

Notice of Meeting:

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Strath Taieri Community Board will be held on:

Date: Thursday 7 November 2024
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Hyde Community Hall, Hyde

Sandy Graham
Chief Executive Officer

Strath Taieri Community Board
PUBLIC AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson	Barry Williams	
Deputy Chairperson	Anna Wilson	
Members	Cr Bill Acklin	David Frew
	Terina Geddes	Tony Markham
	Robin Thomas	
Senior Officer	Mike Perkins, City Development Engineer 3 Waters	
Governance Support Officer	Wendy Collard	

Wendy Collard
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Note: Reports and recommendations contained in this agenda are not to be considered as Council policy until adopted.

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1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 START Trust

Kate Wilson will be in attendance to speak in support of the START Trust funding application.

1.2 Harakeke Weaving Group

Andrea Bosshard will be in attendance to speak to the funding application for the Harakeke Weaving Group.

2 APOLOGIES

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Note: Any additions must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Members are reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.
2. Elected members are reminded to update their register of interests as soon as practicable, including amending the register at this meeting if necessary.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes/Amends** if necessary the Elected Members' Interest Register attached as Attachment A; and
- b) **Confirms/Amends** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.

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Strath Taieri Community Board Register of Interest - as at 1 November 2024				
Name	Responsibility	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Proposed Management Plan
Barry Williams	Member	Middlemarch Museum	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Life Member	Middlemarch Rugby Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Vintage Machinery Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Season Ticket Holder	Middlemarch Swimming Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Singles Dance Committee	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Middlemarch Medical Committee	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	STARTT (Strath Taieri Agricultural & Rural Tourism Trust)	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Trustee	Big Hutt	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Middlemarch Sports Pavilion & Courts	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
David (Jock) Frew		Middlemarch Rugby Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
		Strath Taieri Lions	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
		Residential Land Ownership Middlemarch	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
		Strath Taieri Dog Trial Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Trustee	Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	President	Middlemarch Sports Pavilion & Courts	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
Terina Geddes	Director	H & T Geddes Farming Ltd	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Chairperson	Middlemarch Community Library	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Immediate Past Chairperson	Strath Taieri School PTA	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Middlemarch Swimming Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Junior Hockey	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Committee Member	Destination Middlemarch	Potential grants recipient	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Junior Rugby	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.

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Thomas (Tony) Markham		Supplementary water take from the Taieri River	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Owner	Life Style Bock	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
Robin Thomas		Contract consultant QEII Trust	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
		Landowner, Residential, Middlemarch	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
		Landowner, Residential, Dunedin	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Foundation Group Strath Taieri Heritage Park	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Trustee	Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Lions Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Historical Society	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
Anna Wilson	Owner	Property , Middlemarch	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Director	Strathavon Ltd	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Play Group	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Treasurer	Strath Taieri School PTA	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Treasurer	Strath Taieri Food Fairies	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Strath Taieri Junior Hockey Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Joint Treasurer	Strath Taieri Rugby Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Member	Middlemarch Golf Club	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Strathavon Ltd is a member	Mid Taieri Wai Catchment Group	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
	Treasurer	Tokomaro Kapa Haka Group	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
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	Board Representative	Keep Dunedin Beautiful Committee	No conflict identified	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table if a conflict of interest is identified. Seek advice on actual or potential conflicts of interest prior to the meeting.
Cr Bill Acklin	Shareholder/Director	Dunedin Brokers Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	APRA - AMCOS	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Entertainer	Various functions	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Strath Taieri Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Casual Employee	Insulmax	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Craigieburn Reserve Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 5 SEPTEMBER 2024

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** the minutes of the Strath Taieri Community Board meeting held on 05 September 2024 as a correct record.

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Strath Taieri Community Board

MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Strath Taieri Community Board held in the Strath Taieri Community Centre, Middlemarch on Thursday 05 September 2024, commencing at 2.00 pm

PRESENT

Chairperson Barry Williams
Deputy Chairperson Anna Wilson

Members

Cr Bill Acklin	David Frew
Terina Geddes	Tony Markham
Robin Thomas	

IN ATTENDANCE

Mike Perkins (City Development Engineer), Maria Sleeman (Property Officer, Community and Civic), Robbie van der Loo (Trades Supervisor, Property), Tom Dyer (General Manager, Science and Resilience Otago Regional Council), Rachel Ozanne (Senior Scientist Water Quality Otago Regional Council) and Simon Robinson (Team Leader, Natural Hazards Otago Regional Council)

Governance Support Officer Wendy Collard

1 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no Public Forum.

2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Terina Geddes/Anna Wilson):

That the Board:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/035)

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arose between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Moved (Barry Williams/David Frew):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Elected Members' Interest Register; and
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/036)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 13 JUNE 2024

Moved (David Frew/Anna Wilson):

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** the minutes of the Strath Taieri Community Board meeting held on 13 June 2024 as a correct record.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/037)

PART A REPORTS

6 STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE

A report from Property that staff had been working with the Strath Taieri Community Centre Hall Committee on the redevelopment and relocation of the main entrance/exit to the Hall.

The Property Officer – Community and Civic (Maria Sleeman) and the Trades Supervisor – Property Services (Robbie van der Loo) spoke to the update and responded to questions.

Moved (Barry Williams/Cr Bill Acklin):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Strath Taieri Community Centre Update.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/038)

7 OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Senior Scientist Water Quality Otago Regional Council (Rachel Ozanne) presented a PowerPoint presentation on water quality which included current monitoring and plans for future monitoring.

Ms Ozanne and Mr Dyer (General Manager, Science and Resilience Otago Regional Council) responded to questions.

The Team Leader, Natural Hazards, Otago Regional Council (Simon Robinson) spoke to the river management activities in the Middlesmarch area and preliminary programmed works for the 2024/25 financial year was tabled.

Mr Robinson responded to questions.

The Board noted its concerns regarding the lack of timeframe to complete the works to March Creek given the risk of flooding to the Middlesmarch township.

The Board thanked the Otago Regional Council staff for the presentation and report.

Moved (Tony Markham/Robin Thomas):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the update from the Otago Regional Council.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/039)

8 COMMUNITY PLAN

The Board considered the Strath Taieri Community Board Community Plan 2024-34. In response to a question on Civil Defence, the City Development Engineer (Mike Perkins) provided an update to his role as the Liaison between the Community Boards and Civil Defence.

