

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CENTRAL OTAGO DISTRICT COUNCIL
HELD AT NGĀ HAU E WHĀ, WILLIAM FRASER BUILDING, 1 DUNORLING STREET,
ALEXANDRA
AND LIVE STREAMED VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY, 31 JULY 2024
COMMENCING AT 10.30 AM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor T Cadogan (Chairperson), Cr T Alley, Cr S Browne, Cr L Claridge, Cr I Cooney, Cr S Duncan, Cr S Feinerman, Cr C Laws, Cr N McKinlay, Cr M McPherson, Cr T Paterson

IN ATTENDANCE: P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), L Fleck (General Manager - People and Culture), J Muir (Three Waters Director), S Righarts (Group Manager - Business Support), D Rushbrook (Group Manager - Community Vision) (via Microsoft Teams), D Scoones (Group Manager - Community Experience), L van der Voort (Group Manager - Planning and Infrastructure), J Thomas (Water Services Monitoring / Compliance Officer), N Lanham (Economic Development Manager), L Webster (Planning and Regulatory Services Manager), D McKewen (Systems and Corporate Accountant), C Martin (Project Manager – Organisational), D Charleville (Cromwell Pool Team Leader), W McEnteer (Governance Manager)

1 KARAKIA

His Worship the Mayor gave a karakia to begin the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Feinerman

That the apologies received from Crs Duncan and Gillespie be accepted.

CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Paterson

That the public minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 June 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligations in respect of declaring any interests. Cr Paterson declared an interest in item 24.9.8. She did not participate or vote on the item.

6 COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

24.9.2 COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Norman Dalley, Chair of the Teviot Valley Community Board joined the meeting to discuss matters of interest to the Board.

Mr Dalley spoke to the possible developments that could be implemented in the Teviot Valley. He noted the final portion of the Roxburgh Gorge Trail that still needs to be completed. Mr Dalley spoke about possible projects within Roxburgh including portions of curb and channel in various locations included at the front of King George Park. He noted within the districtisation discussion, that many Teviot Valley ratepayers would struggle with paying higher rates and that another possible solution might include public/private partnerships for some assets. He then responded to questions.

Anna Harrison, Chair of the Cromwell Community Board joined the meeting to discuss matters of interest to the Board.

Ms Harrison spoke to the districtisation consultation and the submission from the Cromwell Community Board. Among her concerns was the dilution of local voice from the community board and an assurance that their concerns would still be recognised in decision making.

7 REPORTS

Note: With the permission of the meeting, item 24.9.22 was moved earlier.

24.9.22 COMPLETING DISTRICTISATION: CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMUNITY

To consider the consultation document on the proposal to further districtise activities, including community facilities, pools, parks, cemeteries and museum funding.

Staff identified several typos that had or were in the process of being amended. In addition there were further edits suggested for the consultation document:

- On p.27 - removal of the Clyde entry in the table
 - On p.31 – add “*within that ward*” to the sentence that starts: This could include endowment land...
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RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Alley

That the Council

- Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
 - Notes the feedback received by community boards on the proposal to further districtise activities.
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- C. Adopts the consultation document as amended.
- D. Agrees that formal consultation occur with the community during August 2024, with hearings and deliberations in September 2024.

CARRIED

Note: Cr McKinlay assumed the Chair as the Three Waters and Waste portfolio lead.

24.9.3 JULY WASTEWATER COMPLIANCE STATUS UPDATE

To consider progress on achieving Otago Regional Council Consent (ORC) compliance for Central Otago District Council (CODC) wastewater activities.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cooney
Seconded: Laws

That the report be received.

CARRIED

24.9.4 STATUS REPORTS FOR CROMWELL RISING MAIN AND CROMWELL DRINKING WATER UPGRADE

To report updates in relation to Cromwell's drinking water upgrades.

RESOLUTION

Moved: McKinlay
Seconded: McPherson

That the report be received.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Alley assumed the Chair as the Community Vision and Experience portfolio lead.

24.9.5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

To provide an overview of the development of a district Economic Development Strategy 2024-2034.

After discussion it was agreed that Crs Alley and Paterson would act as liaisons for the steering group for this project.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Claridge
Seconded: Feinerman

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
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- B. Notes the update on the development of a new Economic Development Strategy.
 - C. Appoints Crs Alley and Paterson to act as liaisons to the steering group.
 - D. Extends duration of existing 2019-2024 Economic Development strategy until the new strategy is adopted.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Cooney assumed the Chair as the Planning and Regulatory portfolio deputy lead.

24.9.6 SMOKEFREE AND VAPEFREE POLICY

To consider renewing the Smokefree and Vapefree Policy for an additional three years.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Paterson

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Adopts the Smokefree and Vapefree Policy.

