

# Next Generation Building Project East Taieri Church 2026



**"Build houses and settle down...Increase in number there; do not decrease...For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."**

**(Jeremiah 29:5,6,11)**

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

TYPICAL ELEVATION OF TRUSS

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# Why we need new mission facilities

## **Our vision is to Know God, Grow in Christ and Go in the Spirit**

While our vision includes upgrading FUEL in Fairfield—adding a new kitchen and toilet block funded by the sale of the Fairfield Manse—this brochure focuses on the East Taieri site.

Current church facilities on the East Taieri site restrict our worship. People are stuck in uncomfortable pews. Families with young children are not well catered for. If children need to be taken out of the church they must either go outside in the weather, or walk out the front in view of everyone. The church foyer is cold and unsuitable as a welcoming space. Lighting and sound is difficult to control for performance events, and the view of the stage and projection screens is restricted in some areas. High ceilings, large windows and no insulation make the church cold and expensive to heat.

We are outgrowing our existing church during many Sunday services, large funerals and other events.

Hospitality is a big part of who we are, yet our hospitality team tell us our kitchen facilities cannot cater for large groups of people. Queues at the toilets reveal they also cannot cope with larger numbers.

Our historic church has a leaking roof and the building needs significant maintenance to ensure that it is usable for the future.

# The process so far...

East Taieri Church has always sought to improve facilities to resource mission. In 1991 the Fellowship Centre was added with some offices and the current kitchen and toilets. Then in 1999 stage 2 of that development opened Oak Lounge, further offices and the foyer.

Over the years since, various teams have considered the next step in Mission Facilities, consulting, researching, thinking and praying. . It was acknowledged that something needs to happen in this place or we won't exist as a church for the next generation.

The Fairfield Manse was no longer needed to house a minister, so the property was subdivided off from the Fairfield Church and sold. The net profit of \$425,000 has been spent (or will be spent) on upgrades to the church building in Fairfield (roof, kitchen, toilets) and on professional services relating to the new mission facilities at East Taieri.

The East Taieri Manse is in the process of being sold.

The old church at Ocean View has been sold. The net profit will be available for new building work.

# The process so far...

In June 2025 Elders approved the recommendation put forward by the Mission Facilities Group to progress as follows:

- Investigate the existing Church roof structure to gain better information for the Detailed Design documentation.
- Completion of the Detailed Design documentation for all of Stage 1.
- Isolation of the Historic Church building roof replacement as Stage 1a tender package.
- Submission of the Resource Consent application for the building work to be undertaken to the Historic Church building.
- Submission of the Stage 1 Building Consent application for all of the Stage 1 work.
- Establishment of a project fund raising team.

Following approval of this recommendation by Elders, the project was submitted to Synod for approval which was granted in February 2026.

We are now waiting on finalised design documentation suitable for the building consent application and pricing.

# Our Vision for the East Taieri site

**Imagine if...** people could arrive at church and walk into a spacious, open, warm, friendly foyer, where they could catch up with friends and greet new people, even enjoying a cup of coffee, before going into church. Such a foyer would be accessible for wheelchairs and those with disabilities.

**Imagine if...** our amazing catering team could cook for 150 people without tears of frustration, and we had an attractive modern café space. We would be communicating that this church is going places and is not stuck in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.

**Imagine if...** we had family friendly toilets, adequate for large numbers of people, where either mums or dads are able to change a baby and assist their children.

**Imagine if ...** we could have creative worship options with comfortable, flexible seating and good control of lighting, sound, heating and technology.

**Imagine if ...** the worship space was large enough to seat everyone who turns up for big events.

**Imagine if ...** the heritage church could be worked on so we have safe, warm facilities fit for purpose for 21<sup>st</sup> Century mission.

**Imagine if...** community groups and ministry groups could use Oak Lounge and Fellowship Centre without people walking through to access other parts of the building.

# Our vision continued...

## **Overall Project Scope:**

- Repairs and maintenance to the original Church Building as identified in the Origin Consultants building condition and maintenance survey, which largely relates to the roof replacement and replacement of rotten structural members.
- Removal of the existing pews and levelling the floor.
- Redevelopment of the Kitchen and Ablution areas.
- Redevelopment of the existing office and toilet spaces into Youth café and storage space.
- Modifications and extensions to Oak Hall and associated office spaces.
- Redevelopment of existing entry foyer.

The project has been planned to be staged and phased to help mitigate the risk associated with discovery of unexpected or unforeseen issues.

The staging and phasing are summarised as follows:

## **Stage 1:**

- All work associated with the historic church repairs and maintenance as identified in the Origin building condition and maintenance survey.
- Removal of pews in the historic church and levelling the floor to create a more flexible worship space.
- Redevelopment of the Kitchen and Ablution areas.

# Our vision continued...

## Stage 2:

- Redevelopment of existing office and toilet spaces into Youth café and storage space.
- Modifications and extensions to Oak Hall and associated office spaces.
- Redevelopment of existing entry foyer.

## Phasing of Stage 1:

Stage 1 is planned to be further broken down into the following phases:

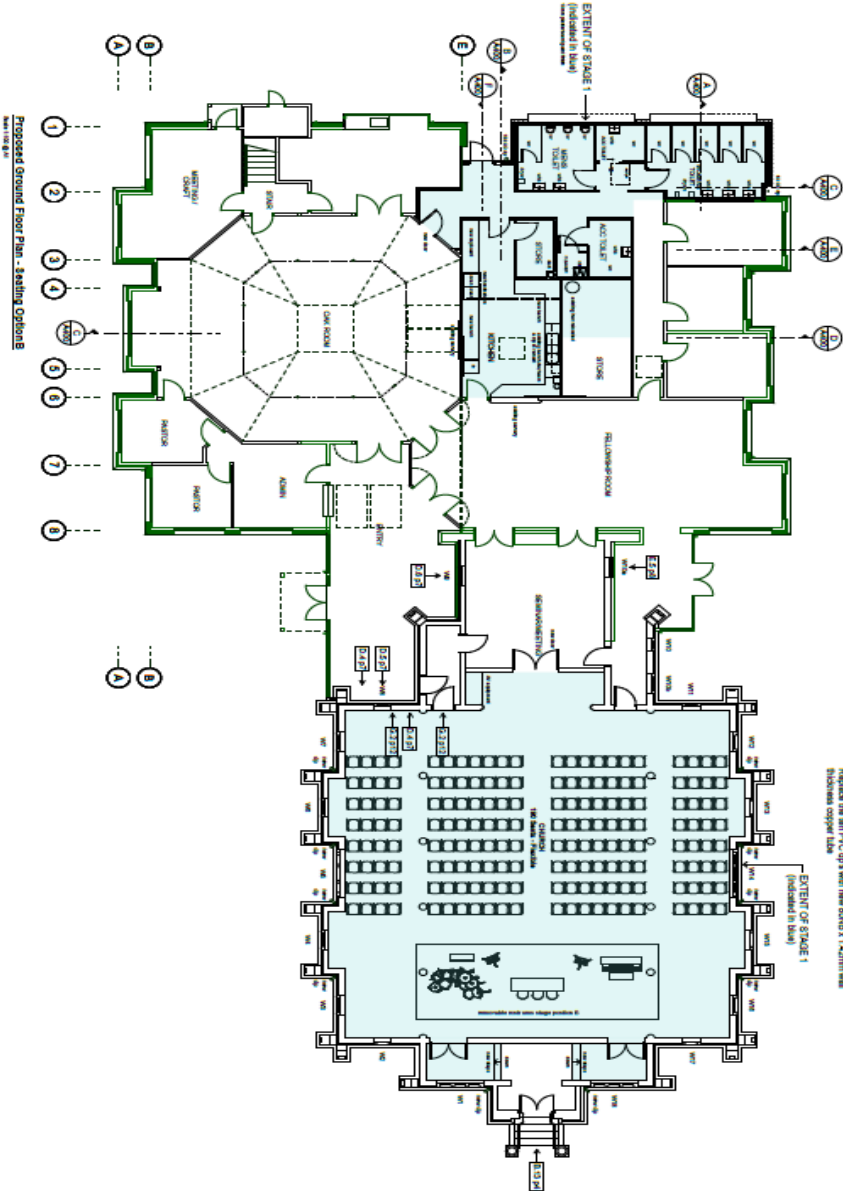
- Phase 1: Roof replacement and maintenance of the Historic Church building.
- Phase 2: Pew removal and floor replacement of the Historic Church building.
- Phase 3: Extensions and alterations to the ablutions block and kitchen extension.

## Estimated Costs:

The estimated cost for the project are summarised as follows:

Stage 1, Phase 1		\$1.4M + GST
Remainder of Stage 1		\$2.5M + GST
<b>Stage 1 Total:</b>		<b>\$3.9M + GST</b>
Stage 2	Circa	\$800K + GST

# Floor Plan



**East Talert Presbyterian Church**  
 Proposed Ground Floor Plan - Seating Option B  
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# Fundraising Plan:

## Proposed Funding Strategy

### Overall Target

The overall funding target for the building project is **\$4 million**. Given the scale and duration of the project, the strategy is deliberately **diversified and staged**, reducing risk and ensuring sustainable cashflow across multiple years.

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## Four Funding Cornerstones

### 1. Sale of the Manse

#### Estimated contribution: \$1 million

- The sale of the Manse provides the **single largest upfront cash injection** into the project.
- This capital forms a foundational component of the funding model, signalling strong internal commitment to the project.
- The proceeds can be applied early to enable:
  - ◆ Initial build stages to commence
  - ◆ Improved cashflow certainty
  - ◆ Stronger positioning for external grant applications

This cornerstone is critical in demonstrating to funders and grant bodies that the church is **materially invested** in the project's success.

# Fundraising Plan (continued):

## 2. Grants

### Targeted, staged, and applied for annually

Grants will be pursued as a **core funding stream**, aligned carefully to the project's staged build approach.

