

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 Wednesday 26 March 2025, commencing at 10.00 am

PRESENT

Mayor Mayor Jules Radich
Deputy Mayor Cr Cherry Lucas

Members

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), Robert West (General Manager Corporate Services), Jeanette Wikaira (General Manager Arts, Culture and Recreation), Carolyn Allan (Chief Financial Officer), Scott MacLean (General Manager Climate and City Growth), David Ward (General Manager 3 Waters and Transition), Nicola Morand (Manahautū - General Manager Policy and Partnerships), Paul Henderson (Acting General Manager Customer & Regulatory), Karilyn Canton (Chief In-House Legal Counsel), Hayden McAuliffe (Financial Services Manager), Sharon Bodeker (Special Projects Manager), Dr Rula Talahma (Senior Policy Analyst), Nadia Wesley-Smith (Corporate Policy Manager), John Brenkley (Planning and Partnerships Manager), Katie Eglesfield (Parks and Recreation Planner) and Hilary Lennox, Shay van der Hurk and Anna Molloy (Otago Regional Council).

Governance Support Officer Lynne Adamson

1 OPENING

Mosi, Andrew and Jensen Pesa opened with a karakia, prayer and song on behalf of the Baha’I Faith.

Cr Carmen Houlahan entered the meeting at 10.04 am.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

2.1 Wildlife Hospital

Daniel Harmes spoke to his PowerPoint presentation and provided recap on accomplishments of the Wildlife Hospital in 2024. Mr Harmes thanked Council for their support.

Mr Harmes responded to questions.

2.2 Live Performance

Dr Dave Carter and Dr Catherine Hoad from the Massey University College of Creative Arts spoke to their PowerPoint presentation and provided a summary of their research on the economic and wellbeing value of live performance in Aotearoa.

Drs Carter and Hoad responded to questions.

3 APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Cr Bill Acklin for absence and Cr Marie Laufiso for lateness.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

Accepts the apologies from Cr Bill Acklin for absence and Cr Marie Laufiso for lateness.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/081)

4 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

Confirms the agenda with the following alteration:

That Item S2 – Draft Consultation Document for Local Water Done Well: Water Services Delivery Model, be taken before Item 12 – Sustainability Framework Update.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/082)

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/2025/083)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 26 FEBRUARY 2025

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held at 8.30 am on 26 February 2025 as a correct record.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/084)

6.2 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 26 FEBRUARY 2025

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 26 February 2025 as a correct record.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/085)

REPORTS

7 ACTIONS FROM RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

A report from Civic provided an update on the implementation of resolutions made at Council meetings.

The CEO (Sandy Graham), General Manager 3 Waters and Transition (David Ward) and General Manager Climate and City Growth (Scott MacLean) responded to questions.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Jim O'Malley):

That the Council:

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

Motion carried (CNL/2025/086)

8 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME FOR COUNCIL - MARCH 2025

A report from Civic provided the updated forward work programme for the 2025 year.

The CEO (Sandy Graham) spoke to the report and Cr Cherry Lucas provided an update on her presentation on behalf of the Dunedin City Council at the Otago Regional Council appeal.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the updated Council forward work programme.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/087)

9 TE AWA ŌTĀKOU- ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES REPORT

A report from Parks and Recreation presented the Te Awa Ōtākou Issues and Opportunities Report.

The report noted that Te Awa Ōtākou (Otago Harbour) was crucial to the cultural, social, and economic wellbeing of Dunedin (Ōtepoti) and the wider Otago region, and faced ongoing environmental pressures.

The General Manager, Climate and City Growth (Scott MacLean), and Parks and Recreation Planner (Katie Eglesfield) and Otago Regional Council Representatives (Hilary Lennox, Shay van der Hurk and Anna Molloy) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

During discussion Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 11.29 am and returned at 11.32 am.

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Te Awa Ōtākou Issues and Opportunities report.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Jim O'Malley, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (11).

Against: Crs Carmen Houlahan and Lee Vandervis (2).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 11 votes to 2

Motion carried (CNL/2025/088) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his vote against

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- b) **Requests** staff arrange a meeting between the DCC and ORC Councillors to discuss governance matters related to Te Awa Ōtākou Issues and Opportunities report.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/089) with Crs Lee Vandervis and Steve Walker recording their votes against.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

Adjourns the meeting for 40 minutes.

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 12.09 pm and reconvened at 12.49 pm.

Cr Marie Laufiso entered the meeting at 12.49 pm.

10 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR THE 9 YEAR PLAN CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

A report from Civic sought approval of the remaining supporting documentation to support the community engagement and consultation on the 9 year plan 2025-34.

Some of the supporting documents had already been considered by the Council but had been updated to reflect decisions made by Council and feedback received by Audit New Zealand.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham), Financial Officer (Carolyn Allan), Financial Services Manager (Hayden McAuliffe) and Special Projects Manager (Sharon Bodeker) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Carmen Houlahan entered the meeting at 12.54 pm.

