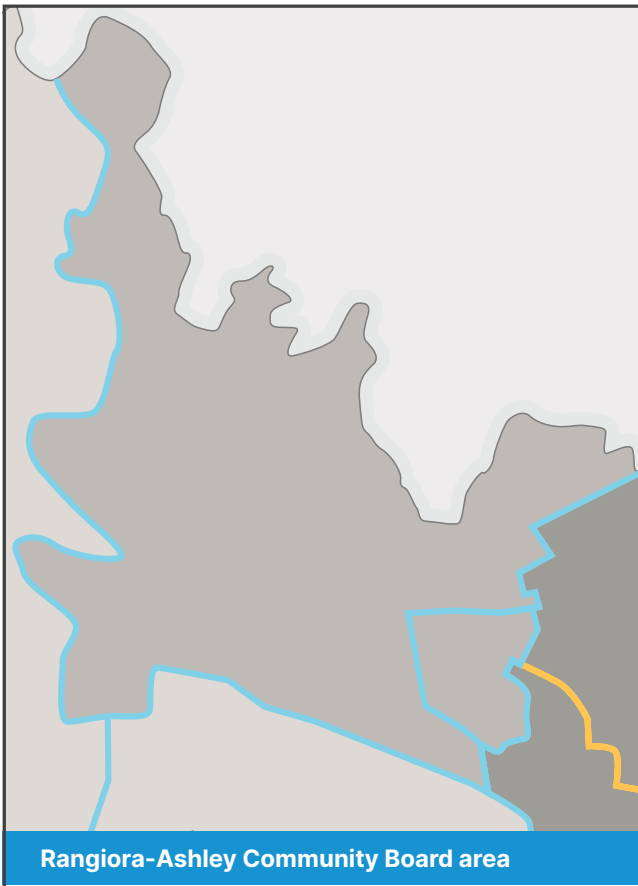




# Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

## Community Plan 2022–2025

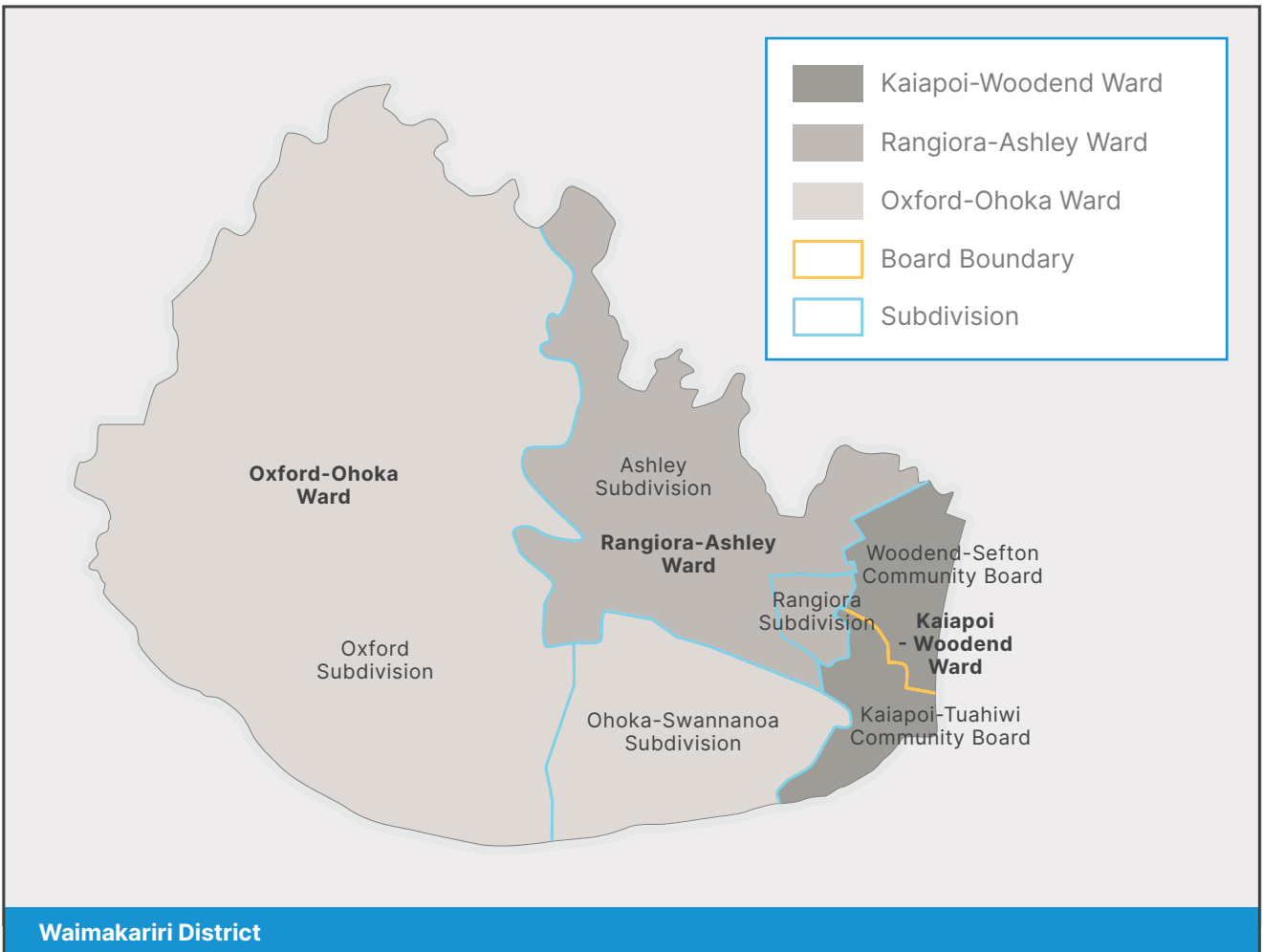




Rangiora-Ashley Community Board area

Ward	Population
Rangiora-Ashley Ward	28,126
Oxford-Ohoka Ward	14,465
Kaiapoi-Woodend Ward	29,482
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,073</b>
Subdivision	Population
Rangiora Subdivision	19,989
Ashley Subdivision	8,137
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,126</b>

\* Estimated resident population as at 30 June 2023



Waimakariri District

# Chairperson's Message

Dear Residents

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board area represents a mix of urban and rural properties with diverse populations and interests. Rangiora is the main centre. The Ward boundaries extend west to include Fernside and Cust, and north over the Ashley River to include Ashley township, Loburn, North Loburn, Okuku, and west as far as the Garry River.

To ensure we elect Board members who reflect the needs of our diverse area, our Ward is divided into two subdivisions for Board elections. Six members were elected from the Rangiora subdivision and two from the Ashley subdivision. Four Councillors, elected from across the Ward, are also appointed to the Board. The subdivision areas are determined on a population basis.

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board fully supports the many local community groups across our Ward that do so much to ensure the needs and aspirations of our communities are met. We welcome them to attend any of our meetings to share their experiences, roles, and requirements. In addition, the Board has a limited discretionary grant fund available, some of which may assist groups with community projects. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month.

The Board shares the communities concern about the proposal to construct and operate a Class 3 managed-to-fill Landfill at 150, 154, 174, and 176 Quarry Road, Loburn. Therefore, at its meeting on 10 July 2024, the Board resolved to object to the Resource Consent applications based on the nature of the Whiterock area, the possible impact on water quality, road safety concerns, lack of long-term management, and community views. The Board wishes to thank the Council for its financial support, enabling it to secure assistance from a technical expert to draft its submission.

Much of the Board's recent focus has been on the continued development and improvements required in our Ward. The Board, therefore, supports the Council's commitment to developing the proposed Rangiora Eastern Link Road with NZTA co-funding, providing sufficient parking

in Rangiora, revamping the Civic Precinct, developing the Cenotaph Corner, and the Rangiora Airfield Upgrade.

