Otago Regional Council

Council Meeting - Extraordinary
MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Otago Regional Council held in the Council Chamber, Aonui, 180 High Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 7 October 2026, commencing at 3:30 pm.

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PRESENT

Cr Hilary Calvert	*(Chair)*
Cr Kevin Malcolm	*(Deputy Chair)*
Cr Robbie Byars	
Cr Chanel Gardner	
Cr Neil Gillespie	*(online)*
Cr Matt Hollyer	
Cr Gary Kelliher	
Cr Andrew Noone	
Cr Gretchen Robertson	*(online)*
Cr Alan Somerville	
Cr Kate Wilson	

1. WELCOME

Chair Calvert welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 3:30 pm. Staff present included Richard Saunders (Chief Executive), Anita Dawe (GM Regional Planning and Transport), Joanna Gilroy (GM Environmental Delivery), Tami Sargeant (GM People and Corporate), Deb Stuut (Manager Customer and Governance), Kylie Darragh (Governance Support).

2. APOLOGIES

Resolution: Cr Malcolm Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded:

That *the apologies for Cr Gillespie and Cr Robertson for lateness be accepted.*

MOTION CARRIED

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Resolution: Cr Kelliher Moved, Cr Noone Seconded

That *the agenda be confirmed as published.*

MOTION CARRIED

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillors were reminded of then need to stand aside if a conflict of interest arises.

At 3:35 pm Cr Robertson joined the meeting.
At 3:35 pm Cr Gillespie joined the meeting.

5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1. Decision on Zone Two Child Fares

The purpose of this report was to seek a Council decision on the child and youth concession fares for public transport trips that fall into the newly created Zone 2, or that cross two zones, in relation to the Dunedin bus network. Anita Dawe (GM Regional Planning and Transport) was available to respond to questions on the report.

Resolution CM26-250: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Somerville Seconded

That the Council:

1) ***Notes*** *this report.*

2) ***Approves*** *the retention of child and youth fares for two zone travel at $1.50 (current one zone travel value) until 30 June 2027.*

3) ***Approves*** *the application of Fare Policy F P3 in relation to community services card concessions, which results in a fare of $2 for two zone travel.*

4) ***Notes*** *that Resolution 2 results in a concession that is inconsistent with Fare Policy F P3 in the Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-35.*

MOTION CARRIED

7. CLOSURE

There was no further business, and Chair Calvert declared the meeting closed at 3:42 pm.



_____ _28 October 2026__

Chairperson Date