

Jayden Cromb

Kia ora koutou, I am pleased to be back for a second term on the Vincent Community Board, and I look forward to continuing to serve as your Chair.

I spent the first part of my life in Alexandra and Clyde, and then in Ranfurly, I happily returned home ten years ago with my wife and children.

As well as my current role on the VCB, I am in my second term as the Presiding Member (Chair) of The Terrace School Board. I have also been actively involved in the governance of a number of key local and national organisations, including the Alexandra and Districts Youth Trust, the Alexandra Council of Social Services, and Community Networks Aotearoa. There is a considerable amount of change happening in the local government space, on top of last terms rate restructure and delegation changes. Despite this, I am confident that the Vincent Community Board remains a vital part in the CODC governance system as the essential advocate and voice for our communities, from Clyde to St Bathans.

This term will be busy as we work to balance the needs and wants of our communities with the need to deal with core infrastructure, while trying to keep rate costs down. I am committed to finding that balance by collaborating creatively with our community groups, not-for-profits, and businesses, and, when necessary, making the tough but fair recommendations to Council.

I am excited to see what we can do as a team in partnership with all of you as we continue moving into the future.