

Christchurch City Council
MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 4 June 2025
Time: 9.31 am
Venue: Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, Corner Jeffreys and Clyde Roads, Fendalton

Present

Chairperson	Mayor Phil Mauger
Deputy Chairperson	Deputy Mayor Pauline Cotter
Members	Councillor Kelly Barber
	Councillor Melanie Coker
	Councillor Celeste Donovan – via audio/visual link
	Councillor Tyrone Fields
	Councillor James Gough
	Councillor Tyla Harrison-Hunt
	Councillor Victoria Henstock
	Councillor Yani Johanson
	Councillor Aaron Keown
	Councillor Sam MacDonald
	Councillor Jake McLellan
	Councillor Andrei Moore
	Councillor Mark Peters
	Councillor Tim Scandrett
	Councillor Sara Templeton

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Karakia Tīmatanga

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00233

That the apologies from Councillors Scandrett and Templeton for lateness be accepted.

Mayor/Councillor MacDonald

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest Ngā Whakapuaki Aronga

Deputy Mayor Cotter declared an interest in Item 8 *The Christchurch Foundation Tranche Two Drawdown from the Capital Endowment Fund*.

Councillor Henstock declared an interest in the following applications contained within Item 7 *Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund 2025-26*: 48 2025 New Zealand Cross Country Championships and 44 International track Meeting 2026-2028.

Councillor Gough declared an interest in Item 13 *Plan Change 13 – Further Withdrawal of Selected Provisions*.

3. Public Participation Te Huinga Tūmatanui

3.1 Public Forum Te Huinga Whānui

3.1.1 Ruby-Grace Miller

Ruby-Grace Miller and Fray Scott spoke regarding safety at the bus exchange.

3.2 Deputations by Appointment Ngā Huinga Whakaritenga

There were no deputations by appointment.

4. Presentation of Petitions Ngā Pākikitanga

There was no presentation of petitions.

5. Council Minutes - 7 May 2025

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00234

That the Council confirms the Open and Public Excluded Minutes from the Council meeting held 7 May 2025.

Mayor/Councillor Peters

Carried

Councillor Templeton joined the meeting at 9.40am during consideration of Item 6.

6. Plan Change 13 - Further Withdrawal of Selected Provisions

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00235

Officer Recommendations accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Plan Change 13 - Further Withdrawal of Selected Provisions Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as medium significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. Withdraws from Plan Change 13 those provisions which were decided under Plan Change 14. The withdrawn provisions are:
 - a. Maximum height overlay (qualifying matter) Rule 15.11.1.3 RD11; Rule 15.11.2.11 a.ii. and a.iii (PC13 notified version) solely as it applies to:
 - i. New Regent Street
 - ii. Arts Centre
 - b. Heritage interface (qualifying matter) Rule 15.11.1.3 RD11; Rule 15.11.2.11 a.vi. (PC13 notified version) solely as it applies to:
 - i. New Regent Street
 - ii. Arts Centre
 - c. Scheduled heritage item, being Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, 136 Barbadoes Street (Appendix 9.3.7.2) including heritage aerial map, and planning map (PC13 notified version).
4. Withdraws from Plan Change 13, the following properties that were notified as part of the proposed Lyttelton Residential Heritage Area:
 - a. Bridle Path, numbers – 1, 1/8, 2/8, 6, 10, 10A, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 1/20, 2/20, 3/20, 22.
 - b. Dudley Road, numbers – 2, 9, 13, 15, 17A, 17B, 19 (also referred to as 28A Cunningham Terrace), 21, 23.

Mayor/Councillor Peters

Carried

Councillor Johanson requested that his vote against the resolutions be recorded.

Councillor Gough declared an interest and did not participate in the discussion or vote on this item.

Councillor Keown left the meeting at 9.45 am and returned at 9.46 am during consideration of Item 7.

7. Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00236

Officer Recommendations accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as low significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. Notes that Public Excluded Attachment D of this report can be publicly released following the completion of the post event reviews.
4. Considers the allocation of the Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund, as outlined in the Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund Staff Evaluation (Attachment A of this report).
5. Approves the following allocations from the Events and Festivals Sponsorship Fund:

Ref No.	Event	Funding Request	Officer Recommendation
1	WORD Christchurch Festival 2026 – 2028	25/26: \$55,000.00 Y6/27: \$55,000.00 27/28: \$55,000.00	Withdrawn
2	Doc Edge International Documentary Festival 2026	\$50,000.00	Decline
3	SCAPE Public Art Seasons 2025 & 2026	25/26: \$75,000.00 26/27: \$75,000.00	25/26: \$25,000 26/27: \$20,000
4	TinyFest 2026	\$20,000.00	\$17,000
5	Black Grace presents A Major Double Bill by Neil Ieremia & Paul Taylor	\$15,000.00	\$12,000
6	Whānau Mārama: NZ International Film Festival	\$30,000.00	\$15,000
7	Best Comedy Show On Earth	\$9,617.65	\$9,618
8	The Court Theatre 2026 Rainbow Festival	\$25,000.00	Decline
9	South Island Ballet Award 2025	\$5,000.00	Decline
10	NZSO Concert Series & Educational Events	\$50,000.00	Ineligible
11	From Scratch Touch Tour and Relaxed Performance	\$7,217.14	Decline
12	Open Christchurch 2026	\$26,456.00	\$26,500
13	Happy Chinese New Year Festival 2026 - 2028	25/26: \$134,000.00 26/27: \$150,000.00 27/28: \$175,000.00	25/26: \$70,000 26/27: \$60,000 27/28: \$50,000
14	SPACPAC Canterbury Polyfest 2026	\$100,000.00	Withdrawn
15	Tūhono Festival 2025 - 2027	25/26: \$25,000.00 26/27: \$25,000.00 27/28: \$25,000.00	25/26: \$25,000 26/27: \$25,000 27/28: \$25,000
16	Diwali 2025	\$30,000.00	\$17,000

17	Matariki Festival 2026 – 2028	25/26: \$7,900.00 26/27: \$8,058.00 27/28: \$8,220.00	Ineligible
18	Eid Al Fitr 2026	\$78,958.07	\$10,000
19	Latin Street Festival 2025 - 2027	25/26: \$23,752.00 26/27: \$17,000.00 27/28: \$10,000.00	25/26: \$10,000 26/27: \$10,000 27/28: \$10,000
20	Pistang Pilipino sa Christchurch 2025	\$28,000.00	\$13,000
21	The 20th Annual Show Me Shorts Film Festival in Ōtautahi	\$8,692.35	\$7,767
22	Matariki at Awaroa	\$23,070.00	Ineligible
23	Future of Learning Summit	\$125,000.00	Ineligible
24	Teej Cultural Festival (Nepalese/Bhutanese Women's Day)	\$5,348.00	Decline
25	Paskuhan sa Barangay Banyuhay Christchurch 2025	\$41,460.15	Decline
26	NNZFSC Teej	\$8,202.00	Decline
27	Summit 2025	25/26: \$6,000.00 26/27: \$6,000.00 27/28: \$6,000.00	Ineligible
28	146th Fiji Giritmit Remembrance Day	\$5,450.00	Decline
29	Bhutanese Cultural Event 2025	\$12,200.00	Decline
30	Orton Bradley Spring Fair 2025	\$10,897.40	\$11,000
31	World Rivers Day 2025	\$6,950.00	\$6,950
32	Coca-Cola Christmas in the Park	\$40,000.00	\$40,000
33	Christchurch Brick Show 2025	25/26: \$15,000.00 26/27: \$15,000.00 27/28: \$15,000.00	Y1: \$7,000 Y2: \$7,000 Y3: \$7,000
34	NYT OnStage 2026	\$25,000.00	\$7,000
35	Duke Festival	\$23,500.00	\$10,000
36	Canterbury British and European Classic Car Show	25/26: \$20,000.00 26/27: \$12,000.00 27/28: \$10,000.00	Withdrawn
37	Around the World in Ōtautahi Christchurch	\$27,850.00	Decline
38	Port Noise 2026 - 2028	25/26: \$30,000.00 26/27: \$27,500.00 27/28: \$25,000.00	25/26: \$20,000 26/27: \$17,500 27/28: \$15,000
39	Twominds Festival	\$80,000.00	\$15,000
40	Mayhem Portals	\$10,000.00	Decline
41	Rolling Meadows	\$50,000.00	Decline
42	The "Golden Ribbon" Multicultural Youth Music Festival 2025 - 2027	25/26: \$20,850.00 26/27: \$19,850.00 27/28: \$18,850.00	Decline
43	50s Up Brass presents the Annual "Into Spring" Concert	\$5,000.00	Decline

44	International Track Meet 2026 - 2028	25/26: \$40,000.00 26/27: \$40,000.00 27/28: \$60,000.00	25/26: \$20,000 26/27: \$0.00 27/28: \$0.00
45	Relay For Life Christchurch	\$40,000.00	Ineligible
46	SHE women's only triathlon	\$13,000.00	Decline
47	Shine for a Cure Christchurch	\$21,160.00	Ineligible
48	2025 New Zealand Cross Country Championships	\$11,387.00	Decline
49	2025 New Zealand Highland & National Dancing Championships	\$20,827.00	Decline
50	Round the Bays Christchurch 2026	\$50,000.00	Decline
51	NZ 6 Day Ultra Marathon	\$8,000.00	Decline
52	The ICN Oceania Pro/Am Championships 2025	\$5,000.00	Decline

Mayor/Deputy Mayor

Carried

Councillor Henstock declared an interest and took no part in the voting for the following applications 48 2025 New Zealand Cross Country Championships and 44 International track Meeting 2026-2028.

