

CENTRAL LAKES TRUST GROUP

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT

31 MARCH 2026

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Nature of Business	Charitable Trust
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Postal Address	PO Box 138, Cromwell
Trustees	Linda Robertson - Chair Kathy Dedo – Deputy Chair Lindsay Breen (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25) Jim Boulton (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25) Dave Currie (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25) Simon Flood Neil Gillespie (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25) Kathy Grant Tony Lepper (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25) Chris Phoon (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25) Trudi Webb
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Solicitors	Berry and Co PO Box 179 Queenstown 9300
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STATEMENT OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE - for the year ended 31 March 2026

ABOUT CENTRAL LAKES TRUST

Our purpose

We are dedicated to supporting charitable organisations within our funding region, which spans most of both Central Otago and Queenstown Lakes. As a charitable trust, we fund a wide range of initiatives that help our communities thrive.

We exist to ensure that charitable organisations in our region can access funds to make a lasting difference in people's lives. These projects support wellbeing, inclusion, culture, the environment, and many other areas that make a positive difference across our communities.

By carefully managing and distributing funding, we strive to strengthen our region not just for today, but for future generations. Our purpose is to be a reliable, long-term source of support for the organisations and initiatives that enrich our communities.

Our vision

Our community is a better place

Our mission

We enhance assets and enrich lives by supporting our community

Our values

BE PRUDENT

Acting with wisdom and care to enhance the social and financial value of CLT



BE PROACTIVE

Making things happen by identifying needs and opportunities and, when necessary, initiating change



HAVE INTEGRITY

Doing things well through good judgement, sound ethics, professionalism, and consistency



BE COLLABORATIVE

Working with others to identify priorities, improve performance and achieve great outcomes



BE OPEN

Being transparent, approachable, and collaborative



BE FAIR

Being impartial



Our People

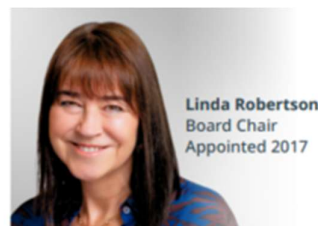
OUR TRUSTEES

CLT operates under a Trust Deed and is governed by a board of trustees. Governance of the organisation sits with the board, while the chief executive and staff manage day-to-day operations. It is the board's responsibility to ensure CLT has a clear purpose, with defined goals and strategies that are appropriate, achievable, and well understood by management.

The board consists of eight trustees – three appointed and five publicly elected. The publicly elected trustees ensure that we are represented by the community we serve, and the three appointed trustees allow us to recruit for specialist skills and knowledge. Our board also has an appointed intern trustee to build the governance capability within our region and to bring fresh perspectives to the table. The intern trustee has no voting rights or decision-making powers on the board but attends all board meetings and participates in all board activities during their term.

The board formally met 14 times, and our trustees also represented CLT at various community functions and events in our region during the 2025/26 financial year.

CLT has three established committees to manage certain critical aspects of our organisation. Each of these committees meet in addition to the formal board meetings.



Linda Robertson
Board Chair
Appointed 2017



Kathy Dedo
Deputy
Board Chair
Elected 2019



Kathy Grant
Appointed 2020



Trudi Webb
Elected 2022



Simon Flood
Appointed 2024



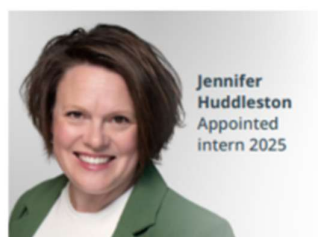
Dave Currie,
CNZM
Elected 2025



Neil Gillespie
Elected 2025



Dr Chris Phoon
Elected 2025



Jennifer Huddleston
Appointed
intern 2025

Investment Committee (IC)

Current members: Simon Flood (Chair), Linda Robertson, Kathy Grant, Neil Gillespie

The IC assists the board with the composition, direction, and strategy of the investment portfolio as well as streamlining the process for evaluating and assessing investment decisions.

Remuneration and Nomination Committee (RNC)

Current members: Kathy Grant (Chair), Linda Robertson, Dave Currie

The RNC provides advice, assurance, and observations to the board relating to the effectiveness and adequacy of remuneration, benefits, and wellness processes and activities, as well as CLT's recruitment of staff, trustees, board interns, and Pioneer directors.

Audit and Risk Committee (ARC)

Current members: Kathy Dedo (Chair), Linda Robertson, Trudi Webb

The ARC provides advice, assurance, and observations to the board relating to the effectiveness and adequacy of internal controls and risk management systems, processes, and activities.

TRUSTEES DISCLOSURE

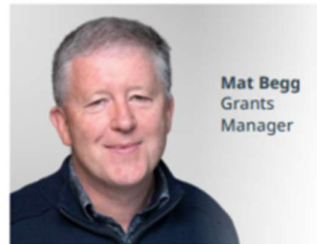
	MEETING ATTENDANCE					REMUNERATION
	CLT Board		Committees			
	Set 11	Ad hoc 3	ARC 5	IC 5	RNC 6	
TRUSTEES						
Linda Robertson	11/11	3/3	4/5	4/5	6/6	\$61,675
Kathy Dedo	11/11	2/3	5/5	-	-	\$35,147
Kathy Grant	11/11	1/3	3/4	2/5	2/2	\$46,213*
Trudi Webb	10/11	2/3	4/5	-	-	\$29,088
Simon Flood	9/11	3/3	-	5/5	-	\$32,587
Dave Currie	3/3	-	-	-	2/2	\$9,029
Neil Gillespie	3/3	-	-	1/1	-	\$9,029
Dr Chris Phoon	3/3	-	-	-	-	\$8,529
Jennifer Huddleston	2/2	-	-	-	-	n/a
PAST TRUSTEES						
Jim Boulton	7/8	3/3	-	3/4	-	\$19,392
Lindsay Breen	5/8	2/3	-	-	3/4	\$15,328
Tony Lepper	7/8	3/3	-	-	4/4	\$19,392
Mike Rewi	4/5	2/3	-	-	-	n/a

Attendance is shown as meetings attended over total meetings eligible to attend (e.g. 3/4).

* Includes director fees on Southern Cross Central Lakes Hospital board.

OUR STAFF

We have a team of seven local professionals who look after the day-to-day workings of CLT. Our team works closely with grantees and other stakeholders to facilitate funding in line with CLT's vision and mission.



Mat Begg
Grants
Manager



Katie Lindsay
Grants Advisor
& Information
Security Officer



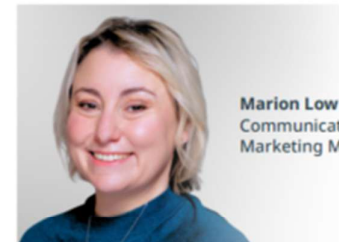
Gillian White
Grants Advisor



Barbara Bridger
Chief Executive



Jenn McGregor
Finance & Operations
Coordinator



Marion Low
Communications &
Marketing Manager



Denise Russell
Governance &
Policy Coordinator

WHAT DID WE DO AND HOW DID WE PERFORM?

INVESTMENT

Proactively manage our investment portfolio to maintain our fund in perpetuity.

GOALS	ACHIEVED 2025/26			ACHIEVED 2024/25		
Receive an annual dividend from our ordinary shares in Pioneer Energy to return a minimum of 7% on the current valuation of the company over the long term.	5.3%* received			7% received		
Ensure net assets are greater than real capital.	\$281m above real capital			\$266.6m above real capital		
Low volatility allocation (LVA) above minimum reserve.	\$36.3m above minimum reserve			\$43.1m above minimum reserve		
Managed fund investment portfolio returns above benchmark net of fees.	Actual 9.3%	Benchmark 9.3%		Actual 6.4%	Benchmark 6.6%	
CLT to hold at least 51% of Pioneer Group controlled companies.	57.4%			74.8%		

*Fourth quarter dividend declared and received post year-end (April 2026). Had it been paid on time, this goal would have been achieved.

Disclosure of judgements

In preparing the Statement of Service Performance, management has exercised judgement in selecting the performance measures that best reflect CLT's objectives, as outlined in our strategic plan and Trust Deed. These measures have been chosen to provide meaningful insight into our progress towards our strategic goals and to demonstrate accountability.

HIGH-PERFORMING ORGANISATION

Ensure we have effective processes and resources in place to enable us to achieve our vision.

GOALS	ACHIEVED 2025/26	ACHIEVED 2024/25
Reduction of year-on-year emissions, compared with 2024 baseline.	17.63% decrease 	9.34% decrease 
Staff engage in biennial staff surveys and satisfaction rates of at least 75%.	Survey scheduled for late 2026 	Staff satisfaction rate 92% 
Staff turnover less than 20%.	0% turnover 	13% (retirement) 
Staff undertake regular upskilling on relevant local, national, and global trends.	75 upskilling activities (combined) 	49 upskilling activities (combined) 

COMMUNITY

Proactively address the needs and opportunities of our region in collaboration with stakeholders and community.

GOALS	ACHIEVED 2025/26	ACHIEVED 2024/25
Set an annual grants budget and granting framework, informed by CLT's assessment of community needs and CLT's financial performance, to guide the effective allocation and distribution of funds across our funding sectors and region.	Annual grants budget: \$12.7m \$14.3m distributed across our funding region**  202 grants given across all five funding sectors	Annual grants budget: \$10.88m \$12.54m distributed across our funding region**  185 grants given across all five funding sectors
Stakeholder interaction satisfaction rate of at least 80%.	100% 	94.7% 
Grants process satisfaction rate of at least 90%.	100% 	86.3% 

**Includes additional funds allocated to regionally significant grants of \$1.5m.

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

Our grants budget is determined by several factors, including how well our investments perform and how well we manage our reserves. By balancing growth with stability, we ensure that funds will continue to be available for charitable work across our region for years to come.

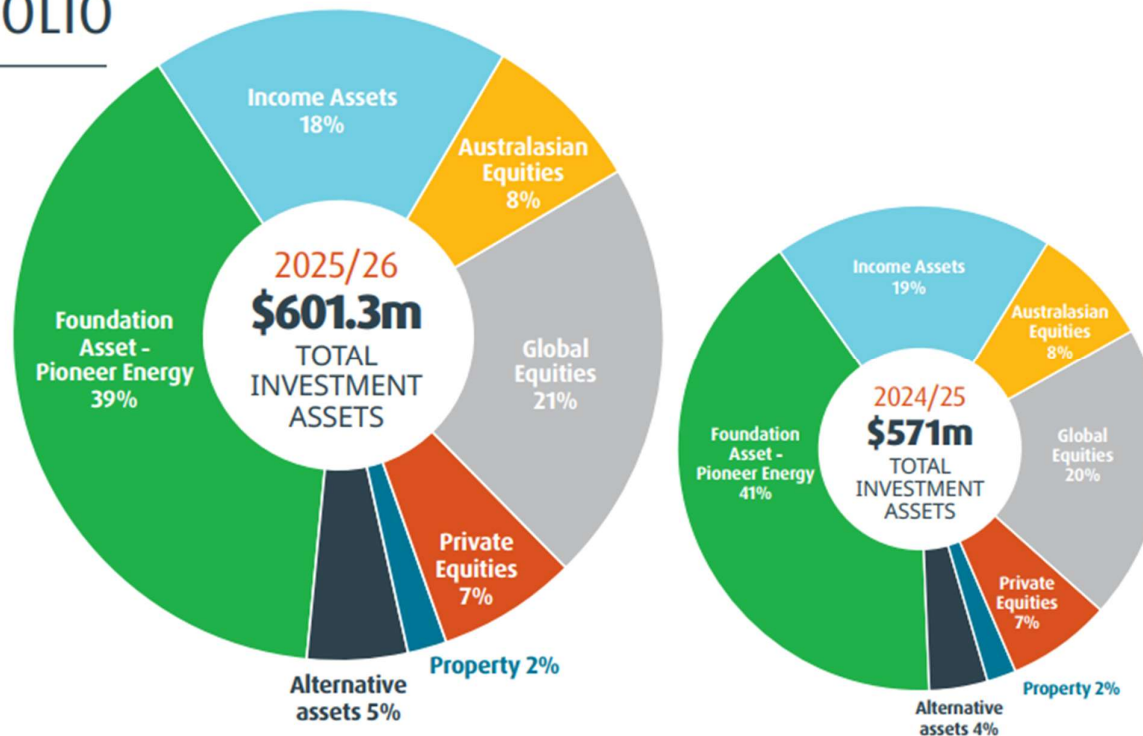
As a long-term investor, we manage our investment portfolio in accordance with our Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives (SIPO), which we review annually.

Since inception in November 2000, we have grown our asset base from the \$155 million settled by the Otago Central Electric Power Trust to net assets totalling over \$582 million. As at FYE 31 March 2026, we have granted \$173.2 million to various charitable community programmes and projects across our region.

Our foundation asset is Pioneer Energy, currently valued at \$235.4 million. This includes both ordinary shares and Redeemable Preference Shares (RPS). We expect to receive a yearly dividend of at least 7% based on a biennial external valuation of our ordinary shares in Pioneer Energy.

We take a medium to long-term approach to financial performance, focusing on returns over five or more years to help smooth out fluctuations caused by changing market conditions.

The remainder of our investments is made up of a diversified portfolio which includes a range of national and international investments.



SOCIAL IMPACT INVESTMENTS

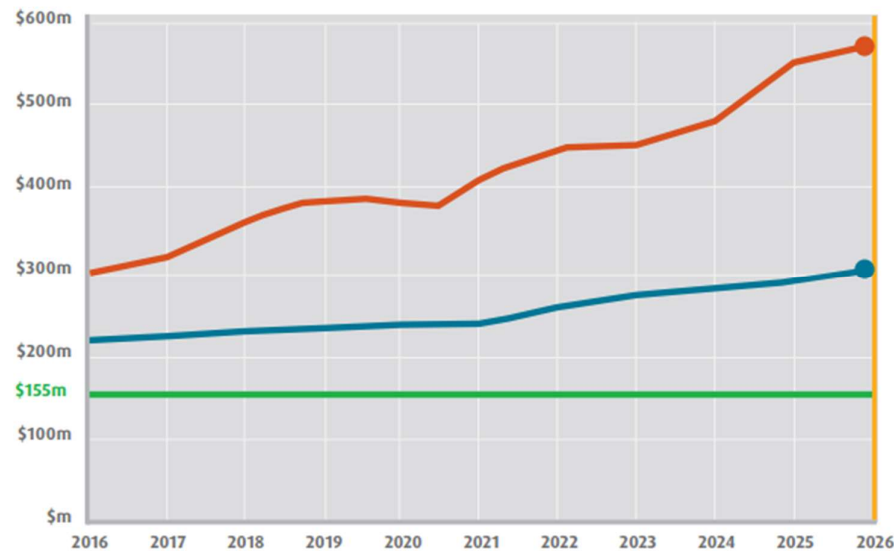
We target social impact investments totalling up to \$30 million. As at year-end, social impact investments amounted to \$8.4 million and comprised the following:

INVESTMENT	PROJECT	2026	2025
Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust	Community housing developments in Queenstown Lakes District (Shotover Country and Hikuwai)	\$3.8m	\$3.9m
New Ground Capital	Mixed tenure housing project in Frankton - Toru Apartments	\$2.3m	\$2.3m
Southern Cross CLT Limited	Southern Cross Central Lakes Hospital	\$2.3m	\$2.5m

RESERVING POSITION

We monitor the Reserving Position of our investment portfolio to aid our decision making.

To preserve our capital over the long term, we manage our investments to ensure the net asset value stays above the real capital. "Long-term" constitutes periods of five years or more. Should the net asset value fall below the real capital, we will review the grants budget and/or the portfolio's strategic asset allocation. As the Reserving Position graph shows, the net asset value is well above the real capital.



Net asset value - \$582.9m
(2025: \$559.7m)

Total assets less
total liabilities.

Real capital - \$302.1m
(2025: \$293.1m)

Real capital is the base capital adjusted quarterly for the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index since inception of CLT.

Base capital

The base capital is the \$155m originally settled by the Otago Central Electric Power Trust.

Minimum reserve



MINIMUM RESERVE COMPLIANCE

We set a minimum reserve which equates to a rolling 3-year sum of actual annual grants approved plus operating expenses. The investment portfolio is maintained to ensure that the minimum reserve is covered by a low volatility allocation (LVA) of investments.

The LVA currently includes investments in cash, New Zealand sovereign bonds and global sovereign bonds. The purpose of the LVA is to help ensure that we have reliable access to funds to cover short-

medium term outgoings without a need to draw on more volatile assets of the core investment portfolio, particularly during times of significant market downturns. Accordingly, the LVA consists of assets where there is confidence that their value will be robust relative to other assets during such events.

