

Notice of Meeting:

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

Date: Tuesday 25 November 2025
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Portobello Bowling Club, Sherwood Street, Portobello

Sandy Graham
Chief Executive Officer

Otago Peninsula Community Board
PUBLIC AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson	Paul Pope	
Deputy Chairperson	Hoani Langsbury	
Members	Stacey Kokaua-Balfour	Cheryl Neill
	Hugh O'Neill	Emma Strybosch
	Cr Mickey Treadwell	

Senior Officer Sian Sutton, Manager Enterprise Dunedin

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1 OPENING REFLECTION

Paul Pope will open the meeting with a reflection.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

At the close of the agenda no requests for public forum had been received.

3 APOLOGIES

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

4 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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Otago Peninsula Community Board Register of Interest - November 2025				
Name	Responsibility (ie: Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Proposed Management Plan
Paul Pope (Chairperson)	Board Chairperson/Director	Spiralis 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.
	Owner	Residential Property, Portobello	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.
	OPCB representative	Portobello Hall (liaison)	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.
Hoani Langsbury (Deputy Chairperson)	Manager	Otago Peninsula 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.
	Deputy Chairperson	Dark Skies Advisory 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.
	Trustee	Yellow-eyed Penguin 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	Otago Peninsula Biodiversity 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.
	External Issues Komiti	Te Runanga o Otakou	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.
	TBA	Te Runanga o Otakou-Tangata Tiaki	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.
	Otakou Alternate	Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu	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	DoC Te Roopu Kaitiaki	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	Ariki Athletics 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	Port Otago Technical 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.
	RMA Commissioner	Environment Canterbury	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	Predator Free 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.
	Chairperson	Peninsula Biodiversity 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.

Hoani Langsbury (Deputy Chairperson) (cont)	Trustee	Wild 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	Technical Advisory Group to the New Zealand Battery Project	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.
	OPCB representative	Wellers Rock and Wellers Jetty project	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.
	Panel Member	Dunedin Hospital Build	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	ORC Regional Leadership 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	Site Led Committee - Otago Regional Council	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	Future Development Strategy Hearing Panel	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.
	Independent Commissioner	DCC Reserve Management Plans		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	Otepoti Dunedin Destination Plan Advisory 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.
Stacey Kokaua-Balfour	Member	Portobello School Board	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	Te Vaka Cook Islands of Dunedin Incorporated	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	External Pacific Advisory Committee for Otago Polytechnic (te Pūkenga)	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.
	Board Member	Pacific Trust Otago	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.
Cheryl Neill	Teacher	Portobello School	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.
	OPCB representative	Harwood Hall (liaison)	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	Portobello Bowling Club	Possible conflict if group applies for funding.	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.

Hugh O'Neill	Owner	Residential Property, Pukehiki	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.
	Visitor Accommodation	Residential Property, Pukehiki	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.
Emma Strybosch	Director	E Strybosch 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.
Cr Micky Treadwell	Director	Atawhai Interactive Tapui Ltd	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Contractor	Otago Polytechnic	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Co-owner	Residential Property	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Green Party of Aotearoa	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Otaru Sister City Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Ice Sports Dunedin Incorporated (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Ōtepoti Dunedin Live Music Advisory Panel (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Te Ao Tūroa Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Peninsula Community Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

OTAGO PENINSULA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 4 NOVEMBER 2025

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** the public part of the minutes of the Otago Peninsula Community Board meeting held on 04 November 2025 as a correct record.

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Otago Peninsula Community Board

MINUTES

Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the Otago Peninsula Community Board held in the Council Chamber, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, The Octagon, Dunedin on Tuesday 04 November 2025, commencing at 10.06 am

PRESENT

Chairperson	Paul Pope	
Deputy Chairperson	Hoani Langsbury	
Members	Stacey Kokaua-Balfour	
	Cheryl Neill	Hugh O'Neill
	Emma Strybosch	Cr Mickey Treadwell

IN ATTENDANCE Sandy Graham (Chief Executive) and Sian Sutton (Dunedin Destination Manager)

Governance Support Officers Lynne Adamson

The Chief Executive chaired the meeting until the election of the Chairperson

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

PART A REPORTS

2 WELCOME BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, MS SANDY GRAHAM

The Chief Executive (Sandy Graham) welcomed all to the meeting and provided an introduction to the formal swearing in of members.

3 DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS

Members made and attested their declarations as required by Schedule 7, Clause 14 of the Local Government Act 2002.

4 VOTING PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

A report from Civic advised that voting for appointments such as Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of a Community Board was to be carried out in accordance with Schedule 7, Clauses 25(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment 2004.

Moved (Hoani Langsbury/Paul Pope):

That the Board:

- a) **Adopts** (System B), First Past the Post, as the voting method for the appointment of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

Motion carried (OPCB/2025/028)

5 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The Chief Executive called for nominations for the role of Chairperson.

Moved (Hoani Langsbury/Cheryl Neill):

That the Board:

- a) **Appoints** Paul Pope as the Chairperson.

Motion carried (OPCB/2025/029)

The Chairperson assumed the chair and welcomed the Board to the new triennium.

Mr Pope called for nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson

Moved (Cheryl Neill/Paul Pope):

That the Board:

Appoints Hoani Langsbury as the Deputy Chairperson.

Motion carried (OPCB/2025/030)

6 MEETING SCHEDULE

A report from Civic requested that the Board give consideration to the date of the next Otago Peninsula Community Board meeting.

It noted that the meeting schedule for 2026 would be presented to the meeting being held on 25 November 2025 for the Board's confirmation.

Moved (Paul Pope/Cheryl Neill):

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** that its next meeting will be held on 25 November 2025 commencing at 10.00 am.
- b) **Notes** that the meeting schedule for 2026 will be considered by the Board at the 25 November 2025 meeting.

Motion carried (OPCB/2025/031)

7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION - BRIEFING FOR THE INAUGURAL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

A report from Civic provided a general explanation of the following legislation as required by clause 21 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government 2002:

- a) The Local Government Official information and Meetings Act 1987;
- b) The Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968;
- c) Sections 99, 105 and 105A of the Crimes Act 1961;
- d) The Secret Commissions Act 1910; and
- e) The Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013.

The Chief Executive Officer (Sandy Graham) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Moved (Paul Pope/Hugh O'Neill):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the advice regarding key legislation that applies to members of Council, its Committees and Community Boards.

Motion carried (OPCB/2025/032)

The meeting concluded at 10.25 am.

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CHAIRPERSON

PART A REPORTS

BOARD DISCRETIONARY FUND UPDATE AND FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 This report provides a copy of funding applications for the Board's consideration and an update on the amount in the Board's discretionary fund.
- 2 As this is an administrative report only, the Summary of Considerations is not required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the discretionary fund update.

DISCRETIONARY FUND

- 3 The Board has been allocated \$10,000.00 for the 2025/26 financial year.
- 4 The balance remaining in the fund for allocation for the current financial year is \$8,400.00. The following funds have been allocated in the 2025/26 financial year:

Meeting Date	Amount	Recipient/Purpose
7 August 2025	\$1,000.00	The Anna and John Caselberg Charitable Trust – to support completion of a retaining wall at the Artists residence in Broad Bay.
11 September 2025	\$600.00	Kokomuka Harwood Community Garden Manatopu Inc – to support the establishment of a community garden at Harwood.
Total	\$1,600.00	

Funding Assistance Project Completion

- 5 Further correspondence received from Caselberg Trust on 26 October 2025:

“On behalf of the Caselberg Trust I would like to thank the Otago Peninsula Community Board for their recent donation of \$1000 towards a retaining wall at the Caselberg house here in Broad Bay. It means a lot to us all and really helps us out. We also really appreciate your past financial support to keep our wonderful Trust going. It is a huge help, and it is also an honour to feel you have all been so very supportive. Many thanks. Lesley Hirst, Caselberg Trustee”

Funding Application

6 No funding applications were received for the Board consideration.

Signatories

Author:	Rebecca Murray - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Sian Sutton - Dunedin Destination Manager

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The Board is requested to consider the date of the next Otago Peninsula Community Board meeting, which is proposed for Tuesday, 17 February 2026 commencing 10.00 am.
- 2 A meeting schedule for the remainder of 2026 will be presented to the meeting being held on 17 February 2026 for the Board's confirmation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Confirms** the Board meeting would be held on 17 February 2026 commencing at 10.00 am.
- b) **Notes** that the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2026 will be considered by the Board at the 17 February 2026 meeting.

Signatories

Author:	Rebecca Murray - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Jackie Harrison - Manager Governance

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER'S REPORT

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 This report is to inform the Otago Peninsula Community Board of activities relevant to the Board area including:
 - OAR “Round the Boards” Package
 - Otago Regional Council Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025 Submission
 - Correspondence
 - What Dunedin City Council is Currently Consulting On
 - Roadworks Schedule
 - Dunedin City Council Updates
- 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.
- b) **Decides** if the Board would participate in the OAR “Round the Boards” programme for \$220.00 excluding GST.
- c) **Approves** the submission to the Otago Regional Council Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025.

OAR “Round the Boards” Package

- 3 Over the past several years, our Community Access radio station has hosted a regular weekly feature on the *OAR Morning Show* called 'Round the Boards'. This 10-15min segment provides an opportunity for Dunedin Community Boards to chat informally with programme host Jeff Harford about initiatives and issues of the day, relevant to each community.
- 4 The board is now asked to consider if it wishes to participate in this programme. The cost is \$220 (excl GST) for 11 x monthly sessions. (Attachment A).

