



Minutes

Ōraka Aparima Community Board

Wednesday 15 April 2026, 6.33pm.
Thornbury Hall, 14 Broderick Street, Thornbury

PRESENT

Chairperson	Robin McCall
Deputy chairperson	Neil Linscott
Members	Carole Elder
	Don Frew
	Emma Gould
	Michael Weusten

APOLOGIES

Troy Holiday

IN ATTENDANCE

Community partnership leader	Stella O'Connor
Committee advisor	Rachael Poole
Mayor	Rob Scott

1 Opening

The Chairperson opened the meeting.

2 Apologies

An apology for non attendance was received from Troy Holiday.

Resolved

Moved Carole Elder/Neil Linscott

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board accepts the apology.

Carried

3 Leave of absence

There were no requests for leave of absence.

4 Conflict of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Additional Agenda items

There were no additional agenda items.

6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved

Moved Carole Elder/Neil Linscott

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2026 as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

7 Public participation

There was no public participation.

Reports

8.1 Swearing in of Donald Frew

Record No: R/26/3/102193

Member Donald Frew made his declaration then signed the written declaration in the presence of Mayor Rob Scott in accordance with Clause 14, Schedule 7 of the local Government Act 2002.

Emma Gould arrived at 6.38pm.

Chair McCall agreed that item 9.1 would come forward in the agenda to allow staff to attend another meeting.

Public excluded

Exclusion of the public: Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Resolved

Moved Chair Robin McCall/Cr Michael Weusten

That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.

9.1 Community facilities contracts

The general subject 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(1) 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	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Community facilities contracts	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. Decision on awarding contract.	That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists.

Carried

The meeting moved into public excluded at 6.39pm and returned to open at 7.20pm.

Riverton Harbour Subcommittee terms of reference review

Record No: R/26/3/106173

Report presented by committee advisor, Rachael Poole.

To allow the Ōraka Aparima Community Board to provide feedback on the draft terms of reference of the Riverton Harbour Subcommittee (subcommittee).

Resolved

Moved Emma Gould/Cr Michael Weusten

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board:

- a) notes the information contained in the report.
- b) is in favour of the draft terms of reference of the Riverton Harbour Subcommittee.

Carried

Financial review for period ended 28 February 2026

Record No: R/26/3/108169

Report presented by community partnership lead, Stella O'Connor.

The purpose of this report is to review the Ōraka Aparima Community Board financial information for the period ended 28 February 2026 (contained within attachment A).

Resolved

Moved Neil Linscott/Don Frew

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board:

- a) notes the information contained in the report.

Carried

Councillor update

Record No: R/26/3/108356

Report presented by Councillor Weusten.

This report is to provide the community board with an overview of the matters that have been considered at Council and Finance and Assurance Committee meetings from 28 January 2026 to 25 March 2026.

Resolved

Moved Cr Michael Weusten/Chair Robin McCall

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board:

- a) notes the information contained in the report.

Carried

Community board reporting

Record No: R/26/4/109256

Report presented by Community partnership leader, Stella O'Connor

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.

Resolved

Moved Carole Elder/Don Frew

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board:

- a) notes the information contained in the report

Carried

Chairperson's report

Record No: R/26/4/110839

Report presented by chair McCall.

The purpose of this report is for the chair to update the board on activities they have been involved with since the previous meeting.

Chair McCall advised that he is keen for the board to facilitate the updating of the Ōraka Aparima communities emergency response plan.

Chair McCall presented a letter that was received from Catherine Hill around local workers parking outside Te Hikoi Museum and a workshop will be held to work on solutions. Chair McCall will send a letter of reply to Mrs Hill.

Chair McCall presented a letter that was received from the Colac Bay Progress League, requesting that the name of George Tasman Dawson Playground that the board approved in April 2025 is amended to George Tasman Dawson Park. As this is mainly administrative and the Colac Bay Progress League were the initial requestor of the name change in April 2025, the board are in support of this minor wording amendment.

Resolved

Moved Chair Robin McCall/Emma Gould

That the Ōraka Aparima Community Board:

- a) notes the information contained in the report.
- b) amends the name of George Tasman Dawson Playground to George Tasman Dawson Park.

Carried

The meeting closed at 8.43pm

Confirmed on