Additionally, the Board is aware of the increased safety challenges that our local communities and businesses face. Therefore, the Board strongly believes that there should be a New Zealand Police presence in the Rangiora Town Centre. The Board similarly supports local organisations committed to improving safety, including the Rangiora Volunteer Fire Brigade, St John's Ambulance Services, Neighbourhood Support North Canterbury, and Rangiora Community Patrol. The Board also supports the development of the new after hours Rangiora Medical Centre.

A Community Board's primary role is to look after issues within our Ward, working with the Council and community for the betterment of the District. The Council seeks guidance and the Board's views on most issues affecting our Ward. In addition, the Board has representatives in many community organisations, especially those owned or managed by the Council.

The Board welcomes your views, as they are important to us. Do not hesitate to contact any Board member, the Council's Governance Team, or myself.

**Jim Gerard QSO**

**Chairman**

**Rangiora-Ashley Community Board**



# About the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

**The Waimakariri District is divided into three Wards, with the Rangiora-Ashley Ward covering predominantly the north-eastern and central areas of the Waimakariri District.**

From the south of the Ashley River/Rakahuri in the west along Bowicks Road, Ashley Road, Summerhill Road, Reids Road, Tippings Road, Howsons Road, Springbank Road, Tallotts Road, Oxford Road, Boundary Road, the Main Drain, Flaxton Road, Fernside Road, Lineside Road and Youngs Road.

Follow the Cam River to Boys Road, then Northbrook Road and along the boundary between Lot 2 DP80275 and Lot 2 DP306045 to Rangiora Woodend Road, along Rangiora Woodend Road to Smarts Road to the Ashley River/Rakahuri.

North of the Ashley River/Rakahuri in the west, the Rangiora-Ashley Ward commences on the northern boundary at the Okuku River; thence across Mt Thomas to the Garry River at the boundary of mesh block 2438500 and to the confluence of the Ashley River/Rakahuri and the Garry River.

The eastern boundary to the north of the Ashley River/Rakahuri follows between MB 2440301 and 2440302 to the Lower Sefton Road, Beatties Road, Upper Sefton Road, Bairds Road and Rangiora Leithfield Road to the District boundary.

## What is a Community Board?

The Local Government Act (2002) states that a Community Board represents and advocates for the interests of its community. The Waimakariri District is currently divided into three Wards and four Community Boards, with the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board providing feedback, leadership, and support to residents within its community area.