Moved (Anna Wilson/Tony Markham):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Strath Taieri Community Board Community Plan.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/040)

9 GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT

A report from Civic provided an update on activities relevant to the Board area including:

- Project Fund
- Waste Minimisation Management Plan – it was agreed that Anna Wilson would be the Board’s representative.
- Inwards Correspondence – The Board noted its disappointment in the lack of specific details provided by the Otago Regional Council’s response to the Board’s submission to the Long Term Plan. In particular, the paragraph provided on the bus service between Middlemarch and Dunedin. The Board requested that the Public Transport Manager (Julian Phillips), Otago Regional Council be invited to the Board’s next meeting.

Moved (Robin Thomas/Tony Markham):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Governance Support Officer’s Report.
- b) **Appoints** Anna Wilson as the Board’s representative on the Waste Minimisation Management Plan

Motion carried (STCB/2024/041)

10 BOARD UPDATES AND REPORT BACKS

Board members provided updates which included:

Community Board Conference

Anna Wilson provided an update which included her highlights on the Local Government New Zealand Community Board Conference.

Township beautification

Anna Wilson commented on the letter that the Board had received from the Middlemarch Garden Club, the installation of the picnic tables; and the seating at ANZAC Park.

Mr Perkins provided the options that were available to the Middlemarch Garden Club which included applying to have a community garden.

Otago Central Rail Trust

Terina Geddes commented on the Dunedin to Pukerangi Train Timetable for the upcoming cruise ship season.

Climate Change

Tony Markham advised in his opinion it would be beneficial for the road reserve spraying to be undertaken September.

Water management (including flooding)

It was noted that the Otago Regional Council had provided an update earlier in the meeting.

Infrastructure, roads and spraying

Barry Williams requested that a schedule of road reserve maintenance which included the areas that would be mowed be included in the next agenda.

Community information and publicity

Robin Thomas provided an update on the Board's Facebook page and the activity.

Moved (Robin Thomas/Terina Geddes):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Board updates and report backs

Motion carried (STCB/2024/042)

11 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chairperson provided an update on matters of interest which included:

- Sealing the EV Charging Station
- Street Trees
- Electronic School Speed Signs

Moved (Cr Bill Acklin/Tony Markham):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Chairperson's report

Motion carried (STCB/2024/043)

12 COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Councillor Bill Acklin provided an update on items of interest which included:

- 9 year plan
- Grants Management Policy Review
- New Dunedin Public Hospital

Moved (Tony Markham/David Frew):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Council Activities Update

Motion carried (STCB/2024/044)

13 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

There were no items for consideration by the Chair.

The meeting concluded at 4.30 pm

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CHAIRPERSON

PART A REPORTS

OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Representatives from the Otago Regional Council may be in attendance to provide an update.

PROJECT FUND

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 Funding applications have been received from Andrea Bosshard on behalf of the Harakeke Weavers Group towards the cost of harakeke weaving classes and the START Trust towards the upgrade of Big Hut
- 2 \$10,000.00 remains in the project fund to be allocated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Considers** the application from Harakeke Weavers Group
- b) **Considers** the application from START Trust

Signatories

Author:	Wendy Collard - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Clare Sullivan - Manager Governance

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Application for Funding from the Strath Taieri Community Board

Date: 23 September 2024

Name of group/individual applying for funds:

Andrea Bosshard on behalf of a group of harakeke weaving learners.

Email address: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Position held: n/a

Phone number: [REDACTED]

Short description of the project:

To hold a fourth series of harakeke weaving classes in Middlemarch to be taught by traditional and contemporary weaver Marcanui Taura. The enthusiasm of participants from previous classes for more such workshops on different aspects of harakeke weaving is the catalyst behind this application. This proposed workshop will be suitable for complete beginners as well as those with some experience. It is also a forum where people with arts-oriented interests can come together and learn not only the craft of harakeke weaving, but also other aspects of Māoritanga.

To date, we have 10 people of a diverse range of ages committed to attending further classes, while others have expressed interest, if not in actually participating, then wanting to see Māori craft and culture as a part of life in the Strath Taieri.

The course will consist of 10 x 6-hour classes over ten weeks with a small display/exhibition of kete made by participants at the end.

Total cost of project: \$8037

Amount already raised:

Course fees are set at \$100 for the entire 10 classes (6 hours each class). To date, 10 people have expressed interest, so if funding from other sources is successful, we anticipate a minimum of \$1000 through course fees, as was the case with the previous workshop.

Amount sought from Strath Taieri Community Board: \$1000

How will the rest of the project cost be covered?

Applications have been made to the DCC Arts Grant Fund (\$3037), and to Creative Communities Scheme of Creative NZ (\$3000)

What is the timeframe for completing the project? [OR What is the date of your event/project?] The first class will begin 28 January 2025 and finish on 1 April 2025.

Is your project a one-off, annual or biennial event?

It appears, that with the excitement and demand from previous participants for further harakeke weaving workshops, it may well become an annual event if we can continue to raise the necessary funds.

How will the project benefit your organisation/club? What are the benefits to the wider community of your project?

— *potential sustainably sourced income stream*

There is an increasing national interest in this craft, and an important aspect of Marcanui's teaching is the possibility of students making an income from such work. One of his intentions is that those who do the course, can with continued practice, make high quality kete that can be sold for prices that reflect the skills, time and labour that go into the making of them. In a small rural community where income potential is limited, a creative, environmentally sustainable activity using harakeke sourced from the area needs to be encouraged.

Already some people who participated in previous classes are continuing to meet regularly and practice the craft. One participant with previously no harakeke weaving experience, won the Supreme Award at the 2024 Strath Taieri A&P show in the Home Industries division for her exquisite kete whakairo. Furthermore, this new weaver also had an exhibition in Dunedin at Taste Nature.

creating new friendships & connections

While sport and physical activities such as tree planting and gardening have an important role in the Strath Taieri in bringing people together in our community, there are few opportunities for those who are arts oriented. The previous harakeke weaving classes brought strangers together and enabled new friendships to develop, particularly important when some people are geographically isolated or unable to take part in more physically demanding activities, or, quite simply, hungry for new

cultural and arts challenges close to home.

therapeutic value of harakeke weaving

The actual process of harakeke weaving is therapeutic in a number of ways. It increases flexibility and strength of hands and wrists (something important to maintain as we age), it promotes focus and concentration as hands and mind work together to make sense of the complexity of patterns, and it creates a very real sense of well-being and satisfaction in creating beautiful objects.

