



AGENDA

Maniototo Community Board Meeting Thursday, 18 June 2026

Date: Thursday, 18 June 2026

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Ranfurly Service Centre, 15 Pery Street,
Ranfurly

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

Peter Kelly
Chief Executive Officer

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Maniototo Community Board will be held in Ranfurly Service Centre, 15 Pery Street, Ranfurly and live streamed via Microsoft Teams on Thursday, 18 June 2026 at 2:00 pm. The link to the live stream will be available on the Central Otago District Council's website.

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Members Mr M Harris (Chairperson), Mr L Dowling, Cr S Duncan, Mr D Helm, Ms R McAuley

In Attendance T Alley (Mayor), P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), L Fleck (Group Manager - People and Culture, Acting Group Manager - Community Vision), J Muir (Group Manager - Three Waters), Q Penniall (Group Manager - Planning, Infrastructure and Regulatory), S Righarts (Group Manager - Governance and Business Services), D Scoones (Group Manager - Community Experience), S Reynolds (Governance Support Officer)

1 APOLOGIES

2 PUBLIC FORUM

3 CONDOLENCES

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Maniototo Community Board - 7 May 2026

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
MANIOTOTO COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD IN THE RANFURLY SERVICE CENTRE, 15 PERY STREET, RANFURLY
AND LIVE STREAMED VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 7 MAY 2026 COMMENCING
AT 2:00 PM**

PRESENT: Mr M Harris, Mr L Dowling, Cr S Duncan, Ms R McAuley

IN ATTENDANCE: T Alley (Mayor) via Microsoft Teams, P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), Q Penniall (Group Manager - Planning, Infrastructure and Regulatory), S Righarts (Group Manager - Governance and Business Services), A Mason (Media and Marketing Manager), R Williams (Community Development Lead), B Sharland (Corporate and Strategic Planner) via Microsoft Teams, A Crosbie (Policy and Strategy Lead), S Reynolds (Governance Support Officer)

1 APOLOGIES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Duncan

Seconded: Dowling

That apologies from Mr D Helm be received and accepted.

CARRIED

Note: By permission of the meeting the Mayor's Report was heard first.

2 MAYOR'S REPORT

26.3.5 MAYOR'S REPORT

Her Worship the Mayor gave an overview of her recent activities:

- Noted the Minister of Health's announcement this week on a clinical services plan, which included additional funding for Central Otago, Maniototo, and surrounding areas. It was noted that the plan referenced future hospital provision for the district and could result in improved local health services, including telehealth opportunities and potential funding for Maniototo Hospital to expand local services.
- Discussed recent local government reform announcements this week, and outlined the requirement for councils to consider submitting proposals within three months. Options including amalgamation, a unitary council model, or maintaining the current structure were discussed, with nothing ruled out at this stage. It was noted that changes to regional councils were expected ahead of the 2028 local body elections.
- Attended the LGNZ Zone 5 and 6 conference in Christchurch last week and received an update on the Ratepayer Assistance Scheme, including proposals for equity-backed loans through the Local Government Funding Authority which could be helpful for residents to help fund solar options or other improvements and a rates postponement mechanism, with repayment deferred until sale of the property or other specified circumstances.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Harris

Seconded: Duncan

That the Maniototo Community Board receives the report.

CARRIED

2 PUBLIC FORUM

Janyne Fletcher and Kristina Willis - Ranfurly Signs

Ms Fletcher and Ms Willis updated the board on their proposal for two welcome to Ranfurly signs at either end of the township, with locations subject to final approval. Ms Fletcher outlined that the design concept was railway inspired and intentionally simple, with a focus on authenticity and durability. Ms Fletcher noted that they were keen to ensure the signage would be a credit to the area and noted that guidance had been received from Fulton Hogan, including an indication of what NZTA would permit, along with input and support from council staff.

They then responded to questions.

