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# Great South Joint Shareholders Committee

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of Great South Joint Shareholders Committee held in the Great South, 143 Spey Street, Invercargill on Friday, 13 June 2025 at 8:35 am.

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### **PRESENT**

#### **A class shareholders**

Rob Scott, Mayor Southland District Council (Chair)  
Nobby Clark, Mayor, Invercargill City Council  
Nicol Horrell, Chair, Environment Southland

#### **B class shareholders**

Sheree Carey, Chief Executive Officer, Southland Chamber of Commerce (by video link)  
Daryl Haggerty, Acting Chief Executive, Southern Institute of Technology

#### **Member**

Jackie Flutey, Chief Executive Officer, Community Trust South by video link

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Trudie Hurst, Group Manager Community Engagement and Corporate Services, Invercargill City Council  
Vibhuti Chopra, Group Manager Strategy and Partnerships, Southland District Council  
Rachel Millar, General Manager Strategy, Policy and Science, Environment Southland  
Megan Seator, Policy Advisor, Southland Mayoral Forum  
Michal Gray, Democracy Advisor, Southland District Council  
Ian Collier, Board Chair, Great South,  
Chami Abeysinghe, Chief Executive, Great South  
Suzanne Hotton, General Manager Finance, IT and Facilities, Great South

**1 Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**2 Leave of absence**

There were no requests for leave of absence.

**3 Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**4 Extraordinary/Urgent Items**

There were no Extraordinary/Urgent items.

**5 Confirmation of Council Minutes**

**Resolution**

Moved Mayor Clark, seconded Chair Horrell **and resolved:**

**That the Great South Joint Shareholders Committee confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 9 May 2025 as a true and correct record of that meeting.**

**6 Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

**Reports**

**7.1 Great South update**

**Record No: R/25/6/25919**

Chami Abeysinghe, Chief Executive, Great South presented this update.

During discussion the members suggested that an agenda item on a regional approach to AI is presented at a future meeting of the committee.

**Resolution**

Moved Mayor Scott, seconded Member Flutey

**That the Great South Joint Shareholders Committee:**

**a) receives the report titled "Great South update".**

Carried

**7.2 Great South Statement of Intent 2024-2027**

**Record No: R/25/6/25920**

Democracy Advisor, Michal Gray presented this report.

**Resolution**

Moved Mayor Clark, seconded Member Flutey

**That the Great South Joint Shareholders Committee:**

- a) receives the report titled "Great South Statement of Intent 2024-2027".**
- b) confirms receipt of the Southland Regional Development Ltd (Great South) Statement of Intent 2025-2028 and the Space Operations New Zealand Ltd Statement of Intent 2025-2028.**

Carried

**7.3 Great South director appointments**

**Record No: R/25/5/24479**

Democracy Advisor, Michal Gray presented this report. The purpose of this report was for the committee to consider the reappointment of Mr Ian Collier and Mr Jeffrey Grant as directors of Great South.

**Resolution**

Moved Chair Horrell, seconded Mayor Clark

**That the Great South Joint Shareholders Committee:**

- a) receives the report titled "Great South director appointments".**
- b) determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.**
- c) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.**
- d) approves the appointment of Mr Ian Collier and Mr Jeffrey Grant as directors of Southland Regional Development Agency Limited (Great South) for a term of three years beginning on 1 July 2025.**

Carried

## **Great South Joint Shareholders Committee**

**13 June 2025**

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The meeting concluded at 9:35 pm

Confirmed as a true and correct record of a meeting of the Great South Joint Shareholders Committee held on 13 June 2025.

**DATE:**

**CHAIRPERSON:**