Māori language and culture

The weaving classes also serve as informal lessons in te reo Māori as we are introduced to terms specific to harakeke weaving, and also to broader Māori concepts. The classes have also created an awareness in the broader Strath Taieri community of the value of harakeke. A number of locals are now offering local weavers the opportunity to harvest from their plantations.

Has your group made an application to the Board for funding support within the last five years? Yes

If granted, what was that money used for?

It was used to pay for part of the hireage of the Strath Taieri Community Hall as part of the costs of the last harakeke weaving workshop.

How much assistance has your group received previously from the Strath Taieri Community Board? \$1000

I agree to provide a report back on the project should funding be approved:
Yes

You may either use the form attached or provide your own written report, however it must include the points covered on the form.

Any funds approved MUST be paid directly into the organisation's bank account. Please supply a copy of the bank account name and number separately.

Applicants are encouraged to attend the Community Board meeting to speak to their application and answer any questions the Board may have.

If you would like to do so, please call Governance Support at the Dunedin City Council on 474 4000/ email: governance.support@dcc.govt.nz or contact Board Chairperson Barry Williams telephone: 027 486 6433

Please return your completed application to:

Governance Support Officer
Strath Taieri Community Board
Dunedin City Council
PO. Box 5045
Moray Place
Dunedin 9058

BUDGET

projects costs:

venue hire

Strath Taieri Community Hall

10 days @ \$120 per day \$ 1200.00

tutor/artist fee

(1 hour preparation, 6 hours teaching, 1/2 hour clean-up)

10 classes of 7.5 hours @ \$70 per hour* \$ 5250.00

(*<https://www.careers.govt.nz/jobs-database/educationand-social-sciences/education/private-teachertutor/>)

transport

10 x return trips East Taieri—Middlemarch (130km)

@ 1.04c per km (*IRD rate*) \$ 1352.00

materials

9kg gas bottle refills for heating dye vats x 2 @ \$ 27 each \$ 54.00

6 x RIT dyes @ \$13.50 each \$ 81.00

other—tea / coffee / milk / sugar \$ 100.00

total costs \$ 8037.00

project income (unconfirmed):

DCC Arts Grant Fund \$ 3037.00

Creative Communities/Creative New Zealand \$ 3000.00

Strath Taieri Community Board \$ 1000.00

workshop fees—10 participants confirmed @ \$100 each \$ 1000.00

(*provisional on receiving all other funding*)

total income \$ 8037.00

Ara Toi
Dunedin City Council / Kaunihera-a-rohe o Otepoti
50 The Octagon, Dunedin 9016
New Zealand

RE: Funding Umbrella for DCC Arts Grant Application:

This letter is to confirm that The Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust offers to act as an umbrella organisation to the Middlemarch Harakeke Weaving Group with regard to the funding application to support their project Weaving Course. I confirm that The Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust is a non-profit organisation.

*NB: The Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust is **not** the recipient of any funding awarded in this application, nor is it responsible for any aspects of the project, including reporting requirements. Its role as an umbrella organisation for this DCC Arts Grant application should not have any bearing on any future funding applications The Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust might submit.*

Any funding allocated can be made payable to:

BANK ACCOUNT: 06-0901-0780462-00 Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust.
Reference: Middlemarch Harakeke Weaving Group.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch to confirm any of the above details, however in terms of the project please direct enquiries in the first instance to Andrea Bosshard, email:
andrea.bosshard64@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Costelloe
Coordinator at the Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust.
info@strathtaiericonnect.org.nz
0277762888



Application for Funding from the Strath Taieri Community Board

Date: 23 OCTOBER 2024

Name of group/individual applying for funds: START TRUST

Contact person: KATE WILSON

Email address: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Position held: Chair Phone number: 0274438134

Short description of project: FINAL UPGRADE OF BIG HUT
WITH NEW WINDOWS + MAIN ROOM BEING
STRIPPED, INSULATED + RECLAD

Total cost of project: \$ 36164

Amount already raised: \$ IN PROGRESS \$3000 OWN FUNDS.

Amount sought from Strath Taieri Community Board: \$ 2000

How will the rest of the project cost be covered? APPLICATIONS IN AT
ARW JONES TRUST, ALEXANDER MCILWAIN + ST. LIONS

- Please provide an itemised budget on a separate sheet.
- Please also attach any quotations for work, goods or services that you may have received and any additional information which may be useful in explaining the project.

What is the timeframe for completing the project? [OR What is the date of your event/project?] FEBRUARY 2025

The funding must be used within one year of the grant application or it must be returned to the Board unless you have provided a report and request for an extension of time

Is your project a one-off, annual or biennial event?

ONE OFF - FINAL PUSH TO COMPLETE
INTERNAL UPGRADES.
INVOLVES 2 VOLUNTEERS + SPENDING AT
LEAST TWO WEEKS W/ MOUNTAIN WORKING

How will the project benefit your organisation/club? What are the benefits to the wider community of your project? _____

SEE NOTE ATTACHED

Has your group made an application to the Board for funding support within the last five years?

Yes ☒

No ☐

If granted, what was that money used for? KITCHEN UPGRADE

How much assistance has your group received previously from the Strath Taieri Community Board?

\$ _____

The group/organisation must report back to the Board following completion of the project.

I agree to provide a report back on the project should funding be approved:

Yes ☒

No ☐

You may either use the form attached or provide your own written report, however it must include the points covered on the form.

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PO Box 5045
Moray Place
Dunedin 9058

NOTES: Please refer to the 'Discretionary Funding Guidelines' contained at the foot of this form for guidance on the Board's priorities. Although applications will be considered on their merits, regard will also be had to ensuring a fair allocation over all the Board area and the amount of funding remaining in any financial year. This application form is also available on the City of Dunedin website (www.dunedin.govt.nz).

START Trust

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Middlemarch

12 October 2024

Board Members

Strath Taieri Community Board

Dear Board members,

START Trust is a Charitable Trust operating in the Strath Taieri. In 2020 the ownership of Big Hut was transferred into our Trust to manage for public access and safety on the Rock & Pillar range. Bruce Mason and others had been great guardians of the Hut and had done substantial work on the exterior of the Hut.