The LVA is not a separate physical portfolio of CLT but is instead reported as a segment within the wider portfolio.

GRANTING

We grant to charitable organisations to support and strengthen a wide range of projects and programmes across our funding region. Our grant funding principles and granting sectors guide our decision-making to ensure we give funding where it is most needed and impactful.

Grant funding principles



ENDURING ENVIRONMENT

Stewardship of the history and environment of the region.



ENHANCING OPPORTUNITIES

Enriching communities, enhancing community assets and facilities, creating community cohesion.



ENABLING PEOPLE

Strengthening communities to be responsive, engaged and resilient.

Granting sectors

ARTS & CULTURE

Creative projects and organisations that foster access to, engagement with, and experience in the arts, and celebrate the different cultures in our region.

COMMUNITY RECREATION

Programmes and organisations that focus on community participation and engagement in recreation.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Programmes and organisations that address social problems or improve health outcomes for the people in our region.

ENVIRONMENT & HERITAGE

Projects and organisations that preserve and promote the physical and cultural heritage of our region and that protect and enhance the environment in which we live.

LIFELONG LEARNING

Initiatives that facilitate improved learning outcomes for people in our region by adding value to the sector, with a focus on community development and lifelong learning.

OUR FUNDING REGION

Our grant funding region sweeps from the northern reaches of Makarora down to the southern point of Raes Junction, spanning the breadth from the tranquil town of St Bathans all the way to the picturesque enclave of Glenorchy. Originally defined by our founding settlor, the Otago Central Electric Power Trust, we cover most of Central Otago and Queenstown Lakes.

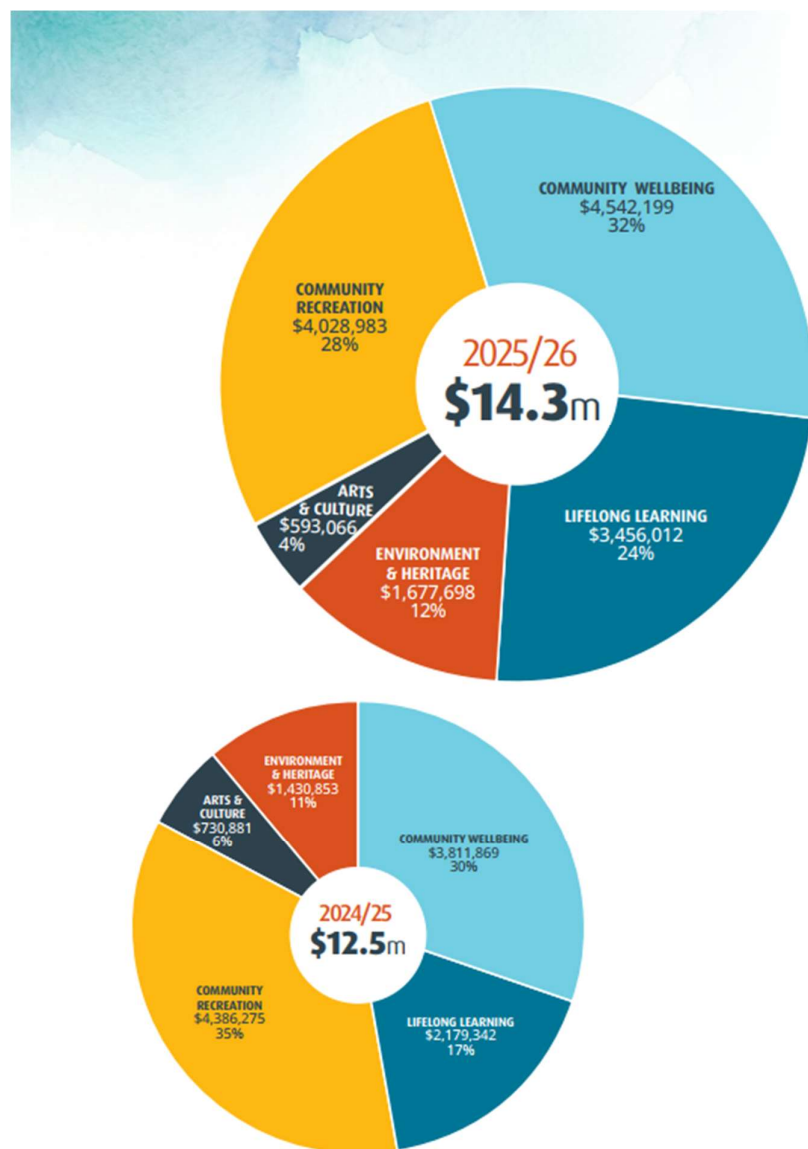
TOWN	2026	2025
Alexandra	\$1,729,400	\$1,227,500
Arrowtown	\$464,700	\$586,700
Bannockburn	\$162,200	\$203,700
Clyde	\$390,800	\$336,700
Cromwell	\$1,778,300	\$2,080,700
Glenorchy	\$90,300	\$218,600
Hāwea	\$1,063,700	\$463,700
Luggate	\$152,800	\$101,700
Makarora	\$96,300	\$88,200
Millers Flat	\$130,000	\$27,000
Omakau	\$768,800	\$136,700
Poolburn	\$54,200	\$18,800
Queenstown	\$3,971,500	\$4,317,800
Roxburgh	\$334,000	\$205,300
St Bathans	\$134,100	\$11,100
Tarras	\$54,600	\$40,600
Wānaka	\$2,921,800	\$2,474,420
Total	\$14,297,500	\$12,539,220



NUMBER OF GRANTS APPROVED	25/26	24/25	23/24	23/22
ARTS & CULTURE	28	21	24	20
COMMUNITY RECREATION	17	22	16	18
COMMUNITY WELLBEING	89	83	91	78
ENVIRONMENT & HERITAGE	23	27	14	17
LIFELONG LEARNING	45	32	34	36
	202	185	179	169

Please note that the figures in the financial statements may differ from the numbers provided here due to multi-year grants. While the decision to provide the grant is recorded in the year it is made, reporting on granting activity reflects the year in which the grant is intended to be used.

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PIONEER ENERGY GROUP

Pioneer Energy Group (Pioneer Group) consists of several entities that own, operate, and invest in sustainable energy assets, and pays annual dividends to CLT. Pioneer Group delivered a positive result for the year ended 31 March 2026, with earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and fair value movement of derivatives of \$50.8 million (2025: \$44.9 million).

A clear strategic direction

Pioneer Group's strategy remains focused on maximising the value of existing assets, growing sustainable electricity retail operations, developing a high-performing workforce, and investing in renewable energy opportunities.

Growing long-term value

Pioneer Group recently completed a significant capital raising process, resulting in Tōtara Energy Limited Partnership acquiring a 30% stake in Pioneer Group on 1 July 2025. This was followed by Ngāti Manawa, an existing iwi partner and stakeholder in one of Pioneer Group's major hydro assets, acquiring 2.1% of Pioneer Group on 1 March 2026. These transactions strengthen Pioneer Group's ownership structure and reflect confidence in its long-term strategy and growth prospects.

Investing in renewable energy

Pioneer Group continues to expand its renewable energy portfolio through Ecogas, which operates New Zealand's first commercial-scale anaerobic digestion waste-to-energy facility in Reporoa. Development is also progressing on a second facility in Christchurch, with construction beginning in October 2025 and commissioning expected in the first half of 2027.

Strong operational performance

The integrated generation and retail business completed its first full year of operations, delivering results that exceeded initial synergy expectations. Continued integration and collaboration across the business are generating operational benefits and strengthening Pioneer Group's position in the market.

Aniwhenua Hydro Station in the Bay of Plenty.
Photo courtesy of Pioneer Energy.

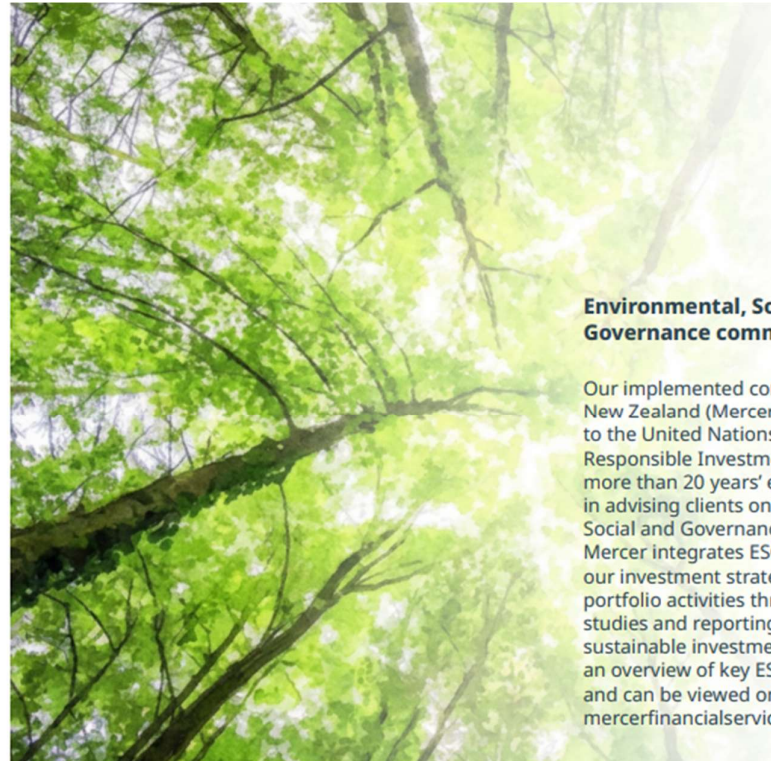


OUR COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

We care deeply about the environment and are committed to reducing our impact on it. By actively working to lower our carbon emissions, we help address climate change and protect the natural world.

Our focus on sustainability reflects our respect for the land and our responsibility to care for it so future generations can enjoy it as we do today.

Emissions are measured in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e), a standardised unit that combines the climate impact of all different greenhouse gases into a single metric.



Environmental, Social and Governance commitment

Our implemented consultant, Mercer New Zealand (Mercer), is a signatory to the United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment (UNPRI) and has more than 20 years' experience globally in advising clients on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) matters. Mercer integrates ESG principles into our investment strategies and monitors portfolio activities through ongoing case studies and reporting. Mercer's annual sustainable investment report provides an overview of key ESG considerations and can be viewed on their website: mercerfinancialservices.co.nz.

Emissions	CLT GROUP			CLT PARENT*			PIONEER ENERGY GROUP**		
	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024
Scope 1 – direct emissions	3,524.32	4,254.25	9,076.31	6.25	7.57	7.23	3,518.07	4,246.68	9,069.08
Scope 2 – emissions from purchased electricity	299.31	290.37	259.63	3.19	3.05	3.08	296.12	287.32	256.55
Scope 3 – indirect emissions	33,370.61	29,300.07	35,742.65	15.51*	19.67*	23.10*	33,355.10	29,280.40	37,719.55
Total	37,194.24	33,844.69	45,078.59	24.95	30.29	33.41	37,169.29	33,814.40	45,045.19

* CLT – Excludes investment portfolio

** Following the integration of Pulse into our emissions reporting framework, LPG, natural gas, and on-sold electricity are now included within Scope 3 emissions. These sources now account for a significant share of total Scope 3 emissions. To maintain consistency, comparability, and completeness across the reporting period, historical emissions data has been recalculated.

SOCIAL IMPACT INVESTMENTS

We take an active approach to identifying social impact investments that deliver lasting benefits for our wider community while also generating a financial return.

Through a relationship-led approach, we work closely with a diverse range of organisations to explore and develop these opportunities. Our social impact investments are designed to drive sustainable, long-term change. They help unlock potential within organisations, catalyse additional funding and partnerships, and deliver benefits that extend across communities and the wider region.

Southern Cross Central Lakes Hospital

Southern Cross Central Lakes Hospital (SCCLH) is a joint venture partnership between CLT and Southern Cross Healthcare. Since opening in January 2022, the hospital has continued to grow the range and quality of care available within our region.

This hospital has made a real difference for our community. More people can now access specialist treatment closer to home, reducing the need to travel out of the region and easing the time, cost, and disruption that often comes with it. Being able to receive care locally also means recovering with the support of whānau and familiar surroundings.

More than half of all patients treated at SCCLH are funded by ACC or Health New Zealand – Te Whatu Ora, reflecting an ongoing commitment to making high-quality medical care accessible to our wider community.



Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust

Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust (QLCHT) plays a key role in tackling housing affordability in the region through its public housing rental, affordable rental, rent saver, and secure home ownership programmes. CLT has supported the QLCHT since 2011. This long-standing partnership reflects a shared commitment to improving housing access for residents across the region.

Formed in response to significant local housing challenges, QLCHT has grown into a recognised leader in New Zealand's community housing sector. As a registered Community Housing Provider with the Community Housing Regulatory Authority and an active member of Community Housing Aotearoa, QLCHT maintains strong standards of governance and service. Its holistic approach includes working with local social service agencies to offer wraparound support and partnering with the Ministry of Social Development to deliver public housing where needed.

New Ground Capital

In 2019 we invested in a New Ground Capital development at Remarkables Park Queenstown. The development was initially designed to be three high rise apartment buildings providing a range of mixed tenure housing in partnership with other investors including Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust. The first apartment building opened its doors in 2021 and marked a significant milestone in addressing Central Otago's housing needs.

The seven-story complex comprises a diverse range of one, two, and three bedroom apartments, some acquired by QLCHT which enables locals to secure properties both as affordable rentals and secure homes without the burden of land costs. Another 15 apartments are managed by QLCHT as public housing through their partnership with the Ministry of Social Development.

Our investment remains in the currently undeveloped land. It is expected that in 2026 further development will get underway to provide additional mixed tenure housing.

CENTRAL LAKES TRUST INITIATIVES

Our ongoing initiatives provide grant funding to deliver services identified as strategic priorities or to address direct community needs not otherwise met in the region.

Central Lakes Trust Scholarship Fund

\$2,018,000 awarded to 820 students since inception in 2007

Each year we award tertiary scholarships to deserving students in our region. The scholarships are valued at \$2,500 each and are awarded to students entering their first year of studies in academic, vocational, or science and technology fields.

Presbyterian Support Otago Emergency Heating Fund

\$462,000 granted since inception in 2004

Providing support for heating is essential in our region where winters can be particularly harsh. This funding reduces hardship, and improves health and wellbeing during the colder months when safe, reliable heating matters most.

Emergency Preparedness Kits

\$34,300 granted since inception in 2020

We support community resilience by providing funding for emergency response resources across the region. This initiative helps organisations and community groups strengthen their readiness in times of need, working alongside local authorities and emergency management to build resilience and support coordinated responses.

