

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CENTRAL OTAGO DISTRICT COUNCIL
HELD AT MANIOTOTO STADIUM, 1 DUNGANNON STREET, RANFURLY 9332
AND LIVE STREAMED VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY, 26 MARCH 2025
COMMENCING AT 10.32 AM**

PRESENT: Her Worship the Mayor T Alley (Chairperson), Cr N Gillespie, 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 (via Microsoft Teams)

IN ATTENDANCE: P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), J Muir (Three Waters Director), S Righarts (Group Manager - Business Support), D Rushbrook (Group Manager - Community Vision), D Scoones (Group Manager - Community Experience), L van der Voort (Group Manager - Planning and Infrastructure), P Keenan (Capital Projects Programme Manager), K Zeelie (Water Services Planning and Policy Manager), A Crosbie (Senior Strategy Advisor), C Martin (Accounts and Rating Support Officer), W McEnteer (Governance Manager)

1 KARAKIA

Cr McPherson gave a karakia to begin the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Amie Pont

Ms Pont introduced herself to Councillors and updated them on recent activities and issues in the Maniototo. Those included an update on the arts scene in the Maniototo and the halls and facilities item that will appear as part of the 2025-34 Long-term Plan.

Tania Murray – Maniototo Business Group

Ms Murray gave an update on recent activities of the Maniototo Business Group and noted that they have recently taken their meetings on the road around the Maniototo, including Naseby and Waipiata. She also noted the group's latest project, which is to have permanent lighting for the railway station in Ranfurly.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Laws

That the public minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 February 2025 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. There were no further declarations of interest.

6 COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

25.4.2 COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Robert Hazlett, Chair of the Maniototo Community Board gave his apologies as he was unable to attend the meeting

7 REPORTS

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

Note: Cr McPherson left the meeting at 12.00 pm and returned at 12.02 pm.

25.4.3 PROPOSED WASTEWATER ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

To consider the key points to be included in a Central Otago District Council submission on proposed wastewater environmental performance standards.

Staff gave a presentation on the draft performance standards before responding to questions.

RESOLUTION

Moved: McPherson

Seconded: McKinlay

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees to a submission being prepared on the proposed wastewater environmental performance standards.
- C. Agrees that that the submission be drafted based on discussion at the 26 March Council meeting and circulated to councillors for feedback prior to submitting on 16 April 2025.

CARRIED

Attachments

- 1 Presentation on Proposed Wastewater Performance Standards
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25.4.4 LOCAL WATER DONE WELL - ADMITTING TIMARU DISTRICT COUNCIL TO THE AGREEMENT

To consider a request for Timaru District Council to join the Otago Southland Joint Group of Councils Commitment Agreement.

It was noted that Timaru District Council had decided not to join the agreement, and that this report was now no longer needed. After discussion it was agreed that while there were no further actions from the report, as it had been discussed the report should at least be received.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Feinerman

That the Council receives the report.

CARRIED

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

25.4.5 MANAGING UNREASONABLE COMPLAINANT CONDUCT

To consider adopting the Managing Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.

Staff presented a slide show to highlight key points within the proposed policy.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Claridge
Seconded: Browne

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Adopts the Managing Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.

CARRIED

Attachments

- 1 Managing Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Presentation
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Note: Her Worship the Mayor resumed the Chair.

25.4.6 DRAFT THREE-YEAR INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRAMME

To consider the draft three-year internal audit programme.

RESOLUTION

Moved: McPherson
Seconded: Cooney

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
 - B. Note that the Audit and Risk Committee resolved to recommend the proposed three-year internal audit programme to Council.
 - C. Approves the draft three-year internal audit programme.
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CARRIED

25.4.7 2024/25 ORGANISATIONAL BUSINESS PLAN: SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

To receive the second quarter results of the 2024/25 Organisational Business Plan.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Browne
Seconded: McKinlay

That the report be received.

CARRIED

25.4.8 ORDER OF CANDIDATE NAMES ON VOTING PAPERS FOR THE 2025 TRIENNIAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

To consider the order of candidate names on voting papers for local authority elections in October 2025.

RESOLUTION

Moved: McPherson
Seconded: Duncan

That the Council

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees that the candidate names on voting papers for the Central Otago District Council 2025 triennial elections and any subsequent by-elections within the triennium appear in random order.

CARRIED

8 MAYOR'S REPORT

25.4.9 MAYOR'S REPORT

Her Worship the Mayor spoke to her report before responding to questions.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Alley
Seconded: Gillespie

That the Council receives the report.

CARRIED

9 STATUS REPORTS**25.4.10 MARCH 2025 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: Duncan

That the report be received.

CARRIED

10 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES**25.4.11 MINUTES OF THE TEVIOT VALLEY COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2025****RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Feinerman

That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Teviot Valley Community Board Meeting held on 5 February 2025 be noted.

CARRIED

11 COMMITTEE MINUTES**25.4.12 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2025****RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Feinerman

That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on 14 February 2025 be noted.

CARRIED

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 28 March 2025.

13 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION

Moved: Duncan
Seconded: Cooney

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	<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>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>Commercial sensitivity</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>
25.4.13 - Manuherehia Valleys Community Hub Construction Tender Award	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	To enable commercial activities
25.4.14 - Fitch Credit Rating	s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the	Commercial sensitivity

	information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information	
25.4.15 - Risk Register Update	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	To prevent use of the information for improper gain or advantage
25.4.16 - March 2025 Confidential Governance Report	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 Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities 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)	Legal professional privilege To enable commercial activities To enable commercial or industrial negotiations
25.4.17 - Confidential Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on 14 February 2025	s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons 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 s7(2)(f)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of Council members, officers, employees, and persons from improper pressure or harassment s7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege s7(2)(j) - the withholding of the information is necessary to prevent the disclosure or use of	To protect a person's privacy Commercial sensitivity To protect people from harassment Legal professional privilege To prevent use of the information for improper gain or advantage

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CARRIED

The public were excluded at 12.38 pm and the meeting closed at 1.44 pm.

Unconfirmed