But the inside of the Hut needed some attention. The kitchen was old and dirty, one bunk room was locked and full of materials, and the bunk layout and safety were undesirable. All the internal claddings were a quick fire risk.

The Trust undertook a programmed upgrade with volunteers donating their time, equipment and expertise, and managing the demanding weather conditions. Logistics are difficult with a very rough track, the need to supply a generator and fuel as well as equipment and materials, all the while minimizing interfering with the peak visitor season.

The first season the Kitchen was gutted, insulated, new kitchen internal and exterior windows installed, fire limiting cladding and brand new kitchen installed. Then gib stopping and painting.

The second season saw both bunkrooms stripped, insulated, new windows, new bunks with better design and much safer installed. All the walls were re-lined and moldy coatings removed. All floors including kitchen and main room were sanded and polyurethaned.

We have also purchased all the materials to rebuild in modular form a new toilet block to be placed on site this season.

Our two main volunteers want to complete the substantial upgrade work this season by replacing the remaining windows – so all will be double glazed, a new front door double glazed but also split to allow access in snow, and strip out, insulate and reline the main room. Their dedication is impressive and so we are trying to fundraise to cover all these

costs, and install by way of a certified and compliant electrician new electrical cabling and solar system. While this work is expensive, it is much better done while equipment and volunteers are on site. The previous installation does not have a code of compliance and does not have batteries firewalled. Wires have been chewed by rodents and should have been in conduits. Doing the rewiring once will ensure no more work is required in the near future. It will mitigate a substantial fire risk with wiring being less than ideal.

Usage:

As a Hut on DOC land we are limited to charging \$12 per adult and \$5 per child per night. We have been supported with a few donations from users. In the 22/23 season hut received \$2043 in hut fees. This increased to \$5194 (although this included contributions for gas and consumables that we leave in the hut). Booking are year round and range from Trampers, hunters, skiers and snow boarders to bikers and day visitors.

It is used for events as well. Access to the hut via Kinvara Track or Glencreag track is just an hours drive from Dunedin's CBD. A tough steep walk up Glencreag or a circuitous longer gentler walk up Kinvara is absolutely accessible by a wide range of people. We have had many families experience the hut on foot. There is also vehicle access from the Old Dunestan Road, or Kinvara Rd.

From entries in the book we know that there are also many day trippers.

Dunedin is the only city with an alpine environment within its boundary and it proves popular with students. The Rock & Pillar range has many attractions, but it is also subject to significant and quick weather changes and we know that Big Hut has proved to be a safe refuge for many a trumper or explorer who has got lost or broken down on the mountain.

START Trust:

Start Trust has been quietly working to assist local community groups as an umbrella organization for twenty five years. It has run a few successful events and umbrellas some organisations. These range from the Swimming Club, Library ,Catchment group and Irrigation scheme research to singles dances and rugby 7s events, and the promotions group we have played a part supporting local initiatives.

Big Hut has been a significant undertaking with significant budgeting issues with increasing building costs. We have been fortunate to have suppliers honouring long term estimates and supporting us with a very sharp pencil. All our suppliers have voluntarily visited the hut and helped out. We could not do it without the generous donation of time by Geoff McHardy and Gordon Wilson and support of the McKenzie family and Lindsay Carruthers and Bevan Wilson who have assisted with tractor support.

With unexpected electrical works required last winter we have run our funding for Big Hut down. We have bookings through to April next year and enquiries every week. The Trust is being supported with native tree sales from a local community nursery. Last year it raised \$7000 for the swimming club. Sales will be less this year with the farming economy being tighter but we hope to have \$2-3000 to contribute from that.

We have applications in for the window and door costs with Strath Taieri Lions and an application in with AAW Jones Trust and Alexander McMillan Trust. We will notify you of any success.

If any Trustee would like to see the top accommodation in Dunedin we are happy to offer a seat on a trip up the Mountain – or to accompany you on a good walk.

The Chair of START is a Trustee of the Leaning Lodge Trust and we work well together growing the interest in the huts and activities that may keep people staying longer. We are looking at complimenting the science interests of Leaning lodge with orienteering type activities. We also actively work with the trustees of the old Paerau school site and link accommodation activities for walkers and bikers with them.

Yours Faithfully

Kate Wilson

Chair

START Trust

Big Hut:



Kitchen Before:





completed:



New Bunk Design:



Recladding:



Bunkroom 2 dismantling





Completed Bunk Room with traditional layout – new windows and fire exit



Toilet Block:



Very narrow and doors have suffered wind damage. Slightly larger, lighter and smarter toilets being premade to be assembled on site. Outside work is hard given the exposure to strong winds!

Main room needs insulating, new windows and re- lining.



Electric system -limited upgrade - needs fireproofing



MEETING SCHEDULE

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 A schedule of meetings for 2025 is attached for your consideration.
- 2 As this is an administrative report, no summary of considerations is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Approves** the meeting schedule for 2025 with venues to be confirmed.

Signatories

Author:	Wendy Collard - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Clare Sullivan - Manager Governance

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STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD

MEETING SCHEDULE

FOR 2025

Tuesday, 4 February

Thursday, 3 April

Thursday, 22 May

Thursday, 7 August

Thursday, 11 September

Thursday, 6 November
(Inaugural meeting for 2025-2028 triennium)

All meetings will be held at 2.00 pm. All meetings will be held at the Middlemarch Community Hall, Middlemarch, unless otherwise advised.

Please note:

Any meetings held in the community will be advertised in the Dunedin City Council Meeting Notice advertisement in the Otago Daily Times and on the Dunedin City Council website.

GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 This report is to inform the Strath Taieri Community Board of activities relevant to the Board area including:
 - Project Fund
 - Water Services Survey (1 – 29 November 2024)
 - Bylaw Reviews
 - Inwards Correspondence
- 2 As this is an administrative report, there are no options or summary of considerations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Governance Support Officer's Report.

Project Fund

- 3 The Board has been allocated \$10,000 in the 2024/25 financial year. No funds have been allocated at this time.