Kristina Willis – Māniatoto Heritage Orchards

Ms Willis spoke in support of the grant application for the Māniatoto Heritage Orchards, advising that the community and volunteer-driven project sought funding to support large-scale propagation work, including the grafting of approximately 300 trees. She noted the long-term nature of the project, with grafted trees taking up to 24 months to produce results, and outlined plans to deliver community workshops to share skills and knowledge. Ms Willis highlighted the groups role in preserving rare and heritage fruit tree varieties and advised that while the project was currently self-sustaining, additional funding would support continued growth and allow greater focus on practical delivery. She also noted that the project remained in a growth phase, with a small volunteer group managing significant organisational, administrative, and hands-on work.

Raelene Huddleston, Tayla Nunn and Bohdi Ferguson

Ms Huddleston spoke in support of the grant application from the Maniototo Toy Library, advising that the service operated on a borrowing model similar to a book library, where toys were loaned to families for set periods before being returned and exchanged. She noted that many of the toys were outdated and in need of replacement, and that funding was sought to improve the quality and durability of the collection. Ms Huddleston advised that the toy library was primarily funded through membership fees, a small amount of fundraising, and community donations, and highlighted its value in supporting local families and visitors to the area.

Jill Woolf - Great Naseby Water Race

Ms Woolf spoke in support of her grant request for the Great Naseby Water Race, advising that rising operational costs and lower expected entry numbers had created financial pressure on the event. She noted that the event typically attracted around 200 - 250 runners plus support crews, providing significant benefit to local accommodation and hospitality providers. Ms Woolf advised that all profits were reinvested into the Naseby trail network, and recent proceeds had gone towards signage and maintenance of the tracks. It was noted that the grant would support operational costs and the ongoing sustainability of the event.

Hazel Harrison and Lorraine Lobb – Naseby Info and Craft Centre

Ms Harrison and Ms Lobb from the Naseby Information and Craft Centre spoke to their grant application, noting that the organisation had been operating since 1999 with DOC providing use of the former post office building. They advised that while previous fundraising had been successful,

operating costs had increased since Covid-19 and income from crafts and souvenirs had declined, although visitors continued to value the personal contact and local knowledge provided by volunteers.

Ms Harrison and Ms Lobb advised that the organisation had recently updated its constitution with assistance from Huddl, but continued to face challenges with funding and volunteer capacity. They noted that a three-year Lotteries grant of \$5,000 per annum had been secured, however unplanned costs had arisen following Spark's removal of copper phone lines and the required upgrade to fibre, as well as the upcoming lease renewal from DOC.

3 CONDOLENCES

The chair referred to the deaths of Bruce Williams, Syd Broadley and Murray Hocking. Members stood for a moment's silence as a mark of respect.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Dowling
Seconded: Duncan

That the public minutes of the Maniototo Community Board Meeting held on 26 March 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

6 REPORTS

Note: By permission of the meeting item 26.3.3 was heard first and Dave Brady from Naseby Vision joined the meeting for this item.

26.3.3 PROMOTIONS & EVENTS GRANT ACCOUNTABILITY AND REQUEST FOR UNSPENT GRANT

To consider the accountability report and associated request from Naseby Vision Inc. to utilise the unspent proportion of the previously approved grant on further night sky community projects.

Mr Brady noted positive feedback on the Dark Sky event and increased interest in the initiative since accreditation had been achieved. He advised that the organisation was charitable in nature and tagged unspent funds for future use, with the majority of available funding intended to be directed towards signage to indicate entry into the Dark Sky area or similar wayfinding initiatives. Mr Brady also noted that time constraints in the lead-up to the event had resulted in the previous grant not being spent in full.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Duncan
Seconded: Harris

That the Maniototo Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Accepts the accountability report.
- C. Approves that Naseby Vision Incorporated retains the unspent grant amount of \$3127.22 from resolution 25.4.3 to be applied to further promotional activity supporting the Dark Sky Community, including signage, digital promotion, posters and leaflets.

