

Terms of Reference

As at 3 September 2026

Elected Members	Open to all councillors, no minimum number. His Worship the Mayor (ex-officio)
External Members	1 member appointed by Te Rōpū Ahi Kā (optional) ¹
Chair	Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson
Meeting frequency	Monthly – alternating between a formal meeting and workshop
Reports to	Council

Purpose

To ensure governance oversight and strategic direction for the management of Council-owned assets/infrastructure.

Outcomes

The community and Council are confident that:

- Council's infrastructure assets are managed on a whole-of-life basis.
- Infrastructure investment decisions are aligned with the Long Term Plan, Infrastructure Strategy, asset management plans, and agreed levels of service.
- Significant capital projects and renewal programmes are monitored effectively for alignment with Council's strategic framework, scope, cost, timing, and risk.
- Infrastructure planning responds to resilience, climate adaptation, growth, affordability, and compliance.
- Council's asset portfolios are maintained in a way that protects public value and supports current and future communities, taking into account financial and external constraints.
- Appropriate engagement occurs with mana whenua, affected communities, and key stakeholders on significant infrastructure matters.

Scope

- Roading and transport
- Drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater, until Council's transition to Central Districts Water
- Rural water supply
- Solid waste and recycling
- Council property, buildings, and community facilities
- Parks, reserves, cemeteries, and other public places
- Major renewals, replacements, and capital delivery programmes
- Asset management planning

¹ Note this appointment may be subject to further directions from Council, noting the Local Government (System Improvements) Bill currently moving through parliament.

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1. Strategic direction
 - a. Oversight and input into Council's infrastructure and assets priorities for Council's Long Term Plan, including asset management planning.
2. Major Capital Projects
 - a. Monitor approved capital works, renewal programmes, and major projects, including risks, budget variances, schedule changes.
3. Road legalisation actions, including road stopping, realignment, vesting.
4. Approval of contract terms for acquisition and disposal of land interests (subject to approval in principle of Council, or in adopted Council documents e.g. Annual Plan or Long Term Plan).