

AGENDA

Late Reports Vincent Community Board Meeting Monday, 13 June 2022

Date: Monday, 13 June 2022

Time: 2.00 pm

Location: Ngā Hau e Whā, William Fraser Building, 1 Dunorling Street, Alexandra

(Due to COVID-19 restrictions and limitations of the physical space, public access will be available through a live stream of the meeting.

The link to the live stream will be available on the Central Otago District Council's website.)

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22.4.12 VINCENT COMMUNITY BOARD EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY

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1. Purpose of Report

To consider whether to fill the extraordinary vacancy created by the resignation of Russell Garbutt.

Recommendations

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees that the extraordinary vacancy for the Vincent Community Board will not be filled.

2. Background

The Vincent Community Board has an extraordinary vacancy after the resignation of Russell Garbutt.

3. Discussion

Section 117 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 discusses when there is an extraordinary vacancy and whether it needs to be filled. S117(2) notes that there does not need to be a byelection if the vacancy is created in a period less than twelve months before a local body election. However, s117(3) does require the Board to resolve whether to nominate another candidate to be a member or to leave the position vacant.

It should be noted that the pre-election period begins on 8 July 2022 and there will be limited reports that will require a decision after this date, in line with Local Government New Zealand guidelines.

4. Financial Considerations

There are no financial implications as a result of this decision.

5. Options

Option 1 – (Recommended)

Leave the extraordinary position unfilled

Advantages:

• There are only two more meetings before the end of the triennium, both within the preelection period, which means that if the position were to be filled it would be of little use. Disadvantages:

• The Vincent Community Board is one member short.

Option 2

Fill the vacancy with a nominated candidate.

Advantages:

• There would be full membership of the Vincent Community Board.

Disadvantages:

• There is only a short time before the triennial election. The nominated candidate might only attend one meeting, which would be of limited use for the candidate or the Board.

6. Compliance

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions	This decision enables democratic local decision making and action by, and on behalf of communities by adhering to the law regarding vacancies on a community board.
Decision consistent with other Council plans and policies? Such as the District Plan, Economic Development Strategy etc. Considerations as to sustainability, the environment and climate change impacts	It is consistent with the Local Electoral Act 2001. There are no impacts identified in this decision.
Risks Analysis	There are no risks with this decision as it is a requirement of the law.
Significance, Consultation and Engagement (internal and external)	This does not meet the threshold for consultation under the Significance and Engagement Policy.

7. Next Steps

If the Board resolves to not to fill the vacancy, the public will be given notice of this decision, as required under s119 of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

8. Attachments

Nil

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