Water Services Survey

- 4 DCC 3 Waters, in conjunction with the Property and Parks and Recreation Groups, has commence an online survey to gather information about drinking water, stormwater and wastewater services. The survey will run from 1 to 29 November 2024.
- 5 The information about the Water Services Survey including instructions on how to access the online survey will be posted to each property owner within the communities identified.
- 6 Public engagement will be required to gather information about drinking water, stormwater and wastewater services. The engagement will target communities with some or no DCC drinking water, stormwater and wastewater and communities identified as being of significance of mana whenua.
- 7 The survey will be targeted to communities where there is a demonstrable need to undertake detailed investigations of options for servicing improvements, i.e., communities with some or

no DCC drinking water, stormwater and wastewater services and communities identified as being of significance to Mana Whenua.

- 8 The information gathered during the online survey will be used to target stage 2 engagement with a focus on specific communities that may have health, environmental or cultural issues that require further investigation.
- 9 Community Boards and Runāka will be advised of the outcome of the stage 1 engagement (survey results) and communities identified for stage 2 engagement in 2025.

Bylaw Review

- 10 The reviews for the following two Bylaws have commenced:
 - Trading in Public Places Bylaw; and
 - Beauty Therapists, Tattooists and Skin-Piercers Bylaw.
- 11 Early engagement for these is planned from mid-November to early December with formal consultation on any proposed changes planned for early 2025.
- 12 For more information on these reviews visit www.dunedin.govt.nz/consultation (from 18 November 2024) or email Anne Gray anne.gray@dcc.govt.nz

Inward Correspondence

- 13 An email has been received from Steve Goodlass.
- 14 Project Update from Discover Middlemarch (previously Destination Middlemarch)

What DCC is Currently Consulting On

- 15 For the most up to date information on what DCC is consulting on, please visit <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/currently-consulting-on>

Roadworks Schedule

- 16 Information on current notified road closures and the roadworks schedule (a weekly list of programmed works) for Council's maintained roads is available on the DCC website via these links <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/news-and-events/public-notice/roadworks-schedule> and <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/news-and-events/public-notice/notified-road-closures>.

Dunedin City Council Updates

- 17 Board or members of the public wishing to advise Council of any operational issues or concerns, e.g., potholes, vegetation, burst pipes are reminded to contact the Dunedin City Council Customer Services Agency on 03 477 4000 or email dcc@dcc.govt.nz. For any non-urgent matter please contact council via the online "Fix it form" <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/do-it-online/report/fix-it-form>
- 18 If issues and concerns are not dealt with in a timely manner, Board Members should contact the Governance Support Officer, or the Senior Staff Member appointed to the Board.

Signatories

Author:	Wendy Collard - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Mike Perkins - City Development Engineer

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SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS
Fit with purpose of Local Government

This decision enables democratic local decision making and action by, and on behalf of communities.

Fit with strategic framework

	Contributes	Detracts	Not applicable
Social Wellbeing Strategy	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Environment Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Arts and Culture Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
3 Waters Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Spatial Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Integrated Transport Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Parks and Recreation Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
Other strategic projects/policies/plans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓

Māori Impact Statement

There are no known impacts for Māori

Sustainability

There are no implications.

LTP/Annual Plan / Financial Strategy /Infrastructure Strategy

There are no financial implications.

Financial considerations

There are no financial implications.

Significance

This decision is considered low significance in terms of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

Engagement – external

There has been no external engagement.

Engagement - internal

Internal engagement has occurred with appropriate staff members.

Risks: Legal / Health and Safety etc.

There are no risks.

Conflict of Interest

There are no known conflicts of interest.

Community Boards

This report provides information on activities in or relevant to the Board's area.

Kia ora Board Members

Please find this LGOIMA response that goes some way to quantifying the spending of ORC and the lack of concrete action.

Let me know if you would like me to speak to it, however it is pretty clear.

Regards

Steve Goodlass

Response to Public Request for Information relating to October Rain Event 2024

Information required: Middlemarch

From: Steve Goodlass

Received: 06/10/2024 – emailed to Engineering 14/10/2024

Background to request:

- Flooded in 2018 & 2021
- March Creek breached at the culvert under Tawe St and Water (breaches there due to lack of clearance under the railway bridge)
- Local Police Officer used an excavator to relieve pressure

Question	Response															
How much has ORC currently spent on mitigation planning from 2018 to 2021 and from 2021 to present day.	The Stage 1 report by WSP was completed for a cost of \$36,129. Surveys to inform the Stage 2 model development cost \$10,800. This total does not include the cost of ORC Natural Hazards staff time for project management of that investigation, or work completed by ORC towards the Stage 2 assessment.															
What concrete mitigations have been put in place (e.g. earth moved, structures built) and what have they cost in the periods identified above.	ORC has not constructed any flood defence structures in Middlemarch. ORC does not own any flood or river management assets in the Middlemarch area.															
When was the last time that the March creek was cleaned out.	The attached presentation shows the work undertaken by ORC to date. The ORC also attends the Strath Taieri Community Board meetings and provides a summary report of updates.															
Does the ORC still charge a consent fee for consent for works to clear flood relief channels?	If consent is required these are charged in line with the schedule of fees and charges found here: Fees and Charges Otago Regional Council https://www.orc.govt.nz/consents-and-compliance/apply-for-a-consent/fees-and-charges/															
What does it cost the ORC to send two staff members to Middlemarch to look at a culvert?	<p>The cost of staff time including vehicle to attend Middlemarch is set out below:</p> <table><tr><th>Details</th><th>Units</th><th>Cost</th></tr><tr><td>Staff member #1</td><td>7.5</td><td>\$435.00</td></tr><tr><td>Staff member #2</td><td>7.5</td><td>\$435.00</td></tr><tr><td>Staff member #2</td><td>7.5</td><td>\$435.00</td></tr><tr><td>ORC Pool Vehicle (Dunedin to Middlemarch to Dunedin)</td><td>160</td><td>\$112.00</td></tr></table> <p>ORC attended Middlemarch in response to the weather event during the following times: 3rd October – 2 staff attended Middlemarch during the afternoon. 4th October – 1 staff member attempted to reach Middlemarch from Central Otago but turned back due to road closures. 4th October – Two Dunedin based staff attended Middlemarch during the afternoon.</p>	Details	Units	Cost	Staff member #1	7.5	\$435.00	Staff member #2	7.5	\$435.00	Staff member #2	7.5	\$435.00	ORC Pool Vehicle (Dunedin to Middlemarch to Dunedin)	160	\$112.00
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Question	Response
Provide an executive summary of the planning to-date around the floodwater issue facing the Middlemarch township along with expected future planned timeframes for physical mitigation work.	<p>In April 2023, ORC made a commitment to the Strath Taieri community Board to undertake a three-stage approach to investigate flooding and debris flow hazard in the Middlemarch area.</p> <p>The Stage 1 investigation is complete. In April 2024, consultants WSP finalised a technical report investigating floodwater conveyance of March Creek through Middlemarch, with a particular focus on the Taieri Gorge Railway culvert (A copy of this report is attached).</p> <p>The Stage 2 assessments are being undertaken by the ORC Natural Hazards team. The scope of this work is to provide a better understanding of the hydraulic performances of March Creek, Dewar Creek and Rock Creek catchments and their influence on floodwater conveyance through Middlemarch. This Stage 2 investigation is proposed to be completed by the end of Q1 2025 (end of March).</p> <p>The Stage 3 work is proposed to include identification/evaluation of potential hazard mitigation/adaptation approaches, and to include strategy and work programme development, including community and stakeholder consultation.</p> <p>An investigation is being undertaken to understand the flooding/restrictions in the Middlemarch township. With regard to any physical mitigation work, this will require Council decisioning and approval, if feasible.</p> <p>The ORC, Engineering team undertakes tactical maintenance through inspections, gravel realignment, vegetation maintenance/management, and erosion management, which is undertaken across watercourses in Middlemarch.</p>
Please forward the drone footage taken on the Thursday and Friday afternoon illustrating the pinch points in the system.	ORC has not undertaken Drone survey/footage of Middlemarch area during the recent weather event.
Other information by ORC <p>It is worth noting that ORC doesn't own the railway bridge, however, is including this in its broader flood hazard investigations to assist the community and DCC in decision-making and potential future interventions in this area. ORC also obtains intel from contractors and community members in relation to the performance of creeks in the area during events, including providing photos and reports through either email and/or phone to ORC which is a collaboration between both ORC and community to assist in an event to understand potential response required. We also take interest in the conveyance capacity and performance of waterways across a much broader area, not just limited to a culvert/s which are DCC assets.</p>	