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board was elected for the first time in the October 2010 Local Body elections. The Board comprises six elected members from the urban area and two elected members from the rural areas, plus four appointed Councillors of the Waimakariri District Council, giving it a total of 12 members.

The Community Board is not the Council, nor is it a committee of the Council. Instead, the Board works collectively with the Council to achieve community goals. The Board is also responsible for any areas delegated to it by the Council.

## How does the Community Board do this?

- Taking an overview of the Council's services and projects affecting the Ward area, including water supply, sewerage, stormwater drainage, parks, recreational facilities, roading and traffic management projects.
- Engaging with residents, community organisations, and groups in developing local solutions, keeping the public informed, and being visible and accessible.
- By encouraging community participation in Community Board and Council decision-making.
- Advocating to the Council on key issues and priorities for the community area, especially through the Annual and Long-Term planning and budgeting process.
- Granting of leases or licences on reserves.
- Working collaboratively with other Community Boards to promote an understanding of the work being done in the District as a whole.
- By maintaining positive working relationships with key Council staff and management.

**If you are a resident or part of a local community group who wishes to raise any concerns or issues, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Community Board for advice and help (see contact details provided on pages 10 and 11).**

# Performance Expectations 2022–2025

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board comprises of people who are passionate about the wellbeing of their community and believe in working together to bring positive change. The Board has therefore outlined the following expectations:

- Develop and promote the Community Board as a vehicle for residents to seek assistance and advocacy in accessing Council services and consultation processes.
- Develop positive working relationships with key Council staff and management. Develop closer links and relationships with key groups in the Rangiora-Ashley Ward area and significant District-wide organisations.
- Develop strategies for increased involvement with the community.
- Develop strategies for the Board to become a compelling, cohesive voice representing the community viewpoint at meetings and policy hearings.
- Actively participate in Council business and the annual budget process to ensure equitable spending across the District whilst being mindful of rates' affordability.
- Advocate for public transport that better serves both urban and rural communities.
- Advocate to ensure the Ward has attractive streetscapes that enhance the community's visual profile.
- Advocate in support of community initiatives that create safe, connected, and resilient communities.
- Advocate in support of after-hours medical care at the Rangiora Medical Centre to ensure the community's mental and physical health and wellbeing.
- Advocate for a New Zealand Police presence in the Rangiora Town Centre.



Rangiora Town Centre street landscaping



New Zealand Police

# What's happening now and looking forward?

There are several projects underway in the Rangiora-Ashley Ward area. This section outlines those projects.

## Millton Reserve

In 2021, the Board approved a master plan for developing the wider Millton Reserve. This plan included an arboretum, expansion to the dog park, an area for the future North Canterbury Model Railway Club, and the extension of the croquet lawns and public toilets.

The Board has worked with Council staff to implement the plan, and a large portion of it is now complete. Elements remaining include some pathways and the installation of a public toilet facility, both of which will be completed this year.

## Townsend Road Reserve

The Townsend Road Reserve in Townsend Fields, West Rangiora, is now one of the newest and most popular play spaces in the region. Check out the large double slide, swings, spinner, rockers, mound and flying fox. The sensory garden, in particular, is a special place that stimulates the senses and can be therapeutic. Parents and grandparents also enjoy watching their tamariki and mokopuna from comfortable seats and tables.



## Dudley Park

The Board is proud to support youth-led initiatives, including creating a more vibrant and safer environment for young people in Dudley Park. As a result, the Board supported the Waimakariri Youth Council's initiative to install a deck and mural near the Dudley Skate Park.

The Board is continuing to support this youth-led initiative as they work to implement each section of their approved development plan, with the focus now shifting to a mounded grassy seating area.

## Cenotaph Corner development

The Council acquired 70 and 74 High Street to enable the Cenotaph Corner road realignment to be undertaken as part of the Rangiora Town Centre Strategy's implementation works, which occurred a few years after the Canterbury Earthquakes.

The location of these properties provides a focal point for two main roads in Rangiora, which is considered of strategic significance in the context of the Rangiora Town Centre Strategy as they represent a crucial entry point to the town's central retail heart.

As such, the Board supports and looks forward to the successful divestment and development of this site, which will be in keeping with the town centre's unique character and quality commercial offerings.

## Loburn Domain

The Community Board has long supported the development of a War Memorial at the Loburn Domain and we are delighted to have seen that come to fruition. The local community can now gather for Anzac Day and similar services. Such occasions are significant in bringing local history to the fore.



**Loburn War Memorial**

This memorial has been constructed in the northern part of the Domain. Loburn School students provided the finishing touches with a planting day, and the memorial was opened officially in early March 2025. This is a quiet, commemorative space that acknowledges those who have fought for our country (including those on more recent peacekeeping missions) and, in particular, those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

**Southbrook Development Plan**

The Council is commencing a project to develop a plan for the future of Southbrook. This will be called the Southbrook Development Plan, and it will be a long-term strategic document that, once adopted by the Council, confirms a vision for Southbrook and a framework for growth, development, and change into the future. The plan will consider key challenges facing Southbrook now and into the future. Importantly, the plan will also identify opportunities for the areas and drivers for change.

