



Ardlussa Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Ardlussa Community Board held in the Balfour Community Centre, 68 Queen Street, Balfour on Wednesday, 12 February 2025 at 7pm (7.04pm to 8.34pm)

PRESENT

Chairperson	Richard Clarkson
Deputy chairperson	Ray Dickson
Members	Chris Dillon
	Clarke Horrell
	Hilary Kelso
	Grant McFelin
	Councillor Matt Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor	Rob Scott
Committee advisor/customer support partner	Deborah-Ann Smith-Harding
Community partnership leader	Kelly Tagg
Strategic manager transport	Hartley Hare
Community facilities manager	Mark Day
Contracts and program lead	Lance Spencer

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Leave of absence

There were no requests for leave of absence.

3 Conflict of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 Extraordinary/urgent items

There were no extraordinary/urgent items.

5 Confirmation of minutes

Resolution

Moved Clarke Horrell, seconded Deputy Chairperson Dickson **and resolved:**

That the Ardlussa Community Board confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2024 as a true and correct record of that meeting.

6 Public participation

There was no public participation

Reports

7.1 Community board reporting

Record No: R/24/12/75420

The purpose of this report is to inform the board of the community leadership, operational and Council activities in the board area and across the district.

Community partnership lead, Kelly Tagg presented this report and particularly noted the following:

- the company tasked to instal the festive lights at Balfour have gone into liquidation so staff have \$2,307 remaining funds available
- the helipad build is completed in Waikaia
- the lighting project in Riversdale is complete
- the board discussed the Waikaia pedestrian crossing project and expressed disappointment that the work had not yet commenced. Staff provided some updates on contractor availability and advised that they may look to engage a different contractor to undertake the work

- Mrs Kelso advised she had attended a meeting at McKee Park with representatives from IFS Growth and Southland District Council. The track through McKee Park to enter the forests was nearly complete and the Trails Trust was awaiting the return of their trail builder to complete the trails in the forest
- the 60kms speed reduction for Piano Flat road was discussed. Council staff are applying to the Director of Land Transport for a dispensation. Mrs Kelso mentioned this was a dead end road and the board queried if temporary speed limits was feasible in the interim
- staff are working on the options for the future of the Balfour land and more information will come to the board
- Waikaia depot rental was discussed and queried whether a shared lease with the Progress League was a possibility and reducing or eliminating the three phase power line charge.

Resolution

Moved Chairperson Clarkson, seconded Deputy Chairperson Dickson

That the Ardlussa Community Board:

- a) receives the report titled "Community board reporting" dated 30 January 2025.**

7.2 Councillor update

Record No: R/25/2/3640

The Councillor update report was taken as read.

The board and Mayor Scott discussed the ongoing issues around gravel extraction in the board area.

Resolution

Moved Deputy Chairperson Dickson, seconded Clarke Horrell **and resolved:**

That the Ardlussa Community Board:

- a) receives the report titled "Councillor update".**

7.3 Chairperson's report

Record No: R/25/1/3179

Chair Clarkson will continue to follow up on the completion of the clean-up of fill dumped at the BMX track to make the track usable for the children.

Mrs Kelso reported work has commenced at the Waikaia bike trail track with plans for fundraising.

Chair Clarkson asked council staff to confirm who is responsible for spraying work at the pump track, basketball court and the playground in Balfour because the Balfour Lions are doing it and for council to clarify whether the spraying is under the council mowing contract.

Resolution

Moved Chairperson Clarkson, seconded Hilary Kelso **and resolved:**

That the Ardlussa Community Board:

- a) **receives the report titled "Chairperson's report" dated 28 November 2024.**

7.4 Next meeting report

Record No: R/25/1/2874

Purpose

For the Board to confirm that their next meeting is at 7pm on Wednesday 9 April 2025 to be held at the Riversdale Community Centre, 73 Newcastle Street, Riversdale.

Resolution

Moved Chairperson Clarkson, seconded Grant McFelin **and resolved:**

That the Ardlussa Community Board:

- a) **confirms that the next meeting of the Board is at 7pm on Wednesday 9 April 2025 to be held at the Riversdale Community Centre, 73 Newcastle Street, Riversdale.**

The meeting concluded at 8.34pm

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF A
MEETING OF THE ARDLUSSA COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD ON 12 February 2025.

DATE: 9 April 2025

CHAIRPERSON:

