
Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board

MINUTES

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board held in the Downes Room, Mosgiel Service Centre, Hartstonge Avenue, Mosgiel on Wednesday 10 September 2025, commencing at 5.30 pm

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE Sharon Bodeker (Special Projects Lead)

Governance Support Officer Jean Cockram

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 Public Forum - Johannah Horrell

Ms Johannah Horrell thanked the Board for funding to support her participation in an Outward Bound course. She said it had been a life-changing experience that enhanced her teamwork and leadership skills.

1.2 Public Forum - Courtney Smith

Ms Courtney Smith spoke to her application for funding to support her participation in the 2025 Sport Aerobics World Championship. She detailed the fundraising efforts she had undertaken since qualifying to represent New Zealand in August this year.

1.3 Public Forum - Teresa Christie (Taieri Network)

Teresa Christie spoke on behalf of the Taieri Network regarding the Network's funding application for A Very Taieri Christmas 2025, noting that last year's event was the largest ever and this year's would continue to grow. She also provided the Board with an update on the Network's activities since moving to its new office.

2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Andrew Simms/Dean McAlwee):

That the Board:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/027)

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 (Andrew Simms/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/028)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 MOSGIEL-TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 6 AUGUST 2025

Moved (Andrew Simms/ Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

Confirms the public part of the minutes of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board meeting held on 6 August 2025 as a correct record.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/029)

PART A REPORTS

6 PROJECT FUND

Consideration was given to funding applications from:

- a) the Taieri Network Charitable Trust for \$2,000 towards A Very Taieri Christmas 2025; and
- b) Ms Courtney Smith for \$1,000 to support her participation in the 2025 Sport Aerobics World Championship in Prague.

Both applications were thought to have merit. Given that this was the last meeting before a new Board would be elected, the Board was conscious of spending in proportion to the period of the financial year elapsed (around 25%).

Moved (Dean McAlwee/Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

- a) **Approves** funding of \$1,000 to the Taieri Network Charitable Trust for A Very Taieri Christmas 2025;
- b) **Approves** funding of \$500 for Courtney Smith to participate in the 2025 Sport Aerobics World Championship, payable to the nominated bank account of Meronea Smith.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/030) with Cr Lucas recording her vote against.

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 a response from the Otago Regional Council (ORC) to the Board's submission on its 2025/26 annual plan.

There was discussion about targeted rates. Andrew Simms undertook to write to the ORC about a perception that an underspend in Outram's targeted rate might not be spent in the community.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Austen Banks):

That the Board:

Notes the Governance Support Officer's Report.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/031)

8 COMMUNITY PLAN

There were no changes to the Mosgiel Taieri Community Board Community Plan.

It was noted that an out-of-date version of the Plan had been tabled and this would be corrected at the next meeting.

Moved (Chairperson Andrew Simms/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Board:

Notes the Community Plan for the 2025-26 year.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/032)

9 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chair spoke to his report, noting that the Board has made good progress on several issues over the triennium and has a good Community Plan in place.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Austen Banks):

That the Board:

Notes the report from Chairperson.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/033)

10 BOARD UPDATES

- 1 **Taieri Network** – Kathryn Anderson said that she had enjoyed working with a grassroots organisation like the Taieri Network and hoped its work would continue.
- 2 **Coronation Hall Trust** – Dean McAlwee advised that he will stay on as a Trustee of Coronation Hall and he hoped the next Board would appoint another Trustee.
- 3 **Mosgiel Taieri Community Resilience Group** (formerly Mosgiel and Taieri Emergency Group) – Andrew Simms informed Members that the Mosgiel Taieri Community Resilience Group was developing a new community resilience plan and had applied for civil defence funding from the government. He considered it essential for the next Board chair to participate in the Group.
- 4 **Social Media/Media Platform and Community Engagement** – Regan Horrell advised that he was producing a video about work on the Silver Stream and would promote the “Meet the Candidates” event to be hosted by the Taieri Network on the Board’s facebook page.
- 5 **Taieri Trails Group** – Andrew Simms noted that the Taieri Trails Group would like a representative from the next Board to join it. Dean McAlwee reported that community members had undertaken extensive work on the Outram Loop Track, which he hoped would open next summer.
- 6 **ORC Lower Taieri Liaison Group** – Andrew Simms commented on the wonderful news that work to restore the capacity of the Silver Stream was underway, and said it would be vital for the next Board chair to be a member of the ORC Lower Taieri Liaison Group.

- 7 **Community Board Executive Committee** – Regan Horrell informed Members that members of the Community Board Executive Committee would remain in post until February 2026 to ensure a smooth transition. He hoped the “Better Together” report would empower the next Mosgiel Taieri Community Board.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Dean McAlwee):

That the Board:

Notes the Board Updates.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/034)

11 COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Councillor Cherry Lucas provided an update on the following items:

- the West Taieri Cemetery Reserve had been classified as a Local Purpose (Cemetery) Reserve;
- the Water Services Plan had been adopted ahead of plan;
- there would be a change to the way Enterprise Dunedin was delivered;
- the Mosgiel Recreation Area Reserve Management Plan would go forward to Council with changes reflecting community feedback from a recent hearing;
- a tender was out for the Park and Ride service; and
- the DCC Transport team had investigated options for replacing the seal on a section of Three Mile Hill Road.

There was discussion about the response received from the DCC Transport team, which Members felt did not adequately address several traffic management issues raised at the last meeting. Andrew Simms undertook to write to the Transport Team Leader to explain the Board’s concerns.

Moved (Chairperson Andrew Simms/Member Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

Notes the Council Activities Update.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/035)

12 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RETIRING MEMBERS

On behalf of the Board, the Chairperson recorded his thanks for the services given by retiring Deputy Chairperson Dean McAlwee, and retiring members Kathryn Anderson and Regan Horrell. Presenting each of them with a certificate, he acknowledged Mr McAlwee for his

unwavering approach to addressing community priorities, Ms Anderson for championing youth issues, and Mr Horrell for engaging the community through social media.

Moved (Andrew Simms/Cr Cherry Lucas):

That the Board:

- a) **Records** its sincere thanks to Dean McAlwee for the loyal and conscientious service given to the Dunedin community as a member of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board for the 9-year period 2016 to 2025.
- b) **Extends** its sincere appreciation for the services rendered and every good wish for the future.
- c) **Records** its sincere thanks to Kathryn Anderson for the loyal and conscientious service given to the Dunedin community as a member of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board for the 3-year period 2022 to 2025.
- d) **Extends** its sincere appreciation for the services rendered and every good wish for the future.
- e) **Records** its sincere thanks to Regan Horrell for the loyal and conscientious service given to the Dunedin community as a member of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board for the 3-year period 2022 to 2025.
- f) **Extends** its sincere appreciation for the services rendered and every good wish for the future.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/036)

On behalf of the Board, the Deputy Chairperson recorded his thanks to retiring Chairperson Andrew Simms and presented him with a certificate acknowledging his service. He paid tribute to Mr Simms for the time he had invested in local issues and his leadership of the Board.

Moved (Dean McAlwee/ Regan Horrell):

That the Board:

- a) **Records** its sincere thanks to Andrew Simms for the loyal and conscientious service given to the Dunedin community as a member of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board for the 3-year period 2022 to 2025.
- b) **Extends** its sincere appreciation for the services rendered and every good wish for the future.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/037)

The meeting concluded at 7.07 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON