

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MALVERN COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM
ON MONDAY 28 APRIL 2025 AT 5 PM**

PRESENT

Messrs. B Russell (Chairperson), J Verry (Deputy Chairperson), P Freeman, and Ms S Nu'u; and Councillor L Gliddon

ATTENDEES

Mr Steve Gibling (Executive Director People, Culture and Capability); Ms T Davel (Senior Governance Advisor); and Mr B Adhikari (Governance Coordinator)

WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested a moment of silence in remembrance of former Selwyn District Council Mayor Bill Woods and former Selwyn District Councillor Jens Christensen. The Board expressed its deepest condolences to their families and loved ones.

The Board welcomed Mr Bipul Adhikari who has joined the governance team as governance coordinator.

The meeting was livestreamed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Harvey Polglase, Darfield Residents Association

Mr Polglase brought the Board's attention to two matters, namely the poor condition of the New Zealand flag at the Darfield cenotaph and a request for the installation of a security camera (internally and externally) at the Darfield jail. He mentioned that he has already requested a quote and is willing to provide it to the Council if the proposal is agreed upon.

The Chair thanked Mr Polglase for his presentation and noted a recommendation regarding the installation of security cameras.

Moved – Ms Nu'u / Seconded – Mr Verry

That the Malvern Community Board request Council to consider installing security cameras at the Darfield Jail.'

CARRIED

Mr David and Mrs Ngaire Kent, Kirwee Residents Association

Mr & Mrs Kent informed the Board that the association's first ANZAC Day service in Kirwee was a success, drawing approximately 300 attendees.

The Chairperson thanked the Kents for their time and for actively contributing to the community.

APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Mr Payne.

'That the Malvern Community Board receive the apology from Mr Payne'.

CARRIED

IDENTIFICATION OF ANY URGENT OR GENERAL BUSINESS

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Malvern Community Board held in the Darfield Library Meeting Rooms, on Monday 24 March 2025

Moved – Mr Verry / **Seconded** – Ms Nu'u

'That the Malvern Community Board confirms the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Malvern Community Board held on Monday 24 March 2025.'

CARRIED

ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

Mr Gibling informed the Board that the Council is planning a finance workshop for Board members. The workshop has been scheduled for 12 May.

The Chairperson informed the Board that Mr Payne attended the ANZAC day services at Kirwee and Glentunnel as a Board representative.

Councillor Gliddon joined the meeting 5:22pm.

Ms Nu'u attended the service at Darfield as a community member and the Chairperson attended the service at West Melton.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

REPORTS

1. Executive Director's Report

Mr Gibling thanked Ms Nu'u and everyone involved in the hearing and deliberations of the Sheffield Pool. He informed the Board that the Council in its meeting on 16 April 2025 approved transfer of ownership and operation to the Kowai Pass Reserve Trust. He also thanked Mr Polglase and the Darfield Residents Association on the Darfield jail opening and closing operations project. He informed the Board that he will work with the Darfield Residents Association on what Council could do to install cameras as requested in the public forum. He noted to the Board that Reserves Operations Manager Kieran Wall and himself attended residents' associations meetings and provided updates on the reserve management plan. He advised that Mr Wall will attend the next Board meeting on 26 May to provide further updates. He informed the Board that Mrs Kidd, Community Services and Facilities Executive Director had provided an update, noting there would be an opportunity for the Board to engage with the programme of work by the end of the current term.

Mr Gibling noted that he would provide further updates at the next meeting, in respect to the West Melton Recreation Car park and courts upgrade.

Mr Verry attended the Springfield Bypass Working party meeting and said it went well.

Mr Gibling informed the Board that a budget workshop has been tentatively scheduled for 12 May which will provide more information on budget and its allocation on different sectors in Malvern. He noted that the Council's Digital Team is working on a series of digital dashboards. These dashboards will provide an overview of budget allocations and the status of various projects.

Moved – Mr Russell / Seconded – Ms Nu'u

'That the report from the Executive Director be received for information'.

CARRIED

2. Financial Reporting

Mr Gibling informed the Board that this was regular financial reporting for information. Mr Gibling noted that there were 8 copies left of the book, Malvern History, which were available from Council offices.

Moved – Mr Russell / Seconded – Mr Verry

'That the Malvern Community Board receives for information the Malvern Community Board (MCB) Finance Report for 1 – 31 March 2025.'

CARRIED

3. Monthly Report from the Chairperson

Chair - Mr Bruce Russell

Mr Russell expressed his dissatisfaction with the process of establishing a Council-controlled organisation for the district's drinking water and wastewater services. He also informed the Board that the West Melton Residents' Group had expressed their dissatisfaction to him during their last meeting regarding the decision to move West Melton to the Springs Ward as part of the representation review.

Moved – Mr Russell / Seconded – Ms Nu'u

'That the report from Mr Russell be received for information'.

CARRIED

4. Board Member Ms Sharn Nu'u

Ms Nu'u informed the Board that she attended the combined residents' association meeting in April. Residents were pleased to receive updates from staff members in relation to reserve management. She said she attended the ANZAC day service at Darfield and there was a good number of attendees.

Ms Nu'u informed the Board that she has been allocated 6 May for hearings on her submission to ECan's Public Transport Plan.

Stating it as being undemocratic, she expressed her dissatisfaction on how 'Water Done Well' outcome went ahead.

Moved – Ms Nu'u / Seconded – Mr Russell

'That the (verbal) report from Ms Nu'u be received for information'.

CARRIED

5. Board Member Mr Calvin Payne

Mr Payne was not present at the meeting.

6. Board Member Mr Phil Freeman

Mr Freeman informed the Board that he attended the ANZAC Day service in Hororata. He expressed his dissatisfaction on the outcome of the 'Local Water Done Well' consultation process.

Moved – Mr Freeman / Seconded – Mr Verry

'That the (verbal) report from Mr Freeman be received for information.'

CARRIED

7. Board Member Mr John Verry

Mr Verry expressed his dissatisfaction with the outcome of the representation review by moving West Melton out of the Malvern Ward to the Springs Ward.

Moved – Mr Verry / **Seconded** – Mr Russell

'That the report from Mr Verry be received for information.'

CARRIED

8. Councillor Gliddon

Councillor Gliddon informed the Board that she attended the ANZAC services at Sheffield-Waddington, Kirwee and Springfield. She also advised that NZTA will be reviewing her request for speed limit changes on State Highway 73 as early as July. She intends to work with the Board and residents' associations to determine how best to approach the issue.

When asked how she plans to engage with community groups on this matter, Councillor Gliddon suggested it could be discussed at the interim Board meeting to scope out potential options before engaging with community members.

Moved – Councillor Gliddon / **Seconded** – Ms Nu'u

'That the report from Councillor Gliddon be received for information.'

CARRIED

DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC FORUM MATTERS

Noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The chairperson allowed Mr Samuel Wilshire to speak in public forum at the end of the meeting as Mr Wilshire had not been present at the start. Mr Wilshire addressed the Board from 5.55pm.

He stated that there was not a lot of advertising for the Stormwater, Drainage and Watercourse Bylaw consultation, which resulted in fewer submissions and a low turnout at the hearing. Referring to the West Melton Recreation car park and courts upgrade, he requested information on why the number of courts was reduced from eight to six and whether the tennis clubs had been informed of the change.

Councillor Gliddon informed the Board that budget constraints had led to the reduction in the number of courts.

CLOSURE

The Board agreed to hold its upcoming meetings at the West Melton Community Centre. With no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting after thanking staff and Board members for attending and participating.

The meeting closed at 6:08 pm.

DATED this 26th day of May 2025



CHAIRPERSON