2025 CLT scholarship recipients. Photo by Clare Toia-Bayley.



Other CLT initiatives

Central Otago Principals Association Referral Programme

\$2,337,000 granted since 2006

Aquaria in rest homes

\$297,069 granted since 2007

Central Lakes Art Support Scheme (CLASS)

\$2,045,337 granted since 2008

Swim Safe programme

\$1,619,000 granted since 2010

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSE
for the year ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	2026 \$0	2025 \$0
Revenue from Exchange Transactions			
Investment Gains/(Losses)	2a	31,751	19,358
Generation, Retail & Energy	2b	300,198	245,550
Other Revenue	2c	5,482	13,286
		337,431	278,194
Less Expenses			
Cost of Sales – Electricity		197,560	182,127
(Gain)/Loss on fair value of electricity derivatives		65,731	(9,069)
Audit Fees – Deloitte Limited	2d	399	370
Other Fees paid to Auditor	2d	2	1
Investment Advice/Management Fees		6	24
Trustee Remuneration	25b, c, d	295	275
Director Remuneration	25e	522	497
Employee Remuneration	2e	17,019	15,413
Depreciation & Amortisation Expense	2f	18,264	11,354
Finance Costs		10,644	12,750
Other Expenses	2g	30,373	26,908
Total Expenses		340,817	240,650
Net Operating Surplus		(3,386)	37,544
Less Grants Approved		(12,991)	(14,213)
Add Grants Rescinded		145	644
		(16,232)	23,975
Other Gains / (Losses)			
Share of Surplus / (Deficit) from Joint Ventures	14	(1,211)	14,441
(Loss) on disposal of equity accounted interest in joint venture (Pulse)	12e	-	(28,220)
Gain on disposal of equity accounted interest in joint venture (SGLP)	12b	-	31,212
Gain on disposal of equity accounted interest in joint venture (Dairy Creek)		1,528	-
Net loss on extinguishment of debt (Dairy Creek)		(1,528)	-
Bargain purchase gains	12b, e	-	22,410
		(1,211)	39,843
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(17,443)	63,818
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year is Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent		(4,520)	58,162
Non-Controlling Interests		(12,923)	5,656
		(17,443)	63,818
Other Comprehensive Revenue or Expense			
<u>Item that may be reclassified subsequently to surplus or deficit</u>			
<i>Cash Flow Hedges</i>			
Fair value gain/(loss) on Interest Rate Swaps	19c, d	(464)	(2,883)
Other Comprehensive Revenue or Expense		(464)	(2,883)
Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expense for the year		(17,907)	60,935

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS/EQUITY
for the year ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	General Funds	Capital Maintenance Reserve	Non- Controlling Interests	Hedging Reserve	Total
		\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance at 31 March 2024	19	125,373	313,940	4,286	5,522	449,121
Acquisition by Control (group restructure)		50,114	-	-	-	50,114
Reallocation of retained losses to non-controlling interest		36,532	-	(36,532)	-	-
Reallocation of hedging reserve to non-controlling interest	19	-	-	1,336	(1,336)	-
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		58,162		5,656	-	63,818
Non-Controlling Interest		-	-	-	-	-
Other Comprehensive Revenue or Expense for the year		-	-	(697)	(2,186)	(2,883)
Total Comprehensive Revenue & Expense for the year		58,162	-	4,959	(2,186)	60,935
Transfer from General Funds	19	(7,215)	7,215	-	-	-
Partners Contribution	19	-	-	452	-	452
Distributions to non- controlling interests		-	-	(6,171)	-	(6,171)
Balance at 31 March 2025	19	262,967	321,155	(31,670)	2,000	554,452
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(4,520)	-	(12,923)	-	(17,443)
Non-Controlling Interest		-	-	-	-	-
Other Comprehensive Revenue or Expense for the year	19	-	-	(112)	(352)	(464)
Total Comprehensive Revenue & Expense for the year		(4,520)	-	(13,035)	(352)	(17,907)

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	Notes	General Funds \$000	Capital Maintenance Reserve \$000	Non- Controlling Interests \$000	Hedging Reserve \$000	Total \$000
Transfer from General Funds	19	(9,019)	9,019	-	-	-
Partners Contribution		-	-	99,086	-	99,086
Non-Controlling Interest Equity Contribution by the minority partner		-	-	134	-	134
Net movement on changes in non-controlling interests	19	422	-	3,237	-	3,659
Dividends Declared		-	-	(10,724)	-	(10,724)
Balance at 31 March 2026	19	249,850	330,174	47,028	1,648	628,700

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31 March 2026

	Notes	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	20a	84,555	31,389
Receivables from Non-Exchange Transactions	4	1,377	10,030
Receivables from Exchange Transactions	5	26,205	26,208
Inventories	6	6,437	4,844
Other Financial Assets	8	8,405	58,635
		126,979	131,106
Non Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	13	315,152	306,458
Investments	7	356,999	326,269
Investment Property	10	7,275	6,650
Other Intangible Assets	15	11,829	12,606
Goodwill	9	22,259	22,353
Other Financial Assets	8	7,320	42,396
Investment in Joint Ventures	14	9,563	7,936
		730,397	724,669
Total Assets		857,376	855,775
Current Liabilities			
Payables under Exchange Transactions	16	30,631	35,950
Provision for Grants	17	19,187	19,897
Borrowings	18	1,000	31,000
Other Financial Liabilities	8	7,248	25,472
		58,066	112,319
Non Current Liabilities			
Income in Advance	16	9,203	9,561
Other Financial Liabilities	8	7,609	8,209
Provision for Grants	17	1,651	1,234
Borrowings	18	152,147	170,000
		170,610	189,004
Total Liabilities		228,676	301,323
Equity			
Capital and Reserves	19	628,700	554,452
Equity attributable to the Trust		628,700	554,452
Total Liabilities and Equity		857,376	855,775

Trustee



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Trustee



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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for the year ended 31 March 2026

	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Cashflows from Operating Activities		
<u>Cash was provided from:</u>		
Receipts from customers – exchange transactions	316,901	254,633
Rent received	263	247
Interest & Dividends received	2,095	2,585
	<u>319,259</u>	<u>257,465</u>
<u>Cash was disbursed to:</u>		
Payment to Suppliers	(247,713)	(190,415)
Payment to Employees	(17,019)	(15,699)
Interest paid	(9,989)	(12,750)
Payment of Grants	(13,137)	(12,234)
	<u>(287,858)</u>	<u>(231,099)</u>
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	31,401	26,365
Cashflows from Investing Activities		
<u>Cash was provided from:</u>		
Funds received from Investments	3,558	11,887
Proceeds from sale of Property, Plant & Equipment	1,195	2,099
Proceeds from sale of share in subsidiary	1,528	30,000
Repayment of Loan by a JV	8,670	-
	<u>14,951</u>	<u>43,986</u>
<u>Cash was disbursed to:</u>		
Payment for Investments	(6,469)	(5,494)
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment	(27,155)	(9,397)
Payment for Other Intangible Assets	(3,029)	(899)
Capital Contribution to Joint Ventures	(2,837)	(1,475)
Acquisition of share in previously equity accounted investment	(950)	(105,800)
	<u>(40,440)</u>	<u>(123,065)</u>
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(25,489)	(79,078)
Cashflows from Financing Activities		
<u>Cash was provided from:</u>		
Proceeds from Borrowings	-	78,600
Proceeds from Equity issue in subsidiary and sale of equity share	99,086	-
Sale of share in subsidiary	6,743	-
	<u>105,829</u>	<u>78,600</u>
<u>Cash was disbursed to</u>		
Investments in Prudential Security and ASX margin calls	-	(3,917)
Dividends Paid	(10,722)	(6,171)
Repayment of Borrowings	(47,853)	(1,000)
	<u>(58,575)</u>	<u>(11,088)</u>
Net cash inflow from financing activities	47,254	67,512

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	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Net increase/(decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	53,166	14,800
Net increase in cash through acquisition (Pulse)	-	10,692
Net Increase in cash through acquisition (SGLP)	-	879
Add Cash and Cash Equivalents at beginning of the year	31,390	5,019
Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of the year	84,555	31,390

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **for the year ended 31 March 2026**

The consolidated financial statements of the Group are for the year ended 31 March 2026. The financial statements were authorised for issue by the trustees on 7 September 2026.

1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

Central Lakes Trust (the Trust) is a Charitable Trust incorporated in New Zealand on 7 February 2001 under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957. The Central Lakes Trust Group consists of Central Lakes Trust and its 100% owned subsidiary, Pioneer Energy Limited, along with numerous partly-owned subsidiaries Pioneer Energy Group Limited Partnership (PEGLP, 67.9%), Pioneer Energy Renewables Limited Partnership (PERLP, 51.5%) and Pulse (51.5%), giving rise to non-controlling interests.

The principal activities of the Trust are:

- To lawfully make charitable grants for the benefit of the Central Lakes Trust region,
- To ensure that grant applications are assessed and decided upon in an unbiased manner.
- To produce a portfolio of grants that is representative of the region's interests and needs.
- To be helpful, responsive and accessible to communities within the Central Lakes Trust region.
- To prudently manage investments to maximise returns.

Basis of Preparation

Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in New Zealand ("NZ GAAP").

These financial statements comply with Not For Profit Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards (PBE Standards (NFP)). The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Tier 1 PBE Standards (NFP).

For the purpose of these financial statements, the Trust has been designated as a public benefit entity (PBE). Public benefit entities (PBEs) are reporting entities whose primary objective is to provide goods or services for community or social benefit and where any equity has been provided with a view to supporting that primary objective rather than for a financial return to equity holders.

Functional and Presentation Currency

The financial statements are presented in thousands of New Zealand dollars (\$000). The New Zealand dollar is the Group's functional currency.

Measurement Basis

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for the revaluation of certain assets and liabilities as identified in the following accounting policies. Cost is based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

Changes in Accounting Policies

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner that ensures that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported.

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods in these consolidated financial statements.

Critical Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements. Actual results may vary from these estimates.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
for the year ended 31 March 2026

1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The significant judgements, estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of these financial statements are outlined below:

Impairment Assessment of Generation and Heat Property, Plant and Equipment and Investments in Joint Ventures

At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether there is any indication that its assets may be impaired. In the event that any such indication exists, the Group shall estimate the recoverable amount of the assets. In the current year, to support management's assessment as to whether there was any indication that any assets may be impaired, the Group obtained an independent valuation that utilised a discounted cash flow model.

Depreciation

In determining the appropriate depreciation rate to apply against property, plant and equipment, management are required to make estimates regarding the useful lives and residual values of property, plant and equipment.

The Group reviews the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment at the end of each annual reporting period. The estimates used by management in determining the depreciation rate may ultimately be different to the actual pattern of use. In the event these estimates differ to the actual pattern of use the depreciation charge recognised may be more or less than what would have been charged had this information been available at the time of determining the estimate.

Valuation of electricity derivative financial instruments

The valuation of electricity derivative contracts relies on an internally developed pricing methodology. Agreed prices are compared against publicly available ASX and Energy Link forward hedge prices over the agreement period in order to determine a fair value of each derivative. Assumptions that can have a significant impact on the fair value include the publicly available forecasted spot price at each grid exit point and unobservable forecast volumes to be delivered. The valuation also incorporates accounting for the 3-way CREMA arrangement.

Borrowing Costs

Judgement has been applied to calculate the proportion of borrowings related to qualifying assets and the capitalisation period. Judgement has also been exercised to determine that borrowing costs that have been expensed are not attributable to qualifying assets.

Trade debtors and other receivables

The Group recognises unbilled electricity gross margin relating to electricity supplied to customers where meters have not yet been read at balance date. The amount recognised requires management to apply judgement in estimating consumption between the last meter read and the reporting date.

Investments in joint ventures

Refer to note 14.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Investments in private equities

The Group holds investments in private equity funds and unlisted entities that are measured at fair value through surplus or deficit.

Determining the fair value of these investments requires management to exercise judgement where quoted market prices are not available. Fair values are generally based on valuations received from external fund managers or other valuation techniques, including earnings multiples, discounted cash flow methodologies, recent market transactions, and net asset value information where appropriate.

Significant assumptions applied in determining fair value may include forecast future cash flows, discount rates, earnings multiples, expected growth rates and market conditions. Changes in these assumptions could have a material impact on the valuation recognised in the financial statements.

Significant Accounting Policies

Significant accounting policies which are pervasive to the financial statements are set out below. Significant policies specific to certain transactions or balances are set out within the particular note to which it relates.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Trust and its controlled entities.

Controlled entities are those entities over which the Trust has the power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from their activities.

Consistent accounting policies are employed in the preparation and presentation of the consolidated financial statements. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, all intra-group assets, liabilities, equity, revenues, expenses and cashflows relating to transactions between entities within the Group are eliminated in full, on consolidation.

Controlled entities are consolidated from the date on which control is obtained by the Group and cease to be consolidated from the date on which control is lost. On acquisition, the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of a controlled entity are measured at their fair values at the date of acquisition. Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired is recognised as goodwill. If, after reassessment, the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the cost of acquisition, the deficiency is credited to surplus or deficit in the period of acquisition.

Non-controlling interests are stated at their proportionate share of the recognised fair values of the acquiree's assets and liabilities.

Business Combinations

Business combinations are accounted for in accordance with PBE IPSAS 40 *PBE Combinations*. The cost of a business combination is measured as the aggregate of the fair values, at the acquisition date, of assets transferred, liabilities assumed, and any other consideration exchanged to obtain control of the acquiree.

The acquiree's identifiable assets and liabilities that meet the recognition criteria of PBE IPSAS 40 are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date, except for non-current assets (or disposal groups) classified as held for sale in accordance with PBE IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*, which are measured at fair value less costs to sell.

Any goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised as an asset and measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the combination over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities. Where the

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities exceeds the cost of the combination, the difference is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

Non-controlling interests that represent ownership interests entitling their holders to a proportionate share of the entity's net assets in the event of liquidation may be measured either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net assets. The Group adopted the 'proportionate share method' and measure non-controlling interest as the present ownership interests' proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets. The non-controlling interest comprises Totara Energy Limited and Ngati Manawa Development Limited's interests in PEGLP along with Buller Electricity Limited's share in PERLP.

Business Combinations Achieved in Stages

Where the Group gains control of an entity in which it previously held an equity interest accounted for under PBE IPSAS 36 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures*, the transaction is accounted for as a business combination achieved in stages in accordance with PBE IPSAS 40.

On the date control is obtained:

- The previously held interest is remeasured at fair value.
- Any resulting gain or loss is recognised in surplus or deficit (or in other comprehensive revenue and expense if appropriate).
- The fair value of the previously held interest, together with the consideration transferred and any non-controlling interest, is used to determine goodwill (or the gain on a bargain purchase, if applicable).

Goodwill is calculated once, at the date control is obtained.

Business Combinations Under Common Control

A business combination involving entities or operations under common control arises when all of the combining entities are ultimately controlled by the same party or parties both before and after the combination, and that control is not transitory.

In accordance with PBE IPSAS 40, the Group applies the predecessor accounting method to such transactions. Under this method, the assets and liabilities of the acquired entity are recognised at their existing carrying amounts at the date of the combination and are not remeasured to fair value.

The Group adopts the prospective presentation method for such combinations. The results and financial position of the acquired entity are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date of the combination.

Comparative information is not restated.

Step Acquisitions

Where the Group obtains control of an entity through a step acquisition (i.e., control is obtained in stages where the Group previously held an equity interest), the transaction is accounted for in accordance with PBE IPSAS 40 as follows:

- The previously held equity interest is remeasured at its acquisition-date fair value.
- Any resulting gain or loss from remeasurement is recognised in surplus or deficit or in other comprehensive revenue and expense, as appropriate.
- The fair value of the previously held interest, together with any additional consideration transferred and any non-controlling interests, is used to calculate goodwill (or a bargain purchase gain if applicable).
- Where the acquisition accounting is provisional at balance date, adjustments to the fair values of assets, liabilities, or goodwill are made retrospectively within the 12-month measurement period, as permitted under PBE IPSAS 40.

Goodwill is calculated once, at the date control is obtained.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Presentation of Step Acquisition and Bargain Purchase Gains

Gains or losses arising from step acquisitions and bargain purchase gains are recognised in Other gains/(losses) within the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense, consistent with PBE IPSAS 40 PBE Combinations. These gains and losses do not meet the definition of revenue under PBE IPSAS 9 Exchange Revenue or PBE IPSAS 23 Non-Exchange Revenue and are therefore not presented as revenue or as part of the Group's operating surplus.

Under PBE Standards, balances recognised under NZ IFRS 15 (e.g., deferred customer acquisition costs/credits) have not been recognised in the Group consolidation.

Assets Classified as Held for Sale

Non-current assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met, only when the asset (or disposal group) is available for immediate sale in its present condition, subject only to terms that are usual and

customary for sales of such asset (or disposal group), and its sale is highly probable. Management must be committed to the sale, which should be expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification.

Non-current assets classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of their previous carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Impairment of Non-Financial Assets excluding Goodwill

At each balance date or when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, the Group reviews the recoverability of the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether they have suffered an impairment loss. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell, and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows that are largely independent of the cash flows from other assets or group of assets (cash generating units).

An impairment loss is recognised immediately in the surplus or deficit, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Non-financial assets that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the surplus or deficit.

Comparatives

When the presentation or classification of items change, comparative amounts are reclassified unless the reclassification is impracticable.

Standards issued and effective in the current year

The following amendment to PBE Standards became effective for the first time in the year ended 31 March 2026:

- Amendments to PBE IPSAS 1 – Disclosure of Fees for Audit Firms' Services
Applicable from 1 January 2024, these amendments update the disclosure requirements for fees paid to the Group's audit or review firm, requiring separate disclosure by category of service.

No other new or amended PBE Standards became effective during the current period that had a material impact on the Group's financial position or performance.

Standards issued but not yet effective

At the date these financial statements were authorised for issue, no new or amended PBE Standards had been issued but were not yet effective that are expected to have a material impact on the Group's financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
for the year ended 31 March 2026

2. REVENUE & EXPENSES

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured, regardless of when the payment is made.

a. Investment Revenue

Policy:

Interest revenue - for all financial assets measured at amortised cost interest revenue is accrued on a time basis at the effective interest rate applicable. This is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial asset to the net carrying amount of the financial asset on initial recognition.

Net gains or losses arising on financial assets at Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit - incorporates any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset, as well as realised and unrealised gains and losses including foreign exchange.

