

**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, 8 JUNE 2026 COMMENCING
AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Mr J Cromb (Chairperson), Mr T Hammington, Cr M McPherson, Mr J Moffitt,
Ms K Sanders

IN ATTENDANCE: P Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), S Righarts (Group Manager - Governance and
Business Services), D Scoones (Group Manager - Community Experience),
R Williams (Community Development Lead), B Sharland (Corporate Planner),
A Crosbie (Policy Lead), S Reynolds (Governance Support Officer)

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

Graye Shattky – Keep Alexandra Clyde Beautiful – Linger and Die Reserve

Mr Shattky spoke on behalf of Keep Alexandra & Clyde Beautiful (KACB) and requested that the recently constructed temporary entrance and roading network at the Linger & Die site be retained following the removal of the Bailey Bridge. He advised that the infrastructure would provide a practical connection to the Riverside Park Project and support the longer-term vision for the area outlined in Contact Energy's Landscape and Visual Amenity Management Plan.

Mr Shattky noted that Council had declined KACB's earlier request, citing an agreement with Land Information New Zealand to restore the site to its original condition, and argued that retaining the access would assist future enhancements at no cost to Council. He requested the Vincent Community Board's assistance in encouraging Council to delay restoration works until KACB had the opportunity to discuss further development plans for the area with Contact Energy.

Mr Shattky then responded to questions.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Sanders

Seconded: Moffitt

That the public minutes of the Vincent Community Board Meeting held on 28 April 2026 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. Mr Hammington noted that he is now a committee member of the Central Otago Wakatipu Cycle club, and his declarations would be updated to reflect this.

5 REPORTS

Note: Mr Andy Davey and Ms Paula Stephenson, Ms Mary Ann Baxter and the joined the meeting for item 26.4.2

26.4.2 ALEXANDRA DISTRICT MUSEUM INC. "OUR STORIES" COMMUNITY GRANT ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

To consider the accountability report from the Alexandra District Museum Inc. for their 2025/26 community grant towards "Our Stories" exhibitions and workshops.

The Board acknowledged the significant work undertaken by the organisation and recognised the extensive programme of activities and events delivered throughout the year. Members queried the presentation of room hire costs within the financial accounts and suggested that these costs may be more appropriately recorded as event-related expenses.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Moffitt
Seconded: Sanders

That the report be received.

CARRIED

Note: Mr Hammington left the meeting at 10.33 am and returned at 10.35 am, Cr McPherson left the meeting at 10.32 am and returned at 10.36 am.

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

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

It was noted that the impact on rates would be \$1.71 per average rating unit.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: McPherson
Seconded: Hammington

That the Vincent Community Board

- A. Receives the report and accepts the level of significance.
- B. Recommends to Council a total of \$50,000 be allocated through the LTP budget process for Community Grants for each year of the 2027/37 LTP, adjusted annually for inflation.
- C. Recommends to Council a total of \$51,455 be allocated through the LTP budget process for Promotions & Event Grants for each year of the 2027/37 LTP, adjusted annually for inflation.

CARRIED

26.4.4 POULTRY & BEES IN URBAN AREAS BYLAW

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

Members queried whether the definition of "urban" aligned with the District Plan and how existing breaches of right-on-boundary fence rules would be addressed. It was noted that the issues were primarily associated with growth areas in Cromwell and Alexandra.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Moffitt
Seconded: Hammington

That the report be received and its contents noted.

CARRIED

6 MAYOR'S REPORT**26.4.5 MAYOR'S REPORT**

Her Worship the Mayor was an apology to the meeting and so no report was presented.

7 CHAIR'S REPORT**26.4.6 CHAIR'S REPORT**

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

- Noted that the previous six weeks had been busy.
- Met with Paula and Mary Ann from the Museum to discuss available funding opportunities.
- Noted the significant amount of building activity occurring across the district and welcomed the progress being made.
- Reported that the Riverside Park project was now progressing, with the contract confirmed with Fulton Hogan and that work was expected to begin shortly.
- Reported that the Manuherekia Community Hub project was well underway and that fundraising for the Alexandra hockey turf was progressing well.
- Met with Community Boards Executive Committee (CBEC) to discuss the proposed governance changes and their views on the process, noting that CBEC had paused its strategic plan to focus on this issue.
- Noted that Community Boards had a strong opportunity to contribute to the amalgamation discussions, but raised concerns that the criteria and information available was vague. He stressed the need for all community boards to be involved from the outset of discussions, rather than being consulted after decisions had largely been made.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cromb
Seconded: Hammington

That the report be received.

CARRIED

8 MEMBERS' REPORTS

26.4.7 MEMBERS' REPORTS

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

Ms Sanders reported on the following:

- Provided a summary of the LGNZ Zone 5 & 6 Conference held in Christchurch, noting the value of connecting with council leaders, ministers, and sector experts from across the South Island.
- Highlighted discussions had at the conference, funding pressures, community engagement, crisis communications, and the importance of building trust and capability within councils. Noted concerns regarding amalgamation and a the lack of support available for newly elected members, the expectations placed on them to undertake significant reading and research, and the low retention rate of elected members.
- Reported that work on community engagement initiatives was continuing, but that amalgamation discussions were currently taking priority, with interest in exploring digital communication tools to support future engagement.

Cr McPherson reported on the following:

- That the Hearings Panel had remained busy, including consideration of a proposed new subdivision on Dunstan Road.
- He urged the Chair and members to discuss the Board's role in the proposed governance changes, noting concerns that Community Boards could become an afterthought and reinforced that elected members had not sought these changes. He requested an opportunity for the Board to discuss the matter further, develop a collective position, and demonstrate leadership on the issue.
- Acknowledged the work being undertaken by the KACB at the Linger and Die Reserve and expressed hope that this plan would be progressed.
- Reported on involvement with the Central Stories board in a non-voting capacity, noting that staff were working on both short and long term plans and that expressions of interest had been received for leasing opportunities in the front space, with a report expected at the next meeting.

Mr Hammington reported on the following:

- Noted concerns regarding misinformation and echoed comments made by previous members on the matter.
 - Reported on positive engagement with local sports clubs, including the Clyde-Earnsclough Rugby Club, and noted several infrastructure-related matters.
 - Advised that efforts to obtain further information on the proposed governance changes had highlighted a lack of available information, particularly regarding the implications of not participating in the "head start" process and what any backstop arrangements might involve. Noted misinformation, and echoed previous words.
 - Noted that the Clyde and Earnsclough rugby team were reforming, with strong community support for their re-establishment.
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- Sought further information on amalgamation and noted a general lack of available detail. It was queried what the implications would be if the “head start” opportunity was missed, and what any associated backstop arrangements would involve.

Mr Moffit reported on the following:

- Endorsed the comments of previous members and reiterated that significant community engagement would be required to ensure the community voice was heard through amalgamation discussions.
- Noted that the Alexandra Rugby Club was experiencing a shortage of referees and that he had assisted by refereeing an Under-14 match.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cromb
Seconded: McPherson

That the report be received.

CARRIED

9 STATUS REPORTS

26.4.8 JUNE 2026 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: Hammington
Seconded: Moffitt

That the report be received.

CARRIED

10 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next scheduled meeting is 28 July 2026.

11 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cromb
Seconded: Hammington

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
Confidential Minutes – 28 April 2026	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	To enable commercial activities
26.4.9 - June 2026 Confidential Governance Report	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 11.17 am and the meeting closed at 11.20 am.