East Taieri Church

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ANNUAL REPORT 2026

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NOTICE OF AGM

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2026 • 12.15PM

In Oak Lounge at East Taieri Church

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

If you have anything you would like to add to "General Business" please contact Lyndon lyndon.chris.85@gmail.com

Prior to the AGM there will be a Celebration Lunch provided by the staff at 11.30am

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SENIOR PASTOR REPORT

From Peter

WELCOME

Welcome to the reports for our Annual General Meeting. This is the time we reflect on the past and plan for the future. We really encourage everyone to be involved.

OVERVIEW OF CORE MINISTRIES

Over the past year we have established some teams that will oversee core ministries, meaning a major segment of church life. We feel positive about having people focused on a particular core ministry, learning, and dreaming about how to enhance it, and giving leadership.

TEAM STATUS SUMMARY

The table beside shows the core ministries and the people who are leading them. We did not plan to have everything up and running straight away but we do have 9 of the 13 teams. These leaders have been asked to get things started and look for ongoing leadership. Prayer and Fairfield/Fuel already have teams in place. The leaders of the other Core Ministry Teams are seeking to build teams now.

Worship	Gareth Bruce & Tim Jones
Discipleship	Peter Cheyne
Fellowship	Nick Muirhead
Community Ministries	no team yet
Evangelism	Annie Yohannan
Resourcing Mission	Leeanne McKinlay
Prayer	Paul & Mary Reet
Hospitality	Mary Reet
Leadership	Peter Cheyne
Children & Families	no leader but Gareth continuing to give oversight
Youth	no leader but Gareth continuing to give oversight
Seniors	Elaine Scurr
Fairfield/Fuel	Gareth Bruce

FUTURE DIRECTION

It is very early days for them but this year we have reports from those CMT leaders. There is a 1-page summary in these reports but the fuller reports are available at etchurch.co.nz

INVITATION

If you are interested in any one of these areas, the leaders would probably love to hear from you. We are looking for people who are passionate about a ministry, willing to work as part of a team, learn, and serve others so that our church flourishes in that ministry area.

BRANCH MINISTRIES

Within each core ministry there are multiple groups and teams ("branch ministries"). There is a list of them elsewhere in these reports. It is a reminder of how much is happening and how many people serve faithfully. Thank you to everybody who is involved.

MOVING FORWARD - PRIORITIES

Getting those teams established and functioning.

Adding more teams.

All teams part of the annual planning cycle (see the Leadership report).

CLOSING ENCOURAGEMENT

Please keep praying for our church. We want to be faithful and fruitful.

God bless you, Peter

GROUPS and MINISTRIES within each Core Ministry

➤ indicates a ministry provided by Saddle Hill Foundation Trust (SHFT)

Worship

10am:

- Service leaders
- Music teams
- Tech team

Specials

- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- Maundy Thursday
- Good Friday
- Partner organisations incl. missionaries
- Worship Nights

Youth/Young Adults:

Night Church

Seniors

2pm service

- Service leaders
- Choir
- Flowers
- Pianists

Rest home services

Discipleship

Life Groups:

- B Group
- Care & Share
- Hackfath's LG
- John Cleland's LG
- Tuesday BS LG
- Rob Simpson's LG
- Shanks' LG
- Claudia Bekker's LG
- Shining Light
- Young Adults' LG
- The Well
- Jones' LG

Library
Study Materials
Explorers
Pathways

Children & Families

Intermediate Group
Kids Church
Vible

Fairfield/Fuel

Life Groups

- Fuel Women's Group
- Barnabas Group

Fellowship

Pastoral Care Team
Pastoral Care visitors
ET Cares – meals
10am Coffee ministry
10am Morning tea
Kai On the Coast
Lunch at Our Place
Testimony Breakfasts

Connect Groups

- Blackstone Coffee
- Blend Coffee
- Wooden Table Coffee
- Connect Group G
- Mission Fellowship
- Jedi Knights
- C Group

Youth

Night Church Meal

Seniors

2pm Afternoon Tea

Fairfield

Fuel Breakfast
Pastoral Care

GROUPS and MINISTRIES within each Core Ministry

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Community Ministry

Turning Point Counselling
Weddings
Funerals
Painting Group
➤ Community Carnival
➤ Shop n Taieri

Children & Families
- Little Groovers
- Mainly Music
- Sugar & Spice
- Launch pad
- Marriage Prep Course
- Marriage Course

Youth
➤ Ground Zero
➤ Summit
➤ Challenge
➤ Youth Group
➤ What About God?
➤ Connect For
➤ Chaplaincy
➤ Easter Camp leaders
➤ Hub Bash

Seniors
➤ Mid-winter lunch
- Retirement Village services

Fairfield/Fuel
- Mainly Music

Evangelism

Alpha
Christmas Outreach
Global Missions

Leadership

Elders
Staff
Leader recruitment
Leadership development
Youth Night Church leaders
Fairfield/Fuel
Fuel Leadership Team

Hospitality
- Catering Team
- Newcomers' Team
- Newcomers' Lunch

Prayer
- Prayer Ministry Team
- Prayer Chain
- Training
- Prayer Retreats
- Prayer Breakfast

Resourcing Mission

Reception
Communications
- Website
- Social media

Buildings & Equipment
- Management
- Maintenance

Finances
- Treasurer
- Accounts admin

Human Resources
- Job descriptions
- Pay

Event organisation
- Conference
- Weddings
- Funerals, baptisms
- Worship service prep
- Rosters
- Christmas Outreach

Technology
Health & Safety
Info management
Support Senior Pastor
- Service leaders' roster
- Elders' report
- Produce annual report

FUEL

FUEL is a special character congregation and ministry at the Fairfield site, providing Christian discussion in a breakfast/cafe format.