Dividend revenue – dividends are recognised when the right to receive payment has been established. Dividends are recognised in surplus or deficit unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of that investment.

Rent - rental revenue from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$0	\$0
Interest	2,918	2,481
Net gains/(losses) arising on Investments at Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit	28,570	16,630
Rent	263	247
Total	31,751	19,358

b. Generation, Retail & Energy

Policy:

Supply of electricity (generation and retail) and energy revenue – is recognised at the time of supply and is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of discounts and GST.

Exchange		
Electricity Generation and Retail Sales	271,947	219,891
Waste to Energy	8,070	6,688
Energy Sales	20,181	18,971
Total Exchange	300,198	245,550

c. Other Revenue

Policy:

Other revenue – revenue is recognised when services are provided.

Gain/(Loss) on Sale - Property, Plant and Equipment - is calculated at the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset.

Other Revenue	5,482	13,286
Gain/(Loss) on Sale - Property, Plant and Equipment	-	-
Total Other Revenue	5,482	13,286

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
for the year ended 31 March 2026

2. REVENUE & EXPENSES (cont'd)

d. Audit Fees

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$0	\$0
Statutory audit – Deloitte Limited	399	370
Other non-assurance fees – Deloitte Limited ⁽ⁱ⁾	2	1
Total	401	371

i) Other non-assurance fees paid to Deloitte Limited in the current year relate to tax compliance services (2025: tax compliance services).

e. Employees Remuneration includes:

Contribution to Defined Contribution Plans	881	759
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f. Depreciation and Amortisation Expense

Policy:

Refer to Note 13 and 15

Depreciation expense	17,059	14,807
Depreciation recovered and or gain on sale disposal	472	(4,447)
	<u>17,531</u>	<u>10,360</u>
Amortisation expense	735	994
Total	18,172	11,354

g. Other Expenses includes:

Policy:

Operating leases - are leases that do not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental of ownership of the leased item to the Group. Rentals payable under operating leases are recognised as an operating expense in surplus or deficit on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Net operating surplus/(deficit) has been arrived at after charging the following expenses:

Operating Lease Payments	680	2,441
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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
for the year ended 31 March 2026

3. TAXATION

The Group is exempt from Income Tax. The Trust is a charitable organisation, which was granted exemption from Income Tax under Section CB 4(1)e of the Income Tax Act 1994 (replaced with Section CW 42(1) of the Income Tax Act 2007). Charitable Status for the Trust was effective from the inception of the Trust. Charitable status for Pioneer Energy Limited was effective from 23 October 2002, and accordingly, income earned after that date is exempt from taxation.

4. RECEIVABLES FROM NON-EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Policy:

GST - The Group is registered for GST, and reporting is exclusive of GST in terms of revenue, expenses and assets, except for receivables and payables, which are recognised inclusive of GST. Where the amount of GST is not recovered from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of an asset or item of expense. The net amount of GST recoverable from or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Prudential Security Bond	1,364	8,124
GST refund due	13	1,906
Total	1,377	10,030

5. RECEIVABLES FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Policy:

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised when they are originated. Recognition is at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less expected credit losses.

Collectability and change of credit risk of trade receivables is reviewed on an on-going basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. The Group makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables and records the loss allowance as lifetime expected credit losses. These are the expected shortfalls in contractual cash flows, considering the potential for default at any point during the life of the financial instrument. The Group uses its historical experience, external indicators, and forward-looking information to calculate the lifetime of expected credit losses (ECL). Expected credit losses in the current year are negligible.

	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Trade Receivables	14,863	15,070
Allowance for expected credit losses	(1,218)	(1,566)
	13,645	13,504
Prepayments & Accruals	12,558	12,702
Sundry Receivables	2	2
Total	26,205	26,208

As at 31 March 2026 Group trade receivables of \$6,128,500 (2025: \$15,394,000) were past due and a provision for expected credit losses of \$348,000 (2025: \$75,000) was released to other expenses in the consolidated statement of comprehensive revenue and expense.

Refer to note 25 for details regarding related party receivables.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (cont'd)
for the year ended 31 March 2026

6. INVENTORIES

Policy:

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Consumable	6,401	4,797
Carbon Credit Units	36	47
Total	6,437	4,844

7. INVESTMENTS

Policy:

Investment assets are classified, at initial recognition, as financial assets 'at fair value through surplus or deficit (FVSD)' or 'amortised cost' as appropriate. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets.

Financial assets are classified as at FVSD when the financial asset is either held for trading or is designated as at FVSD.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

Investments in Unit Trusts, Managed Funds and Private Equities together with derivatives not designated as hedging instruments, are classified as financial assets at FVSD. The Group has not designated any financial assets at FVSD.

Financial assets at FVSD are stated at fair value with any resultant gain or loss recognised in surplus or deficit. Refer to Note 1 for consideration of the significant assumptions and judgements associated with assessing fair value for Unit Trusts, Managed Funds and Private Equities.

Amortised Cost - Investments in NZ Cash, and a Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust Loan are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment. Interest revenue is recognised by applying the effective interest rate.

A provision for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms. The amount of the provision is the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the effective interest rate. The amount of the provision is expensed in surplus or deficit. Purchases and sales of financial assets are accounted for at trade or settlement date (whichever is applicable).

Impairment of Financial Assets - Financial assets, other than those at fair value through surplus or deficit, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted. For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in the surplus or deficit.

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7. INVESTMENTS (cont'd)

	Group	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
AT AMORTISED COST		
<i>Current</i>		
NZ Cash	-	-
Total	-	-
Non-Current		
Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Loan	3,835	3,941
Total	3,835	3,941
TOTAL AT AMORTISED COST INVESTMENTS	3,835	3,941
AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH SURPLUS OR DEFICIT		
Non-Current		
Unit Trusts	311,572	283,857
Private Equities	41,591	38,470
Total	353,163	322,327
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	356,999	326,268
Disclosed as:		
<i>Current</i>	-	-
Non Current	356,999	326,269
Total	356,999	326,269

8. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS & OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Policy: Derivative Financial Instruments - The Group enters into certain derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to movements in the spot price for electricity, foreign exchange rates and interest rates.

The Group does not hold derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured to their fair value at each balance date.

The resulting gain or loss is recognised in surplus or deficit immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event, the timing of the recognition in surplus or deficit depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

Hedge Accounting -

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is effective in off-setting changes in fair value or cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, which is when the hedging relationships meet all of the following hedge effectiveness requirements:

- There is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument; and
- The effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship; and

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8. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS & OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (cont'd)

- The hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the Group actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting.

The electricity derivatives are not designated as an effective hedge relationship and therefore are not hedge accounted and gains and losses are reflected in the statement of comprehensive revenue and expense related to the month in which they relate. Certain foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swaps are accounted for as effective cash flow hedges.

The full fair value of a hedge accounted derivative is classified as non-current if the remaining maturity of the hedged item is more than 12 months, and as current if the remaining maturity of the hedged item is less than 12 months.

The full fair value of a non-hedge accounted foreign exchange derivative is classified as current if the contract is due for settlement within 12 months of balance date; otherwise, foreign exchange derivatives are classified as non-current. The portion of the fair value of a non-hedge accounted interest rate derivative that is expected to be realised within 12 months of balance date is classified as current, with the remaining portion of the derivative classified as non-current.

Changes in the fair value of electricity derivatives that are designated as fair value hedges are recorded in surplus or deficit immediately, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged item that are attributable to the hedging risk.

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8. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS & OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (cont'd)

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swaps that are hedge accounted are designated as cash flow hedges and are recognised in other comprehensive revenue or expense and accumulate as a separate component of equity in the hedging reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit. Changes in the fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts that are not hedge accounted are recorded in surplus or deficit.

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS		
<i>Current – At Fair Value</i>		
Electricity Hedge Contracts (i)	8,405	58,635
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	-	-
Total	8,405	58,635
<i>Non Current</i>		
<i>Non Current – At Amortised Cost</i>		
Other Finance Receivable – Dairy Creek	-	10,197
<i>Non Current – At Fair Value</i>		
Electricity Hedge Contracts (i)	4,645	32,199
Interest Rate Swap Contracts (ii)	2,675	-
Total	7,320	42,396
TOTAL OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS	15,725	101,031
OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES		
<i>Current – At Fair Value</i>		
Electricity Hedge Contracts (i)	(6,739)	(24,964)
Interest Rate Swap Contracts (ii)	(509)	(508)
Total	(7,248)	(25,472)
<i>Non Current – At Fair Value</i>		
Interest Rate Swap Contracts (ii)	-	-
Electricity Hedge Contracts (i)	(7,609)	(8,209)
Total	(7,609)	(8,209)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	(14,857)	(33,681)

- i) Electricity hedge contracts are classified at fair value through surplus or deficit (FVSD), with gains and losses recognised in surplus or deficit in the period in which they arise.
- ii) Interest rate swaps are classified as financial instruments held at fair value through Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense as they are designated as effective cash flow hedges. The effective portion of changes in their fair value are recognised in Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense and accumulate as a separate component of equity in the hedging reserve. Any gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in Surplus or Deficit Refer to Note 19 for a reconciliation of the gain/(loss) recognised in Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense and accumulated in the Hedge Reserve.

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8. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS & OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (cont'd)

- iii) At 31 March 2018 the Group provided a loan facility to Dairy Creek Limited Partnership of \$9,000,000 at an annual interest rate of 9%. This was increased to \$10,641,000 in 2020. On 11 November 2025, the debt of \$10,197,392 was repaid by Dairy Creek for the sum of \$8,669,628. The remainder of the debt was forgiven for \$1,527,764. The shares in Dairy Creek were sold to Dairy Creek Water Users for \$1,527,764 creating a gain on sale of \$1,527,764.

Refer to Note 21 for further information on other financial assets and other financial liabilities accounting policies.

9. GOODWILL

Policy:

Goodwill is initially recognised as an asset at cost and is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less cost to sell and value in use. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Any impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit and is not reversed in subsequent periods. On disposal of a relevant cash-generating unit, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the surplus or deficit on disposal.

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Cost	22,259	22,353
Accumulated impairment losses	-	-
Carrying Amount	22,259	22,353
Cost		
Balance at 1 April	22,353	16,268
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	6,085
Balance at 31 March	22,353	22,353
Accumulated Impairment Losses		
Balance at 1 April	-	-
Impairment Losses	(94)	-
Balance at 31 March	(94)	-

Goodwill arose on the acquisition of Pioneer Energy Limited by the Trust and on the acquisitions of Ecosystems Limited and Ecogas Limited Partnership by Pioneer Energy Limited.

\$16,268,000 of goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to the Pioneer Energy Limited cash generating unit with the remainder being allocated to the Ecogas cash generating unit.

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10. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Policy:

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals, is measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment property is measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment property are included in surplus or deficit in the period in which they arise.

Measurement and Assumptions:

The fair value of the Group's investment property at 31 March 2026 (and 31 March 2025) has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out at that date by APL Property Limited, an independent registered valuer who is a member of the New Zealand Property Institute and New Zealand Institute of Valuers.

The valuation was prepared by capitalising the potential revenue that the property can generate. Comparison to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties was also performed.

The capitalisation rate utilised in the valuation is 5.1% (2025: 5.2%).

There were no significant contractual obligations of a capital and/or maintenance nature relating to the current investment property at balance date (2025: Nil).

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Balance at beginning of the year	6,650	6,300
Renovations during year	-	491
Gain/(loss) on property revaluation at fair value	625	(141)
Balance at end of the year	7,275	6,650

11. SUBSIDIARIES & CONTROLLED ENTITIES

Details of the Group's subsidiaries at 31 March are as follows:

Name	Place of Incorporation	Principal Activity	Ownership interests and voting rights 2026 %	Ownership interests and voting rights 2025 %
Central Lakes Direct Limited (i)	NZ	Investment Company	0%	100%
Pioneer Energy Limited	NZ	Electricity & Energy Generation	100%	100%
Ecogas Limited Partnership (ii)	NZ	Waste to Energy	67.9% (66.7%)	85% (60%)
Pioneer Energy Renewables Limited Partnership (iii)	NZ	Energy generation	51.5% (57.1%)	75.8% (83.3%)
Pulse Energy Alliance Limited Partnership (iv)	NZ	Energy gas and broadband retailing	51.5% (57.1%)	75.8% (83.3%)
Pioneer Energy Group Limited Partnership (v), (vi) (vii)	NZ	Investment holding and corporate services	67.9% (66.7%)	100% (100%)

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11. SUBSIDIARIES & CONTROLLED ENTITIES (cont'd)

- (i) During the year Central Lakes Direct Limited was wound up with all remaining investments transferred to CLT.
- (ii) On 18 December 2025, PEGLP acquired the remaining 15% equity interest in EcoGas from EcoStock for consideration of \$950k, increasing its ownership to 100%.
- (iii) During the year ended 31 March 2025, Pioneer Energy Limited obtained control of SGLP (renamed to PERLP) by acquiring the remaining 50% on 27 June 2024 (Note 12) As a result, this investment has been consolidated into the Group's results from that date.
- (iv) During the year ended 31 March 2025, Pioneer Energy Renewables LP gained control of Pulse by acquiring the remaining 49% on 27 June 2024. Consequently, this investment has been consolidated into the Group's results from that date. Before 27 June 2024, the investment in Pulse was accounted for using the equity method (Note 12).
- (v) On 27 June 2024, Pioneer Energy Limited established a new entity, Pioneer Energy Group Limited Partnership (PEGLP), with PEL being the sole limited partner. PEL also established PEGLP's general partner, Pioneer Energy Group GP Limited.
- (vi) On 1 July 2025, PEGLP issued a 30% ownership interest to Totara Energy Limited Partnership for total consideration of \$100m, with capital issuance costs of \$0.9m recognised directly in equity; accordingly, net proceeds of \$99.1m were recognised within Non-controlling interest in the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, with the transaction accounted for as an equity transaction with owners in their capacity as owners and no impact on profit or loss.
- (vii) On 27 February 2026, Ngāti Manawa Development Limited acquired a 2.1% minority interest in PEGLP through a secondary sale by Pioneer Energy Limited, for consideration of \$6.7m received by PEL.

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12. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES/PARTNERSHIP

a. Group reorganisation summary

In May and June 2024, Pioneer Energy Limited undertook a number of transactions between group entities in order to simplify the group structure and position it for future growth. These transactions are further explained in the table below:

Date of transaction	Transaction Description	Affected PEL Group Entities
17-May-24	PEL established a new entity, Pioneer Energy Group Limited Partnership (PEGLP), with PEL being the sole limited partner. PEL also established PEGLP's general partner, Pioneer Energy Group GP Limited (PEGGP), maintaining 100% shareholding.	-
27-Jun-24	Pioneer Generation Investment Limited (PGIL) was amalgamated into PEL.	
	PEL purchased the remaining 50% interest in SGLP and SGGP for \$105.8m.	PEL, PERLP (see 12(b) below)
	In consideration for 100% partnership interest in PEGLP, PEL sold its partnership interest in the following entities to PEGLP: Ecogas Limited Partnership (Ecogas LP); PERLP, previously named SGLP; and Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership (Lochindorb LP).	PEL, PEGLP, PERLP (See 12(c) below)
	PEL also sold and PEGLP purchased all of PEL's shares in: Ecogas GP Limited; Lochindorb GP Limited; and Southern Generation GP Limited (renamed to Pioneer Energy Renewables GP Limited).	PEL, PEGLP, PERLP
	PEL sold its hydro, wind and thermal assets ('renewable assets') and share in Pulse to PERLP and transferred its partnership interest in Pulse in consideration for: Agreeing to accede to PEL's banking facilities as primary obligor; and Advancing PEGLP \$30m.	PEL, PERLP, PEGLP (see 12(d) below)
	Under the subscription agreement, Buller agreed to sell a 49% stake in Pulse General Partnership Limited and its interest in Pulse, along with contributing \$30m in cash to PERLP, in exchange for a 24.2% ownership in PERLP.	PERLP (see 12(e) below), PEGLP
1-Jul-24	SGLP was renamed to PERLP.	PERLP

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12. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES/PARTNERSHIP (cont'd)

b. Acquisition of remaining shares in SGLP

Name	Principal Activity	Date of Acquisition	Proportion of shares acquired
Southern Generation Limited Partnership	Electricity generation	27-Jun-24	50%

On June 27, 2024, PEL entered into an agreement with the other limited partner of SGLP, Roaring Forties Energy Limited Partnership (a non-related entity), to acquire the remaining 50% interest for a purchase price of \$105.8m, paid in cash. To fund the purchase, PEL secured \$50m in additional term debt (Note 18), a \$30m bridging loan (Note 18)(to be repaid by July 31, 2025), and received \$30m from Buller Electricity Limited (Buller). As PEL previously held a 50% interest, this was treated as a Business Combination Achieved. The previously held equity interest was remeasured to fair value at acquisition date, resulting in a remeasurement gain of \$31.2m. This gain is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense within Other gains/(losses). The carrying value of the equity-accounted investment in SGLP in PEL was \$81m and at the acquisition-date fair value of the previously held equity interest was assessed by an independent valuation at \$112.2m. The acquisition of the remaining 50% share in SGLP led to the recognition of a bargain purchase gain of \$6.4m, (where the fair value of net assets acquired exceeded the consideration transferred), which is recognised in Other gains/(losses) in surplus. The acquisition considerations, along with the fair value allocated to the asset and liability classes at the time of acquisition are outlined below.

