Houlahan
Cr Marie Laufiso	Cr Mandy Mayhem
Cr Jim O'Malley	Cr Lee Vandervis
Cr Steve Walker	Cr Brent Weatherall
Cr Andrew Whiley	

Senior Officer

Sandy Graham, Chief Executive Officer

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Note: Reports and recommendations contained in this agenda are not to be considered as Council policy until adopted.

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1 OPENING

Peter Small (Dunedin Interfaith Council) will open the meeting on behalf of the Buddhist community.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

At the close of the agenda public forum registrations were still being taken. The speakers will be confirmed following closure of registrations 24 hours before the meeting starts.

3 APOLOGIES

An apology has been received from Cr Kevin Gilbert.

That the Council:

Accepts the apology from Cr Kevin Gilbert.

4 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Note: Any additions must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Members are reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.
2. Elected members are reminded to update their register of interests as soon as practicable, including amending the register at this meeting if necessary.
3. Staff are reminded to update their register of interests as soon as practicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Notes/Amends** if necessary the Elected Members' Interest Register attached as Attachment A; and
- b) **Confirms/Amends** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.
- c) **Notes** the proposed management plan for the Executive Leadership Team's Interests.

Attachments

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Councillor Register of Interest - Current as at 23 January 2024				
Councillors are members of all committees				
Name	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
Mayor Jules Radich	Shareholder	Izon Science Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Taurikura Drive Investments Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Golden Block Developments Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Cambridge Terrace Properties Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	Southern Properties (2007) Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Arrenway Drive Investments Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Golden Centre Holdings Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	IBMS Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	Raft Holdings Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	Otago Business Coaching Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Effectivise Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Athol Street Investments Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	Allandale Trustee Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Aberdeen St No2 Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Road Safety Action Plan	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	100% Shareholder/Director	Panorama Developments Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Hospital Local Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Council of Social Services (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Tertiary Precinct Planning Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Tertiary Sector Steering Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Local Government New Zealand (Zone 6 Committee) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Connecting Dunedin (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Bill Acklin	Shareholder/Director	Dunedin Brokers Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	APRA - AMCOS	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Entertainer	Various functions	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Strath Taieri Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Casual Employee	Insulmax	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Craigieburn Reserve Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Sophie Barker	Director	Ayrmed Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Various publicly listed companies	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Property Owner	Residential Property Owner - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Beneficiary	Sans Peur Trust (Larnach Castle)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Mentor	Business Mentors NZ	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Southern Heritage Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Friends Otago Museum	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Peninsula Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Orokonui Ecosanctuary	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Volunteer	Blue Penguins Pukekura	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Vegetable Growers Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Committee Member	Otago Anniversary Day Dinner	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Dunedin Heritage Fund (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Gasworks Museum Trust (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Otaru Sister City Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Hereweka Harbour Cone Trust (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Te Ao Tūroa Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Connecting Dunedin (Council Appointment)	No conflict Identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr David Benson-Pope	Owner	Residential Property Ownership in Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee and Beneficiary	Blind Investment Trusts	Duty to Trust may conflict with duties of Council Office	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Yellow-eyed Penguin Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	New Zealand Labour Party	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Heritage Fund (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Acquisitions Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Museum Trust Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Christine Garey	Trustee	Garey Family Trust - Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Women of Ōtepoti	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member (alternate)	Grow Dunedin Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Museum Trust Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Sophia Charter (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Study Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Ashburn Hall Charitable Trust Board	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	St Paul's Cathedral Foundation (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Kevin Gilbert	Member	Theomin Gallery Management Committee (Olveston) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Gipfel Limited - Bakery	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Schlubert Trust - Residential Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Schlup Family Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	BNI	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Business South	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Shareholder	Air New Zealand	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Kevin Gilbert and Esther Gilbert Partnership - Residential Rental Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Biddies Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Advisors	Ronald McDonald House Supper Club Committee	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Fair Trading Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Local Government New Zealand (Zone 6 Committee) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member (alternate)	Otago Regional Transport Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Keep Dunedin Beautiful (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Settlers Association (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Saddle Hill Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	National Industry Advisors Group Food and Beverage (Workforce Development Council)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Connecting Dunedin (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Carmen Houlahan	Owner	Residential Property - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Rental Property - North Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Part Owner	Adobe Group Ltd, Wanaka	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Rotary Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Institute of Directors	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Property Investors Association	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Acquisitions Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Creative Dunedin Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	KBCLR Family Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Theatre Trust (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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Cr Marie Laufiso	Property Owner	Residential Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Moray Place Community Building Trust - Trust Owner of Property 111 Moray Place	Duty to Trust may conflict with duties of Council Office	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chair	Otago Mental Health Support Trust	Potential grants applicant which would result in pecuniary interest. Duty to Trust may conflict with duties of Council Office	Do not participate in consideration of grants applications. If the meeting is in public excluded, to leave the room.
	Member	Women of Ōtepoti Recognition Initiative	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Family Member	Staff member a relative	Potential conflict depending on level of staff member involvement	Managed by staff at officer level if a perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Secretary	Brockville Improvements and Amenities Society (BIAS)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Corso Ōtepoti Dunedin Trust	Potential grants recipient	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in public excluded leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Member	Dunedin Manufacturing Holdings Inc	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Secretary	BIAS Charitable Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Dunedin Branch Treasurer	P.A.C.I.F.I.C.A Inc	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Abrahamic Interfaith Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Refugee Steering Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Social Wellbeing Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	District Licensing Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Grants Subcommittee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Cherry Lucas	Trustee	Otago Farmers Market	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago A & P Society	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Henderson Lucas Family Trust - Residential Dunedin Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	NZ Institute of Chartered Accountants	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Museum Trust Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Chinese Garden Advisory Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Local Government New Zealand (Zone 6 Committee) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member (alternate)	Grow Dunedin Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Mosgiel Taieri Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Te Poāri a Pukekura Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Mandy Mayhem	Chairperson	Waitati Hall Society Inc	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Blueskin News Committee	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Co-ordinator	Waitati Market	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Co-ordinator	Emergency response group, Blueskin area	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	FENZ Local Advisory Committee for Otago	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Waitati Music Festival Committee	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Blueskin Bay Amenities Society	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Blueskin A & P Society	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Keep Dunedin Beautiful (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Zone Representative and Board Member	Keep New Zealand Beautiful	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Coastal Community Cycleway Network	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	West Harbour Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Disability Issues Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Property Owner	Residential Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Social Wellbeing Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Jim O'Malley	Owner	Biocentrix Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Ocho Newco Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Residential Property Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Ayrmed Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Northern AFC	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Ice Sports Dunedin Incorporated (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Connecting Dunedin (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Hospital Local Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Regional Transport Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Okia Reserve Management Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Tertiary Precinct Planning Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Waikouaiti Coast Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Lee Vandervis	Director	Lee Vandervis, Antonie Alm-Lequeux and Cook Allan Gibson Trustee Company Ltd - Residential Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Bunchy Properties Ltd - Residential Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Vandervision Audio and Lighting - Hire, Sales and Service Business	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If the meeting is in public excluded leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Member	District Licensing Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Okia Reserve Management Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Steve Walker	Board Member	Dunedin Wildlife Hospital Trust	Potential grants recipient	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If the meeting is in public excluded leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Chairperson	West Harbour Beautification Trust	Potential conflict WHBT work with Parks and Reserves to co-ordinate volunteer activities	Withdrawal from all West Harbour Beautification Trust/ DCC discussions involving this relationship.
	Member	Orokouai Ecosanctuary	Potential grants recipient	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If the meeting is in public excluded leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Member	Port Chalmers Golf Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Society of Beer Advocates	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	New Zealand Labour Party	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Port Chalmers Historical Society	Potential grants recipient	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Residential Property - Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Various publicly listed companies	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	NZ Sea Lion Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Edinburgh Sister City Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Predator Free Dunedin (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Cr Brent Weatherall	Member	Urban Access	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Residential Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Business George Street, Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Brent Weatherall Jeweller Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Weatherall Trustee Company	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Residential Rental Properties	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Craigieburn Reserve Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Andrew Whiley	Owner/Operator	Whiley Golf Inc and New Zealand Golf Travel Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder 22 May 2017	Estate of Grace Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Japek (Family Trust) - Property Ownership - Dunedin	Duties to Trust may conflict with duties of Council Office.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Golf Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin South Rotary Club	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Institute of Directors	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	National Party	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairman	Volunteer South	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	President	New Zealand PGA (Professional Golf Association)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chair	Dunedin Community House Executive Committee	Potential grants recipient	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Property Investors Association	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Hereweka Harbour Cone Trust (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Peninsula Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Shanghai Association (Sister City Society) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Grow Dunedin Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	NZ Masters Games Trust Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

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	Member	Puketāi Residential Centre Liaison Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

Executive Leadership Team - Register of Interest - current as at 23 November 2023					
Name	Date of Entry	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
Sandy Graham		Owner	Residential property Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	19/09/2018	Trustee	Trustee of the Taieri Airport Facilities Trust	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	25/07/2019	Member	St Clair Golf Club	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	02/03/2023		Family member works as a life guard at Moana Pool	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Robert West		Owner	Residential property Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
		Trustee	Caselberg Trust	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Jeanette Wikaira		Trustee	Dunedin North Intermediate School	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
		Member	Otago Institute of Arts and Science	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
		Trustee	Hone Tuwhare Charitable Trust	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Claire Austin	17/09/2021	Owner	Residential property Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
		Member	Institute of Directors	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
		Fellow	Australia and New Zealand School of Government	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	26.9.23	Part owner and Manager	Registered Thoroughbred Racehorse owner	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Nicola Morand	9.5.22	Owner	Residential Property Dunedin	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	9.5.22	Owner	Residential Property Millers Flat	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	9.5.22	Trustee	Kōkiri Training Centre	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	9.5.22	Minor Shareholder	OCHO	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	9.5.22	Member	Manawhenua Komiti - Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	20.9.23	Trustee	Riki Te Mairiki Taiaoroa Trust	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.
	9.5.22	Partner	Morand Painting & Decorating	No conflict identified	Seeks advice in advance of meeting if actual conflict arises.

Executive Leadership Team - Register of Interest - current as at 23 November 2023					
Name	Date of Entry	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
David Ward	28/07/2022	Director	Ward Property Rentals	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	28/07/2022	Member	Water New Zealand	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	28/07/2022	Member	IPWEA (Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	28/07/2022	Member	The Institution of Civil Engineers	No conflict identified.	Any decisions relating to The Institution of Civil Engineers will be referred to the CEO
Scott MacLean	23/01/2024	owner	Residential property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	23/01/2024	Trustee	Te Poari a Pukekura Charitable Trust	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	23/01/2024	Spouse is a General Manager at Aurora Energy Ltd	Aurora Energy Ltd	Aurora Energy Ltd is a CCO	Take no part in discussions or participate in any transactions between or about Aurora and DCC.
	23/01/2024	Spouse is Chair	Dunedin Wildlife Hospital Trust (DWHT)	DCC has funded the DWHT	Take no part in discussions or decision making about the Trust or participate in any transactions between the Trust and DCC.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 5 DECEMBER 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 05 December 2023 as a correct record.

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Council MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Dunedin City Council held in the Council Chamber, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, The Octagon, Dunedin on Tuesday 05 December 2023, commencing at 10.00 am

PRESENT

Mayor	Mayor Jules Radich	
Deputy Mayor	Cr Cherry Lucas	
Members	Cr Bill Acklin	Cr Sophie Barker
	Cr David Benson-Pope	Cr Christine Garey
	Cr Kevin Gilbert	Cr Carmen Houlahan
	Cr Marie Laufiso	Cr Mandy Mayhem
	Cr Jim O'Malley	Cr Lee Vandervis
	Cr Steve Walker	Cr Brent Weatherall
	Cr Andrew Whiley via audio visual link	

IN ATTENDANCE

Sandy Graham (Chief Executive Officer), Robert West (General Manager Corporate and Quality), Claire Austin (General Manager Customer and Regulatory), David Ward (Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development), John Christie (Manager Enterprise Dunedin), Leanne Mash (Communications and City Marketing Manager), and Nicola Morand ((Manahautū (General Manager Māori, Partnerships and Policy)(Acting)), (Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development), Jonathan Rowe (Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future), Josh Von Pein (Programme Manager – Mayor Projects), Glen Hazelton (Project Director, Central City Plan), Sharon Bodeker (Special Projects Manager), Dr Anna Johnson (City Development Manager) and Emma Christmas (Senior Planner)

Governance Support Officer	Lynne Adamson
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OPENING KARAKIA

The Mayor opened the meeting with a Karakia.

1 PUBLIC FORUM

Benjamin Paterson – International Flights

Benjamin Paterson spoke about the survey he conducted for the reinstatement of international flights into Dunedin Airport. He had received 22,000 responses with the most popular destinations being Brisbane, Gold Coast, Melbourne and Sydney. Benjamin sought Council support for his initiative.

Ben responded to questions and advised that he had a trip to Auckland planned for late January where he planned to meet with airline representatives to speak on his survey.

Bevan Meddings – the Exchange

Mr Meddings spoke on the need for an upgrade to the Exchange area. He provided information on the buildings he owned and spoke of the significance of other buildings and accommodation in the area which drew visitors to the Exchange.

He urged Councillors to visit, assess the area and include an upgrade in future works for the city. Mr Meddings responded to questions.

2 APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Crs Jim O'Malley and Marie Laufiso for absence and Cr Andrew Whiley for lateness.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Accepts the apologies from Crs Jim O'Malley and Marie Laufiso for absence and Cr Andrew Whiley for lateness.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/289)

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

That the Council:

Confirms the agenda with the following alterations:

That Item 9 – Housing Capacity Assessment Update 2023 and other supporting research to inform the draft Future Development Strategy be taken before Item 8 – Future Development Strategy: Adopting the draft for consultation

That Item C2 of the Supplementary Agenda – Proposed Governance Approach to Strategies, Plans and Programmes of Work be withdrawn from the Agenda.

That Item 12 – LGNZ – Special General Meeting has an additional paper which had been circulated.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/290)

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arose between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Elected Members' Interest Register; and
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.
- c) **Notes** the proposed management plan for the Executive Leadership Team's Interests.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/291)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 28 NOVEMBER 2023

Moved (Cr Cherry Lucas/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 28 November 2023 as a correct record.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/292)

REPORTS

6 SOUTH DUNEDIN FUTURE - RISK ASSESSMENT & ADAPTATION APPROACHES

A report from Māori, Partnerships & Policy provided an update on the South Dunedin Future programme, which included findings from the risk identification stage, to seek endorsement of a longlist of generic adaptation approaches. It sought approval to engage the community on those topics.

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward); Manahautū (General Manager Māori Partnerships and Policy (Acting) (Nicola Morand); and Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future (Jonathan Rowe) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the background of the South Dunedin Future programme and work undertaken since the previous update report to the Strategy, Planning and Engagement Committee on 14 August 2023.

Risk Assessment

- b) **Notes** the risk assessment workstream of the South Dunedin Future programme will be undertaken in three stages: (i) risk identification; (ii) risk exposure and vulnerability assessment; and (iii) detailed risk assessment.
- c) **Notes** the attached Risk Identification Report for South Dunedin, which constitutes the first stage of risk assessment workstream, and has been prepared by the 'Kia Rōpine' consultant team (WSP, BECA and Tonkin & Taylor).
- d) **Notes** the Risk Identification Report has undergone technical peer review by Jacobs New Zealand Ltd and Royal HaskoningDHV, and that there remain peer review feedback items to resolve in the next stage of the risk assessment workstream.
- e) **Notes** work has commenced on the second stage of the risk assessment workstream, confirming the risk assessment methodology, which will be completed by mid-2024 and reported back to Councils.

Adaptation Approaches

- f) **Notes** the adaptation approaches workstream of the South Dunedin Future programme will be undertaken in five stages: (i) domestic and international good practice report; (ii) longlist of generic adaptation approaches; (iii) spatial longlist of adaptation approaches; (iv) spatial shortlist of adaptation approaches; and (v) preferred approaches.
- g) **Notes** the attached Domestic and international good practice report, which constitutes the first stage of the adaptation approaches workstream, and has been prepared by the 'Kia Rōpine' consultant team (WSP, BECA and Tonkin & Taylor).
- h) **Notes** the attached Longlist of generic adaptation approaches – Context summary report and Factsheets, which constitute the second stage of the adaptation approaches workstream, and have been prepared by the 'Kia Rōpine' consultant team (WSP, BECA and Tonkin & Taylor).
- i) **Notes** that the Domestic and international good practice report, and the Longlist of generic adaptation approaches – Context summary report and Factsheets, have undergone technical peer review by Jacobs New Zealand Ltd, supported by Royal HaskoningDHV and Bell Adapt Ltd.
- j) **Endorses** the attached Longlist of generic adaptation approaches – Context summary report and Factsheets for the purposes of community engagement.

Community Engagement

- k) **Notes** the next stage of the risk assessment workstream includes seeking community input into identification and confirmation of relevant risks for South Dunedin.
- l) **Notes** the next stage in the adaptation approaches workstream is to engage with partners, stakeholders and affected communities on the longlist of generic adaptation approaches.
- m) **Approves** the SDF programme team undertaking engagement with partners, stakeholders and affected communities on the basis of the approaches identified in the Longlist of generic adaptation approaches – Context Summary Report and Factsheets, which will inform development of subsequent adaptation approaches work.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall and Mayor Jules Radich (11).

Against: Cr Lee Vandervis (1).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 11 votes to 1

Motion carried (CNL/2023/293)

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 5 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 11.18 am and reconvened at 11.33 am.

Cr Andrew Whiley entered the meeting at 11.33 am.

7 DEVELOPING A CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PLAN FOR DUNEDIN CITY

A report from Māori, Partnerships & Policy canvassed key considerations and options for the development of a climate change adaptation plan for Dunedin and to seek direction from Council about which option(s) should be explored further.

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward); Manahautū (General Manager Māori Partnerships and Policy (Acting) (Nicola Morand); and Programme Manager, South Dunedin Future (Jonathan Rowe) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Kevin Gilbert)

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 40 minutes

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 12.09 pm and reconvened at 12.51 pm

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- a) **Endorses** further work to scope development of a Dunedin adaptation plan based on the following three options:
 - i) **Option One (Comprehensive/Core Adaptation Function)** – Establishing a dedicated adaptation planning resource within DCC with responsibility for developing (i) a high-level, city-wide adaptation plan for Dunedin; (ii) a series of lower-level plans covering specific domains or smaller geographic areas in greater detail (as required); and (iii) managing existing adaptation planning work.
 - ii) **Option Two (Comprehensive/Programme)** – Establishing a dedicated programme to develop (i) a high-level city-wide adaptation plan for Dunedin and (ii) a series of lower-level plans covering specific domains or smaller geographic areas in greater detail (as required).
 - iii) **Option Three (Limited/Project)** – Establishing a dedicated project to develop a high-level city-wide adaptation plan for Dunedin.
- b) **Notes** that the costed options will be provided for Council in time for consideration as part of the deliberations for the 10 year plan in May 2024.
- c) **Notes** that as part of the development of the options there will be workshops with Councillors, engagement with mana whenua and other key stakeholders.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (12).
Against: Cr Lee Vandervis (1).
Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 12 votes to 1

Motion carried (CNL/2023/294)

Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 1.05 pm and returned at 1.08 pm.

9 HOUSING CAPACITY ASSESSMENT UPDATE 2023 AND OTHER SUPPORTING RESEARCH TO INFORM THE DRAFT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

A report from City Development advised that the National Policy Statement on Urban Development (NPS-UD) required the Dunedin City Council (DCC) and the Otago Regional Council (ORC) to jointly prepare a Future Development Strategy (FDS) for Dunedin by mid-2024. The FDS was being prepared by DCC and ORC in partnership with mana whenua.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham); Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), City Development Manager (Dr Anna Johnson) and Senior Planner (Emma Christmas) provided an update and spoke to the report. Formative Director (Rodney Yeoman) attended via audio visual link.

Council acknowledged and recognised all the work Nathan Stocker (former Team Leader Research and Monitoring) had completed in this field.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Housing Capacity Assessment update 2023.
- b) **Notes** the draft Dunedin business land research report and Dunedin Retail Trends and Land Use Study.
- c) **Notes** the housing bottom lines which will be inserted into Dunedin's District Plan (2GP).

Motion carried (CNL/2023/295)

8 FUTURE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: ADOPTING THE DRAFT FOR CONSULTATION

A report from City Development noted that the National Policy Statement on Urban Development (NPS-UD) required the Dunedin City Council (DCC) and Otago Regional Council (ORC) to jointly prepare a Future Development Strategy (FDS) for Dunedin by mid-2024. The FDS was being prepared by DCC and ORC in partnership with mana whenua.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham); Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), City Development Manager (Dr Anna Johnson) and Senior Planner (Emma Christmas) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Dr Johnson introduced the Future Development Strategy and explained the relationship with the 10 year plan.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Reason for Confidentiality
C2 Future Development Strategy Attachment Report	S7(2)(j) The withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.	S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	

Motion carried (CNL/2023/296)

The meeting moved into confidential at 1.24 pm and resumed in public at 1.35 pm.

Moved (Cr Cherry Lucas/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Adopts** the draft Dunedin Future Development Strategy, Statement of Proposal and Submission Form for public consultation under section 83 of the LGA 2002, starting on 31 January 2024.
- b) **Notes** the FDS Technical Report.
- c) **Resolves** under section 48(1)(a)(i) and section 7(2)(j) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 to withhold the draft FDS, Statement of Proposal, Submission Form and FDS Technical Report, which have been provided, until 31 January 2024 to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.
- d) **Delegates** to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) the power to correct or authorise the correction of, typographical errors or to make minor amendments to the content of draft FDS or its accompanying supporting documents.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/297) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

10 CENTRAL CITY PLAN UPDATE AND BUSINESS CASE DEVELOPMENT FOR FUTURE STAGES

A report from the Project Management Office presented revised cost estimates from those prepared in 2017 for the above ground transport and amenity works for the Central City Plan.

The report sought Council consideration to what level of above ground amenity works should be undertaken on the Bath Street component of the Central City Plan. It also presented high level cost estimates for the Octagon.

The General Manager Corporate and Quality (Robert West), Programme Manager – Major Projects (Josh Von Pein) and Project Director, Central City Plan (Glen Hazelton) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 5 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 2.19 pm and reconvened at 2.28 pm.

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** a budget of \$2.63m for a high level upgrade for above ground amenity on Bath Street.
- b) **Notes** that this was an increase in budget of \$1.13m.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Mandy Mayhem, Steve Walker (4).

Against: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Lee Vandervis, Brent Weatherall Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (9)

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared **LOST** by 9 votes to 4

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- c) **Notes** that a business case for the remainder of the CCP projects would be prepared in the 2024/2025 year.
- d) **Notes** the business case would be used as a basis to review the Central City Plan.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Lee Vandervis, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (13).

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 13 votes to 0

Motion carried (CNL/2023/298)

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Bill Acklin):

That the Council:

a) **Confirms** a moderate level upgrade for above ground amenity on Bath Street

b) **Notes** that \$1.5m was already included within existing budgets.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (10).

Against: Crs Mandy Mayhem, Lee Vandervis and Steve Walker (3).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 10 votes to 3

Motion carried (CNL/2023/299)

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 5 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 3.18 pm and reconvened at 3.31 pm.

11 LETTER OF EXPECTATION FOR DUNEDIN CITY HOLDINGS LIMITED AND GROUP

A report from Civic provided a draft Letter of Expectation for the Dunedin City Holdings Limited Board for consideration.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham) and Special Projects Manager (Sharon Bodeker) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

a) **Approves** the draft Letter of Expectation to the Board of Dunedin City Holdings Limited on behalf of the Council as Shareholder.

- b) **Authorises** the Mayor to sign the Letter of Expectation on behalf of the Council as Shareholder.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/300) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his vote against

12 LGNZ - SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A report from Corporate Policy sought a Council decision on how it wished to vote on the proposed resolution at the upcoming Local Government New Zealand Special General Meeting to endorse The Future by Local Government – A consensus outcome paper.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham) and Special Projects Manager (Sharon Bodeker) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

Extends the meeting beyond 6 hours.

Motion carried

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Build** a new system of government that's fit for purpose.
Motion carried (CNL/2023/301) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- b) **Rebalance** the country's tax take between central and local government

Motion carried (CNL/2023/302) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- c) **Create** strong, more authentic relationships between local government and iwi, hapū and Māori.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/303) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- d) **Align** central, regional and local government priorities.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/304) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- e) **Strengthen** local democracy and leadership

Motion carried (CNL/2023/305) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his abstention

2 PROPOSED GOVERNANCE APPROACH TO STRATEGIES, PLANS AND PROGRAMMES OF WORK

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Reason for Confidentiality
C1 Ordinary Council meeting - 28 November 2023 - Public Excluded	<p>S7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.</p> <p>S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</p> <p>S7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>S7(2)(i)</p>	.	

	<p>The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	
C3 Infrastructure Related Purchase	S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.	S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
	S7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above after each item.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/306)

The meeting moved into confidential at 4.22 pm. and concluded at 4.47 pm.

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MAYOR


ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 12 DECEMBER 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 12 December 2023 as a correct record.

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Council MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Dunedin City Council held in the Council Chamber, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, The Octagon, Dunedin on Tuesday 12 December 2023, commencing at 9.00 am

PRESENT

Mayor Mayor Jules Radich
Deputy Mayor Cr Cherry Lucas

Members

Cr Bill Acklin	Cr Sophie Barker
Cr David Benson-Pope	Cr Christine Garey
Cr Kevin Gilbert	Cr Carmen Houlahan
Cr Marie Laufiso	Cr Mandy Mayhem
Cr Jim O'Malley	Cr Lee Vandervis
Cr Steve Walker	Cr Brent Weatherall
Cr Andrew Whiley	

IN ATTENDANCE

Sandy Graham (Chief Executive Officer), Leanne Mash (General Manager Business and Community Engagement) Robert West (General Manager Corporate and Quality), Jeanette Wikaira (General Manager Arts, Culture and Recreation), Claire Austin (General Manager Customer and Regulatory), David Ward (Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development), Nicola Morand (Acting Manahautū (General Manager (Māori, Partnerships and Policy), Dr Raphael Krier-Mariani (Coastal Specialist), Ben Hogan (Transport Delivery Manager), Mark Mawdsley (Team Leader Advisory Services), Heather Bachop (Heritage Advisor), Jeanine Benson (Group Manager Transport), Jasmin Lamorie (Senior Corporate Planner), Peter Hocking (General Manager Dunedin City Holdings Ltd) and Richard Davey (Treasurer Dunedin City Holdings Ltd).

Governance Support Officer Lynne Adamson

1 OPENING

Dr Tony Curtis SCP, Dean of Dunedin, St Pauls Cathedral opened the meeting with a prayer.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

2.1 Jennifer Scott spoke on various matters around the city.

3 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

4 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Confirms the agenda with the following alteration:

That the meeting will move to non public at 3.00 pm and that Mayor Radich would vacate the chair and Cr Cherry Lucas would assume the chair.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/298)

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of the need to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arose between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Elected Members' Interest Register; and
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests,
- c) **Notes** the proposed management plan for the Executive Leadership Team's Interests.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/299)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 5 DECEMBER 2023

Moved (Cr Cherry Lucas/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 05 December 2023 as a correct record.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/300)

REPORTS

7 10 YEAR PLAN 2024-34 - REVIEW OF THE SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT POLICY

A report from Corporate Policy provided an update on the review of the Significance and Engagement Policy undertaken as part of the 10 Year Plan 2024-34 process and sought approval of the proposed changes.

The General Manager Arts, Culture and Recreation (Jeanette Wikaira) and Senior Corporate Planner (Jasmin Lamorie) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** the revised Significance and Engagement Policy.
- b) **Notes** that the revised Significance and Engagement Policy would be included as a supporting document during the 10 Year Plan consultation.
- c) **Requests** staff to investigate the inclusion or otherwise of Foulden Marr as a strategic asset in time for the January 10 Year Plan 2024-34 meeting.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/301)

8 10 YEAR PLAN 2024-34 - COMMUNITY OUTCOMES

A report from Corporate Policy sought approval of the community outcomes for developing the 10 year plan 2024-34 (the Plan), and consultation with the community.

The General Manager Arts, Culture and Recreation (Jeanette Wikaira) and Senior Corporate Planner (Jasmin Lamorie) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves**, community outcomes, for the purposes of developing the 10 year plan 2024-34, and consulting with the community.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/302)

9 COASTAL PLAN UPDATE

A report from Transport provided an update on the St Clair – St Kilda coastal plan (Whakahekerau – Rakiātea Rautaki Tai).

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), Coastal Specialist (Dr Raphael Krier-Mariani) and Transport Delivery Manager (Ben Hogan) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 9.34 am and returned at 9.36 am

Moved (Cr Andrew Whiley/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the St Clair – St Kilda Coastal Plan Update report.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/303)

10 KETTLE PARK LANDFILL INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

A report from Transport provided an update on the Kettle Park coastal landfill short term engineering options to mitigate the risk of exposure to contaminant at the seaward dune face at Kettle park (east of Moana Rua Road).

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), Coastal Specialist (Dr Raphael Krier-Mariani) and Transport Delivery Manager (Ben Hogan) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 10.01 am and returned at 10.04 am.

Cr Christine Garey left the meeting at 10.33 am and returned at 10.36 am.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 20 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 10.54 am and reconvened at 11.15 am.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Lee Vandervis):

That the Council:

- a) **Lay** the report on the table, to be uplifted at the 30 January 2024 meeting.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Cr Lee Vandervis (1).
Against: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Marie Laufiso, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Jim O'Malley, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (14).
Abstained: Nil

The division was declared **LOST** by 1 vote to 14

Moved (Cr Andrew Whiley/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** an overspend of up to \$5m to complete immediate works to mitigate the risk of landfill discharge by using geotextile bags for high risk areas, while the long-term remediation strategy for the Kettle Park landfill was being refined
Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Marie Laufiso, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Steve Walker and Andrew Whiley (10).
Against: Crs Bill Acklin, Lee Vandervis, Brent Weatherall and Mayor Jules Radich (4).
Abstained: Cr Jim O'Malley (1).

The division was declared **CARRIED** by 10 votes to 4 with 1 abstention

Motion carried (CNL/2023/304)

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 30 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 11.57 am and reconvened at 12.38 pm.

11 ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN HERITAGE ACTION PLAN

A report from City Development sought adoption of the draft Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan 2023 (HAP) and the HAP Implementation Plan.

The report noted that the HAP builds on the previous work of the 2007 Heritage Strategy and the Dunedin Heritage Fund. The community benefits of adopting the HAP included: a planned strategic approach to DCC's work to conserve Dunedin's built heritage; focused actions that would help meet the challenges of working with Dunedin's built heritage; and working

alongside heritage advocates, developers, and heritage building owners to further contribute to Dunedin's cultural and economic wellbeing.

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), Team Leader Advisory Services (Mark Mawdsley) and Heather Bauchop (Heritage Advisor) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Agrees** the vision for the Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan was:
"Ōtepoti Dunedin is a city that treasures its heritage as a living inheritance from its past and a legacy for future generations."
- b) **Adopts** the Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan with the following amendments:
 - Inclusion of the vision;
 - Change Paragraph 4 on page 2 to "The mission for the Heritage Action Plan."
 - Change Paragraph 8 to "The 2023 Heritage Action Plan envisages a city where historic buildings are conserved and restored, maintained and strengthened, re-used rather than replaced, valued by the community, and promoted as a defining characteristic of Ōtepoti Dunedin's built environment"
 - Adds to Introduction paragraph 2 on page 4 "Ōtepoti Dunedin is considered Aotearoa New Zealand's premier heritage destination".
- c) **Notes** the draft Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan Implementation Plan.
- d) **Requests** staff to continue to engage with key stakeholders and investigate the following additions to the implementation plan:
 - The establishment of a Heritage Building Owners Forum to provide feedback and lobby on any built heritage issues.
 - Work to ensure that heritage tourism (including product and market development) is highlighted.
 - Consider options for a zero-carbon adaptive reuse policy.
 - Recognise and support the existing skills resource.
- e) **Notes** that staff will bring an updated draft Implementation Plan to Council in time for 10 year plan 2024-34 deliberations in May 2024.
- f) **Notes** that confirmation of a governance approach for oversight of the implementation of the Heritage Action Plan, will follow approval by Council of a governance framework.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/305)

12 ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR WEED CONTROL

A report from Transport provided information on alternative methods for weed control (including health benefits, potential implications for budgets and levels of service) in time for the January 2024 10-year plan meeting.

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward) and Transport Delivery Manager (Ben Hogan) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 1.15 pm and returned at 1.16 pm.

Cr Bill Acklin left the meeting at 1.15 pm and returned at 1.37 pm.

Moved (Cr Steve Walker/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Alternative Methods for Weed Control report.
- b) **Approves** retaining the status quo – to provide the current level of service by undertaking existing weed control methods using a chemical herbicide.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Marie Laufiso, Cherry Lucas, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (8).

Against: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Mandy Mayhem, Jim O'Malley and Lee Vandervis (7).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 8 votes to 7

Motion carried (CNL/2023/306)

Crs Christine Garey and Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 2.16 pm.

13 PROPOSED PARKING CHANGES

A report from Transport presented the recommendations of the Hearings Committee on proposed changes and corrections to parking and turning restrictions.

The Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Development (David Ward), and Group Manager Transport (Jeanine Benson) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Christine Garey returned to the meeting at 2.18 pm and Cr Carmen Houlahan at 2.19 pm.

Moved (Cr Jim O'Malley/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

That the Council:

- a) **Adopts** the proposed changes to parking and traffic restrictions shown in the September 2023 update of the Dunedin City Council's traffic and parking restrictions database, <https://tinyurl.com/ParkingSeptember2023>
- b) **Notes** that the Hearings Committee had considered feedback from consultation on the proposed changes to parking restrictions
- c) **Notes** that all parking restrictions previously approved by Council remained unchanged.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/307) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his vote against

Cr Kevin Gilbert left the meeting at 2.20 pm.

14 REVIEW - DCC TREASURY RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

A report from Civic provided an update on the three yearly review of the Dunedin City Council Treasury Risk Management Policy, undertaken by Dunedin City Holdings Limited (DCHL), for inclusion in the DCC's 10 Year Plan 2024-34.

Peter Hocking (General Manager, DCHL) and Richard Davey (Treasurer, DCHL) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Kevin Gilbert returned to the meeting at 2.23 pm.

Cr Marie Laufiso left the meeting at 2.27 pm and returned at 2.30 pm.

Moved (Cr Lee Vandervis/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the letter (dated 6 December 2023) from the Board of DCHL outlining the proposed changes to the Policy.
- b) **Approves** the changes to the DCC Treasury Risk Management Policy.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/308)

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Andrew Whiley):

That the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Reason for Confidentiality
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C1 Ordinary Council meeting - 5 December 2023 - Public Excluded	S7(2)(j) The withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.	
	S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.	
	S7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	
C2 Code of Conduct - Cr Houlahan	S7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
C3 Code of Conduct - Mayor Radich	S7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above after each item.

Extends the meeting beyond 6 hours.

Motion carried (CNL/2023/309)

The meeting moved into confidential at 2.34 pm and concluded at 3.57 pm.

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REPORTS

ACTIONS FROM RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The purpose of this report is to show progress on implementing resolutions made at Council meetings.
- 2 As this report is an administrative report only, there are no options or Summary of Considerations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Open and Completed Actions from resolutions of Council meetings as attached.

DISCUSSION

- 3 This report also provides an update on resolutions that have been actioned and completed since the last Council meeting. Note that items on the Forward Work Programme are not included in the attached schedules.

NEXT STEPS

- 4 Updates will be provided at future Council meetings.

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PUBLIC COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS					
OPEN ACTION LIST					
JANUARY 2024					
OPEN ACTIONS					
Meeting Date	Resolution	Report	Resolution or Action to be Taken	Group	Status
25/09/2023	CNL/2023/216	Approval to Grant Electricity Easement to Aurora Energy Limited – Part Rotary Park	Grants , as administering body of Rotary Park, pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of a new electricity transformer and associated cabling over part of the Rotary Park (Record of Title OT14A/258). Decides the criteria for exemption from public notification has been met. Acting under its delegation from the Minister of Conservation dated 12 June 2013 and pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, approves an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of a new electricity transformer and associated cabling over part of Rotary Park (Record of Title OT14A/258).	Parks and Recreation	January 2024 – The Agreement to Grant Easement to Aurora Energy for the transformer site is completed and was sent to Aurora on 19 December 2023 for review and execution. Aurora had separately prepared the easement instrument to accompany the agreement. The site works will not commence until the agreement is signed.
30/10/2023	CNL/2023/261	Proposed Road Event Closures – December 2023 to February 2024	Resolves to close the roads detailed below (pursuant to Section 319, Section 342, and Schedule 10 clause 11(e) of the Local Government Act 1974 (LGA 1974)): Vintage Car Club Meeting 27 January 2024 Chinese New Year Celebrations 2024 9 February 2024 and 10 February 2024 Thieves Alley Market Day 24 February 2024	Transport	January 2024 – the roads will close for each event.
28/11/2023	CNL/2023/277	Right of Way Easement over part Dunedin Town Belt for 139 Harbour Terrace, Dunedin	Acting in its capacity as the administering body of the Dunedin Town Belt Recreation Reserve pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977: Approves the partial surrender of an existing vehicular Right of Way easement as it relates to Lot 2 DP 390403 (Instrument 8489286.2) Grants a Right of Way easement over part of the Dunedin Town Belt Recreation Reserve to land held as Lot 1 DP 575078 located at 139 Harbour Terrace, Dunedin, subject to the conditions outlined in this report. Approves increasing of the existing annual fee for the Right of Way from \$1,265.00 including GST to \$1,500.00 including GST for use of		January 2024 – The draft Agreement to Surrender and Grant Right of Way Easement has been reviewed by DCC in-house Legal. Subject to final edits, this will be referred to the owners by end of January 2024 for their review, prior to arranging execution.

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			<p>the Dunedin Town Belt Recreation Reserve for access to the property at 139 Harbour Terrace, Dunedin.</p> <p>Decides that the criteria for exemption from public notification has been met.</p> <p>Acting under delegation from the Minister of Conservation dated 12 June 2013, and pursuant to section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977;</p> <p>Approves the partial surrender of an existing vehicular Right of Way easement as it relates to Lot 2 DP 390403 (Instrument 8489286.2) and</p> <p>Consents to the grant of a Right of Way easement over part of the Dunedin Town Belt Recreation Reserve to land held as Lot 1 DP 575078 located at 139 Harbour Terrace, Dunedin, subject to the conditions outlined in this report.</p>		
28/11/2023	CNL/2023/280	Proposed Event Road Closures – December 2023 to March 2024	<p>Resolves to close the roads detailed below (pursuant to Section 319, Section 342, and Schedule 10 clause 11(e) of the Local Government Act 1974 (LGA 1974)):</p> <p>Waitangi Day Celebrations – 6 February 2024 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon – 3 March 2024 Pink Concert – 4 – 6 March 2024 Pink Concert – City Activation – 5 and 6 March 2024 South Dunedin Street Festival – 16 March 2024</p>		January 2024 – the roads will close for each event.
12/12/2023	CNL/2023/307	Proposed Parking Changes	<p>Adopts the proposed changes to parking and traffic restrictions shown in the September 2023 update of the Dunedin City Council's traffic and parking restrictions database, https://tinyurl.com/ParkingSeptember2023</p>	Transport	January 2024 – staff are in the process of implementing the changes.
12/12/2023	CNL2023/301	10 Year Plan 2024-34 – Review of the Significance and Engagement Policy	<p>Requests staff to investigate the inclusion or otherwise of Foulden Marr as a strategic asset in time for the January 10 Year Plan 2024-34 meeting.</p>	Civic	January 2024 – A verbal update will be provided.
NOTICE OF MOTION – OPEN ACTIONS					
Meeting Date	Resolution	Report	Resolution or Action to be Taken	Group	Status
31/01/2023	CNL/2023/013	Notice of Motion - Dunedin Hospital	<p>Supports the New Dunedin Hospital being built to the specifications in the Final Detailed Business Case approved by Cabinet, and that the Dunedin City Council will not accept changes that reduce the long-term capacity of the New Dunedin Hospital, or that compromise in any way the clinical services available to residents of the city and the wider region.</p>	Civic	January 2024 – Meetings with key Te Whatu Ora staff continue.

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			Seeks the commitment of all parliamentary parties to adequately fund that work. Engages with stakeholders to support this advocacy position. Commits to fund a public campaign in support of 1 – 3 above, up to \$130,400 and seek support funding from other sources.		
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PUBLIC COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COMPLETED ACTION LIST JANUARY 2024					
Meeting Date	Resolution	Report	Resolution or Action to be Taken	Group	Completion
29/08/2023	CNL/2023/192	Governance Options for Stage Two of the Future Development Strategy; Submissions and Hearing Process	<p>Approves decisions on submissions and the approval of the final Future Development Strategy was delegated to a Joint Hearings Panel.</p> <p>Agrees proportionate membership of a Joint Hearing Panel, made up of an independent Chair with planning expertise, two elected members from each of ORC and DCC and up to two mana whenua recommended appointment/s</p>	Civic	<p>Completed –two Dunedin City Council elected members were appointed to the Joint Hearings Panel, along with an independent Chair and one mana whenua representative.</p> <p>The ORC approved the appointment of the independent chair and mana whenua representative at its meeting on 22 November 2023.</p>
28/11/2023	CNL/2023/280	Proposed Event Road Closures – December 2023 to March 2024	<p>Resolves to close the roads detailed below (pursuant to Section 319, Section 342, and Schedule 10 clause 11(e) of the Local Government Act 1974 (LGA 1974)):</p> <p>Community Christmas Event – 10 December 2023</p>		Completed – the roads were closed for the Community Christmas Event.
28/11/2023	CNL/2023/276	National Policy Statement for Natural Hazard Decision Making	<p>Approves the DCC submission, to the proposed National Policy Statement for Natural Hazard-decision making 2023.</p> <p>Authorises the Chief Executive to make any minor editorial changes to the submission if required.</p>		Completed – the Submission was lodged on 29 November 2023
30/10/2023	CNL/2023/261	Proposed Road Event Closures – December 2023 to February 2024	<p>Resolves to close the roads detailed below (pursuant to Section 319, Section 342, and Schedule 10 clause 11(e) of the Local Government Act 1974 (LGA 1974)):</p> <p>Lighting of the Christmas Tree 2 December 2023</p> <p>Santa Parade 3 December 2023</p> <p>Motorsport Hillclimb 2 December 2023</p> <p>December Graduation Parades 9 December 2023 13 December 2023 16 December 2023</p> <p>New Year’s Eve Octagon Celebrations 2023/2024 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024</p> <p>Colgate Games 12 January 2024 to 14 January 2024</p> <p>Brighton Gala Day 2024 21 January 2024</p>	Transport	Completed – The roads were closed for the events

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5/12/2023	CNL/2023/301	LGNZ – Special General Meeting	Build a new system of government that’s fit for purpose. Rebalance the country’s tax take between central and local government Create strong, more authentic relationships between local government and iwi, hapū and Māori. Align central, regional and local government priorities. Strengthen local democracy and leadership		Completed – The LGNZ Special General meeting was held and voting was aligned with the approved resolutions.
12/12/2023	CNL/2023/302	10 Year Plan 2024-34 – Community Outcomes	Approves , community outcomes, for the purposes of developing the 10 year plan 2024-34, and consulting with the community.	Corporate Policy	Completed – the Community Outcomes will be included in the draft 10 year plan and supporting information for consultation.
12/12/2023	CNL/2023/308	Review – DCC Treasury Risk Management Policy	Approves the changes to the DCC Treasury Risk Management Policy.	DCHL	Completed – DCHL have implemented the changes to the DCC Treasury Risk Management Policy.
NOTICE OF MOTION – CLOSED ACTIONS					
Meeting Date	Resolution	Report	Resolution or Action to be Taken	Group	Status
27/06/2023	CNL/2023/155	Notice of Motion – Support for University of Otago	Recognises the vital and critical role the University of Otago plays in the wider wellbeing of Dunedin City. Offers its support in lobbying for greater government funding of New Zealand’s first University. Directs the CEO to determine what, if any, assistance the City may be able to provide to the University. Formally supports the Open Letter from the Tertiary Education Union to Government and the Tertiary Education Commission.	Civic	Completed

FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME FOR COUNCIL - JANUARY 2024

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The purpose of this report is to provide the updated forward work programme for the 2024 – 2025 year (Attachment A).
- 2 As this is an administrative report only, there are no options or Summary of Considerations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the updated Council forward work programme as shown in Attachment A.

DISCUSSION

- 3 The forward work programme is a regular agenda item which shows areas of activity, progress and expected timeframes for Council decision making across a range of areas of work.
- 4 As an update report, the purple highlight shows changes to timeframes. New items added to the schedule are highlighted in yellow. Items that have been completed or updated are shown as bold.
- 5 A number of items will now be reported on the various committees forward work programmes. These are identified in the schedule.

NEXT STEPS

- 6 An updated report will be presented to future Council meetings.

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Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Annual Report	Statutory requirement under the LGA.	Decision to adopt the Annual Report. Progress to date: The 30 June 2024 Annual Report (subject to Audit) will be adopted at the October Council meeting.										Report			
Committee Structure Delegations Manual	Council may delegate to committees those powers necessary for them to carry out their responsibilities in an efficient and effective way. Any changes to the Committee Structure Delegations manual must be done by Council.	Consider and decide on proposed changes to the Committee and Structure Delegations Manual. Progress to date: Proposed changes to the Committee Structure and Delegations Manual will be presented as required.		As and when required											
Investment Plan	Develop an Investment Plan	Consider and decide on an investment plan. Progress to date: The Plan will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting previously scheduled for the December 2023 Council meeting.		Report											
LGNZ AGM Remits and Rules	Remits and rule changes to be considered at the AGM.	Consider and decide on remits and rule changes. Progress to date: The LGNZ Annual General Meeting will be held in August 2024. Remits will be considered in advance.					Report								
Submissions to central government and other external parties.	Provide feedback on proposals from central government and other external parties.	Consider and decide on draft submission on central government and other external parties proposals. Progress to date: Nine submissions have been considered by Council since 1 July 2023.	Ongoing work												

Council Forward Work Programme - January 2024															
Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Annual Plans and 10 year plans															
10 year plan 2024-34	Statutory requirement under the LGA.	Consider and make decisions as necessary on the development and adoption of the 10 year plan. Progress to date: With the changes to the 3 Waters Reform, the timing for developing and finalising the 10 Year Plan has been revised. Adoption of the final plans is now scheduled for early July, previously scheduled for June.	Reports	Reports	Consultation		Hearings	Deliberatio	Adoption						
Vacant inner city space	Notice of motion for report on possible initiatives to further incentivise the residential conversion of vacant inner city space, as part of Annual Plan discussions. (Council - 27 March 23; CNL/2023/076)	Progress to date: This work is in progress. A report is on the agenda.	Report												
Destination playground	Prepare an options report for the development of a new destination playground, in time for the 2022/23 Annual Plan. (Council - 31 May 21; CNL/2021/130)	Consider options for a destination playground. Progress to date: Consultation is underway on the concept plans for Marlow Park, Mosgiel Memorial Park and Woodhaugh Gardens. A report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting.		Report											
Otago Hockey	Working with Otago Hockey to investigate options for the replacement of the hockey turfs at Harbour Terrace.	Progress to date: A report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting.		Report											
Dunedin Gymnastics	Work with Dunedin Gymnastics Association (DGA) to enable the Association to carry out due diligence on the potential use of Sidey Park for a new gymnastic facility. (CNL/2023/108)	Progress to date: DGA has commenced due diligence on Sidey Park, having engaged a Geotechnical consultant to assess the land suitability for a development. some testing of the site. Staff will continue to work with DGA as they progress their investigations. A report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting.		Report											
Otago Museum Act 1996	Review the DCC funding approach for the Museum and reporting requirements of the Act.	Progress to date: The review is completed and a report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting.		Report											

Council Forward Work Programme - January 2024															
Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Peninsula Connection	Include the unfunded sections of the Peninsula connection project into the RLTP 2024 - 34. Report on funding options for the completion of the unfunded sections of the Peninsula Connection, including updated costs. (CNL/2023/115)	Progress to date: A capital budget report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting, which will incorporate discussion on this project.		Report											
Commuter rail	Commuter Rail to be a topic for consideration in the 10 year plan consultation document. (CNL/2023/114)	Progress to date: The topic will be included in the Consultation Document.													
Council Controlled Organisations															
Dunedin Railways	Support the Otago Central Rail Trust to seek funding for feasibility work on possible extensions to the Otago Central Rail Trail between Middelmarsh and Wingatui, in collaboration with mana whenua and other interested parties. (Council - 31 May 21; CNL/2021/101) Options for long term operations and governance of Dunedin Railways Ltd. (Council - 31 January 23; CNL/2023/019)	Update report Progress to date: A report will be presented to the February 2024 Council meeting.		Report											
Second Generation District Plan (2GP) Work Programme															
Second Generation District Plan (2GP) Work Programme	To deal with appeals received on the 2GP.	Ratify the final plan. Progress to date: 97% of appeal points have been resolved or withdrawn. Staff are working through remaining appeals, including the Gordon Road spillway. The other four appeals relate to requests for residential or rural residential rezoning; an agreed resolution has been reached for one of these, and a decision on this is pending from the Environment Court.	Ongoing work												

Council Forward Work Programme - January 2024															
Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Variation 2 - Second Generation District Plan (2GP)	Variations to the 2GP - Growth	<p>Resolve appeals on Variation 2 to the 2GP.</p> <p>Progress to date: 16 appeals were received on Variation 2. Two appeals have been resolved and three appeals have been withdrawn. Formal mediation took place in August and November, and further mediation is scheduled for December.</p> <p>Mediation and court hearings for two 2GP appeals and five Variation 2 appeals are currently on hold pending a preliminary decision from the Court relating to the NPS Highly Productive Land. A decision is likely to be released in early 2024.</p>	Ongoing work												
Variation 3 - Second Generation District Plan	Variations to the 2GP - Minor improvements	<p>Decide on variation 3 to the 2GP to be notified for consultation purposes. Decision to adopt the variation to the 2GP.</p> <p>Progress to date: Issue and option identification is continuing to be progressed by staff. Notification is expected to be in late 2024.</p> <p>A report will be presented to the Council in February or March requesting that the scope of Variation 3 be broadened so that it does not focus only on ‘minor improvements’, but also includes other changes to the Plan, in relation to business land, heritage and biodiversity.</p>	Ongoing work	Report	Ongoing work										
Policies Work Programme:															
Gambling and TAB Venue Policy	Policy Review	<p>Consider the Statement of Proposal</p> <p>Progress to Date: The hearings panel heard the submissions on 1 December 2023 and will reconvene on 15 February 2023.</p>		Hearing Panel											
Naming Rights and Sponsorship Policy	Develop a policy that will give clarity to naming rights on DCC assets.	<p>Consider and decide on a proposed Naming Rights policy.</p> <p>Progress to date: This work has not been scheduled.</p>													

Council Forward Work Programme - January 2024															
Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Reports previously scheduled to be presented to Council now to be considered at Committee meetings															
Residents' Opinion Survey Results	Provide quarterly updates on the Residents Opinion Survey	Consider the quarterly updates of the Residents' Opinion Survey. Progress to date: The Residents Opinion Survey results will be presented quarterly to the Strategy Planning and Engagement Committee.													
Financial Results	Present financial results , and quarterly update on the capital programme expenditure.	Notes the financial results. Progress to date: The Financial Results will be presented to the Finance and Council Controlled Organisations Committee meeting.													
Company Annual Reports	Notes the DCHL parent financial statements for the financial year.	Progress to date: The Annual Reports for the Companies will be presented to the Finance and Council Controlled Organisations Committee meeting.													
DCHL reporting	Quarterly report	Progress to date: The DCHL quarterly reports were presented to the December 2023 Council meeting. The quarterly updates will be presented to the Finance and Council Controlled Organisations Committee meeting.													
Waipori Fund	Quarterly report	Notes the financial results. Progress to date: The Waipori Fund quarterly reports will be presented to the Finance and Council Controlled Organisations Committee meeting.													
Shaping Future Dunedin Transport	Shaping Future Dunedin work programme. (Council - 31 May 21)	Consider progress reports; make decisions as necessary. Progress to date: The Shaping Future Dunedin Transport work will be presented to the Infrastructure Services Committee meeting.													
3 Waters reform	The Government has initiated changes to the service delivery arrangements for 3 waters.	Progress to date: 3 Waters report will be presented to the February Infrastructure and Services Committee meeting.													
Waste Futures	Report back on progress on : - Working with interested groups to inform the design of the resource diversion systems; and - Consideration of alternative options for higher density residential areas (Council - 31 May 21)	Consider progress reports; make decisions as necessary. Progress to date: A update report will be presented to the February 2024 Infrastructure Services Committee meeting.													
Kettle Park Historic Landfill Investigations	Present the findings from the investigation on the contamination and physical extent of the historic Kettle Park Landfill.	Progress to date: Kettle Park dune investigation drilling is now complete. An update report was presented to the 5 December Council meeting. Future updates will be presented to the Infrastructure and Services Committee meetings.													

Council Forward Work Programme - January 2024															
Area of Work	Reason for Work	Council role (decision and/or direction)													
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Reports previously scheduled to be presented to Council now to be considered at Committee meetings															
Heritage	Develop a Heritage Action Plan in time for the 10 year plan in January 2024. (CNL/2023/035)	Heritage Action Plan will inform the 10 year plan 2024-34. Progress to date: The Heritage Action Plan was adopted at the 13 December 2023 Council meeting. Staff are continuing to engage with key stakeholders to develop the Otepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan Implementation Plan. A report will be presented to the April Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee.													

Issues and Responses:		
Area of Work	Reason for Work	
Targeted rates for kerbside collection	Look at targeted rates, fixed and progressive targeted rates for 2023/24 Annual Plan. (Council - 31 Jan 22; CAPCC/2022/009)	The Kerbside Collection Service will be funded using a flat targeted rate (the current rating method) from 1 July 2024.
Herbicides for vegetation control	Report on alternative methods for weed control (including health benefits, potential implications for budgets and levels of service) in time for the January 2024 10 year plan meeting (SPEC/2023/008)	A report was presented to the December Council meeting.
Octagon upgrade	Report on cost options for the Octagon component of the Central City Plan and the Moray place to Octagon section of George Street in time for consideration at the 10 year plan 2024-34 budget meetings. (ISC/2023/024)	A report on the central city plan was presented to the December 2023 meeting with future updates being presented to the Infrastructure and Services Committee meetings.

SIGNIFICANT FORECASTING ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE 10 YEAR PLAN 2024-34

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of financial, waste, and future legislative significant forecasting assumptions (assumptions) that are to be used in the development of the 10 year plan 2024-2034 (the 10 year plan).

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Approves**, for the purposes of developing the 10 year plan 2024-34 and consulting with the community, the significant forecasting assumptions at Attachment A.

BACKGROUND

- 2 Schedule 10 (17) of the Local Government Act (LGA) provides the following:

A long-term plan must clearly identify—

- (a) *all the significant forecasting assumptions and risks underlying the financial estimates;*
- (b) *without limiting the generality of paragraph (a), the following assumptions on which the financial estimates are based:*
 - (i) *the assumptions of the local authority concerning the life cycle of significant assets;*
and
 - (ii) *the assumptions of the local authority concerning sources of funds for the future replacement of significant assets;*
- (c) *in any case where significant forecasting assumptions involve a high level of uncertainty,*
 - (i) *the fact of that uncertainty; and*
 - (ii) *an estimate of the potential effects of that uncertainty on the financial estimates provided.*

- 3 At its meeting on 25 September 2023, Council approved the first set of significant forecasting assumptions (growth, economic, and climate change projections) for inclusion in the 10 year plan. This report seeks approval of the remaining significant forecasting assumptions to be used in the development of the 10 year plan, including the assumptions on which the financial estimates are based, and assumptions on future legislative changes.

DISCUSSION

- 4 The financial assumptions presented at Attachment A include interest rates, inflation rates, and Waka Kotahi funding assistance rate assumptions to be used over the 10 year period.

- 5 Where possible, external advice has been used to support the assumptions made. For example, the interest rate assumptions have been provided by Dunedin City Treasury Ltd (Attachment B), and the inflation rates proposed to be used have been provided by BERL (Attachment C).
- 6 Council receives grant funding from Waka Kotahi towards its transport activity. Since 2021/22, funding constraints and changes in priority have meant that transport renewals funding from Waka Kotahi has been limited to a fixed amount that is less than the applicable funding assistance rate.
- 7 The Waka Kotahi funding package and final subsidy rates for 2024/25 onward will not be known until around July 2024. We have assumed that the applicable funding assistance rate will be 51% throughout the 10 year period. We have also assumed that a shortfall in funding will continue.
- 8 Other financial assumptions made are based on Council's Accounting Policies, for example, the useful lives of significant assets.
- 9 With the recent change of Government, there is a higher level of uncertainty of future legislative changes. Advice has been received that the water services legislation enacted in 2023 will be repealed, and that the future direction for new water services is currently being developed. Information on the timing and nature of proposed new water services is not expected until sometime in February 2024. For the purposes of the 10 year plan, the assumption has been made that Council will continue to deliver 3 waters services over the life of the 10 year plan.
- 10 Waste Disposal assumptions have been made on the level of waste to landfill, and kerbside collection volumes. Estimates of kerbside collection volumes have been based on data from Tauranga City Council, as its kerbside collection model aligns with the new kerbside collection model being introduced on 1 July 2024. An assumption has also been made that an extension to the Green Island Landfill resource consent will be granted.

OPTIONS

- 11 Council is required under the LGA to have significant forecasting assumptions as part of the 10 year plan. Options have not been presented but Council may decide to modify the significant forecasting assumptions.

NEXT STEPS

- 12 The Significant Forecasting Assumptions, with any amendment, will be used in the development of the 10 year plan.

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SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

Fit with purpose of Local Government

This decision enables democratic local decision making and action by, and on behalf of communities, and promotes the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of the Dunedin communities in the present and for the future.

Fit with strategic framework

	Contributes	Detracts	Not applicable
Social Wellbeing Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arts and Culture Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Waters Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spatial Plan	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Integrated Transport Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parks and Recreation Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other strategic projects/policies/plans	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The 10 year plan contributes to all of the objectives and priorities of the strategic framework as it describes the Council's activities, the community outcomes, and provides a long term focus for decision making and coordination of the Council's resources, as well as a basis for community accountability.

Māori Impact Statement

The adoption of the Māori Strategic Framework signals Council's commitment to mana whenua and to its obligations under the Treaty of Waitangi. Mana whenua and Māori will have an opportunity to engage with the 10 year plan consultation process through a series of planned hui.

Sustainability

Major issues and implications for sustainability are discussed and considered in the Infrastructure Strategy and financial resilience is discussed in the Financial Strategy.

LTP/Annual Plan / Financial Strategy /Infrastructure Strategy

This report provides details of the assumptions being made to assist the development of the 10 year plan.

Financial considerations

Financial assumptions are provided in the report.

Significance

The 10 year plan is significant and will be consulted on using the Special Consultative Procedure.

Engagement – external

There has been no external engagement in the preparation of the draft assumptions. However information from BERL and DCTL has been use to inform some of the assumptions.

SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

Engagement - internal

Staff from across Council are involved in the development of the 10 year plan.

Risks: Legal / Health and Safety etc.

The level of uncertainty for each of the assumptions made, and the effect of the uncertainty is included in the report.

Conflict of Interest

There are not known conflicts of interest.

Community Boards

Community Boards will be consulted on the 10 year plan 2024-34.

Significant forecasting assumptions

Assumption	Level of uncertainty	Reason for uncertainty	Effects of the uncertainty
1. LEVELS OF SERVICE While there are some levels of service changes in this 10 year plan e.g. kerbside collection, it is assumed existing levels of service will be maintained unless otherwise stated for the duration of the 10 year plan.	Low	That unexpected changes to levels of service occur.	Unplanned improvements to service levels require unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditure.
2. FUTURE LEGISLATIVE CHANGES 3 Waters reform The Government has confirmed that the previous government's water services legislation is to be repealed, and that the future direction for new water services - Local Water Done Well, is being developed. For the purposes of this 10 year plan, it is assumed that the DCC will continue to deliver 3 Waters services over the life of the 10 year plan. The impacts of new proposals from the Government for 3 Waters reform will be assessed as information is made available.	High	The scope and timing of 3 Waters reform is unknown.	The 10 year plan financial assumptions and infrastructure strategy plans specific to 3 Waters do not account for potential changes resulting from future 3 Waters reforms.
RMA changes The Government has repealed the previous government's legislative changes made to the Resource Management Act (RMA). No new changes have been signalled by the Government at this time. It is assumed that there will be no legislative changes over the 10 year period that will impact on the DCC's activities.	High	The scope, specifics and timing of any potential RMA changes are unknown.	Potential impacts of significant RMA reform include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of the District Plan or district planning framework • changes to DCC consenting processes • unforeseen requirements for additional operating and capital expenditure.
Building regulation changes No changes to building regulations and/or consenting requirements have been signalled by central Government at this time.	Medium	The scope and timing of potential building regulation changes are unknown.	Any changes to building regulations and or consenting requirements would impact the DCC as a Building Consent Authority.
Climate change related legislative changes Changes in legislation related to climate change have been signalled by central government.	Medium	The scope and timing of changes in climate change related legislation are unknown.	Significant changes to the climate change related legislation may impact (positively or negatively) on the DCC's ability to both mitigate and adapt to climate change.

Assumption	Level of uncertainty	Reason for uncertainty	Effects of the uncertainty
3. WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES <p>The capital programme includes the construction of a new landfill at Smooth Hill.</p> <p>An extension of the Green Island landfill's existing resource consents has been applied for. It is assumed that the extension will be granted, enabling its continued use during the construction of the new Smooth Hill landfill.</p> <p>Landfill tonnage is assumed to increase with the closure of the Wickliffe St Transfer Station. Annual tonnage is estimated to be 58,198 tonnes in 2024/25, then reducing over the life of the 10 year plan.</p> <p>Kerbside collection - assumed an average of 10.8kgs of waste to landfill, per red bin collected in 2024/25 (based on data collected by Tauranga City Council on its kerbside collection programme), then reducing each year over the life of the 10 year plan.</p>	Medium	<p>The timing of a decision on the resource consent extension for the Green Island landfill is uncertain. The lead time for the development of a new landfill or alternative waste disposal facility is significant and work is currently underway.</p>	<p>There may be delays or increased costs due to consenting issues.</p> <p>If an extension to the Green Island landfill resource consent is not granted, alternative waste disposal options would need to be implemented, with increased costs.</p> <p>If tonnage estimates are understated, there may be future capacity issues.</p> <p>If tonnage estimates are overstated, the life of the landfills will be extended.</p> <p>If kerbside collection kgs are overstated, there may be an over-recovery of cost of the service.</p> <p>If kerbside collection kgs are understated, there would be an under-recovery of the cost of the service.</p>
4. FINANCIAL ASSUMPTIONS <i>Capital expenditure budget for renewals</i> <p>The levels of renewals budgeted in this 10 year plan and the Infrastructure Strategy will ensure the long term integrity of infrastructure assets.</p>	Low	Generally budgets for renewals take account of market forces, and legislative and regulatory changes.	Long term deferral of renewals poses a risk of asset deterioration and compromise of network integrity. It may result in unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditure.
<i>Internal capacity and capability</i> <p>Ongoing improvements to work and procurement practices will allow delivery of operational and capital expenditure programmes and projects.</p>	Low	Generally, the DCC can determine resourcing for programme and project delivery, subject to market forces.	Failure to adequately resource capital expenditure programmes and projects may impact on delivery, which may result in future unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditures.
<i>External capacity and capability</i> <p>Sufficient design, engineering and construction capacity, including availability of construction materials, exists to undertake contracted operational and capital expenditure programmes.</p>	Low/ Medium	That other large-scale national or local projects (e.g. Christchurch or Dunedin Hospital rebuilds) impact on local industry capacity and capability.	Issues with the availability of contractors may cause delays or require unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditures.

Assumption	Level of uncertainty	Reason for uncertainty	Effects of the uncertainty
<i>Useful lives of significant assets</i> The useful lives of significant assets shown in accounting policies and asset management plans have been appropriately assessed.	Low	Appropriate practices are followed.	An unexpected failure of an asset due to an inadequate assessment of the remaining useful life may require unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditures.
<i>Fixed asset valuations</i> Scheduled revaluations of assets and forecast asset values in the budget are based on the DCC's valuation policies, which are consistent with accounting standards for Public Benefit Entities.	Low	Revaluations are scheduled regularly to ensure minimal variation of asset values between valuations. The DCC's Statement of Accounting policies describes how potential variances are managed within the financial statements.	Revaluations are significantly different from the forecasts, which would impact depreciation.
<i>Inflation</i> Inflation adjustors are applied as per the price level adjustors schedule provided below.	Medium	Inflation levels and prices may vary from those projected.	Unexpected inflation may require unbudgeted capital and/or operating expenditures.
<i>Borrowing Costs</i> Interest on existing and new debt is calculated at 5% per annum for floating debt.	Medium	There is uncertainty on the floating rate debt, but the expectation is that interest rates will stay relatively stable over the 10 year period.	Interest rates may vary from those projected and require unbudgeted financing expenditures.

Assumption	Level of uncertainty	Reason for uncertainty	Effects of the uncertainty
<p>Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency subsidy rates</p> <p>Revenue from the Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) is calculated at the normal funding assistance of 51% per annum.</p> <p>Subsidy rates vary depending on the nature of the work being completed.</p> <p>Waka Kotahi funding constraints along with changing priorities for Waka Kotahi funding, means that in the short term at least, renewals funding will be limited and fall short of the standard Waka Kotahi subsidy rates of 51%. We need to continue investing in the renewal of the network to ensure levels of service are maintained, therefore it is anticipated that in the short term at least there will be an additional funding requirement from the DCC. This will be financed through a combination of debt and rates funding over the course of the 10 year plan.</p>	Medium	Subsidy levels may vary from those projected and NZTA agency priorities areas may differ from the DCC's renewal and capital programme.	Subsidy revenue may be less than expected and require changes to levels of service and/or unbudgeted capital and expenditures.
<p>Forecast return on investments</p> <p>The Financial Strategy will provide information on returns from Council-owned companies, the Waipori Fund and the Investment property portfolio.</p> <p>The target from the Waipori Fund is inflation adjusted using the price level adjustor provided below. The return from Council-owned companies is not inflation adjusted.</p>	Medium	Income from investments may vary from those projected.	Investment income may be less than expected requiring changes to levels of service and/or an increase in revenue.
<p>Sources of funds for future replacement of significant assets</p> <p>The Revenue and Financing Policy will outline the funding sources for capital expenditure.</p> <p>The Financial Strategy will outline the use of debt and other sources to deliver the capital programme while limiting debt to within the debt limits outlined in the Financial Strategy.</p>	Low	The timing and/or cost of the capital expenditure programme may vary.	Variation to the timing and/or cost of the capital expenditure programme may require changes to levels of service and/or an increase in revenue.

Price level adjustors schedule – BERL for the years ended 30 June

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034
Inflation Adjustors - Cumulative										
Roading	100.0%	102.0%	104.3%	106.6%	108.8%	110.9%	112.9%	115.0%	117.0%	118.9%
Water and environmental	100.0%	102.5%	105.2%	107.8%	110.3%	112.6%	114.9%	117.1%	119.2%	121.3%
LGCI Opex	100.0%	102.2%	104.5%	106.8%	109.0%	111.1%	113.1%	115.1%	117.0%	118.9%
LGCI Capex	100.0%	102.2%	104.6%	106.9%	109.1%	111.2%	113.3%	115.3%	117.3%	119.2%
CPI	100.0%	102.0%	104.0%	106.0%	108.0%	110.0%	112.0%	114.0%	116.0%	118.0%
Inflation Adjustors - Annual										
Roading		2.0%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%	2.1%	2.0%	2.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Water and environmental		2.5%	2.7%	2.6%	2.5%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%	2.1%	2.1%
LGCI Opex		2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%	1.9%
LGCI Capex		2.2%	2.4%	2.3%	2.2%	2.1%	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%
CPI		2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
<i>Standard NZTA Subsidy Rate:</i>	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%	51%

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Advances and Rates

Historically DCC cost of funds was derived from historical interest rate hedges (Tranche 1 funding) and the group Tranche 2 interest rate. There is no longer any Tranche 1 Funding held by the DCC so the cost of funds is the Group Tranche 2 interest rate.

DCTL uses a portfolio approach to managing interest rate risk within hedging parameters, with no new hedges specific to any borrower within the DCC Group.

Advances and Rates	Facility Amount	Drawn	Available	Cost of Funds	Term
DCC	600,000,000	547,000,000	53,000,000	4.66%	Evergreen
Total DCC Group	1,600,000,000	1,216,591,000	383,409,000	4.66%	Evergreen

Facility Summary

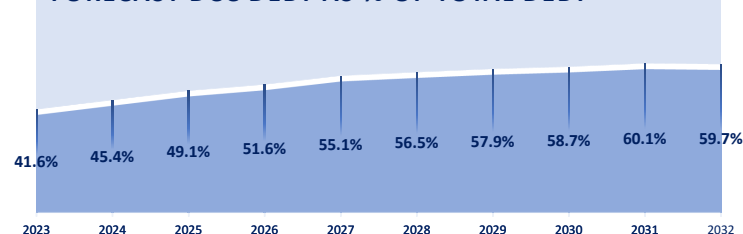
Current Facility Amount \$600m effective 28 September 2023

Increase to \$515m effective 27 July 2023

Increase to \$480m effective 18 April 2023

Group funding was set at 4.35% for H2 2022/23 and increased to 4.66% effective 1 July 2023.

FORECAST DCC DEBT AS % OF TOTAL DEBT



Group Hedge Profile

Principals Perspective: Borrower Calculation: Weighted Scenario: Market 1 Portfolio: Actual

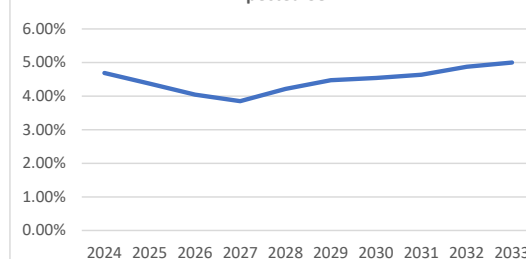


Forward Looking Cost of Funds

The following table and graph display DCC Group expected cost of funds based on the current New Zealand yield curve

Year	Expected COF
2024	4.69%
2025	4.37%
2026	4.04%
2027	3.85%
2028	4.22%
2029	4.48%
2030	4.54%
2031	4.64%
2032	4.87%
2033	5.00%
5y Avg	4.23%
10y Avg	4.47%

Expected COF



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Debt Ratios

As a point of reference we have charted DCC borrowing metrics against LGFA covenants. Note these calculations are on a DCC Group basis.

Non-compliance with the financial covenants will either preclude a council from borrowing from the LGFA or in the case of existing council borrowers trigger an event of review.

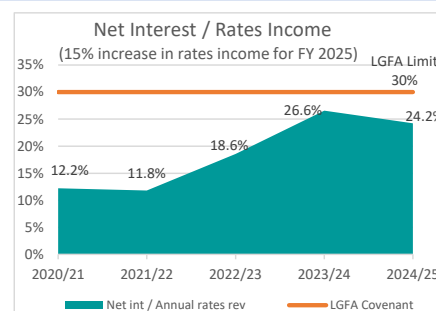
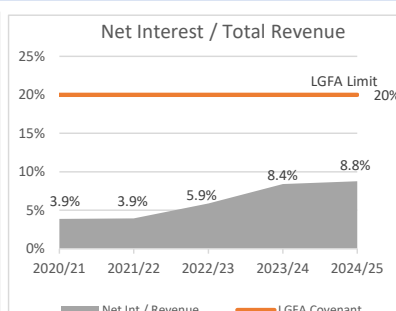
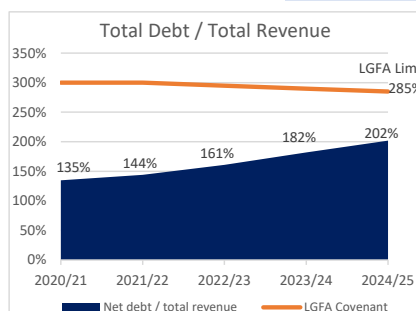
Total revenue is defined as cash earnings from rates, government grants and subsidies, user charges, interest, dividends, financial and other revenue and excludes non-government capital contributions, eg. developer contributions and vested assets.

Net debt is defined as total consolidated debt less liquid financial assets and investments.

Liquidity is defined as external debt plus committed loan facilities plus liquid investments divided by external debt.

Net interest is defined as the amount equal to all interest and financing costs less interest income for the relevant period.

Annual rates income is defined as the amount equal to the total revenue from any funding mechanism authorised by the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 together with any revenue received from other local governments for services provided and for which the other local governments rate.



Foundation Policy Covenants



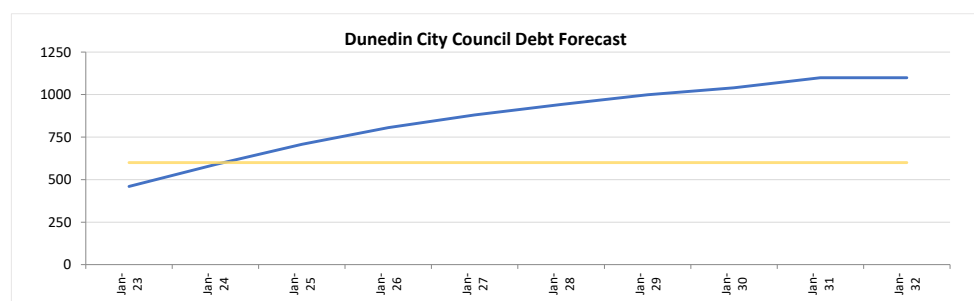
Liquidity	>110%
Net Debt / Revenue	<295%
Net Interest / Revenue	<20%
Net Interest / Rates Income	<30%

Data from 30 Nov 23

Long-term Debt Forecast

Forecast Interest Points

DCC reach Facility Limit	Aug-24	\$608,800
Group Max Debt	Jun-32	\$1,839,660



ADVANCES (mil)	Jun-23	Jun-24	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-27	Jun-28	Jun-29	Jun-30	Jun-31	Jun-32
DCC	459.8	589.0	707.8	805.2	881.1	941.3	998.9	1,040.4	1,099.1	1,099.1

Cost adjusters 2023 final update

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1 Introduction

The pace of growth in the global economy is slowing down. The International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank, and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) have downgraded their global GDP growth forecasts for the 2023 and 2024 years. Persistent hikes in interest rates by central banks around the world have started to impact economic activity. Sectors that are particularly sensitive to rate hikes, such as manufacturing and construction, are being hit the hardest. The service sector has not yet taken a downturn, but there is not much room for growth.

In New Zealand, it is a similar story. The Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ) has indicated that interest rates will remain elevated for some time since inflation is still far from being within the target range of one to three percent. New Zealand's economy avoided a technical recession in the first quarter of 2023, according to revised GDP data. The March 2023 GDP growth rate was revised up slightly from -0.1 percent to show that there had been no growth (zero percent) during the quarter. The June 2023 GDP growth rate of 0.9 percent was unexpected but highlights the volatility in recent economic data. Any growth over the next few quarters is expected to be small, and will largely be driven by high migration and spending by the government on the rebuild from the flooding in the upper North Island. The labour market is still holding out, but will continue to weaken as unemployment increases and the pace of wage increases declines.

Against this backdrop, the purpose of this report is to provide Taituarā with a set of robust economic forecasts of input costs for local government. Based on feedback from practitioners, we previously released the interim cost adjusters in August 2023. These estimates were created using data up to March 2023. Consequently, the June 2023 estimates we used were forecasts. This version is a full update, with the final cost adjusters based on the latest public data releases on GDP and the indices used to produce the forecasts. From next year onwards, we will release the interim cost adjusters in July,¹ followed by the final cost adjusters in October. These forecasts will assist in budgeting, auditing, and strategising for the coming year. We begin this report by describing the macroeconomic context in terms of global and domestic GDP, and the labour market.

In Section 3 we describe the current drivers of inflation globally and for New Zealand. Following this, we introduce the reader to the cost adjusters from a theoretical position. We then provide a brief description of our methodology, and some important caveats and considerations. Most importantly, the adjusters for this year do not include the three waters infrastructure. The Local Government Cost Indices (LGCI) for the 2023 year do not measure the same basket as the previous years. Because we have rebalanced the basket of the LGCI to remove spending on water infrastructure, this year's LGCI is a completely different product. This means that direct comparison to previous years will result in significant error. We have provided two additional estimates: a "legacy" series, which includes the same basket of goods as previous years, and a series for just water infrastructure. In Section 6 we provide the index numbers and growth rates of our LGCI. We offer some conclusions in Section 7.

¹ These dates assume the timely release of data from Stats NZ.



2 The macroeconomic context

This section sets out the narrative and the logic behind the forecast presented in the sections that follow.

2.1 GDP

Global outlook

The global economy grew by around 3.3 percent in 2022, and there were some positive shifts in the first few months of 2023. Supply chain disruptions have largely eased, the World Health Organisation (WHO) declared in May 2023 that it no longer considers COVID-19 to be a global health emergency, the disruptions to labour markets from the pandemic have mostly faded away, and inflation has come off its peak.

However, the effects of the disruptions from COVID-19 have not yet dissipated completely, and the war in Ukraine has continued to add further geopolitical tensions. GDP growth is projected to slow in 2023 and 2024, but there is a degree of uncertainty around how much. Projections range from 2.1 percent to three percent (Table 1). But most experts are certain that economic activity will be slow compared to the previous year. This is hardly surprising given that the slowdown has been deliberately engineered by central banks the world over to rein in inflation. This is especially true for advanced economies. For example, according to the OECD, annual GDP growth in the USA is expected to slow from 2.2 percent in 2023 to 1.3 percent in 2024. Growth is already sluggish in the EU with 2023 predictions around 0.6 percent, edging up to just over one percent by 2024.

Table 1 World GDP growth forecasts

	GDP growth forecast (%)	
	2023	2024
OECD	3	2.7
World Bank	2.1	2.4
IMF	3.0	3.0

Source: OECD, World Bank, IMF

Persistently high core inflation, which excludes volatile energy and food prices, remains a major risk to the global economy. According to the IMF, core inflation will remain stubborn and decline gradually over the medium-term. Globally, it is set to decline from an annual average of 6.5 percent in 2022 to six percent in 2023, and 4.7 percent in 2024. Inflation is projected to remain above target in 96 percent of economies in 2023, and in 89 percent of economies in 2024.

Contractionary monetary policy has slowed the flow of credit and increased the burden of debt repayments for households, businesses, and the public sector, dampening economic spending and overall activity. Although central banks appear to have reached peaked policy rates, any reductions in interest rates are unlikely to happen before mid-2024. Central bankers will await clear evidence on of loosening labour markets. In the latest monetary policy review in October 2023, RBNZ held the OCR at 5.5 percent.

High interest rates have deterred firms from investing in the expansion of productive capacity. Globally, there is some weakness emerging in the non-service sectors, especially in the



manufacturing sector, particularly in Europe. Manufacturing industries are particularly sensitive to high interest rates, and thus gross fixed capital formation and industrial production have slowed considerably, weighing on international trade and manufacturing activity. This will have an impact on the New Zealand building and construction industry, which relies on specialist components and machinery produced in Europe. The impact of the energy shock has also hit the European manufacturing sector hard.

The performance of the Chinese economy has been underwhelming this year. Retail sales, industrial output, and investment have all been growing slower than expected. This is an indication that the pace of consumption and business investment may be slowing. Additionally, youth unemployment was a striking 21.3 percent in June 2023. This will have implications for New Zealand's domestic economy, since China is our largest trading partner. On the positive side, price increases for manufactured goods imported from China, such as those used in the construction industry, will be subdued due to lower inflation.

By contrast, the service sector worldwide is staying afloat as travel and tourism spending increases. However, as mobility normalises towards pre-pandemic levels, the scope for further growth in services is limited. The weak performance of manufacturing is expected to offset the strength in services, bringing down the overall pace of global GDP growth in advanced economies.

Buoyant labour markets have proved to be a source of resilience for advanced economies. Unemployment is at historical lows, including in some of our key trading partners such as the United States of America (USA), Australia, and Europe. Although the impacts of high interest rates are gradually flowing through, introducing weakness into labour markets.

Domestic outlook

The June 2023 GDP numbers showed a surprisingly strong result, with quarterly growth clocking in at 0.9 percent. This followed a period of no growth in the March 2023 quarter (revised up from a 0.1 percent decline). GDP per capita only rose by 0.2 percent, indicating that much of the growth was driven by high net migration. It is hard to overstate the amount of volatility that has been observed in economic data post-COVID. The latest GDP results from June 2023 are a testament to that. The growth of 1.8 percent compared to June 2022 provides a better indication of the GDP story. Real GDP per capita declined by 0.8 percent over the year to June 2023, cementing the point that growth is being inflated by high migration.

Compared to June 2022, the industries that experienced the highest growth were construction (6.6 percent), healthcare and social assistance (six percent), and electricity, gas, water, and waste services (5.4 percent). Industries for which output decreased over this period included retail trade and accommodation (six percent), agriculture, forestry, and fishing (5.3 percent), and manufacturing (2.3 percent). The service sectors continued to display resilience. For example, compared to June 2022, GDP grew by 4.4 percent in the professional industries, 4.1 percent in public administration and safety, and 3.1 percent in arts, recreation and other services.



Sector overview

The impacts of the aggressive monetary tightening undertaken by the RBNZ to bring inflation back within its target range of between one and three percent are now visible in most sectors of the economy. The primary sector has particularly been impacted by the weak performance of some of our key trading partners, such as China and the EU, as well as adverse weather events in the upper North Island.

Our key exports have not been able to garner high prices in international markets. Prices for dairy were 20 percent lower in July 2023 compared to a year ago, log prices were 17 percent lower, and aluminium prices were down 12 percent. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations (UN), lower dairy prices were led by low quotations for skim milk powder and butter, underpinned by subsidised market activities in Europe. In the case of meat prices, subdued demand from Asian markets coincided with higher inventories. However, the latest September results from ANZ's commodity price index indicate some growth in prices during the month. Prices for dairy (0.2 percent), meat and fibre (4.3 percent), and forestry (0.3 percent) all increased during the month. Price increases are unlikely to continue amid a weaker economic outlook.

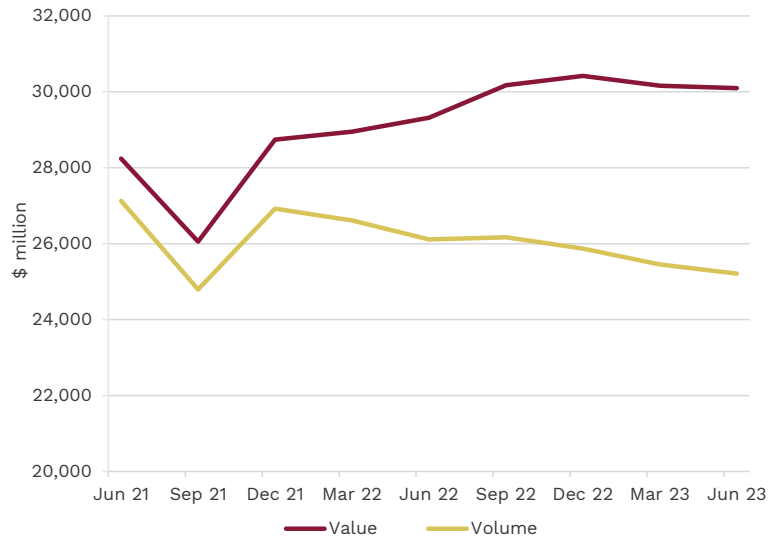
The Performance of Services Index (PSI) and the Performance of Manufacturing Index (PMI) were both in contractionary territory in the August 2023 month. These indices are produced via industry surveys, and they provide early indicators of levels of activity in the sectors. The PSI reading fell to 47.1 in August from 47.8 in July. Activity/sales and new orders/business were both under breakeven, at 43.4 and 47.3 respectively. Although these were slightly above the July readings. The service sector makes up the lion's share of the economy, and poor performance in the service industries will act as a drag on the rest of the economy. Judging by the PMI, the manufacturing sector is not doing much better than services. The August reading slipped further below the breakeven (50) mark, clocking in at 46.1. New orders have fallen for the majority of manufacturers over the first half of 2023. Consequently, production is also falling and was at 46.6 in August 2023. This is largely in line with how the manufacturing sector is faring in the rest of the world, with all major economies recording contractions.

Residential consents are a good indicator of what is to come in the construction sector, in terms of the flow of work. Again, high interest rates are working as intended, denting demand in the construction sector. Resident consents were down 12 percent in the year to June 2023. Gisborne, Tasman, Nelson, and Marlborough were the only regions that saw a growth in consents. This growth came from the multi-unit homes segment. By contrast, the damage caused by the cyclones to infrastructure in the upper North Island has created a pipeline of work for government construction projects. This will have a flow on impact beyond 2023.

Retail volumes are on the decline as inflation eats away at household budgets, and high interest rates dampen consumer sentiments (Figure 1). By value, retail spending has remained largely stable since mobility restrictions from COVID-19 ended, but this is a reflection of the severity of the current inflationary environment, highlighting just how important it is for the RBNZ to tame price increases. Households will only continue to tighten their belts as mortgage repayments go up and the labour market weakens further.



Figure 1 Seasonally adjusted retail sales, by quarter



Source: Stats NZ

GDP outlook

Looking ahead to the rest of 2023, we do not expect any large increases to GDP. In all likelihood, performance will be underwhelming, and further contractions cannot be completely ruled out. We have pencilled in an annual increase of 1.2 percent for the June 2024 year, followed by a 1.1 percent increase in the June 2025 year. The RBNZ has also indicated that it expects low to no growth in GDP until early 2024, and that there may be some volatility from quarter to quarter, noting in the latest monetary policy statement that “spending growth is expected to decline further”.

Over the next few quarters, the rebuild from the cyclones and flooding in the upper North Island will stimulate economic activity, helping keep GDP growth afloat. However, these effects will be spread out across a period of time. The high level of net migration will also provide a decent boost to the economy at an aggregate level, although, performance may not be so rosy on a per capita basis. At an economy-wide level, new migrants are providing a boost on both the demand and supply sides. Demand for new housing, rentals, consumer goods, and services will increase. At the same time, as the size of the labour force grows, businesses will be able to increase production.

On the downside, demand is falling and high interest rates are already proving to be a major drag on all sectors of the economy. Retail sales volumes are down, demand for housing is falling, and business activity is also slated to decline as demand wanes. To add to this, low export commodity prices will lessen the revenue take from overseas markets. Moreover, weak economic conditions for our key trading partners, most notably China, will also impact demand for our exports.



2.2 The labour market

Despite the underwhelming performance of GDP, the labour market has consistently remained a bright spot in the economy. The labour force participation rate continues to increase, reaching an all time high of 72.4 percent in June 2023. The employment rate has also soared to a new high of 69.8 percent. This has been facilitated by the high rates of net migration over the past few months. According to the Quarterly Survey of Business Opinion, concerns around softening demand have now overtaken labour as the top limiting factor for business. Businesses reported that hiring unskilled labour, in particular, had become easier and the share of those reporting difficulty in finding skilled labour had also dropped. High migration has helped ease labour shortages for businesses and other organisations as the pool of labour has grown significantly. Some of the industries that have seen high growth in employment include financial and insurance services (13 percent), professional, scientific, technical, administrative, and support services (12 percent), and public administration and safety (10 percent). There has also been substantial growth in the construction sector (five percent).

Unemployment

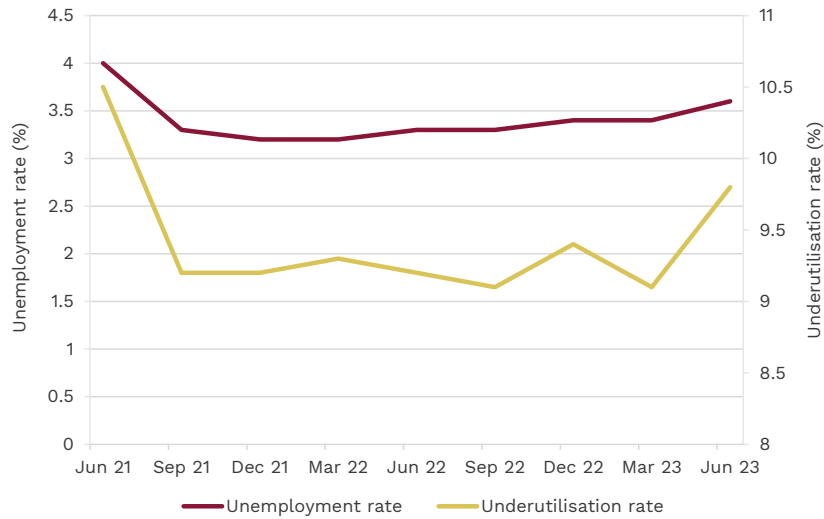
One of the channels in which a more restrictive monetary policy works to ease inflation is by nudging employment towards maximum sustainable levels.² Monetary policy is a blunt tool that targets inflation at an aggregate, economy-wide level. It works by bringing aggregate demand down, with an aim to reduce general levels of economic activity. As activity declines, fewer people are required to be employed by businesses, and unemployment rises. The RBNZ has maintained that given current levels of inflation, employment is beyond the maximum sustainable level. Thus, unemployment must increase for inflationary pressures to decrease.

Although the labour market remains tight by historical standards, there are clear signs of easing. In the June 2023 quarter unemployment increased slightly, from 3.4 percent in March 2023 to 3.6 percent, still near historical lows (Figure 2). The underutilisation rate also ticked up from 9.1 percent to 9.8 percent during the quarter, an indication of increasing spare capacity. The number of jobs posted online also declined (a 22 percent drop in the June 2023 year), indicating a softening in demand relative to supply. There is still some uncertainty around how fast, or slowly, the labour market will continue to soften.

² 'Maximum sustainable employment' (MSE), or full employment, is the level of employment at which the job market is tight, but not so tight that inflation is rising out of control.



Figure 2 Unemployment and underutilisation rates (%)



Source: Stats NZ

The RBNZ expects the unemployment rate to increase to 4.4 percent by the end of the year, and to peak at 5.5 percent in 2025. We expect unemployment to peak at five percent in June 2025, after which it will start to gradually decline. This will be a result of an increase in the supply of labour, as result of migration, combined with lower demand from organisations due to declining activity.

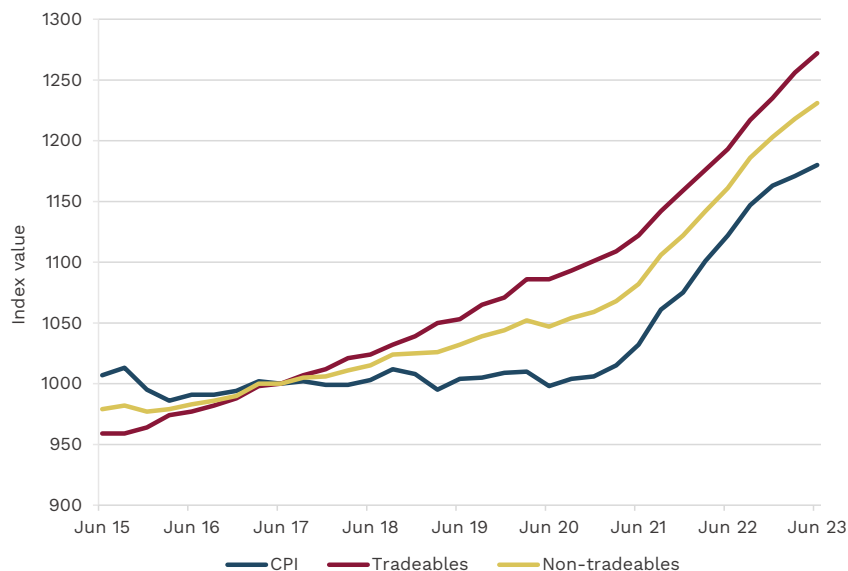


3 Inflation

The official rate of consumer inflation is measured by Stats NZ's Consumers Price Index (CPI), which tracks the price of a basket of household goods and services over time. This is reported on a quarterly basis.

The key economic challenges this year have been against the backdrop of high inflation. Price increases have been broad-based and have impacted nearly every sector. In June 2023, annual inflation came in at six percent. This was quite a significant drop from the 6.7 percent recorded in the March 2023 year. Much of this was a result of a fall in tradeables inflation during the year,³ which shows that imported inflation is easing at an aggregate level. Figure 3 shows the changes in price levels for tradeables and non-tradeables, compared to the overall level of CPI.

Figure 3 CPI, tradeables, non-tradeables, and all groups. Index, base: June 2017 quarter



Source: Stats NZ

Although the pace of price changes is slowing, we are not out of the woods yet. Quarterly changes show that price pressures are still increasing strongly in several groups including the food group (2.2 percent), insurance, (3.1 percent), and the household services group (2.6 percent). Overall, inflation is still well outside the RBNZ's target range of one and three percent.

³ Tradables are goods and services that are imported or are in competition with foreign goods and services, either in domestic or foreign markets.



3.1 Global factors

Median headline global inflation peaked at 9.4 percent in July 2022, and is expected to remain above pre-pandemic levels beyond 2024. However, there have been some key developments that have provided a beacon of hope for central bankers tasked with reducing inflation. At the beginning of 2023, price rises were less severe than previously anticipated, and general economy-wide inflation is believed to now be past its peak. This does not mean that prices are falling, just that the pace of price increases seems to have decelerated. The rest of this section highlights some of the key areas where price pressures are easing, or have disappeared, and those that still pose some risk.

The upside

Supply chain snags are now largely a thing of the past. The Global Supply Chain Pressure Index is a parsimonious measure of global supply chain pressures that could be used to gauge the importance of supply constraints with respect to economic outcomes. It is associated with goods and producer price inflation in the USA and the Euro area. This index was at its peak when supply chain issues were most severe at the end of 2021 (Figure 4). It is currently trending upwards, but running below its average value.

