



Greater Christchurch Partnership

Te Tira Tū Tahī

One Group, Standing Together

Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Friday 6 March 2026
Time: 9.02 am
Venue: Council Chamber, Environment Canterbury,
200 Tuam Street, Christchurch

Present

Members

Interim Chairperson James Caygill - Waka Kotahi (New Zealand Transport Agency)
Gail Gordon - Mana Whenua
Mayor Phil Mauer - Christchurch City Council
Deputy Mayor Victoria Henstock - Christchurch City Council
Chair Dr Deon Swiggs - Environment Canterbury
Councillor Joe Davies - Environment Canterbury
Councillor Nettles Lamont - Environment Canterbury
Mayor Lydia Gliddon - Selwyn District Council
Deputy Mayor Big Red Shefford - Selwyn District Council
Councillor Sophie McInnes - Selwyn District Council
Mayor Dan Gordon - Waimakariri District Council
Deputy Mayor Philip Redmond - Waimakariri District Council
Councillor Niki Mealings - Waimakariri District Council

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Karakia mō te Tīmatataka Opening Incantation

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| Whakataka te hau ki te uru | <i>Cease the winds from the west</i> |
| Whakataka te hau ki te tonga | <i>Cease the winds from the south</i> |
| Kia mākinakina ki uta | <i>Let the breeze blow over the land</i> |
| Kia mātaratara ki tai | <i>Let the breeze blow over the sea</i> |
| E hī ake ana te atakura | <i>Let the red-tipped dawn come with a sharpened air.</i> |
| He tio, he huka, he hau hū | <i>A touch of frost, a promise of a glorious day</i> |
| Tīhei Mauri Ora | |

1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00001

That the apologies from Dr Te Maire Tau, Tania Wati, Tyla Harrison-Hunt, and Dr Anna Stevenson for absence be accepted.

Mayor Lydia Gliddon/Mayor Phil Mauger

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest Ngā Whakapuaki Aronga

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

3. Deputations by Appointment Ngā Huinga Whakaritenga

There were no deputations by appointment.

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes Te Whakaāe o te hui o mua

Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00002

That the minutes of the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee meeting held on Friday, 5 December 2025 be confirmed.

Councillor Sophie McInnes/Gail Gordon

Carried

5. Greater Christchurch Public Transport Improvement Programme Update

Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00003

Officer Recommendation accepted without change

Part C

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Receives** the update on the delivery of the Greater Christchurch Public Transport improvement programme.

Deputy Mayor Victoria Henstock/Chair Dr Deon Swiggs

Carried

6. Secretariat and Six-Monthly Reporting Update Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00004

Officer Recommendation accepted without change

Part C

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Receives and notes** the Greater Christchurch Partnership Secretariat and six-monthly reporting update.
2. **Receives and notes** the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan Implementation Plan update March 2026 (**Attachment 1**).
3. **Receives and notes** the Priority Areas Programme Tracker update for March 2026 (**Attachment 2**).

Councillor Nettles Lamont/Mayor Dan Gordon

Carried

The Committee adjourned at 10.10am during consideration of Item 7 and resumed at 10.15am.

7. Implementing the Greater Christchurch Partnership Review Officer Recommendations Ngā Tūtohu

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Notes** that the independent review was conducted by Martin Jenkins in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference and overseen by the Chief Executive Advisory Group.
2. **Notes** that the Chief Executive Advisory Group has overseen the completion of the Independent Review and the implementation of its findings to date and has formed these recommendations to support timely Committee decision making.
3. **Notes** that while members value the Greater Christchurch Partnership, Partner organisations are being required to respond to multiple proposed Government reforms, resulting in an uncertain operating environment that is anticipated to continue beyond the end of 2026.
4. **Notes** that the Committee will revisit the recommendation of the Independent Review in mid-2027, once the operating environment for Partners is more certain.
5. **Endorses** that the Partnership maintain its current form and functions, until the Committee is ready to consider the available options in mid-2027.
6. **Endorses** the focus of the Partnership to be: progressing existing workstreams; supporting regional spatial planning; and advocacy and influencing across these workstreams in the intervening period. These priorities are to be given effect through

updates to the Partnership's Joint Work Programme. Noting that this does not require amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement.

Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00005

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. Endorses that an organisational transitional plan is prepared by the Chief Executive Advisory Group;
2. Notes that the transitional plan should include:
 - a. Requirements and details for any constitutional or Memorandum of Agreement change;
 - b. Investigate the merits of incorporating the other Canterbury Councils into the new organisational model;
 - c. How partnership with Mana Whenua will be enshrined in the new organisational model;
 - d. Identification of which Crown Agencies should be involved in the future organisational model;
 - e. A report on the available resources (staff time and financial) to support the development of the Regional Spatial Plan.
 - f. how governance and delivery of key metropolitan programmes, including the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan, Mass Rapid Transit and public transport initiatives, will be maintained and strengthened within the future organisational model.
 - g. An identification of what programmes of work could be paused.
3. Requests that the transitional plan be reported back to the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee at the next meeting;
4. Notes the time critical nature of the development of the Regional Spatial Plan;

Mayor Lydia Gliddon/Mayor Dan Gordon

Carried

The Committee adjourned at 10.35am at the conclusion of Item 7 and resumed at 10.50am.

8. Joint Housing Action Plan - Determining preferred actions for taking forward in Phase 3 - Progressive Delivery (Workshop)

Committee Comment

1. In introducing this item staff advised that they would no longer be recommending recommendation 2. The updated officer recommendation 1 was approved without change.

Officer Recommendations Ngā Tūtohu

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Receives and notes** the Joint Housing Action Plan (JHAP) Phase 2 workshop presentation (**Attachment 1**) and more detailed Scoping Report (**Attachment 2**).
2. **Notes** the intent is for officers to present a report to the Committee at a meeting in June 2026, seeking endorsement of proposed actions for progressive delivery by Partners in Phase 3 of the Joint Housing Action Plan.

Updated Officer Recommendations Ngā Tūtohu

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Receives and notes** the Joint Housing Action Plan (JHAP) Phase 2 workshop presentation (**Attachment 1**) and more detailed Scoping Report (**Attachment 2**).

Committee Resolved GCPC/2026/00006

Officer Recommendation accepted without change

Part C

That the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee:

1. **Receives and notes** the Joint Housing Action Plan (JHAP) Phase 2 workshop presentation (**Attachment 1**) and more detailed Scoping Report (**Attachment 2**).

Councillor Joe Davies/Deputy Mayor Victoria Henstock **Carried**

Karakia – Whakakapi Closing Incantation

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| Ka whakairia te tapu | Restrictions are moved aside |
| Kia watea ai te ara | So the pathway is clear |
| Kia tūruki whakataha ai | To return to everyday activities |
| Kia tūruki whakataha ai | |
| Hui e, tāiki e | Enriched, unified and blesses |

Meeting concluded at 11.16am.

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