It aims to engage with those exploring faith, those new to faith, or those who are not as comfortable in the more traditional worship styles the Church offers.

East Taieri Church is in the enviable position of offering a diverse program of services, reflecting the sincere desire of leadership to engage as many people as possible in Christian faith.

FUEL is different...

- **we enjoy fellowship together over a light breakfast;**
- **we don't have much sung worship;**
- **we pray as needs and issues arise before us;**
- **we encourage discussion and participation as we bring teaching.**

LEADERSHIP & MINISTRY

FUEL is managed by a leadership team made up from those who attend at Fairfield, overseeing weekly services, the service roster, the term-based teaching programme, and the budget.

FUEL also operates its own pastoral care and includes teachers from the congregation alongside Pastors Gareth and Peter.

OUR BIG PROJECT

The redevelopment of the toilet and kitchen areas is a major current project.

These areas no longer meet standards or facilitated catering well. The work is hoped to be completed in October, is locally driven, and Stephen Chittock is doing the building work.

This project has taken more than 10 years to come to fruition, and we are excited about the strengths it will bring to our continued focus in the Fairfield community.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

- seeking the next CMT leader from within the congregation;
- seeking champions for each function of our congregation;
- understanding crossover points with other CMTs and worship at East Taieri;
- reaching deeper into the immediate Fairfield community;
- using the Fairfield site more in ministry;
- considering how our worship might need to adapt over time.

PLEASE PRAY

Please pray for development and growth at FUEL, that it might not only serve each other but also bring something new across the wider Church of East Taieri.

Pastor Gareth (CMT Leader)

RESOURCING MISSION

The Resourcing Mission team provide the resources, systems, and support that enable our church community to thrive in ministry and mission. This team is made up of staff and many volunteers working faithfully in the background to ensure everything runs as smoothly as possible.

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Reception
- Communications (Website, Social media)
- Buildings & Equipment (Management, Maintenance)
- Finances (Treasurer, accounts, admin)
- Human Resources (Job descriptions, Pay)
- Event organisation (Conference, Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms, Worship service prep, Rosters, Christmas Outreach event)
- Technology
- Health & Safety
- Info management
- Support Senior Pastor (Service Leaders' roster, Elders' Report, Annual Report

OUR CHALLENGES

- Our primary challenge is maintaining the facilities to a high standard while operating within tight budget constraints and meeting health and safety compliance requirements.

  Another important focus is progressing the building project at East Taieri Church.

PLEASE PRAY

- Prayer for wisdom and unity in the team.
- Provision for facilities and the East Taieri Church building project.
- Faithfulness, safety, and practical support across every area.

EVANGELISM

Sharing the gospel and encouraging people to follow Jesus; mirroring Jesus' call to follow Him.

OUR ROLE & MANDATE

- Understand Evangelism.
- Champion it.
- Teach it to the church.
- Organise evangelism-related events and resources.
- Build and train a team.
- Recruit people to serve where they are gifted.
- Develop a strategic plan focused on evangelism.
- Oversee this area of church life with autonomy while reporting to elders and staff.

OUR CURRENT FOCUS

- Establish the Evangelism Core Ministry Team
- Finalise members
- Hold an initial meeting
- Set terms of reference and meeting frequency
- Review current evangelism activities
- Identify what is working well and what gaps or improvements are needed
- Shape longer-term vision, budget, opportunities, resources, and succession planning
- Develop future leaders
- Support communication across elders, branch ministry leaders, the Ministry Leadership Team, and the Evangelism CMT

OUR BRANCH MINISTRIES / KEY AREAS

Alpha

Global Missions

Christmas Outreach Planning

HIGHLIGHTS

- Global Missions continues to support five mission partners financially and in prayer, host visiting missions, and improve communication.
- Christmas Outreach aims to share the Christmas story through interactive, generous community outreach with drama/dance, stations/displays, food, and volunteers.
- Alpha Course - started 22 July 2026
- Other plans include working with City To City on a church review in September 2026.
- A focus on Evangelism with City To City in early February 2027.
- Future ideas such as apologetics film nights

Annie Yohannan, Evangelism CMT Leader

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Children and Families core ministry area is as straightforward as it sounds.

The programme is strongly Bible-based, fun, and intentionally teaching-focused, aiming to provide sound foundational Christian learning at an age-appropriate level. Children who stay in the programme re-enter the format every four years at the right age-related level.

1 KIDS CHURCH (YEARS 0-4 AND 1-6)

Led by Kerah Berryman and a great team. Kerah is developing a 4-year revolving curriculum, now nearing the end of Year 3.

Kids Church aims to be church for kids, with sung music, Bible teaching and learning, character building, and fun activities. It is not just entertainment; it has a deliberate discipleship focus.

Ongoing challenge: resourcing and supporting this fast-growing ministry.

2 L.I.F.E.

INTERMEDIATE (PLUS) LEVEL

L.I.F.E. (Leaning Into Father Emmanuel) is very ably led by Haley Grant, with support from other parents. Haley has a great rapport with the children and brings strong Christian thought into their developing minds.

Like Kids Church, it is intentionally discipleship-focused. It builds relationships that go beyond a once-a-week meeting, with opportunities in music and worship, and the group may be ready to begin leading a service or two soon.

A challenge is transitioning older children into a youth space. This will be explored alongside SHFT, who run a Friday night programme (Youth East Taierl).
Several Year 6 members from Kids Church will be ready to transition into L.I.F.E., so the longer-term structure of both ministries will need thought.