Attachments:

Middlemarch, ORC Engineering and Natural Hazards presentation/scoping document

[Dec22 Middlemarch scoping presentation.pptx \(attached to email\)](#)

From: Customer Service <dcc@dcc.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, 1 November 2024 10:38 a.m.
To: Governance Support Officers
Subject: Fwd: Attn Strath Taieri Community Board next meeting

Kia ora

This was received via email for your attention.

Ngā mihi

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From: discovermiddlemarch@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2024 1:18 PM
To: dcc@dcc.govt.nz
Subject: Attn Strath Taieri Community Board next meeting

Earlier this year you awarded a generous grant to Discover Middlemarch, previously Destination Middlemarch, for the purpose of creating a new website to promote Middlemarch and the wider Strath Taieri area to both visitors and residents.
The project is progressing well. Our committee accepted a proposal from Cre8ive Marketing, a company based in Dunedin with an impressive CV. An initial deposit has been paid to them. In addition to the initial group meeting with Philippa from Cre8ive Design, we are holding regular zoom meetings with her as the project progresses.
Currently our new logo, designed by Amber Mathews is being fine tuned, as is the colour scheme for the web site that best relates to our area.
We are hopeful that the web site will go live early next year, but we are more interested in making sure we get it right rather than rushing the process. It has been suggested that when the site is

ready to go live, a public community launch might be a way to encourage more community engagement.

Thank you STCB for your support.

We will update the board when we have something further to report.

Regards

Linda MacKenzie, Chairperson Discover Middlemarch.

on behalf of the committee.

COMMUNITY PLAN

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Strath Taieri Community Board Plan is attached for discussion at each meeting for the purpose of reviewing and updating as required by the Board.

The Board's Community Plan assists to contribute to the Council's 9-year plan with focus on:

- 1 **new and current priorities** (in order of importance with justification and estimated costs for each) for inclusion in the DCC 9-year Plan
- 2 **items the Board would like for delivery to the community** (for items that would not require support or funding from the DCC, over and above the Community Board funding)

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Decides** to update the Strath Taieri Community Board Community Plan.

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1 INTRODUCTION

This Community Plan summarises the needs and priorities of the communities within the Strath Taieri Community Board area for the Dunedin City Council's (DCC) 10 year plan 2024-34. Its primary objective is to signal to the DCC those priorities for our community, with the ultimate goal that they are programmed into the DCC's 10 year plan and funded by the DCC. These priorities are shown in section 3 of this plan.

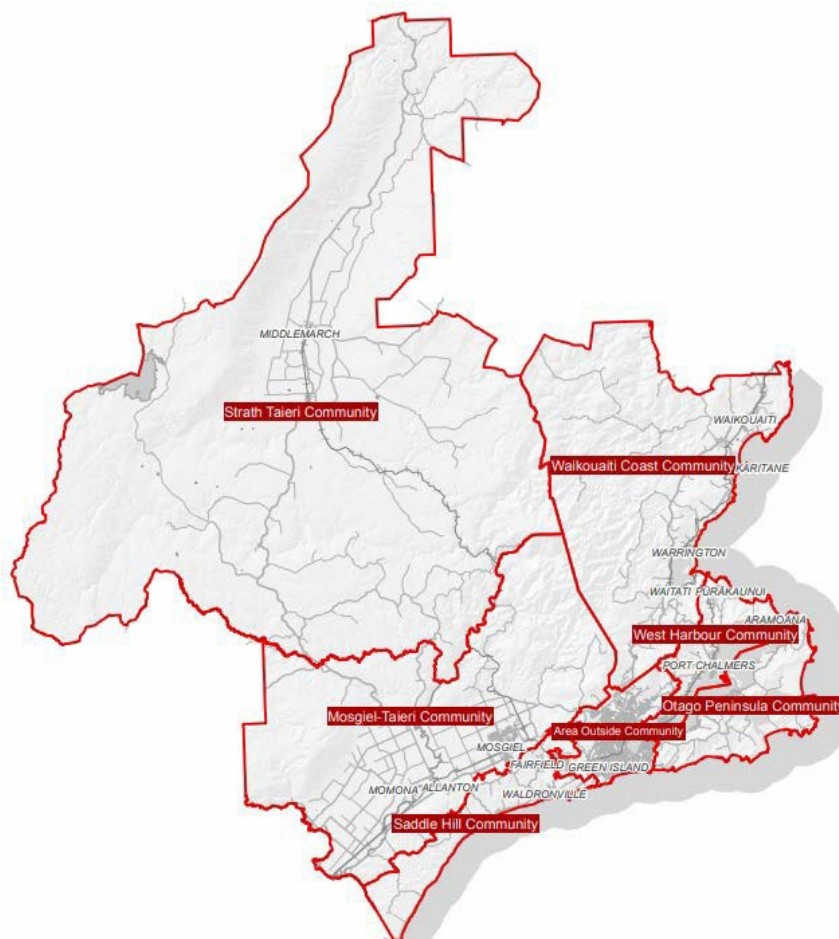
This Plan also includes activities that we, the Community Board plan to undertake. Our most important role is to be an advocate for our community, but we also proactively support our community in other ways, and these are set out in section 4 of this plan.