Otago Regional Council's Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025 Submission

- 5 Otago Regional Council are currently consulting on the Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025 and are seeking feedback before 30 November 2025.
- 6 The Board's draft submission on the Otago Regional Council's Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025 is provided for approval (Attachment B).

Correspondence

- 7 Correspondence received from Port Otago Ltd relating to beach replenishment works at Te Rauone Beach (Attachment C).

What Dunedin City Council is Currently Consulting On

- 8 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

- 9 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

- 10 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>
- 11 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:	Rebecca Murray - Governance Support Officer
Authoriser:	Sian Sutton - Dunedin Destination Manager

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Reaching Local Audiences with OAR FM

Proposal for Consideration by Dunedin Community Boards

***'Round the Boards* segment on the OARsome Morning Show with Dunedin Community Boards**

Are you looking for an effective, affordable way to share important updates, stories and messaging with the people of your community?

OAR FM airtime will expand your reach to a broad grassroots listenership that supports a wide range of local initiatives.

OAR FM's *'Round the Boards* Package includes:

- 11 x monthly live-to-air interview* with a Community Board representative (10-15 min) broadcast on the *OARsome Morning Show* with Jeff, Tuesdays at 8.35am.
*interviews can be by telephone or in-person at OAR FM's studio

Plus, your radio feature becomes a valuable online resource as a podcast!

- easily emailed to your mailing lists, online networks
- easily linked from your website and social media
- available from oar.org.nz, Spotify, Apple Podcasts, tunein and more

In the past year, nearly 900 *'Round the Boards* podcast episodes were listened to online.

Delivered for \$220 + GST (that's just \$20 + GST per spot)
Payment on invoice to follow requested in advance of the series
commencing (\$253 incl GST)



For further information and to discuss options, please contact:

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**Submission by the Otago Peninsula Community Board to the Otago Regional Councils Draft
Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy 2025**

The Otago Peninsula and its marine environment is a critical area of the Otago region's biodiversity. Nationally and internationally acclaimed for the presence of key indigenous taoka species, the Peninsula plays a significant role in biodiversity and ecotourism. For the purposes of this submission the focus will be on the Otago Peninsula issues only.

Page 4 – "Draft Indigenous Biodiversity Strategy on a page"

Comment – positive affirmations and identification of issues are reflective of the current state of the environment issues effecting the Otago Peninsula. There are some questions as to the continued value to *"Identify indigenous biodiversity focus areas."* While a continuance of a biodiversity stocktake is important a bigger and more important goal in this section should be to identify opportunities for protection, conservation and management of biodiversity so that it moves from simple survival to thriving.

Comment – there is no mention directly on the role technological changes and investment in such opportunities would provide for biodiversity in the longer term.

Page 11 – "Outcomes - What we are aiming to achieve by 2040 or earlier"

Comment – all of the outcomes are high level and aspirational that reflect many strategy documents of its type.

"Indigenous biodiversity is maintained and resilient - The condition, quantity and diversity of indigenous biodiversity is maintained, and indigenous biodiversity is resilient to pressures such as pests, pressures on habitats and climate change."

Comment – is the aim to maintain biodiversity values at current levels until 2040 or actually see it thrive and grow? Maintenance may simply not be enough to keep levels of biodiversity where they area at in 2025. Hoiho are a good example that by maintaining at their current level on the Otago Peninsula they may well not exist on the mainland by 2040. We need to be looking at how species can grow and thrive rather than remain static.

"Indigenous biodiversity is enhanced strategically"

Comment – agree with the sentiment and the importance of strategic thinking and synergies between action, planning and outcomes. However, one of the problems is that biodiversity enhancement, restoration and management has become a competitive sport based around diminishing funding of ever-competing groups in a crowded marketplace. Competition for funding leads groups to operate in well-meaning silo's as they try to strengthen their project or cause for survival. This often leads to disparate groups with similar goals operating in their region independently of one another. There is room for all groups, but they need broader co-ordination and need to feel included in the wider biodiversity landscape.

"Communities are empowered as stewards"

Comment – we need to be very careful that we ensure communities are able to make good decisions that lead to positive outcomes. Obstacles such as bureaucracy and regulation often stifle community actions negatively and there is an important line to be drawn on how that empowerment is undertaken. Tying groups down to overly complicated processes undoes the good work often

undertaken by ORC staff. The other frustration for community groups are the inconsistencies of regulations within the Councils own departments. Council must ensure a fair, transparent and consistent message to groups in regard to regulation. The critical aspect of this is that all departments of the ORC buy into this strategy and understand its goals should be applied across their areas of interest. Often, we see inconsistencies within the Council that damage and hinder community groups in working appropriately or create uncertainty and frustration.

Broader Comments

- The Otago Harbour and marine environment are critical to the biodiversity of the Otago Peninsula. While there is positive discussion of ICM and the coastal areas within the strategy, the level of detail relating to the complexities of these environments, their management and the significant stakeholders and authorities make this a complex area of biodiversity management. How this strategy affects change and progress on the marine area and its complexities will be extremely more challenging than terrestrial values.
- Given the ownership of Port Otago by the Otago Regional Council it would be highly desirable to invest in the planting of native trees over the next 15 years. Habitat creation on the Otago Peninsula would help to offset the negative effects of the carbon emissions associated with cruise ships and other tourist activity.
- Pest Plant and Animal Strategies need greater levels of enforcement and funding to negate the effects of introduced weeds and animals on biodiversity on the Otago Peninsula.
- The Board submits that greater financial investment is required by the Council for harbour marine biodiversity.
- The Board notes the recent Ministry for the Environment on the impact of plastic on marine ecosystems. At Pilots Beach on Otago Peninsula, it is reported that: - there are 15 items of rubbish for every 100sqm of beach, of which 23% is hard plastics and 23% are food wrappers.
- The Board seeks trials on stormwater filters in conjunction with the DCC to stop plastic entering the harbour and affecting wildlife that is pivotal to our region financially and culturally.
- Greater incentives above rates relief for landowners to protect biodiversity and habitat on private land.



Overall, the Council should be commended for the production of this strategy in a critical but extremely challenging part of the region. While there is much to come out of this process it remains a positive start.

Paul Pope - Chairman Otago Peninsula Community Board



6 November 2025

Dear Te Rauone Beach/Harington Point residents

For the next two weeks – from Monday (10 Nov) – SouthRoads will be working on Te Rauone Beach to replenish the sand before summer.

Fine, white sand will be pumped via a fixed pipe in the harbour directly onto the existing beach, before being distributed by SouthRoads. The sand is being dredged from nearby in the harbour channel, as part of our maintenance dredging programme.

Why the need for additional sand?

It has been two-and-a-half years since the beach was completed, and original projections suggested renourishment would likely be needed every two to five years and after significant storms. The beach is monitored every three months by independent consultants, Beca, who recommend when additional sand is needed. To date, it has been renourished once, via sand recycling in June last year.

What is the impact on locals?

- Work will be carried out Monday to Friday, between 7am and 5pm.
- There will be some contractor noise, typical of heavy machinery at work.
- Refuelling will be completed away from the beach, on the access area at the northern end of the reserve.
- While the beach will not be completely closed, please keep clear of areas being worked on (marked by mesh fencing). The newly completed boardwalk and viewing platform are ideal for safely viewing the works.

Following the sand renourishment work, Dunedin City Council will undertake weed and pest control around the road-beach access points, removing scrubby vegetation and installing wire fencing.

If you have any concerns or questions, please email beachfeedback@portotago.co.nz and we will be happy to answer your queries.

Thank you for your understanding.

Marine and Infrastructure team

Port Otago

PO Box 8, Port Chalmers 9050, 15 Beach St, Port Chalmers, New Zealand

portotago.co.nz

COMMUNITY PLAN

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 The Community Board Plan is tabled for discussion at each meeting for the purpose of review and update as required by the Board (Attachment A).
- 2 The Board's Community Plan assists to contribute to the Council's 9-year plan with focus on:
- 3 **new and current priorities** (in order of importance with justification and estimated costs for each) for inclusion in the DCC 9-year Plan.
- 4 **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) **Considers** updating the Board's Community Plan for the 2025-26 year.

Signatories

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1 INTRODUCTION

Kia ora, nau mai haere mai.

This Community Board Community Plan summarises the needs and priorities of the communities within the Otago Peninsula Community Board area for the 2025/26 financial year, and the Dunedin City Council's (DCC) 2025-2034 9-year plan.

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 9-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 Otago Peninsula 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 within our community. It is important that the Board's Community Plan is a living document and is subject to review, analysis and interaction between the board and the community.

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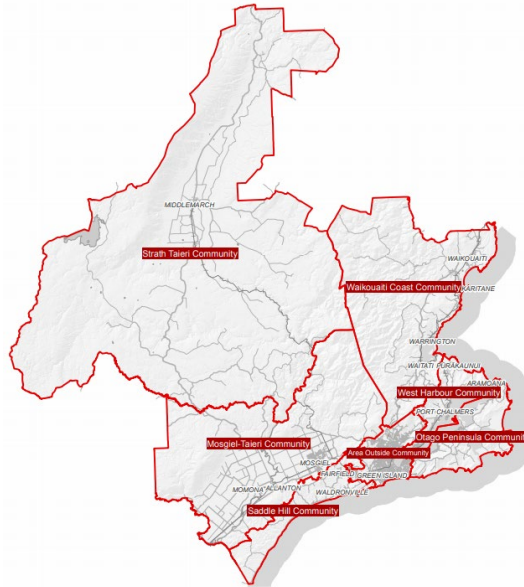


Paul Pope – Chairperson
Otago Peninsula Community Board

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. See Appendix 1– Otago Peninsula Community Board’s delegations and areas of responsibility.

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. It is the Board’s role to assist the community in finding the correct procedure and information pertaining to problems that are often present within the Peninsula Community. In those instances, Board members should act as advocates for the community, but not necessarily project managers.

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 2026 calendar year will be provided at the Board’s February 2026 meeting. 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 2025-2028 triennium are as follows:

Name	Cell phone	Email
Paul Pope (Chair)	027 466 8446	paul.peninsula@xtra.co.nz
Hoani Langsbury (Deputy Chair)	027 252 2876	manager@albatross.org.nz
Stacey Kokaua-Balfour	021 029 02965	stacey.kokauabalfour@gmail.com
Cheryl Neill	027 603 3451	cherylmayneill@yahoo.com
Hugh O'Neill	027 411 7570	Captainhugh2025@gmail.com
Emma Strybosch	021 183 6632	emma.stry.opcb@gmail.com
Cr Mickey Treadwell (Councillor representative)	027 465 3222	Mickey.treadwell@dcc.govt.nz



Left to right: Hugh O'Neill, Hoani Langsbury (Deputy Chair), Cheryl Neill, Paul Pope (Chair), Cr Mickey Treadwell, Stacey Kokaua-Balfour and Emma Strybosch

2.3 MAP OF THE OTAGO PENINSULA COMMUNITY BOARD AREA



2.4 OUR COMMUNITY

Peninsula Statistics

Population: Approximately 4,405 (based on the 2018 Census)

Households: 1,725 (based on the 2018 Census)

Schools: 3 Primary Schools
1 Kindergarten
3 Early childhood facilities

Visitors: Approximately 600,000 per annum (Source: 2011 Regional Visitor Monitor)

Economy: The Otago Peninsula contributes approximately \$180 million in ecotourism revenue to the local economy

The Otago Peninsula Community Board's population and household numbers have increased since the 2013 census. Population diversity has also changed and there are some changes in the composition of the community due to immigration. The Otago Peninsula residential population is well-educated and has a high median income. More details of the 2018 census can be found at: <https://www.stats.govt.nz/tools/2018-census-place-summaries/otago-peninsula>

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3 PRIORITIES FOR OUR COMMUNITY

The following priorities for our community for Council's current 9 year plan (2025-2034).

Details	Cost	Justification	Priority
Otago Peninsula Connection Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ōtakou-Harington Point • Portobello School • Inland route from Harwood to Ōtakou Section 	TBA	Currently the incomplete sections of the Connection Project leave areas of our community disconnected and unsafe. Sections such as Ōtakou are now highly vulnerable to storms and the road is constantly being undermined. While Portobello School and other users continues to have unsafe and ill determined physical access and connectivity to the shared cycleway/pathway.	One
Delivery of Reticulated Services	TBA	A large percentage of our community from Portobello onwards have no access to reticulated water or sewage services. This was recognised in the joint council Future Development Strategy.	One
Macandrew Bay Toilets	TBA	The ever-increasing popularity of Macandrew Bay Beach continues to place pressure on the old and outdated facilities in the Macandrew Bay Hall. Significantly, the crossing point from the beach to the toilets in summer crosses a dangerous and high use section of Portobello Road. The beach site either requires a stand-alone facility on the reserve or the option of an investigation into a shared facility with the Macandrew Bay Yacht Club.	One
Climate Change Resilience	TBA	<p>The ever-increasing threat of climate change driven sea level rise is a serious threat to parts of our community in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tidewater Drive • The Back Bays of Hoopers Inlet and Papanui Inlet • Parts of Ōtakou <p>There is a high need for developing resilience of roading and other infrastructure in these areas to prevent inundation and storm damage from flooding.</p>	One
Tomahawk School Site Development	TBA	The Tomahawk Community was promised a programme of works for this area by Council once the old school building and pool were demolished, but it was never delivered. With the increase in subdivision in the area and the continued popularity of the community to visitors the development and enhancement of the site is imperative. Council began a consultative process with the community in	One

		2023 and this was well supported by the community.	
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4 COMMUNITY BOARD PROPOSED ACTIVITIES & CONSULTATION

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)
Explore options for Beautification such as murals etc	Ongoing
Host a Civil Defence expo to highlight issues and ways to collaborate	Bi-Annually
Support efforts to host business forum events 2022-2025	Annually
Advocate for priorities to be included in the DCC 10-year plan.	Tri-Annually
Advocate for priorities to be included in the DCC Annual Plan.	Annually
Advocate for priorities to be included in the ORC 10-year Plan.	Tri-Annually
Advocate for priorities to be included in the ORC 10-year plan.	
Advocate and consult with the Otago Peninsula Community on issues and planning	Throughout the triennium
Advocate for priorities in bylaw management plan and regional plans	Ongoing
Providing newsletter updates, letters of support, social media and other activities for local community groups	Ongoing
Supporting staff and contractors in their work in our area	Ongoing
ORC Channel Widening of the Otago Harbour. Continue to actively pursue the needs of the community.	Ongoing
ORC Tomahawk Lagoon Flooding and Biodiversity. Continue to actively pursue the needs of the community	Ongoing
ORC Bus Services Continue to actively pursue the needs of the community	Ongoing
ORC Biodiversity and Animal Control. Continue to actively pursue the needs of the community	Ongoing
University Closure of Public Jetty. Seek clarification and public information	Ongoing
DoC Sandfly Bay Toilets Work with staff on design, consultation and implementation of the project with the community	Ongoing
Support external organisations for biodiversity, community welfare, education and safety	Ongoing
Telecommunications, continued advocacy for better digital and telecommunication services in our community.	Ongoing

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Supporting staff and contractors in their work in our area	Ongoing

Other consultations

ACTIVITY DETAIL	WHEN (IDEAL)
Future Development Strategy 2024-2054 The purpose of the strategy is to promote long term strategic planning by setting out high level vision for how Otepoti Dunedin over the next 30 years will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • achieve well-functioning urban environments in its current and future urban areas • provide at least sufficient development capacity for housing and business land needs to meet expected demand over the next 30 years • help to integrate planning decisions under the RMA with infrastructure planning and funding decisions. The Plan will inform the 2025-2034 DCC 9 year plan and the 2024-2034 ORC Long Term Plan. The FDS will be reviewed every three years and updated at least every six years.	Completed.
Reserve Management Plan General Policies (Review) Stage 1 – submissions Stage 2 Public consultation (See appendices for reserves in the Otago Peninsula Community Board area)	Ongoing
Otago Harbour Reserve Management Plan review Stage 1 – submissions Stage 2 – Public consultation	Submissions close 23 October 2024
Dog Control Bylaw and Dog Control Policy Review Stage 1 – submissions Stage 2 – Hearings and deliberations (September/October 2024) Stage 3 – Bylaw and Policy adopted by Council (late 2024 or early 2025)	Hearing 26/27 September 2024
Speed Management Plan 2024-2027 The draft Speed Management Plan 2024-2027 proposes speed limit reductions for the city centre, some urban centres, and rural roads. The draft plan aligns Dunedin's speed limits with Waka Kotahi safe speed guidelines	

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 Otago Peninsula Community Board has responsibility for the interface between the community and Otago Civil Defence Emergency Management.

5.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Introduction

Members of the community are invited to make a comment on the Board's Community Plan at any time. You may have a view on the Board's prioritised actions or may require the Board's assistance to progress an issue with the Dunedin City Council. You are welcome to comment on the entire plan, certain sections or a particular project.

We utilise social media, local community newsletters and the Star.

Ways to have your say on the Community Board's 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
Otago Peninsula Community Board
c/- Dunedin City Council
PO Box 5045
Dunedin 9058

Email: paul.peninsula@xtra.co.nz

See Appendices

6. COMMUNITY BOARD DISCRETIONARY FUNDING

6.1 Introductions

Dunedin's six Community Boards each have a discretionary fund of \$10,000 per annum, funded from the General Rate. The Otago Peninsula Community Board (OPCB) will make allocations from its discretionary fund in accordance with;

- a) The guidelines detailed in the 'The Dunedin City Council Community Board Discretionary Funding Application Guide'
- b) The priorities set out in this Community Plan

6.2 Categories for allocation

Annually the Otago Peninsula Community Board Discretionary Fund will be allocated across two categories:

Category a) Board initiated projects

A specified amount will be allocated to Otago Peninsula Board initiated projects and activities, as proposed in the OPCB Annual Plan. Activities may include professional development and/or representation at conference.

Category b) Community grants

The remaining amount will be available to non-profit making community groups and organisations to support projects they have initiated.

Category c) Scholarship grants

One scholarship to the value of \$1,000 annually is available to assist secondary school aged pupils in the OPCB area, to participate in leadership opportunities/courses/events.

6.2 Application for funding

Please refer to the Council's website

<http://www.dunedin.govt.nz/your-council/community-boards/otago> peninsula

6.3 Community Board Meeting Schedule

The Otago Peninsula Community Board 2026 meeting schedule will be adopted at the February 2026 meeting.

Meetings are held on a Tuesday, commencing at 10:00am, the venue is the Portobello Bowling Club, Sherwood Street, Portobello.

APPENDIX 1

EMERGENCY PLAN

1.1.1 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 Otago Peninsula Community Board has responsibility for the interface between the community and Otago Civil Defence Emergency Management. This role is supported by authorisations and delegations in the Dunedin City Council Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan.

1.1.2 Risk

An analysis of the risks to the Otago Peninsula Community is in the hazard analysis table, which the Community Board reviews annually to include any changes to the risk information it becomes aware of. Further information on hazards is contained in the Dunedin City Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan, which can be viewed on the Dunedin City Council web site. Detailed risk information about specific properties should be obtained by purchasing a Land Information Memorandum from the Dunedin City Council.

1.1.3 Reduction of vulnerability

The Community Board will take account of community risk as a factor when making submissions on the priorities for Council work programmes in its area. Each year, the Community Board will consider opportunities for public meetings or other activities to promote awareness of and preparedness for emergency events in its area. The Community Board supports and encourages the formation of Neighbourhood Support Groups in its area to increase the cohesion and resilience of communities.

1.1.4 Readiness

The Community Board, in conjunction with local representatives of emergency and health services, undertakes a programme of civil defence emergency management planning and training during each triennium to ensure that all members are aware of and have the knowledge to undertake their emergency role.

The Community Board maintains a contact list to enable members to communicate with each other and with the Dunedin City Civil Defence Emergency Management Emergency Operations Centre in the development of and during an emergency event.

The Board maintains a list of local personnel and resources that may be useful in its emergency response activities. This list is reviewed at least annually.

1.1.5 Response

If members of the Board become aware of a developing situation, they will communicate among themselves and with local emergency agencies to ascertain the extent and gravity of the situation.

For 'routine' emergency events affecting the Board's area (such as storm events, rock falls and landslips, etc), the Board will agree what action it wishes to take to support affected people.

For events of a more serious nature, the Board will advise the Civil Defence Emergency Management Duty Officer on the 24-hour duty contact number.

Civil defence emergency management notification of developing emergency events that may impact on the Community Board's area or requests for the Community Board to activate will be passed by the Dunedin City Emergency Operations Centre to a member of the Board, who will use the Board's contact list to advise other members.

In a self-evident emergency event where communications may be disrupted, the Board will activate without notification and establish communication with the Dunedin City Emergency Operations Centre through the civil defence emergency management VHF radio network.

In an emergency event when civil defence emergency management has an active role (whether a state of emergency has been declared or not), the Community Board, in conjunction with local representatives of emergency and health services, will be responsible for:

- Assessing and advising on the situation and community needs within its area
- Liaising with the Community Assessment Group at the Dunedin City Emergency Operations Centre
- Co-ordinating and supporting community response initiatives
- Requesting the appropriate authority and/or resources through the Emergency Operations Centre to assist in resolving community issues.

The Community Board will assemble and base its operational functions at Portobello, which has back-up civil defence emergency management VHF radio communication and basic emergency operational equipment.

Alternate operational locations are at various locations around the Peninsula depending on the nature of any emergencies or events, i.e. Police Station, Fire Service, Coast Guard, schools and halls.

Some Board members may need to be located in different parts of the Board's area for operational purposes but will continue to co-ordinate all information and actions through the primary operating location.

1.1.6 Recovery

Following the termination of the emergency response phase of an event, the Community Board will assess and advise the Dunedin City Recovery Manager of any recovery needs for its area. This may include any on-going needs of people and priorities for reinstatement of infrastructure and community facilities.

1.1.7 Monitoring and evaluation

The Board will review its own actions in promoting civil defence emergency management preparedness annually.

Training and exercises will inform the Board of its current capability to carry out its civil defence emergency management role.

Following any exercise or emergency event the Board will carry out a debrief of its actions to determine what, if any, changes in procedures, training or resources may be indicated.

1.1.8 Critical Documents

Civil Defence Emergency Management Act

http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2002/0033/latest/DLM149789.html?search=ts_act_Civil+Defence_resel_25_a&p=1

Dunedin City Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan

http://www.dunedin.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0012/162111/CDEM-Plan-2014.pdf

OPCB Civil Defence Aide-memoir

OPCB Community Engagement Document (Contacts)

1.2 RISK AND HAZARD ANALYSIS

Whole of City Hazard Analysis

Event	Likelihood	Consequences	Duration/Recovery Time
Earthquake – Alpine fault M8	Probable	Damage to internal items Damage to susceptible buildings Need to provide support beyond City Areas of enhanced shaking and liquefaction Death/injury	Weeks/Months
Earthquake – local M7	Possible	Damage to many buildings Destruction of some buildings Areas of enhanced shaking and liquefaction Death injury Influx of resources Landslides Disruption to roads Disruption to utilities: 3 waters networks Electricity Communications On-going aftershocks	Years/Years
Pandemic	Probable	Business disruption including essential services Health system overloaded Deaths	Months/Months
Localised intense weather – Hail/heavy downpour	Frequent	Inundation of property Disruption to roads	Hours/Days
Utility failure	Random	Loss of service in failure area Potential impact on other utility services	Hours-days/hours-months
Agricultural outbreak	Possible	Movement restrictions Public health risk Psychological impact on rural communities Economic impacts	Months/Years
Coastal erosion	Probable	Loss of individual properties Local road damage	
Sea Level Rise	Probable	Slow onset Planning solutions	Decades/Decades
Cruise ships grounding	Possible	Contingency plan in place	

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Event	Likelihood	Consequences	Duration/Recovery Time
Snowstorm	Possible	Isolation Emergency service response affected Stranded tourists Structural damage Disruption to utilities: Electricity Communications	Days/Days
Extreme winds (Severe gale/ tornado)	Frequent	Property damage Roads blocked by fallen trees Risk of injury from flying materials Increased risk/consequences of fire Disruption to utilities: Electricity Communications	Hours/Weeks
Major transportation accident: Ship grounding	Possible	Mass casualties possible Retrieval difficulties (access) Logistics difficulties Disruption to port activity Environmental damage	Days/Months
Rural/urban interface fire	Probable	Property losses Loss of high value conservation/tourism areas* Disruption to recreational uses Disruption to utilities: Electricity Communications	Days/Months/Years
Landslide	Frequent	Property losses Roads closed Water distribution cut Tourism disrupted Environmental damage	Days/Weeks
Tsunami inundation (1)	Possible	Property damage and local road disruption Harington Point Harwood Hazard on lower harbour foreshore Foreshore change	Hours/ Days - Months
Storm surge ≈ 0.8m (1)	Probable	Water inundation and local road disruption in lower harbour areas	Days/Days

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

APPENDIX 2

Introduction

Board members are encouraged to foster relationships within the communities in which they live and in their delegated areas:

Highcliff/Back Bays/Harwood	Cheryl Neill
Macandrew Bay to Board boundary	TBC
Tomahawk/Portobello	Paul Pope
Broad Bay	Stacey Kokaua-Balfour
Portobello to Taiaroa Head	Hoani Langsbury
All areas	TBC

DCC staff are asked to use the following template for community engagement/consultation.

Liaison with the Board

The Board requires advance notice of any community engagement occurring in its area. This enables the Board to support outreach as much as it can. Ideally, this advance notice will be three weeks before consultation commences.

Electronic Networks/Websites

The Otago Peninsula Community has an excellent network of electronic mailing lists which are a great way of reinforcing more traditional forms of outreach.

- **Otago Peninsula Community Board** [emails as per Community Plan]
- **Transportation Operations** holds a list of schools, organisations and businesses which are affected by disruptions to the transportation network. If used for other purposes it will need some editing to prevent unaffected entities (e.g. bus companies) receiving notification
- **Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou** [Administrator - office@tro.org.nz; 478 0352]
- **Openarts Network** [Jane Higham, rhigham@ihug.co.nz; 476 1848; Roger Weston, catblackwriter63@xtra.co.nz, 478 1160, 021 4761868]
- **Macandrew Bay Residents' Association** Colleen Bond 4761551
- **Broad Bay Community Centre** [Kim Morgan, kekemorgan27@gmail.com, 478 1234, 022 2264778]
- **Portobello Community Inc.** [Michael Lascarides www.portobello.org.nz]
- **Save The Otago Peninsula** [Lala Frazer; lala.frazer@gmail.com, 478 0339, 021 2099974; Moira Parker, 478 0214]
- **Pukehiki** [maarten@pukehiki.org.nz, 476 1041, 027 7334240; John Ware, johnware@clear.net.nz, 454 5518, 027 3261963]
- **Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua Community (Inc)** [478 0874, 027 7777874, PO Box 5478, Dunedin, keeper@quarantineisland.org.nz]
- **Harington Point Community Society Inc.** Des Smith 021 736116 960@gmail.com
- **Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Group** [Sarah Irvine, opbg11@gmail.com; 021 263 0566]

Facebook

Tomahawk – Hawk Talk
Portobello Community Inc

Newsletters and Newspapers

Peninsula residents read the *Otago Daily Times* and *The Star* newspapers.

In addition, there are community newsletters which have good readership. These newsletters vary in frequency so notices need to be lodged with the editors well in advance of any consultation.

- **Broad Bay community newsletter** [Kim Morgan, kekemorgan27@gmail.com, 478 1234, 022 2264778]
- **Portobello community newsletter** [Michael Lascarides www.portobello.org.nz]
- **Macandrew Bay community newsletter** [Linda Seddon, 476 1799]

- **Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou epanui** [Administrator - office@tro.org.nz; 478 0352]
- **Pukehiki Community Newsletter** [maarten@pukehiki.org.nz]
- **Dunedin South MP Newsletter** [dunedin.southmp@parliament.govt.nz]
- **Hawk Talk (Tomahawk)** [Danielle Culling, 454 3332, hawktalk454@gmail.com]

Macandrew Bay School [admin@macandrewbay.school.nz; 476 1004, Administrator],

Broad Bay School [office@broadbay.school.nz, 478 0706, Administrator] and

Portobello School [office@portobello.school.nz, 478 0605, Administrator]

Posters

A3 in simple bold print is preferable, although some locations have only room for an A4 poster. Keeping the colour combinations simple means additional printing can be done reasonably cheaply by residents if required. (Please note that poster in bus stops is not permitted)

Board members can often distribute posters if they are provided with them at least two weeks in advance of the relevant meeting or consultation. Quantities required (for Annual Plan): 30 in total (15xA3, 15xA4)

The following locations are options for posters:

- Bus – whiteboard - posters can be blutacked
- DCC Book Buses [Jo Bailey]
- Broad Bay noticeboard [Herman Van Velthoven, 478 0306, 021 0706566, key for noticeboard held at Cyn n Dowr B&B corner of Clearwater Street]
- Portobello Deli [Alan Cameron, 478 0555]
- Portobello Gallery [Virginia Marriott, virginiamarriott@yahoo.com, 478 0551]
- Bellamy's Gallery [John Bellamy, bellamy8@clear.net.nz, 476 1606]
- staff noticeboard at the Albatross Centre [Hoani Langsbury, 478 0499]
- staff noticeboard at Larnach Castle [Duty Manager 476 1616]
- Board member car windows [refer Council directory for contact details]
- Portobello Coronation Hall door [Wayne Cameron, 478 0424]
- Greenacres
- Macandrew Bay Hall door [Colleen Bond, 476 1551]
- Ōtākou Marae [Administrator - office@tro.org.nz; 478 0352]
- Portobello, Broad Bay and Macandrew Bay Schools, during term time
[admin@macandrewbay.school.nz; 476 1004, office@broadbay.school.nz, 478 0706 and
office@portobello.school.nz, 478 0605]
- Pukehiki Hall Door [John Ware, johnware@clear.net.nz, 454 5518, 027 3261963]
- Ōtakou Golf Club
- Portobello Bowling Club [Eddie Scott, 478 0559]
- Scott Hall, Harwood [Chris Helm, 478 0120]

Locations for Displays

In the event of a consultation with significant detail (maps, large reference documents, etc) the following locations are good options for a static display:

- **Bellamy's Gallery** [John Bellamy, email: bellamy8@clear.net.nz, 476 1606]
- **Broad Bay School** [office@broadbay.school.nz, 478 0706, Administrator]
- **Portobello Gallery** [Virginia Marriott, virginiamarriott@yahoo.com; 478 0551]
- **Ōtākou Marae** [Administrator - office@tro.org.nz; 478 0352]

Public Meetings

Meetings are generally well received on the Peninsula, and residents value the opportunity to speak directly with staff and elected members if there is sufficient notice to enable a good turnout. It's also a good idea to provide residents with information in advance of the meeting, to ensure those who attend come with their thoughts prepared to contribute. Evening meetings are preferable, as many work in the city during the day.

If the Board is required to provide input and/or support for the organisation of any public meeting, please aim to provide the Board with at least three weeks' notice. This will enable the Board to advise on the most appropriate venue for any public meeting, and deliver advertising and posters in good time, and provide notice of the meeting to its networks.

The following venues are options for public meetings:

- **Portobello Coronation Hall** [Wayne Cameron (478 0424); key held at Portobello Store]
- **Ōtākou Marae** [Administrator - office@tro.org.nz; 478 0352]
- **Bellamy's Gallery** [John Bellamy, bellamy8@clear.net.nz, 476 1606]
- **Macandrew Bay Hall** [Reservations and key advice – Secretary: Colleen Bond, 476 1551, Barling Street, Macandrew Bay]
- **Pukehiki Hall** [John Ware, johnware@clear.net.nz, 454 5518, 027 3261963]
- **Portobello Bowling Club** [Brian Cameron (Club Secretary); 4780816]
- **Scott Hall, Harwood** [Chris Helm, 478 0120]
- **Broad Bay Community Centre** [Kim Morgan, kekemorgan27@gmail.com, 478 1234, 022 2264778]

Notice of the meetings should be posted in the *Otago Daily Times* and *The Star* newspaper approximately one week in advance of the meeting. Relevant community newsletters, posters and electronic networks (as per guidelines above) should also be used to ensure people are aware of the event.

In the event that a meeting is called at short notice and/or unable to be publicised until the week of the event, a mail drop (flier in each mailbox) has proven a good way of ensuring a good turnout.

Letter Box Drop

Macandrew Bay – Colleen Bond 476 1551 and Sue Pierre. Point of contact – Linda Seddon?

Broad Bay – Neighbourhood Support via Broad Bay Community Centre
Macandrew Bay Newsletter

COMMUNITY HALLS AND OTHER COUNCIL ASSETS

City Property Assets:

Macandrew Bay Hall	Colleen Bond, 476 1551
Portobello Coronation Hall	Wayne Cameron, 478 0424

Parks, Recreation and Aquatics (Parks) Assets:

Scott Hall, Harwood Hall Reserve	Chris Helm, 478 0120
Recreational Hall, Ocean Grove Sportsfield Reserve	
Domain Hall, Ocean Grove Recreational Reserve	
Hall, Portobello Domain	

Community Owned Assets:

Hoopers Inlet Hall	Jackie Clearwater, 478 0508
Broad Bay Hall	Kim Morgan, 478 1234, 022 2264778
Macandrew Bay Bowling Club	0274 200 429
Portobello Bowling Club	Eddie Scott, 478 0559

Public Toilets

Broad Bay at Boating Club (CP)	Key: DCC responsibility of
Te Rauone Reserve (Parks)	(CP) - City Property
Portobello Domain (Parks)	(Parks) – Parks and Recreation
Macandrew Bay at Hall (CP)	
Portobello exeloo, Harington Point Road (CP)	
Portobello, adjacent Happy Hens (CP)	

Scott Hall, Harwood

Harbour Assets *(full list of harbour assets will be compiled by Parks, late 2016)*

Glenfalloch Jetty (Parks)

Jetty, Macandrew Bay, closest to city (owned by Macandrew Bay Boating Club)

Floating Pontoon – part of jetty closest to city (owned by Macandrew Bay Boating Club)

Jetty, Macandrew Bay, closest to Portobello (Parks)

Swimming Pontoon, Macandrew Bay (Parks)

Jetty, Broad Bay Beach Reserve (Parks)

Floating Pontoon, Broad Bay Beach Reserve (Parks)

Boat Ramp, Broad Bay Beach Reserve (owned by Broad Bay Boating Club)

Portobello Jetty/Pontoon (Parks)

Jetty, Wellers Rock (Parks)

Pontoon, Wellers Rock (Parks)

Walking Tracks

Soldiers Monument (Parks)

Hereweka Harbour Cone (Hereweka Harbour Cone Trust/Parks)

All other Peninsula Tracks

Reserves (managed by DCC Parks and Recreation)

- Irvine Road Reserve
- Glenfalloch Jetty
- Howard Street Reserve
- Wharfdale Street
- Ralph Ham Park
- Kellas Street
- Macandrew Bay Cemetery
- Company Bay Recreation Reserve
- Broad Bay Slip Site
- Broad Bay Beach Reserve
- Broad Bay Cemetery
- Yellowhead Conservation Area
- Frances Street Playground
- Maramoana Reserve
- Titeremoana/Pudding Island
- Latham Park
- Portobello Museum
- Portobello Cemetery
- Portobello Domain
- Tidewater Drive
- Harwood Hall Reserve
- Harwood Park Playground
- Gills Corner
- Te Rauone Reserve
- Ōtākou Reserve
- Wellers Rock
- Pilots Beach Reserve
- Taiaaroa Head, Harington Point Road
- Hoopers Inlet Reserve
- Hoopers Inlet Memorial
- Otekiho Reserve

- Soldiers Memorial
- Rotary Park
- Ocean Grove Sportsfield
- Ocean Grove Local Purpose (Coastal protection) Reserve
- Harbour Cone / Hereweka
- Okia Reserve
- Portobello Jetty
- Lighthouse Reserve – Local Purpose (wildlife protection, conservation)
- Cape Saunders Local Purpose Reserve (Esplanade)
- Smail's Beach – Ocean Grove Local Purpose Reserve (Coastal protection)
- Ocean Grove Recreation Reserve – Tomahawk Lagoon
- Taiaroa Head Water Supply
- Ocean Grove Recreation Reserve – Oregon Street
- Ocean Grove Recreation Reserve – Ocean Grove Domain
- Ocean Grove Recreation Reserve – former Tomahawk School site
- Ocean Grove Local Purpose (Coastal protection) Reserve
- Ocean Grove Local Purpose (Coastal protection) Reserve
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STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

- Local Government New Zealand
- New Zealand Transport Agency
- Maritime NZ
- Ministry for the Environment
- Federated Farmers
- Department of Conservation
- NZ Sea Lion Trust
- Heritage New Zealand *Pouhere Taonga*
- Coastguard
- Member of Parliament
- NZ Police
- St John Ambulance
- Otago Regional Council
- Otago Community Trust
- Otago Conservation Board
- Enterprise Dunedin
- University of Otago
- Otago Polytechnic
- Otago Polytechnic (Journalism)
- Keep Dunedin Beautiful
- Bus and Coach Association
- Dunedin Host
- Dunedin Secondary Schools (re Scholarship Programme)
- Dive Otago
- Port Otago
- Dunedin Amenities Society
- Otago Peninsula Trust
- Macandrew Bay Business Precinct
- Portobello Business Precinct
- Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou/Ngāi Tahu
- Marine Studies Centre, Portobello
- Tourism Operators – accommodation providers/tour operators

- Individual Farmers
- Primary Schools:
 - Macandrew Bay
 - Broad Bay
 - Portobello
- Preschools/Playcentre/Kindergarten:
 - Macandrew Bay (playcentre)
 - Portobello (Kindergarten)
- After school care:
 - Macandrew Bay
- Māori Trusts, including Karetai Trust, Pukekura Trust
- S.T.O.P. – Save the Otago Peninsula
- Fishing Clubs
- Caselberg Charitable Trust
- Library Trust
- Te Rauone Beach Coast Care Committee
- Openarts
- Peninsula Lions
- Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Group
- Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua Community (Inc)
- Portobello Volunteer Fire Brigade
- Otago Peninsula Museum
- Peninsula home based businesses
- The Peninsula Masonic Lodge
- Yellow-eyed Penguin Trust
- Otago Peninsula Toy Library
- Otago Peninsula Medical Centre
- Residents' Associations, hall committees and residential communities of interest (see next page)

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS, HALL COMMITTEES AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST

- Ocean Grove
- Tomahawk Hall
- Highcliff
- Pukehiki Hall Committee
- Cape Saunders
- Hoopers Inlet Hall Committee
- The Cove
- Glenfalloch
- Macandrew Bay Residents' Association
- Company Bay
- Broad Bay Community Centre
- Portobello Community Incorporated
- Hereweka Football Club
- Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua Community (Inc)
- Harwood – Scott Hall Committee
- Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou
- Ōtākou
- Te Rauone Beach Coast Care Committee
- Harington Point
- Harington Point Crib Association
- Harington Point Community Society Inc.

Note: in some areas the Hall Committee acts as a de facto residents' group.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

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Emergency Services 1

MARINE SEARCH AND RESCUE

COASTGUARD

Vessel is stationed at the Otago Yacht harbour. (Call out is through the NZ Police)
1 x 13m rescue vessel (Moana)
1 x 4WD truck

PORT OTAGO HARBOUR CONTROL

Beach Street, Port Chalmers **03 472-9882**
Shipping **03 479-9718** Weather www.portotago.co.nz

Harbourmaster (Steve Rushbrook, Otago Regional Council) **03 4740827** **M: 0272 010592**

Harbourmaster's Vessel (*Āwhina*)

Maritime Rescue Co-ordination Centre +64 508 472269 or VHF channel 16

24-hour coverage. Monitors VHF Marine channel 16, 14, 62

Coastguard (now casting VHF Channel 79) 24 hours a day/7 days a week

Radar with GPS overlay to 32-58 NM from Taiaroa Heads

Remote Camera – Taiaroa Heads (range 10 NM)
Camera coverage of the Lower and Upper Harbour
AIS Function

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO MARINE LABORATORY

Hatchery Road Portobello **03 479-5810**

Vessels

RV Polaris (22M) Marine VHF, HF, SAT phone. Side scan sonar and RUV
2 x 4M Tenders
Beryl Bruin (11M) VHF, GPS, Radar
Tawera (6M) VHF, GPS

DIVING

1 x 4 bottle compressor
Macandrew Bay Boat Club 4.3m RIB
Broad Bay Boat Club 4m Stabi Craft

TRANSPORTATION

2 x 21 seater buses OPERA 03 4780-286
Argo – ATVs Natures Wonders 03 4780-150

EARTHMOVING EQUIPMENT

Clearwater Civil **027 603 0988**
Peninsula Contracting **03 4780-508**

FUEL

Allied Fuel at Portobello Motors (EFTpos/credit/debit only)

POSTAL

NZ Post home delivery
Rural delivery through NZ Post

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Emergency Services 2

POLICE

Portobello Police Station 1708 Highcliff Road, Portobello, Dunedin 9014 **105**

FIRE AND EMERGENCY NZ

Portobello Volunteer Fire Brigade (station is not staffed)

Hereweka Street, Portobello **03 4780 700**

Emergency sirens at: Portobello and Broad Bay (activated through the FENZ Communication Centre)

Appliance cellphone: 0272 287496

Resources:

1 x fire appliance	1 x water tanker	Lighting equipment
Land SAR packs	Light Cliff rescue	First Responder Unit

MEDICAL

Otago Peninsula Medical Centre **03 4780-880**
12 Allans Beach Road, Portobello (General Practice)

POWER

Delta Utility Services 0800 433 582

CIVIL DEFENCE

Otago Civil Defence and Emergency Management **0800 474 082**
Duty Manager Officer (during a Civil Defence emergency) **0800 420 002**

Emergency Management Otago Community Resilience Strategy September 2023:

<https://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/media/1649/emo-community-resilience-strategy.pdf>

Community Resilience Guide – Otago Peninsula

<https://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/media/xafnvn4/otago-peninsula-community-resilience-guide-26-02-2025.pdf>

Resources (held at the Portobello Bowling Club), Sherwood Street, Portobello:

1 x CD radio

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

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Emergency Services 3

MAP DATA

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CE17 & CE18 1:50.000 Dunedin including Otago Peninsula

Marine Chart No. 661 Title Approaches to Otago Harbour

Marine Chart No. 6612 Title Otago Harbour

A2 Ariel photo (Portobello Police Station)

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Portobello School	30 Harington Point Road, Portobello	03 4780 605
Broad Bay School	Roebuck Rise, Broad Bay	03 4780-706
Macandrew Bay School	Portobello Road, Macandrew Bay	03 4761-004

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Macandrew Bay Playcentre, 4 Conway Street, Macandrew Bay	03 448 6903
Portobello Kindergarten 30 Harington Point Road, Portobello	03 478-1072

HALLS

Macandrew Bay Hall	Kitchen facilities
Broad Bay Hall	Kitchen facilities
Portobello Hall	Kitchen facilities
Scott Hall, Harwood	Kitchen facilities
Otakau Marae	Commercial kitchen facilities

CLUBS

Macandrew Bay Scout Hall
Macandrew Bay Yacht Club
Macandrew Bay Bowling Club
Portobello Bowling Club
Ōtākou Golf Club
Broad Bay Boating Club

BOARD REPRESENTATION AND ROLES

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 Appointment of Board members to various representative roles and other responsibilities, such as:

Regional overview, Tomahawk, DCC, ORC and DoC – Paul Pope

Ōtakou Marae – Haoni Langsbury

Harwood and all Back Bays – Cheryl Neill

Pukehiki and Broad Bay – Hugh O’Neill

Keep Dunedin Beautiful – Hugh O’Neill

Portobello – Stacey Kokaua-Balfour

Macandrew Bay, The Cove and Company Bay – Emma Strybosch
- 2 As this is an administration report the Summary of Consideration is not required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Approves** the Board member representatives to the various roles and other responsibilities.

Signatories

Author:	Rebecca Murray - Governance Support Officer
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Name	Area	Activities	Notes	Publications
Paul	Regional Overview Tomahawk DCC, ORC, DoC	Chairperson Social Media Manager Media Spokesperson Civil Defence Contact District Consultation	You will <u>all</u> take responsibilities within your geographic areas for Civil Defence and we will work through processes and training in the new year.	Portobello Inc and as required for all other newsletters
Hoani	Otakou Marae	Deputy Chair Biodiversity Tourism Forum District Consultation Te Rauone Beach	We will look to hold a biodiversity and tourism forum in 2026	Epanui as required
Cheryl	Harwood All Back Bays	3 Schools liasion Harwod Hall Liasion Harwood Community Garden Liasion Hoopers Inlet Hall Liasion Recycling Management Civics Programme District Consultation	I'd like all Board members to make an effort to at least make the AGM's of your district halls and organisations if you can. That has worked really well in the past. I'd like to arrange a civics day in October 2026	All school newsletters as required
Hugh	Pukehiki Broad Bay	Keep Dunedin Beautiful District Consultation Pukehiki Hall, Church Broad Bay Hall Broad Bay Yacht Club	Rebecca should be able to advise of the KDB meetings. I would like to highlight harbour plastic issues through public work and initiatives which might make a good schools project with Cheryl	Broad Bay Newsletter

Name	Area	Activities	Notes	Publications
Stacey	Portobello	District Consultation Portobello Hall Library Hub Toy Library Portobello Inc Museum Scholarship	I'd like to have the scholarship applications ready by February 2026 and to advertise the opening, closing and selection dates from April-June 2026.	We may share the Portobello one depending on whats happening.
Emma	Macandrew Bay The Cove Company Bay	District Consultation Macandrew Bay Hall Yacht Club Bowling Club Library Laying the Wreath on Anzac Day	I'd like to look at a Peninsula business network of both bricks & mortar businesses and work from home businesses. This would also look at having a business forum in 2026 to gauge the interest and needs.	Macandrew Bay News

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Chairperson will provide an update on items of interest, which includes:

- Road Closures
- Irvine Road
- Tomahawk School Site
- Tomahawk Fire Site Visit Date
- Litter Libraries
- Slip Site Trials
- Peninsula Tracks (Attachment A)
- Paul Absences
- Board Christmas Function

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Chairperson's update.

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A Scoping Report on the Otago Peninsula Track Network

Prepared and Revised by Paul Pope Chairman Otago Peninsula
Community Board

Executive Summary

This report is based on an earlier inspection of the eastern coastal section of the Otago Peninsula Track Network made in January 2016. The purpose of the inspection was to look at the:

- General condition of the network and its associated assets including track markers and signage.
- To compare the current information in the Dunedin City Council's Peninsula Tracks brochure.
- To look at the connectivity of the track as a singular coastal route.

