

Notice of Meeting:

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

Date: Wednesday 12 February 2025
Time: 4.00 pm
Venue: Strath Taieri Community Centre, Middlemarch

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	

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1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust

Lynnore Templeton and Rebecca Costelloe from Strath Taieri Connect Charitable Trust will be in attendance to present their annual plan for 2025

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 3 February 2025				
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.
	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.
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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 - 7 NOVEMBER 2024

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** the minutes of the Strath Taieri Community Board meeting held on 07 November 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 Hyde Community Hall, Hyde on Thursday 07 November 2024, commencing at 2.00 pm

PRESENT

Chairperson	Barry Williams	
Deputy Chairperson	Anna Wilson	
Members	David Frew	Terina Geddes
	Tony Markham	Robin Thomas

IN ATTENDANCE Mike Perkins (City Development Engineer).

Governance Support Officer Wendy Collard

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 START Trust

Representatives from the START Trust were unable to attend.

1.2 Harakeke Weaving Group

Andrea Bosshard was unable to attend.

1.3 STEVE GOODLASS

Mr Goodlass was unable to attend and requested a recording be played on a LGOIMA response he received from the Otago Regional Council.

Following discussion, the Board agreed that it would put a post on their Facebook page thanking the community for their efforts during the last flood event.

2 APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cr Bill Acklin

Moved (Deputy Chairperson Anna Wilson/Member Tony Markham):

That the Board:

Accepts the apology from Cr Bill Acklin.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/045)

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Terina Geddes/Anna Wilson):

That the Board:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration

Motion carried (STCB/2024/046)

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.

Barry Williams declared an interest in the START Trust funding application.

Moved (Anna Wilson/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/2024/047)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 5 SEPTEMBER 2024

Moved (Robin Thomas/Anna Wilson):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (STCB/2024/048)

PART A REPORTS

6 OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Representative from the Otago Regional Council were unable to attend. The Middlemarch River Management Update was tabled.

7 PROJECT FUND

The Board gave consideration to the funding applications 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

Moved (Anna Wilson/Barry Williams):

That the Board:

- a) **Declines** the application from Harakeke Weavers Group
Motion carried (STCB/2024/049)

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Board would set aside \$5,000.00 of their project fund to go towards board projects.

Moved (Anna Wilson/Robin Thomas):

That the Board:

- b) **Agrees** that \$5,000.00 from the Board's Project Fund would be ringfenced for Board projects.
Motion carried (STCB/2024/050)

Barry Williams withdrew from the START Trust funding application.

Anna Wilson assumed the Chair.

Moved (Anna Wilson/Tony Markham):

That the Board:

- c) **Approves** up to \$2000.00 to START Trust towards the cost of the upgrade of big hut dependent on confirmed funding from other organisations.
Motion carried (STCB/2024/051)

Barry Williams resumed the Chair.

8 MEETING SCHEDULE

A report from Civic provided the schedule of meetings for 2025 for the Board's consideration.

Following discussion, the Board requested that staff look at the scheduling of its meetings for 2025 with an additional meeting to be scheduled and the trialling of the start time of 4.00 pm during daylight savings.

Moved (Terina Geddes/Anna Wilson):

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** that its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 4 February 2025 commencing at 4.00 pm to be held at the Strath Taieri Community Centre.
- b) **Requests** the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2025 be presented to the 4 February 2025 meeting

Motion carried (STCB/2024/052)

9 GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT

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

- Project Fund
- Water Services Survey (1 – 29 November 2024)
- Bylaw Reviews
- Inwards Correspondence

Moved (Anna Wilson/David Frew):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (STCB/2024/053)

10 COMMUNITY PLAN

Following discussion, the Board agreed to remove "Cycle Safety" from the current priorities list in the Strath Taieri Community Board Plan 2024-34.

Moved (Anna Wilson/Terina Geddes):

That the Board:

- a) **Agrees** to update the Strath Taieri Community Board Community Plan removing “Cycle Safety” from its current priorities.

Motion carried (STCB/2024/054)

11 BOARD UPDATES AND REPORT BACKS

Board Members provided verbal updates and report backs on portfolios and activities which included:

Township beautification

There was discussion on possible Board project which included planter boxes.

Otago Central Rail Trust

Terina Geddes advised that there was no update.

Climate Change

Tony Markham provided an update on the recent flood event and commented on the community’s concerns. It was noted that a meeting with the Otago Regional Council was being held.

Water management (including flooding)

There was a discussion on the regular flooding that was occurring at the Cemetery and the Board noted its disappointment that this had not been resolved. They also felt that it was disrespectful to the families and friends of those who were buried there.

Infrastructure, roads and spraying

Barry Williams commented on the recent spraying.

Community information and publicity

Robin Thomas provided an update on the Board’s Facebook page which included the number and type of information requests.

Moved (David Frew/Terina Geddes):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (STCB/2024/055)

12 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chairperson provided a verbal update on matters of interest which included:

Community Working Bee Day – it was agreed that Terina Geddes would contact the Lions to co-ordinate a working bee day.