This Plan is subject to change and revision as needs arise and priorities alter.

2 KEY INFORMATION

2.1 BACKGROUND

The City of Dunedin has six Community Boards within its boundary, as shown in the map below.



Each Community Board has six elected members, and one councillor representative. The Community Board members are elected every three years as part of the local body elections. Community Boards must comply with the same rules and regulations as council, such as the Local Government Act.

The primary role of a Community Board is one of advocacy for its community. Each Community Board makes representations to the DCC on the priorities those boards have identified for their community area, that they would like to see included and funded in the council's annual plans and 10 year plans.

Any matters of an operational nature, e.g., the reporting of potholes, tree issues etc., are reported to council via the DCC's 477 4000 phone number, and do not form part of the Community Board's priorities.

Each Community Board holds public meetings every two months, and these meetings are advertised on the DCC website and in the Otago Daily Times. The meeting schedule for the 2023\0 calendar year is provided in Section 6 of this plan. The agendas and minutes from those meetings are also available on the DCC website at <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/council-meetings/agendas-and-minutes>

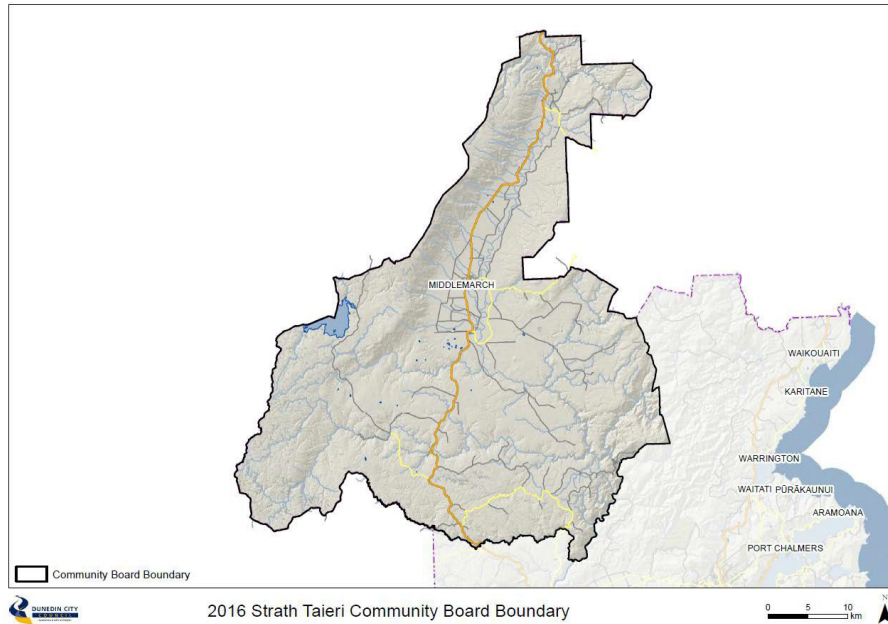
At the start of each meeting, there is a public forum session, which gives anyone from the community the opportunity to present to the board members their views on any topic. Anyone wishing to speak at public forum must make a request to speak at least two working days before the day of the meeting. They can do this via the Chair of the Community Board or contact a Governance Support Officer at the DCC at governance.support@dcc.govt.nz.

2.2 BOARD MEMBERS AND CONTACT DETAILS

Board members for the 2022-2025 triennium are as follows:

Name	Cell phone	Email
Barry Williams (Chairperson)	027 237 8075	barry.williams@powerfarming.co.nz
Anna Wilson (Deputy Chairperson)	027 469 4230	Anna.wilson@outlook.com
David (Jock) Frew	027 8201923	Jock876@gmail.com
Terina Geddes	027 200 5688	Hayden.terina@xtra.co.nz
Tony Markham	027 464 3133	tandpmarkham@xtra.co.nz
Robin Thomas	021 477455	robin.thomas@xtra.co.nz
Bill Acklin (Councillor representative)	021 923 270	Bill.Acklin@dcc.govt.nz

2.3 MAP OF STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD AREA



2.4 OUR COMMUNITY

The “rural hub” of Dunedin City Councils six Community Board areas, Strath Taieri, is located an hour's drive inland from Dunedin on scenic State Highway 87.

Straddling the wide climatic clines of the dry inland basins of Central Otago to the wetter coastal eastern foothills, the district covers some 211,500 hectares stretching 65km from north to south and 55km from east to west. Being in an expansive remote rural setting, it features a widely dispersed low per capita population density of just 0.32 people/square kilometre. This aspect alone creates social and infrastructure challenges unlike any of our other Community Board areas.

Several distinct areas exist within the region from the broad fertile developed flats and terraces adjacent to Middlesmarch, the physically dominant slopes of the [Rock and Pillar range](#), to the tussock clad northern portion of the Lammerlaw and Lammermoor ranges. These all provide an interesting and vibrant contrast with the broad rolling farmed ridges of Hindon and Clarks Junction and the stunning mid reaches of the Taieri River.

In pre-European times the area was important to local Maori as both a mahinga kai resource with moa and kanakana (lamprey) being sought as well as serving as a useful access corridor to the hinterland.

In later years gold mining (Hyde/Pukerangi) became important. Clarks Junction served those early gold miners as an important junction on their access route to other inland goldfields via the historic Old Dunstan Trail.