CARRIED

26.3.2 2025-26 COMMUNITY AND EVENTS & PROMOTIONS GRANT APPLICATIONS - 2ND FUNDING ROUND

To consider the second round of the community and promotions & events grant applications for the 2025/26 financial year, and to consider applications to the 2026/27 year promotions & events grant.

Each grant application was discussed individually by the Board, with strong support for all applications and acknowledgement of the merit of each application. It was noted that there was appetite to draw on the Maniototo Community Board Reserves Grants Fund, and that a request would be made to Council to cover the shortfall.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Duncan
Seconded: McAuley

That the Maniototo Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance
- B. Notes that due to the high demand for grants this round, the board recommend to Council to draw on the Maniototo Community Board Reserves Grants Fund to the sum of \$2,539 to make up the shortfall.
- C. Approves a grant of \$2,430 to the Mānīatoto Heritage Orchards Inc. for heritage fruit tree grafting 2026.
- D. Approves the application from the Naseby Information and Craft Centre Inc. for multiyear funding allocates a grant of \$4,000 towards operating costs for both the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years.
- E. Approves a grant of \$2,000 to the Maniototo Toy Library Christian Centre for toy replacement costs.
- F. Approves a grant of \$3,000 to the Naseby Development Charitable Trust for the Great Naseby Water Race event 2026 from the 2026-2027 Promotions and Events grant budget.
- G. Notes that it is each grant recipient's responsibility to obtain and/or have in place the appropriate consents, plans and licences (including resource consent, health and safety plans etc.) as required by legislation, agencies, property owners and/or individuals to undertake the projects.

H. Notes that pre-approved grants for the 2026-2027 financial year will be subject to the draft budgets remaining unaltered and the adoption of the Annual Plan.

CARRIED

Note: By permission of the meeting Item 26.3.6 was heard first.

7 CHAIR'S REPORT

26.3.6 CHAIR'S REPORT

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

- Noted that a letter from the board to NZTA would be sent, highlighting safety concerns in the town, particularly around signage, pedestrian crossings, and other areas identified as unsafe for road users and pedestrians.
- Advised that fencing works on John Street were progressing, with materials having been delivered and installation expected shortly.
- Noted attendance at ANZAC commemorations and the laying of a wreath on behalf of the community.
- Advised that Scott Lane Bridge had been removed.
- Noted that Maniototo Winter Crop Competition was underway and had been well supported with the proceeds going to community initiatives.
- Acknowledged that the doctors were leaving at the end of the month and recognised their years of service, and suggested that a farewell would be appropriate.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Harris
Seconded: Duncan

That the report be received.

CARRIED

26.3.4 LONG TERM PLAN 2027/37 - PROJECT UPDATE

To consider an update on the Long-Term Plan 2027/37 project progress.

Recommendations

That the report be received and its contents noted.

8 MEMBERS' REPORTS

26.3.7 MEMBERS' REPORTS

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

Ms McAuley reported on the following:

- Noted that Dr Vern Smith, the GP at Ranfurly Medical Centre, and Di were retiring, which was a significant loss to the community and would represent a major change in local health service provision. Concerns were raised regarding the potential implications for ambulance services and wider emergency response capacity in the area.
- It was further noted that ambulance service coverage is currently under review, with discussions indicating a possible realignment from the North Otago area into the Central Otago boundary.
- Acknowledged that Glenys Crutchley was farewelling the ambulance service after 38 years of service, and it was noted that she would be greatly missed.
- Noted concerns regarding the street lighting along the main street, with responsibility sitting with NZTA, and it was observed that only a small number of lights were currently working and required attention.

