

University of Otago Council Part 1

Venue - Council Chamber, First Floor, Clocktower Building



08 October 2024 01:00 PM - 05:00 PM

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Closing Karakia

**UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO COUNCIL
REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

(As disclosed on appointment to the Council and updated as necessary)

All University of Otago Council members are Trustees of The Hocken Collection.

Professor Ralph W Adler

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
Adler Family Foundation	Trustee
Dunedin Community Accounting	Trustee
Roundtable of University-Elected Academic Councillors	Chair

Frazer B Barton

Entity	Nature of Interest
ALC Trustees No 1 Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Shareholding Company Limited	Director / Partner / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Partnership	Partner
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (2011) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (2013) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (No. 2) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (No.3) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Calvert & Co Trustees Limited	Director / Shareholder
Naseby Development Trust	Trustee
New Zealand Law Society / Te Kāhui Ture o Aotearoa	President and Board Member
New Zealand Law Society / Te Kāhui Ture o Aotearoa – CLE Ltd (Continuing Legal Education)	Director
Otago Law Practitioners Benevolent Fund	Trustee
TCP Holdings Limited	Director / Shareholder
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Trustee

Brendan J Boyle

Entity	Nature of Interest
Brendan Boyle Limited	Director / Shareholder
Fairway Resolution Holdings Limited	Director
Fairway Resolution Limited	Director

Mark Brunton

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
Edgar Diabetes and Obesity Research Centre	Board Member

Hon Clare E Curran

Entity	Nature of Interest
Curran Consultants Ltd	Director / Shareholder
Life Matters Suicide Prevention Trust	General Manager
Ōtākau Mental Health and Addictions Network	Chair
The Network for Learning Board – HR and Remuneration Committee	Chair

**UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO COUNCIL
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Allan H Dawson

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Chair
Electricity Authority – Te Mana Hiko	Director
Arlo Software Limited	Director
Connexionz Limited	Director
Winnow Software Limited	Director and Shareholder
Onfarm Solution Limited	Advisory Board member
Winnow Software Limited	Shareholder
University of Otago – family interest	Two children enrolled at the University and residents at Knox College and Te Rangihiroa

Suzanne L Ellison

Entity	Nature of Interest
Kati Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki	Runaka Manager
Karitane Māori Tours Limited	Director

Ross D Jackson

Entity	Nature of Interest
McCulloch and Partners	Partner
Ross Jackson Family Trust	Trustee and Beneficiary
Great Southern Property Holdings Limited	Director/Shareholder
Invercargill City Council Risk and Assurance Committee	Independent Chair
Mackersy Five Mile GP Limited	Director and Shareholder
Invest South Limited	Director
McCulloch Trustees 2004 Limited	Director and Shareholder
McCulloch Trustees 2010 Limited	Director and Shareholder
Pacific Tristar Limited	Director
Southland Sports Services Limited	Director and Shareholder
Villas 1-36 Management Limited	Director and Chairman
Numerous Client Trustee Companies	Director and Corporate Trustee

Patricia (Trish) A Oakley

Entity	Nature of Interest
Forsyth Barr Limited	Employee / Shareholder
Financial Services Council - Investment and KiwiSaver Committee	Co-Chair
Institute of Directors NZ - Board	Director
Institute of Directors NZ – National Council	Vice President
Institute of Directors NZ – Otago Southland Branch	Committee Member
New Zealand Lotteries Commission - Board	Member
Global Women	Member
The Food Club Limited	Shareholder
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Director
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Board of Trustees (as Chancellor)
Pomegranate Trust	Trustee and Beneficiary

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO COUNCIL
REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Nicola E Riordan

Entity	Nature of Interest
Diabetes New Zealand	Trustee
Kordia Limited	Director
Real Estate Institute of New Zealand (REINZ)	Director
Realestate.co.nz	Director
Loan Market Group (Australia)	Director
New Zealand Financial Services Group (NZFSG)	Director
Nua Limited	Shareholder
NZQA Information Systems Committee	Independent member

Hon Grant M Robertson

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Ex officio Trustee
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Ex officio Director
NZ Vice-Chancellors' Committee (Universities NZ)	Committee Member
KMKT Trust (Family Trust)	Non-beneficial Trustee

Keegan L Wells

Entity	Nature of Interest
Otago University Students' Association	President
NZ Union of Students' Associations	Ex officio Board Member; Chair

Malcolm A Wong

Entity	Nature of Interest
Aylesbury Investments Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees (2007) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees (2017) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees (2020) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees Limited	Director / Shareholder
Cook North & Wong Limited	Director / Shareholder
Dornoch Dunedin Investments Limited	Shareholder (Trustee)
Dunedin Casinos Charitable Trust	Trustee (Advisory)
Dunedin Chinese Gardens Trust	Trustee (Chairman)
Kotahitaka Trust Board	Trustee
Nasico Limited	Shareholder
Palmer Oliver Holdings Limited	Shareholder
Sun Gum Saan Limited	Director
P M Yelavich Anaesthetics Limited	Shareholder
Technology Holdings Limited	Shareholder
Wychwood Holdings Limited	Shareholder



Minutes of a meeting of the University Council

10 September 2024

- Present** The Chancellor (in the Chair), the Pro-Chancellor, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Enterprise) (as Acting Vice-Chancellor), Professor R W Adler, Mr B J Boyle, Mr M Brunton (by videoconference), Hon C E Curran, Ms S L Ellison, Ms N E Riordan, Ms K L Wells, and Mr M A Wong
- Apology** The Vice-Chancellor, Hon C E Curran for early departure at 2.50pm
- In attendance** The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (External Engagement), the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Operating Officer, the Director of Communications, the Director of Strategy, Analytics and Reporting, the Registrar and Secretary to the Council, and the Manager, Copyright and Open Access (acting as Deputy Secretary to Council)
- Welcome** Ms N E Riordan was welcomed to her first meeting of the University Council. Mr R KA White was noted as standing in for the Deputy Secretary to Council.
- Congratulations** The Chancellor extended congratulations to Ms Wells on becoming Chair of the New Zealand University Students' Association.

Part 1: Open Committee

- Opening Karakia** led by Ms S L Ellison, which included an acknowledgement of the passing of Kiingi Tuheitia and an acknowledgement of his successor Kuini Nga Wai Hono i te Po.

1. Disclosure of Interests and Register of Interests

The Council received the current Register of Interests for members of the University of Otago Council, and the Chancellor reminded members to declare any changes to the Deputy Secretary to the Council.

2. University Council Minutes

Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 August 2024 were confirmed.

3. Communications from the Senate

The Council received Communications from the Senate, dated 28 August 2024 and

APPROVED the following recommendations:

i) Dates for the Academic Year 2026

and

ii) Scholarships and Prizes

New prizes

- Consulting Surveyors of New Zealand Prize (300-level)
- Hutton Prize for Excellence in O&G 5th Year

New scholarship

- Honours Scholarship for Excellence in Neuroscience

4. Finance and Budget

4.1 Financial Review Part 1

The Council received a verbal report from the Chief Financial Officer. It was noted that a new format for reports is in development.

5. Vice-Chancellor's Business

5.1 Vice-Chancellor's Report

The Council received a written report from the Vice-Chancellor, dated 30 August 2024, covering topical issues, divisional updates, and various awards and recognition.

In the meeting, the Acting Vice-Chancellor noted for Council in particular, the welcoming of an eighth member to the Matariki Network (The University of the Western Cape), the recent launch of Te Aka Matua 2030, the livening up of the Link space with murals, and the previous day's presentation of the Global and Connected Domain of Pae Tata to staff.

Recognition of the Chancellors' Service

At the conclusion of Part 1, Ms Oakley acknowledged that this was the Chancellor's last Council meeting, recognising the achievements of his twelve years of service, from 2018 as Pro-Chancellor and from 2022 as the 20th Chancellor of the University. She noted the following highlights for the University over this period:

- topping the Tertiary Education Commission's annual Educational Performance Indicators;
- significant success in research funding rounds;
- the commissioning and opening of buildings;
- progress in the equity space and commitment to being a Te Tiriti-led University;
- revenue increased from \$622 million to \$857;
- an added \$10+ billion in economic value to the city;
- our new tohu and ikoa Māori, *Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka*; and
- Pae Tata, the guiding document for the University's future.

She concluded with praise for his leadership through challenging financial times with calmness, wisdom and genuine human kindness and care for students and staff. The Council joined her in a round of applause.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor echoed these sentiments on behalf of staff and students.

6. Exclusion of the Public

The Council

APPROVED a motion, under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to the Minutes.

6. Exclusion of the Public

The Chancellor moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

Item 7	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 13 August 2024
Item 8	University Council Work Plan 2024 and Action Follow-Register
Item 9	Vice-Chancellor's Report
Item 10	Net Carbon Programme Business Case
Item 11	Whakamana Pae Tata Progress Report
Item 12	Service Effectiveness Survey
Item 13	Financial Review Report
Item 14	Health and Safety Report – July 2024
Item 15	Wiles v University of Auckland
Item 16	Council Information Pack
Item 17	Council Only Business

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: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 7 - 17 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 7	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 13 August 2024.	ss 9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 8	University Council Work Plan and Action Follow-Register	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 9	Vice-Chancellor's Report	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 10	Net Carbon Programme Business Case	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 11	Whakamana Pae Tata Progress Report	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 12	Service Effectiveness Survey	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 13	Financial Review Report	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 14	Health and Safety Report – July 2024	ss 9(2)(a), (ba) and (c)
Item 15	Wiles v University of Auckland	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 16	Council Information Pack which includes Tuakiritaka Project Update, Schedule of Financial Delegations, Naming the Lectureship in Chaplaincy Studies, University Advisory Group, Pre-liminary Financial Review, Treasury Report and Council Membership 2024	ss 9(2)(i), (j) and (k)
Item 21	Council Only Business	ss 9(2)(a), (i), (j) and (k)

AND THAT for Items 7 - 16 Professors S Brock, R Blaikie, J Palmer, J Ruru, Mr S Willis, Mr D Thomson, Mr B Trott, Ms M McPherson, for item 10 – Mr R O'Brien and Mr C Cliff, for item 11 – Mr C Hale be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration and/or knowledge of specific capital projects of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Manger, Copyright and Access (on behalf of the Deputy Secretary to the Council) is also permitted to remain at the meeting for Items 1-17 to provide secretarial support and advice.



COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE
25 September 2024

The Senate recommends for approval:

Academic Proposals

The following academic proposals, to be submitted to the Committee on University Academic Programmes (CUAP):

- To consolidate the Energy Science and Technology and Energy Management subjects into a single subject to be renamed Sustainable Energy Engineering, including an amendment to recode EMAN papers as ENRG papers.
- To delete the Postgraduate Certificate in Children's Issues (PGCertChIs) and Postgraduate Diploma in Child-Centred Practice (PGDipCCP), including the deletion of CHIC papers.

Department of Women's and Children's Health, DSM

A proposal to split the Department of Women's and Children's Health in the Dunedin School of Medicine (DSM) into two departments, the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Women's Health and the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, as outlined in manatu from the Head of the Department of Women's and Children's Health dated 9 September 2024.

Matters approved by Senate under delegation through University Statute, for noting:

Academic Proposals

Boards of Undergraduate and Graduate Studies

In addition to minor and consequential amendments, the Senate approved the following:

Commerce

- MART 570 Marketing for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (approved special topic)

Standardising Postgraduate Admissions Regulations and Requirements

A proposal to standardise admissions regulations and requirements for postgraduate programmes.

Graduating Year Reviews

Graduating Year Review (GYR) reports, to be submitted to CUAP, for the following programmes:

Health Sciences

- Master of Advanced Nursing Practice (MAdvNP)

Commerce

- Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) for the BCom/BCom(Hons)

Humanities

- Criminology endorsement for DipGrad
- Master of Arts (Coursework) MA(Coursework), including Buddhist Studies and PHPE subjects

Sciences

- Data Science for BSc
- Exercise and Sport Science for BSc
- Physical Education, Activity and Health for BSc
- Sport Development and Management for BSc and BA



MEMORANDUM / MANATU

To / Kia: Professor Lynley Anderson, Acting Dean, Dunedin School of Medicine

From / Nā: Professor Peter McIntyre, Head of Department, Women's and Children's Health

CC / He kape mā: A/Professor Megan Gibbons, Pro Vice Chancellor Health Sciences

Date / Te rā: September 9th, 2024

Re / Te Kaupapa: Establishing Departments of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Women's Health and Paediatrics and Child Health in the Dunedin School of Medicine

Background:

The two departments of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Paediatrics at the Dunedin School of Medicine were combined into the Department of Women's and Children's Health in 1999. The stated aims of this new combined department were to achieve efficiencies in administration and teaching and strengthen the research base. However, these aims have not been realised for several reasons. In addition, the Department has been hampered by lack of a common physical space, with staff in four separate locations, despite recommendations from university internal Reviews in 2009 and 2013.

In 2024, two reviews have recommended that the two departments are separated. The review of the Division of Health Sciences structure has recommended uniform Departmental structures across the Faculty of Medicine in all three locations. . The proposal for separation was further endorsed after detailed consideration by the QAU panel for the Department of Women's and Children's Health Review in May 2024. The panel's report noted uniform support for separation from interviewees and that curriculum alignment for ALM 5 from 2025 would address long-standing student concerns that the previous combined ALM 5 seven-week term gave inadequate teaching time. To coincide with curriculum alignment, we wish to action the separation of Women's and Children's Health into two Departments from the start of the 2025 academic year.

Proposed Department structure:

It is proposed that the current department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Paediatrics in Dunedin we split into the following two departments:

1. Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Women's Health
2. Department of Paediatrics and Child Health,

This aligns with the Northern Campuses and supports the changes from the Review of HS and the review of the department.

The new department structure would commence for the beginning of 2025.

Each Department would have a Head of Department, replacing the current structure of one Head of Department and two Heads of Section (Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Paediatrics).

The number of academic and professional staff delivering teaching related to Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Paediatrics across the medical course (ELM 2 and 3 for whole student cohort in Dunedin and ALM 4-6 for Dunedin-based students) will remain largely unchanged. There are some resource implications which are being worked through as the change in the ALM curriculum is rolled out across the Otago Medical School, this is no different to other departments.

Nāku noa, nā

Signature redacted for public version

Head of Department
Women's and Children's Health
Dunedin School of Medicine

Supported by

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Professor Lynley Anderson
Acting Dean
Dunedin School of Medicine



FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee

3 July 2024

Present	Chancellor (Convener), Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Professor R W Adler, Hon C E Curran, Ms K L Wells and Mr M A Wong
Apologies	None
In attendance	Mr S W Willis, (Chief Operating Officer), Ms H Harris (Financial Controller), the Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Deputy Secretary to the Council.
Welcome	Hon G M Robertson was welcomed to his first meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee.

Part 1 - Open Committee

1. Minutes

Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee held on 18 April 2024 were confirmed.

2. Financial Review Report

The Council received a Financial Review Part 1 report for the period ended 31 May 2024 from the Chief Financial Officer and

NOTED the operating surplus for the period ended 31 May 2024 was \$132.7 million, which was \$11.0 million higher than the budgeted surplus of \$121.7 million.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

APPROVED a motion under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to these minutes.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Convener moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

- Item 4 Part 2 Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee held on 18 April 2024
- Item 5 Finance and Budget Committee Work Plan and Action Follow-Up Register
- Item 6 Strategic Risk Report
- Item 7 Financial Review Report
- Item 8 Treasury Report
- Item 9 Convener's Business

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Items 4 - 9 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

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Item 7	Financial Review Report	s9(2)(i), and (k)
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AND THAT Mr S W Willis and Ms H Harris be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary and the Deputy Secretary to the Council are also permitted to remain at the meeting so as to provide advice and secretarial support.



FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee

26 September 2024

Present Chancellor (Convener), Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Professor R W Adler, Hon C E Curran, Ms K L Wells and Mr M A Wong.

In attendance Mr R Jackson, Mr J Hayes (acting Chief Operating Officer), Ms D Levy (Head of Finance Advisory), Mr B N Trott (Chief Financial Officer), Hon Dr D Clark (Registrar and Secretary to the Council) and the Mr R K A White (Manager Copyright and Open Access, acting for the Deputy Secretary to the Council).

Part 1 - Open Committee

1. Minutes

Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee held on 3 July 2024 were confirmed.

2. Financial Review Report

The report was noted.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

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- Item 8 Treasury Report
- Item 9 Multi-year Financial Forecasts
- Item 10 UOHL and Group funding reports
- Item 11 Late paper: TEC Risk Assessment
- Item 12 Convener's Business

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AND THAT Mr J Hayes (acting Chief Operating Officer), Ms D Levy (Head of Finance Advisory) and Mr B N Trott (Chief Financial Officer) be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to Council and the Manager Copyright and Open Access (acting for the Deputy Secretary to the Council) are also permitted to remain at the meeting so as to provide advice and secretarial support.