The Board supports the development of the Southbrook Development Plan as it will ensure that growth and development in the Southbrook area is enabled and supported appropriately to meet the needs of our District and the wider region. It is important to ensure that the area is well-connected, has the right mix of activities and

level of amenities, fits with the local community, takes advantage of Southbrook’s special characteristics, and protects the environment.

Southbrook is already home to many large retail and industrial businesses, is a key employment centre for the Waimakariri District, and is recognised as a growth area for new and/or expanded industrial activities with the Greater Christchurch area.



**Southbrook Development Plan**

**Beautify town entrances**

The Board intends to use its General Landscaping Funds to improve and beautify the Kippenberger Avenue entrance to Rangiora.

Our town entrances provide a means of identifying and accessing our District towns for residents and visitors while presenting an opportunity for the Council to enhance our towns' attractiveness and welcome visitors to the region. The Board is, therefore, working closely with the Council on implementing the Town Entrances Strategy and Implementation Plan to ensure town entrances across the Ward undergo roading and aesthetics.



**Cust Town Entrance**

## Local roading projects

The Board is committed to all local roading projects within its Ward, actively promoting and supporting improvements.

### Waka Kotahi funding

The Board is concerned that Waka Kotahi chose not to fund all of the Council projects submitted through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP), leaving the Council and the community to find the extra funding required to maintain a safe roading network. The Board is also troubled that the Council had to cut capital and maintenance expenditures on roading projects.

### Hunnibel Lane and adjacent car parking

The Board has been actively involved with and named the new, well-designed public space and attractive environment in and around the newly opened Hunnibel Lane. The new laneway has created a pleasant pedestrian environment and provides a safe pedestrian connection to new off-street parking as an extension of the Blake Street carpark.



Hunnibel Lane

### Rangiora Eastern Link Road

The Board is aware of Rangiora's continued population growth and the need for arterial roads to enable development, growth, and efficient movement around the Waimakariri District.

The Council received \$500,000 in co-funding from the NZ Transport Agency to commence a business case and concept design for the Rangiora Eastern Link Road. These are expected to be finalised in 2025 and provide more clarity on the next steps.

The Board acknowledges that the Rangiora Eastern Link Road would assist in reducing congestion through Southbrook and provide an alternate link to State Highway One.

However, it believes that its development should only proceed once NZ Transport Agency funding is secured. In light of the continuous growth in traffic, the Board has also requested the Council to also prioritise the Townsend/Fernside/Flaxton route by:

- Completing the Townsend Road culvert
- Deal with the Townsend Road/Fernside Road corner
- Implementing road safety options at the Lineside Road crossing with Mulcocks and Bramley Roads
- Improve roading conditions on the Western route to Kaiapoi and the Eastern route via Woodend, including at the Boys Road and SH1 intersections.

### Skew Bridge replacement

The Board considers this bridge dangerous and well past its use-by date. It needs to be replaced with a wide bridge that aligns Skewbridge Road on either side. The Board supports the Council's requests to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport to co-fund the replacement of this bridge, which can be built while the existing bridge remains open, ensuring minimal disruption to the public.

The Board is aware that the Council has commissioned an economic analysis for a bridge replacement later this year. It hopes for a decent benefit/cost ratio, which will improve the likelihood of co-funding.

### Gravel roads

The Board has concerns about the state of rural shingle and gravel roads in the District and will continue to advocate that more provisions be made for road maintenance in the Council's 2025/26 Annual Plan.

### Shared pathways

The Board shares the Council's commitment to improving multi-modal transport options throughout the District. The intention is to provide safe and accessible facilities that encourage community participation.

The Board believes walking positively impacts people's mental and physical health and alertness. Thus, the Board is excited about extending new footpaths north along



East Belt between Rangiora High School and MainPower Oval in 2025, as well as the shared path west along Kippenberger Avenue from the Bellgrove subdivision.

However, multi-use paths are still badly lacking in the rural areas of the District. Therefore, the Board will actively advocate for the development of multi-use paths in new subdivisions in rural areas and near rural schools.

Allowing children to walk or cycle to school helps promote their independence and opens up their community for them to access. Although many urban school children have the option to walk to school, rural school children do not due to the lack of safe walkways and/or cycleways. The Board believes that it is essential that children grow up knowing that there are alternatives to just using cars.

### **Fernside Road/Todds Road intersection**

The Board looks forward to the addition of a new right-turn lane at the intersection of Fernside and Todds Roads later in 2025. The improved intersection will provide access to Sutton Tools, Rangiora Business Hub, and other new developments in this fast-growing part of town.

### **Town Hall Carpark extension**

The Board is pleased about additions to the parking supply around the town centre, including the extension of the Town Hall Carpark into the former Police station site.

### **School speed limits**

The Board is aware that the Council will implement slower speed limits around schools as mandated by the Central Government, and this is expected to be undertaken before the end of 2025. The Board supports the Council's efforts to ensure safety within school zones

## **Recycling**

The Board supports all interventions to reduce household, business, and school waste. Not only are the costs of collecting materials for landfills saved when material is recycled, but also the costs associated with landfills in the long run.

Recycling extends the life of current landfills. The Board, therefore, supports the Council's programme of quality assurance audits of kerbside recycling bins by EcoEducate.