Mr Dowling reported on the following:

- Acknowledged the retirement of Dr Vern Smith and the retirement of Glenys Crutchley and thanked them for their considerable years of service.
- Met with Gordon Bailey and Stu Duncan to discuss potential improvements in relation to rugby and cricket fields, with the intention of establishing a clearer plan and timeframe for development, including consideration of irrigation and other infrastructure upgrades. It was noted that progress had been slower than expected.
- It was noted that a session was attended where the potential for a combined service approach across existing volunteer groups, including the fire brigade and search and rescue capability, was discussed to strengthen coordinated emergency response in the area. The importance of geographic isolation and the need for enhanced local resilience was acknowledged, and the contribution of volunteers across these services was recognised and appreciated.
- Attended the Anzac Day Dawn Service, though noted a disappointing loss for 'The Maggots' later that day.
- Noted the recent naming process for the new facility in Cromwell and that it had generated strong community interest and the complexity of the process was commented on.
- It was discussed that recent announcements relating to local government reform included proposed changes within a 90-day timeframe. Concerns were raised that small rural communities risked being overlooked within broader structural changes, and reference was made to previous local government amalgamation experiences and the impact of these on rural representation.

Cr Duncan reported on the following:

- An update was given on a recent Council workshop on the rates review. It was acknowledged that achieving a fair and equitable rating structure was important, particularly in light of anticipated significant growth in the district, including potential large-scale developments such as solar farms, mining activities, and housing developments.

- Thoughts were shared on the government announcement this week and potential future governance and structural arrangements, including consideration of a rural unitary authority model and wider regional alignment. The importance of ensuring ongoing rural representation was noted, along with the need for elected members to lead engagement and ensure community perspectives were represented. The potential implications of these changes for staffing and elected members were also emphasised.
- It was noted that the town had experienced a busy tourism season, with the Otago Central Rail Trail recording its second busiest season.
- Attendance at a session was undertaken to discuss emergency response capability, including coordination between volunteer groups, fire services, and police. The value of local volunteer capability and willingness to assist in emergency situations was acknowledged.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Harris
Seconded: Dowling

That the report be received.

CARRIED

9 STATUS REPORTS

26.3.8 MAY 2025 GOVERNANCE REPORT

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

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Harris
Seconded: Dowling

That the report be received.

CARRIED

10 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 18 June 2026.

The meeting closed at 3.33 pm

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CHAIR / /

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

26.4.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER

Doc ID: 2693142

1. Purpose

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

2. Attachments

Appendix 1 - Declarations of Interest [↓](#)

Name	Member's Declared Interests	Spouse/Partner's Declared Interests	Council Appointments
Logan Dowling	Maniototo Rugby Club (member) Maniototo Junior Rugby Club (member) Maniototo Junior Cricket Club (member) Maniototo Area School Board of Trustees (member) St Johns School (parent) Fire Brigade (member)		Taieri Lake Recreation Reserve Committee
Stuart Duncan	Penrose Farms - Wedderburn Cottages and Farm at Wedderburn (shareholder) Penrose Investments - Dairy Farm at Patearoa (shareholder) Fire and Emergency New Zealand (member) JD Pat Ltd (Shareholder and Director)	Penrose Farms - Wedderburn Cottages and Farm at Wedderburn (Shareholder) Penrose Investments - Dairy Farm at Patearoa (shareholder)	Maniototo Ice Rink Committee Otago Regional Transport Committee
Mark Harris	Maniototo Lions (member) Ranfurlly Curling Club (member) Maniototo Bowling Club (member)	Maniototo Golf Club (member)	Patearoa Recreation Reserve Committee
Duncan Helm	Maniototo Rugby Club (Life member) Sassenachs Rugby Club (member) Garibaldi Curling Club (member) St John Ambulance (Officer and Committee member) Sheep and beef farm (owner) Gimmerburn Cemetery (Committee member) Maniototo Homestead Ltd (owner)	Nurse Manager at Maniototo Hospital	

Rebecca McAuley	Maniototo Squash Club (Secretary) Maniototo Hockey Club (President) Hato Hone St Johns Ambulance (member) Maniototo Business Group (member)		Maniototo Community Arts Council
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6 REPORTS

26.4.2 GRANT BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LONG-TERM PLAN 2027 - 37

Doc ID: 2830138

Report Author:	Bidi Sharland, Corporate and Strategic Planner
Reviewed and authorised by:	Saskia Righarts, Group Manager - Governance and Business Services

1. Purpose of Report

To consider the provision of Community Board grants and confirm the value of relevant grant budgets.

Recommendations

That the Maniototo Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
 - B. Recommends to Council a total of \$6,895 be allocated through the LTP budget process for Community Grants in 2027/37, adjusted annually for inflation.
 - C. Recommends to Council a total of \$5,146 be allocated through the LTP budget process for Promotions & Event Grants in 2027/37, adjusted annually for inflation.
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2. Background

As part of the programme of work towards the 2027-37 Long-term Plan (LTP), community boards need to consider their grants, and how much should be budgeted for each year of the LTP.

Community board grants are provided to support community led initiatives, and through the workshops it was evident such grants are seen as a key mechanism for community boards to connect with their community in a meaningful way.

3. Discussion

As the LTP 2027-37 budgeting process is now underway, Maniototo Community Board must recommend to Council the annual level of funding available to the Board for both Community and Promotions & Events Grants from 1 July 2027. These amounts will be inflation adjusted in the budgeting process each year and will be collected from the ratepayers in the Maniototo Ward area.

Recommended levels of funding per annum are;

Community Grant - \$6,895

Promotions & Event Grant - \$5,146

4. Options

Option 1 – (Recommended)

Recommend to Council the budgeting of grants as noted in the recommendations of this report.

Advantages:

- Continues to provide the community with an avenue for funding community led initiatives
- Provides a link between the MCB and the community

Disadvantages:

- Has a rating impact on residents in the Maniototo Ward

Option 2

Recommend to Council values that differ from those noted in the recommendations of this report.

Advantages:

- Provide the Community Board with an avenue for funding community led initiatives
- Provides a link between the MCB and the community

Disadvantages:

- Has a rating impact on residents in the Maniototo Valley Ward

5. Compliance

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions	The provision of grants provides opportunities for community led initiatives that can have a range of positive community outcomes attributable to Well-beings.
Decision consistent with other Council plans and policies? Such as the District Plan, Economic Development Strategy etc.	Aligns with the Grants Policy
Considerations as to sustainability, the environment and climate change impacts	No known implications
Risks Analysis	No known risks
Significance, Consultation and Engagement (internal and external)	Community Boards and relevant staff who administer grants and finance options have been engaged in this process.

6. Next Steps

Council to consider through the Long-term Plan budget process.

7. Attachments

Nil

26.4.3 POULTRY & BEES IN URBAN AREAS BYLAW

Doc ID: 2829543

Report Author:	Alix Crosbie, Policy & Strategy Lead
Reviewed and authorised by:	Louise Fleck, Group Manager - People and Culture, Acting Group Manager - Community Vision

1. Purpose

To consider providing feedback on the proposed Urban Poultry & Bees Bylaw.

Recommendations

That the report be received and its contents noted.

2. Discussion

Council is proposing to introduce a bylaw to manage the keeping of chickens and beehives in urban areas across the district. There has been an increase in urban residents keeping poultry and bees within townships. In most cases this is managed well, however where it is not, issues can arise for neighbouring properties, particularly in relation to early morning noise, odour, and vermin.

At present, Council responds to these issues on a complaints basis, with limited ability to set clear expectations in advance. The proposed bylaw is intended to provide a straightforward framework so residents understand what is acceptable, and to support more consistent and timely enforcement where necessary.

The bylaw applies only to land zoned for residential or township living under the District Plan. It does not apply to rural or rural lifestyle land, and there is no change proposed for farming or agricultural activities.