Middlemarch Railway Station – the Board noted its concerns regarding the current of state of the Railway Station and lack of upkeep.

Middlemarch Cemetery – the Board also noted its concerns regarding the number of dogs off leash at the cemetery and requested that staff investigate the possibility of the installation of a “Dog on Leash” sign.

Mr Williams requested an updated on the Dunedin Railway Limited.

Moved (Barry Williams/Robin Thomas):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (STCB/2024/056)

13 COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Councillor Bill Acklin was an apology for the meeting.

14 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

There were no items for consideration.

The meeting concluded at 4.45 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON

REPORTS

MARCH CREEK UPDATE

Josh von Pein (Otago Regional Council Consultant) will provide an update on March Creek.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

STRATH TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD

REVISED MEETING SCHEDULE

FOR 2025

Thursday, 3 April

Thursday, 22 May

Thursday, 26 June

Thursday, 7 August

Thursday, 11 September

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

Meeting scheduled in April will commence at 4:00 pm. The meetings scheduled for May, June, August and September will commence at 2:00 pm. All meetings will be held at the Middlemarch Community Hall, Middlemarch, unless otherwise advised.

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.



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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.

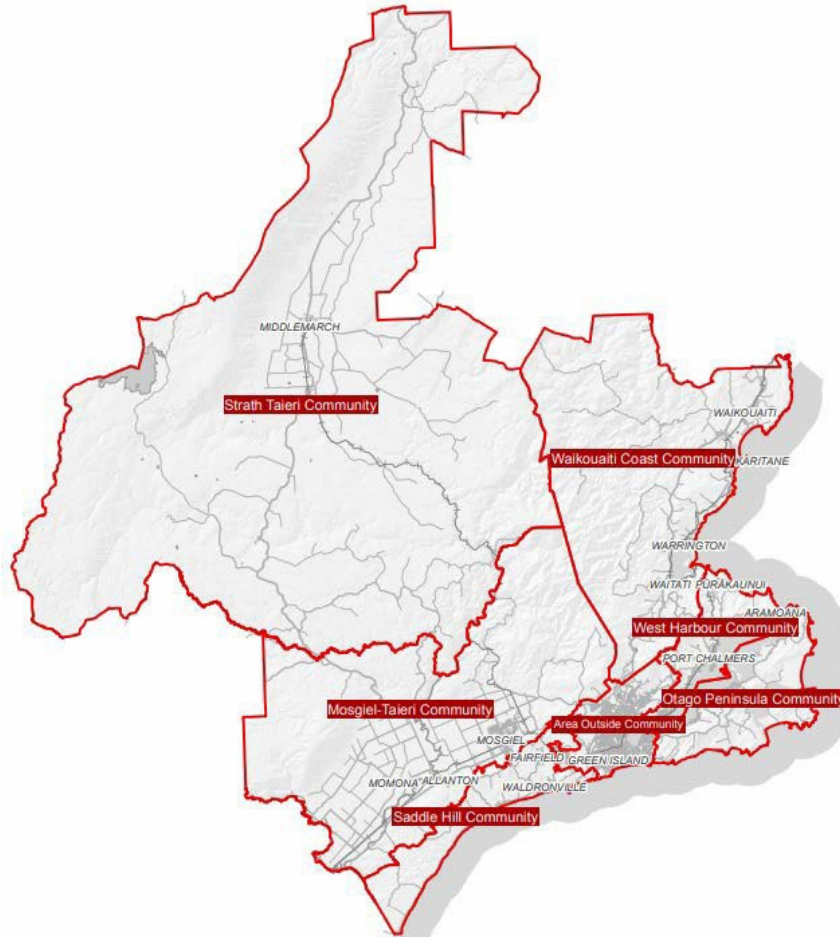
This Plan also includes activities that we, the Community Board plan to undertake. Our most important role is to be an advocate for our community, but we also proactively support our community in other ways, and these are set out in section 4 of this plan.