The inspection covered a 22kilometre route using the existing network from Tomahawk Beach to Sandymount and then to Portobello. The inspection was made in one day of walking.

The 2016 report found abundant potential for the Peninsula Track Network from a scenic, recreational and conservation perspective but concluded that:

- The Otago Peninsula Track is an under-developed and under-utilised recreational and scenic resource.
- There is a lack of a long term recreational, heritage, tourism and ecological strategy that manages the tracks and their values in a coherent manner.
- The mixed ownership model of agencies does not provide a collegiate and coordinated process to manage the tracks.
- The static method of promotion has not changed or adapted to modern digital media since the tracks were first initiated in the 1990's.
- There is very limited promotion and advertising of the track network and its values
- There has been no regular maintenance of parts of the track surface or replacement of track infrastructure (signage etc.) since the network was implemented.
- The lack of maintenance has made the track difficult to navigate in places, especially if you're new to the area.
- The lack of publicity, track signage and markers may make people believe the network is too hard to use.
- The lack of interpretation of the networks values makes it difficult for visitors to understand where they are and what they're seeing.
- In 2025, those values have continued to decline, but the proposal is as valid now as it was then

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The Coastal Route



Figure 1 Overview of the coastal route – for the purposes of this exercise it was started from Tomahawk, but this could be extended to start from St Clair

Karetai Road to Sandfly Bay Carpark



Beginning at the Tomahawk Gun Emplacements and proceeding down a short section of Tomahawk Road past Southdale Road and onto the Karetai Road Track. The uphill section is a steady climb that brings you up above Māori Head and provides panoramic views across Smaills Beach and the southern end of the city. Towards the west the open paddocks show considerable remnants of nineteenth

century stone walls. At the top of the Karetai Road track a gate shuts off the area to vehicles and you proceed along the McMeeking road to the Highcliff Track.

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Figure 3 & 4 The McMeeking Rd and upper section of the Highcliff Track are scenically and historically spectacular



Figure 5 Outstanding views over Boulder Beach, Sandfly Bay and Sandymount from the Highcliff Track

The McMeeking Road section is like stepping back in time with stone walls and stone buildings that give a glimpse into the nineteenth century farming of the area. The beginning of the Highcliff Track is signposted and you pass through two gates and head eastwards through a farm paddock towards coastal cliffs. The track begins to drop downwards and head north-east where the outlook across the cliffs and coastline are outstanding.

The downhill section of the Highcliff Track to Boulder Beach is steep, narrow and poorly marked until you reach the easier area immediately above the beach and the two privately owned cottages. From there the track takes you up a narrow gut onto Braidwood Road.

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Figure 6 View across Boulder Beach

A short steep climb onto the road brings you above the beach and it's simply a matter of following Braidwood Road onto the intersection of Seal Point Road and then downwards towards the Sandfly Bay carpark.

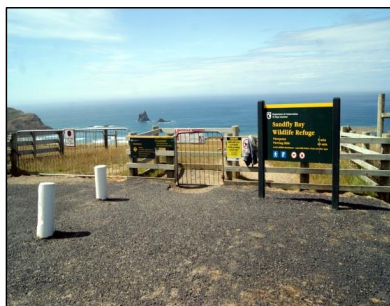


Figure 7 & 8 Historic buildings on the Braidwood and the Sandfly Bay carpark entrance

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Figure 9 Sandfly Bay

The walk from the carpark follows an easy track to a viewing platform with interpretative signage. The track then becomes part of the famous sand dunes which brings you out onto the beach. Following the beach to the north eastern end you cross the dune and follow the marked posts up through the dunes. This section is fairly tough as it's a sand surface and a very narrow route.



Figure 10 Overlooking the beach the route through the sand dunes is quite physically challenging.

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Once at the top of the dunes a formed track takes you uphill towards the Sandymount summit. From here you have the option of taking the track around to Lovers Leap and the trig site or turning northwards to the Sandymount carpark. The total route to this point is 14.5 kilometres.

Figure 11 View of Allan's Beach and Mount Charles from Sandymount



Sandymount to Portobello – Alternatives

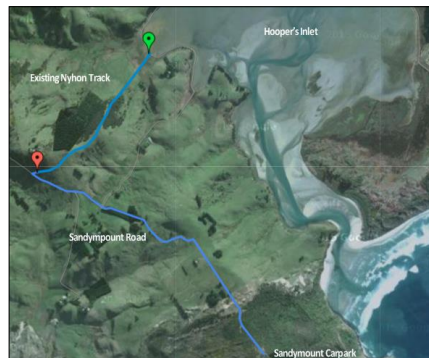


Figure 12 Alternative route using the existing Nyhon Track

For the purposes of this inspection the return walk to Portobello was made following the existing Sandymount and Hooper's Inlet roads and over Allan's Beach Road into Portobello Township. However, there are several alternatives that reduce the need of walking along the roads that utilise existing tracks.

The first uses the road from Sandymount but takes the walker over the established Nyhon Track (Figure 12). This area has elevated views of the inlet and Mt Charles.

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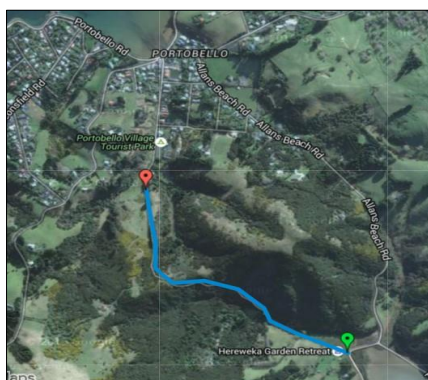


Figure 13 The Leith walk is an attractive alternative to Allan's Beach Road

The second alternative cuts out the walk over the Allan's Beach Road hill into Portobello by using the existing Leith Walk. This area of track is a very pleasant bush walk that provides views of the harbor at the summit. It also takes walkers immediately onto Hereweka St and past the camping ground and directly to the store, hotel and bus routes.

The Harbour Cone Opportunity

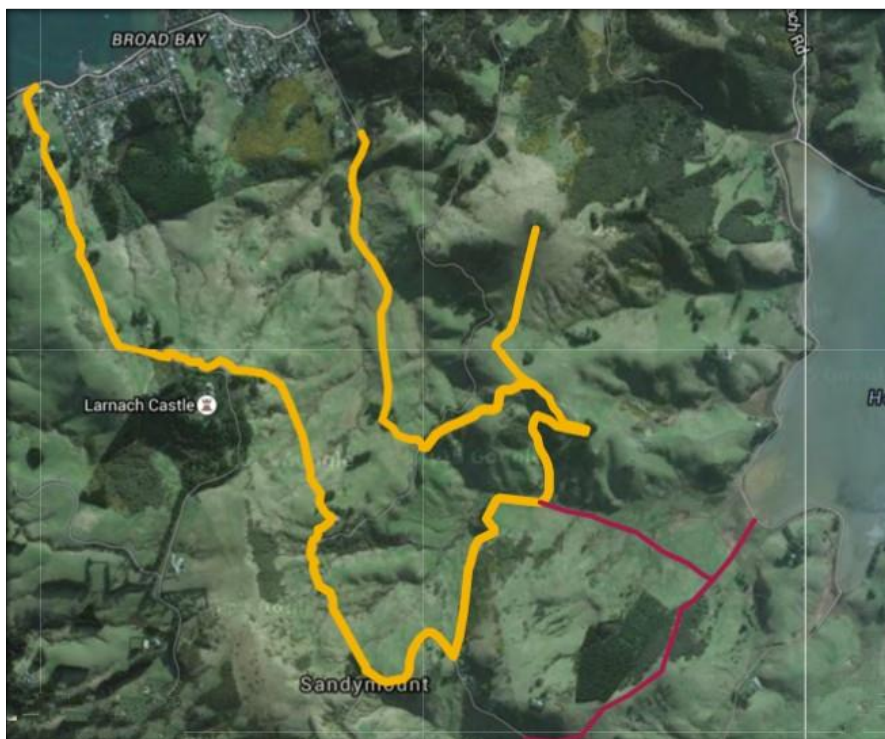


Figure 14 The Harbour Cone track network marked in yellow with the linking tracks of the coastal route marked in maroon

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There is already an established series of tracks that would link the coastal route with the historic and scenically attractive areas of Hereweka-Harbour Cone. Established walking routes link Camp Road, Larnach Castle, Bacon Street, the Harbour Cone Summit, the lime kilns and Broad Bay to the current route. It is worth considering how this valuable recreational and visitor resource could be used within a wider network, especially as the routes are already established.

Issues and Challenges



There are a number of challenges and opportunities with the development of this project;

The Distance of the Route.

From Tomahawk to Sandfly Bay is 10 kilometres took 3 hours with a couple of breaks for photography and water. From Sandfly Bay to Sandymount is 4.5 kilometres and took 1.75

hours due to the terrain. From Sandymount to Portobello on the route taken is 7 kilometres and took 1.5 hours. The route was a very challenging day walk, but is not quite sufficient to break into two overnight trips.

Signage, marking and the track surface

With the exception of a few sections of road and some formed track around Sandymount the entire track surface is mainly grass within open paddocks. With some areas nearly a metre high for some walkers that surface will be challenging and some thought might need to be given to the maintenance of that surface. Probably the biggest issue of the walk is the mixture of styles, quality of signage, lack of maintenance of structures and amount of track marking on the route. In some areas the track marking was very poorly defined or non-existent. Track signage, stiles and boardwalks on the main route and the Harbour Cone site were often damaged or overgrown. The other thing of note was the mixture styles of signs, with some signs being the Department of Conservations others being the City Council. The same comment can be applied to track markers which ranged from pink tape tied to a tree to orange arrows. The Nyhon Track stairs were dangerous to use.

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Figure 15 to 17 the quality of signage and marking on the route was poor in places with damaged signage and non-existent markers.

Route from Sandymount

Presently there is no track route from Sandymount and walkers would have to use the road to link with the Nyhon track or Hooper's Inlet Road. While there has been discussion over the use of an unformed legal road to be developed for that purpose, the route would not be practical. It heads downwards to the southern edge of Hooper's Inlet and even at low tide it is very challenging and almost impossible to walk around.



Figure 18 Legal road access to Hooper's Inlet is difficult to access even at low tide

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Alternative Route from Sandfly Bay to Sandymount

One of the options that would be worth exploring is an alternative route to the challenging sand dune route from Sandfly Bay to Sandymount. Finding an additional linkage to the Chasm track down to Sandfly Bay would be scenically and recreationally desirable but would require negotiation with private landowners.



Figure 19 an alternative route from Sandfly Bay that links the Chasm Track would be scenically and recreationally desirable for the route.

Other Issues & Challenges

- Any progression of the project would require joint agency agreement over management and maintenance.
- Onsite camping options do seem limited without considerable planning and infrastructure development on what is a relatively short route.
- A discussion over whether an external trust manage the day-to-day operational management of the route in partnership with the agencies involved.
- Destination branding, advertising, use of digital media and onsite interpretation are essential to forward the project.
- Linking the city coastline to the Peninsula should be seen as part of the project and as another opportunity.
- Consultation with landowners and businesses is essential, however most of the tracks are on unformed legal roads.
- The coastal route could be extended from St Clair to incorporate accessibility to the Peninsula from the city.

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Conclusions

Overall, the opportunity to develop the Otago Peninsula Track Network is very possible and highly desirable from a visitor and recreation perspective. The project would add value in a number of areas for the Peninsula and the City but does need careful consideration, planning and funding. T

- Economic modelling on the value of the track network and its development should be a priority for a business case towards development.
- “Walking tourism is now one of the most popular ways to experience a destination. It allows tourists to engage more with local people, nature and culture. It also meets recent travelers’ need of physical and healthy activities during their travel. Walking tourism can be developed anywhere as a sustainable tourism offer with relatively small investment. It can bring about social and economic benefits to residents and communities if properly developed and managed. Since walking activity is attractive not only to visitors but also to residents to maintain and enhance their wellbeing, a destination can also consider it as a means of its welfare policy and promoting the integration between visitors and residents. Benefits of walking tourism thus include:
 - It is relatively easy to develop with relatively small investment;
 - It does not require special assets;
 - It has high market potential;
 - It complements other tourism resources;
 - It is sustainable if developed and managed properly;
 - It has high potential to create local economic benefits;
 - It has high potential to promote residents’ wellbeing.”
 - (2019, “Walking Tourism – Promoting Regional Development, UNWTO)



Paul Pope

Chairman – Otago Peninsula Community Board

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Appendix

**Submission to the 2011 Dunedin City Council Annual Plan
For the Development of a City Beaches Walkway
An Alternative Gateway to the Otago Peninsula**



**Prepared for the Dunedin Amenities Society
By Paul Pope & Rebecca Johnson**

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City Beaches Walkway **An Alternative Gateway to the Otago Peninsula**

The Dunedin Amenities Society have a vision of linking the city's stunning natural coastline with the Otago Peninsula to create a unique and exciting coastal walkway that utilises existing recreational, ecological, historical and landscape assets. The walkway creates an alternative gateway to the Otago Peninsula from the city and has linkages with existing business and transport services.

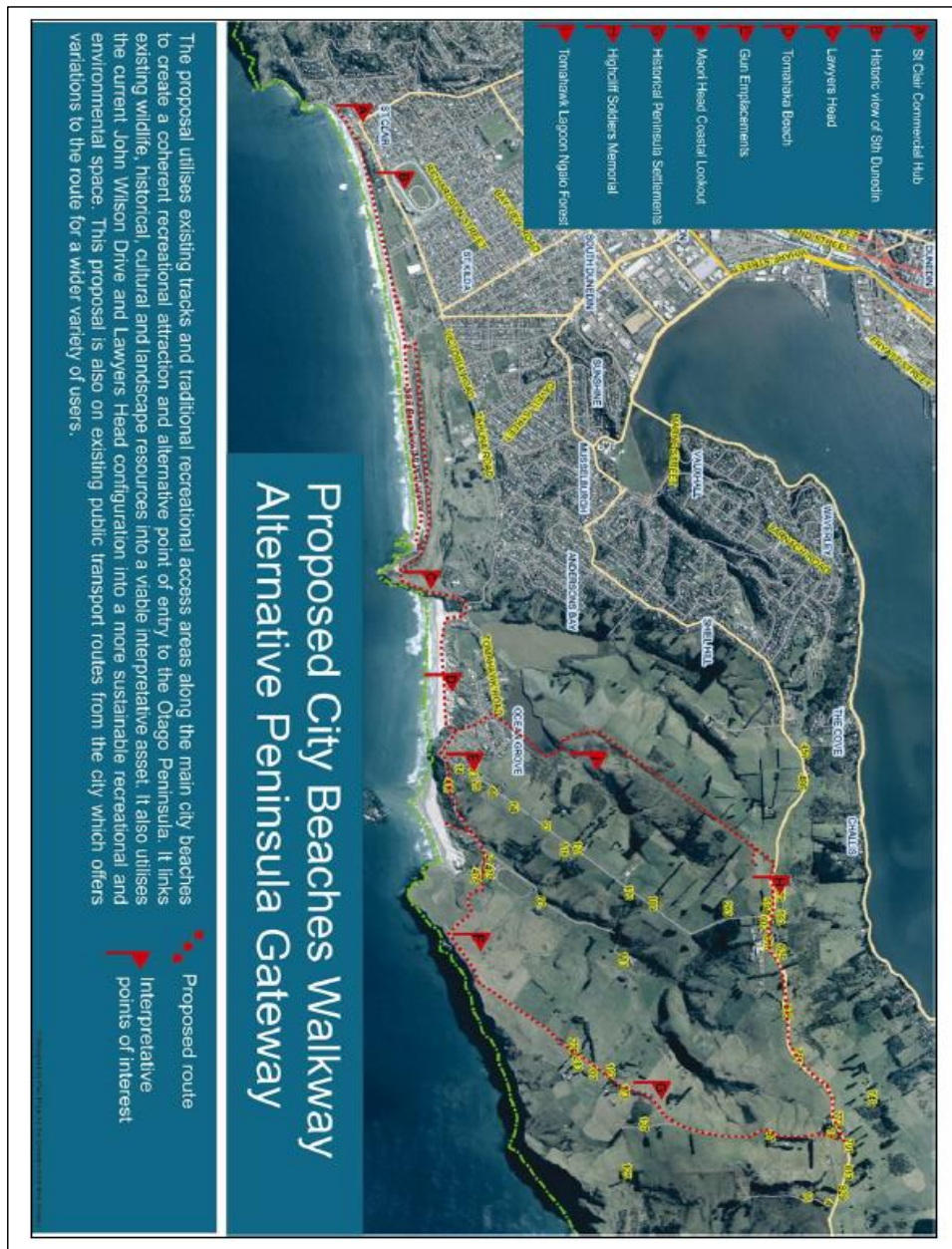
Dunedin City is blessed with open space and recreational opportunities that provide access to our landscape, heritage and biodiversity. However, many of these assets are poorly marketed and lack on and offsite interpretation for local and overseas users. The City's coastline has a rich story to tell, yet we do not seem willing to share that information through recreational investment. A properly interpreted and promoted track that links the coastline, from St Clair Beach to Lawyers Head, to Tomahawk and Smaills Beaches and then onto the Peninsula following Karetai Road and the Soldiers Monument would unite the city to our most valued landscape, and further highlight our coastline as one of our most stunning natural assets. The physical assets and access are already available to the City, but their potential is not realised due to a lack investment and promotion. Appropriate signage directing people to and from the walkway is required, as are deeper educational and information interpretative panels to preserve and promote our local character and culture and enhancing the visitor experience. There are also opportunities to develop web based interpretation opportunities from this project.

Presently, the City Council are looking to expend \$400,000 in order to resolve the transportation issues associated with John Wilson Drive. However, by undertaking the Society's proposal to develop a coastal walkway and retain the present barrier configuration the City could realise a new recreational and tourism return at a fraction of that expenditure. Moreover, it would create a better long term environmental return for coastal dune defences that are perilously protecting the city from storm surge and sea level rise. It is the Society's submission that the City Council should consider the development of this walkway proposal in conjunction with the need to protect our coastline. The retention of John Wilson in its present state of being closed to vehicles complements and enhances this proposal with significant cost saving at a financial, recreational and environmental level.

The Dunedin Amenities Society proposes that by developing a coastal walkway linking the City's beaches to the Peninsula, a significant economic, ecological and social benefit for the City will accrue. It is the submission of the Dunedin Amenities Society that the City Council should engage with the Dunedin Amenities Society to explore the options for the development of this project for the enhancement of our city.

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COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Department: Civic

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 Councillor Mickey Treadwell will provide an update on items of interest.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

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

Signatories

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Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHAIR

Any items for consideration by the Chair.