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## Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board

### MINUTES

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Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board held in the Downes Room, Mosgiel Service Centre, Hartstonge Avenue, Mosgiel on Wednesday 06 August 2025, commencing at 5.30 pm

#### PRESENT

Chairperson	Andrew Simms	
Deputy Chairperson	Dean McAlwee	
Members	Kathryn Anderson	Cr Cherry Lucas
	Regan Horrell	Brian Peat

**IN ATTENDANCE** Sharon Bodeker (Special Projects Lead)

**Governance Support Officer** Jean Cockram

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#### 1 PUBLIC FORUM

##### 1.1 Public Forum - Rotary Club of Mosgiel

Mr Colin Mackintosh, Mosgiel Rotary Environment Director, spoke to the funding application from the Rotary Club of Mosgiel for planter boxes to brighten the Mosgiel Shopping Centre.

He noted that Rotary Club volunteers had minimised the cost of purchasing plants and contributed significant labour and mileage costs. Prior to Covid-19, the local business community had sponsored the planter boxes. There was discussion about re-engaging businesses in this initiative.

#### 2 APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Austen Banks.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

**Accepts** the apology from Austen Banks.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/018)**

### 3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Andrew Simms/Kathryn Anderson):

That the Board:

**Confirms** the agenda without addition or alteration.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/019)**

### 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.

Regan Horrell declared an interest in the Taieri Christian Care Trust.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Board:

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

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/020)**

### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### 5.1 MOSGIEL-TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 21 MAY 2025

Cr Lucas asked for an update on the request that toilets in the Taieri Historical Park be added to the DCC's maintenance schedule. The Board was advised that DCC Property Services did not have funding to maintain additional toilets at this time, but the Taieri Historical Society might wish to ask Council to fund them in the upcoming Annual Plan.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Dean McAlwee):

That the Board:

**Confirms** the minutes of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board meeting held on 21 May 2025 as a correct record.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/021)**

## **PART A REPORTS**

### **6 PROJECT FUND**

Consideration was given to the Rotary Club of Mosgiel's funding application for planter boxes in the Mosgiel shopping centre.

It was noted that Rotary volunteers made a huge commitment to this initiative which adds vibrancy to Mosgiel. Members suggested that Rotary be asked to approach local businesses to seek a contribution in future years.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Brian Peat):

That the Board:

**Approves** funding of \$1,000 to the Rotary Club of Mosgiel Charitable Trust for planting and maintenance of 17 planter boxes in Mosgiel shopping centre.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/022)**

### **7 GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT**

A report from Civic provided an update on matters of interest since the last Board meeting.

Members were pleased to receive the response to the Board's submission on the DCC 9-year plan, and noted progress on several issues of importance to local communities.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

**Notes** the Governance Support Officer's Report.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/023)**

### **8 COMMUNITY PLAN**

Moved (Andrew Simms/Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

**Notes** the Community Plan for the 2025-26 year.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/024)**

## 9 BOARD UPDATES

The following updates were received from Board Members:

- 1 **Taieri Network** – Kathryn Anderson noted that the Network had moved to 176 Gordon Road. The Network was developing a youth engagement strategy and had become the drop off point for Bowling Club meals. Its annual accounts were filed on 17 June.
- 2 **Coronation Hall Trust** – Dean McAlwee advised that the Hall was closed from mid-June to late-July for redecoration. An online booking system was now being trialled and the Hall was heavily booked for next year. Ian Chalmers, custodian of the Hall for 22 years, was recently farewelled from this role. The Board agreed to send him a letter acknowledging his service.
- 3 **Mosgiel and Taieri Emergency Group** – Andrew Simms noted that this group had recently changed its name to the Mosgiel Taieri Community Resilience Group.
- 4 **Social Media/Media Platform and Community Engagement**– Regan Horrell advised that he would create posts to highlight issues the Board had championed during the current triennium and the achievements made.
- 5 **Taieri Trails Group** – Andrew Simms noted that work was underway on the Tunnel Trail and it was hoped to hold a community walk-through event on Labour weekend. Dean McAlwee advised on progress with the Taieri Trail.
- 6 **ORC Lower Taieri Liaison Group** – Andrew Simms reported that work had started to clear gravel from the Silver Stream and widen its channel. He discussed other potential drainage issues for the Taieri area, which would be communicated to the Liaison Group.
- 7 **Community Board Executive Committee** – Regan Horrell gave feedback about his attendance at the recent LGNZ conference as a Member of the Community Board Executive Committee. He informed Members about the report “Better Together: A framework for councils and community boards” which it was hoped would be a conversation-starter and best practice guide for the relationship between Council and community boards in the next triennium.

## 10 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chairperson provided an update on matters of interest since the last Board meeting.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

**Notes** the report from Chairperson.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/025)**

## 11 COUNCILLOR'S UPDATE

Cr Lucas provided an update on matters of interest since the last Board meeting, including:

- A hearing for the Mosgiel Recreation Area Reserve Management Plan was scheduled on 29 August 2025;
- Construction would soon begin on 31 new Kainga Ora houses in Doon Street;
- The new ORC “on demand” bus was going well;
- The Water Well Done plan would be signed off next week.

Moved (Andrew Simms/ Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

**Notes** the Councillor’s updates.

**Motion carried (MTCB/2025/026)**

## 12 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

A number of transport-related items were raised and would be followed up by staff.

The meeting concluded at 6.44pm.

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