Figure 4 Global Supply Chain Pressure Index



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York

The pass through effect from high energy prices is starting to moderate. Energy prices have been falling steadily from their peak in mid-2022 (Figure 5). Falling energy prices have been an important factor in the decline of headline inflation globally, and price stabilisation. There have been a number of factors that have led to this decline. Europe has built up gas inventories to reduce its reliance on Russian oil. Demand from China has also softened following weak economic



performance. Lower economic activity in advanced economies has also pushed prices down. However, oil prices are notoriously volatile and there has been a slight push upwards in the July-August 2023 months. The oil cartel, the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), has been steadily cutting supply in a move to push prices up. The increase in demand following record high summer temperatures in much of the northern hemisphere is also a concern.⁴

Figure 5 Global price of Brent Crude



Source: Federal Reserve Economic Data

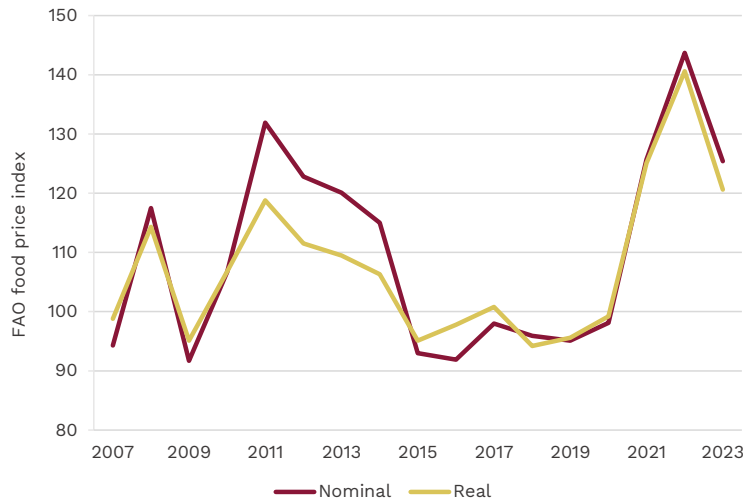
Food prices

Internationally food prices are starting to moderate, but risks of further increases remain on the horizon. The international food price index produced by the FAO has been trending downwards since December 2022, recording further falls in the August and September 2023 months. Adverse and more unpredictable weather conditions globally could risk higher commodity prices. For example India, the largest exporter of rice globally, banned non-basmati rice exports from July 2023 following an uneven monsoon season. Moreover, if the war in Ukraine intensifies, food, fuel, and fertiliser prices are all at risk of elevating.

⁴ <https://www.iea.org/reports/oil-market-report-august-2023>



Figure 6 FAO food price index



Source: UN FAO

The downside

Core inflation is still well above the acceptable level in most countries that target inflation. High demand, relative to supply, now seems to be the key driver of price rises. There has also been a notable rise in corporate profits, which is hard for central banks to track and manage. In the Euro area, corporate profits now account for nearly half of all inflation.⁵ This may be an important risk for policymakers to consider, particularly in the highly globalised market of today, where supply chains are extremely integrated. Tight labour markets are another factor contributing to the persistence of inflation, although the risk of a wage-price spiral, where wages and prices accelerate in tandem, is less pressing. As pressures are seen to be easing, albeit slowly, many central banks are choosing to keep interest rates steady at the currently high levels.

3.2 Domestic factors

Although we seem to have left the worst of inflation behind, the risk is now price reductions coming more slowly than the RBNZ would like. Domestic inflation is now proving to be more of a headache for the economy than the international drivers from last year. Again, there are both upside and downside risks to the outlook for domestic inflation.

The Official Cash Rate (OCR) has increased significantly from 0.25 percent in September 2021, after which the RBNZ began aggressive rate hikes (Figure 7). As of October 2023, the OCR stood at 5.5 percent. Further increases have not been ruled out yet. Financing costs will remain high as RBNZ

⁵ <https://www.imf.org/en/Blogs/Articles/2023/06/26/europes-inflation-outlook-depends-on-how-corporate-profits-absorb-wage-gains>

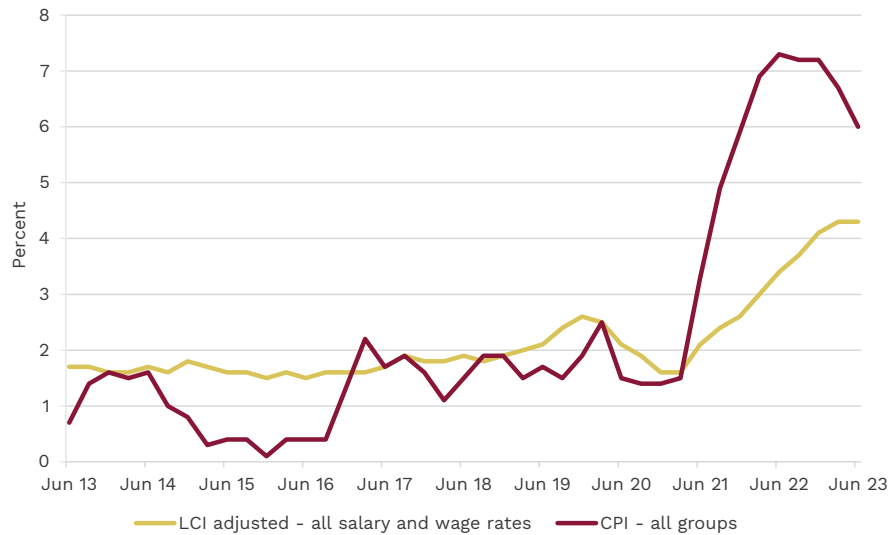


believes that “high interest rates are still required to further lower spending relative to the economy’s ability to supply goods and services sustainably”. The Bank has indicated that the OCR will need to remain at its current level for longer than previously assumed and that “a prolonged period of subdued activity is required to reduce inflationary pressure”.

Figure 7 Official Cash Rate



Figure 8 Wage inflation versus CPI



Source: Stats NZ

There may some relief for construction costs as demand for residential consents dries up. Although demand from the government for the rebuild will help prop up some parts of the sector, this will be spread out over the medium-term. The housing sector is highly sensitive to OCR adjustments and elevated interest rate levels will work to keep inflation in this sector low.

Not only has the high inflationary environment eroded households' spending power, the persistent OCR increases are also dampening consumer confidence. Thus, spending by consumers will continue to fall. Retail spending volumes are already down and, as a result, goods inflation is reducing.

The downside

The impact of high immigration on inflation is ambiguous. Migration adds to both the demand and supply of goods and services in the economy, and which effect dominates depends on a range of factors. New migrants add productive capacity to the economy, easing labour shortages, which allows firms to increase output and supply more goods and services. An increase in the supply of workers also reduces wage inflation as more people compete for fewer jobs. On the flip side, high migration stimulates demand for goods and services, such as housing and infrastructure, which are already under pressure. Higher demand for goods and services works to increase inflationary pressure with an increase in the number of consumers relative to goods and services produced. The RBNZ's latest MPS assumes a small but positive impact of the recent wave of immigration on inflation, but cautions that the impact is still highly uncertain.



The end of transport and fuel subsidies will have some effect on overall prices in the next quarter, but this will be temporary. Other policy-related factors also pose a risk to inflation. Substantial increases in council rates are slated for the third quarter of 2023. This will also contribute to increasing non-tradeables inflation.

Inflation expectations are an important consideration for the RBNZ to monitor in the fight against inflation. As always, there is a risk that high inflation expectations become embedded and the economy-wide tolerance for high prices increases. Expectations play a significant role in determining actual, experienced inflation. If consumers expect prices to increase by five percent over the coming year, then that gives businesses room to increase prices at least in line with these expectations. Another way for expectations to embed themselves occurs when households expect inflation to be high in the future and so consume more goods and services in the present, which then leads to more price rises. In this way inflation expectations can become a self-fulfilling prophecy. Inflation expectations have come off their highs but are well above target. Households' median perception of inflation was 7.6 percent in June 2023, much higher than actual inflation. Moreover, the median household expects inflation to be five percent over the next 12 months.

Finally, although price increases for goods are moderating, the same cannot be said for services. The services component of inflation has not yet started to decline. Annual inflation for the services component was 6.1 percent in the June 2023 year, the same reading as in the last quarter. Goods inflation is falling rapidly. In the June 2023 year it was six percent, compared to seven percent in the March 2023 year.



4 Understanding the cost adjusters

In this section we summarise the main idea behind the cost adjusters and present a brief overview of our methodology.

4.1 What is the Local Government Cost Index?

The Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) is a composite index that measures the changes in the prices of a basket of goods and services that are purchased by local governments in New Zealand. The intention is to give local government administrators a robust, defensible, and replicable estimate of how costs faced by local government are expected to increase in the following 11 years, given the current macroeconomic conditions. This is useful for both the planning and the auditing process.

4.2 Cost adjusters versus CPI inflation

The CPI and the LGCI share a common purpose: to track the movements in the price level of a particular basket of goods and services useful to their intended audience. The difference between the two is their intended audience.

The CPI is used by policymakers to understand the movements in the general price level as experienced by households. The intention of the CPI is to understand what households are experiencing in terms of the price increases in the goods and services they buy. The CPI tracks the price of a basket of goods and services purchased by the average household, for example food, power, fuel, and rent. This understanding is used to inform policymaking. The RBNZ conducts monetary policy in New Zealand through the tightening or loosening of the OCR. The OCR is the RBNZ's main policy tool to keep the CPI within the target range of one and three percent.

By contrast, the LGCI is designed to understand changes in local authority costs, i.e., it tracks the price of a basket of goods and services purchased by the average local authority. The mix of goods and services purchased by local authorities is markedly different from the basket of goods and services represented in the CPI. For example, some of the key inputs that local authorities purchase include staff labour, contractors, physical infrastructure components, and maintenance services.

There are several macroeconomic drivers which are common to the CPI and LGCI, namely, money supply growth, immigration, and the global macro environment. However, there are also drivers that are specific to the LGCI, and those that are specific to the CPI.

Historically, the LGCI has always grown more slowly than the CPI. This reflects the difference in bargaining power between local authorities and households. It also reflects and underscores the fact that the indices measure different baskets of goods and services and are built for different purposes.



4.3 Three waters infrastructure

In December 2022, the New Zealand Government assented into law the Water Services Entities Act 2022 (the Act). It is outside the scope of this report to discuss the Act in depth beyond its main intention. This intention is summarised in Section 3 of the Act. In essence, the Act separates the ownership and control of water infrastructure from local authorities.

This year (2023) is an election year and there is uncertainty surrounding the implementation of the Act. We take the position to work with reality the way it is. As of the time of writing this report, the Act is in legislation. Therefore, we have assumed that the changes will be implemented.

How this relates to the LGCI is that water infrastructure forms a significant proportion of the index. Because ownership and control of this infrastructure has been separated from local authorities it makes sense to remove the related components from the LGCI.

In this year's update, we adjust the balance of the LGCI to remove the components that measure the cost of water infrastructure. This means the 2023 LGCI update is not comparable to previous years' LGCI, as the basket has significantly changed. We provide both the LGCI, as well as an estimate of the water infrastructure component of the LGCI, to assist local authorities in financial planning and reporting. Since this is the first year of the new adjusters without water infrastructure, we have provided a "three waters adjuster" to assist in making rough comparisons. We also provide an estimate of the LGCI using the legacy basket of goods, which is comparable to prior years.

We stress that, because we have removed the three waters infrastructure and rebalanced the LGCI, it is not possible to compare the 2023 update of the LGCI to previous years' LGCI on its own.

4.4 The LGCI's new basket

This adjustment to account for three waters means that the LGCI in the 2023 update now measures a different basket of goods than does the LGCI from previous updates. The index still measures the cost increases for local authorities, but because the basket of goods local authorities buy has changed, so too has the LGCI.

We can make another comparison to the CPI. Periodically, Stats NZ will re-adjust the weights of each good (apples, beer, petrol, toys, etc.) in the basket of the "average consumer". These adjustments are based on surveys conducted by Stats NZ on how consumers allocate their spending over these goods. We have, in essence, completed a similar exercise. With some assumptions about how local authorities will allocate their budgets now that the expenditure associated with three waters is no longer in scope, we have created a new basket for the "average local authority".

Notwithstanding the above, we reiterate that comparing this year's LGCI to prior years' LGCI is not advised. We provide an estimate of the LGCI using the legacy basket of goods (comparable to prior years). We call this the "legacy LGCI".



5 Understanding our forecasts

5.1 What it means to model price indices

Econometric modelling can often appear arcane and impenetrable. The perception that the econometric model is a black box gives users of the data a great deal of confidence in the results. However, it also creates some unjustified expectations.

The models we choose to use come from a rich history of academic research into probability theory and statistics. This literature stretches back into the mid-20th century. The earlier research focuses on the theoretical properties of the models. As access to computers and advanced statistical software has increased, we find that the latter research looks more into applying these models, and numerical optimisation. It is accurate to say that the models have been rigorously tested and found to be robust in the pure sense of the word by decades of research.

In our view, these models are the best currently available. While there are some alternatives (especially in the “black box” category) these come with trade-offs that we find undesirable. We apply these models to data that is sourced either from New Zealand official statistics, or official statistics of other jurisdictions (in the case of oil prices). These are all publicly available sources, and are the only sources we know to exist that describe the input prices for local authorities.

Recently, alternative estimates of how local authorities' costs will evolve over time have been made available. We will not speak to the methodology behind these estimates except for noting that the input data used for whatever model is ultimately chosen must have been sourced from Stats NZ. The value added provided by the LGCI is the reduction in duplication of effort by different local authorities employing different cost forecast methodologies by providing a consistent set of estimates.

5.2 Brief overview of our methodology

To help local government managers better understand how to use the cost adjusters it is useful to describe an overview of our methodology.

Input data

We begin with five price indices measuring the input prices of local authorities:

- PPI inputs - Local government administration
- PPI inputs - Arts and recreation services
- CGI - Earthmoving and site work
- All salary and wage rates - Local government sector
- All salary and wage rates - Private Sector.

To this, we add the following explanatory variables:

- Unemployment
- Oil prices



- Residential consents (national total)
- Non-residential consents (national total)
- Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Real GDP
- Broad Money (M2).

Modelling

A model is built for each of the five input price indices that contains some combination of the explanatory variables. We decide which variables to include in each model using a robust statistical method. As explained later in this section our forecasts include some subjectivity. Every model contains at least CPI, GDP, and unemployment as explanatory variables.

In the 2023 update we have adjusted our methodology to allow for the events of 2020. With this new model structure, the macroeconomic variables were found to have high explanatory power in our statistical tests, adding statistical robustness to our estimates.

Forecasting

We forecast the explanatory variables using a combination of well understood statistical techniques, and subjective economic forecast techniques. These forecast values are plugged into the statistical models of the input price indices to create forecasts of these five indices.

Input price indices to adjusters

We combine our five input price indices (actual values and forecast values) into five cost adjuster indices:

- Planning and regulation
- Roading
- Transport
- Community
- Waste.

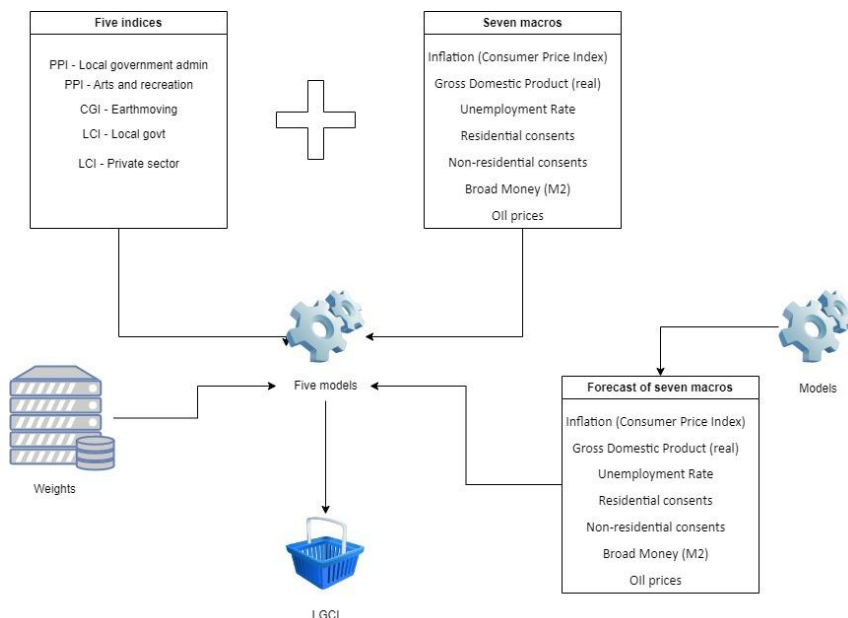
Each adjuster index is a linear combination of input price indices, with weights taken from an analysis of local government financial statements to understand the cost structures of local government. These five adjusters are further combined into three aggregate indices:

- Capital expenditure (Capex)
- Operating expenditure (Opex)
- Total.

The methodology is summarised in Figure 9.



Figure 9 LGCI methodology overview



5.3 Caveats

Changes between the 2022 and 2023 cost adjuster releases

While we strive to keep our data and methodology consistent across updates, we have made continuous improvements to the econometric modelling, making small adjustments each update to improve the method. The details of these adjustments are proprietary.

Notwithstanding this, from time to time we also make larger adjustments based on market need or the complications of the real world. These changes are as follows:

- Removal of scenarios - reverting to a single forecast
- Rebalancing of indices to account for three waters
- Inclusion of legacy cost adjuster estimate
- Earlier release – using forecasts for June 2023.

The first of these, removal of scenarios refers to our 2020 cost adjusters update in which we produced three scenarios of possible paths local authority costs could take. This was necessary at the time because these estimates were released in October 2020, a time of significant uncertainty. These scenarios were broadly appreciated but led to confusion for practitioners and undermined the value proposition of the cost adjusters – a single, consistent, estimate.



In the previous updates (2021 and 2022) we have removed scenarios. We do the same in 2023 and offer just a single forecast.

At a high level our methodology creates a “basket” of goods that local authorities purchase, as measured by producer price input indices. In this year’s update we make an explicit change to that basket to reflect the “three waters” changes. We include a “legacy” cost adjuster index (which reflects the old basket of goods) for those local authorities who wish to use that version for modelling.

Finally, this year we are releasing our cost adjusters early. These estimates have been created using data up to March 2023. Consequently, the June 2023 estimate is a forecast. We will be updating and releasing the final cost adjusters in October 2023

Price increases compound

In everyday discussions, and particularly in the news media, it is common to refer to the rate of CPI inflation slowing down, especially after periods of high inflation. It is important to remember that a low rate of increase in the CPI does not undo any previous increases in the actual prices of goods and services. It is still an increase, and the price increases compound each year.

This is also true of the LGCI. Our forecasts in this update show the rapid increases in costs experienced between 2021 and 2023. They then show above average growth rates in the following two years (2024 and 2025) before the rates of increase start to fall to what our model indicates is a long run structural norm. However, this does not mean that costs faced by local government will fall, it only means that the prices will increase more slowly. It also does not undo the significant cost increases that occurred between 2021 and 2023.

Uncertainty increases over time

The model behind our forecasts utilises a process based on past observations of a given variable to explain present and forecast future observations. This process means that uncertainty in early forecast periods ripples through later forecast periods and is amplified as it does so. We suggest that the first few years of the forecasts are taken as being reasonably likely, while the latter few periods (particularly from the year 2027 onward) be taken as indicative.

Subjectivity in forecasting

When designing the model for each price index, we include macroeconomic variables, such as GDP, unemployment, and CPI inflation. We then forecast these variables using a combination of subjective economic analysis, and statistical modelling. We do so because our forecasts of the LGCI are intended to be a balance of statistical modelling augmented by informed, subjective economic forecasts.

Comparison to previous updates is not advised

We reiterate that because we have rebalanced the basket of the LGCI to remove spending on water infrastructure, this year’s LGCI is a completely different product. This means that direct comparison to previous years will result in significant error.



Insurance is not explicitly included

As of 2023, local authorities are experiencing significant cost increases in insurance premiums. The LGCI is not designed to model costs at a granularity sufficient to account for this effect. However, the raw data we use to construct the LGCI (the producer price indices) does include insurance premiums as an input. We refer the reader to methodology documentation produced by Stats NZ available at <https://www.stats.govt.nz/methods/producers-price-index-concepts-sources-and-methods>



6 Indices and adjusters

6.1 Price indices

Table 2 Local Government Price Indices 1996 – 2034, index values

Index values (2023 = 1000)								
Year	PPI inputs - Local government administration	PPI inputs - Arts and recreation services	PPI inputs - Water, sewer, drainage, and waste services	CGI- Earthmoving and site work	CGI - Pipelines	CGI - Reclamation and river control	All Salary and wage rates - Local govt sector	All Salary and wage rates - Private sector
1996	495	537	367	408	373	532	542	553
1997	490	543	368	397	373	536	553	565
1998	494	557	371	398	382	543	561	574
1999	494	564	376	398	384	535	570	583
2000	512	573	398	413	402	543	578	591
2001	537	595	427	443	425	565	589	602
2002	546	610	417	463	432	578	604	614
2003	554	626	432	470	444	594	619	627
2004	576	642	456	490	470	602	630	641
2005	602	660	475	515	515	627	644	658
2006	633	686	528	529	545	652	669	677
2007	645	706	546	564	561	674	688	699
2008	710	749	599	594	580	716	719	723
2009	715	767	617	631	642	742	736	742
2010	724	774	639	646	650	752	752	754
2011	742	790	659	670	687	767	767	768
2012	758	799	685	714	708	791	786	785
2013	779	804	696	736	626	806	800	799
2014	789	812	705	761	652	822	815	813
2015	793	816	733	772	683	843	832	828
2016	796	830	751	792	678	850	846	841
2017	812	844	759	821	688	855	862	854
2018	830	864	773	825	760	860	876	872
2019	856	878	808	859	755	875	892	892
2020	865	892	830	868	777	889	911	907
2021	888	909	857	879	816	909	921	927
2022	954	964	945	953	939	959	951	959
2023	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
2024	1031	1030	1056	1046	1063	1033	1028	1030
2025	1055	1054	1098	1082	1106	1058	1053	1053
2026	1077	1074	1129	1103	1135	1079	1077	1068
2027	1100	1095	1162	1131	1166	1100	1099	1081
2028	1122	1115	1195	1162	1197	1122	1121	1091
2029	1144	1135	1227	1192	1225	1142	1144	1100
2030	1165	1155	1259	1221	1253	1163	1166	1107
2031	1186	1174	1290	1251	1280	1183	1188	1115
2032	1208	1193	1320	1280	1306	1203	1211	1123
2033	1229	1212	1351	1310	1332	1223	1233	1132
2034	1250	1231	1381	1339	1358	1243	1255	1142



Table 3 Local Government Price Indices, 1996 - 2034, pa % changes

Year	PPI inputs - Local government administrati on	PPI inputs - Arts and recreati on services	PPI inputs - Water, sewer, drainag e, and waste service s	CGI- Earthmovi ng and site work	CGI - Pipelin es	CGI - Reclamati on and river control	All Salar y and wage rates - Loca l govt sect or	All Salar y and wage rates - Privat e secto r
1996	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1997	-1.0	1.2	0.4	-2.7	0.0	0.7	2.0	2.2
1998	0.8	2.6	0.9	0.3	2.5	1.3	1.5	1.7
1999	0.0	1.3	1.2	0.0	0.5	-1.5	1.7	1.6
2000	3.6	1.5	5.9	3.7	4.8	1.5	1.4	1.3
2001	5.0	3.9	7.3	7.2	5.6	4.1	2.0	1.9
2002	1.7	2.5	-2.3	4.5	1.8	2.3	2.6	2.1
2003	1.4	2.5	3.6	1.5	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.2
2004	3.9	2.6	5.5	4.4	6.0	1.4	1.9	2.2
2005	4.5	2.9	4.3	5.0	9.6	4.2	2.1	2.6
2006	5.1	3.9	11.0	2.7	5.8	4.0	3.9	2.9
2007	2.0	2.9	3.4	6.7	2.8	3.3	2.8	3.2
2008	10.0	6.0	9.7	5.3	3.4	6.2	4.5	3.4
2009	0.7	2.5	3.0	6.3	10.8	3.6	2.4	2.7
2010	1.3	0.9	3.6	2.4	1.2	1.4	2.1	1.5
2011	2.4	2.0	3.1	3.7	5.7	2.0	2.1	2.0
2012	2.3	1.2	3.8	6.5	3.0	3.1	2.4	2.1
2013	2.7	0.6	1.7	3.1	-11.6	1.9	1.9	1.8
2014	1.3	1.0	1.2	3.3	4.2	2.0	1.8	1.8
2015	0.5	0.5	4.0	1.5	4.7	2.7	2.1	1.8
2016	0.4	1.8	2.6	2.7	-0.7	0.8	1.7	1.6
2017	2.1	1.7	1.0	3.6	1.4	0.6	1.8	1.6
2018	2.2	2.3	1.8	0.6	10.5	0.6	1.7	2.1
2019	3.2	1.7	4.6	4.0	-0.6	1.7	1.8	2.2
2020	1.0	1.6	2.7	1.1	2.9	1.6	2.1	1.7
2021	2.6	1.9	3.2	1.3	5.0	2.2	1.1	2.2
2022	7.5	6.1	10.3	8.5	15.1	5.6	3.3	3.4
2023	4.8	3.7	5.8	4.9	6.5	4.2	5.1	4.3
2024	3.1	3.0	5.6	4.6	6.3	3.3	2.8	3.0
2025	2.4	2.3	4.0	3.5	4.0	2.5	2.4	2.2
2026	2.1	1.9	2.8	1.9	2.6	1.9	2.2	1.4
2027	2.1	2.0	3.0	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.1	1.2
2028	2.0	1.8	2.9	2.7	2.6	1.9	2.1	0.9
2029	1.9	1.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	1.8	2.0	0.8
2030	1.9	1.7	2.5	2.5	2.3	1.8	1.9	0.7
2031	1.8	1.7	2.4	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.9	0.7
2032	1.8	1.6	2.4	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.9	0.7
2033	1.8	1.6	2.3	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.8	0.8
2034	1.7	1.6	2.3	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.8	0.9
20 year average % pa	2.3	2.1	3.4	2.9	3.7	2.1	2.2	1.7



Table 4 Local Government Price Indices, cumulative change

Year	PPI inputs - Local government administration	PPI inputs - Arts and recreation services	Cumulative change (since 2023)				All Salary and wage rates - Local govt sector	All Salary and wage rates - Private sector
			PPI inputs - Water, sewer, drainage, and waste services	CGI- Earthmoving and site work	CGI - Pipelines	CGI - Reclamation and river control		
2024	3.1	3.0	5.6	4.6	6.3	3.3	2.8	3.0
2025	5.5	5.4	9.8	8.2	10.6	5.8	5.3	5.3
2026	7.7	7.4	12.9	10.3	13.5	7.9	7.7	6.8
2027	10.0	9.5	16.2	13.1	16.6	10.0	9.9	8.1
2028	12.2	11.5	19.5	16.2	19.7	12.2	12.1	9.1
2029	14.4	13.5	22.7	19.2	22.5	14.2	14.4	10.0
2030	16.5	15.5	25.9	22.1	25.3	16.3	16.6	10.7
2031	18.6	17.4	29.0	25.1	28.0	18.3	18.8	11.5
2032	20.8	19.3	32.0	28.0	30.6	20.3	21.1	12.3
2033	22.9	21.2	35.1	31.0	33.2	22.3	23.3	13.2
2034	25.0	23.1	38.1	33.9	35.8	24.3	25.5	14.2



6.2 Adjusters

The following tables summarise three versions of the LGCI adjusters. We recommend using the updated version of LGCI, without water infrastructure.