3 FAMILY SUPPORT

Jessie Wilson is doing an excellent job supporting families connected with Kids Church, but wider family support in the Church has probably slipped under the radar.

Strong family units help create stronger communities. The Church needs to think carefully about what is wanted and needed here, and how to build proper resourcing.

The whole family may be the core of tomorrow's congregation and wider Church life.

Let's build strong families today for a stronger Church tomorrow.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Continued growth, development, and support of the excellent Kids Church program.
- The ongoing growth and adaptation of the L.I.F.E. program.
- Vibrant ideas and initiatives to build a genuine families ministry.

Pastor Gareth (interim CMT Leader)

PRAYER

The prayer core ministry brings together a number of prayer elements already happening in the church into a cohesive whole, while remaining sensitive to what God has already been doing and saying through prayer across the church.

CORE HEART / OVERVIEW

Prayer is much broader than asking God for things; it is daily communication with God, hearing and recognising His voice, knowing His presence, and remaining in relationship with Him.

We embrace the call to "pray without ceasing" and follow the example of Jesus' praying life.

ELEMENTS OF PRAYER

- Knowing and hearing God's voice
- Thanksgiving & worship
- Blessing
- Intercession
- Agreement

PRAYER STRATIGISING AND FOCUS FOR THE CHURCH

- Intercession
- Praying in unity for what God is saying
- Seeking the Shepherd's voice in daily life and church decisions

Asking God to reveal underlying spiritual issues, blockages, and barriers

We are developing a prayer strategy for the whole Church in conjunction with the Elders

TEACHING AND EQUIPPING

- Teach and equip people to hear from God and develop their prayer lives.
- Provide training, development, and safe spaces for people to pray with others and hear God for each other.

CURRENT ELEMENTS OF THE CORE MINISTRY

- Praying with others
- Prayer chain
- Prayer breakfast
- Pre-service prayer
- “People who pray” email group
- Prayermatters prayer letter

SPECIAL PRAYER EVENTS

- Prayer retreats
- Prayer gatherings for specific reasons
- Explore Prayer course over three weeks

INCLUSIVITY / INVITATION

All people can pray and know God. This ministry is open to anyone who wants to take part in praying with others, praying for situations, and growing awareness of God's presence.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Paul & Mary Reet - Prayer CMT Leaders

WORSHIP

The Worship CMT is responsible for organising the components of a service, including sung worship, tech, service leaders, and teachers across all services.

1. SCOPE / MINISTRIES AFFECTED

Fuel, 10am, 2pm, and Night Church

Also special services such as Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and Worship Nights.

2. CURRENT FOCUS & TEAM INVITATIONS

Current focus:
Gareth and I have been putting together a list of people to approach and invite to join the Worship CMT.

3. NEXT STEPS

Within the next few weeks, hope to approach everyone on the list and identify the person who could coordinate the service leaders.

UNITED IN WORSHIP, SERVING TOGETHER

"I will praise You, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonderful deeds." Psalm 9:1

Tim Jones, Worship CMT Leader

LEADERSHIP

THE LOOMING SENIOR LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

- Leadership is an increasingly crucial topic for our church.
- We have not yet found a Senior Pastor.
- Gareth will retire at the end of 2027, and Peter will finish not long after that.
- Within SHFT, Nick, Jan and Emma will all finish at the end of this year.
- What does the future look like?

MOVING FORWARD

The elders and staff have been questioning whether God is asking churches to put more emphasis on raising up leaders.
Few denominations seem to have enough people offering for traditional pastor training.
The elders have decided to focus on intentional leadership development.
The Ministry Settlement Board may still find someone, but if not, we want a second string to our bow. We should be raising up leaders anyway.

STAFF AND ELDERS

- There have been no changes in the staff or eldership in the last year.
- I am deeply grateful for the people I work alongside—they serve with dedication, wisdom, and genuine heart.

RETREAT

In January, the staff and elders held a retreat to consider how we make disciples. This followed reading and discussing the book "One Eighty" by Jeff Vanderstelt throughout 2025. We were of one mind concerning the way ahead. There is more in the Discipleship report.

HOPE (CHRISTCHURCH) VISIT

- Some of the staff from both E.T. and SHFT visited Hope Presbyterian Church in Hornby, Christchurch in March 2026.
- Hope is a church of a similar ethos to East Taieri but considerably larger. They were very welcoming and willing to help.
- We were able to discuss a number of the issues mentioned elsewhere in these reports and enjoy some good bonding time together.

CORE MINISTRY TEAMS

- Please refer to the introductory report "Senior Pastor" for context.
- The establishment of Core Ministry Teams represents a significant change in the leadership structure of our church.

OTHER LEADERS

There is a list elsewhere in these reports of the groups and ministries within the church and which CMT they belong to. That list shows how much is happening and how many people are leading and ministering in various ways. We are grateful for all of them.

While people are very willing to serve, it is harder finding people willing to lead. The leadership wants to make sure all leaders are well-supported.

MOVING FORWARD

Priorities include developing a leadership pipeline through intentional leadership development, providing leadership opportunities and training including mentoring, and expecting all leaders to have an apprentice.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

We do not currently have a strategic plan, but that does not mean we are directionless. Our priority projects include: the building project; intentional disciple-making (see the Discipleship report); the leadership questions mentioned above, including Core Ministry Teams and new senior leadership; extending youth ministries to accommodate growing numbers of Christian young people; making communications more effective; and researching and implementing the use of AI where it is genuinely helpful and ethical. There are always other things that crop up.

Peter Cheyne, Leadership CMT Leader

DISCIPLESHIP

The "Grow in Christ" part of our mission statement is about spiritual growth and discipleship; as a church we want to help people grow.