CARRIED

24.9.7 LAND INFORMATION MEMORANDUM FEES

To consider the Land Information Memorandum (LIM) fees.

RESOLUTION

Moved: McPherson
Seconded: Alley

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees to the reduction of the LIM fees to reflect the 2023/24 fees and charges.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Paterson declared an interest in item 24.9.8. She did not participate or vote on the item.

24.9.8 MEMBERSHIP OF THE HEARINGS PANEL

To consider adding Cr Paterson to the available members for the Hearings Panel.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Feinerman

That the Council

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- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
 - B. Agrees that Cr Paterson be added as a member of the pool of Hearings Panel members.

CARRIED

Note: His Worship the Mayor resumed the Chair.

Note: With the permission of the meeting, item 24.9.23 was moved earlier.

24.9.23 SUBMISSION TO THE OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATION REVIEW

To consider a submission to the Otago Regional Council's Representation Review.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Paterson
Seconded: Cooney

- A. That the report be received.
- B. Agrees to make a submission to the Otago Regional Council representation review.
- C. Agrees to the wording of that submission.
- D. Notes His Worship the Mayor (or alternate) will speak to the submission if needed.

CARRIED

24.9.9 AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS - MEMBERS JOINING REMOTELY COUNTING AS QUORUM

To consider amending the Standing Orders to continue to have members joining remotely to be counted as part of quorum.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Paterson

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees to amend the Standing Orders as indicated in Appendix One of the report to allow remote participants to be counted as quorum.
- C. Adopts the updated Standing Orders for Council.
- D. Notes the updated Standing Orders for Council will come into force on 1 August 2024.

CARRIED

24.9.10 REMUNERATION AUTHORITY DETERMINATION 2024/25

To receive the updated determination from the Remuneration Authority for the 2024/25 year.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Alley

That the report be received.

CARRIED

24.9.11 ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

To consider updates to the Elected Members' Allowance and Reimbursement Policy.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Alley

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees the changes identified in appendix one of the report.
- C. Adopts the updated Elected Members' Allowance and Reimbursement Policy, to come into force on 1 August 2024.

CARRIED

24.9.12 LGNZ QUARTERLY REPORT

To consider a quarterly report from Local Government New Zealand.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Alley

That the report be received.

CARRIED

Note: With the permission of the meeting, item 24.9.14 was moved earlier.

8 MAYOR'S REPORT**24.9.14 MAYOR'S REPORT**

His Worship the Mayor spoke to his report and in addition noted Cr Feinerman's nomination for the LGNZ Awards and mentioned a letter received last week from Federated Farmers in relation to the ORC Regional Land and Water Plan.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Alley

That the Council receives the report.

CARRIED

24.9.13 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 MAY 2024

To consider the financial performance for the period ending 31 May 2024.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Paterson

That the report be received.

CARRIED

9 STATUS REPORTS

24.9.15 JULY 2024 GOVERNANCE REPORT

To report on items of general interest, receive minutes and updates from key organisations, consider Council's forward work programme, business plan and status report updates.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Claridge

That the report be received.

CARRIED

10 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

24.9.16 MINUTES OF THE CROMWELL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION

Moved: Feinerman
Seconded: Browne

That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Cromwell Community Board Meeting held on 18 June 2024 be noted.

CARRIED

24.9.17 MINUTES OF THE MANIOTOTO COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 20 JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION

Moved: Feinerman
Seconded: Browne

That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Maniototo Community Board Meeting held on 20 June 2024 be noted.

CARRIED

11 COMMITTEE MINUTES**24.9.18 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 JUNE 2024**

RESOLUTION

Moved: Feinerman
Seconded: Browne

That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on 7 June 2024 be noted.

CARRIED

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 28 August 2024.

13 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cadogan
Seconded: Laws

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Plain English Reason
Confidential Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting	s7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	Legal professional privilege
	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out,	To enable commercial activities

	<p>without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p> <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>To enable commercial or industrial negotiations</p> <p>To prevent use of the information for improper gain or advantage</p>
24.9.19 - July 2024 Confidential Governance Report	<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 Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p> <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>Legal professional privilege</p> <p>To enable commercial activities</p> <p>To enable commercial or industrial negotiations</p> <p>To prevent use of the information for improper gain or advantage</p>
24.9.20 - Confidential Minutes of the Cromwell Community Board Meeting held on 18 June 2024	<p>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</p>	<p>Commercial sensitivity</p>
24.9.21 - Confidential Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on 7 June 2024	<p>s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p> <p>s7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege</p> <p>s7(2)(j) - the withholding of the information is necessary to</p>	<p>To protect a person's privacy</p> <p>Legal professional privilege</p> <p>To prevent use of the information for improper gain or advantage</p>

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CARRIED

The public were excluded at 12.12 the meeting closed at 12.16 pm.