Under the proposed approach, residents would be able to keep a small number of chickens and bees, subject to some basic conditions. Up to six hens would be permitted per property, with requirements for coops to be properly located, maintained, and set back from boundaries and neighbouring dwellings. For beekeeping, up to two hives would be allowed, with requirements for either setbacks or screening to manage bee flight paths, along with a requirement to provide a water source on site.

Roosters would not be permitted in urban areas due to the noise effects associated with early morning crowing. However, a limited exception is proposed for situations where a rooster is acquired unintentionally. In these cases, a short-term permit of up to three months could be granted to allow time for rehoming. These permits would be subject to conditions and could be withdrawn if the rooster creates nuisance issues.

The overall intent of the bylaw is to enable backyard chickens and bees in a way that remains workable in a town setting. The rules are designed to be simple, proportionate, and

focused on managing effects, with the aim of reducing neighbour disputes and providing clarity for both residents and Council.

Council will seek public feedback on the proposal before making a final decision on whether to adopt the bylaw.

Section 155 Analysis

Under section 155 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council is required to assess whether a bylaw is the most appropriate way to address an identified issue, whether it is in the most appropriate form, and whether it is consistent with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This analysis is a standard part of the bylaw-making process and ensures any regulation is necessary, proportionate, and fit for purpose.

In this case, the analysis concludes that a bylaw is the most appropriate tool, as current approaches are largely reactive and do not provide clear expectations for residents. The proposed bylaw takes a proportionate approach by allowing poultry and beekeeping at a small scale, while managing nuisance effects such as noise, odour, and safety risks. It is considered to be in the most appropriate form as it uses simple limits and clear standards, and any restrictions on property use are reasonable and justified to protect neighbours and maintain amenity.

3. Attachments

Nil

7 MAYOR'S REPORT

26.4.4 MAYOR'S REPORT

Doc ID: 2686805

1. Purpose

To consider an update from Her Worship the Mayor.

Recommendations

That the Maniototo Community Board receives the report.

Her Worship the Mayor will give a verbal update on activities and issues of interest since the last meeting.

2. Attachments

Nil

8 CHAIR'S REPORT

26.4.5 CHAIR'S REPORT

Doc ID: 2687277

1. Purpose

The Chair will give an update on activities and issues since the last meeting.

Recommendations

That the report be received.

2. Attachments

Nil

9 MEMBERS' REPORTS

26.4.6 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Doc ID: 2688950

1. Purpose

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

Recommendations

That the report be received.

2. Attachments

Nil

10 STATUS REPORTS

26.4.7 JUNE 2025 GOVERNANCE REPORT

Doc ID: 2686715

Report Author:	Sarah Reynolds, Governance Support Officer
Reviewed and authorised by:	Saskia Righarts, Group Manager - Governance and Business Services

1. Purpose

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

Recommendations

That the report be received.

2. Discussion

Update on Libraries Strategy

Over six weeks during March and April, Central Otago Libraries undertook significant community engagement to help inform the development of their strategy. Engagement included idea boards within libraries, street engagement, surveys and one-on-one conversations, with more than 800 ideas received from across the district.

The feedback was analysed and seven key themes emerged:

1. Open the doors.
Opening hours were identified as the single biggest barrier across the district, with many people noting that a “9-to-5 service doesn’t fit a 9-to-5 life”.
2. Tell us what’s there.
Many people identified services they wished the library offered, only to discover these services already existed, including free e-books, film streaming, digital magazines and home delivery services.
3. Help us belong.
The community highlighted the need for culturally responsive, inclusive and welcoming spaces designed for everyone.
4. Space to work and meet.
Feedback identified the importance of libraries functioning as multi-use community hubs for remote workers, students, community groups and families.
5. Help us learn and create.
The community supported libraries as hubs for learning, creativity and innovation, including makerspaces, a Library of Things and digital support services.
6. We’re better together.

Community engagement highlighted opportunities to strengthen existing partnerships and create new collaborations.

7. Feed our curiosity.

The community encouraged continued investment in books, digital content and other resources available for borrowing.

The next step is to complete development of the strategy using the community engagement feedback. The draft strategy will be presented to Council on 29 July seeking approval to proceed to public consultation.

3. Attachments

Appendix 1 - Status Updates [↓](#)

Status Updates		Committee: Maniototo Community Board			
Meeting	Report Title	Resolution No	Resolution	Officer	Status
25/06/2020	Lease of Kyeburn Reserve	20.3.6	<p>A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.</p> <p>B. Agrees to formally acknowledge that the Kyeburn Hall is owned by the Kyeburn Hall Committee.</p> <p>C. Agrees to recommend that Council grants the Committee a lease pursuant to Section 61 (2A) of the Reserves Act 1977, on the following terms:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Permitted use: Community Hall 2. Term: 33 years 3. Rights of Renewal: None 4. Land Description: Sec 20 Blk VII Maniototo SD 5. Area: 0.4837 hectares 6. Rent: \$1.00 per annum if requested <p>Subject to the Kyeburn Hall Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Becoming an Incorporated Society 2. Being responsible for all outgoings, including utilities, electricity telephone, rubbish collection, rates and ground maintenance. 	Statutory Property Team Leader	<p>05 May 2026 The new Chairman of the Kyeburn Hall Committee, Matt Scott has been in contact and advised that the committee is now busy with their Constitution in order to register as an Incorporated Society. Once this has been done we can then draft the ground lease.</p> <p>14 Apr 2026 No further progress to report. The Secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee is yet again not responding to any communication.</p> <p>16 Mar 2026 The meeting held by the Secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee was changed at last minute and clashed with Council meeting. It could not be attended by staff but we understand that the outcome was that the community wanted this matter sorted and support the registration of a Kyeburn Hall Incorporated Society and the finalisation of a lease agreement with Council. We are yet awaiting the official feedback from Amie Pont, Secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee.</p> <p>03 Mar 2026 The Kyeburn Hall Committee have indicated that they will work towards forming and incorporated entity. There are new office bearers who will progress this.</p> <p>11 Feb 2026 A little progress has been made. The Kyeburn Hall Committee has arranged a meeting that will be attended by Council Staff to discuss all the issues relating to this matter. The meeting is scheduled for 25 February.</p> <p>09 Jan 2026</p>

