
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 26 November 2025, commencing at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Rebecca Shepherd	
Deputy Chairperson	Andrew Sutton	
Members	Austen Banks	Rose Finnie
	Cr Cherry Lucas	Brian Peat
	Steve Wilson	

IN ATTENDANCE Serge Kolman (Procurement and Contracts Manager)

Governance Support Officer Jean Cockram

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 Public Forum - Charlie Gilligan

Mr Charlie Gilligan spoke to the Board about pedestrian safety in Factory and Bush Roads. He presented a petition calling for the provision of pedestrian crossings and enforcement of speed limits.

Mr Gilligan responded to questions. Staff undertook to investigate the status of existing plans for improvements to pedestrian safety in this area.

2 APOLOGIES

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Austen Banks):

That the Board:

Accepts the apology for late arrival from Cr Lucas.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/043)

3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Andrew Sutton):

That the Board:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/044)

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.

Rebecca Shepherd and Rose Finnie noted that their declaration of interest had been submitted after the agenda was printed and it would be updated on the next agenda. Steve Wilson declared an interest in the Taieri Network.

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Rose Finnie):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/045)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 MOSGIEL-TAIERI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 5 NOVEMBER 2025

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Steve Wilson):

That the Board:

Confirms the minutes of the Mosgiel-Taieri Community Board meeting held on 5 November 2025 as a correct record.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/046)

PART A REPORTS

6 MEETING SCHEDULE

A report from Civic proposed that the Board's next meeting be held on Wednesday 18 February 2026. Members asked to see the 2026 meeting schedule at the earliest opportunity and raised the possibility of rotating meetings between locations across the Board's region. Staff undertook to investigate potential venues.

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Andrew Sutton):

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** that its next meeting will be held on 18 February 2026 commencing at 4.00 pm in the Downes Room, Mosgiel Library.
- b) **Notes** that the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2026 will be considered by the Board as soon as the Council provides a proposed schedule, for ratification at the next Board meeting.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/047)

7 COMMUNITY PLAN 2025/26

The Board agreed to defer discussion on updating the Community Plan until after an upcoming workshop.

Moved (Brian Peat/Rose Finnie):

That the Board:

Notes the MTCB 2025/26 Community Plan.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/048)

8 GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT

The Governance Support Officer provided an update on relevant activities:

- a) Project Fund

No new applications for project funding had been received and the balance of the fund was \$7,500. The West Taieri Environmental Group had sent a letter of thanks for a grant awarded in the previous financial year, and Courtney Smith had returned her project completion form, having achieved an outstanding result (9th place) at the 2025 Sport Aerobics world championships.

It was proposed that the Board set aside a small amount from the project fund to support community engagement at the Taieri A&P show and Party in the Park, both of which had provided valuable engagement opportunities in previous years.

b) Appointment to Keep Dunedin Beautiful

It was noted that Keep Dunedin Beautiful is an external organisation that makes its own appointments. Members felt that more information was needed before determining the Board's interest in participating in this group.

c) OAR FM "Round the Boards Package"

There were mixed views about renewing the OAR FM "Round the Boards Package". It was agreed to use a remaining credit before deciding on this matter.

d) Correspondence

The Chair reported that she had responded to correspondence from Mr Ed Ferguson regarding traffic safety near schools and invited him to attend a future meeting.

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Andrew Sutton):

That the Board:

Approves the allocation of up to \$400 (GST exclusive) from the Board's project fund to support community engagement at the 2026 Taieri A&P Show and Party in the Park.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/049)

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Brian Peat):

That the Board:

Tables representation on the Keep Dunedin Beautiful Committee for discussion at the next meeting.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/050)

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Andrew Sutton):

That the Board:

Defers the decision to commit funds to the OAR "Round the Boards" programme.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/051)

Moved (Austen Banks/Steve Wilson):

That the Board:

Notes the Governance Support Officer's Report.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/052)

9 BOARD PORTFOLIOS

Members were keen to start community engagement through social media. There was discussion about a "no surprises" policy regarding content. Initially, draft posts would be shared with all Members and approved by the Chair. The process for managing this in future would be discussed at an upcoming workshop.

Moved (Austen Banks/Steve Wilson):

That the Board:

- a) **Approves** Rose Finnie as the Communications portfolio lead
- b) **Considers** other portfolio leads at the next meeting.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/053)

10 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Rebecca Shepherd spoke to her tabled report. She flagged that there would be an opportunity at the next meeting to discuss the big issues the local community would like to see included in the Community Plan.

Moved (Andrew Sutton/Austen Banks):

That the Board:

Notes the report from Chairperson.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/054)

11 COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Councillor Lucas reported on upcoming items of interest on the Council's agenda, including:

- The most recent Residents' Opinion Survey;
- A proposal to simplify the road-naming procedure;
- Proposals to develop an outreach service for homeless people and a youth action plan.

Moved (Rebecca Shepherd/Steve Wilson):

That the Board:

Notes the Council Activities Update.

Motion carried (MTCB/2025/055)

12 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

Two items were put forward for the Chair's consideration when setting the next agenda:

- the Outram rates differential and how is it used;
- the focus of the project fund – individual vs wider community benefit.

The meeting concluded at 5:25pm.

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CHAIRPERSON