

Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee

MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee held in the Council Chambers, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, The Octagon, Dunedin on Thursday 20 March 2025, commencing at 10.00 am

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Sophie Barker	
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Kevin Gilbert	
Members	Cr David Benson-Pope	Cr Christine Garey
	Cr Carmen Houlahan	Cr Cherry Lucas
	Cr Mandy Mayhem	Cr Jim O'Malley
	Ms Megan Potiki	Mayor Jules Radich
	Cr Lee Vandervis	Cr Steve Walker
	Cr Brent Weatherall	Cr Andrew Whiley

IN ATTENDANCE

David Ward (General Manager 3 Waters and Transition) and Nicola Morand (Manahautū - General Manager Policy and Partnerships), Scott MacLean (General Manager Climate and City Growth), Nadia Wesley-Smith (Corporate Policy Manager), Fraser Liggett (Economic Development Manager), Gina Huakau (Community Partnerships Manager), Lisa Wilkie (Team Leader Creative Partnerships), Paul Cottam (Senior Policy Analyst), Danielle Tolson (Policy Analyst), Dr Rula Abu-Safieh Talahma (Senior Policy Analyst) and Alix de Blic (Senior Policy Analyst)

Governance Support Officer Wendy Collard

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA

Cr Sophie Barker opened the meeting with a Karakia Timatanga.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Crs Bill Acklin and Marie Laufiso and Mr Matapura Ellison (for absence) and Cr Carmen Houlahan (for lateness)

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

Accepts the apologies from Crs Bill Acklin and Marie Laufiso and Mr Matapura Ellison (for absence) and Cr Carmen Houlahan (for lateness).

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/008)

4 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/009)

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 (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

- a) **Notes** the Elected Members' Interest Register attached as Attachment A; and
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/010)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 STRATEGY, PLANNING & ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - 19 FEBRUARY 2025

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

- a) **Confirms** the minutes of the Strategy, Planning & Engagement Committee meeting held on 19 February 2025 as a correct record.

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/011)

PART A REPORTS

7 STRATEGY, PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

A report from Civic provided an update of the Strategy, Planning and Engagement Committee forward work programme to show areas of activity, progress and expected timeframes for decision making across a range of areas of work.

The General Manager 3 Waters and Transition (David Ward) responded to questions.

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

- a) **Notes** the Strategy, Planning and Engagement Committee forward work programme.

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/012)

8 STRATEGY, PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT

An activity report provided an update on progress towards projects, plans and strategies that sat within the forward work programme of the Strategy, Planning and Engagement Committee for the period 1 September to 28 February 2025 for the following areas:

- Citywide Climate Adaptation Plan
- Reserves Management Plans
- SDG Sustainability Framework
- Second Generation District Plan (2GP)
- Future Development Strategy (Implementation Plan)
- Heritage Action Plan
- South Dunedin Futures
- Strategic Refresh
- St Kilda/St Clair Coastal Plan
- Te Taki Haruru
- Zero Carbon

The General Manager 3 Waters and Transition (David Ward) and the General Manager Climate and City Growth (Scott MacLean) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Carmen Houlahan entered the meeting at 10.13 am during debate on the item.

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Kevin Gilbert):

That the Committee:

- a) **Notes** the Strategy, Planning and Engagement Activity Report for 1 September to 28 February 2025.

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/013)

9 STRATEGIC REFRESH PANEL UPDATE REPORT

A report from Corporate Policy provided an update on the progress in refreshing the Dunedin City Council's (DCC) wellbeing strategies (Ara Toi Ōtepoti, Economic Development Strategy, Social Wellbeing Strategy and Te Ao Tūroa) and sought approval of the draft strategies progression to community engagement.

The Corporate Policy Manager (Nadia Wesley-Smith), the Policy Analyst (Danielle Tolson), the Senior Policy Analyst (Alix de Blic) and the Senior Policy Analyst (Dr Rula Abu-Safieh Talahma) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Cr Sophie Barker/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Committee:

- a) **Notes** the content of report.
- b) **Approves** the draft strategies to progress to community engagement.
- c) **Approves** the proposed plan for community engagement.

Motion carried (SPECC/2025/014) with Cr Lee Vandervis recording his vote against

10 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

There were no items for consideration.

11 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA

The meeting will close with a Karakia Whakamutuka.

The meeting concluded at 11.17 am.

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CHAIRPERSON