The Board also supports the upgrade of Southbrook Resource Recovery Park to make recycling much easier and include more plastics and other recycling initiatives.

## **Rangiora Airfield upgrades**

The Board supports the upgrades to our busy and highly-regarded airfield, especially given that most of the work is required for compliance and safety reasons. In addition, this facility is essential to the town of Rangiora and the District

By encouraging the use of the airfield, the town will benefit economically and promote the area, enabling further commercial and recreational activity both in the town and at the airfield itself, providing employment opportunities for local people.



## Supporting local business

The Board will continue to support activities fostering business and employment in our Ward and wider District, including initiatives by economic development groups such as Enterprise North Canterbury and Rangiora Promotions. However, the Board is concerned about the challenges to funding for promotions in the current tight fiscal climate and will continue to advocate to the Council for sustainable economic development.

## Community health and safety

### Community safety

Unfortunately, there has been an increase in youth crime in and around the town centre as well as burglaries in the suburbs and this continues to escalate. The Board, therefore, believes that there should be a New Zealand Police presence in the Rangiora Town Centre.

The Board also supports local organisations committed to improving safety, including the Rangiora Volunteer Fire Brigade, the St John Ambulance services, North Canterbury Neighbourhood Support, and Rangiora Community Patrol. Any crimes should be reported immediately to the police.



Improving Safety

### Community health

The Board also supports the development of the new Rangiora Medical Centre. It shares the community's frustration over the lack of progress made on a promised after-hours medical centre in Rangiora. The Board will continue to advocate for more accessible health care in the Waimakariri District.

Scientific evidence suggests that youth vaping has become a social issue in New Zealand,

as a significant proportion of youth who have never smoked now vape regularly. The Board, therefore, believes that there is an urgent need to reduce youth appeal to vapes. Hence, it supports the regulation of the proximity of specialist vape retailers to schools and other youth-serving facilities (e.g. parks, sports facilities and playgrounds).

## Food security and sustainability

Food is an essential part of our daily lives and integral to New Zealand society. Having reliable access to affordable, nutritious, and safe food is fundamental to the health and wellbeing of the community.

Evidence suggests that increasing the local availability of food, especially fruit and vegetables, is a vital strategy to improve healthy eating and avoid chronic disease. Support for a local food source can also assist in building a more sustainable local economy and social support networks.

Urban food security is an increasingly urgent priority in the face of climate change, rising food prices and growing urban populations. The Community Board, therefore, supports community-driven initiatives to improve access to food, such as community gardens, food forests, farmers markets and garden-to-table school programmes.

A food forest aims to support a community's food security by providing local foraging opportunities and increasing community participation in growing food.



Food Security



Community gardens

The Board, therefore, requested the Council to actively support food security initiatives by providing initial funding through the establishment phase of suitable spaces for the location of Food Forests and community gardens in the Rangiora-Ashley Ward.

Once established, these gardens and forests will be community-driven, locally supported, and nurtured, bringing together people from all walks of life, all ages, and all skill levels, fostering a sense of purpose, sharing life skills, and providing the community with much-needed food relief in the local district.

### Board submissions

The Board presented detailed submissions on Environment Canterbury and the Council's Long Term, Annual, and Proposed District Plans.

### Discretionary grants

The Board will continue to support a wide range of local community groups through the Board's easily-accessible discretionary funding grants. Recipients have consistently expressed their gratitude to have this support that may not otherwise have been available to them from other sources.

### Youth development grant

The Board believes that Waimakariri's future should be guided by those who will inherit it. Our youth should have a significant voice in the decisions we make today that will impact their future. Therefore, the Board will continue to support the Waimakariri Youth Council and the Youth Development Grant, which is aimed at young people aged between 12 and 24 living in the District.









Rangiora Ashley Community Board in Victoria Park

## Rangiora-Ashley Community Board members

Member and contact details	Other responsibilities
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 <p><b>Cr Jason Goldsworthy</b>  <b>Mobile:</b> 027 232 2726  <b>Email:</b> jason.goldsworthy@wmk.govt.nz</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rangiora Promotions Management Board</li> <li>• Waimakariri Youth Council</li> <li>• Waimakariri Age-Friendly Advisory Group.</li> <li>• Waimakariri Walking and Cycling Reference Group</li> <li>• Central Rural Drainage Advisory Group</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Cr Joan Ward</b>  <b>Mobile:</b> 021 221 7021  <b>Email:</b> joan.ward@wmk.govt.nz</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southbrook Road Improvements Working Group</li> <li>• Southbrook Road Reference Group</li> <li>• Rangiora Airfield Advisory Group</li> <li>• North Canterbury Sport and Recreation Trust</li> <li>• Canterbury Museum Standing Committee</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Cr Paul Williams</b>  <b>Mobile:</b> 021 022 21364  <b>Email:</b> paul.williams@wmk.govt.nz</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Licensing Commissioner</li> <li>• Property Portfolio Working Group</li> <li>• Rangiora Airfield Advisory Group</li> <li>• Hurunui District Council – Ashley Rural Water Scheme Management Committee</li> </ul>

# Rangiora-Ashley Community Board Discretionary Grant

**Each financial year (July to June), the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board is allocated funds to distribute, by application, to community-based organisations within their Ward area.**

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board has \$14,200 available for grants to non-profit organisations in the 2024/25 financial year.