1. BUILDING OUR FOUNDATION

INTENTIONAL DISCIPLE-MAKING

During 2025 the staff and elders read and discussed the book *One Eighty* by Jeff Vanderstelt. In February 2026 they held a retreat to identify what was helpful. This led to a framework explaining our understanding of disciple-making, now available on the discipleship website so everyone can be on the same page.

MINISTRY CONFERENCE

This year's conference explored disciple-making, discipline-making small groups, and growing leaders. It helped clarify thinking and provided useful recordings and resources.

LIFE GROUPS

We focus initially on existing Life Groups. Disciples are made in many contexts, but small groups are a key starting point. Groups vary in purpose, and those primarily focused on making disciples are called Life Groups. We give thanks for our leaders. Some groups are full while others are open to new members.

2. MOVING FORWARD

MOVING FORWARD

Coordinate Life Groups more intentionally around discipline-making principles learned from Jesus.
Continue with Life Group leaders to embed these principles over time.

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

Support Life Groups and their leaders. Develop a curriculum and a growth *pathway* from not knowing Jesus to spiritual maturity, service, and raising up the next generation. Help people know their next step and resource that growth. We have received a request for a chat group where leaders can support each other and share resources.

NEXT STEPS

We have learned from Hope Presbyterian Church in Hornby, where people can **indicate** a growth step on a webpage, such as baptism or joining a small group. Leaders are also expected to have next-step conversations with people in their group.

JOIN US IN THE MISSION

If you want to see others become more like Jesus and are willing to help others know how to make disciples, we invite you to join the Discipleship Team.

Let's grow together.

Peter Cheyne DISCIPLESHIP CMT LEADER

HOSPITALITY

I have been asked to head this up in the initial stages; the team is not yet finalised, but the functions that belong to it are running well at the moment.

SCOPE & VISION

SCOPE OF THE TEAM

Includes the welcome team and those who help with catering of events.

VISION & PURPOSE

While on sabbatical in the UK and Canada, I have been thinking and praying about the team, its purpose and mission. Initial ideas focus on more intentional welcoming of new members and following them up.

BROADER HOSPITALITY VISION

Hospitality goes beyond fellowship and providing food and drink at events; it should maximise hospitality both to people outside the church and to members.

CHURCH CULTURE VISION

All should feel welcome and part of the church family.

Encourage a spirit of hospitality amongst everyone so that it is inclusive and leaves no-one feeling alone.

This is a shared responsibility, even though it can be challenging in a church with established friendship groups.

SUPPORTING THE WIDER CHURCH

The hospitality team will support the other core ministries as the church works as a whole.

I look forward to developing the team when I return.

Hospitality reflects God's welcome to us and invites others to experience the love of Jesus through our words, our presence and the way we care for one another.

Mary Reet - Hospitality CMT Leader

MINISTRY TO SENIORS

This is a new CMT and many other CMTs and their parts already cover aspects of ministry to seniors.

Achievements to date

A discussion with the Pastoral Care team leader.

Future hopes

Meet some of the groups mainly made up of seniors.

Questions to ask

What would be helpful?
How can that be done?
Who will do it?

The Core Ministry Team for Seniors is stepping out but at this stage is unsure what this will entail.

FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Core Ministry Report | Youth East Taieri

Youth belong here.

01 CURRENT FORM

- Youth group currently consists of 35-50 youth aged 11-18.
- We have 8 leaders and 2 junior leaders.
- Youth group runs from 7pm-9pm on Friday nights.
- Programme activities vary from movie nights to ice skating and bonfires at Tirohanga Camp.
- We aim to have nights that are enjoyable for all youth, no matter their age.
- We attend/run 3 camps a year: Easter Camp, Ski Camp, and end-of-year YET Camp.
- Ski Camp and YET Camp are combined with all Youth East Taieri programmes: Ground Zero, Summit, and Challenge.

02 INTENTION

- Our main goal at Youth Group is to connect our community kids into a Christian space.
- We operate as an "orange light" programme.
- This means we include Christian content such as talks, videos, and occasionally discussion groups, while also creating a comfortable space for youth to bring their questions, knowing most have not come from a Christian background.
- Our intention is that our youth move from Youth Group to Vible Lifegroup and eventually to Night Church.
- With these steps in place, we are actively bringing youth from non Christian homes to faith.

03 FUTURE CHALLENGES

- We do not have enough leaders coming through.
- The programme maintains a small group of senior students, but this drops when they become Year 13.
- We need to find a way to hold onto our senior students while also ensuring that our leaders are Christian.
- This is a balance that is hard to find.
- We are currently operating with leaders who have been in the programmes for 5+ years.

HIGHLIGHTS

Know God

Moments where people encountered God, explored faith, or were welcomed in

• Alpha Course — Fuel's Sunday evening course welcomed 26 guests to dinner; 25 signed up for the course.
• Newcomers' Lunches — consistently well attended throughout the year; described as "very much appreciated."
• Community Carnival (6 Mar) — a "brilliant night" of outreach made possible by incredible collective effort.
• Lunch at Our Place (14 Sep) — ~70 signed up, including hesitant Alpha guests who connected well and thoroughly enjoyed it.
• Christmas Outreach — Christmas Activated: The Angels' Message gave our church a wonderful opportunity to share the true Christmas message.
• Hope Project Booklets — delivered to letterboxes alongside TV advertising ahead of Easter.
• City to City Visit (20–29 Jun) — a mission partnership exploring how to resource evangelism and church revitalisation.
• "On God's Team" Follow-Up — 11 people came forward to discuss their spiritual gifts.
• Bus/Coach Tour Fundraiser — full bus, fantastic atmosphere, thoroughly enjoyed by all. Another tour was run in August.
• Sunday Attendance — grew from ~99–110 adults (early 2026) to 100–150+ by June, with strong children's/youth numbers and continued online engagement.

