
Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere-Heathcote Community Board Information Session/Workshop NOTES

Date: Thursday 26 February 2026
Time: 4.05 pm
Venue: Linwood Boardroom, Gate B,
180 Smith Street, Woolston

Present

Chairperson	Keir Leslie
Deputy Chairperson	Sophie Bond
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Karakia Tīmatanga

Waiata: The Board sang a waiata to open the meeting.

The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

There were no apologies received.

2. Open Forum Te Wā Kōrerorero

2.1 Coastal Pathway Group update

Hanno Sander, Chair and Tim Lindley, Committee Member presented on behalf of the Coastal Pathway Group regarding future developments on the pathway.

After questions from members the Chairperson thanked Hanno Sander and Tim Lindley for their presentation.

Attachments

- A Coastal Pathway Group Update - presentation to the Board [⇒](#) 
- B Coastal Pathway - tabled document - Lookout Platforms FAQ [⇒](#) 
- C Coastal Pathway - tabled document Artistic Lighting FAQ [⇒](#) 

3. Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network Update

Chrissie Williams, Chair and Malcolm Long, Secretary of the Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network joined the table to present an update to the Board on the Network's projects and priorities outlined in the attached presentation.

Presenters addressed the Board's questions; key discussion points included:

- Confirmation the Mother of all Clean Up event at the river will be held on 9 May 2026.
- The impact of sediment and how it could be addressed in the Port Hills Plan; noting that private land is not included as part of the Port Hills Plan.
- Extending Predator Free Ōpāwaho to Colombo Street and the opportunities to promote predator free as part of the Omokihi rebuild.

Attachments

- A Ōpāwaho Heathcote River Network - presentation to the Board [⇒](#) 

4. Proposed Sumner Beach Access Ramp

Council officers Rachel Mullins, Inclusive Communities Coordinator, Abraham Larsen, Community Development Advisor and Steven Gray, Senior Project Manager, Regional Parks joined the table to present Item 4 and answer questions from the Board.

Staff briefed the Board about the proposed ramp improvements on to Sumner/Scarborough Beach to improve access to the foreshore and backshore for people of all abilities, sharing proposed design plans and detailing their engagement so far.

Staff addressed the Board's questions; key discussion points included:

- Increasing mobility parking. Staff noted they are exploring different parking orientations.
- The bottom platform of the ramp and build-up of sand. Staff are exploring a switch back on the ramp and removable hand rails.

5. Three Waters Programme

Council officer Gavin Hutchison, Head of Three Waters joined the table to present Item 5 and answer questions from the Board.

Staff briefed the Board on the Three Waters programme with Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere-Heathcote for 2026/27, and the proposed changes to the Financial Year 2027 Capital Programme and OPEX budgets.

Staff addressed the Board's questions; key discussion points included:

- The proposed rates cap and costs for storm water.
- The waste water transfer system at Parakiore.

6. Cave Rock Signal Mast Lights

Council officer Maria Adamski, Senior Parks Asset Planner joined the table to present Item 6 and Swantje Bubritzki, Senior Engagement Advisor joined via audio/visual link.

Staff briefed the Board on the history of the Cave Rock Signal Mast lighting and provided a recap on the findings of consultation that was presented to the Board at its meeting on 28 August 2025.

Staff briefed the Board on the outcome of further negotiations with the Deed Holder as directed by the Board in its decisions at its meeting on 28 August 2025.

Staff then addressed the Board's questions; key discussion points included:

- Application of the Dark Sky principles in relation to the mast lights, sensitive sites and other lighting in the Sumner area.
- Increasing the length of lights on the mast with less light bulbs. It was noted the lights are on a string and this could be achieved by removing some lights.
- Preferences of submitters in Sumner and other areas.
- Costs for installing additional lightbulbs. It was noted that installation of lights would be cheaper if combined with other inspection/maintenance work on the mast.

Attachments

- A Cave Rock Signal Mast Lights - updated staff presentation to the Board [⇨](#) 

8. Supplementary Items to be Included

The following items were received after the agenda was published for the Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere-Heathcote Community Board Information Session/Workshop meeting scheduled for Thursday, 26 February 2026.

Public Excluded Items

10. Future of Council Land

The meeting adjourned at 5.27 pm and reconvened at 5.37 pm.

9. Items Closed to the Public Ngā Take mō te wāhanga o te hui e rāhui ana ki te hunga tūmatanui

At 5.37 pm the session went into public excluded to consider the confidential items advertised at the end of the public agenda.

The public were re-admitted to the meeting at 6.23pm.

7. Elected Members' Information Exchange Te Whakawhiti Whakaaro o Te Kāhui Amorangi

Members exchanged information on the following matters of interest to the Board:

- Deprivation of families at the start of the school year in Addington.
- Upcoming meeting of the Westmorland Residents' Association on 2 March 2026.
- Feedback from Westmorland residents about speaking at the Board's meeting on 12 February 2026.
- Letter from Chairperson to the Department of Internal Affairs on behalf of the Board to support the Council's funding application for central government funding for a memorial of unmarked graves at Sydenham Cemetery.
- Site meeting for Cashmere Ward members at Cracroft Reserve with Council staff to discuss Erebus memorial.
- Attendance at Hoon Hay Network meeting where Housing First Christchurch presented.
- Cars over driveways in Addington.
- Upcoming meeting with a resident about Lincoln Road widening.
- Access to developers plans in the Hoon Hay/Spreydon area.

Meeting concluded at 6.36pm.