# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE VINCENT COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE NGĀ HAU E WHĀ, WILLIAM FRASER BUILDING, 1 DUNORLING STREET, ALEXANDRA AND LIVE STREAMED VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON MONDAY, 9 JUNE 2025 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM

**PRESENT:** Mr J Cromb (Chairperson), Dr R Browne, Cr L Claridge, Mr T Hammington,

Mr D Johns, Cr M McPherson,

IN ATTENDANCE: T Alley (Mayor) via Microsoft Teams, P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer),

S Righarts (Acting Group Manager - Community Experience), D Rushbrook (Regional Partnership Lead), P Morris (Acting Group Manager – Governance and Business Services), L van der Voort (Group Manager - Planning and Infrastructure), Q Penniall (Infrastructure Manager), G Robinson (Properties and Facilities Manager), D McKewen (Acting Chief Financial Officer), G Bailey (Parks and Recreation Manager), M Burnett (Parks Officer – Strategy and

Planning), Z Zeelie (Team Leader Statutory Property), R Williams

(Community Development Officer), S Reynolds (Acting Governance Manager)

# 1 APOLOGIES

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cromb Seconded: Browne

That apologies from Cr T Paterson be received and accepted.

CARRIED

# 2 PUBLIC FORUM

# Ken Churchill- Aronui Reserve

Mr Churchill presented a slide show outlining the work that had been completed at the site of Aronui Dam. He spoke about the spread of raupō, and noted that a stone wall on the site was subsiding. He requested that Council accessed the reserve and looked at options for removal of raupō.

# Nicola Rae - Airport Reserve wilding pines and pests

Ms Rae spoke about wilding conifers at the airport reserve and noted the rapid spread of the confiders over recent years. She said she had been removing saplings actively, but the remaining ones require machinery for removal. She requested that the council create a plan for the reserve and inform the community about a timeline the removal. She noted the situation with the rabbits on the reserve and mentioned that the current sporadic pest control programme was inadequate.

Ms Rae then responded to questions.

# Professor Brian Boyle-Winterstellar

Professor Boyle discussed his role in the Winterstellar programme and highlighted Central Otago's excellent star-gazing spots. He emphasized the issue of artificial light pollution and noted that had found that communities generally supported reducing street lighting for better visibility of stars. He noted that obtaining International Dark Sky reserve accreditation was lengthy but felt confident in

the team working toward this accreditation. He requested that the board gave their support to this work and responded to questions.

# <u>Darryl Jones – on behalf of Lauder community</u>

Mr Jones highlighted Lauder's efforts and community support for the dark sky initiative. He requested a letter from the Council to endorse the project and highlighted the business and tourism opportunities from the accreditation.

Mr Jones then responded to questions.

## Ewan Johnstone and Andy Davey – on behalf of St Bathans & Cambrian community

Mr Johnstone and Mr Davey spoke to the project work that had taken place with regards to the Winterstellar Astronomical Site project. The board requested a letter of support for this work and asked for communication and consideration of their objectives across council departments, including planning and regulatory teams.

# Rory McLellan - Kāmoanahaehae Riverside Park

Mr McLellan thanked the board for their continued commitment and support to the project. He stated that the project's original objective was to connect the town centre to the river. The trust had been coordinating with Contact Energy in their revision of the Landscape and Visual Amenity Management Plan, and with the Wairoa-Manuherekia Trust to align with their work near the site.

Mr McLellan then responded to questions.

# 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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## **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne Seconded: Johns

That the public minutes of the Vincent Community Board Meeting held on 29 April 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

#### 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligations in respect of declaring any interests. There were no further declarations of interest.

Dr. Browne noted his resignation from the Central Otago REAP board after serving for fourteen years.

Mr Cromb also noted that as he sits on the Kāmoanahaehae Riverside Park working group he would not vote on item 25.4.2.

#### 5 REPORTS

# 25.4.2 KĀMOANAHAEHAE - RIVERSIDE PARK STAGE 2 RAMP

To consider allocating funding to complete stage 2 the Ramp at Kāmoanahaehae - Riverside Park.

The initial design did not fully anticipate engineering requirements. Due to the site's flood risk, rust-proof stainless steel fittings were needed, adding extra cost.

It was also noted that the original estimates from six years ago had significantly increased for all aspects of the project.

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: McPherson Seconded: Claridge

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Recommends to Council that Stage 2 the Ramp of the Kāmoanahaehae Riverside Park will be funded through account 2137 Reserves Contribution Fund Vincent up to the value of \$400,000.
- C. Notes that the completion of Stage 2 will be dependent on river levels and consent requirements.

CARRIED WITH MR CROMB ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE

Note: Mr Andy Davey and Ms Mary-Anne Baxter joined the meeting for item 25.4.3

# 25.4.3 ALEXANDRA DISTRICT MUSEUM INC. ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT 2022-2023 FINANCIAL YEAR

To provide an accountability report on the objectives and actions of the Alexandra District Museum Inc, over the 2023/24 financial year.

It was noted that the organisation could consider making an application for a contestable grant for an activities outside of their general museum activities.

Ms. Baxter addressed the centre's resourcing issues, noting the recent reduction in opening hours due to this. She commented that she joined the board in order to support the organisation with staffing challenges and ensure the facility's continued operation.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: McPherson Seconded: Johns

That the report be received.

**CARRIED** 

Note: Mr Hammington left the meeting at 11.34 am and returned at 11.36 am

# 25.4.4 DRAFT MANORBURN DAM RECREATION RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR APPROVAL

Approve the draft Manorburn Dam Recreation Reserve Management Plan and recommend that Council adopt the Plan under its delegated Reserves Act 1977 authority from the Minister of Conservation.

