

Elected Member workshop day

14 April 2026

The session commenced at 10am and concluded at 4.30pm.

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General Topic	Long Term Plan 2027-2037
Purpose	Information sharing
Status	Open to public
Presentation	Available upon request
Speaker/s	Anne McLeod (Long Term Plan Lead)
Outcome	Shared understanding of LTP 2027–2037 context, constraints and key options to explore further.
Elected Members present	Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Tony Quickfall (Group Manager Regulatory & Growth); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); Brendan O’Callaghan (Manager Finance); and Kaia King (Manager Governance).

General Topic	Te Miro Hazard Assessment Report – Late addition
Purpose	Information sharing
Status	Closed to public
Presentation	Not available
Speaker/s	Nardia Gower (Group Manager Strategy & Community)
Outcome	Shared understanding of findings, key risks and implications.
Elected Members present	Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Tony Quickfall (Group Manager Regulatory & Growth); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); Brendan O'Callaghan (Manager Finance); Kaia King (Manager Governance); Nardia Gower (Group Manager Strategy & Community); Rebecca Griffin (Business Improvement Analyst); Charlene Longden (Building Control Manager); Jaime McLellan (Planning Manager); and Robbie Whiteman (Manager Projects).

General Topic	Regulatory overview - DEFERRED
Purpose	Information sharing
Status	Open to public
Presentation	Available upon request
Speaker/s	Tony Quickfall (Group Manager Regulatory & Growth)
Outcome	Increased understanding of Council's regulatory functions, statutory processes and the limits of elected member influence.
Elected Members present	
Staff in attendance	
Rationale for deferment	This workshop was deferred as two key staff were no longer available.

General Topic	Island Reserve status update
Purpose	Option information
Status	Closed to public
Presentation	Not available
Speaker/s	Michael Grayson and Dr Mylene Rakena (Grayson Clements)
Outcome	Clear understanding of the unsettled ownership position for the former Waipā riverbed around Island Reserve, the relevant legal framework and the implications for future reserve development (including proposed netball court development).
Elected Members present	Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Board Members Geoff Good, Bronwyn Tubman, Annie Mahara, Craig Thomas and Richard Harpur. Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); Brendan O'Callaghan (Manager Finance); Keri Downs (Senior Property Advisor); and Kaia King (Manager Governance).

General Topic	Pensioner housing update
Purpose	Option information
Status	Closed to public
Presentation	Not available
Speaker/s	Jessica Cushing and Morgan Jones (Veros).
Outcome	Understanding of pensioner housing financial position and options, including rent-setting scenarios and service delivery options.
Elected Members present	Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Board Members Geoff Good, Bronwyn Tubman, Annie Mahara, Craig Thomas and Richard Harpur. Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); Brendan O'Callaghan (Manager Finance); Keri Downs (Senior Property Advisor); and Kaia King (Manager Governance).

General Topic	Procurement
Purpose	Information sharing
Status	Open to public
Presentation	Available upon request
Speaker/s	Robbie Whiteman (Manager Projects)
Outcome	Improved understanding of Council's procurement approach, responsibilities and how decisions are made and managed.
Elected Members present	<p>Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Board Members Geoff Good, Bronwyn Tubman, Annie Mahara, Craig Thomas and Richard Harpur.</p> <p>Early departure: Councillor Carr departed at 3.50pm.</p> <p>Early departure: Board Member Tubman departed at 4.02pm.</p> <p>Early departure: Councillor Barclay departed at 4.21pm.</p> <p>Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.</p>
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); and Kaia King (Manager Governance).

General Topic	Draft Annual Plan 2026/27
Purpose	Option information
Status	Open to public
Presentation	Available upon request
Speaker/s	Brendan O'Callaghan (Manager Finance)
Outcome	Awareness of key annual plan 2026/27 issues and options; clear steer sought on preferred approach and next steps.
Elected Members present	Mayor Dow and Councillors Barclay, Barker, Butcher, Carr, Kete, Tamaki, and Woodward. Board Members Geoff Good, Bronwyn Tubman, Annie Mahara, Craig Thomas and Richard Harpur. Absent: Deputy Mayor Christison and Councillor Jeffries.
Staff in attendance	Tanya Winter (Chief Executive); Graham Bunn (Group Manager Business Enablement); Tony Quickfall (Group Manager Regulatory & Growth); Mark Lewis (Group Manager Engineering & Assets); Brendan O'Callaghan (Manager Finance); and Kaia King (Manager Governance).

General Topic	Māori Engagement Framework introduction - DEFERRED
Purpose	Information sharing
Status	Open to public
Presentation	Available upon request
Speaker/s	Cassidy Temese (Kaitakawaenga – Iwi Relations Advisor)
Outcome	Shared understanding of the Māori Engagement Framework purpose, principles and how it will be applied in Council decision-making.
Elected Members present	
Staff in attendance	
Rationale for deferment	This workshop was deferred due to time limitations.