



THE UNIVERSITY OF
WAIKATO
Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato

REPORT OF COUNCIL

The following is a report of the Council meeting held on 1 April 2025

KARAKIA

The meeting was opened with a karakia.

REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Council confirmed a register of its members' declared interests.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2025 (PART 1)

Council confirmed the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 February 2025 (Part 1).

REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR (PART 1)

Council received a written report from the Vice-Chancellor.

APRIL 2025 UOW GRADUATION CEREMONIES

Council received a schedule of the April 2025 University of Waikato graduation ceremonies.

NEXT MEETING

Council noted that its next meeting would be held on 20 May 2025 and would be preceded by a workshop for Council members that focused on Health and Safety governance.

PUBLIC EXCLUSION

Council resolved to exclude the public from the meeting from this point.

The following items were considered following the exclusion of the public from the meeting:

PART 2

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2025 (PART 2)

Council confirmed the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 February 2025 (Part 2).

COUNCIL WORK PLAN

Council received its 2025 Work Plan.

REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR (PART 2)

Council received a written report from the Vice-Chancellor.

Council received a further oral report from the Vice-Chancellor with respect to the University's graduate-entry medical school proposal.

SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT

Council received a report with respect to the University's Safety and Wellbeing.

Council resolved to request regular reports on progress against the University's Safety and Wellness Operational Plan.

MINUTES OF THE HEALTH & SAFETY, RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

Council received the minutes of the Health & Safety, Risk and Assurance Committee meeting held on 18 March 2025.

UOW FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Council received the University of Waikato financial summary for the period ended 28 February 2025.

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Council received the proposed University of Waikato 2024 Annual Report.

Council noted that Audit New Zealand had not yet provided sign-off on the proposed report.

Council resolved to delegate authority to the Chancellor to approve the public release of the report once Audit New Zealand had provided sign-off.

MINUTES OF THE CAPITAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Council received the minutes of the Capital and Finance Committee meeting held on 11 March 2025.

SCIENCE SECTOR ADVISORY GROUP

Council received an update from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research with respect to the latest round of sector consultation being undertaken by the Science Sector Advisory Group.

2025-2029 UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO STRATEGY

Council approved a set of indicators and targets that would underpin future reporting to Council of progress against the 2025-2029 University of Waikato Strategy.

PROPOSED HEALTH PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT

Council received a presentation from the Pro Vice-Chancellor Health with respect to the University's proposed health precinct development.

UPDATE FROM THE DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR ACADEMIC

Council received an update from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic with respect to key academic projects that were being progressed within her portfolio.

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

Council received the draft minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 24 February 2025.

CHANCELLOR SEARCH PROCESS

Council received an update from the Chair of the Chancellor Search Committee, and agreed the next steps in the process.

POROPOROAKI

The meeting was closed with poroporoaki.

Brandon McGibbon
Secretary to Council