

Otago Regional Council
Dunstan Constituency
Electing 3 Regional Councillors



Michael LAWS

My principal place of residence is in the Dunstan Constituency area.

Thank you for the opportunity to be your advocate these past three years. I've consistently sought a science-based awareness to inform all of council's policy, and actively pushed for a more proactive, community-focused ORC. Whether getting monitoring buoys for our alpine lakes or extra funding to combat lagarosiphon; whether stopping councils from discharging waste into our rivers or publicly raising the rabbit menace; whether ensuring that water quality is a primary policy focus or achieving fact-based solutions for the Manuherikia-Cardrona-Arrow catchments, my aim is to provide solutions that are fair and also improve our shared environment. I've consistently opposed spending \$35 million upon a new HQ building in Dunedin when there are more pressing environmental issues that require such funding. Our Central/Lakes region is unique and precious - our lifestyle, economy and environment are totally inter-linked. I respectfully ask for your mandate to continue advocating for our region's best interests.