**Applications will only be accepted from non-profit community-based organisations, registered charities, or incorporated societies.**

Grant funding is limited to projects within the Board area or primarily benefiting the residents of the Rangiora-Ashley Ward.

The application should clearly state the purpose for which the money will be used.

Grants are generally limited to \$1,000 in any financial year (July to June), but a group can apply twice a year, providing it is for different projects. The Board will consider granting more than \$1,000 in exceptional circumstances provided that detailed reasons for exceeding the present limit are provided.

The application should include relevant financial information to prove the organisation can deliver the project on any application if deemed necessary.

Where possible or feasible, applicants must declare other sources from which funding has been applied for, or granted from, for the project being applied to the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board, including information on applications to other Community Boards.

Organisations predominately funded by the Central Government must provide supporting evidence that the requested grant will not be spent on projects that should be financed by the Central Government.

Grant applications will be considered at each meeting by the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board.

An Accountability Form must be provided to the Council within 20 working days after the event, completion of the project or when the funds were spent outlining how the funds were applied.

Examples of what is not funded are available on the application documents.

In the event that funds are not spent on the project or activity applied for within 12 months of the date of the event/project, the recipient will be required to return the grant funding to the Council.

## Application process

Application forms can be collected at any of the Council's Service Centres.

Alternatively, an application form can be printed, downloaded, or completed online from the Council's website at [waimakariri.govt.nz/council/funding-and-grants/board-grants-and-funding](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/council/funding-and-grants/board-grants-and-funding)

The completed application should be posted to:

Governance Team  
C/- Waimakariri District Council,  
Private Bag 1005 Rangiora 7440

or emailed to: [com.board@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:com.board@wmk.govt.nz)

or dropped into your local Council Service Centre.

## Process by Governance Team

Once the application has been received, the Governance Team will assess the application, write a report and present it to the following Community Board meeting for a decision.

The Governance Team will notify you following the meeting of the Board's decision.

For example, the following grants have been made by the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board in the 2024/25 financial year:

Group	Project	Amount
Waimakariri United Football Club	Towards Bibs for in-house teams	\$600
North Canterbury Federation of Women's Institute	Towards hosting a Craft Day	\$110
The Salvation Army Just Brass Band	Towards providing free music lessons	\$500
Cust/West Eyreton Playcentre	Towards restocking their first aid kit	\$205
Saracens Rugby Club	Towards sending teams to the Global Games Festival	\$250
Southbrook School 150th Jubilee Committee	Towards the purchase of a memorial bench	\$750
North Canterbury Inclusive Sports Festival	Towards hosting the festival at MainPower Stadium	\$250
North Loburn Home and School Committee	Towards seeds, compost for their Garden to Table Programme	\$750
North Canterbury BMX Club Inc	Towards installing asphalt at the Rangiora BMX track	\$1,000



Saracens Rugby Club



Southbrook School 150th Jubilee memorial bench



North Canterbury Inclusive Sports



Asphalting at the Rangiora BMX track

# Board's General Landscaping Budget

Each financial year (July to June), the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board is allocated a discretionary sum that the Board may allocate towards landscape projects which enhance and beautify the community. Community Boards often identify community landscaping enhancement projects for which this budget can be used. Equally, local community members often suggest minor landscaping improvements, such as additional seating, paving, signage, or something similar.

The 2024/25 General Landscaping Budget as of 1 July 2024 was \$42,970, and an unspent amount of \$28,656 was carried forward from the 2023/24 financial year, thereby bringing the total of the 2024/25 Landscape Budget to \$71,626. Note that budgets are estimated, and any underspending will be used to mitigate any overspending on other projects.

The Board's current projects are highlighted below:

Group/Project	Status	Amount
Kippenberger Avenue Town Entrance	In progress	\$53,850



Kippenberger Avenue



**Major General Sir Howard Kippenberger (1897-1957)** An inspiring military leader who became a symbol of New Zealand achievement, as well as the pain and cost of New Zealand's war involvement.



# Waimakariri Youth Development Grant

## Purpose of the grant

In 2018, the Waimakariri Community Boards established the Waimakariri Youth Development Grant to support one or more young people seeking:

- To enhance young people's skills and strengths, especially self-worth, decision-making, good relationships, resilience, positive mental health, life skills, and leadership
- To provide opportunities for young people to connect positively with their community in meaningful, practical ways
- To help and benefit others.

## General overview

The grant is available to young people in the Waimakariri District aged between 12 and 24 at the time of application.

An annual grant of up to \$4,000 is available for allocation to suitable applicants in any one year. The Youth Development Grant Committee may award more than one grant up to a combined maximum of \$4,000 in a financial year (1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024).

## Application process

Applications must be fully completed and supported by two references. For example, teachers, school principals, employers, faith

leaders, iwi or hapu representatives, youth workers or community group leaders. One reference may be permitted from a member of the applicant's wider family.