Acquisition Consideration	\$000s
Cash	105,800
Acquisition-date fair value of the previously held equity interest	112,200
Total acquisition consideration	218,000
Net identifiable assets acquired	224,400
Bargain purchase gain recognised in Other gains / (losses)	6,400

c. Sale of PEL's partnership interest in Ecogas LP, PERLP and Lochindorb LP to PEGLP

On 27 June 2024, In consideration for 100% partnership interest in PEGLP, PEL sold and PEGLP purchased all of PEL's partnership interest in Ecogas Limited Partnership (Ecogas LP), PERLP (previously known as SGLP); and Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership (Lochindorb LP). These transactions were accounted for as Business Combination Under Common Control using the Predecessor Method.

d. Sale of PEL's Renewable Assets and investment in Pulse to PERLP

In exchange for PERLP agreeing to assume PEL's banking facilities and providing PEGLP with \$30m in cash, PEL transferred its hydro, wind, and thermal assets (renewable assets), along with its 51% interest in Pulse, to PERLP. These transactions were accounted for as Business Combination Under Common Control using the Predecessor Method as all combining entities are ultimately controlled by the Group before and after the combination, and that control is not transitory.

e. Acquisition of Remaining Shares in Pulse Energy Alliance LP

Name	Principal Activity	Date of Acquisition	Proportion of shares acquired
Pulse Energy Alliance LP	Energy and broadband retailing	27-Jun-24	49%

PEL's 51% equity investment in Pulse was transferred to PERLP at its carrying amount of \$62m. The consideration for the 51% interest was assessed at \$33.3m, resulting in a deemed disposal loss of \$28.2m recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

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12. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES/PARTNERSHIP (cont'd)

On 27 June 2024, Buller agreed to sell its remaining shares in Pulse and contribute \$30m in cash to PERLP in exchange for a 24.2% ownership interest in PERLP. As PERLP already held a 51% interest in Pulse, this transaction constitutes an Acquisition Achieved in Stages. The entire investment was valued at \$65.3m. The Limited Partnership has completed the provisional purchase price allocation in accordance with the requirements of PBE IPSAS 40 *PBE Combinations*. The provisional fair value attributed to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities is disclosed in the following table.

Acquisition Consideration	\$000s
Acquisition-date consideration of 49% of Pulse	31,994
Acquisition-date fair value of the previously held equity interest	33,300
Total acquisition consideration	65,294
Net identifiable assets acquired	81,304
Bargain purchase gain recognised in Other gains / (losses)	16,010

Upon acquiring the remaining 49% stake in Pulse, the Group recognised a provisional bargain purchase gain of \$16m from the transaction. This gain has been recognised within Other gains/(losses) in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense in accordance with PBE IPSAS 40 *PBE Combinations*.

The Group has 12 months from the acquisition date to finalise the business combination accounting. The bargain purchase gain arose from a significant uplift in the valuation of Pulse's derivative assets to \$70.5m, driven by the increase in the electricity forward market at the time of the transaction.

f. Finalisation of Acquisition Accounting for Ecogas Limited Partnership

Name	Principal Activity	Date of Acquisition	Proportion of shares acquired
Ecogas Limited Partnership	Waste to Energy	1-Nov-23	85%

Ecogas Limited Partnership was acquired by way of obtaining control through directors voting rights increasing from 50% to 60% on 1 November 2023 via a step acquisition. No consideration was paid for obtaining control. The carrying value of equity accounted 85% share in EcoGas as at 1 November 2023 was \$21m. After considering the acquisition date fair value of the existing 85% interest, this resulted in the entire investment being valued at \$33m and a gain of \$7m being recognised in Other gains/(losses) in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense. As disclosed in the 2024 financial statements, the initial accounting for the acquisition was recorded on the provisional basis. The assessment of the fair value on acquisition has been completed, resulting in a change in the identifiable intangible assets and goodwill.

The valuation of the assets and liabilities acquired has now been completed and goodwill of \$6.1m was recognised. The fair value allocated to the asset and liability classes upon acquisition are disclosed below.

Acquisition Consideration	\$000s
Acquisition-date fair value of the previously held equity interest	105,800
Total acquisition consideration	105,800

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13. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Policy:

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the assets. Where an asset is acquired for no cost, or for a nominal cost, it is recognised at fair value at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis for the main generation assets and dams. For all other assets, the diminishing value method has been adopted using the effective rates set out below.

Expenditure incurred to maintain these assets is charged to surplus or deficit in the period incurred.

Any capital expenditure incurred subsequent to the commissioning of fixed assets is capitalised to the asset at the time it is incurred. The cost of internally constructed assets comprise direct labour, materials, transport and overhead apportioned on the basis of labour and plant costs.

The estimated useful lives of the major asset classes have been estimated as follows:

Generation Assets	Rate	Method
Land	Nil	-
Dams	2-7%	SL
Land Improvements	1.5-11.4%	DV & SL
Buildings and Civil Assets	2-15%	DV & SL
Computer Equipment	4-100%	DV & SL
Furniture & Fittings	7.8-100%	DV & SL
Generation Plant	1-80.4%	DV & SL
Heat Plant	8-44%	SL
Motor Vehicles	8-21.6%	DV & SL
Office Equipment	7-48%	DV & SL
Other Equipment & Tools	8-67%	DV & SL

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period.

Disposal - An item of property, plant and equipment is de-recognised upon disposal or recognised as impaired when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset.

Any gain or loss arising on de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the surplus or deficit in the period the asset is derecognised.

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13. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (cont'd)

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are recognised in surplus or deficit in the period in which they are incurred.

Judgements:

Impairment Assessment - At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether there is any indication that its assets may be impaired. In the event that any such indication exists, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the assets. In the prior year, to assess whether there was any indication that an asset may be impaired, the Group obtained an independent valuation using the discounted cash flow model. In the current year, the Group has assessed whether there were any adverse changes to the key assumptions and judgements in the valuation model.

Depreciation - In determining the appropriate depreciation rate to apply against property, plant and equipment, the trustees are required to make estimates regarding the useful lives and residual values of property, plant and equipment. The estimates used by the trustees in determining the depreciation rate may ultimately be different to the actual pattern of use. In the event these estimates differ to the actual pattern of use the depreciation charge recognised may be more or less than what would have been charged had this information been available at the time of determining the estimate.

Borrowing Costs - Judgement has been applied to calculate the proportion of borrowings related to qualifying assets and the capitalisation period. Judgement has also been exercised to determine the borrowing costs that have been expensed are not attributable to qualifying assets.

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13. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (cont'd)

Group 2026	Cost 1 April 2025	Acquisition by Control	Additions	Disposals	Transfers from Capital Work in Progress	Cost 31 March 2026	Accumulated Depreciation & Impairment Charges 1 April 2025	Depreciation Expense	Accumulated Depreciation reversed on Disposal	Transfers Between Assets Classes	Accumulated Depreciation & Impairment Charges 31 March 2026	Carrying Value 31 March 2026
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Land	11,218	-	8,152	1,361	-	18,009	239	-	-	-	239	17,770
Dams	22,932	-	-	-	(22,932)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Land Improvements	6,377	-	159	-	-	6,536	508	293	-	-	801	5,735
Buildings	123,747	-	214	-	22,932	146,893	20,566	5,064	-	-	25,630	121,263
Motor vehicles	4,537	-	386	305	-	4,618	1,597	488	229	-	1,856	2,762
Generation Plant	155,237	-	5,000	-	-	160,237	36,177	7,378	-	-	43,555	116,682
Heat Plant	36,073	-	2,909	11	-	38,971	24,896	1,890	-	-	26,786	12,185
Other Equipment and Tools	16,902	-	248	-	-	17,150	1,475	1,583	-	-	3,058	14,092
Furniture & fittings	451	-	25	3	-	473	268	100	3	-	364	109
Office equipment	405	-	228	61	-	572	184	137	58	-	263	309
Computer equipment	1,089	-	216	-	-	1,305	837	126	-	-	963	342
Total	378,968	-	17,537	1,741	-	394,764	86,747	17,059	290	-	103,515	291,249
Capital Work in Progress	14,254	-	9,663	-	-	23,917	18	-	-	-	18	23,899
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	393,222	-	27,200	1,741	-	418,681	86,765	17,059	290	-	103,533	315,152

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13. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (cont'd)

Group 2025	Cost 1 April 2024	Acquisition by Control	Additions	Disposals	Transfers from Capital Work in Progress	Cost 31 March 2025	Accumulated Depreciation & Impairment Charges 1 April 2024	Depreciation Expense	Accumulated Depreciation reversed on Disposal	Transfers Between Assets Classes	Accumulated Depreciation & Impairment Charges 1 April 2025	Carrying Value 31 March 2025
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Land	6,864	4,354	-	-	-	11,218	231	8	-	-	239	10,979
Dams	-	81,079	1	-	(58,148)	22,932	-	1,937	-	(1,937)	-	22,932
Land Improvements	6,315	-	62	-	-	6,377	235	273	-	-	508	5,869
Buildings	46,121	18,609	869	-	58,148	123,747	16,450	2,179	-	1,937	20,566	103,181
Motor vehicles	3,843	140	554	-	-	4,537	1,176	421	-	-	1,597	2,940
Generation Plant	61,582	92,687	968	-	-	155,237	29,756	6,421	-	-	36,177	119,060
Heat Plant	35,585	0	2,370	1,882	-	36,073	24,494	1,630	1,228	-	24,896	11,177
Other Equipment and Tools	964	15,798	206	66	-	16,902	139	1,507	171	-	1,475	15,427
Furniture & fittings	372	46	80	47	-	451	289	24	45	-	268	183
Office equipment	137	285	74	91	-	405	94	178	88	-	184	221
Computer equipment	966	40	93	11	-	1,088	738	110	11	-	837	251
Total	162,749	213,038	5,277	2,097	-	378,967	73,602	14,688	1,543	-	86,747	292,220
Capital Work in Progress	8,504	3,313	4,138	1,654	(47)	14,254	-	18	-	-	18	14,236
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	171,253	216,351	9,415	3,751	(47)	393,221	73,602	14,706	1,543	-	86,765	306,458

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14. JOINT VENTURES

Policy:

A joint venture is a binding arrangement whereby two or more parties commit to undertake an activity and agree to share control over the activity (joint control). The Group has interests in joint ventures which are jointly controlled entities

The Group's investment in joint ventures is accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, an investment in a joint venture is initially recognised in the Statement of Financial Position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of net assets of the joint venture. The Group's share of any movements in the joint ventures other comprehensive revenue or expense is recognised in other comprehensive revenue and expense. The cumulative movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment.

When a group entity transacts with a joint venture of the Group, surpluses or deficits resulting from the transactions with the joint venture are recognised in the Group's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in joint ventures that are not related to the Group.

Judgement:

Classification of joint ventures – Dairy Creek Limited Partnership, Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership, and Southern Cross CLT Limited are limited liability entities whose legal form confers separation between the parties to the joint ventures and the Trust itself and whereby the limited partnership partners or shareholders commit and agree to share control over the jointly controlled entities.

See overleaf for details.

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14. JOINT VENTURES (cont'd)

a. Details of material joint ventures

Name of joint venture	Principal activity	Place of incorporation and operation	Proportion of ownership interest and (voting power) held by the Group	
			2026	2025
Dairy Creek Limited Partnership (i)	Irrigation	New Zealand	0% (0%)	98% (50%)
Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership (LWLP)	Electricity Generation	New Zealand	50% (50%)	50% (50%)
Southern Cross CLT Limited (SCCL)	Healthcare facilities	New Zealand	49.5% (50%)	50% (50%)

i) See note 8 (iii) on sale of shares in Dairy Creek Limited Partnership on 1 November 2025.

b. Summary financial information

The above joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method in these consolidated financial statements.

Summarised financial information in respect of the Group's material jointly controlled entities and reconciliation with the carrying amount of the investment in the consolidated Group financial statements is set out below. Note During the year the Group sold assets to Lochindorb Wind LP. In accordance with PBE IPSAS 36, the Group's 50% share of the resulting gain has been eliminated against the carrying amount of the investment and will be recognised as the underlying assets are consumed by the joint venture:

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14. JOINT VENTURES (cont'd)

Summarised Statement of Financial Position	LOCHINDORB	SCCL	2026
			\$000
Current assets	769	3,685	
Non-current assets	20,843	2,579	
Current liabilities	(173)	(1,527)	
Non-current liabilities	-	-	
Equity	21,439	4,737	
Portion of the Group's ownership	50%	50%	
Group's share of net assets	10,720	2,345	
Less: Elimination of unrealised gain on assets sold to the JV	(3,501)	-	
Carrying amount of investment in Group's financial statements	7,219	2,345	9,563
			\$000
Revenue	-	16,770	
Expenses	(467)	(18,744)	
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(467)	(1,974)	
Other comprehensive revenue or expense for the year	-	-	
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	(467)	(1,974)	
Portion of the Group's ownership	50%	50%	
Group's share of surplus /(deficit)	(234)	(977)	(1,211)

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14. JOINT VENTURES (cont'd)

	Group				
Summarised Statement of Financial Position	SGLP	PEALP	LOCHIN DORB	SCCL	2025 \$000
Current assets	0	0	2,012	3,159	
Non-current assets	0	0	13,814	3,713	
Current liabilities	0	0	(296)	(1,854)	
Non-current liabilities	-	0	-	-	
Equity	0	0	15,530	5,018	
Portion of the Group's ownership	76%	76%	50%	50%	
Carrying amount of investment in Group's financial statements	0	0	5,427	2,509	7,936
Summarised Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense	SGLP	PEALP	LOCHIN DORB	SCCL	Group 2025 \$000
Revenue	6,552	60,651	-	14,215	
Expenses	(8,482)	(25,701)	(459)	(17,125)	
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(1,930)	34,950	(459)	(2,910)	
Other comprehensive revenue or expense for the year	-	-	-	-	
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	(1,930)	34,950	(459)	(2,910)	
Portion of the Group's ownership	50%	48.90%	50%	50%	
Group's share of surplus /(deficit)	(965)	17,091	(230)	(1,455)	14,441

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15. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Policy:

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is charged on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives, residual values and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis.

Computer software	up to 3 years	
Customer Contracts	up to 30 years	
Consents	5 – 30 years	
Asset management	up to 7 years	
Lochindorb rights	30 Years	(transferred to Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership in 2024)
Trademarks	9 – 10 years	

Finite life intangible assets acquired in a business combination are identified and recognised separately from goodwill where they satisfy the definition of an intangible asset and their fair values can be measured reliably. The cost of such intangible assets is their fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets acquired separately.

Customer contract (Heat supply contract-Bromley, Christchurch) up to 13 years

In determining the appropriate amortisation rate to apply against intangible assets trustees are required to make estimates regarding the estimated remaining useful lives and residual values of intangible assets. The Group reviews the estimated useful lives of intangible assets at the end of each annual reporting period. The estimates used by trustees in determining the amortisation rate may ultimately be different to the actual pattern of use. In the event these estimates differ to the actual pattern of use the amortisation charge recognised may be more or less than what would have been charged had this information been available at the time of determining the estimate.