University of Otago Council

Financial Review

To receive a verbal update from the Chief Financial Officer



CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Capital Development Committee

24 September 2024

- Present** Mr A H Dawson (Convenor), the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Phil Bremer, Mr B J Boyle (by video conference), Ms S L Ellison, Mr S W Willis.
- Apologies** Professor D L Hay and Associate Professor H Roberts.
- In attendance** Professor R Adler, Ms N Riordan, Ms T Syddall (Director of Campus Development), Mr G Roy (Head of Campus Development), Mr S Turnbull (Chief Digital Officer), Mr Craig Stephens (Senior Manager IT Projects Unit), Mr P Wyffels (Head of Enterprise Project Management Office), Mr B Trott (Chief Financial Officer), Mrs R AbuSafieh (Head of Digital Strategy and Partnering), Mr J Hayes (Head of Transformation and Improvement, and acting Chief Operating Officer), Hon Dr D Clark (Registrar and Secretary to Council), and Mr R K A White (Manager Copyright and Open Access, acting for Deputy Secretary to the Council).
- Professor S Brock and Ms N Weaver (Manager, Business Case Development) (Item 8)
- Acknowledgement** The Convenor began the meeting by acknowledging the outgoing-Chancellor's contribution to the Committee.

Part 1: Open Committee

- 1. Minutes** Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Development Committee held on 2 July 2024 were confirmed, subject to correcting the spelling of Robertson.
- 2. Capital Projects Report – Part A**

The Committee received a Campus Development and ITS Portfolio Report dated 10 September 2024.

The Acting Chief Operating Officer provided an update on projects, including the UOC Campus Redevelopment Project, the Aquinas Extension, Arana Seismic/Fire work, the CApSc Building (which had been visited by Committee members prior to the meeting), the Strategic Space Project, Hākitekura and UOW. It was noted that with regard to the UOC project there was a focus on its key risks.

For the ITS Portfolio, brief updates were provided on various projects, including the rollout of Property Plus, training for the Otago Research

Information System (scheduled to go live shortly), Workplace Transformation (with the new website being launched the day prior), and the Otago Digital Workspaces project. The latter received praise from Mr Trott from the point of view of a “customer” and the Committee noted the positive feedback for the team behind this work.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

APPROVED a motion under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to these minutes.

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3. Exclusion of the Public

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Item 6	Capital Development Committee Strategic Risk Report
Item 7	Capital Projects Report Part B
Item 8	Digital Learning Environment Business Case
Item 9	Digital Strategy and Digital Roadmap
Item 10	Student accommodation
Item 11	UOC Adaption Business Case – Sensitivity Analysis
Item 12	Late papers: Net Present Value approach, Register of Interests
Item 13	Convenor’s business

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Item 4	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Development Committee held on 23 April 2024	s9(2)(a), (b)(ii), (i), (j), and (k)
Item 5	Capital Development Committee Work Plan and Action Follow-Up Register	s9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 6	Capital Development Committee Strategic Risk Report	s9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 7	Capital Projects Report Part B	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 8	Digital Learning Environment Business Case	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 9	Digital Strategy and Digital Roadmap	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 10	Student accommodation	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 11	UOC Adaption Business Case – Sensitivity Analysis	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 12	Late papers: Net Present Value approach, Register of Interests	s9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 13	Convener’s Business	

AND THAT Mr J Hayes, Mr B Trott, Ms T Syddall, Mr P Wyffels, Mr G Roy, Mr S Turnbull, Mr Craig Stephens, Mrs R AbuSafieh, and, for Item 8, Ms N Weaver and Professor S Brock be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Manager Copyright and Open Access (acting for the Deputy Secretary to the Council) are also permitted to remain at the meeting for Items 4 - 13 so as to provide secretarial support and advice.



Capital Development Committee – Campus Development and ITS Portfolio Report Part A

University Operations

Project Management

Campus and Collegiate Life Services | Campus Development | Chief Operating Officer
Health and Safety Compliance | Information Technology Services | Property Services
Risk, Assurance and Compliance | Shared Services | Sustainability



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2024 Otago University Construction Portfolio 10/09/2024												
ID	Fund Source	Project Name	Current Stage	Portfolio Category	Current Overall Status Flag	Last Month Overall Status Flag	Business Case Approved	Practical Completion	All Years Original Approved Budget	All Years Revised Approved Budget	All Years Actuals	All Years EAC - Actuals plus Forecast
In Flight									\$297,763	\$349,637	\$191,124	\$363,755
162	CDC Projects - Construction	UOC Campus Redevelopment (UOCCR)	Deliver	Service / Asset Expansion	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 11/09/18	Forecast 31/03/26	\$178,305	\$240,810	\$117,710	\$261,062
273	CDC Projects - Construction	Aquinas Extension	Deliver	Service / Asset Expansion	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 09/11/21	Actual 08/03/24	\$19,079	\$22,632	\$23,234	\$23,878
177	CDC Projects - Construction	Arana Seismic / Fire	Deliver	Health & Safety / Compliance	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 14/03/22	Forecast 18/12/24	\$14,850	\$14,850	\$7,421	\$14,337
188	CDC Projects - Construction	Science 3 Sprinkler	Deliver	Health & Safety / Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 21/04/20	Actual 15/08/24	\$3,887	\$3,887	\$2,907	\$2,910
196	CDC Projects - Construction	CApSc Building	Plan	Health & Safety / Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 13/10/20	Actual 16/08/24	\$44,290	\$22,918	\$16,090	\$22,918
166	CDC Projects - Construction	Häkitekura	Plan	Service / Asset Expansion	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 12/11/19	Forecast 31/12/26	\$9,723	\$13,271	\$2,845	\$13,271
381	CDC Projects - Construction	Strategic Space Project - University Plaza and Otago Business School	Plan	Asset Preservation	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 29/11/22	Actual 01/07/24	\$10,368	\$10,368	\$9,168	\$9,919
377	CDC Projects - Construction	UOW Lecture Theatre Strengthening	Plan	Health & Safety / Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 11/10/22	Actual 17/01/24	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$7,340	\$7,371
382	CDC Projects - Construction	UOW Link Block Further Adaptions	Plan	Health & Safety / Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 03/04/23	Actual 17/01/24	\$5,254	\$6,252	\$4,251	\$4,251
402	CDC Projects - Construction	Maximising the Owheo Building	Plan	Service / Asset Expansion	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 16/04/24	Forecast 31/03/25	\$776	\$2,483	\$19	\$2,483
413	CDC Projects - Construction	Signage and Wayfinding	Plans / Reports /	Construction Other	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned		Forecast 31/12/24	\$75	\$1,010		\$1,218
392	CDC Projects - Construction	Workplaces of The Future	Plans / Reports /	Construction Other	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned		TBD	\$155	\$155	\$138	\$138
Assessment									\$400	\$400	\$214	\$289
396	CDC Projects - Construction	UOW Academic Block Re-strengthening	Evaluate	Service / Asset Expansion	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 31/07/24	Forecast 31/12/27	\$400	\$400	\$214	\$289
TOTAL: CDC Projects - Construction									\$333,980	\$385,854	\$193,441	\$366,148