Grow in Christ

Discipleship, teaching, leadership development and spiritual growth

• MLT/Elders Retreat (14 Feb, Ocean View) — focused on Discipleship and Core Ministries; "a very positive time for everyone."
• Prayer — a strong focus all year, with well-attended retreats and training events.
• Mental Health Teaching Series — run across all services with very positive feedback
• Sermons posted online with AI-generated study questions.
• Core Ministry Teams / New Leadership Structure — developed throughout the year to help people find where they fit and grow in service.
• New Lifegroups — launched for men and women (evening), young adults, and parents/families.
• Youth Discipleship — Miciah Nicholl commissioned as Youth Worker for Youth East Taieri.
• YET Serve Sunday — very well received, with powerful moments and young people doing an amazing job.
• Ministry Conference (12–13 May) — theme: Glow Up: The Transformation Your Church Is Waiting For; equipping leaders from ET and the wider church.
• Explorers Course — focused on using NotebookLM for ministry.
• Easter Camp — prayer and follow-up centred on young people encountering Jesus and continuing to grow.
• WOF Training — continued equipping Kids Church and YET volunteers for safe, effective discipleship.
• Kids Church — ongoing development including Next Generation services and closer alignment with main service themes.
• Worship Evenings — held monthly to draw people closer to God through praise.

Go in the Holy Spirit

Mission, serving, generosity, and being sent out

• East Taieri Building Project — a major milestone year, with the congregation voting in favour of selling the Ocean View property, which settled for $376,000 on 24 April; a further $110,000 was received from the Synod Ecclesiastical Fund; and a congregational vote was held on 15 March to proceed with the ET Building Project.
• AGM & Volunteers Lunch (23 November) — described as "a fishes and loaves miracle," catering for 120 but with an estimated 144+ attending. People were very thankful, and the staff team worked well together to celebrate our volunteers.
• MLT Visit to Hope Church, Christchurch (17–19 March) — a mission-learning trip, with reflections shared and follow-up actions — including rethinking newcomer connections and planning processes — carried into MLT's ongoing work through to June.
• Community Carnival — practical, high-energy serving of the wider community through a fun-filled family event.
• Working Bee — practical service, preparing our facilities for ministry.
• Global Mission — our church family continued to make a difference globally, supporting mission work internationally (including, Malawi, PNG, Thailand, and others)
• Kai on the Coast — each month, the Brighton/Ocean View community gathered for a hearty Friday meal, building relationships and sharing God's love over food.
• Seniors Mid-Winter Lunch (10 June) — well attended with an excellent vibe, easy engagement, and enjoyment for all. It was a pleasure for the ET Catering Team to work alongside the Catering Team from Mosgiel North Taieri for this event.

Looking back over this year, it's clear that God has been at work in ways both quiet and unmistakable — in changed lives, in answered prayers, and in the steady faithfulness of a community that keeps showing up for one another. None of it would have happened without the countless hours given by volunteers, leaders, and staff who serve with such generous hearts. As we step into the year ahead, we do so full of anticipation for what God will continue to build among us.

Update from the Ministry Settlement Board

Dear East Taieri Church,

This will be my last report to you from the MSB since I have been replaced by Karl Lamb from Mornington.

I am very disappointed that we have not been able to find someone to fill the Senior leadership position.

I am very sorry to have to report that there is still no one that we're considering at this time. There is a complete lack of ministers with the required experience and appropriate skills and I have had at least 4 people refuse to even look at the Profile over the last year.

I do apologise for this. My prayer is that Karl will find someone soon.

God Bless you all.

Richard Dawson

MISSION FACILITIES GROUP UPDATE

The following information is provided as an update on progress on the East Taieri Church building project.

1 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

The architectural design and specifications have now been completed to the stage that they are suitable for tender and building consent applications.

2 ELECTRICAL / HEATING DESIGN

The electrical design has also now been provided suitable for tender and building consent applications.

3 STRUCTURAL DESIGN

Preliminary structural design drawings have now been provided; the drawsings still need to be checked as to whether these are suitable for tendering and building consent or whether further work is required; this will be followed up with McCoy & Wixon.

4 RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION

The Resource Consent application is with the DCC awaiting further response.

5 BUILDING CONSENT APPLICATION

The project will be in a position to submit a Building Consent application following confirmation of all documentation with the Architects.

NEXT STEPS

Confirm final delivery of all Building Consent application documentation with McCoy & Wixon.

Seek confirmation from Synod to lodge the Building Consent application.

Seek advice from Synod on the Tender process requirements.

Simon Dalton - Chair Mission Facilities Group

SALE OF MANSE UPDATE

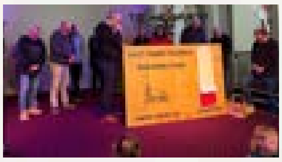
The subdivision and sale of the East Taieri Manse is progressing well, with settlement expected to happen late 2026.

BUILDING PROJECT AT FAIRFIELD UPDATE

Construction on our kitchen extension and modern toilet block is officially well underway. This highly anticipated upgrade is set to transform the venue, delivering high quality facilities to better serve both our vibrant church family and the wider local community who use this space every single week.

Stay tuned for more updates as we build a bigger, better space for everyone!