The spectacular landscapes offer visitors wilderness, tussock country, splendid vistas, striking rock tors as well as enjoyment of a busy farming district.

Those agricultural opportunities that attracted our first settlers remain today as the backbone to our economy with fresh opportunities developing in tourism stimulated by the Otago Central Rail Trail and the recently created Central Otago Touring Route on SH87.

The stunning scenery, rural tranquility, many recreational opportunities, the laid back lifestyle and the friendly local residents are key components to the local lifestyle.

3 PRIORITIES FOR OUR COMMUNITY

3.1 New Priorities

We have identified the following new priorities for our community that we would like to see included in the Council's 10 year plan 2024 -34. As noted earlier, this plan is subject to change, and so this list of priorities will be included on the agenda of each of our Community Board meetings

Details	Est. Cost if known	When in 10 year plan 2024-34	Justification	Priority
Waste Minimisation – need for more recycling collection hubs for the area.				
Community centre / events hub – plan for a new centre that could include medical, sports, and welcoming space.				
Beautification of Middlemarch township.				
Extend speed limit of 50 km / hr boundary further out to the library.				
Responding to Climate Change.				
Integrity of assets to avoid flooding.				
Promotion of Middlemarch – destination approach.				

3.2 Current Priorities

The following priorities for our community have been included in the Council's current 10 year plan (2018- 28), and are priorities that are to be carried forward into the new 2021-31 10 year plan.

Details	Est. Cost if known	When in 2021-31 10 year plan	Justification	Priority
Security and Integrity from flooding Address ongoing issues between the Middlemarch township and the Taieri River which causes restrictions to the outflows of flood waters from the township. Urgently requiring attention.			Community needs a security in knowing the Middlemarch township would not be flooded.	1
Water Supply Establish a high quality reticulated water supply for Middlemarch and Sutton townships.			Community needs a secure and safe water supply	2
Cycle Safety Ensure safety of cyclists across the section of the Rail Trail over March Creek.				3
Communications Promote the development of high speed internet within the wider community to enable new e-based businesses to establish and operate locally.				4
Beautification Beautification of Middlemarch cemetery in collaboration with locals and Community Board; Upgrade/revamp of main road into and through Middlemarch – signage/planting etc.				5

4 COMMUNITY BOARD PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

The following table identifies those activities that we as a Community Board would like to deliver to our community. They will be undertaken and funded by the Community Board.

ACTIVITY DETAIL	WHEN (IDEAL)
Strategic Planning 1. Review current use of community hall, and consider long term priorities with possible significant hall upgrade (or potential replacement) (15/20 year time frame); 2. Maintain engagement with community led group investigating Heritage Park concept – potential future use of Railway Station (Visitor/Information Centre?); development of Hub concept with linking Rail/Farming/Historic/Environmental themes etc and how these could support future community opportunities. <i>(Will require staff assistance)</i>	Over term of current Board
Railway Issues 1. Wingatui to Middlemarch – Advocate for the public retention of the complete railway line and infrastructure – including support for ongoing rail service/linkage between Dunedin and Middlemarch; 2. Middlemarch/Sutton/Pukerangi Stations - Advocate strongly for formalised local control of all infrastructure including buildings; 3. Investigate implementing a formal “heritage precinct” (Heritage NZ) around Railway Station and all associated buildings and structures. <i>(Will require staff assistance)</i>	
Promote use of E-vehicles Advocate for the establishment of two e-vehicle charging stations within the township (and investigate feasibility of establishing an additional station at Hyde to service Rail Trail users (cars and bikes).	
Investigate the possibility of promoting a “Blokes Shed” for the health and wellbeing of the community.	
Adverse events – response and readiness	

5 PLANS

The Community Board has a number of plans supporting its activities. Our key planning documents are discussed below:

5.1 EMERGENCY PLAN – COMMUNITY BOARD RESPONSE PLAN

Introduction

The Dunedin City Council has a statutory role, as does the Otago Regional Council, under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act to contribute to Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) within the district. As part of this whole-of-city function, the [Name] Community Board has responsibility for the interface between the community and Otago Civil Defence Emergency Management.

Our communities have a reasonable level of risk of flooding, fire, tsunami resulting in community isolation so pre-planning and management of a specific event will be managed by the Saddle Hill Community Board on behalf of Civil Defence. This role is supported by authorisations and delegations in the Dunedin City Council Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan.

Status

The Community Board on conjunction with Emergency Management Otago, have developed a Community Guide to Emergencies for Hyde, Middlemarch and Sutton.

5.2 Roadwork Schedule

Information on current notified road closures and the roadworks schedule (a weekly list of programmed works) for Council's maintained roads is available on the DCC website via these links

<https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/news-and-events/public-notice/roadworks-schedule> and
<https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/news-and-events/public-notice/notified-road-closures>.

5.3 Other plans

5.4 Have Your Say on the Community Plan

The Board is very keen to receive your comments on an on-going basis, and you may speak to your comments at any Board meeting. Members of the community are invited to provide feedback;

- *Verbally... by contacting a board member directly, anytime*
- *Written... addressed to the board, postal or email addresses below*
- *In person... to the board at public events such as Community Cuppa and Conversation*

Please clearly state the issue or suggestion you would like the Community Board to consider, or the specific action you would like to be taken.

Please send written communication to:

The Chairperson
Strath Taieri Community Board
c/- Dunedin City Council
PO Box 5045
Dunedin 9054

Email: barry.williams@powerfarming.co.nz

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7 COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The table below provides details of our Community Board meetings through to December 2024.

Thursday, 6 September 2024 – Strath Taieri Community Hall, at 2.00 p.m.

Thursday, 7 November 2024 – Hyde Community Hall, at 2.00 p.m.

BOARD UPDATES AND REPORT BACKS

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 Board Members will provide verbal updates and report backs on portfolios and activities including:
 - Township beautification – Anna Wilson
 - Otago Central Rail Trust – Terina Geddes
 - Climate Change – Tony Markham
 - Water management (including flooding) – Tony Markham and David Frew
 - Infrastructure, roads and spraying – Barry Williams
 - Community information and publicity – Robin Thomas

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Board updates and report backs

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Chairperson will provide a verbal update on matters of interest.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Chairperson's report

COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 Councillor Bill Acklin will provide an update on items of interest.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Council Activities Update

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

Any items for consideration by the Chair.