The meeting adjourned at 10.22 am and reconvened at 10.30 am during the consideration of Item 8.

8. The Christchurch Foundation Tranche Two Drawdown from the Capital Endowment Fund

Council Comment

1. Council Officers John Filsell and Rose Crossland joined the table to present the report.
2. Councillor MacDonald Moved, Seconded by Councillor Henstock, Officer Recommendation 3b to decline to approve the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 and decline to approve the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund.
3. Councillor Templeton Moved, Seconded by Councillor Coker, Officer Recommendation 3a as a Foreshadowed Motion, to approve the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 and approve the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund.
4. When put to the vote Recommendation 3b was declared a tie by way of division.
5. When put to the vote the Foreshadowed Motion for Officer Recommendation 3a was declared carried by way of division.

Officer Recommendations

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in The Christchurch Foundation Tranche Two Drawdown from the Capital Endowment Fund Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as low significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That the Council:
Either
 - a. Approves the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 as attached in Attachment B of this report and approves the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund to support the operation of the Christchurch Foundation from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.Or
 - b. Declines to approve the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 as attached in Attachment B of this report and declines to approve the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund to support the operation of the Christchurch Foundation from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.
4. Notes that the performance of the Christchurch Foundation against the achievement of the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 – 2027 will be evaluated and presented to the Council, in the context of any Council consideration of the drawdown of funding for Tranche 3 from the Capital Endowment Fund, currently scheduled for May 2026.
5. Notes that Public Excluded Attachment C of this report can be publicly released when the specific funds and investments contained in the document are no longer under management.

Council Decision

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in The Christchurch Foundation Tranche Two Drawdown from the Capital Endowment Fund Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as low significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That the Council:
 - b. Declines to approve the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 as attached in Attachment B of this report and declines to approve the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund to support the operation of the Christchurch Foundation from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.
4. Notes that the performance of the Christchurch Foundation against the achievement of the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 – 2027 will be evaluated and presented to the Council, in the context of any Council consideration of the drawdown of funding for Tranche 3 from the Capital Endowment Fund, currently scheduled for May 2026.

5. Notes that Public Excluded Attachment C of this report can be publicly released when the specific funds and investments contained in the document are no longer under management.

The division was declared **a tie** the voting being as follows:

For: Councillor Barber, Councillor Gough, Councillor Henstock, Councillor Johanson, Councillor Keown, Councillor MacDonald and Councillor Moore

Against: Mayor Mauger, Councillor Coker, Councillor Donovan, Councillor Fields, Councillor Harrison-Hunt, Councillor Peters and Councillor Templeton

Abstained: Councillor McLellan

Councillor MacDonald/Councillor Henstock

Tie

Deputy Mayor Cotter declared an interest, sat back from the table and took no part in the discussion or vote on this item.

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00237

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in The Christchurch Foundation Tranche Two Drawdown from the Capital Endowment Fund Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as low significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That the Council:
 - a. Approves the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027 as attached in Attachment B of this report and approves the drawdown of \$220,000 by the Christchurch Foundation from the Capital Endowment Fund to support the operation of the Christchurch Foundation from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.
4. Notes that the performance of the Christchurch Foundation against the achievement of the Christchurch Foundation Strategic Plan 2025 – 2027 will be evaluated and presented to the Council, in the context of any Council consideration of the drawdown of funding for Tranche 3 from the Capital Endowment Fund, currently scheduled for May 2026.
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The division was declared **carried** by 8 votes to 7 votes the voting being as follows:

For: Mayor Mauger, Councillor Coker, Councillor Donovan, Councillor Fields, Councillor Harrison-Hunt, Councillor McLellan, Councillor Peters and Councillor Templeton

Against: Councillor Barber, Councillor Gough, Councillor Henstock, Councillor Johanson, Councillor Keown, Councillor MacDonald and Councillor Moore

Councillor Templeton/Councillor Coker

Carried

Deputy Mayor Cotter declared an interest, sat back from the table and took no part in the discussion or vote on this item.

Deputy Mayor Cotter left the meeting at 10.33 am and returned at 10.35 am during consideration of Item 9.