Building Project Fundraising Team Update



Executive Summary

The building project has developed strong early momentum toward its overall $4 million funding target. To date, $1.43 million has been identified, establishing a credible base for a staged delivery model and positioning the project well for upcoming grant applications. Congregational response has been highly encouraging, demonstrating strong confidence and vision for the future.

1. Current Financial Position

A diversified four-cornerstone funding strategy (Manse sale, grants, fundraising, and donations/pledges) is in place to reduce reliance on any single source:

- Anticipated Manse Sale: ~$1.00 million (principal upfront capital).
- Pledged Giving: ~$220,000 (boosts cashflow certainty and strengthens external grant applications).
- Confirmed Synod Grant: $110,000
- Donations & Fundraising to Date: ~$100,000 (includes a single $50,000 donation).
- **Total Identified Funding: ~$1.43 million.**

2. Strategic Priorities & Grant Pathway

Synod Engagement: Continuing constructive discussions to explore medium-term partnership opportunities over the next two to five years.

- Grant Readiness: Securing resource consent remains a critical dependency. Applications will be sequentially targeted toward heritage, local authority, community trusts, and national lottery funds as specific project stages become eligible.

3. Fundraising Programme

Completed Events: Two highly successful bus trips.

Coming Up:

- "It's in the Bag (17 October): Community event at The Taieri Performing Arts Centre featuring ticket sales, a chocolate wheel, raffles, and food.
- Edgar Centre Christmas Pop-Up (22 November): Stall selling carvings, laser-cut tea boxes, baking, and handmade Christmas goods.
- Cookbook Project (Target September 2027): Recipe collection begins August 2026, with production continuing through early 2027 to capture Christmas sales via local retail, markets, and church channels.

4. Key Risks & Dependencies

Consents & Staging: Resource consent and project staging are required before major grant applications can proceed. Manse sale time will dictate initial build workflow.

- Market Competition: External funding pools are highly competitive, requiring realistic expectations and strong evidence of internal investment.
- Sustainability: Fundraising operations must expand their volunteer base beyond a small core group to remain sustainable.

5. Focus Areas for the Coming Year

Maintain active engagement with Synod regarding long-term support.

- Finalise a prioritised grants calendar post-resource consent.
- Deliver a balanced community-facing event programme and progress the cookbook timeline.

Team Acknowledgment: Sincere thanks to the fundraising team: Amy Roxburgh, Chris Jones, Sarah McDonald, Alan Shanks, Jill Muirhead, Nick Muirhead, and Robert Whyte.

The report is written by Matt Wilson, Chair of the Fundraising Team.

OUR ELDERSHIP TEAM

Left to Right:
Robert Whyte, Paul Reet, Michelle Dean, Lyndon Jones, John Cleland, Amy Roxburgh, Peter Cheyne, Annie Yohannan, Tim Jones

Our Ministry Team


Peter Cheyne


Gareth Bruce


Leeanne McKinlay


Jo Thorn


David Yates


Nick Muirhead


Jan Jopson


Emma McDonald


Ian Thomas


Renee Faithful


Ethan McKinlay


Miciah Nicholl

Roles and Responsibilities

Peter Cheyne — Interim Moderator/Senior Pastor— Part Time
Provides wisdom and leadership, teaching and is on the Council of Elders.

Gareth Bruce — Associate Pastor — Full Time
Provides leadership for the FUEL congregation, pastoral care and children and families ministries.

Leeanne McKinlay — Parish Manager — Full Time
Responsible for day to day management of staff, buildings and operations.

Jo Thorn — Admin Assistant — 30 hours per week
Covers reception and handles church communications — bulletins, website, emails, accounts etc.

David Yates — Finance Assistant — 15 hours per week
Looks after the finances of the church. David has recently retired from this role and is now working as the Church Treasurer.

Nick Muirhead — 15 hours per week
Gives leadership to the Pastoral Care team. Nick also works as the Interim Executive Officer of SHFT.

Youth and Community Team:
Jan Jopson, Emma McDonald, Ian Thomas, Renee Faithful, Ethan McKinlay, Miciah Nicholl.

STATS AT A GLANCE

4
Weekly Sunday Services

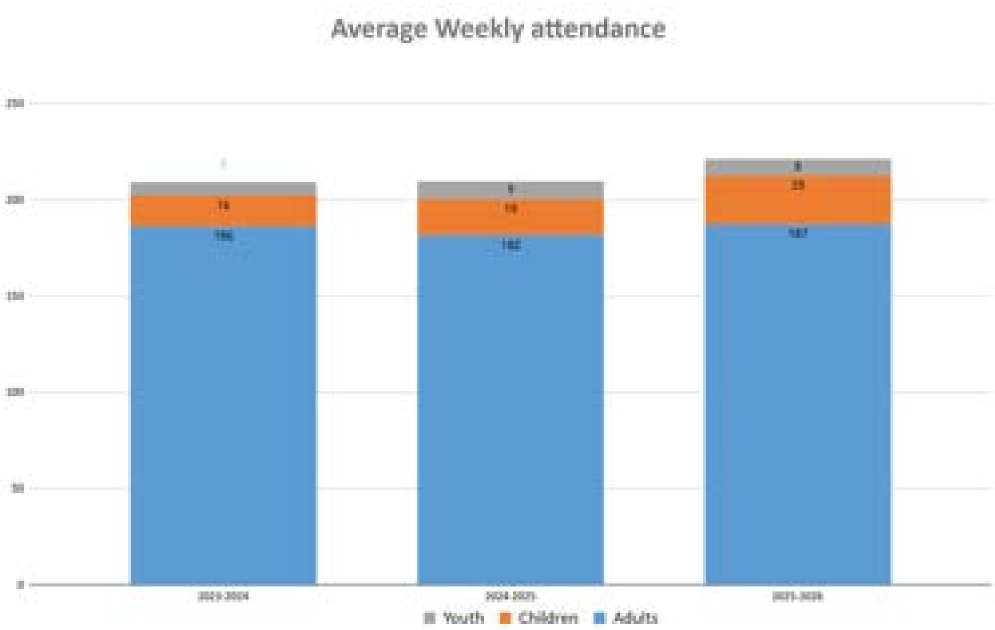
131
Weekly Online Views (Average)