2024 Otago University ITS Portfolio 10/09/2024

ID	Fund Source	Project Name	Current Stage	Portfolio Category	Current Overall Status Flag	Last Month Overall Status Flag	Business Case Approved	Practical Completion	All Years Original Approved Budget	All Years Revised Approved Budget	All Years Actuals	All Years EAC - Actuals plus Forecast
In Flight									\$15,749	\$22,165	\$11,969	\$19,455
213	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Property+	Deliver	Facilities & Property Management	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 08/06/21	Forecast 29/11/24	\$4,281	\$6,929	\$5,265	\$6,878
93	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Otago Research Information System (ORIS)	Deliver	Research	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 23/11/22	Forecast 17/09/24	\$2,773	\$2,773	\$2,668	\$3,050
330	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	SIEM/SOC	Deliver	Information Management	Green - As Planned	Amber - Managed	Actual 27/02/23	Forecast 18/10/24	\$1,511	\$1,531	\$1,522	\$1,552
92	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Research Outputs Management	Deliver	Research	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 12/09/22	Actual 30/08/24	\$762	\$762	\$367	\$392
60	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Otago Digital Workspaces	Plan	Information & Communication Technology	Amber - Managed	Green - As Planned	Actual 11/04/22	Forecast 05/12/24	\$3,962	\$4,065	\$2,114	\$4,033
385	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Hazardous Substances Inventory	Plan	Governance, Risk & Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 06/05/24	Forecast 30/09/25	\$75	\$3,720	\$20	\$2,039
409	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Enterprise Forecasting and Planning	Plan	Business Capability Management	Green - As Planned		Actual 13/05/24	Forecast 13/05/25	\$1,880	\$1,880	\$10	\$1,355
420	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Dodd-Walls Review	Plans / Reports /	Governance, Risk & Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned		TBD	\$206	\$206	\$4	\$155
Assessment									\$1,315	\$1,315	\$274	\$410
78	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Identity Access Management - IDaas Identity System	Evaluate	Information Management			Forecast 30/09/24	TBD	\$140	\$140	\$84	\$140
252	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	IT Asset & Application Management	Evaluate	Information & Communication Technology			TBD	TBD	\$180	\$180	\$26	\$91
337	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Electronic Document & Records Management System (EDRMS)	Evaluate	Information Management	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	TBD	TBD	\$150	\$150	\$51	\$65
253	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Fieldwork / Off-site Activity	Evaluate	Governance, Risk & Compliance	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	TBD	TBD	\$52	\$52	\$63	\$63
365	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Body Bequest Database	Evaluate	Learning & Teaching			Actual 25/07/24	TBD	\$59	\$59	\$45	\$46
339	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Student Health, Wellbeing & Pastoral Care	Evaluate	Learning & Teaching			TBD	TBD	\$40	\$40	\$0	\$0
404	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Student Exchange & Mobility	Evaluate	Learning & Teaching			TBD	TBD				
406	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Dunedin Study	Evaluate	Research	Green - As Planned	Grey - Cancelled	TBD	TBD	\$370	\$370		
412	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Enterprise Data Capability	Concept	Business Capability Management					\$324	\$324	\$5	\$5
TOTAL: CDC Projects - ITS									\$17,064	\$23,480	\$12,244	\$19,865

2024 Otago University Strategic Portfolio 10/09/2024

ID	Fund Source	Project Name	Current Stage	Portfolio Category	Current Overall Status Flag	Last Month Overall Status Flag	Business Case Approved	Practical Completion	All Years Original Approved Budget	All Years Revised Approved Budget	All Years Actuals	All Years EAC - Actuals plus Forecast
In Flight									\$16,888	\$22,152	\$10,363	\$23,099
282	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	CRSM Phase 2 - Service Management Foundation	Deliver	Business Capability Management	Green - As Planned	Amber - Managed	Actual 21/04/20	Actual 31/08/22	\$4,567	\$6,808	\$6,796	\$6,801
401	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Web Transformation Phase 2: Transform	Deliver	Marketing Management	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 11/10/22	Forecast 24/01/25		\$3,023	\$1,432	\$2,776
357	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Dental Hospital Improvement Project	Deliver	Supporting Services	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 27/02/23	Forecast 30/09/24	\$1,975	\$1,975	\$1,158	\$1,373
246	CDC Projects - Additional	Air Travel	Plan	Facilities & Property Management	Amber - Managed	Amber - Managed	Actual 29/11/22	Forecast 31/10/27	\$9,125	\$9,125	\$214	\$8,047
250	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Robotic Process Automation	Plan	Business Capability Management	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned	Actual 01/07/22	Actual 22/12/23	\$372	\$372	\$424	\$424
421	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Pae Tata Implementation	Plans / Reports /	Strategy Management	Green - As Planned	Green - As Planned		TBD	\$190	\$190	\$0	\$0
202	CDC Projects - Additional	Net Zero Carbon	Funding Pool	Facilities & Property Management					\$485	\$485	\$142	\$2,342
Assessment									\$237	\$237	\$336	\$336
335	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Digital Learning Environment (DLE)	Evaluate	Learning & Teaching			Forecast 30/09/24	TBD	\$154	\$154	\$300	\$300
403	CDC Projects - IT & Strategic	Curriculum Management	Evaluate	Learning & Teaching			Forecast 30/09/24	TBD	\$83	\$83	\$36	\$36
TOTAL: CDC Projects - Strategic									\$7,515	\$12,778	\$10,342	\$13,045
TOTAL: CDC Projects - Additional Approved									\$9,610	\$9,610	\$357	\$10,389

Vice-Chancellor's Report to Council Part 1

For the Council meeting on : 8 October 2024



Date: 2 October 2024
Submitted by: Hon Grant Robertson, Vice-Chancellor

Recommendation

That Council note the Vice Chancellor's Report.