The next round of applications will be opening in September 2024. Information will be available on the Council website at [waimakariri.govt.nz/community/funding-and-grants/youth-development-grant](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/community/funding-and-grants/youth-development-grant)

## Selection process

The Youth Development Grant Committee includes the four Community Board Chairpersons and an appointee of the Waimakariri Youth Council.

Short-listed applicants will be expected to present their application to the Committee in person, with their support person, and to answer any questions that the Committee may have. Applicants will be expected to provide an overview of their proposed project/activity to the Committee, and they may choose how to do this.

The Council staff will work with the successful applicant to formalise an agreement on how the grant will be paid to them. This is important as the Committee needs to be sure that the funding is spent on the project/activities the applicant has told them about and also to provide additional guidance to our youth.



Rangiora Youth

**Previous grants included:**

Group	Project	Amount
Waimakariri Student Volunteer Army	Towards the costs of purchasing high visibility vests, work gloves, a first aid kit and spades to do volunteer work within the community.	\$1,733
J Reyello, L Price and E Stokes	Towards attending the 2020 24-7 YouthWork National Training held in Wellington.	\$2,000
Abby Fraser	Towards establishing a weekly Breakfast Club for young people attending Rangiora High School without breakfast.	\$4,000
Lee Pockson	Towards hosting Theatresport workshops for young people.	\$1,000
Ruby Wilson	Towards hosting two Leadership Breakfasts for young leaders in the Waimakariri District.	\$3,000
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**Emerging Leaders breakfast organised by Waimakariri Youth Council**

# Where and When are Meetings Held?

Meetings are usually held on the second Wednesday of the month, in the Council Chamber, Rangiora Service Centre, 215 High Street, Rangiora, commencing at 7pm.

The Rangiora-Ashley Community Board fully supports the many local community groups across our ward that do so much to ensure the needs and aspirations of our communities are met.

Members of the public, groups and organisations can bring matters to the attention of the Community Board by bringing a deputation to a Board meeting.

Deputations can be arranged by contacting the Governance Team and will be approved by the Chairperson.

Residents are also always welcome to contact Community Board members directly to discuss Council and community related matters.

## Agendas are available

At Council Service Centres and on the Council website two working days before a meeting:

[waimakariri.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/minutes-and-agendas](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/your-council/meetings/minutes-and-agendas)

## Governance Team contact details

☎ 0800 965 468

✉ [com.board@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:com.board@wmk.govt.nz)

📍 215 High Street, Private Bag 1005, Rangiora 7440



**Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meetings are open to the public and the following meetings have been scheduled for 2025:**

Wednesday 12 February 2025

Wednesday 12 March 2025

Wednesday 9 April 2025

Wednesday 14 May 2025

Wednesday 11 June 2025

Wednesday 9 July 2025

Wednesday 13 August 2025

Wednesday 10 September 2025

**Note:** As 2025 is an election year the last meeting of the current triannual will be held in September 2025.

**The Governance Team can be contacted for assistance with:**

- Arranging deputations
- Accessing Discretionary Grant funding
- Accessing Youth Development funding
- Access to Community Board documentation.

# Interested in Being a Candidate in This Year's Local Body Elections?

**We are searching for leaders to shape our communities and be part of local district and community decision-making.**

Elections will be held on 11 October 2025 to elect:

- a. the Mayor
- b. Councillors as follows:
  - Kaiapoi-Woodend Ward: four (4) Councillors
  - Oxford-Ohoka Ward: two (2) Councillors
  - Rangiora-Ashley Ward: four (4) Councillors.
- c. Five (5) members for the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board.
- d. Five (5) members of the Woodend-Sefton Community Board.
- e. Six (6) members of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board on the following basis:
  - Three (3) members by electors in the Ohoka-Swannanoa subdivision
  - Three (3) members by electors in the Oxford subdivision.
- f. Election of eight (8) members of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board on the following basis:
  - Two (2) members by electors in the Ashley subdivision
  - Six (6) members by electors in the Rangiora subdivision.

## Candidate eligibility

**A candidate for local authority elections must be:**

- a. Enrolled on a parliamentary electoral roll somewhere in New Zealand; and
- b. A New Zealand citizen (either by birth or naturalisation ceremony).

**Restrictions on candidates for local authority elections:**

- a. candidate may not seek nomination for more than one ward of Council.
- b. A candidate may seek nomination for Mayor and/or Council and/or a Community Board but may not also seek nomination for Canterbury Regional Council.
- c. A candidate may seek nomination for Mayor and/or a Ward of the Council and/or a Community Board, but in the event that they are elected:
  - as Mayor and a Ward Councillor then they must be treated as having vacated the ward office
  - as a Ward Councillor and a Community Board member then they must be treated as having vacated the Community Board office.
- d. A candidate cannot be a person concerned or interested in contracts over \$25,000 with the territorial local authority. This restriction is waived if prior approval from the Office of the Auditor-General is obtained.
- e. An employee of a local authority who is elected as Mayor or Councillor must resign from their position as an employee of the local authority before taking up their elected position. This provision does not apply if an employee of a territorial authority is elected to a Community Board within the district of that territorial authority.
- f. Evidence of NZ citizenship will be requested at the time of candidate nomination.

## Nominations

Nominations open on 1 July 2025 and close at 12 noon on 1 August 2025.