2
Preschool Music Programmes

12
Discipleship Lifegroups

381
Counselling Appointments

500
Visitors to our Christmas Outreach



East Taieri Church

Performance Report for the year ended 30 June 2026

Entity Information (from the PCANZ Book of Order)

East Taieri Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand (PCANZ) established under the PCANZ Book of Order dated 29 September 2006, as amended in October 2008, October 2010, October 2012 and November 2014.

As part of the one holy, catholic and apostolic church, the PCANZ shares in the wider church of Jesus Christ throughout the world and is committed to sharing in God's mission to the world, and seeking to announce, with the promised guidance and power of the Holy Spirit, the good news of God's transforming love in Jesus Christ.

However, the church is autonomous and governance is the responsibility of a church council known as Session, which is elected by members. The Resourcing MIssion is a sub-committee of Session and is responsible for overseeing property and finance matters.

Charities Registration Number: CC52089

East Taieri Mission Statement:

Know…Grow…Go - Know God, Grow in Christ, Go in the Spirit

Know God:

John 17:3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent

Grow in Christ:

1 Peter 2:2-3 Like newborn babies crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Go in the Spirit:

Matthew 29:19-20 …go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

At East Taieri Church we are passionate about seeing lives transformed through the saving power of Jesus Christ. We seek to provide a place where people of all ages and stages can encounter the living God.

Activities Undertaken

East Taieri Church consists of people from the Mosgiel and wider Taieri/Dunedin region who: gather to worship God; participate in God's mission to local communities and to the world; provide pastoral care for one another and the wider community; grow in faith and help others come to faith through a range of groups and programmes; communicate their mission and ministries well within the church and the wider community; and support this mission by providing appropriate and high quality facilities used by the congregation and the wider community.

East Taieri Church seeks to love and serve others in local communities by connecting in active partnerships with a wide range of social service agencies and community organisations; caring for physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs and fostering community development.

Main Sources of Entity's Cash and Resources

Donations and offerings
Investment income (Interest on Term Deposits)
Income from services and activities (rent from Manse at 12a Cemetery Road, Mosgiel and hire of church facilities)

Main Methods Used by Entity to Raise Funds

Fundraising (members contributions), Donations and offerings

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services

The church relies on volunteer's time and expertise to fulfil its mission and community activities; governance (the church council/session is a volunteer committee).

Physical Address and Postal Address:

East Taieri Church	Fuel Community Church
12a Cemetery Road	78 Main Road
Mosgiel 9024	Fairfield

	Statement Of Service Performance	Budget	Actual	Budget
	Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's Outputs:*	June 25	Jun-26	Jun-27
Know God	Number of Worship services held weekly	4	4	4
	Number of Worship Nights (monthly)	10	10	10
	Number of Other worship nights	6	10	6
	Weddings	2	1	2
	Funerals	2	6	2
	Kai on The Coast Monthly	11	10	11
	Mission Members	200	189	200
	New Mission Members	10	0	10
	Average Attendance Adults	200	187	200
	Average Attendance Children	25	25	25
	Average Attendance Youth	16	8	16
	LifeGroups Number	16	12	16
	No Attending Life Groups or Connect Group	120	122	120
	% Life Group (Of Average Adult Attendence at worship)	80%	65%	80%
	Number of staff	6	6	6
	Staff Paid Hours per week	147.5	147.5	147.5
	Annual Lunch at our place	1	1	1
	Number attending Lunch at our place	50	63	50
	% Lunch (Of Average Adult Attendence at worship)	30%	26%	30%
	Average Online Service views	140	131	140
Grown In Christ	South Island Ministry Conference Attendance	100	59	100
	SHFT Contribution	$31,200	$27,600	$27,600
	Explorer Series Training	3	1	3
	No Attending Explorer series	40	4	40
	Prayer Training and Team Gathering	9	3	9
	Special Prayer Meetings	3	2	3
	Prayer Breakfast Events	40	40	40
	Prayer Events/Retreat	5	4	5
	Prayer Support Requests (Sunday) average per week	2	3	2
	Prayer Chain Requests average per week	2	4	2
	Marriage Course	1	0	1
	Marriage Course Attendance	10	0	10
	BaptismsAdult	5	0	5
	Baptisms/Dedications Child	3	1	3
	Special Services : Tear Fund, World Vision, WYAM, PSO, M	4	4	4
	Mid Winter Hymn	1	0	0
	Contribution to Global Mission	15,000	$15,000	$15,000
	WOF Training Course	1	0	1
	Combined 2pm service MNT	2	0	0
	Pathways Course	2	0	2
	Number attending Pathways Courses	40	0	40
	Newcomers Lunch	3	3	3
Go In the Spirit	Special Services: Christmas Outreach attendance (guests)	800	500	800
	Special Services: Christmas Carol Service attendance	160	195	160
	Mid Winter Lunch Guests& Helpers	0	80	80
	Preschool Programmes (Mainly Music/Little Groovers)	2	2	2
	Attendance MM/Little Groovers (families)	60	62	60
	Alpha Course	1	1	1
	Alpha Attendance	10	17	10
	Sugar and Spice Attendance	15	6	0
	Community Carnival attendance	600	600	600
	Counselling Service Clients (inc supervision)	60	72	60
	Counselling Service Appointments (inc supervision)	350	381	350
	Foodbank Trustees	2	2	2
	Painting Group meeting/events	40	40	40
	Painting Group Members	17	17	17
	Resthome services	25	15	25
	Bible in Schools Volunteers	2	2	2