Notable Recent Developments

- **Change of University Chancellor**

I take this opportunity to once again acknowledge the significant mahi and contribution to the University of Otago by our (now) former Chancellor, Mr Stephen Higgs, who finished his role on the 30th of September and to again welcome Trish Oakley who has taken over this key role from 1 October 2024.

- **QS (Quacquarelli Symonds) Stars Rating**

The University of Otago has recently been re-accredited with the maximum possible 'Five Plus' rating under QS Stars quality system. Run by the agency better known for its rankings, QS stars is an opt-in quality assessment that evaluates universities across a number of key areas. This is Otago's third successive accreditation at the 'Five Plus' level, which is only awarded to institutions the score the maximum sub-rating of Five Stars for each component of the ranking (these components being: teaching; employability; internationalisation; research; facilities; subject rankings; good governance; environmental impact; diversity, equity, and inclusion; global engagement). In all, 379 universities worldwide hold a QS Stars assessment. Otago is one of just 21 to hold the maximum 'Five Plus' rating.

- **MBIE Smart Ideas Funding**

Eight University of Otago research projects have recently secured \$8m in Smart Ideas funding from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's latest Endeavour Fund investment round.

- **Queenstown and Lakes District Seminar and Community Engagement**

On the 2nd of October along with a number of other university staff, I undertook consultation in Queenstown with interested stakeholders on the work we are doing on the development of Otago's presence in the Queenstown and Lakes District region. This took place alongside a seminar on Artificial Intelligence led by senior academics. There were positive and constructive conversations about our proposals, which we will now use to inform the design of our proposals and to inform decisions that will be brought to Council.

- **Announcements by Government on Dunedin Hospital and Third Medical School Proposal**

The announcement by the Government of the possible downgrading of the Dunedin Hospital was met with considerable disappointment by many members of the University of Otago community. A number of members of staff attended the protest on Saturday 28th of September, including those from the Division of Health Sciences who work at the hospital in different forms. As a university we have made public statements expressing our disappointment and

recognising the importance of Dunedin Hospital as a teaching hospital. We will continue to engage with the Government as they make final decisions.

The Government has also announced that the cost-benefit analysis for the Waikato medical school proposal has been completed, although the analysis has not been released publicly at this stage. We have commented in the media that our position remains that it is far more cost-effective and efficient to train more doctors in the two existing medical schools – at the University of Otago and the University of Auckland. There is still some way to go before a final decision is made on this matter, and we will continue to advocate to government on our position.

- **Matariki Network Meeting, Uppsala Sweden**

Along with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Māori, and International Director I attended the Matariki Network (MNU) Annual meeting in Uppsala in early September, at which the network's eighth member, the University of the Western Cape was admitted. At the meeting, the Network recommitted to several initiatives, including MNU Indigenous Mobility Programme, Matariki Engagement Grants, MNU Global Citizenship Programme, Matariki Research Seed Fund, Matariki Leadership Programme, MNU PhD Mobility Programme. The network remains a useful opportunity for Otago to work with like-minded universities and to share and exchange knowledge and information. Otago has been selected as the location for the 2026 annual meeting; following on from Durham University who will host in 2025.

- **Alumni events: Stockholm, London, Cambridge, Oxford, Edinburgh**

Alumni events were held recently in Sweden and the UK and proved a great opportunity for to network with friends and supporters of the University and for me to introduce myself as Vice-Chancellor. Particularly noteworthy was the University's first ever event in Stockholm, which attracted 68 attendees and was hosted by alumnus Ambassador H. E. David Taylor at the official residence.

While in Stockholm I also met with alumni Minister Johan Forssell who has served as Minister for Migration in the cabinet of Ulf Kristersson since 10 September 2024, having previously served as Minister for Foreign Trade and International Development Cooperation.

In the United Kingdom we held Alumni events in London, Cambridge, Oxford and Edinburgh. The event in Edinburgh was held alongside a celebration of the Dunedin – Edinburgh Sister City 50th Anniversary and representing Dunedin City. The event was hosted by Edinburgh Lord Provost and supported by H.E. Phil Goff, NZ High Commissioner to the UK

- **Anatomy Thanksgiving Service**

The annual Anatomy Thanksgiving Service took place on the evening of Wednesday 18 September. This service honours those who have so generously donated their body for medical science teaching and research. It also acknowledges the sacrifice families make when a loved one donates their body. The service was attended by approximately 150 family, friends and whānau of donors and an equivalent number of staff and students, and included music, the reading of family and student messages, and the opportunity to light a candle in memory of our donors. This very special service reflects the enormous respect and appreciation felt by the Department and its' students to the donors and to the families who sacrifice so much to honour their loved ones wish to donate their body to further medical and science education and research.

Operational Performance Highlights

- **Health Sciences:**
 - Five of the eight projects to receive MBIE Smart Ideas funding are based in the Division of Health Sciences. Each project will receive \$1 million over a period of three years from the latest Endeavour Fund investment round.
 - The new postgraduate adult restorative dental care certificate, launched in June, provides a year-long course including two weeks of training at Otago with the rest taught remotely, allowing the therapists to continue to work while studying. A third of the first intake of 21 students were Māori and Pasifika, while many were from areas such as Tairāwhiti, Southland and the West Coast, where there were dentist shortages.
 - The annual Matariki Rangahau Series that celebrates Māori health research and researchers in Aotearoa New Zealand was hosted by the University of Otago, Christchurch last week. This year's theme was 'Translational Research and Data Advocacy' – the process of translating research findings into practical, clinical applications to improve Māori and Pacific patient outcomes.
 - Twenty-four doctors from rural areas around Aotearoa New Zealand travelled to Rarotonga for the Otago Medical School's Continuing Medical Education Rural Generalist Workshop. This three-day workshop (26-28 August) returned to the Cook Islands after a five-year hiatus due to Covid-19. It was organised by Otago's Centre for Rural Health postgraduate programme in collaboration with the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners' Division of Rural Hospital Medicine and Te Marae Ora Cook Islands Ministry of Health.
 - The Rural Medical Immersion Programme (RMIP) is a one-year programme in which groups of three to five fifth-year medical students elect to live, study and train in one of nine rural regions nationwide. This year medical students were placed in 57 cities, towns and localities across the country, involving 135 different medical practices - 48 of them regional or rural.
 - University of Otago researchers have received \$1.5 million of funding in the latest National Heart Foundation Research round to support heart related research and project grants.

- **Sciences:**
 - The 50th Science Wānanga was held in Heretaunga (Hastings) at Rūnanga marae and Omāhu marae, in collaboration with Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga and Te Piringa Hapū of Ngāti Kahungunu. The Wānanga, held from 9th – 13th September, was attended by 27 rangatahi Māori from local kura.
 - The Department of Geology held an event in the Geology Museum celebrating the launch of a special issue of The Journal of the Royal Society of New Zealand dedicated to the late Professor Ewan Fordyce and his outstanding 40-year career as a palaeontologist, researcher and educator.
 - A series of GPS instruments are being installed around South Dunedin by The School of Surveying Te Kura Kairūri in partnership with the Otago Regional Council. Their installation was overseen by Dr Paul Denys, and the instruments will be measuring precise vertical land movement over several years to support decisions on future policy and actions.

- **Humanities:**
 - Dr Liana MacDonald (Ngāti Kuia, Rangitāne o Wairau, Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, Ngāti Tama, Te Ātiawa, Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga) has been appointed the inaugural Chair in Māori, Moriori and Indigenous Peace Studies, in Te Ao o Rongomaraeroa National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies. Dr MacDonald will also be Co-Director of the Centre alongside Professor Richard Jackson.

- Taura from Otago's Te Kaupeka Tātai Ture - Faculty of Law have won both national student competitions at this year's Te Hunga Rōia Māori o Aotearoa Hui-ā-Tau (Annual Māori Law Society Conference), held in Whakatane. Manawa Te Ahuru-Quinn (Ngāti Tūwharetoa and Te Rarawa) was jointly awarded 'Best Mooter' in the National Kaupapa Māori Competition and Ariana-moe Brown (Rongowhaata, Te Aitanga-a-Mahaki, Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Maniapoto) won the National Kaupapa Māori Negotiation Competition.
- **Commerce:**
 - A Town & Gown event, 'Charting New Horizons: Reimagining Futures', was held in the Business School at the end of August. It was hosted by Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand in conjunction with the Business School and the Department of Accountancy and Finance.
 - Commerce alumna Dr Wendy London returned to Otago recently to announce the establishment of the Dr Wendy London & Terence Lealand BDS Overseas Travel Award, based in the Tourism department for a PhD student.
 - Professor Sara Walton, Director of the Master of Sustainable Business and Co-Director of He Kaupapa Hononga/Otago's Climate Research Network, has just launched Climate Action Tracker Aotearoa (CATA). Sara led a team that created a transparent system to hold some of this country's top carbon emitters to account.
- **Development and Alumni Relations:**
 - The Douglas Goodfellow Charitable Trust has committed to donate \$1 million over the next three years to the Lecturer in Chaplaincy Studies endowment fund at the University of Otago – Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka. In recognition of the substantial financial contribution and to honour the legacy of Douglas Goodfellow and the Goodfellow family's longstanding support for chaplaincy, the lecturer position has been named the Douglas Goodfellow Lecturer in Chaplaincy Studies.
 - The highlight of a recent visit to Otago by senior leaders from the national university of Timor-Leste, Universidade Nacional Timor Lorosa'e (UNTL), was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two institutions, to promote friendship and continue to explore and encourage co-operation.
 - Two new awards supported by alumni have been announced: the Mai Chen Legal Innovation Award, to push the boundaries of legal thinking, and the Dr Wendy R London & Terence P Lealand, BDS Overseas Travel Award to support research into the cruise industry.

People and Culture

Recent senior staff appointments:

- Chair in Māori, Moriori and Indigenous Peace Studies and Co-Director of Te Ao o Rongomaraeroa, National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies: Associate Professor Liana MacDonald
- Eamon Cleary Chair in Irish Studies, Centre for Irish and Scottish Studies: Professor Mabe Long
- Dean, Faculty of Law: Professor Bridgette Toy-Cronin
- Dean, Dunedin School of Medicine: Professor Suetonia Green
- Dean, Graduate Research School: Associate Professor Diane Ruwhiu
- Dean, University of Otago Wellington: Professor William Levack (reappointment)

Celebrating Excellence – awards and recognition

This is not an exhaustive list of the achievements of our staff, students and alumni. We recognise that our staff in particular are working hard every day, producing outstanding results and achievements at all levels. This represents a sample of some of their recent achievements.

- This year's **Distinguished Research Medal** has been awarded to **Professor of Medicine, Pathology and Global Health, John Crump**.
- Associate Professor **Anna High** from the Faculty of Law is the recipient of this year's **Rowheath Trust Award & Carl Smith Medal**.
- Other researchers have also been honoured recently including staff receiving the Research Group Award, Māori Early Career Award for Distinction in Research, the Tofā Sāili Pacific Early Career Award for Distinction in Research, and Early Career Research Awards.
- Professor **Abby Smith** from the Department of Marine Science has received the prestigious **New Zealand Marine Sciences Society Award**. Established in 1985, the annual award recognises an individual's outstanding contribution to marine science in New Zealand.
- Professor **Lynn McBain**, Head of the Department of Primary Health Care and General Practice on our Wellington campus, has been recognised for her international and national leadership in primary care and medical education by the Australasian Association for Academic Primary Care (AAAPC). Professor McBain was named the winner of the **AAAPC's 2024 Neil Carson Medal** at the association's annual conference in Sydney in August.
- Kidney specialist, **Professor Rob Walker**, Department of Medicine, Dunedin School of Medicine has received the **2024 TJ Neale Award from the Australian and New Zealand Society of Nephrology**.
- Forensic anthropologist **Dr Angela Clark**, Faculty of Dentistry Te Kaupeka Pūniho, has been appointed by the New Zealand Police as the Australia New Zealand Forensic Executive Committee (ANZFEC) Agency Endorsed Representative. It is the first time Aotearoa has been represented in forensic anthropology at this level of forensics governance.
- **Associate Professor Lesley Gray**, Department of Primary Health Care and General Practice, University of Otago, Wellington has received an **Honorary Fellowship from the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners**.
- **Professor Anna Ranta**, the Head of the Department of Medicine on the Wellington campus, has been presented with the **2024 Mervyn Eadie Award for career achievement in neuroscience research** by the Australian and New Zealand Association of Neurologists (ANZAN). The prize is ANZAN's most prestigious mid-career award.
- **Dr Emma Powell**, Te Tumu, has received the **Tofā Sāili Pacific Early Career Award** for Distinction in Research.
- **Ryan Walker**, Team Leader AV Support, won the **Excellence in Technology Innovation Award** at the Tertiary ICT Conference 2024 for developing an AI bot that checks AV rooms for health and safety issues and reports them for resolution.
- Doctoral candidate with the Higher Education Development Centre, **Patrick Mazzocco** won Otago's **Three Minute Thesis Grand Final** with a presentation on 'The Career Break Paradox'.
- Bachelor of Science student **Benji Culhane** has been named **Sportsperson of the Year** at the University of Otago's annual **Blues and Golds Awards**. The awards, co-ordinated by OUSA in collaboration with University of Otago, recognise and celebrate the highest degree of sporting, cultural, community and arts achievements among students. Highly commended in the Sportsperson of the Year category was **Jake Corney** (underwater hockey), and **Jacob Waikari-Jones** (rugby) was Māori Sportsperson of the Year.
- A quartet of outstanding Otago students have been selected as next year's **SIX60 scholarship recipients: Emilie Murphy, Ben McMorrان, Jamie Hall and Casey Jowsey**. Established in 2021 by the University of Otago – Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka and SIX60, one of New Zealand's most successful bands, the scholarships include a \$10,000 rent rebate, as well as mentoring from the band and access to the University's recording studios.
- Science III network replacement was awarded the **2024 BICSI South Pacific Excellence in ITC Infrastructure Installation Award** (Medium Project).

Recent Stakeholder Engagement Activities as Vice Chancellor

- Matariki Network Meeting, Sweden: 03/09/24
- Alumni events in Europe and UK: 05-13/09/24
- 50th Anniversary of Sister City event with Edinburgh: 13/09/24
- Anatomy Thanksgiving Service: 18/09/24
- Archibald Baxter Memorial Lecture: 19/09/24
- Meeting with Dr Vandí Verma, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory: 20/09/24
- Whaka whanaungatanga with Te Ropu Māori for Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori: 20/09/24
- Blues and Golds awards: 25/09/24
- Welcome Shanghai Jiao Tong delegation to campus: 27/09/24
- Welcome Philippine Ambassador, H.E Kira Cristianne D. Azucena to campus: 1/10/24
- Queenstown Stakeholder meetings/events: 2-3/10/24
- Otago Regional Growth Summit: 04/10/24

Upcoming Events

10 October 2024 Vice-Chancellor's All-Staff Forum

Inaugural Professorial Lectures

1 October 2024	Professor Tony Savarimuthu, School of Computing
8 October 2024	Professor Sunyoung Ma, Department of Oral Rehabilitation
10 October 2024	Professor Chrystal Jaye, General Practice and Rural Health
15 October 2024	Professor Jesse Bering, Department of Science Communication
19 November 2024	Professor Ivan Sammut, Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology
21 November 2024	Professor Beulah Leitch, Department of Anatomy

8. Exclusion of the Public

The Chancellor moves that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

Item 9	Division of Health Sciences Te Wāhanga Matua Mātau Hauora Update (Continued)
Item 10	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 10 September 2024
Item 11	University Council Work Plan 2024 and Action Follow-Register
Item 12	Vice-Chancellor's Business
Item 13	Finance and Budget
Item 14	Health, Safety and Wellbeing
Item 15	Code of Pastoral Care
Item 16	Digital Learning Environment
Item 17	Honorary Degrees
Item 18	Committee Reports
Item 19	Industry Papers
Item 20	Council Information Pack
Item 21	Council Only Business

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: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 9	Division of Health Sciences Te Wāhanga Matua Mātau Hauora Update (Continued)	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 10	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 10 September 2024	ss 9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 11	University Council Work Plan and Action Follow-Register	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 12	Vice-Chancellor's Business	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 13	Finance and Budget	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 14	Health, Safety and Wellbeing	ss 9(2)(a), (ba) and (c)
Item 15	Code of Pastoral Care	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 16	Digital Learning Environment	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 17	Honorary Degrees	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 18	Committee Reports	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 19	Industry Papers	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 20	Council Information Pack	ss 9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 21	Council Only Business	ss 9(2)(a), (i), (j) and (k)

AND THAT for Items 9 - 21 Professors S Brock, R Blaikie, J Palmer, J Ruru, Mr S Willis, Mr D Thomson, Mr B Trott, Ms M McPherson, for item 12 Mr Chris Hale and Mr R O'Brien, for item 15 Ms Claire Gallop and Ms Jo Oranje, for item 16 Ms Naomi Weaver, be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration and/or knowledge of specific capital projects of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Manager, Copyright and Access (on behalf of the Deputy Secretary to the Council) are also permitted to remain at the meeting to provide secretarial support and advice.