9. Hearings Panel report to the Council on the Proposed Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00238

Hearings Panel Recommendations accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Adopt the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves 2025, in its final form (Attachment A).
2. Note the following changes to the clauses of the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025, as a result of the consultation and hearings process (as shown in Attachment B):
 - a. Amend the definition of Emergency Services so that it includes **Water Services Authority - Taumata Arowai**.
 - b. Amend the clause 5(1)(a) ii to include **plaque, artwork or sculpture**.
 - c. Amend relevant terminology so any mention in the bylaw of the Avon Heathcote Estuary change to **Te Ihutai Avon Heathcote Estuary**.
 - d. Include new explanatory note in clause 8 to clarify that the definition of a vehicle does not include prams, strollers, wheelchairs or other mobility scooters or devices used by persons with physical or neurological impairment.
 - e. Note that the Panel requested staff to consider reviewing the necessity of the explanatory note in clause 8 that states that subject to any stated restrictions or conditions, cyclists are able to use all paths and tracks in parks and reserves.
 - f. Amend the style of all explanatory notes to bring the style into line with recent bylaw work and reduce duplication.
 - g. Amend clause 13(2) from “he or she” to **that person** to be consistent with language used in recent bylaw reviews.
3. Note that a number of additions and improvements are made to the explanatory notes contained in the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 as a result of the consultation and hearings process (as shown in Attachment B).
4. Note that a number of administrative changes are also made to the Christchurch Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025, including removing all references to “draft” and inserting the relevant dates the bylaw is adopted and in force.
5. Determine, in accordance with section 155(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 2002, that the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 is the most appropriate form of bylaw, and that it is not inconsistent with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.
6. Note that council staff will write to the Minister of Conservation for formal approval of the bylaw under section 108 of the Reserves Act 1977.
7. Approve the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 coming into force on 4 September 2025.

8. Approve that staff are otherwise authorised to make any typographical changes or correct minor errors, as the case may be, before the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 comes into force.
9. Give public notice as soon as practicable that the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 has been made by the Council, that it comes into effect on 4 September 2025 and that copies of the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025 may be inspected and obtained at the Council's offices or on its website, without payment.
10. Delegate to the Chief Executive the authority to amend any explanatory notes in the Christchurch City Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw 2025, as the case may be, and that this power may be delegated.

Councillor Harrison-Hunt/Councillor Peters

Carried

Councillor Harrison-Hunt left the meeting at 11.05 am and returned at 11.06 am during consideration of Item 10.

10. Lichfield St Carpark Building - Future Strategy

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00239

Officer Recommendations accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Lichfield St Carpark Building - Future Strategy Report.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as low significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. Instructs staff to undertake consultation to obtain the views of stakeholders and the public on the future of the Lichfield St Carpark Building, which will inform a future report to the Council.
4. Resolves to release the Valuation Report included as Public Excluded Attachment A of this report on the date the Land and/or Facility in question is transferred to a purchaser and that transaction is settled, if this is the subsequent decision.

*The division was declared **carried** by 10 votes to 6 votes the voting being as follows:*

For: *Mayor Mauger, Councillor Barber, Councillor Donovan, Councillor Fields, Councillor Gough, Councillor Henstock, Councillor Keown, Councillor MacDonald, Councillor Peters and Councillor Templeton*

Against: *Deputy Mayor Cotter, Councillor Coker, Councillor Harrison-Hunt, Councillor Johanson, Councillor McLellan and Councillor Moore*

Councillor MacDonald/Councillor Henstock

Carried

11. Three Waters Activities Report - January, February and March 2025

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00240

Officer Recommendation accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Three Waters Activities Report - January, February and March 2025 Report.

Councillor MacDonald/Mayor

Carried

Councillor Gough left the meeting at 11.21 am and returned at 11.26 am during consideration of Item 12.

12. Planning and Consents Unit Update - October 2024 to March 2025

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00241

Officer recommendation accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Planning and Consents Unit Update - October 2024 to March 2025 Report.

Mayor/Deputy Mayor

Carried

Councillor Scandrett joined the meeting at 11.30 am during consideration of Item 13.

Councillor Barber left the meeting at 11.35 am and returned at 11.37 am during consideration of Item 13.

13. Climate Resilience Strategy Implementation June 2025 Update

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00242

Officer Recommendation accepted without change

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Climate Resilience Strategy Implementation June 2025 Update report.

Deputy Mayor/Councillor Templeton

Carried

Karakia Whakamutunga

Meeting concluded at 11.53 am.

CONFIRMED THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2025

MAYOR PHIL MAUGER
CHAIRPERSON