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15. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (cont'd)

Group	Computer Software	Customer Contract	Lochindorb Rights	Asset Management	Ecogas Customer Contract	Trademarks	Total
Cost	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
Balance at 31-Mar-24	2,982	12,312	-	374	1,415	-	17,083
Additions through Acquisition of Control	448	250	-	-	5,986	29	6,713
Completion of acquisition accounting - EcoGas	-	(5,896)	-	-	(1,415)	-	(7,311)
Additions	9	42	-	-	-	-	51
Disposals	(2,602)	(515)	-	-	-	-	(3,117)
Balance at 31-Mar-25	837	6,193	-	374	5,986	29	13,419
Additions	80	-	-	-	-	-	80
Disposals	(432)	-	-	-	-	-	(432)
Balance at 31-Mar-26	485	6,193	0	374	5,986	29	13,067

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15. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (cont'd)

Accumulated Amortisation & Impairment

	Computer Software	Customer Contract	Lochindorb Rights	Asset Management	Ecogas Customer Contract	Trademark s.	Total
Balance at 31-Mar-24	(1,799)	(470)	-	(117)	(171)	-	(2,557)
Additions through acquisition of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amortisation	(581)	(340)	-	(26)	(45)	(3)	(995)
Accumulated Amortisation Reversed on Disposal	2,027	496	-	-	216	-	2,739
Balance at 31-Mar-25	(353)	(314)	-	(143)	-	(3)	(813)
Amortisation	(95)	(515)	-	(4)	(27)	-	(641)
Accumulated Amortisation Reversed on Disposal	216	-	-	-	-	-	216
Balance at 31-Mar-26	(232)	(829)	-	(147)	(27)	(3)	(1,238)

Carrying Amount

At 31 March 2025	484	5,879	-	231	5,986	26	12,607
At 31 March 2026	253	5,364	-	227	5,959	26	11,829

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16. PAYABLES UNDER EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Policy:

Payables and accruals are recognised when the Group becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services.

Short term creditors and other payables are measured at the amount payable.

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation arising from past events, the future sacrifice of economic benefits is probable, and the amount of the provision can be measured reliably.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at reporting date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cashflows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cashflows.

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, the receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that recovery will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

Employee Benefits - Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave, and sick leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and the cost is capable of being measured reliably.

Provisions made in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal rates using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

Provisions not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to reporting date.

	Group	
Current	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Trade Payables	14,190	21,285
Employee Benefits	4,443	4,984
Income in Advance	2,403	1,263
Accrued Expenses	831	7,202
Customer Prepayments	6,269	266
Other Payables	2,495	950
Total	30,631	35,950
Non-Current		
Income in Advance	9,203	9,561

Income in advance relates to the Auckland City Council contract and the advance payment made to EcoGas. The balance is amortised at \$35/tonne of raw material collected against the "Waste to energy" revenue line (Note 2b)

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17. PROVISION FOR GRANTS

Policy:

Grants expense - Grants approved by trustees are recognised as an expense in surplus or deficit when approved by the trustees. A provision for the grants approved is maintained in the Statement of Financial Position, including grants covering multiple years.

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Balance at beginning of the year	21,130	19,796
Grants approved covering:		
2024/2025 year	-	10,134
2025/2026 year	9,655	2,864
2026/2027 year	1,684	1,215
2027/2028 year	1,650	
Total Grants Approved	12,989	14,213
Grants Paid	(13,137)	(12,234)
Grants Rescinded	(145)	(644)
Balance at the end of the year	20,837	21,131
Disclosed as:		
Current	19,187	19,897
Non Current	1,651	1,234
Balance at the end of the year	20,837	21,131

Since inception, grants of \$173,264,990 have been approved as at 31 March 2026 (2025: \$158,967,032).

The grants approved amount includes multi-year grants where CLT recognise the need for social service providers to have certainty of funding for future service provision.

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18. BORROWINGS

Policy:

Borrowings on normal commercial terms are initially recognised at the amount borrowed plus transaction costs. Interest due on the borrowings is subsequently accrued and added to the borrowings balance.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after balance date.

At 31 March 2026 the Group's borrowings were as follows:

	Maturity Date/Facility Term	Weighted Average Interest Rates		Group 2026	Group 2025
		2026	2025	\$000	\$000
Syndicated Facilities Agreement with ASB and BNZ	2/04/2030	5.47%	6.60%	45,000	165,000
Syndicated Facilities Agreement with ASB and BNZ	2/04/2029	5.47%	6.60%	50,000	-
Syndicated Facilities Agreement with ASB and BNZ	2/04/2028	5.47%	6.60%	50,000	-
Revolving Facility	2/04/2029	4.38%		3,147	
Bridge Facility	31/07/2025	6.27%	6.60%	-	30,000
Market Connect Overdraft	2/04/2029	6.71%	10.14%	-	-
Background BNZ					
PGF Loan	16/08/2030	6.62%	6.62%	5,000	6,000
Total				153,147	201,000
Secured Bank Loan Facility				Group 2026 \$000	Group 2025 \$000
Current					
Amount Drawn Current Bridge Facility				-	30,000
PGF Lending Facility Ecogas				1,000	1,000
Total				1,000	31,000
Non-Current					
Amount Drawn Syndicated Facilities				145,000	165,000
Amount Drawn Revolving				3,147	-
PGF Lending Facility Ecogas				4,000	5,000
Total				152,147	170,000
Amount Available				24,853	13,000
Total				178,000	214,000

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18. BORROWINGS (cont'd)

On June 26, 2024 ('Amendment date'), the Group entered into an amended and restated Syndicated Facilities Agreement with ASB and BNZ (Facilities Agreement). Under this agreement, Pioneer Energy Limited and Pioneer Generation Investment Limited were released from their roles as obligor and guarantor, respectively, while PERLP and Pulse Energy Alliance LP became the new borrowers, while Pioneer Energy Renewables GP Limited and Pulse General Partnership Limited became the new guarantors. The primary purpose of this restructuring was to fund the acquisition of SGLP and facilitate the transfer of debts to PERL. As of the balance date, the Facilities Agreement provided for a total facility of \$173m (31 March 2025: \$208m), structured with various sub-limits.

At balance date, formal lender approval of the refinancing terms had been obtained and all conditions precedent confirmed as satisfied. On this basis, the Group had an unconditional right to defer settlement of its syndicated facilities for at least 12 months from the reporting date, and the facilities are classified as non-current as at 31 March 2026. The refinancing was agreed on the following terms:

- Acquisition Facility (repayment date 31 March 2030) \$45m (2025: \$50m)
- Term Facility (\$50m repayment date 31 March 2028, \$50m repayment date 31 March 2029) \$100m (2025: \$100m)
- Revolving Facility (repayment date 31 March 2029) \$20m (2025: \$20m)
- The Pulse Market Connect Overdraft Facility (repayment date 31 March 2029) \$8m (2025: \$8m)

In addition to this, there is a Letter of Credit and Bond Facility - \$23.5m (2025: \$25m). At 31 March 2026, the Group allocated \$22m (2024: \$22.9m) of the amount available to letters of credit and guarantees. Effective from the Amendment Date, each letter of credit and guarantee was reclassified and accounted for under the Amended and Restated Syndicated Facilities Agreement with ASB and BNZ, as Revolving Facility B, maintaining the same amount and currency.

BNZ provided the Group with a Bank Guarantee Facility of \$25m (2025: \$25m). As of 31 March 2026, the total value of BNZ bank guarantees issued amounted to \$19.1m (31 March 2025: \$24.6m), which includes \$15.5m related to the Guarantees and Standby Letter of Credit (LC) facility issued by BNZ in favour of the Energy Clearing House (NZX) as of 31 March 2026 (31 March 2025: \$21m).

From 27 June 2024, the Facilities Agreement and cash advance facility are secured by way of a debenture over the PERLP's assets and undertakings, including shares in its investments. The cash advance facility is drawn down as required to cover shortfalls in day-to-day operating cash flows.

The Group has complied with all bank covenants during the year
Interest rate derivative swap facilities have been entered into to manage the LP's interest rate exposure risk

Ecogas has a loan with the Provincial Growth Fund with an original term of 10 years from 2020 with 4 years remaining with the last 5 years requiring capital repayments of \$1m per year. The outstanding balance at balance date amounted to \$5m (2025: \$6m). The interest rate on the facility is 6.62% (2025 6.62%).

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19. EQUITY

Nature and Purpose of Reserves

Capital Maintenance Reserve

The annual percentage movement in the Consumer Price Index is calculated on the Trust Capital at 31 March each year and transferred to a Capital Maintenance Reserve. The purpose of this is to set aside an amount and show the real value of the Trust's Capital after taking YTD inflation into account of 3.1% (2025: 2.5%).

Hedging Reserve

The Group enters into interest rate swaps as a hedge against fluctuations in floating interest rates on certain borrowings and foreign exchange contracts as a hedge against fluctuations in the cost of capital equipment due to exchange rate movements where these are seen as significant. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of interest rate swaps and foreign currency forward contracts designated as cashflow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive revenue or expense and accumulated in the Hedging Reserve as a separate component of equity.

A. Trust Capital – General Funds

	Group	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Balance at beginning of the year	262,967	125,373
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	(4,520)	58,162
Transfer to Capital Maintenance Reserve	(9,019)	(7,215)
Net movement on changes in non-controlling interests	422	50,114
Reallocation of retained losses to non-controlling interest	-	36,532
Balance at end of the year	249,849	262,967

b. Capital Maintenance Reserve

Balance at beginning of the year	321,155	313,940
Transfer from General Funds	9,019	7,215
Balance at end of the year	330,174	321,155

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19. EQUITY (cont'd)

c. Hedging Reserve

	Interest Rate Swaps \$000
2026	
Balance at beginning of the year	2,000
Other comprehensive revenue or expense	(352)
Balance at end of the year	1,648
2025	
Balance at beginning of the year	5,522
Other comprehensive revenue or expense	(2,186)
Reallocation of Hedging reserve to non-controlling interest	(1,336)
Balance at end of the year	2,000

d. Non-Controlling Interest

	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Balance at beginning of the year	(31,670)	4,286
Net Surplus/Deficit for year	(12,923)	5,656
Reallocation of retained losses	-	(36,532)
Reallocation of hedging reserve	-	1,336
NCI Contribution by the minority partner	134	-
Changes in ownership interests without loss of control	5,093	-
Other comprehensive revenue or expense	(112)	(697)
Partners Contribution	99,086	452
Acquisition of non-controlling share in EcoGas	(1,856)	-
Dividends Declared	(10,724)	(6,171)
Balance at end of the year	47,028	(31,670)

	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
TOTAL EQUITY	628,700	554,452

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20. NOTES TO CASHFLOW STATEMENT

Policy:

Operating activities include cash received from all revenue sources and record the cash payments made for supply of goods and services.

Investing activities are those activities relating to the acquisition and disposal of investments and non-current assets.

Financing activities comprise the changes in net assets/equity and debt structure of the Group.

a. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents includes all cash on hand and in bank. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flow statements is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Cash and Cash Equivalents	84,555	31,389
	84,555	31,389

Although cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2026 (2025: nil) are subject to the expected credit loss requirements of PBE IPSAS 41, no loss allowance has been recognised because the estimated allowance is trivial.

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20. NOTES TO CASHFLOW STATEMENT (cont'd)

b. Reconciliation of surplus for the period to net cash flows from operating activities

	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(17,443)	63,818
<u>Add/(Deduct)</u>		
Depreciation and Amortisation expense	16,572	10,493
(Gain)/loss on Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	-	-
Cost of Sales	3,048	-
Net (Gains) /losses arising on investments at fair value through surplus or deficit	(27,867)	(16,224)
(Gain)/loss on Revaluation of Investment Property	(625)	(350)
(Gain)/loss on Derivative Financial Instruments	57,322	6,433
Grants Rescinded	(145)	(644)
Share of Joint Venture Net (Surplus)/Loss	1,211	(14,441)
Discount on acquisition of subsidiary	-	(22,410)
Gain on disposal of equity accounted interest in Joint Venture	-	(2,992)
	<u>32,073</u>	<u>23,683</u>
Adjustments for changes in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease Receivables from exchange transactions	7,744	(22,420)
(Increase)/decrease Inventories	(1,593)	(3,534)
(Increase)/decrease Other Assets	(6,734)	(3,116)
Increase/(decrease) Payables for exchange transactions	348	17,044
Increase/(decrease) Provision for Grants	(292)	1,334
Add/(deduct) items reclassified as Investing/Financing	(144)	13,373
Net Cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	<u>31,401</u>	<u>26,365</u>

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Group 2026

Categories of Financial Instruments

Financial Assets:

	Total	Financial Assets At Amortised Cost	Financial Assets At Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit	Financial Assets at Fair Value through other Comprehensive revenue and expense	Financial Liabilities Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit	Financial Liabilities at Amortised Cost
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Cash and Cash Equivalents	84,555	84,555	-	-	-	-
Receivables - non-exchange	1,377	1,377	-	-	-	-
Receivables – exchange	26,205	26,205	-	-	-	-
Investments	356,999	3,835	353,163	-	-	-
Other Financial Assets	15,725	0	13,050	2,675	-	-
	484,861	115,972	366,213	2,675	-	-

Financial Liabilities:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payables - exchange	39,834	-	-	-	-	39,834
Provision for Grants	20,838	-	-	-	-	20,838
Other Financial Liabilities	14,857	-	-	509	14,348	-
Borrowings	153,147	-	-	-	-	153,147
	228,676	-	-	509	14,348	213,819

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21 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

<u>Group 2025</u>	Total	Financial Assets At Amortised Cost	Financial Assets At Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit	Financial Assets at Fair Value through other Comprehensive revenue and expense	Financial Assets/ Liabilities Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit	Financial Liabilities at Amortised Cost
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<i>Categories of Financial Instruments</i>						
<i>Financial Assets:</i>						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	31,389	31,389	-	-	-	-
Receivables - non-exchange	10,030	10,030	-	-	-	-
Receivables – exchange	26,208	26,208	-	-	-	-
Investments	326,269	3,941	322,327	-	-	-
Other Financial Assets	101,031	10,197	90,834	-	-	-
	494,927	81,765	413,161	-	-	-
<i>Financial Liabilities:</i>						
<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payables - exchange	45,510	-	-	-	-	45,510
Provision for Grants	21,130	-	-	-	-	21,130
Other Financial Liabilities	33,681	-	-	-	33,681	-
Borrowings	201,000	-	-	-	-	201,000
	301,321	-	-	-	33,681	267,640

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Policy

(a) Recognition and initial measurement

Trade receivables are initially recognised when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset or financial liability is initially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at Fair Value through Surplus or Deficit (FVSD), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. At initial recognition, an entity may measure short-term receivables and payables at the original invoice amount if the effect of discounting is immaterial.

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

(b) Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial assets

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; Fair value through other comprehensive revenue and expense (FVOCRE) – or fair value through surplus or deficit (FVSD).

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVSD:

- it is held within a management model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. .

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OCRE. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCRE as described above are measured at FVSD. This includes all derivative financial assets (see Note 8). On initial recognition, the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCRE as at FVSD if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Financial assets that are held for trading or are managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVSD.

Financial assets – Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g., liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Group considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making this assessment, the Group considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount or timing of cash flows;
- terms that may adjust the contractual coupon rate, including variable-rate features;
- prepayment and extension features; and
- terms that limit the Group's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g., non-recourse features).

A prepayment feature is consistent with the solely payments of principal and interest criterion if the prepayment amount substantially represents unpaid amounts of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, which may include reasonable additional compensation for early termination of the contract.

Additionally, for a financial asset acquired at a discount or premium to its contractual par amount, a feature that permits or requires prepayment at an amount that substantially represents the contractual par amount plus accrued (but unpaid) contractual interest (which may also include reasonable additional compensation for early termination) is treated as consistent with this criterion if the fair value of the prepayment feature is insignificant at initial recognition.

Financial assets – Subsequent measurement and gains and losses

Financial assets at FVSD	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income, are recognised in surplus or deficit
Financial assets at amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in surplus or deficit. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in surplus or deficit.
Equity investments at FVOCRE	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in surplus or deficit unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCRE and are never reclassified to surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities – Classification, subsequent measurement and gains and losses

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost or FVSD. A financial liability is classified as at FVSD if it is classified as held-for-trading, it is a derivative or it is designated as such on initial recognition.

Financial liabilities at FVSD are measured at fair value and net gains and losses, including any interest expense, are recognised in surplus or deficit. Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in surplus or deficit. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in surplus or deficit.

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The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

The Group enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

Financial liabilities

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expire.

The Group also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in surplus or deficit.

(d) Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset, and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(e) Impairment of non-derivative financial assets

The Group recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Group considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Group's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due.

The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The Group considers a debt security to have low credit risk when its credit risk rating is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. 12-month ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months). The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e., the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive). ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default or being more than 90 days past due;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Group on terms that the Group would not consider otherwise;
- it is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off when the Group has no reasonable expectations of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Financial risk management objectives

The Group is currently exposed to market risk (including interest rates, equity prices, electricity prices and currency), credit risk, and liquidity risk.

The Group's revenue is generated from its financial assets together with the trading activities of Pioneer Energy Limited. Information regarding the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities is regularly reported to the trustees. Under normal circumstances the investment portfolio is regularly rebalanced to ensure that asset classes remain within the Strategic Asset allocation set out in the Trust's Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives.

