

Stop the Stadium

The Otago Regional Council and Dunedin City Council voted to spend a total of \$128.9m public money on the stadium despite...

NO credible assessment of its economic impact on the city...

NO credible assessment of social or environmental impact...

NO assessment of opportunity cost – Would the money provide more public good if spent in other ways?

NO big tick from the independent reviewers– The peer review raised serious concerns, especially about the number of stadium fittings excluded to bring construction in under budget.

NO allowance in the \$188m budget for depreciation or interest charges; NO allowance for realigning SH88; the DCC will pay for this (but how?) NO allowance for necessary fittings like kitchen, lounge and bar fitout, turnstiles, scoreboards and broadcasting facilities. **We are funding an empty shell.**

NO assurance that the stadium will match the original proposal – The concept has been modified radically. It now has fewer permanent seats, exterior roof trusses – which will need more maintenance – and is NOT fully enclosed. One metre high open vents run the length of the north and south stands between the seating and the roof. Spectators sitting below the vents will not be fully protected from the elements.

NO assurance of test matches – If built to the present plan the stadium would not even meet the New Zealand Rugby Union's criteria for Category B matches (e.g. no big screen) putting us BEHIND provincial centres like New Plymouth, Rotorua and Napier.

NO transparent information about the impact on rates – The cost to most ratepayers will be much higher than 'a dollar a week'. The DCC has stated it hopes to reduce the stadium rating burden by 56%, but this can only be done by stripping other council-owned businesses. Either way, the city – and its citizens – suffer

NO recommendation of support from the DCC CEO Jim Harland or finance manager Athol Stephens – Both were concerned about the council's ability to sustain debt levels close to the maximum allowable, likely to cause downgrading of the council's credit rating. There is NO leeway to fund cost overruns or items excluded from the original contract.

Awatea St Stadium – Saviour of Dunedin?


Pigs might fly!

It's not too late to stop the stadium!

The DCC and ORC voted to fund the stadium, subject to certain conditions. Some councillors who voted for it are having second thoughts but don't want to disappoint a pro-stadium 'silent majority'. Does this silent majority exist? We don't think so.

The councillors can stop the stadium – let them know you are behind them as they hold fast to the conditions they have set.

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