Cr Carmen Houlahan left the meeting at 12.55 pm and returned at 12.57 pm.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Adopts** for the purposes of developing the 9 year plan 2025-34 and consulting with the community, the
- i) Financial information as provided in Attachment A;
 - ii) Significant forecasting assumptions as provided in Attachment B;
 - iii) Financial Strategy as provided in Attachment C;
 - iv) Infrastructure Strategy as provided in Attachment D

Motion carried (CNL/2025/090) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his vote against

11 CONSULTATION DOCUMENT - 9 YEAR PLAN 2025-34

A report from Civic advised that the 9 year plan 2025-34 consultation document (“consultation document”) explained the Council’s proposals for the nine year period from 1 July 2025 to 30

June 2034. It was based on the decisions made by Council at its 10-11 December 2024 meeting, 28-30 January 2025 meeting and 26 February 2025 meeting.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham), Chief Financial Officer (Carolyn Allan), Financial Services Manager (Hayden McAuliffe) and Special Projects Manager (Sharon Bodeker) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Mandy Mayhem left the meeting at 1.53 pm.

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** the 9 year plan consultation document 2025-34.
- b) **Delegates** the Chief Executive the authority to make any minor editing required to the approved consultation document.
- c) **Receives** the 'Independent Auditor's Report' from Audit New Zealand.
- d) **Adopts** the 9 year plan consultation document 2025-34.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Christine Garey, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Marie Laufiso, Cherry Lucas, Jim O'Malley, 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/2025/091)

S2 DRAFT CONSULTATION DOCUMENT FOR LOCAL WATER DONE WELL: WATER SERVICES DELIVERY MODEL

A report from 3 Waters sought approval for the draft Consultation Document for Local Water Done Well: Water Services Delivery Model.

The General Manager 3 Waters and Transition (David Ward), Chief In-House Legal Counsel (Karilyn Canton), Chief Financial Officer (Carolyn Allan) and Financial Services Manager (Hayden McAuliffe) spoke to the report.

Cr Mandy Mayhem returned to the meeting at 1.57 pm.

Moved (Cr Jim O'Malley/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

- a) **Approves** the draft Consultation Document for public consultation.

- b) **Delegates** the Chief Executive the authority to make any minor editorial changes required to the approved Consultation Document.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/092)

12 SUSTAINABILITY FRAMEWORK UPDATE

A report from Corporate Policy provided an update to Council on the progress of developing a United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN-SDGs)-based Sustainability Framework for the Dunedin City Council (DCC).

The Manahautū (General Manager Policy and Partnerships) (Nicola Morand), Corporate Policy Manager – Acting (Nadia Wesley-Smith) and Senior Policy Analyst (Dr Rula Talahma) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Cr Andrew Whiley/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Council:

- a) **Adjourns** Item 12 “Sustainability Framework Update” until the Council meeting on 24 June 2025 at 10.00 am and not be further discussed at this meeting.

Division

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Kevin Gilbert, Carmen Houlahan, Cherry Lucas, Mandy Mayhem, Jim O'Malley, Steve Walker, Brent Weatherall, Andrew Whiley and Mayor Jules Radich (11).

Against: Crs Christine Garey, Marie Laufiso and Lee Vandervis (3).

Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 11 votes to 3

Motion carried (CNL/2025/093)

13 PROPOSED EVENT ROAD CLOSURES

A report from Transport sought approval for temporary road closure applications for the following events:

- a) Hyde Street Party
b) Anzac Day Service and Parades - Mosgiel and Outram
c) Matariki Drone Show - Logan Park Drive

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Council:

- a) **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)):

- i) **Hyde Street Party**

Saturday, 5 April 2025	5.30am to 8.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Albany Street, between Grange Street and Clyde Street
	5.30am (on Saturday) to 12.00pm, on Sunday, 6 April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hyde Street, between Albany Street and Frederick Street

ii) Anzac Day Service and Parades – Mosgiel and Outram

Friday, 25 April 2025	9.15am to 10.15am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church Street, between Factory Road and Cargill Street
	10.50am to 11.30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hoylake Street, from Skerries Street to end of cul-de-sac

iii) Matariki Drone Show – Logan Park Drive

Saturday, 21 June 2025	6.00am (on Saturday) to 12.00pm, on Sunday, 22 June 2025 *	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logan Park Drive, from Anzac Avenue to Butts Road
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* Contingency date will be up to 9.00pm on Sunday, 22 June 2025

Motion carried (CNL/2025/094)

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved (Mayor Jules Radich/Cr Mandy Mayhem):

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 - 26 February 2025 - 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</p>		

to maintain legal professional privilege.

S7(2)(h)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

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).

s48(1)(d)

Check to make report confidential.

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S7(2)(b)(ii)

The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

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)(g)

The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.

S7(2)(h)

The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or

disadvantage,
commercial activities.

S7(2)(i)
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authority to carry on,
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disadvantage,
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commercial and
industrial negotiations).

C3 Confidential
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2025

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including that of a
deceased person.

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disclosure of
information for
which good reason
for withholding exists
under section 7.

S7(2)(d)
The withholding of the
information is necessary
to avoid prejudice to
measures protecting
the health and safety of
members of the public.

S7(2)(g)
The withholding of the
information is necessary
to maintain legal
professional privilege.

S7(2)(h)
The withholding of the
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to enable the local
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C4 Proposal for Recruitment Agency for Dunedin City Holdings Group Directors	S7(2)(h) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	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.
C5 Appointment to Ice Sports Dunedin Board	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.

Adjourns the meeting.

Motion carried (CNL/2025/095)

The meeting moved into confidential at 2.11 pm and concluded at 4.50 pm.

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MAYOR