

**MINUTES OF CENTRAL OTAGO DISTRICT COUNCIL
ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN WHARE TŪHONO, WILLIAM FRASER BUILDING, 1 DUNORLING STREET,
ALEXANDRA
ON MONDAY, 16 MARCH 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Browne (Chairperson), Cr B Scott, R De Jong, J Hawkins, F Kennedy,
R Kinney, M Kuiti, K Sutherland

IN ATTENDANCE: J Whyte (Administrator)

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Sutherland
Seconded: Browne

That the public minutes of the Assessment Committee Meeting held on 23 September 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligations in respect of declaring any interests. Cr Browne declared an interest in application number 1, Ms de Jong and Ms Hawkins declared an interest in application number 4, Ms Hawkins declared an interest in application number 5. They did not vote on their allocation of funding.

4 REPORTS

26.1.1 OVERVIEW OF SEPTEMBER 2025 FINANCIAL YEAR

To consider the overview of the second funding round of the 2025 Financial year.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Kinney
Seconded: Browne

That the report be received and its contents noted.

CARRIED

26.1.2 2026 CCS ANNUAL FUNDING REPORT FOR MARCH

To consider allocation of Creative Communities Scheme (CCS) funds to worthy applications received from groups, organisations, and individuals within the Central Otago District relating to arts and cultural projects.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Scott

That the Assessment Committee

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Browne
Seconded: Scott

- B. Agrees that \$17,130 be allocated to the applications listed in the attached table in a manner befitting Creative Communities guidelines and eligibility criteria.

Applicant	Project Description	Amount
Dunstan High School	Theatre Restaurant	\$5,000
Liz Conway	Alexandra Kiwilele Jam 2026	\$4,516
Winterstellar Charitable Trust	Winterstellar Otago Night Skies Project	\$2,450
Central Otago Arts Trust	Central Otago Literary Series 2026	\$4,264
Bannockburn Arts Charitable Trust	Short Film Making	\$900
Southern Cancer Society	Bags of Hope	Nil

- C. Agrees the balance of \$2,957.03 is carried forward to the September 2026 funding round.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 12.10 pm.

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