Key principles:

- Grants will be **targeted to specific stages or components** of the build rather than the project as a whole.
- Applications will be made **year by year**, allowing flexibility as the project progresses.
- Many grant bodies prefer to see that approximately **one third of the total project funding is already secured**, which is supported by:
  - ◆ Manse sale proceeds
  - ◆ Fundraising results
  - ◆ Confirmed pledges and donations

This approach:

- Increases credibility with funders
- Avoids over reliance on any single grant body
- Allows renewed applications over multiple cycles as the build advances

# Fundraising Plan (continued):

## 3. Fundraising

### Quarterly events with community engagement

Fundraising is designed to be **regular, visible, and outward facing**, supplementing grants and donations.

Core elements:

- **Quarterly fundraising events**, planned across the year
  - A mixture of:
    - ◆ Church based events
    - ◆ Community engaged initiatives
    - ◆ One off larger events (e.g. exhibitions, auctions)
  - Leveraging:
    - ◆ Skills and networks within the congregation
    - ◆ Wider community, business, and civic connections

Fundraising serves multiple purposes:

- Generates direct funding
- Builds public visibility and goodwill
- Demonstrates active community support, which strengthens grant applications

Importantly, the intention is to ensure fundraising is **shared, sustainable, and not burdensome**, rather than relying on a small group of volunteers.

# Fundraising Plan (continued):

## 4. Donations & Pledges

### **Generosity, commitment, and cashflow certainty**

Donations and pledges form the **relational foundation** of the funding strategy.

Benefits include:

- Providing **predictable cashflow**, particularly through pledged giving spread over time
- Demonstrating strong **congregational buy in**
- Offering tangible evidence of support when applying for grants

Pledges are not only about raising funds; they:

- Signal confidence in the project
- Help funders trust the project's viability
- Allow realistic staging and scheduling of build phases

Clear communication and transparency around how funds are used will be essential to maintaining trust over the life of the project.

### **Stage by Stage Delivery Model**

A staged funding and build approach enables:

- **Manageable cashflow**, reducing pressure at any single point in time
- **Multiple grant applications** across different years and stages

# Fundraising Plan (continued):

- **Reduced funding risk** by avoiding dependence on one income source or funding cycle

This model acknowledges the reality that the project will unfold over several years and is designed to remain **flexible, resilient, and responsive** as opportunities arise.

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## Summary

The proposed strategy balances **capital, external funding, community engagement, and generosity**, providing a strong and realistic pathway to achieving the \$4 million target while maintaining clarity, discipline, and alignment with the project's long term objectives.

# How you can be involved...

## **You can pray...**

- Please pray that God's plan will be revealed
- Pray for God's mission to prosper
- Pray for resources to be released for this project

## **You can join a team...**

The Building Team would love to welcome people with practical ideas for the next phase

The Fundraising Team would love to welcome people with creative ideas to raise money

## **You can give...**

***Imagine if ...***everyone gave a generous response to what God has given us.

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor 9:7*

## **You could set up regular direct debits into the building project account.**

Account Name: East Taieri Church

Account Number: 02 0938 0018236 097

Reference: Building Fund

Contact [accounts@etchurch.co.nz](mailto:accounts@etchurch.co.nz) for more information

# How you can be involved...

## **You could arrange to set up a bequest**

You can continue to play a part in this through your will or by a legacy or bequest. It is easy to arrange, and can cost you nothing. When you make your Will simply talk to your solicitor or legal advisor. If you have a current Will all you need do is add a codicil to your Will. In doing so you are making a donation to East Taieri Church which will live on long after you have died.

The following is provided for your solicitor, Trustee Company or the Public Trustee:

I give (\$\_\_\_\_\_ ) to the EAST TAIERI CHURCH, 12a Cemetery Rd, Mosgiel, New Zealand 9024, for the building fund, and I DECLARE that the receipt of the secretary, treasurer or other proper officer of the nominated beneficiary will be a full discharge for my trustees who will not be bound to see its application.

# Giving

## Next Generation Project Pledge Form

The booklet you have received describes our building project and our fundraising plans. That fundraising includes our response as a church.

We simply ask that you ask God to speak to you. Ask Him how He wants you to respond. Then trust Him.

Situations change. None of us can be certain about the future. Your pledge indicates your aspiration, but it is not binding. Please just do what you believe God is asking you to do.

### **Three ways of responding**

This QR code will take you to an online form.



Or go to <https://etchurch.co.nz/building-project/>

Or, use this form. Remove the page from your booklet, cut off the section at the bottom to keep as your own record of your pledge. For anonymity, fold the form before putting it in the offering box or handing it in to the office.

**N.B. All donations are tax deductible and will be treated the same way as you normal giving, maintaining your anonymity.**

# Giving

## Giving Options

I pledge to give a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. I would like to be able to give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each \_\_\_\_\_ (week, month, year, whatever)
2. I anticipate giving a lump sum at \_\_\_\_\_ (approximate date)
3. I will give a bequest (see the information in the booklet).
4. I will give occasional gifts as I am able.

## How to give

1. Cash in the offering box. (Please make sure it is labelled for the building fund, and if you want a tax receipt, include your name.)
2. Direct payments from your bank account.
3. Handed into the office.

Your name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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## My record of my pledge to the East Taieri Building Fund

On \_\_\_\_\_ (date) I pledged to give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in the following way

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