The modifications subsequent to the presentation of the draft plan were detailed, and the recommended revisions had been implemented.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Johns Seconded: Claridge

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Recommends that the suggested amendments and changes to the plan are approved
- C. Recommends to Council the adoption of the amended Manorburn Dam Recreation Reserve Management Plan under its delegated authority from the Minister of Conservation.

**CARRIED** 

# 25.4.5 TREE PLANTING RESERVE STATE HIGHWAY 8 ALEXANDRA

To consider allocating funding for the grinding of tree stumps in the Tree Planting Reserve adjacent to State Highway 8 Alexandra.

It was noted that the cost to remove the stumps was considerable and there was consideration given that these funds could be better invested in a future planting scheme.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne Seconded: Hammington

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees not grind stumps within the Tree Planting Reserve adjacent to State Highway 8.
- C. Notes that if approved the Ngai Tahu Properties Limited subdivision application may have an impact on how this reserve is developed.

CARRIED WITH MR CROMB RECORDING HIS VOTE AGAINST.

# 25.4.6 PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE LICENCE TO OCCUPY TO UPCYCLES CHARITABLE TRUST ON PART OF 60 BOUNDARY ROAD, ALEXANDRA

To consider the approval of a Licence to Occupy to Upcycle Charitable Trust being approximately 125 square metres more or less on Part Lot 3 DP 355061 held on Record of Title 224692 for the purpose of Local Purpose (Transfer/Landfill) Reserve.

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# **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne Seconded: McPherson

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Recommends to Council to approve the granting of a Licence to Occupy to Upcycles Charitable Trust of approximately 125 square metres more or less on Part 3 DP 355061 held on Record of Title 224692 for the purpose of Local Purpose (Transfer/Landfill) Reserve, on the following terms and conditions:

• Term: Five (5) years

• Right of renewal: None

Commencement Date: 1 July 2025

• Licence Fee: \$1 per annum plus GST (if demanded)

Rent Review: None

- Permitted Use: For the establishment and use as a bicycle repair and restoration facility.
- C. Authorises the Chief Executive to all that is necessary to give effect to the resolution.

CARRIED

# 25.4.7 PROPOSAL TO REVOKE PART OF RESOLUTION 25.3.2

To consider the proposal to revoke part of resolution 25.3.2 from the Vincent Community Board meeting on 29 April 2025.

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne Seconded: Johns

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Agrees to revoke Resolution 25.3.2 item B, as the Blossom Festival Committee will be receiving funding from Council for the next two years, following the 2025-34 Long-term Plan deliberations.
- C. Authorises the Chief Executive to do all that is necessary to give effect to the resolution.

CARRIED WITH CR MCPHERSON ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE

#### 25.4.8 VINCENT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 2025

To consider the financial performance overview as at 31 March 2025.

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cromb

That the report be received.

Seconded: Hammington

**CARRIED** 

Note: Cr McPherson left the meeting at 12.01 pm and returned at 12.08 pm.

# 6 MAYOR'S REPORT

# 25.4.9 MAYOR'S REPORT

Her Worship the Mayor gave an update on activities and issues with in Vincent Community Ward since the last meeting. See report attached.

# **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: McPherson Seconded: Claridge

That the Vincent Community Board receives the report.

CARRIED

#### **Attachments**

1 Mayors Report

# 7 CHAIR'S REPORT

## 25.4.10 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair gave an update on activities and issues since the last meeting. See report attached.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cromb Seconded: McPherson

That the report be received.

CARRIED

## **Attachments**

1 Chairs Report - 9 June 2025

#### 8 MEMBERS' REPORTS

#### 25.4.11 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Members gave an update on activities and issues since the last meeting.

Mr Hammington reported on the following:

- Had attended an Elevate business breakfast.
- Had attended two Promote Dunstan meetings.
- Had attended a Blossom festival meeting.
- Had been involved in a planting day for Keep Alexandra Clyde Beautiful.

# Cr Claridge reported on the following:

 Gave an update on recent Council activities, noting the hearings and deliberations on the Long-term Plan.

Cr Mcpherson gave an update on the following:

- Gave an update on recent Hearing Panel meetings.
- Gave an overview of recent Council meetings.

Mr Johns reported on the following:

- Had attended Alexandra Rugby Club and Alexandra golf club meetings
- Attended a meeting with staff to consider options for Vallance Cottage.

Dr Browne reported on the following:

- Attended a meeting of Keep Alexandra Clyde Beautiful.
- Attended a meeting of Alexandra and District Museum board.
- Chaired two meetings of the Creative Writers Circle.
- Gave a talk to Alexandra U3A.
- Attended two Elevate business group breakfast meetings.
- Attended a meeting of the Central Otago District Arts Trust.
- Attended a meeting of staff of CODC and Central Stories to review their relationship.
- Stepped down from the board of Central Otago REAP after 14 years, including eight as chair.
- Attended a meeting of Elevate with Joseph Mooney and Miles Anderson.
- Attended the opening of the refurbished Henderson House.
- Enjoyed a performance by Waiata Theatre of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame".
- Performed with the Central Otago Regional Orchestra in Cromwell and Arrowtown.

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# **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cromb

Seconded: Hammington

That the report be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9 STATUS REPORTS

#### 25.4.12 JUNE 2025 GOVERNANCE REPORT

To report on items of general interest, receive minutes and updates from key organisations and consider the status report updates.

A verbal update was given on the status of the play strategy work.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Browne Seconded: Johns

That the report be received.

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# 10 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 29 July 2025.

#### 11 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cromb Seconded: Browne

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Plain English Reason
25.4.13 - Legalisation and Sale of part of Mutton Town Road	s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information	Commercial sensitivity

**CARRIED** 

The public were excluded at 12.30 pm and the meeting closed at 12.56 pm

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