The Group seeks to minimise the effects of the exposure to market risk by using derivative financial instruments to hedge exposures to electricity spot prices, floating interest rates and currency. The use of derivatives is governed by the Pioneer Energy Limited Group's Treasury policy.

2026 Strategic Asset Allocation of Invested Assets

For monitoring purposes the strategic asset allocation of the invested assets including investment property and ranges are as follows:

	2026 Actual \$000	2026 Actual %	2026 Benchmark %	2026 Variance %	Allowable Range % - %
Australian Shares	51,026	14.0%	12%	2.0%	4.0 - 20.0
Global Shares	125,004	34.3%	28%	6.3%	18.0 - 45.0
Total Equities	176,030	48.3%	40%	8.3%	
Cash	22,407	6.2%	5%	1.2%	0.0 - 15.0
NZ Bonds	37,734	10.4%	10%	0.4%	0.0 - 15.0
Global Bonds	24,906	6.8%	6%	0.8%	0.0 - 12.0
Global Credit	17,745	4.9%	4%	0.9%	0.0 - 12.0
Short Term Bonds	16,779	4.6%	5%	-0.4%	0.0 - 12.0
Private Debt	15,967	4.4%	5%	-0.6%	0.0 - 10.0
Total Fixed Income and Cash	135,540	37.2%	35%	2.2%	
Total Managed Funds	311,572	85.5%	75%	10.5%	
Private Equity	37,768	10.4%	15%	-4.6%	0.0 - 25.0
NZ Private Debt	5,379	1.5%	5%	-3.5%	0.0 - 10.0
Property (ii)	9,553	2.6%	5%	-2.4%	0.0 - 10.0
Total Private Assets	52,700	14.5%	25%	-10.5%	
Total Funds (i)	364,272				

- The benchmarks and actual results do not include Pioneer Energy Limited in line with Central Lakes Trust's Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives. Pioneer Energy Limited is excluded as it eliminates on Group consolidation.
- The Property benchmark includes a specific property related investment which is included within the Private Equities classification in the Statement of Financial Position. Accordingly, the classifications for strategic allocation and assessment differ to other disclosures within these financial statements.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Further details related to specific areas of risk are as follows:

Market Risk

Currency Risk

The Group enters into foreign exchange forward contracts in order to manage its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates on specific transactions. The contracts are matched with future cash outflows of foreign currencies primarily for capital commitments and maintenance contracts, and the Group has designated these as cash flow hedges. The following table details the forward foreign currency contracts outstanding at the end of the reporting period:

Group	Foreign Currency		Nominal Contract Value		Fair Value	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000	2026 \$000	2025 \$000	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
EURO						
Less than 12 months	1,771	-	3,498	-	3,553	-
1 – 2 years	105	-	209	-	211	-
	1,876	-	3,707	-	3,764	-

At 31 March 2026, the aggregate amount of gains (losses) under forward foreign exchange contracts recognised in Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense and accumulated in the cash flow hedging reserve relating to these anticipated future purchase transactions is \$Nil (2025: \$Nil).

Sensitivity Analysis – Foreign Currency Contracts

The Group had no material foreign currency forward contracts outstanding at 31 March 2026 (2025: Nil). Accordingly, management has not presented a foreign currency sensitivity analysis as changes in foreign exchange rates would not have had a material impact on the Group's financial statements.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Electricity Price Risk

The Group enters into electricity price hedges with counterparties. Under these agreements, the Group agrees with the counterparties a fixed price (hedge price) for a percentage of its estimated electricity output. It is the Group's policy not to enter into any speculative position in relation to electricity price hedging contracts.

On maturity of the electricity price hedge any difference between the hedge price and the spot market price is settled between the parties. Settlement occurs irrespective of the amount of electricity actually supplied. If the spot market price is less than the hedged price, electricity counter parties must settle the difference with the Group. Conversely if the spot market price is greater than the hedge price, the Group must settle the difference with electricity counter parties.

Electricity Price hedges at 31 March:

	Fair Value \$000 2026	Fair Value \$000 2025
Less than 12 months	1,666	30,522
1-2yrs	(2,822)	21,895
2-3yrs	(814)	2,095
3-4yrs	671	-
4-5yrs	-	-
5+yrs	-	-
Total	(1,299)	54,512

Electricity Price Hedges

The following table summarises the impact of increases/decreases of the relevant forward prices on the Group's surplus/(deficit) for the year. The sensitivity analysis is based on the assumption that the relevant forward prices had increased/decreased by 10% and all other variables held constant.

	Group 2026 10% \$000	Group 2026 -10% \$000	Group 2025 10% \$000	Group 2025 -10% \$000
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(17,443)	(17,443)	63,818	63,818
Sensitivity impact to net surplus	5,250	(5,250)	2,560	(2,560)
	(12,193)	(22,693)	66,378	61,258

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Interest Rate Risk

The Group has exposure to interest rate risk to the extent the Group has cash on demand, at call in floating interest rate instruments as part of cash and cash equivalents and its investment portfolio. The interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group is also exposed to interest rate risk as borrowings are at floating interest rates.

The cash flow risk is managed through the Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives which places restrictions on how funds may be invested and the exposure to interest rates and unit prices.

The risk in relation to floating rate borrowings is managed within the Group by the use of interest rate swap contracts.

Interest Rate Swap Contracts

The interest rate swaps settle the difference between the fixed and floating interest rate on a net basis on a quarterly basis. All interest rate swap contracts exchanging floating interest amounts for fixed interest amounts are designated as cash flow hedges in order to reduce the Group's cash flow exposure resulting from floating interest rate borrowings. The interest rate swaps and the interest payments on the loans occur simultaneously and the amount deferred in equity is recognised in surplus or deficit over the period that the floating rate interest payments on the debt impact surplus or deficit.

Interest rate swap contracts at 31 March:

	Average Contracted Interest Rate		Notional Principal		Fair Value	
	2026 %	2025 %	2026 \$000	2025 \$000	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Less than 1 year	2.82	2.53	90,000	105,000	-509	52
1 – 2 years	2.82	2.29	90,000	95,000	15	491
2 – 5 years	3.1	2.38	83,300	68,300	2,620	210
5 + years	3.93	4.46	26,000	40,000	40	(1,261)
Balance at 31 March			289,300	308,300	2,166	(508)

Sensitivity Analysis – Interest Rate Risk

The following table summarises the impact of increases/decreases of interest rates on the Group's net surplus/(deficit) for the year in relation to floating rate borrowings not covered by interest rate swaps and assumes the exposure at 31 March was outstanding for the whole year. The sensitivity analysis is based on the assumption that the interest rates at 31 March had increased/decreased by 10% and all other variables held constant.

	Group 2026 10% \$000	Group 2026 -10% \$000	Group 2025 10% \$000	Group 2025 -10% \$000
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(17,443)	(17,443)	63,818	63,818
Sensitivity impact to net surplus	(435)	435	(1,307)	1,307
	(17,878)	(17,008)	62,511	65,125

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Unit Price Risk

The Group is exposed to unit price risk in relation to its investments in Unit Trusts and private and publicly traded equities. Unit price risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of an investment will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices.

The Group's investments are allocated into sectors through managed funds and managed by a professional fund manager. The cash flow risk is managed through CLT's Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives which places restrictions on the percentage of funds invested into each sector and the exposure to interest rates and unit prices as set out above.

Sensitivity Analysis – Unit Price Risk

The following table summarises the impact of 10% increases/decreases of unit/equity prices on the Group's net surplus/(deficit) for the 2026 year. The calculation has been done assuming a movement of 10% on the unit price or equity price at 31 March.

	Group 2026 10% \$000	Group 2026 -10% \$000	Group 2025 10% \$000	Group 2025 -10% \$000
Net Surplus(deficit)	(17,443)	(17,443)	63,818	63,818
Sensitivity impact to net surplus	17,603	(17,603)	15,878	(15,878)
	160	(35,046)	95,573	32,063

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that a third party will default on its obligations causing a loss.

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Group to a credit risk principally consist of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, investments and other financial assets.

Financial Instruments which potentially subject the Group to concentrations of credit risk, consist principally of bank balances, receivables, other finance receivables and investments.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying amount of those cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other finance receivables and investment balances.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk the Group may encounter difficulty in raising liquid funds to meet commitments as they fall due. Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash, availability of funding through adequate committed credit facilities and ability to close out market positions.

The Group manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves and floating borrowing facilities, and by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows, and by taking out adequate insurance to cover unanticipated events.

Note 18 includes details of additional undrawn banking facilities.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

The amounts disclosed in the tables below are the contractual undiscounted cash flows for non-derivative financial assets and liabilities.

2026	Weighted/ average effective interest rate%	Carrying Value	Contractual Cash flows	Less than 1yr	1-2 yrs	2-3yrs	3-4yrs	4-5yrs	5+yrs	Non-Interest Bearing
		\$000	\$000	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2.0	84,555	84,555	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade and other receivables	-	27,583	27,583	27.6	-	-	-	-	-	27.6
Payables - exchange	-	(30,631)	(30,631)	(30.6)	-	-	-	-	-	(30.6)
Provision for Grants	-	(20,839)	(20,839)	(19.2)	(1.7)	-	-	-	-	(20.8)
Bank Borrowings	5.5	(148,147)	(178,570)	(16.3)	(12.7)	(12)	(137)	-	-	-
Total		(87,480)	(117,903)	(39.4)	(14.4)	(12)	(137)	-	-	(24.7)

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

2025	Weighted/ average effective interest rate%	Carrying Value	Contractual Cash flows	Less than 1yr	1-2 yrs	2-3yrs	3-4yrs	4-5yrs	5+yrs	Non-Interest Bearing
		\$000	\$000	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)
Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	31,389	31,389	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade and other receivables	-	36,237	36,237	36.2	-	-	-	-	-	36.2
Payables - exchange	-	(35,949)	(35,949)	(35.9)	-	-	-	-	-	(35.9)
Provision for Grants	-	(21,131)	(21,131)	(19.9)	(1.2)	-	-	-	-	(21.1)
Bank Borrowings	6.8	(201,000)	(219,673)	(41.1)	(175.3)	(1.2)	(1)	(1)	-	-
Total		(190,454)	(209,127)	(60.7)	(176.5)	(1.2)	(1)	(1)	-	(20.8)

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When the fair value of a financial asset cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, the Fund Manager will measure fair value by using valuation techniques such as the market multiples approach, discounted cash flow modelling and precedent transaction analysis. The inputs to these models are taken from observable inputs where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the financial assets held could include, but are not limited to: revenue, earnings and associated valuation multiples, indicative quotes, discount rates and precedent transactions.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- i) Level 1 - Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- ii) Level 2 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.
- iii) Level 3 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

Significant Assumptions and Judgements:

Unit Trusts and Managed Funds - The fair value of Unit Trust investments is based on the per unit price as provided by the Unit Trust manager at balance date. The fair value of Managed Funds investments is based on the underlying price of the equity instruments at balance date (translated into New Zealand dollars) as provided by the Fund Manager.

Interest Rate Swaps - The valuation of interest rate swaps utilises a mark to market pricing calculation carried out by the Bank of New Zealand and ASB and is based on the forward interest rate price curve discounted at the forward interest rate price curve at balance date.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts - The valuation of foreign currency forward contracts utilises a mark to market pricing calculation carried out by the Bank of New Zealand and ASB and is based on the discounted forward foreign exchange rate at balance date.

Electricity Derivatives - The valuation of electricity derivatives relies on an internally developed pricing methodology. The hedge price is compared against the forecasted spot price over the hedging period in order to determine a fair value of the derivatives. Assumptions that can have a significant impact on the fair value are the publicly available forecasted spot price at each grid exit point and the forecasted volume to be delivered, where the hedges are variable volume instruments.

The valuation of electricity derivatives in level two is based on the ASX forward interest rate price curve that relates to the derivative.

The valuation of electricity price hedges in level three is based on a forecasted generation output based on two years of historical wind/generation data and the ASX forward price curve.

The fair value of Statement of Financial Position financial instruments is deemed to be equivalent to their carrying values.

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Private Equities – The Group invests in several Private Equity funds. The valuation of Private Equities is based on information provided by the Private Equity Fund manager on a net asset valuation determined by the manager. The information provided to the Group includes audited financial statements, quarterly manager reports, manager valuation reports and other commentary received.

Generally, the balance date of the underlying Private Equity fund aligns with the Group's balance date. For these Private Equity funds, the Group uses its proportion of the net asset value as detailed in the underlying audited financial statements to determine the net asset value of the investment, this assessment includes assumptions on the current market environment, global economy and the portfolio companies of the underlying fund specifically.

There are three funds (2025: three) as noted below with balance dates of 30 June or 31 December and are therefore not aligned to the Group's balance date and for which no adjustment to the fair value of the underlying investments has been made by the fund manager as at 31 March. The Group reviews the most recent audited financial statements as at 30 June or 31 December and adjusts for material quantifiable movements to 31 March such as disposal of underlying portfolio entities, cash distributions or calls made by the Private Equity fund of which information is readily available through managers communications.

The below Private Equity funds have a balance date of 30 June or 31 December 2025 that have not undertaken valuation assessments of the underlying investments at 31 March 2025. For these funds, the net asset valuations are based on trading conditions to their balance date, adjusted for quantifiable movements between 30 June 2025 or 31 December 2025 and 31 March 2026 such as disposals of underlying portfolio entities, cash disbursements and capital calls.

GROUP 2026 \$000	Year End	Opening FV	FV Adjustment	Calls	Distributions	Closing FV
Mercury Capital II	31-Dec	2,610	1,342	-	-	3,952
Mercury Capital III	31-Dec	4,781	1,888	115	-	6,784
Crown Global Opportunities VII	31-Dec	6,603	718	180	(312)	7,189
Total		13,994	3,948	295	(312)	17,925

GROUP 2025 \$000	Year End	Opening FV	FV Adjustment	Calls	Distributions	Closing FV
Mercury Capital II	31-Dec	2,265	345	-	-	2,610
Mercury Capital III	31-Dec	5,115	453	163	(950)	4,781
Crown Global Opportunities VII	31-Dec	6,083	677	363	(520)	6,603
Total		13,463	1,475	526	(1,470)	13,994

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

The following tables analyse the basis of the valuation of classes of financial instruments measured at fair value in the Statement of Financial Position.

GROUP 2026	Total \$000	Level 1 \$000	Level 2 \$000	Level 3 \$000
Financial Instruments - Assets				
Investments :				
Unit Trusts	311,572	-	311,572	-
Private Equities	40,979	-	-	40,979
Derivative Financial Assets:				
Electricity Hedge Contracts	13,050	-	-	13,050
Foreign Currency Forward Contract	-	-	-	-
Interest Rate Swaps	2,675	2,675	-	-
Financial Instruments - Liabilities				
Derivative Financial Liabilities:				
Electricity Hedge Contracts	(14,348)	-	-	(14,348)
Electricity hedge contracts-subject to net settlement	-	-	-	-
Interest Rate Swaps	(509)	(509)	-	-

GROUP 2025	Total \$000	Level 1 \$000	Level 2 \$000	Level 3 \$000
Financial Instruments - Assets				
Investments :				
Unit Trusts	283,857	-	283,857	-
Private Equities	38,968	-	-	38,968
Derivative Financial Assets:				
Electricity Hedge Contracts	87,685	-	-	87,685
Foreign Currency Forward Contract	-	-	-	-
Interest Rate Swaps	-	-	-	-
Financial Instruments - Liabilities				
Derivative Financial Liabilities:				
Electricity Hedge Contracts	(33,173)	-	-	(33,173)
Interest Rate Swaps	(508)	-	-	(508)

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (cont'd)

Fair Value Hierarchy Disclosures

There were no transfers between the different levels of the fair value hierarchy during the year.

Valuation technique with significant non-observable inputs (level 3)

The tables below provide a reconciliation of level 3 fair value measurements of financial assets:

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Private Equities		
Balance at beginning of the year	38,968	41,080
Calls on Capital	3,057	4,675
Distributions	(5,792)	(7,945)
Gain/(loss) recognised in net surplus/(deficit)	5,856	1,158
Balance at end of the year	42,089	38,968
Electricity Hedge Contracts		
Balance at beginning of the year	54,512	(9,180)
Hedges acquired from Acquisition of JV	-	69,993
Gain/(loss) recognised in the net surplus/(deficit)	(55,811)	(6,301)
Balance at end of the year	(1,299)	54,512

Changing a valuation assumption to a reasonable possible alternative assumption would not significantly change fair value.