LGCI without water infrastructure

Table 5 Local Government Cost Adjuster, index values

Index values (2023 = 1000)					
Year	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Waste
1996	496	456	481	496	473
1997	493	449	477	497	472
1998	498	452	481	506	477
1999	499	453	483	511	481
2000	515	468	498	522	493
2001	539	494	522	545	514
2002	549	509	535	562	531
2003	558	517	544	574	542
2004	578	538	564	592	558
2005	602	562	587	611	577
2006	631	583	613	633	597
2007	646	609	632	658	624
2008	703	652	683	696	655
2009	712	675	698	720	682
2010	723	687	710	730	697
2011	741	708	728	749	717
2012	760	738	752	770	749
2013	779	759	772	782	767
2014	791	777	786	796	787
2015	797	785	794	803	801
2016	803	798	803	820	818
2017	821	820	822	839	840
2018	837	831	836	853	850
2019	862	860	862	873	875
2020	872	870	873	886	889
2021	892	886	891	901	899
2022	954	954	953	959	952
2023	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
2024	1032	1038	1034	1035	1037
2025	1057	1069	1061	1063	1068
2026	1079	1090	1083	1084	1090
2027	1102	1114	1107	1107	1116
2028	1125	1140	1132	1131	1142
2029	1147	1165	1155	1154	1169
2030	1169	1189	1179	1177	1195
2031	1191	1213	1202	1200	1221
2032	1213	1238	1226	1223	1247
2033	1235	1262	1249	1246	1273
2034	1257	1287	1273	1268	1299



Table 6 Local Government Aggregated Cost Adjuster, index values
Index values (2023 = 1000)

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
1996	485	478	483
1997	483	476	481
1998	488	481	486
1999	491	484	488
2000	504	497	502
2001	528	521	526
2002	542	536	540
2003	551	545	550
2004	570	564	568
2005	593	586	590
2006	617	608	614
2007	638	632	636
2008	684	674	681
2009	702	695	699
2010	714	707	712
2011	732	726	730
2012	756	752	755
2013	774	771	773
2014	789	787	788
2015	798	796	797
2016	809	809	809
2017	828	830	829
2018	842	842	842
2019	867	867	867
2020	878	879	878
2021	894	894	894
2022	954	954	954
2023	1000	1000	1000
2024	1034	1036	1035
2025	1062	1064	1063
2026	1084	1086	1084
2027	1108	1110	1109
2028	1132	1135	1133
2029	1156	1160	1157
2030	1179	1184	1181
2031	1203	1208	1204
2032	1226	1232	1228
2033	1250	1256	1252
2034	1273	1280	1275



Table 7 Local Government Cost Adjuster, pa % changes

Year	Pa % changes				
	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Waste
1996	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1997	-0.6	-1.5	-0.8	0.2	-0.1
1998	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.8	1.0
1999	0.3	0.2	0.3	1.0	0.9
2000	3.2	3.4	3.2	2.0	2.3
2001	4.6	5.7	4.9	4.5	4.2
2002	2.0	3.0	2.4	3.0	3.5
2003	1.6	1.5	1.6	2.2	1.9
2004	3.6	4.0	3.7	3.0	3.0
2005	4.2	4.6	4.2	3.4	3.4
2006	4.7	3.8	4.4	3.6	3.4
2007	2.4	4.3	3.1	3.9	4.6
2008	8.8	7.2	8.1	5.7	4.9
2009	1.3	3.4	2.1	3.5	4.2
2010	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.5	2.2
2011	2.4	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.9
2012	2.6	4.3	3.2	2.9	4.4
2013	2.6	2.8	2.7	1.5	2.5
2014	1.5	2.3	1.9	1.8	2.6
2015	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.8
2016	0.7	1.6	1.1	2.1	2.2
2017	2.2	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.7
2018	2.0	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.1
2019	3.0	3.5	3.1	2.4	2.9
2020	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.6
2021	2.3	1.9	2.1	1.6	1.2
2022	6.9	7.6	7.0	6.5	5.9
2023	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.3	5.0
2024	3.2	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.7
2025	2.4	2.9	2.6	2.7	3.0
2026	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1
2027	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.3
2028	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.4
2029	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.3
2030	1.9	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.2
2031	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.2
2032	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.1
2033	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.1
2034	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.0
20 year average % pa	2.3	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.5



Table 8 Local Government Aggregated Cost Adjuster, pa % changes
Pa % changes

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
1996	0.0	0.0	0.0
1997	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
1998	1.0	1.0	1.0
1999	0.5	0.6	0.6
2000	2.8	2.8	2.8
2001	4.7	4.8	4.7
2002	2.6	2.9	2.7
2003	1.8	1.8	1.8
2004	3.4	3.4	3.4
2005	3.9	3.9	3.9
2006	4.1	3.9	4.0
2007	3.4	3.8	3.6
2008	7.2	6.6	7.0
2009	2.6	3.1	2.8
2010	1.7	1.8	1.7
2011	2.6	2.7	2.6
2012	3.3	3.6	3.4
2013	2.4	2.4	2.4
2014	1.9	2.1	2.0
2015	1.1	1.2	1.1
2016	1.4	1.6	1.5
2017	2.4	2.5	2.4
2018	1.6	1.5	1.6
2019	3.0	3.0	3.0
2020	1.3	1.3	1.3
2021	1.9	1.7	1.8
2022	6.7	6.7	6.7
2023	4.8	4.8	4.8
2024	3.4	3.6	3.5
2025	2.7	2.8	2.7
2026	2.0	2.0	2.0
2027	2.2	2.2	2.2
2028	2.2	2.2	2.2
2029	2.1	2.1	2.1
2030	2.0	2.1	2.1
2031	2.0	2.0	2.0
2032	1.9	2.0	2.0
2033	1.9	1.9	1.9
2034	1.9	1.9	1.9
	2.4	2.5	2.4



Table 9 Local Government Cost Adjusters, cumulative change
Cumulative change (since 2023)

Year	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Waste
2024	3.2	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.7
2025	5.7	6.9	6.1	6.3	6.8
2026	7.9	9.0	8.3	8.4	9.0
2027	10.2	11.4	10.7	10.7	11.6
2028	12.5	14.0	13.2	13.1	14.2
2029	14.7	16.5	15.5	15.4	16.9
2030	16.9	18.9	17.9	17.7	19.5
2031	19.1	21.3	20.2	20.0	22.1
2032	21.3	23.8	22.6	22.3	24.7
2033	23.5	26.2	24.9	24.6	27.3
2034	25.7	28.7	27.3	26.8	29.9

Table 10 Local Government Aggregate Cost Adjusters, cumulative change
Cumulative change (since 2023)

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
2024	3.4	3.6	3.5
2025	6.2	6.4	6.3
2026	8.4	8.6	8.4
2027	10.8	11.0	10.9
2028	13.2	13.5	13.3
2029	15.6	16.0	15.7
2030	17.9	18.4	18.1
2031	20.3	20.8	20.4
2032	22.6	23.2	22.8
2033	25.0	25.6	25.2
2034	27.3	28.0	27.5



Legacy LGCI

Table 11 Legacy Local Government Cost Adjuster, index values

Index values (2023 = 1000)					
Year	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Water and environment
1996	489	456	481	496	412
1997	487	449	477	497	413
1998	492	452	481	506	417
1999	493	453	483	511	420
2000	508	468	498	522	437
2001	532	494	522	545	463
2002	542	509	535	562	465
2003	552	517	544	574	478
2004	572	538	564	592	499
2005	597	562	587	611	523
2006	626	583	613	633	561
2007	642	609	632	658	581
2008	695	652	683	696	623
2009	709	675	698	720	650
2010	719	687	710	730	667
2011	738	708	728	749	689
2012	758	738	752	770	715
2013	769	759	772	782	715
2014	783	777	786	796	730
2015	792	785	794	803	754
2016	797	798	803	820	768
2017	813	820	822	839	779
2018	833	831	836	853	799
2019	855	860	862	873	824
2020	866	870	873	886	843
2021	888	886	891	901	867
2022	953	954	953	959	947
2023	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
2024	1034	1038	1034	1035	1050
2025	1061	1069	1061	1063	1088
2026	1083	1090	1083	1084	1115
2027	1107	1114	1107	1107	1145
2028	1130	1140	1132	1131	1175
2029	1153	1165	1155	1154	1204
2030	1175	1189	1179	1177	1232
2031	1197	1213	1202	1200	1260
2032	1220	1238	1226	1223	1287
2033	1242	1262	1249	1246	1315
2034	1264	1287	1273	1268	1342



Table 12 Legacy Local Government Aggregated Cost Adjuster, index values
Index values (2023 = 1000)

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
1996	468	458	465
1997	467	456	463
1998	472	461	469
1999	474	463	471
2000	489	478	486
2001	514	503	510
2002	524	513	521
2003	534	524	531
2004	554	544	551
2005	578	568	575
2006	607	596	603
2007	626	617	624
2008	673	662	669
2009	693	684	690
2010	705	697	703
2011	725	717	722
2012	747	742	746
2013	758	753	757
2014	773	768	771
2015	785	781	784
2016	795	793	794
2017	811	809	811
2018	829	826	828
2019	852	850	852
2020	866	864	865
2021	885	883	885
2022	953	953	953
2023	1000	1000	1000
2024	1038	1040	1039
2025	1068	1071	1069
2026	1091	1094	1092
2027	1116	1120	1118
2028	1141	1146	1143
2029	1166	1172	1168
2030	1190	1197	1192
2031	1214	1221	1216
2032	1238	1246	1241
2033	1262	1270	1265
2034	1286	1295	1289



Table 13 Legacy Local Government Cost Adjuster, pa % changes

Year	pa % changes				
	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Water and environment
1996	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1997	-0.5	-1.5	-0.8	0.2	0.2
1998	1.0	0.6	0.8	1.8	1.2
1999	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.0	0.6
2000	3.2	3.4	3.2	2.0	4.1
2001	4.6	5.7	4.9	4.5	5.8
2002	2.0	3.0	2.4	3.0	0.4
2003	1.7	1.5	1.6	2.2	2.9
2004	3.6	4.0	3.7	3.0	4.3
2005	4.5	4.6	4.2	3.4	4.8
2006	4.8	3.8	4.4	3.6	7.3
2007	2.5	4.3	3.1	3.9	3.6
2008	8.3	7.2	8.1	5.7	7.2
2009	2.0	3.4	2.1	3.5	4.4
2010	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.5	2.6
2011	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.5	3.3
2012	2.6	4.3	3.2	2.9	3.7
2013	1.6	2.8	2.7	1.5	0.0
2014	1.7	2.3	1.9	1.8	2.0
2015	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	3.3
2016	0.6	1.6	1.1	2.1	1.8
2017	2.0	2.8	2.4	2.3	1.4
2018	2.4	1.3	1.7	1.7	2.6
2019	2.7	3.5	3.1	2.4	3.1
2020	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.5	2.3
2021	2.5	1.9	2.1	1.6	2.8
2022	7.3	7.6	7.0	6.5	9.3
2023	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.3	5.5
2024	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.5	5.0
2025	2.6	2.9	2.6	2.7	3.6
2026	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.5
2027	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.7
2028	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.6
2029	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.5
2030	1.9	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.3
2031	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.3
2032	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.2
2033	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.1
2034	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.1
20 year average % pa	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.4	3.1



Table 14 Legacy Local Government Aggregated Cost Adjuster, pa % changes

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
1996	0.0	0.0	0.0
1997	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4
1998	1.1	1.1	1.1
1999	0.4	0.5	0.4
2000	3.2	3.3	3.2
2001	5.0	5.2	5.1
2002	2.0	2.0	2.0
2003	2.0	2.1	2.0
2004	3.7	3.8	3.7
2005	4.3	4.3	4.3
2006	4.9	5.0	5.0
2007	3.3	3.6	3.4
2008	7.4	7.2	7.4
2009	3.0	3.3	3.1
2010	1.8	1.9	1.8
2011	2.8	2.9	2.8
2012	3.1	3.4	3.2
2013	1.5	1.5	1.5
2014	1.9	2.0	1.9
2015	1.6	1.7	1.6
2016	1.3	1.5	1.4
2017	2.1	2.1	2.1
2018	2.1	2.0	2.1
2019	2.9	3.0	2.9
2020	1.5	1.6	1.6
2021	2.3	2.3	2.3
2022	7.6	7.8	7.7
2023	4.9	5.0	5.0
2024	3.8	4.0	3.9
2025	2.9	3.0	2.9
2026	2.2	2.2	2.2
2027	2.3	2.4	2.3
2028	2.3	2.3	2.3
2029	2.2	2.2	2.2
2030	2.1	2.1	2.1
2031	2.0	2.1	2.0
2032	2.0	2.0	2.0
2033	1.9	2.0	1.9
2034	1.9	1.9	1.9
20 year average % pa	2.6	2.7	2.6



Table 15 Legacy Local Government Cost Adjusters, cumulative change
Cumulative change (since 2023)

Year	Planning & regulation	Roading	Transport	Community	Water and environment
2024	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.5	5.0
2025	6.1	6.9	6.1	6.3	8.8
2026	8.3	9.0	8.3	8.4	11.5
2027	10.7	11.4	10.7	10.7	14.5
2028	13.0	14.0	13.2	13.1	17.5
2029	15.3	16.5	15.5	15.4	20.4
2030	17.5	18.9	17.9	17.7	23.2
2031	19.7	21.3	20.2	20.0	26.0
2032	22.0	23.8	22.6	22.3	28.7
2033	24.2	26.2	24.9	24.6	31.5
2034	26.4	28.7	27.3	26.8	34.2

Table 16 Legacy Local Government Aggregate Cost Adjusters, cumulative change
Cumulative change (since 2023)

Year	OPEX	CAPEX	Total
2024	3.8	4.0	3.9
2025	6.8	7.1	6.9
2026	9.1	9.4	9.2
2027	11.6	12.0	11.8
2028	14.1	14.6	14.3
2029	16.6	17.2	16.8
2030	19.0	19.7	19.2
2031	21.4	22.1	21.6
2032	23.8	24.6	24.1
2033	26.2	27.0	26.5
2034	28.6	29.5	28.9



Water infrastructure only

Table 17 Water infrastructure cost adjuster, index value, pa % change, and cumulative change

Water infrastructure			
Year	Index values (2023 = 1000)	Pa % changes	Cumulative change (since 2023)
1996	412	0	
1997	413	0.2	
1998	417	1.2	
1999	420	0.6	
2000	437	4.1	
2001	463	5.8	
2002	465	0.4	
2003	478	2.9	
2004	499	4.3	
2005	523	4.8	
2006	561	7.3	
2007	581	3.6	
2008	623	7.2	
2009	650	4.4	
2010	667	2.6	
2011	689	3.3	
2012	715	3.7	
2013	715	0.0	
2014	730	2.0	
2015	754	3.3	
2016	768	1.8	
2017	779	1.4	
2018	799	2.6	
2019	824	3.1	
2020	843	2.3	
2021	867	2.8	
2022	947	9.3	
2023	1000	5.5	
2024	1050	5.0	5.0
2025	1088	3.6	8.8
2026	1115	2.5	11.5
2027	1145	2.7	14.5
2028	1175	2.6	17.5
2029	1204	2.5	20.4
2030	1232	2.3	23.2
2031	1260	2.3	26.0
2032	1287	2.2	28.7
2033	1315	2.1	31.5
2034	1342	2.1	34.2
20 year average % pa		3.1	



7 Conclusion

The global and domestic economies are losing some steam as the impacts of interest rate hikes by central banks flow through the various sectors. The high inflationary environment has eroded the purchasing power of consumers – be it households or organisations. To add to this, high interest rates have deterred investment and consumption by households and businesses alike. The RBNZ has indicated that reductions in the OCR are not on the cards until there are clear signs that inflation is within the target range. Thus, any economic growth this year will be underwhelming.

Taming inflation is the number one economic priority, and in the process, economic growth and low unemployment will be sacrificed. On the positive side, there are clear signs that the worst of inflation is behind us. The pace of price increases will start to decline. However, it is important to note that this does not mean that absolute prices will start to decline. Our forecasts show that the rate of inflation will not return to pre-COVID-19 levels until 2024-2025. This is conditional on no other adverse shocks to the economy, such as severe weather events or other external shocks, which cannot be predicted.

The key risk for local government remains higher-than-normal price increases, but the worst seems to be over for now. Another emerging challenge will be increasing unemployment, and the potential strain on resources given the high rates of migration. The role of local government remains to focus on well-being in local communities.