Each candidate must be nominated on the official nomination paper which is available during normal office hours from:

- all Council Service Centres
- by calling the Waimakariri District Council on 0800 965 468
- the Council's website [waimakariri.govt.nz](http://waimakariri.govt.nz)
- contacting [elections@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:elections@wmk.govt.nz)

If you have any questions please contact the Deputy Electoral Officer at [elections@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:elections@wmk.govt.nz).



# Council Facilities and Contact Details



## Service Centres

[waimakiriri.govt.nz](http://waimakiriri.govt.nz)

### Rangiora Service Centre

215 High Street, Rangiora

☎ 0800 965 468

✉ [office@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:office@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 8.30am–5pm

### Ruataniwha Kaiapoi Civic Centre

176 Williams Street, Kaiapoi

☎ 03 375 5009

✉ [kaiapoi@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:kaiapoi@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 9am–5pm

### Oxford Service Centre

34 Main Street, Oxford

☎ 03 311 9005

✉ [oxford@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:oxford@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 9am–5pm

Saturday: 10am–12 noon

(Limited services on Saturday)

## Community Centres

#### Online booking:

[waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/halls-and-meeting-venues](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/halls-and-meeting-venues)

### Woodend Community Centre

6 School Road, Woodend

### Pegasus Community Centre

Cnr Pegasus Main Street and Tahuna Street, Pegasus



## Libraries

[waimakaririlibraries.com](http://waimakaririlibraries.com)

### Rangiora Library

Trevor Inch Memorial Library

141 Percival Street, Rangiora

☎ 03 311 8901

✉ [library@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:library@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Thursday: 9am–5pm

Friday: 9am–7pm

Saturday: 10am–2pm

Sunday: 1–4pm

### Kaiapoi Library

176 Williams Street, Kaiapoi

☎ 03 375 5009

✉ [library@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:library@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Wednesday and Friday: 9am–5pm

Thursday: 9am–7pm

Saturday: 10am–2pm

Sunday: 1–4pm

### Oxford Library

34 Main Street, Oxford

☎ 03 311 9006

✉ [library@wmk.govt.nz](mailto:library@wmk.govt.nz)

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 9am–5pm

Saturday: 10am–12 noon

If you are new to the District you may like to visit our website which provides information on a number of Council services:

[waimakariri.govt.nz/community/new-to-the-District](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/community/new-to-the-District)



## Aquatic Centres

[waimakariri.govt.nz/aquatic-facility](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/aquatic-facility)

### Dudley Park Aquatic Centre

47 Church Street, Rangiora

☎ 03 311 8905

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 6am–9pm

Saturday and Sunday: 7.30am–7pm

Public Holidays: 10am–7pm

Christmas Day: Closed

### Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre

9 Cass Street, Kaiapoi

☎ 03 375 5041

#### Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 6am–3.30pm and 6–9pm

Saturday and Sunday: 7.30am–7pm

Public Holidays: 10am–7pm

Christmas Day: Closed

### Oxford Community Aquatic Centre

9 Burnett Street, Oxford

☎ 03 311 8921

#### Opening hours

Summer only from late November

Monday to Friday: 8.30am–6.30pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10am–7pm

Public Holidays: 10am–7pm

Christmas Day: Closed

## Transfer Stations

### Southbrook Resource Recovery Park

284 Flaxton Road, Rangiora

☎ 03 313 5499

**Resale Store:** 03 313 5798

#### Opening hours

Monday to Sunday: 8.30am–4.30pm

Public Holidays: Closed



### Oxford Transfer Station

46 High Street, Oxford

#### Opening hours

Friday: 12.30pm–4.30pm

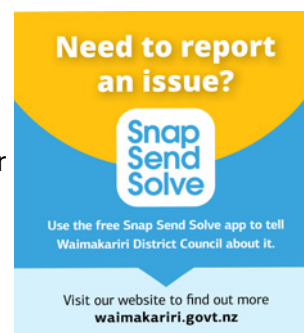
Sunday: 12 noon–4.30pm

Public Holidays: Closed

## Snap Send Solve

You can report an issue instantly from your mobile if you spot something like a damaged footpath, litter or pothole.

Report an issue via [waimakariri.govt.nz/snapsendsolve.com](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/snapsendsolve.com)



## Request a Service

The following service requests can be lodged online with the Council. The location of the request is required.

Please contact Council directly on 0800 965 468 regarding urgent requests such as excessive noise, flooding or public toilet issues.

#### Online Service requests

- Cemeteries
- Dog complaints
- Drains
- Footpaths
- Litter/rubbish
- Parks
- Public water supplies
- Roads and streets
- Rubbish/recycling collections
- Sewer
- Signs
- Trees
- Vandalism/graffiti
- Water races

Go to [waimakariri.govt.nz/services/online-services](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/services/online-services)

The Council has a number of other facilities and venues which can be found on the websites as provided below:

#### Halls and Meeting Venues:

[waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/halls-and-meeting-venues](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/halls-and-meeting-venues)

**Sports Grounds:** [waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/sports-grounds](http://waimakariri.govt.nz/leisure-and-recreation/facilities/sports-grounds)



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