Capital Risk Management

The Group manages its ability to meet its obligations through the adjustment of its reserves for growth in inflation.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debt which includes the borrowings in Note 18, cash and cash equivalents, investments, and equity comprising of the capital maintenance reserve, population growth reserve (historical), hedge reserve and general funds as disclosed in Note 19.

The overall strategy remains unchanged from 2025.

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22. COMMITMENTS

	Group	
	2026	2025
Commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment	57,507	68,000
Commitments for capital contributions to joint ventures	2,000	1,750
Total	59,507	69,750

At 31 March 2026 the Group had committed to a further \$57.5m (2025: \$68m) of capital contributions to the Ecogas subsidiary as the net investment required to complete the Ecogas build and ongoing CAPEX. As at 31 March 2026 the Group had committed to a further \$2m (2025: \$1.75m) to the Lochindorb Windfarm Limited Partnership for the consenting work associated with the Kaihiku Wind Farm.

The Group has committed calls not yet made in Private Equity (PE) investments as follows:

	Group	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Total	16,041	21,152

Non-Cancellable Operating Lease Commitments – as lessee

	Group	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Less than one year	1,042	1,109
One to two years	996	2,260
Two to five years	2,936	1,962
Over five years	14,142	9,250
Total (A)	19,116	14,581

Other Non-Cancellable Contracts

The Group has entered into non-cancellable contracts for the provision of services such as the use of electricity system line functions, the supply of metering equipment and data services and operations contracts with a range of renewal options. Details of the commitments under the contracts are as follows:

	Group	
	2026 \$000	2025 \$000
Less than one year	-	180
One to two years	-	359
Two to five years	-	539
Over five years	-	2,237
Total (B)	-	3,315
Total (A+B)	19,116	17,896

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23. OPERATING LEASE AS A LESSOR

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Less than one year	374	199
One to five years	-	283
Over five years	-	-
Total	374	482

24. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group has the following contingent liabilities under letters of credit and guarantees.

Counterparty	On Behalf Of	2026	2025
		\$000	\$000
Energy Clearing House	Pulse	15,500	21,000
Invercargill City Council	PERLP	100	100
Tasman District Council	PERLP	347	347
Auckland City Council	PERLP on behalf of Ecogas LP	21,067	21,918
Jubilee Crippled Children	PERLP on behalf of Ecogas LP	338	338
Department of Conservation	PERLP	182	182
Network, metering and gas suppliers	Pulse	3,465	3,418
Fernandez NZ Limited	Pulse	164	176
Total		41,163	47,479

The Group is currently subject to certain investigations by the Commerce Commission including, but not limited to the application of certain customer fees, including arrears administration and meter call-out charges. These investigations are ongoing at balance date and no provision has been recognised, as the likelihood and quantum of any outflow cannot be reliably estimated at this time.

The Group has been served notice of high court proceedings (28 May 26) in relation to a forestry fire in September 2023. The quantum of this claim, by the forestry owners who had contracted the Group as Harvesters, is in excess of \$2.5m, which is being litigated and covered by insurance held by the Group at that time.

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25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party transactions arise when an entity or person(s) has the ability to significantly influence the financial and operating policies of the Parent of the Group.

The Group has a related party relationship with its trustees and Directors and other key management personnel.

Related party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier relationship on terms and conditions no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the Parent and Group would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances.

Transactions with related parties

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:

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a. Related Party Balances

Several of the trustees of the Central Lakes Trust and key management personnel have a key relationship with organisations that had grants approved during the year. The details are as follows:

2026

Trustee/Director or Management of CLT & CLDL	Related Party	Connection	Purchases/ Services	Amount Approved	Outstanding at 31 March 2026
J Boulton	Whakatipu Rowing Club	Patron	Redevelopment works	17,997	-
	QT Cats	Whakatipu Wildlife Trust - Patron (Indirect Conflict)	Programme Grant Aug 2025 - Jul 2026	25,000	22,150
	Ronald McDonald House Charities New Zealand	Child Cancer Society - Patron (Indirect Conflict)	Accommodation subsidy Jan 2026 - Dec 2026	101,000	101,000
L Breen	CODC - Property	Breen Construction involved in project	Manuherekia Valleys Community Hub	800,000	611,533
	Wanaka Preschool Early Childhood Centre	Breen Construction involved in project	Preschool expansion and renovation	250,000	-
	Central Wilding Group	Father is a board member	Operational Grant Oct 2025 - Mar 2027	67,500	-
	Upper Clutha Presbyterian Church	Breen Construction involved in project	New Hawea Church & Community Facility	500,000	328,974
	Upper Clutha Presbyterian Church	Church Member	Youth Workers in MAC Programme	45,000	-
K Dedo	Upper Clutha Presbyterian Church	Church Member	New Hawea Church & Community Facility	500,000	328,974
	Central Otago Friendship Network	Queenstown Airport - Chair	Operational Grant Sept 2025 - Mar 2027	69,217	34,608
S Flood	KiwiHarvest	Queenstown Airport - Chair (Indirect Conflict)	Operational Grant Apr 2026 - Mar 2027	100,000	100,000

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N Gillespie	Molyneux Turf Inc	CODC	Molyneux Sports Turf	520,630	520,630
	Clyde Volunteer Fire Brigade	Fire & Emergency NZ Otago Local Advisory Committee - appointed member	New support 4x4 vehicle	40,000	40,000
C Phoon	Wakatipu High School	Child attends	TradeBase Wakatipu 2026	61,357	0
L Breen	Dunstan Arm Rowing Club	Breen Construction quoted for the project	Grant	68,911	68,911
	Dunstan Equestrian Centre	Breen Construction quoted for the project	Grant	70,000	70,000
M Rewi*	Manaaki Tāngata Victim Support	Father on the board	Operational Grant Jul 2025 - Jun 2026	25,975	-
	Rewiring Aotearoa	Trustee / Community Engagements	Operational Grant Jul 2025 - Jun 2026	220,000	110,000
T Webb	Cromwell College	Child attends	Solar panels for new Art Technology Block	30,000	-
G White	Te Kākano Aotearoa Trust	Husband is a trustee	Operational Grant Jan 2026 - Dec 2026	25,000	12,500

*Board intern

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a. Related Party Balances (cont'd)

2025

Trustee/Director or Management of CLT & CLDL	Related Party	Connection	Purchases/ Services	Amount Approved	Outstanding at 31 March 2025
M Begg	Dunstan Community Whare Trust	Uncle is Chair	Grant	174,317	174,317
J Boulton	Whakatipu Wildlife Trust	Patron	Operational Grant Jun 2024 - Mar 2025	17,550	-
	Whakatipu Wildlife Trust	Patron	Operational Grant Jun 2025 - Mar 2026	24,761	24,761
L Breen	Dunstan Arm Rowing Club	Breen Construction quoted for the project	Grant	68,911	68,911
	Dunstan Equestrian Centre	Breen Construction quoted for the project	Grant	70,000	70,000
K Dedo	Sport Otago	Chair	Operational Grant Jul 2023 – Mar 2026	-	62,820
	Sport Otago	Chair	Swim safe programme Jan 2024 – Dec 2026	-	494,874
	Community Link	Contractor	Operational Grant Jan 2024 – Dec 2026	-	188,460
M Rewi*	Mana Tahuna Charitable Trust	Tumu Whakarae / CEO	Operational Grant Jul 2024 - Mar 2025	225,000	-
	Mana Tahuna Charitable Trust	Tumu Whakarae / CEO	Operational Grant Jun 2025 - Mar 2026	240,000	240,000
T Webb	Cromwell Youth Trust	Child attends activities	Operational Grant Jan 2025 - Dec 2027	473,285	308,664
G White	Volunteer South	Former Employee	Operational Grant Apr 2025 - Mar 2028	257,835	257,835

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25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (cont'd)

In addition to the above, the following provides the total amount of transactions that have been entered into with related parties for the relevant financial year:

Group		Sales to/transactions with related parties	Purchases from related parties	Amounts owed to related parties*	Amounts due from related parties*
		\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Southern Generation Limited Partnership (before restructure)	2026	-	-	-	-
	2025	2,708	8,533	-	-
Pulse Energy Alliance Limited	2026	-	-	-	-
	2025	-	4,519	-	-
Dairy Creek Limited Partnership	2026	717	-	-	3
	2025	1,263	-	-	90
Ecogas Limited Partnership	2026	-	-	-	-
	2025	-	-	-	4
Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership	2026	201	-	-	6
	2025	1,412	-	-	-

*amounts are classified as trade receivables (Note 5) and derivative financial liabilities (Note 16) respectively.

Transactions between PEL and PERLP (previously known as SGLP)

Up until 27 June 2024, Pioneer Energy Limited (PEL) provided asset management, business development and contracting services to SGLP (renamed to PERLP on 27 June 2024). In addition, PEL had an agreement to purchase some or all of the electricity generated by SGLP for certain generating assets over a period of time which is significantly shorter than the life of the generating plant. PEL entered into power purchase agreements with Nova Energy Limited and Mercury New Zealand Limited in relation to electricity generated by assets owned by SGLP. In order to gain access to the electricity, PEL entered into a back to back power purchase agreement with SGLP. It had been determined that the arrangement represented a lease between SGLP and PEL and that there was no resulting financial asset or liability (electricity derivative) to be recognised in either entity.

The acquisition of the remaining shares in SGLP by PEL and the related transactions are detailed in Note 12.

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25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (cont'd)

Dairy Creek Limited Partnership (Dairy Creek)

PEL provided contracting and project management services to Dairy Creek during the period totalling \$74k (2025: \$213k)

PEL provided a loan facility to Dairy Creek Partnership. The balance represents a debt facility provided by PEL, with no additional amounts advanced during the current or prior year (2025: \$Nil). Interest on the facility prior to repayment was charged at 10.3% (2025: 10.3%)

On 11 November 2025 (Note 8(iii)), Dairy Creek settled its outstanding debt of \$10,197,392 for \$8,669,628, with the remaining balance of \$1,527,764 forgiven. Concurrently, PEL disposed of its shares in Dairy Creek for \$1,527,764, recognising a corresponding gain on sale.

During the year, interest of \$0.64m (2025: \$1.05m) was charged. The amount outstanding at year end is \$3k (2025: \$0.9m).

Lochindorb Wind Limited Partnership (LWLP)

LWLP was established in September 2023, being a 50/50 joint venture between Pioneer Generation Investments Limited (a 100% subsidiary of PEL) and Manawa Energy Renewables Holdco1 Limited. PEL provided capital contributions to LWLP in the form of assets contributed and cash during the year of \$2.025m (2025: \$1.375m). PEL provided administration, contracting, and project management services to LWLP during the period totalling \$201k (2025: \$1.4m). The amount outstanding at year end is \$6k (2025: \$Nil).

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25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (cont'd)

b. Trustees and External Member Attendance and Remuneration

Meeting attendance recorded on page 6 within the Statement of Service Performance.

Trustees' Remuneration is set following an independent review annually.

The Trust also has an Investment Committee, an Audit and Risk Committee, and a Remuneration and Nomination Committee, the latter two committees comprising internal members only. Trustees appointed to these committees are paid an additional fee for extra duties. Remuneration listed below includes committee fees.

	Remuneration	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Linda Robertson (Chair)	62	58
Kathy Dedo (Deputy Chair)	35	28
James Boulton (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25)	19	30
Lindsay Breen (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25)	15	31
Dave Currie (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25)	9	-
Simon Flood (Appointed to Board 1 Dec 24)	33	8
Neil Gillespie (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25)	9	-
Kathy Grant	33	31
Tony Lepper (Retired from Board 30 Nov 25)	19	27
Chris Phoon (Elected to Board 1 Dec 25)	9	-
Hetty Van Hale (Retired from Board 30 Nov 24)	-	18
Trudi Webb	29	27
Total	272	258

c. Investment Committee External Member Remuneration

	Remuneration	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Simon Flood (Appointed IC Chair 14 Aug 23. Appointed Board 1 Dec 24)	-	9

d. Southern Cross CLT Limited Directors Fees

	Directors Fees	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Kathy Grant (Director)	13	8
Richard Keys (Independent Director. Appointed 1 Nov 25)	6	-
Mark Taylor (Independent Director. Retired 21 Jul 25)	4	13

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25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (cont'd)

e. Pioneer Energy Limited Directors Attendance and Remuneration

	PEL/PEG Board	PER Board	Attendance Finance and Risk	Attendance Health, Safety & Wellbeing	Remuneration	PGIL
No. of Meetings	8	8	5	3	2	1
R Hewett (Chair)	8	8	5	-	2	1
A Balfour	8	8	4	-	2	-
C Charteris (Appointed 1 July 25)	5	5	3	-	-	-
J Cheyne	8	8	-	-	-	-
D Elder (Retired 30 June 25)	2	2	-	-	-	-
B Gemmel (PER only from 1 Dec 2024)	-	7	4	1	-	-
W Moran	7	7	-	1	-	-
P Ware (Appointed 1 July 25)	6	6	-	3	-	-
M Morss (Intern)	2	2	2	-	-	-

Directors fees are set following an independent review annually.

Pioneer Energy Limited also has a Finance and Risk Committee, Health, Safety and Wellbeing Committee, and a Remuneration Committee. Directors appointed to these committees are paid an additional fee for extra duties. Remuneration listed overleaf includes committee fees

Director's fees in respect of the year ended 31 March were as follows:

	PEL \$000	2026 Joint Venture \$000	PEL \$000	2025 Joint Venture \$000
R Hewett (Chair)	125	-	109	54
A Balfour	92	-	62	35
C Charteris (Appointed 1 July 25)	48	-	-	-
J Cheyne	73	-	59	-
D Elder (Retired 30 June 25)	16	-	63	-
B Gemmel (PER only from 1 Dec 2024)	64	-	-	22
W Moran	63	-	57	10
P Ware (Appointed 1 July 25)	41	-	-	-
F Dooley (PER only to 30 Nov 2024)	-	-	-	27
	522	-	350	147

Joint Venture / Subsidiary Director's fees relate to:

- i) Pulse Energy Alliance Limited Partnership,
- ii) Southern Generation Limited Partnership,
- ii) Ecogas Limited Partnership.

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f. Key management personnel compensation

The Group have a related party relationship with its key management personnel including the senior management of the Trust and Pioneer Energy Limited. Key management personnel compensation includes the following expenses:

	Group	
	2026	2025
	\$000	\$000
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	3,908	2,987
Termination benefits	-	-
Total Remuneration	3,908	2,987
Number of staff recognised as key management personnel	14	12

26. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER BALANCE DATE

There were no material events subsequent to 31 March 2026 that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in these financial statements.



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Trustees of Central Lakes Trust

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial report of Central Lakes Trust (the 'entity') and its subsidiaries (the group'), which comprise the consolidated financial statements on pages 17 to 87, and the statement of service performance on pages 4 to 16. The complete set of consolidated financial statements comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2026, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of changes in net assets/equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial report presents fairly, in all material respects:

- the consolidated financial position of the group as at 31 March 2026, and its consolidated financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the consolidated service performance for the year ended 31 March 2026 in that the service performance information is appropriate and meaningful and in accordance with the group's measurement bases or evaluation methods;

in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards ('PBE Standards') issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing ('ISAs'), and the audit of the consolidated service performance information in accordance with the ISAs (NZ) and New Zealand Auditing Standard 1 (Revised) *The Audit of Service Performance Information* ('NZ AS 1 (Revised)'). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the group in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards)* (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor and the provision of taxation advice, we have no relationship with or interests in the entity or any of its subsidiaries. These services have not impaired our independence as auditor of the entity or group.

Other information

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the group for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Annual Report that accompanies the consolidated financial report and the audit report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial report does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information obtained prior to the date of our audit report, and consider whether it is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If so, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Trustees' responsibilities for the consolidated financial report**

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the group for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial report in accordance with PBE Standards;
- the selection of elements/aspects of service performance, performance measures and/or descriptions and measurement bases or evaluation methods that present service performance information that is appropriate and meaningful in accordance with PBE Standards;
- the preparation and fair presentation of service of service performance information in accordance with the Group's measurement bases or evaluation methods, in accordance with PBE Standards;
- the overall presentation, structure and content of the service performance information in accordance with PBE Standards; and
- such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a consolidated financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial report, the Trustees are responsible on behalf of the group for assessing the group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this consolidated financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial report is located on at the External Reporting Board's website at:

<https://www.xrb.govt.nz/standards/assurance-standards/auditors-responsibilities/audit-report-13-1/>

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Restriction on use

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 10 of the Trust Deed. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Christchurch, New Zealand
7 September 2026