Appendix A Price indices actual, fitted, and forecast values

Input prices indices

Figure 10 PPI inputs – local government administration

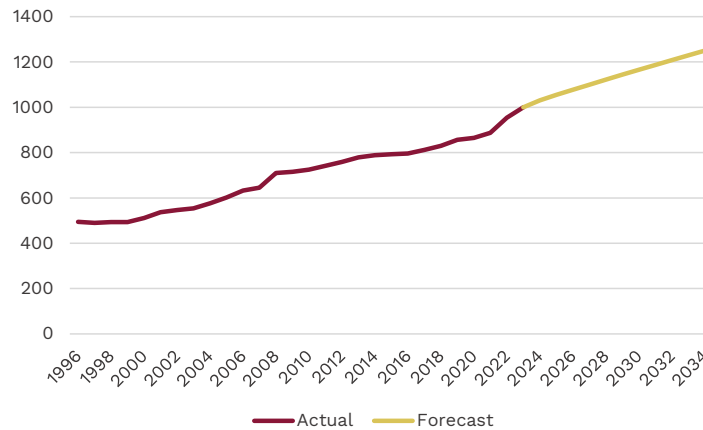


Figure 11 PPI inputs – arts and recreation

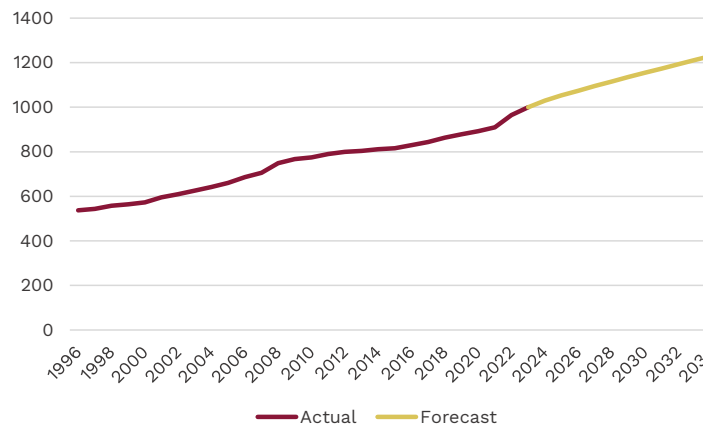


Figure 12 PPI inputs – water, sewer, drainage, and waste services

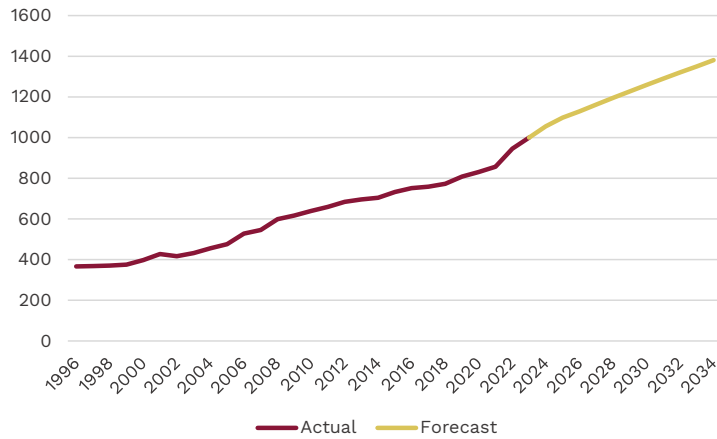


Figure 13 CGI – earthmoving and site work

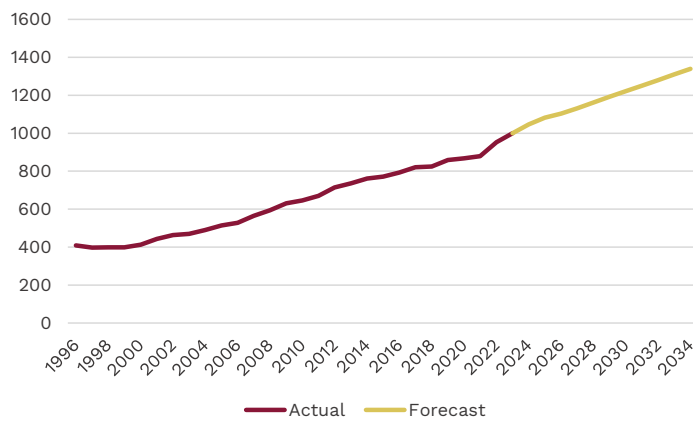


Figure 14 CGI – reclamation and river control

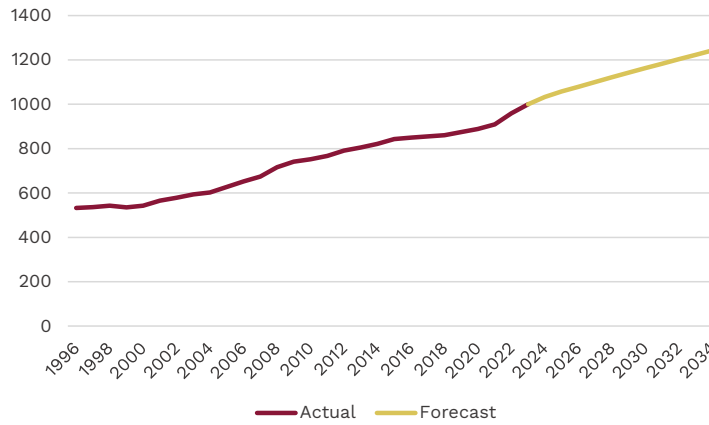


Figure 15 CGI – pipelines

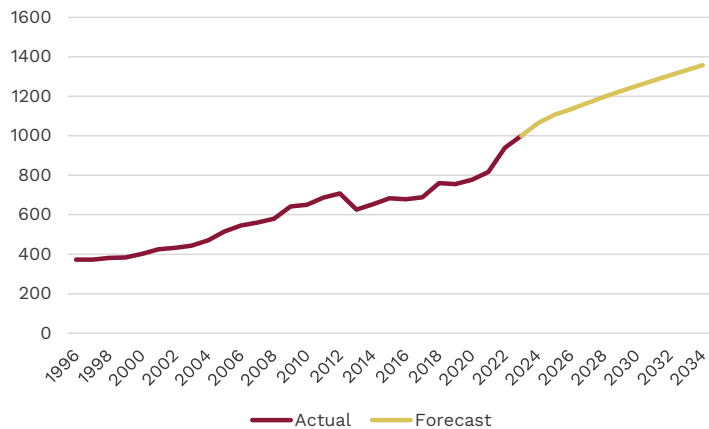


Figure 16 Local government wages

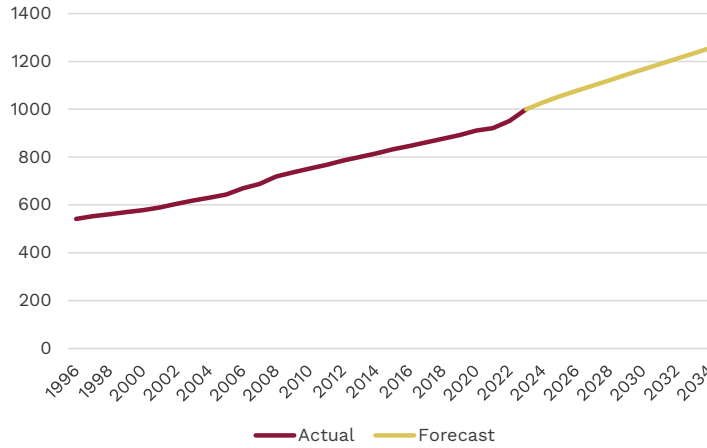
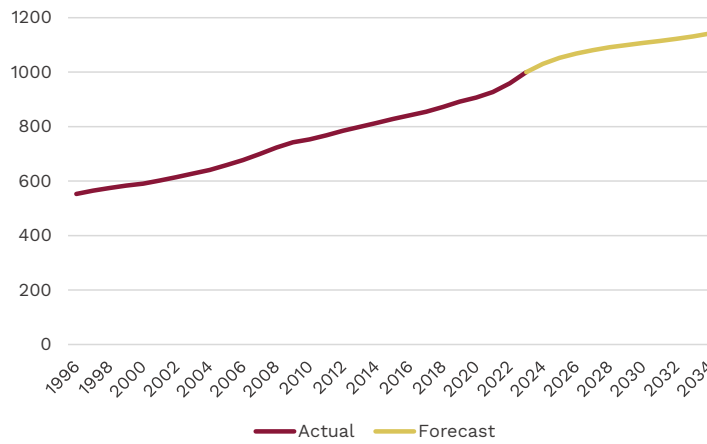


Figure 17 Private sector wages



Cost adjuster series

These series are linear combinations of the above eight indices. They describe the price trajectory of baskets of goods bought by local government.

Figure 18 LGCI transport

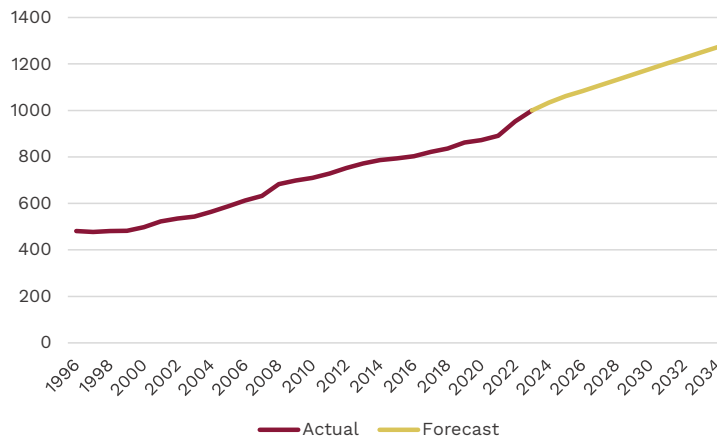


Figure 19 LGCI community

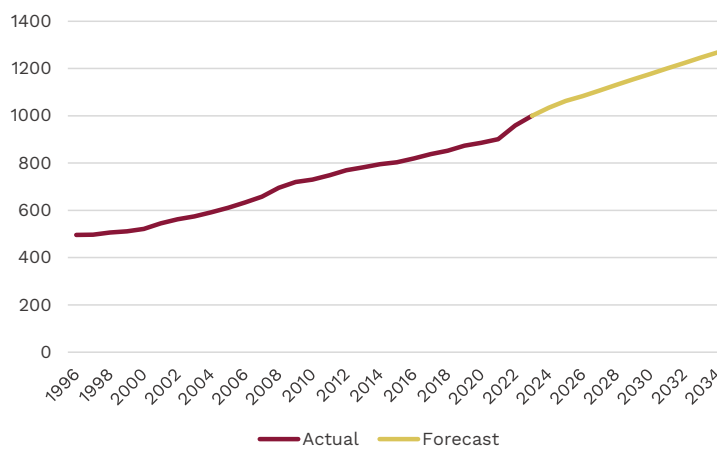


Figure 20 LGCI waste

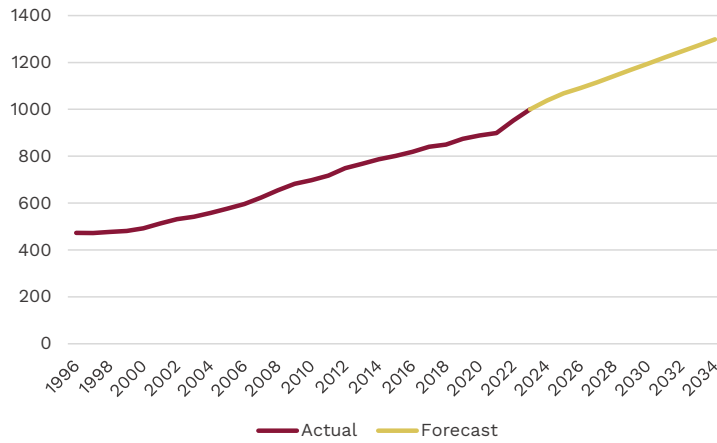


Figure 21 LGCI planning and regulation

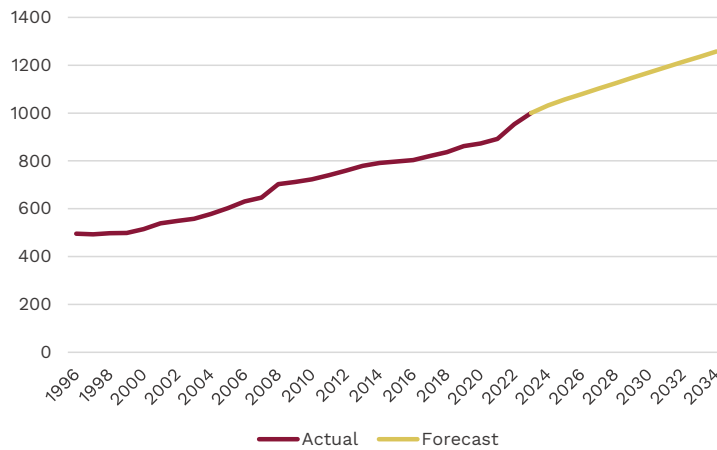


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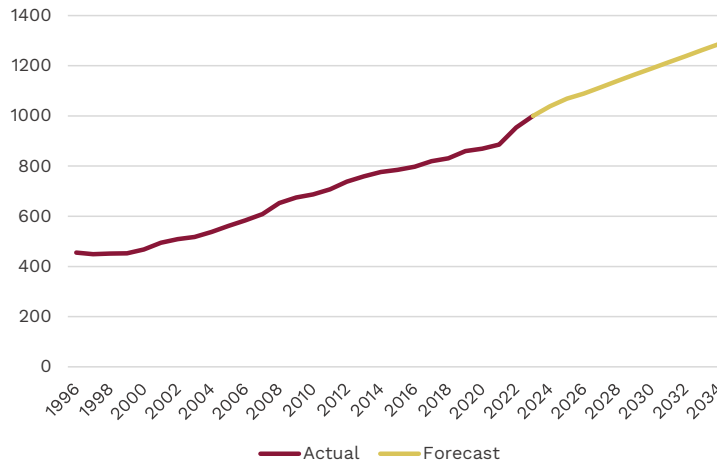
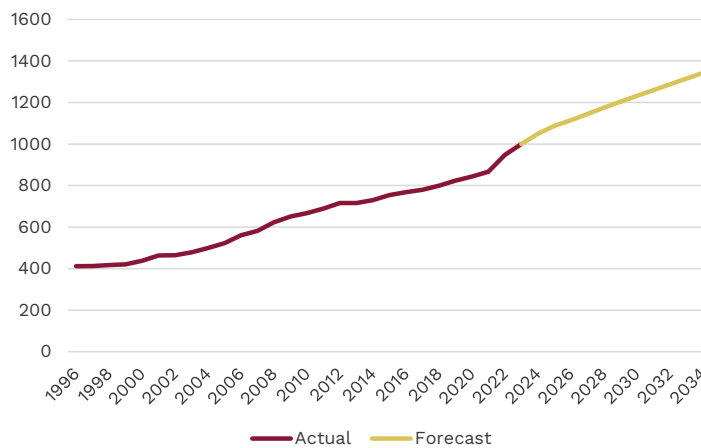


Figure 23 LGCI water infrastructure



Aggregate adjuster indices

Figure 24 LGCI OPEX

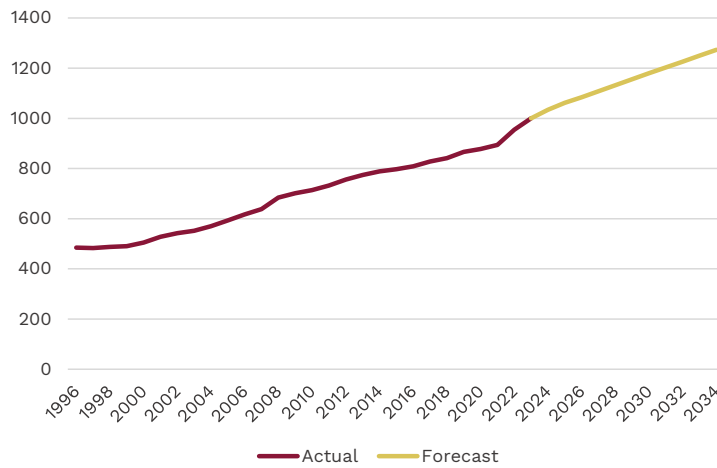


Figure 25 LGCI CAPEX

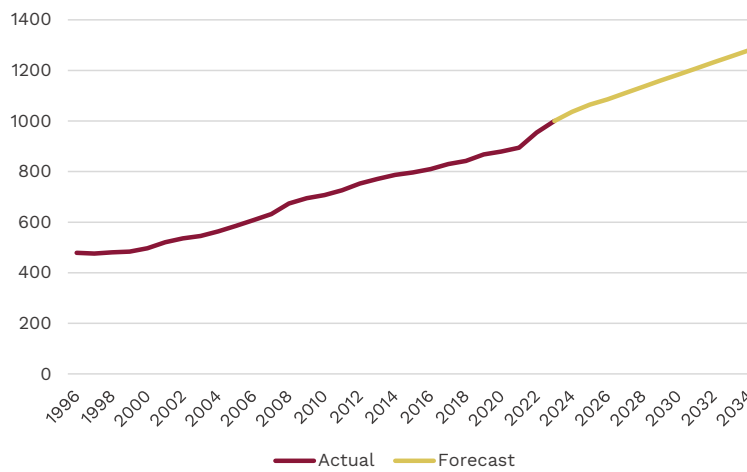
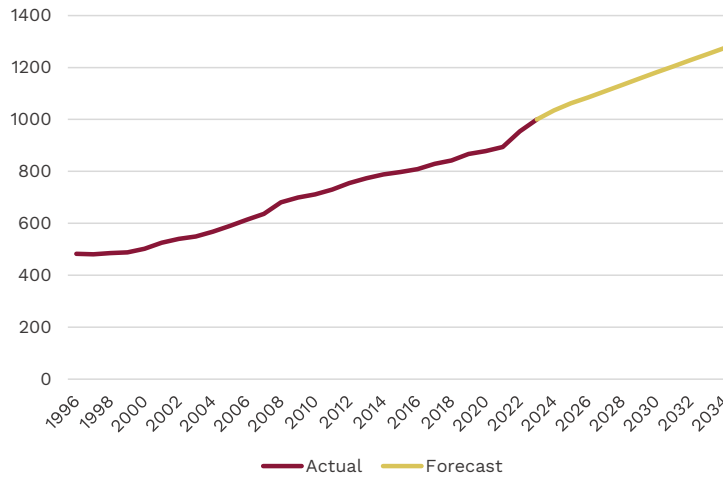


Figure 26 LGCI total



Appendix B Macroeconomic forecasts

Table 18 Macroeconomic forecasts

Year to June	Real GDP (2010 \$m)	Real GDP (% pa change)	Unemployment	CPI	CPI (% pa change)
2023	284,521	3.3	3.6	1231	6
2024	288,658	1.5	4.7	1290	5
2025	291,941	1.1	5.0	1330	3
2026	296,612	1.6	5.2	1357	2
2027	304,028	2.5	5.2	1386	2
2028	312,540	2.8	5.1	1415	2
2029	321,917	3.0	5.0	1441	2
2030	330,930	2.8	5.0	1467	2
2031	340,196	2.8	5.2	1492	2
2032	348,701	2.5	5.4	1517	2
2033	357,070	2.4	5.5	1541	2
2034	365,640	2.4	5.5	1565	2



BUILDING OWNER INCENTIVES (SUSTAINABILITY, EARTHQUAKE STRENGTHENING, HERITAGE CONSERVATION) REPORT

Department: City Development and Māori, Partnerships and Policy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The purpose of this report is to give Council an overview of work that has been undertaken in recent years to support housing growth and the protection of heritage buildings, responding to the Council resolution March 2023 on possible initiatives to further incentivise vacant inner city space and discusses the specific building incentive actions contained in the *Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022*, *Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan*, and the *Zero Carbon Plan*.
- 2 The report describes the cross-Council approach being taken by staff to ensure options are developed in a coordinated manner for future consideration by Council.
- 3 Building incentives are one way that the Dunedin City Council (DCC) can respond to the residential, non-residential, and heritage building needs of the Dunedin community. The rationale for building incentives is they can encourage and support local responses to protect, improve, and/or build residential and heritage buildings in a strategic, coordinated, and transparent way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Building Owner Incentives (sustainability, earthquake strengthening, heritage conservation) Report.

BACKGROUND

- 4 In recent years Council has undertaken a variety of work to support and facilitate housing growth and the protection of our heritage buildings in the city, most notably through the increased housing capacity and heritage enabling opportunities via the Second-Generation Plan (2GP).
- 5 Council has supported community initiatives to protect and conserve our historic heritage buildings through the Dunedin Heritage Fund and provided financial incentives (via reduced consent fees) to support the installation of solar panels, improved insulation, and earthquake strengthening.

6 In March 2023 Council resolved the following:

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

- b) **Ask staff to report as part of Annual Plan discussions 2023-2024 on possible initiatives to further incentivise the residential conversion of vacant inner-city space.**

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Bill Acklin, Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Marie Laufiso, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Jim O'Malley, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (14).

Against: Cr Lee Vandervis (1).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 14 votes to 1

Motion carried (CNL/2023/076)

7 During 2022 and 2023 Council adopted three key strategic plans which include actions to develop further options for incentivising more accessible and energy efficient homes, and to further support heritage conservation and restoration projects. These are:

- Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022 – adopted by Council in August 2022
- Zero Carbon Plan – adopted by Council in September 2023
- Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan – adopted by Council in December 2023

DISCUSSION

8 A summary of recent and planned work relating to incentivising building upgrades and development (residential, non-residential, and heritage) is shown below.

Second Generation Plan (2GP) and Future Development Strategy (FDS)

9 Council has undertaken work in recent years through the development of the 2GP to facilitate housing growth options and to ensure that there is a range of housing choices in Dunedin to provide for the community's needs and which supports well-being.

10 Variation 2 ('Additional Housing Capacity') to the 2GP was notified on 3 February 2021. It contained a range of changes to the 2GP intended to create more housing capacity. It also included changes to better manage subdivision of greenfield sites, and included significant changes to rules that set density requirements including:

- Allowing a duplex to be built on all properties over 500 m² within General Residential 1 and reticulated Township and Settlement areas.

- Changes to minimum site sizes for subdivision and development down to 400 m² from 500 m² in General Residential 1 and reticulated Township and Settlement areas.
 - Changes to make the minimum site size for subdivision and development consistent and to allow access legs to be included for sites under 1,200 m². These rule changes effectively allow a duplex with two units per 500 m² of land or one standalone.
- 11 In December 2023 Council received an update report on the work undertaken by staff on the Housing Capacity Assessment. This is a key aspect of the Future Development Strategy (FDS) that is jointly being prepared by the DCC and Otago Regional Council (ORC) for mid-2024.
- 12 The 2GP gives effect to the requirement of section 6(f) of the Resource Management Act 1991 for the protection of historic heritage from inappropriate subdivision, use, and development. The 2GP contains a schedule of heritage buildings, structures, sites, and identifies heritage precincts. These places and precincts are managed by the heritage provisions within the 2GP.

Current Building Incentives

- 13 The DCC currently provides three building incentives by offering reduced consent fees. These are:
- a) for installing solar panels (since 2009);
 - b) increasing insulation (since 2018);
 - c) earthquake strengthening (since 2012).
- 14 These were discussed in the *Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022 Update* report that was noted by the Community Services Committee on 12 September 2023.
- 15 The installation of solar panels (a) and increased insulation (b) are specific to residential buildings. The third incentive relates to seismic strengthening for both residential and commercial buildings. Uptake of these incentives has been low, and further work is required to understand why this is the case.
- 16 The Dunedin Heritage Fund (the Fund) is funded and administered by the DCC and managed by the Dunedin Heritage Fund Committee. From its establishment in 1993, the Fund has focused on providing incentive funding for the conservation, including earthquake strengthening, of Ōtepoti Dunedin's historic places (buildings, structures, and sites). The DCC provides an annual grant to the Fund of \$680,700. In the 2022-2023 financial year requests for funding totalled over \$2.2 million.

Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan

- 17 The Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan, adopted by Council on 12 December 2023, includes specific actions in its implementation plan (actions 5-7 and 11-12. See Attachment A) focused on developing options to incentivise the use of vacant space in heritage buildings and heritage precincts. This work focuses on protected heritage buildings, the majority of which are in the central city area. Owners of eligible heritage buildings can also access support and assistance via the Dunedin Heritage Fund.

Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022

- 18 Council adopted the Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022 on 30 August 2022, and the Community Services Committee noted the Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022 Implementation Plan 2023-2024 on 6 March 2023. Action 6 of the Implementation Plan is – *Develop an options analysis of incentives: identifying options for an incentive scheme that encourages building and retrofitting homes with design for everyone, and making homes warmer and reducing construction waste.* (Attachment A).
- 19 The DCC Principal Policy Advisor - Housing has commenced work and has been reviewing incentives offered by other Councils across New Zealand and discussing options with staff from a range of departments. Examples of the current incentives offered by other Councils include Wellington City Council's cash reimbursement if a development meets certain accessibility and insulation standards and Thames-Coromandel Council allowing greater land coverage if accessibility standards are met.

Zero Carbon Plan

- 20 The Zero Carbon Plan adopted by Council in September 2023 includes several actions relating to building incentives to support emissions reduction. These include incentives that encourage and support energy efficiency in current and new build residential properties (E1.3.4 and E1.3.6), reducing waste in construction projects (R1.4.5 and R1.4.6), and exploring other ways to encourage emissions reduction that may include building incentives. Details of the actions are shown in Attachment A.

Developing building incentive options and reviewing existing incentives

- 21 As discussed above, staff are currently working on and/or about to commence work on developing building incentive options for future consideration by Council. The work will require input from a wide range of Council departments and staff.
- 22 It is important that the work is done in a coordinated way to ensure that Council can make informed and prioritised decisions on the building incentive options when they are presented to them in the future.
- 23 Staff will review the current building incentives offered by Council and consider possible incentives for conversion of vacant inner-city space.
- 24 Staff will review incentives offered by other Councils and will consider:
 - a) developing a set of criteria to assess if the building incentive options will produce the desired outcomes, while enabling flexibility for Council to add or remove incentive options in the future and to adapt to changes in Central Government housing legislation or policy direction.
 - b) improvements in the operational delivery of building incentives by making sure that the DCC's incentives are accessible, transparent, and accountable against outcomes in the DCC's strategies and plans.
 - c) utilising existing community stakeholder groups e.g. Housing Action Plan and Heritage Action Plan to discuss incentive options.

OPTIONS

25 As this report is for noting there are no options.

NEXT STEPS

26 Staff will work on potential building incentive options and report back to Council in time for the draft 2025-2026 Annual Plan.

Signatories

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Attachments

	Title	Page
↓A	Actions for Building Owner Incentives (sustainability, earthquake strengthening, heritage conservation) Report – January 2024	126

SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

Fit with purpose of Local Government

This decision promotes the social well-being of communities in the present and for the future.

Fit with strategic framework

	Contributes	Detracts	Not applicable
Social Wellbeing Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arts and Culture Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3 Waters Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Spatial Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Integrated Transport Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Parks and Recreation Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other strategic projects/policies/plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This report aligns with the implementation plan actions of the Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022, the Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action plan, Zero Carbon Plan, and fits with the strategic framework (as above)

Māori Impact Statement

Staff will discuss opportunities for including mana whenua in the development of building incentive options.

Sustainability

Climate change mitigation/emissions reduction efforts are an important aspect of sustainability. Several proposed building incentives are actions in the Zero Carbon Implementation plan and will contribute towards reaching council's emissions reduction targets.

LTP/Annual Plan / Financial Strategy /Infrastructure Strategy

There are no implications to current levels of service or performance measures, and this work is not included in the LTP. However, the building incentive work proposed for 2024 will report to Council in time for the Annual plan 2025-2026.

Financial considerations

There are no financial considerations relating to this report, but these will be considered as work is undertaken to develop building incentive options, which will come to Council later in 2024.

