

Audit, Risk & Finance Committee

19 November 2025



Audit, Risk & Finance Committee – 19/11/25

Minutes of the Audit, Risk & Finance Committee meeting held on Wednesday 19 November 2025, commencing at 3.15pm, in the Hine Paaka Council Chamber, Te Whare Whakatere, 2 Baring Square East, Ashburton.

Present

Mayor Liz McMillan, Councillors Carolyn Cameron (Chair), Russell Ellis, Jeanette Maxwell, Tony Todd, and Richard Wilson; and Murray Harrington.

Also present:

Councillors Phill Everest, Deb Gilkison, Phill Hooper and Julie Moffett.

In attendance

Hamish Riach (CE), Helen Barnes (GM Business Support), Toni Durham (GM Community & Open Spaces), Ian Hyde (GM Compliance & Development) Sarah Mosley (GM People & Facilities), Tania Paddock (GM Legal & Democracy) and Phillipa Clark (Governance Team Leader).

Staff present for the duration of their reports: Emily Reed (Corporate Planner), Laretta Smith (Finance Business Partner), Katie Perry (People & Capability Manager) and Rebecca Lees (Safety & Wellness Lead).

1 Apologies

Nil.

2 Extraordinary Business

That pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following items be introduced as extraordinary business as item 8 (public excluded)

- Audit review update
- Section 7(2)(i) conduct of negotiations

Mayor/Ellis

Carried

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Annual Plan 2026/27 Process/Timetable

The Committee received the timetable and agreed to change the date of the January workshop from Tuesday 27 to Thursday 29 January. Budget packs will be provided to Council mid-January. The narrative format will explain changes to what was previously signalled in year 3 of the LTP.

Post meeting note: the workshop was brought forward to Friday 23 January then subsequently 3 February.

That the Audit, Risk & Finance Committee receives the Annual Plan 2026/27 Process/Timetable.

Ellis/Todd

Carried

5 Management of Accounts Receivable

That the Audit, Risk & Finance Committee receives the report of accounts receivable.

Wilson/Ellis

Carried

6 Bancorp Treasury Report – September 2025

That Council receives the Bancorp Treasury report for the September 2025 quarter.

Ellis/Mayor

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded – 3.46pm.

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely – the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item No	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:	
7	Health and Safety Report	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons

Ellis/Maxwell

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4.52pm.