



# **ATTACHMENTS MINUTES**

**Vincent Community Board**

**Tuesday, 18 March 2025**



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## Mayors Report – 18 March 2025

- Fundraising for mayoral challenge, sausage sizzle at New World
- Welcomed 70 psychologists and psychiatrists from around the world to Clyde for the week
- Citizenship ceremony
- Well attended Business South meeting and event after, highlighting Film Otago Southland
- LWDW meeting – Council voted to continue the discussions around a joint CCO with four other councils
- Coffee and chats in Tarras and Cromwell
- Met with John Christie to talk about Cromwell branch of Otago Polytech, and what's on offer for our area
- Catch up with LG Minister Simon Watt's in Queenstown, with Minister Mark Patterson in Alexandra and also caught up with our local MP's Miles Anderson and Joseph Mooney.
- A&P Shows at Mt Benger, Omakau and Ranfurly
- Visit to the Roxburgh Dam with Craig from MTFJ, to meet a young person working for CB Century on the turbine replacements
- Attended Waitangi Day celebrations in Queenstown which was wonderful, but then had the terrible call that Roxburgh Entertainment Centre was on fire so headed there

### Chairs Report – 18 March 2025

Firstly, I would like to say it's good to be back in the council chambers after our road trip of the ward. We had great turn outs for both Omakau and Clyde and the feedback has been positive. While this term is nearly over, I hope that whoever is in this chair at the end of October sees the benefit of taking the Vincent Community Board to the community and makes this a regular thing.

Some of the meetings and event I have attended since our last meeting:

- The Alexandra Council of Social Services
- Riverside Park project group
- Community Networks Aotearoa in Wellington
- A meeting of interested parties to Contact Energy's management plan which we will talk about in our workshop
- Omakau A & P show
- A Young Elected members zoom where I got food envy watching the mayor baking in the background.

I also joined the mayor to raise funds on Saturday for child cancer outside of New World.

Since our last meeting, I have met with groups, and individuals around the Long-term Plan. Mainly in the areas of halls and the outdoor pool. I have had more community-initiated engagement in the past few months than the last two years. There are a lot of conversions going on out there and I hope we see this passion and energy translate into submissions.

As we near the Long-term Plan consultation period I think that it's important that we are doing everything we can to get the community to submit. While meeting with groups and individuals is important, I would like to ask all of you if you have any ideas on what we can do as individual elected members and collectively as a board to improve community engagement in this process.

Finally, Summer, Tamati, and Aronui joined me on 5 road trips around the district covering just over 540km of driving to check out and play at 21 playgrounds for Parks week. This was a lot of fun and I encourage others to get out there and enjoy the open spaces we have across Central Otago.