				<p>No further progress to report.</p> <p>03 Dec 2025 A final attempt was made to get a response from the Secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee. The Secretary was advised that should no response be received, a further report will be submitted to Council for consideration of the options available. If no response received by early January a report back on the matter will be prepared.</p> <p>05 Nov 2025 No further progress has been made with the Kyeburn Hall Committee. Will be followed up again in November 2025.</p> <p>07 Oct 2025 No further progress has been made to date.</p> <p>08 Sept 2025 Still awaiting further feedback from the new Secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee.</p> <p>07 Aug 2025 The Statutory Team was advised that there is a new secretary of the Kyeburn Hall Committee, Amie Pont. We have communicated with Amie as to the requirement for the Committee to become and Incorporated Society before we can enter into a lease. Amie confirmed that she will again take the matter to the Committee at their next meeting and appeared to be willing to register as an Incorporated Society. Awaiting feedback from the Kyeburn Committee.</p> <p>09 Jun 2025 Matter still on the to do list. No progress has been made.</p> <p>14 May 2025 Matter only referred to Statutory Team now. Due to a big backlog of outstanding leases and Road Stoppings this matter has not been looked at yet.</p> <p>14 May 2025 Action reassigned to Zeelie, Zelda by Reynolds, Sarah - New Officer</p>
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					<p>18 Dec 2024 On Hold, issues will be passed to statutory property staff.</p> <p>10 Jun 2024 ON HOLD</p> <p>01 Feb 2024 Waiting for a response from the Kyeburn Library Committee Inc. ON HOLD.</p> <p>13 Nov 2023 Requested that the Kyeburn Hall Committee table at their AGM and General meeting the outstanding issue of picking up the ground lease. The Kyeburn Hall Committee reported back that it is under discussion with the Kyeburn Library Committee Inc. for the lease to be picked up given the Kyeburn Library Committee are already incorporated.</p> <p>02 Nov 2023 No Change.</p> <p>03 Oct 2023 No Change.</p> <p>22 Aug 2023 No change.</p> <p>18 Jul 2023 No change.</p> <p>01 Jun 2023 No change.</p> <p>27 Apr 2023 On hold , no change.</p> <p>28 Feb 2023 No Change</p> <p>19 Jan 2023 No change., ON HOLD</p> <p>15 Nov 2022 Further informal discussions have taken place regarding an existing entity taking up the lease. Awaiting feedback from the committee.</p> <p>29 Aug 2022 On hold. No change.</p>
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					<p>08 Jun 2022 On hold - no change.</p> <p>29 Apr 2022 No further update at this stage.</p> <p>12 Apr 2022 June 2020 – Action memo sent to Property and Facilities Officer - Ranfurly., 25 June 2020 – Kyeburn Hall Committee advised of Board’s resolution. Report for ratification of Lease going to Council on 15 July 2020., 24 July 2020 – Council ratified the lease. Waiting for confirmation from the Hall Committee of their Incorporated status to issue the lease., February - April 2021 – Property and Facilities Officer - Ranfurly to meet Committee in May 2021 and discuss next steps., May 2021 – due to delays, Property and Facilities Officer – Ranfurly to discuss next steps with Committee in June., July 2021 – The Committee requested that the meeting be delayed until July, due to an illness. , August – On hold until meeting able to take place. ON HOLD</p>
7/05/2026	Promotions & Events Grant accountability and request for unspent grant	26.3.3	<p>That the Maniototo Community Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance. B. Accepts the accountability report. C. Approves that Naseby Vision Incorporated retains the unspent grant amount of \$3127.22 from resolution 25.4.3 to be applied to further promotional activity supporting the Dark Sky Community, including signage, digital promotion, posters and leaflets. 	Media and Marketing Manager	<p>25 May 2026 Applicant informed of the outcome. MATTER CLOSED</p> <p>25 May 2026 Action memo sent to report writer.</p>
7/05/2026	2025-26 Community and Events & Promotions Grant Applications - 2nd Funding Round	26.3.2	<p>That the Maniototo Community Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance B. Notes that due to the high demand for grants this round, the board recommend to Council to draw on the Maniototo Community Board Reserves Grants Fund to the sum of \$2,539 to make up the shortfall. 	Media and Marketing Manager Community Development Lead	<p>25 May 2026 Applicants advised of Board funding decision with details on how and when to uplift approved grant.</p> <p>25 May 2026 Action memo sent to report writers.</p>

			<p>C. Approves a grant of \$2,430 to the Mānīatoto Heritage Orchards Inc. for heritage fruit tree grafting 2026.</p> <p>D. Approves the application from the Naseby Information and Craft Centre Inc. for multiyear funding allocates a grant of \$4,000 towards operating costs for both the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years.</p> <p>E. Approves a grant of \$2,000 to the Maniototo Toy Library Christian Centre for toy replacement costs.</p> <p>F. Approves a grant of \$3,000 to the Naseby Development Charitable Trust for the Great Naseby Water Race event 2026 from the 2026-2027 Promotions and Events grant budget.</p> <p>G. Notes that it is each grant recipient's responsibility to obtain and/or have in place the appropriate consents, plans and licences (including resource consent, health and safety plans etc.) as required by legislation, agencies, property owners and/or individuals to undertake the projects.</p> <p>H. Notes that pre-approved grants for the 2026-2027 financial year will be subject to the draft budgets remaining unaltered and the adoption of the Annual Plan.</p>		
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11 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 6 August 2026.