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>

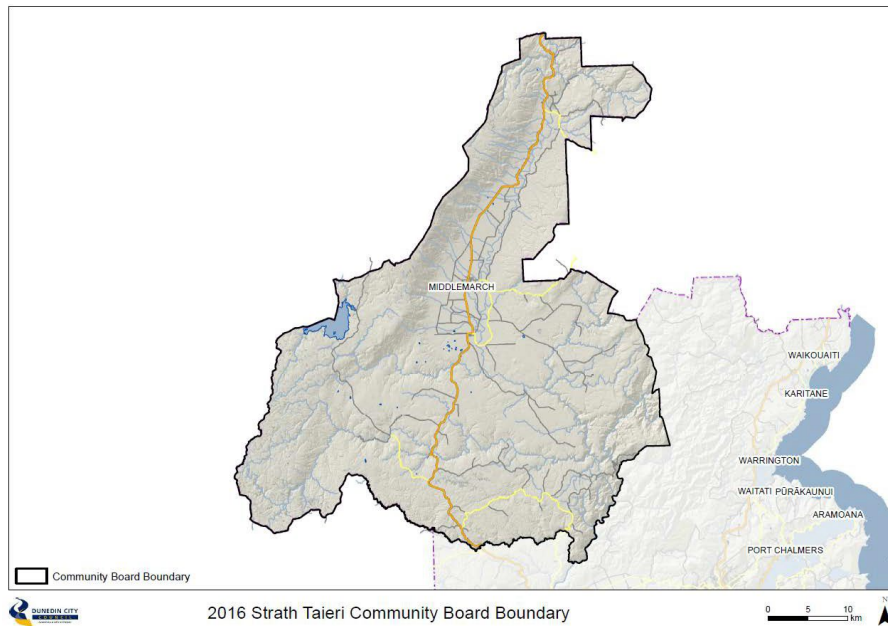
At the start of each meeting, there is a public forum session, which gives anyone from the community the opportunity to present to the board members their views on any topic. Anyone wishing to speak at public forum must make a request to speak at least two working days before the day of the meeting. 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	021 122 8745	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 Middlemarch, 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
Communications Promote the development of high speed internet within the wider community to enable new e-based businesses to establish and operate locally.				3
Beautification Beautification of Middlemarch cemetery in collaboration with locals and Community Board; Upgrade/revamp of main road into and through Middlemarch – signage/planting etc.				4

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)
<p>Strategic Planning</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Review current use of community hall, and consider long term priorities with possible significant hall upgrade (or potential replacement) (15/20 year time frame); 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> 	<p><i>Over term of current Board</i></p>
<p>Railway Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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; Middlemarch/Sutton/Pukerangi Stations - Advocate strongly for formalised local control of all infrastructure including buildings; Investigate implementing a formal “heritage precinct” (Heritage NZ) around Railway Station and all associated buildings and structures. <i>(Will require staff assistance)</i> 	
<p>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).</p>	
<p>Investigate the possibility of promoting a “Blokes Shed” for the health and wellbeing of the community.</p>	
<p>Adverse events – response and readiness</p>	

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-notices/roadworks-schedule> and <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/news-and-events/public-notices/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

Strath Taieri Community Board Community Plan

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7 COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The table below provides details of our Community Board meetings through to December 2025.

Tuesday, 4 February 2025– Strath Taieri Community Hall, at 4.00 pm

The dates for the remainder for 2025 will be considered at the 4 February 2025 meeting.

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
 - Draft 9 year plan 2025-34
 - Draft Reserve Management Plan – General Policies 2024
 - Roadworks Schedule
 - Currently consulting on
- 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 balance remaining in the Project Fund for allocation for the current financial year is \$3,000. The following funds have been allocated in the 2024/25 financial year.

Meeting Date	Recipient	Amount
7 November 2024	*START Trust	2,000.00
7 November 2024	Funding set aside for Community Board Projects	5,000.00
Total		\$7,000.00

*As requested at the November meeting as a condition to receiving the funding, the START Trust has confirmed that the additional funding has been received.

Draft 9 year plan 2025-34

- 4 Draft operating budgets for the 9 year plan 2025-2034 were presented to Council on 28-30 January 2025, in preparation for the public consultation.2024.
- 5 Public consultation for the 9 Year Plan 2025-2034 will commence on 31 March with the submission period closing on 30 April 2025. Public hearings will be held 6-9 May 2025, with Council deliberations on the 9 Year Plan 2025-2034 to be held on 26-29 May 2025.

Draft Reserves Management Plan – General Policies 2024.

- 6 Parks and Recreation are seeking feedback on the draft Reserves Management Plan – General Policies 2024. The draft Plan has been developed with input from the community and key stakeholders and is proposed to replace the Reserves Management Plan – General Policies 2005.
- 7 The Policies which are outlined in the draft are designed to guide the sustainable management of parks and reserves, enabling a variety of activities, protecting wildlife, and ensuring these spaces can be enjoyed by the community for generations to come.
- 8 The public consultation period is now open and submissions can be made until **5.00 pm on Monday, 31 March 2025** and feedback can be provided as below:

- online at <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/do-it-online/have-your-say/draft-reserve-management-plan-general-policies-feedback>
- Email to: parksconsulting@dcc.govt.nz
- In person: Deliver to a DCC service centre or library.
- Drop-in sessions: Find the locations and times on [DCC's website](#).
- In writing to:
Parks and Recreation Services
Dunedin City Council
PO Box 5045
Dunedin 9054
Attention: S Hogg

What DCC is Currently Consulting On

- 9 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

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Dunedin City Council Updates

- 11 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>

- 12 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

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

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.

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

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Chairperson will provide a verbal update on matters of interest including:

- Civic Affairs Committee meeting being held on 11 March 2025.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

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

Attachments

There are no attachments for this 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

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

Any items for consideration by the Chair.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.