Significance

This decision is considered low in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

Engagement – external

External stakeholder engagement has taken place as part of the development of the Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022, the Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan, and Zero Carbon Plan. As outlined in the report, further external stakeholder engagement will be undertaken as part of developing building incentive options.

SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

Engagement - internal

City Development, Heritage, Regulatory, Housing, Policy, Zero Carbon, Policy, and Finance teams have all had input into the report.

Risks: Legal / Health and Safety etc.

There are no known risks relating to this report.

Conflict of Interest

There are no known conflicts of interest.

Community Boards

Community Boards will be included in consultation as building incentive options are developed.

Attachment A - Building Owner Incentives (sustainability, earthquake strengthening, heritage conservation) Report– January 2024

This attachment lists all action points relating to building incentives from three Council plans Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022, Zero Carbon Plan, Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan.

1. Ōtepoti Dunedin Housing Plan 2022 – adopted by Council in August 2022

Action number	Action
6	Develop an options analysis of incentives: identifying options for an incentive scheme that encourages building and retrofitting homes with design for everyone and making homes warmer and reducing construction waste.

2. Zero Carbon Plan - adopted by Council in September 2023

Action number	Action
E1.3.4	Deliver residential energy efficiency programme, and/or combination of incentives to support transition to low emissions solutions for heating and cooking in existing homes
E1.3.6	Implement incentives for energy efficient, low emissions new builds and retrofits
R1.4.5	Explore options for incentives to encourage low carbon, circular, low waste design for construction projects
R1.4.6	Implement incentives for low carbon, circular, low waste design for construction projects

3. Ōtepoti Dunedin Heritage Action Plan – adopted by Council in December 2023

Action number	Action
5	Investigate financial tools to encourage investment in the adaptive re-use and conservation of heritage buildings; and to encourage fire, access and seismic upgrades. Incentives may include reduced development contributions, grants, non-rateable portions, and rating differentials.
6	Investigate the non-rateable provisions of the Local Government (Ratings) Act 2002 to determine if buildings subject to an HNZPT Covenant can be considered as non-rateable.
7	Investigate financial tools, including rating differentials, to discourage buildings and sites from being left vacant.
11	Investigate establishing a fund to assist building owners to initiate adaptive re-use projects for at risk buildings on the DCC Risk Register. The fund may be used for professional fees (a nominated amount) to develop adaptive re-use concepts.
12	Review the resource consent fee schedule and explore ways to reduce application fees for seismic strengthening and other required work specifically to scheduled heritage buildings and character contributing buildings.

REVISED MEETING SCHEDULE 2024

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The report seeks the adoption of a revised meeting schedule for 2024, in accordance with Clause 19(6)(a) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2 The proposed meeting schedule, appended as Attachment A, covers the period from January 2024 through to December 2024.
- 3 This is in response to changes to the 10 Year Plan timetable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** the revised meeting schedule as attached to the report.

BACKGROUND

- 4 The revised timeline enables staff to present the 10 year plan reports to the proposed Council meeting commencing on February 20 2024.
- 5 Once approved the revised schedule will be published on the DCC website, calendars updated and community boards advised.
- 6 As this is an administrative report only, there are no options or Summary of Considerations.

NEXT STEPS

- 7 If approved, the meeting dates will be entered into diaries and the website updated.

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[↓A](#) Updated 2024 Meeting Schedule

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UPDATED MEETING SCHEDULE 2024

Blue – new or changed

MEETING	MEETING DATE & TIME	
January 2024		
Council	Tuesday 30 January	10:00am
February 2024		
Waitangi Day	Tuesday 6 February	
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board	Wednesday 7 February	6:00pm
West Harbour Community Board	Wednesday 7 February	5:30pm
Otago Peninsula Community Board	Thursday 8 February	10:00am
Strath Taieri Community Board	Thursday 8 February	2:00pm
Infrastructure Services Committee	Tuesday 13 February	10:00am
Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee	Tuesday 13 February	1:00pm
Waikouaiti Coast Community Board	Wednesday 14 February	5:30pm
Saddle Hill Community Board	Thursday 15 February	1:00pm
10 Year Plan Council meeting	Tuesday 20 February – Thursday 22 February	10:00am
Audit and Risk Subcommittee	Monday 26 February	2:00pm
Council	Tuesday 27 February	10:00am
March 2024		
Customer and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 12 March	10:00am
Civic Affairs Committee	Tuesday 12 March	1:00pm
Finance and CCOs Committee	Wednesday 13 March	10:00am
Economic Development Committee	Wednesday 13 March	1:00pm
Audit & Risk Subcommittee	Thursday 14 March	2:00pm
Placeholder Council (if required)	Monday 18 March	10:00am
LGNZ Zone 5&6 meeting, Christchurch	21 – 22 March	
Otago Anniversary	Monday 25 March	
Council	Wednesday 27 March	10:00am
Good Friday	Friday 29 March	
April 2024		
Easter Monday	Monday 1 April	
Future Development Strategy Hearings	Wednesday 3 April – Friday 12 April	9:00am
Future Development Strategy Deliberations	Monday 15 April – Friday 19 April	9:00am
Waikouaiti Coast Community Board	Wednesday 10 April	5:30pm
Saddle Hill Community Board	Thursday 11 April	1:00pm
School Holidays	Monday 15 – Friday 26 April	
West Harbour Community Board	Wednesday 17 April	5:30pm
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board		6:00pm
Otago Peninsula Community Board	Thursday 18 April	10:00am
Strath Taieri Community Board		2:00pm
Infrastructure Services Committee	Tuesday 23 April	10:00am
Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee	Wednesday 24 April	10:00am
Community Services Committee	Wednesday 24 April	1:00pm
ANZAC Day	Thursday 25 April	
Council	Tuesday 30 April	10:00am
May 2024		
Council 10 Year Plan Hearings	Tuesday 14 – Friday 17 May	9:00am
Civic Affairs Committee	Tuesday 21 May	10:00am

Customer and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 21 May	1:00pm
Finance and CCOs Committee	Wednesday 22 May	10:00am
Economic Development Committee	Wednesday 22 May	1:00pm
Council 10-year plan deliberations	Tuesday 4 – Friday 7 June	10:00am
June 2024		
King's birthday	Monday 3 June	
West Harbour Community Board	Wednesday 12 June	5:30pm
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board		5:00pm
Otago Peninsula Community Board	Thursday 13 June	10:00am
Strath Taieri Community Board		2:00pm
Saddle Hill Community board		1:00pm
Infrastructure Services Committee	Tuesday 18 June	10:00am
Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee	Wednesday 19 June	10:00am
Community Services Committee	Wednesday 19 June	1:00pm
Waikouaiti Coast Community Board	Wednesday 19 June	5:30pm
Audit and Risk Subcommittee	Monday 24 June	2:00pm TBC
Council	Tuesday 25 June	10:00am
Matariki	Friday 28 June	
July 2024		
Council	Monday 1 July	10:00am
Grants Subcommittee (Major Community and Premier)	Tuesday 2 July	9:30am
Grants Subcommittee (City Service and City Project)	Wednesday 3 July	9:30am
School Holidays	Monday 8 – Friday 19 July	
Council	Tuesday 30 July	10:00am
August 2024		
Civic Affairs Committee	Tuesday 6 August	10:00am
Customer and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 6 August	1:00pm
Finance and CCOs Committee	Wednesday 7 August	10:00am
Economic Development Committee	Wednesday 7 August	1:00pm
Infrastructure Services Committee	Monday 19 August	10:00am
Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee	Tuesday 20 August	10:00am
Community Services Committee	Tuesday 20 August	1:00pm
LGNZ Conference	21-23 August	
Council	Tuesday 27 August	10:00am
September 2024		
West Harbour Community Board	Wednesday 4 September	5:30pm
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board	Wednesday 4 September	6:00pm
Audit and Risk Subcommittee	Thursday 5 September	2:00pm
Otago Peninsula Community Board	Thursday 5 September	10:00am
Strath Taieri Community Board	Thursday 5 September	2:00pm
Waikouaiti Coast Community Board	Wednesday 11 September	5:30pm
Saddle Hill Community Board	Thursday 12 September	1:00pm
Civic Affairs Committee	Tuesday 17 September	10:00am
Customer and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 17 September	1:00pm
Finance and CCOs Committee	Wednesday 18 September	10:00am
Economic Development Committee	Wednesday 18 September	1:00pm
Grants Subcommittee (Place Based Community)	Thursday 19 September	9:30am
Council	Tuesday 24 September	10:00am

October 2024		
School Holidays	Monday 30 September– Friday 11 October	
Infrastructure Services Committee	Tuesday 15 October	10:00am
Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee	Wednesday 16 October	10:00am
Community Services Committee	Wednesday 16 October	1:00pm
Audit and Risk Subcommittee	Friday 25 October	2:00pm
Labour Day	Monday 28 October	
Council	Wednesday 30 October	10:00am
November 2024		
Civic Affairs Committee	Tuesday 5 November	10:00am
Customer and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 5 November	1:00pm
Finance and CCOs Committee	Wednesday 6 November	10:00am
Economic Development Committee	Wednesday 6 November	1:00pm
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board	Wednesday 6 November	6:00pm
Waikouaiti Coast Community Board	Wednesday 6 November	5:30pm
Otago Peninsula Community Board	Thursday 7 November	10:00am
Strath Taieri Community Board	Thursday 7 November	2:00pm
Grants Subcommittee	Wednesday 13 November	9:30am
West Harbour Community Board	Wednesday 13 November	5:30pm
Saddle Hill Community Board	Thursday 14 November	1:00pm
Council	Tuesday 26 November	10:00am
December 2024		
Audit and Risk Subcommittee	Thursday 5 December	2:00pm
Council	Tuesday 10 December	10:00am

APPROVAL TO GRANT ELECTRICITY EASEMENT TO AURORA ENERGY LIMITED - PART LOCAL PURPOSE (ESPLANADE) RESERVE AT BURNSIDE, DUNEDIN

Department: Parks and Recreation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 This report discusses an application by Aurora Energy Limited (Aurora) for the grant of an electricity easement over part of a Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve (Reserve) at Burnside, Dunedin.
- 2 The easement relates to the installation of underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Reserve to connect onto the existing overhead line on a power pole within the Reserve. This report is largely procedural to regularise existing infrastructure.
- 3 This report asks Council to make two decisions:
 - a) Firstly, a decision as the administering body of the Reserve to grant an easement; and
 - b) Secondly, a decision to exercise the delegation given by the Minister of Conservation to Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council:

- a) **Grants**, as administering body of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve, pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of an underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve at Burnside (Record of Title 201821).
- b) **Decides** the criteria for exemption from public notification has been met.
- c) **Acting** under its delegation from the Minister of Conservation dated 12 June 2013 and pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, approves an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of an underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve at Burnside (Record of Title 201821).

BACKGROUND

- 4 Around 2016/2017, Aurora upgraded its communication link technology at Burnside, Kaikorai Valley. This involved the installation and overlay of new fibre communications cable and ducting. As part of the upgrade, Aurora proposed connecting the new fibre cable via the existing power pole within the Reserve, to the overhead power line.

- 5 The location and route of the fibre cable, which extends approximately 14.4 metres, is within the easement Area 'A' shown on LT Plan 509135 at Attachment A. The easement area is also outlined in blue in the aerial photograph at Attachment B. This easement area comprises a total of approximately 43 m².
- 6 Aurora advised in 2016 that they considered alternative locations to place the fibre cable, but due to technical and property constraints, linking the fibre cable to the existing power pole in the Reserve was deemed to be the only feasible option in this area.
- 7 On 22 June 2016, an Agreement to Grant Electricity Easement (Agreement) was signed by staff on behalf of Council with Aurora. This confirmed the grant of an easement and permitted Aurora to proceed with the installation of the proposed underground fibre cable and associated cabling over that part of the Reserve. The Agreement also recorded that Aurora would meet all costs associated with the installation works and with completing the easement including survey and legal costs.
- 8 Aurora has advised that the physical works and survey of the easement area have proceeded and are now complete. Aurora and the Council are now wanting to complete formalisation of this by registration of an easement.
- 9 This Report has been prepared to obtain the required approval from Council (as the administering body of the Reserve and under its delegated authority from the Minister of Conservation), to enable the completion of registration on an easement.

DISCUSSION

Land Status

- 10 The land is Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve owned by Dunedin City Council. It is described as Lot 3 Deposited Plan 346118 contained in Record of Title 201821 held as Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve subject to the Reserves Act 1977.

Council as the owner and as the administering body

- 11 The Council, in its capacity as administering body of the Reserve, has the responsibility for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977 and to consider the merits of the request for a grant of easement.

The Reserves Act 1977

- 12 Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977 provides the statutory authority for the grant of easements over reserves.
- 13 Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977 requires public notification of the intention to grant an easement unless it can be demonstrated that:
 - a) the Reserve is vested in an administering body and is not likely to be materially altered or permanently damaged; and
 - b) the rights of the public in respect of the Reserve are not likely to be permanently affected by the establishment and lawful exercise of the easement.
- 14 The area in which the easement is located is relatively undeveloped and provides a 'buffer' to the adjoining Kaikorai Stream from nearby industrial and commercial premises. It has an existing

power pole located on it. As such, the land is not used by the general public and does not form part of a park or reserve area where the public may congregate.

- 15 This means that the Reserve is not likely to be further materially altered or permanently damaged by installation of the underground cables and services, with appropriate remediation afterwards. The rights of the public in respect of the wider Reserve are not likely to be permanently affected by the establishment and lawful exercise of the easement, particularly given that there is no public use of the area.
- 16 The effects on the Reserve in the future of any general maintenance or repair work within the easement area will only be temporary and Aurora will undertake appropriate ground remediation.
- 17 Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977 empowers the Reserve's administering body (the Council), to grant easements over reserve lands subject to the Resource Management Act and the consent of the Minister of Conservation. The Minister of Conservation has delegated powers of consent to the Council, without limitation, under instrument of delegation dated 12 June 2013.

Reserves Management Plan

- 18 The Reserves Management Plan – General Policies document ("General Policies") covers all basic issues of the day-to-day administration of reserves in Dunedin. There is no other management plan for the Reserve.
- 19 Although the General Policies specify that easements should be for a limited term, in this instance Council Officers recommend that the easement be granted in perpetuity, or until it has ceased its intended purpose as its primary purpose is public benefit.
- 20 The policies also require the applicant to meet all costs associated with legalising and maintaining the easement.

Standard Easement terms and conditions

- 21 The proposed key elements of this easement include:

Statute	Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977
Grantee	Aurora Energy Limited
Reserve	Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve at Burnside
Purpose	The right to install underground fibre cable and associated cabling
Term	In perpetuity
Rental	Nil

- 22 An acceptable Agreement to Grant an Easement has been prepared and was executed by the Council and Aurora in June 2016 and includes the requirement that:
 - a) Aurora will meet all costs associated with installation of underground fibre cable and associated cabling, as well as Reserve remediation, all survey, legal, LINZ and related costs to register the new easement;
 - b) All physical works must be carried out to the satisfaction of Council's Parks and Recreation staff; and

- c) Aurora is responsible for obtaining all necessary consents, including any resource consent.
- 23 Given the physical works are complete and the survey work is also complete, the final steps are to formalise the Council approval and to enable Aurora to complete registration of the easement.

Council as the Minister of Conservation's delegate

- 24 The Council, in its capacity as the Minister of Conservation's delegate, has the supervisory role in ensuring that the decision on whether or not to grant the easement over part of the Reserve has been arrived at in compliance with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 25 In particular, the Council as the Minister's delegate, needs to be satisfied that:
- the status of the land has been correctly identified;
 - there is statutory power to grant the easement;
 - the necessary statutory processes have been followed;
 - the easement has been appropriately considered; and
 - the decision is a reasonable one.
- 26 The Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve is owned by Council in fee simple and is held and managed subject to the Reserves Act 1977. This is recorded on Record of Title 201821. Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977 provides the statutory authority to grant an easement over this Reserve. The statutory processes have been followed with full consideration given to whether public notification is required.
- 27 The functions and purposes of the Reserve and adjacent public land will not be unduly impacted by legalising the proposed electricity easement. The decision is a reasonable one considering the facts outlined in this report.

OPTIONS

Option One – Recommended Option

- 28 That the Council:
- a) Grants, as administering body of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve, pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of an underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve at Burnside (Record of Title 201821).
 - b) Decides the criteria for exemption from public notification has been met.
 - c) Acting under its delegation from the Minister of Conservation dated 12 June 2013 and pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977, approves an easement in gross to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of an underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve at Burnside (Record of Title 201821).

Advantages

- Granting the easement regularises the physical works that have been completed and supports a local power infrastructure provider to upgrade its communications link technology.
- The extent of work required within the Reserve for installation and future management is minimal and unlikely to affect park users.
- Confirms that the Council has fully considered the merits of the proposed easements and has complied with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977.

Disadvantages

- Council would not be able to build over the easement area without first obtaining Aurora Energy Limited's consent. Council staff do not foresee any need for Council to build over this area.

Option Two – Status Quo

- 29 Do not consent to the grant of an electricity easement to Aurora Energy Limited for the installation of an underground fibre cable and associated cabling over part of the Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve.

Advantages

- No advantages have been identified.

Disadvantages

- This report is seeking to regularise existing works by formalising the grant of this electricity easement. If Council does not want to approve the easement, then this could create legal issues.

NEXT STEPS

- 30 If the Council consents to the grant of an electricity easement and is satisfied the legislative requirements are met, the legislative process for formalising and registering the electricity easement can proceed to completion.

Signatories

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Attachments

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SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS
Fit with purpose of Local Government

This decision relates to providing local infrastructure to ensure continuity of services for Aurora to undertake its power supply and essential network utility work.
This decision supports the economic and social well-being of communities in the present and for the future.

Fit with strategic framework

	Contributes	Detracts	Not applicable
Social Wellbeing Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arts and Culture Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3 Waters Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Spatial Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Integrated Transport Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Parks and Recreation Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other strategic projects/policies/plans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The installation of the underground fibre cable and associated cabling is a practical solution for upgrading the Aurora communication link technology in the locality.

Māori Impact Statement

There are no known implications for mana whenua.

Sustainability

The upgraded fibre cable and associated cabling will provide greater security and reliability to Aurora Energy Limited's communications systems. This will benefit the community and contribute to economic sustainability and social and physical well-being.

LTP/Annual Plan / Financial Strategy /Infrastructure Strategy

There are no known implications.

Financial considerations

There are no financial considerations as Aurora Energy Limited will meet all costs associated with this matter.

Significance

The decision has been assessed as being of low significance under Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

Engagement – external

This matter was first attended to between Council and Aurora in 2016. Aurora advises the physical works are completed as is survey of the easement area. Subject to this decision, legal processes can then be completed to complete registration of the easement.

Engagement - internal

Parks and Recreation Asset and Commercial Manager. The Council's Legal Services Team has provided advice in relation to the Reserves Act requirements.

SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

Risks: Legal / Health and Safety etc.

This report is largely procedural to regularise the existing works. If Council does not approve the easement, then this could create legal issues.

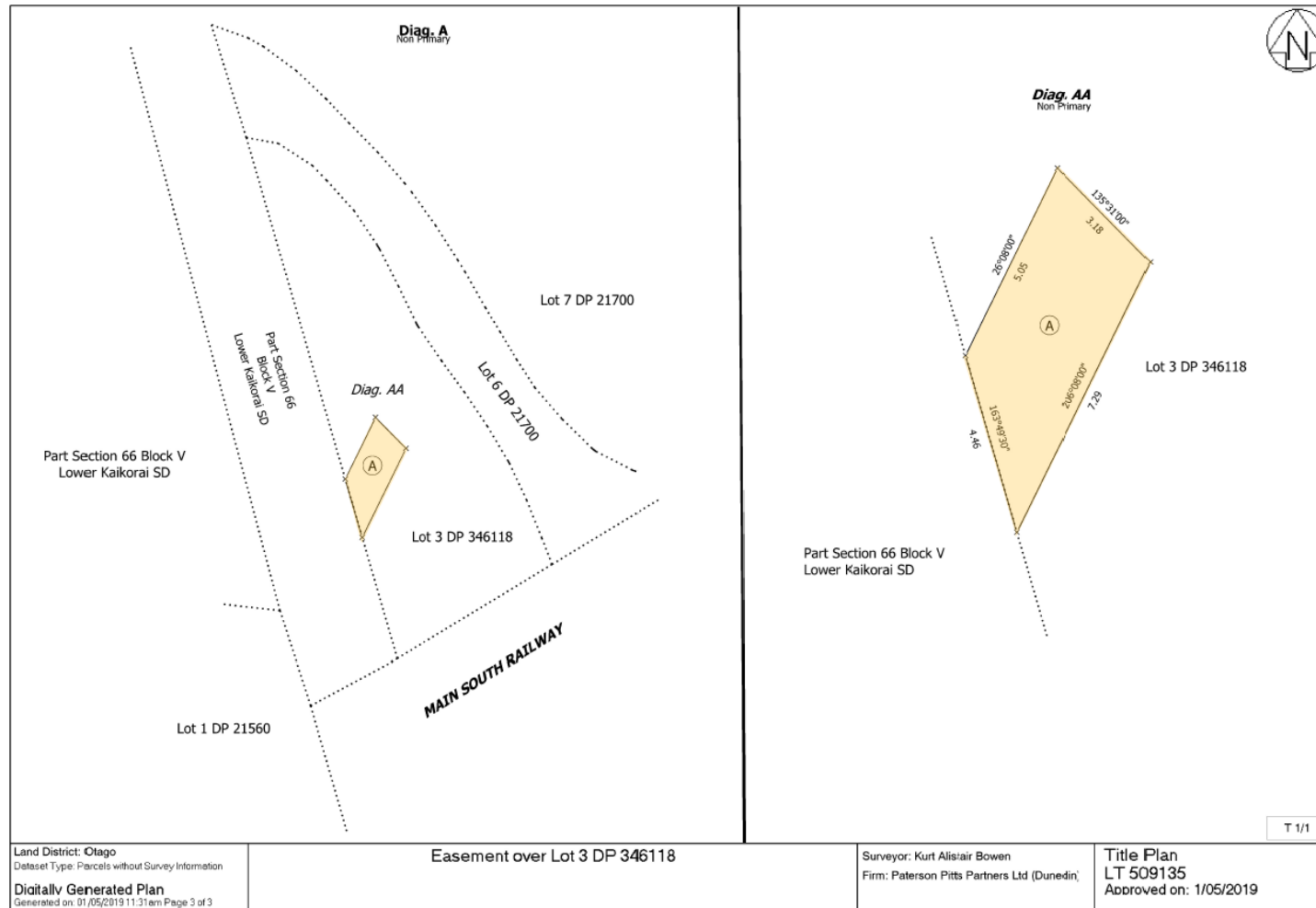
Conflict of Interest

There are no known conflicts of interest.

Community Boards

The easement area is not located within a Community Board area.

LT Plan 509135 showing proposed Easement Area 'A'



Aerial Photo showing location of Local Purpose Reserve (Esplanade) at Burnside and Easement Area 'A' on LT Plan 509135 (outlined in blue)



RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

That the Council excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting (pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987) namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Reason for Confidentiality
C1 Confirmation of the Confidential Minutes of Ordinary Council meeting - 5 December 2023 - Public Excluded	<p>S7(2)(j) The withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.</p> <p>S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</p> <p>S7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	.	
C2 Confirmation of the Confidential Minutes of Ordinary Council meeting - 12 December 2023 - Public Excluded	S7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	.	
C3 Confidential Council Actions from	S7(2)(a)	S48(1)(a)	

Resolutions at Council Meetings	<p>The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.</p> <p>S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</p> <p>S7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>S7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	<p>The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>	
C4 Confidential Council Forward Work Programme	<p>S7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p>	<p>S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>	
C5 Potential Property Purchase	<p>S7(2)(g) The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</p>	<p>S48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for</p>	

	<p>S7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	<p>which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>	
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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above after each item.