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East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2026

	Notes	Church 2026 Actual $	Church 2026 Budget $	Church 2025 Actual $	Consolidated 2026 Actual $	Consolidated 2025 Actual $
Mission funding						
Offerings	2	381,731	403,885	396,405	381,731	396,405
Donations	2	195,300	36,741	33,827	195,300	33,827
Grants	3	8,000	12,050	12,000	160,434	153,920
Rentals from properties	4	53,054	42,500	60,163	35,454	42,563
Other revenue	4	44,310	52,727	54,366	276,600	276,936
Interest earned		24,887	56,043	38,328	27,356	41,548
Total Mission funding		**707,283**	**603,946**	**596,089**	**1,076,876**	**945,200**
Mission expenditure						
All Staff Costs	5	258,277	292,129	267,651	463,446	448,197
SHFT	6	27,700	27,600	27,600	-	-
Resourcing Mission	7	65,772	79,666	72,062	65,772	72,062
Mission Facilities	8	74,246	68,116	75,763	74,246	75,763
Local Mission and community Life	10	75,078	66,503	64,858	212,037	210,481
Global and wider church mission	9	32,310	36,589	28,974	32,310	28,974
Total Mission expenditure		**534,383**	**570,603**	**536,907**	**847,811**	**835,476**
Net surplus / (deficit) from Mission		**172,899**	**33,343**	**58,181**	**229,065**	**109,723**
Surplus on sale of assets		238,611		-	238,611	
Less Depreciation of Fixed Assets	13	10,343	10,246	9,797	19,095	20,507
Annual operating surplus / (deficit) for the year		**401,167**	**23,097**	**48,385**	**448,581**	**89,217**

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East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2026

	Note	Church 2026 $	2025 $	Consolidated 2026 $	2025 $
Parish Equity					
General Reserves					
Opening Balance 1 July		767,676	713,961	922,917	828,377
Annual operating surplus / (deficit)		401,167	48,385	448,481	89,217
Transfers from / (to) Specific Reserves		15,270	5,330	15,270	5,330
Closing balance 30 June		**1,184,112**	**767,676**	**1,386,667**	**922,924**
Specific Reserves					
Opening Balance 1 July		194,436	199,766	194,436	199,766
Transfers from / (to) General Reserves		(15,270)	(5,330)	(15,270)	(5,330)
Closing balance 30 June	11	**179,166**	**194,436**	**179,166**	**194,436**
Property revaluation Reserve					
Opening balance 1 July		6,575,000	4,479,000	6,575,000	4,479,000
Reduction on sale of Land and Buildings		(66,000)		(66,000)	
Revaluation of Land and Buildings		-	2,096,000	-	2,096,000
Closing balance 30 June		**6,509,000**	**6,575,000**	**6,509,000**	**6,575,000**
Total Parish Equity 30 June		**7,872,278**	**7,537,112**	**8,074,833**	**7,692,360**

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East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2026

	Note	Church 2026 $	2025 $	Consolidated 2026 $	2025 $
Total Parish Equity		**7,872,278**	**7,537,112**	**8,074,833**	**7,692,360**
Represented by:					
Assets					
Current Assets					
Cash				202	197
BNZ Cheque account		126,693	101,959	272,609	242,342
BNZ Savings account		174,675	23,343	174,675	23,343
Debtors		1,386	2,378	10,024	4,243
Net GST Refund		13,831	4,353	13,831	4,353
Prepaid expenses	12	4,336	4,336	4,336	4,336
Bank Deposits and Investments	13	818,788	708,243	818,788	708,243
Total Current Assets		**1,139,709**	**844,612**	**1,294,465**	**987,057**
Current Liabilities					
Creditors		33,339	19,914	39,005	25,111
Finance Lease		-	-	-	-
Accrued employee entitlements	14	26,042	22,215	32,634	29,312
Total Current Liabilities		**59,381**	**42,128**	**71,639**	**54,422**
Parish Working Capital		**1,080,328**	**802,484**	**1,222,826**	**932,635**
Non-current Assets					
Plant and equipment	15	26,712	13,576	86,769	38,673
Land and Buildings	16	6,765,238	6,721,052	6,765,238	6,721,052
Total Fixed Assets		**6,791,950**	**6,734,628**	**6,852,007**	**6,759,725**
Net Assets		**7,872,278**	**7,537,112**	**8,074,833**	**7,692,360**

Treasurer/Finance Assistant

Parish Manager

20th August 2026

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notes .

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Statement of Cash Flow for the year ended 30 June 2026

	Notes	Church 2026 Actual $	Church 2025 Actual $	Consolidated 2026 Actual $	Consolidated 2025 Actual $
Cashflows from operations					
Offerings received		381,731	396,406	381,731	396,406
Interest received		24,887	38,328	27,357	41,548
Other revenue		301,656	161,687	661,993	496,373
Payments to suppliers and staff		(517,739)	(546,024)	(832,100)	(837,492)
Total cashflows from operations		**190,535**	**50,397**	**238,981**	**96,835**
Cashflows from investing activities					
Capital purchases	15	(207,938)	(10,823)	(250,851)	(41,721)
Capital sale		304,014		304,014	
Total Cashflows from Investing Activities		**96,076**	**(10,823)**	**53,163**	**(41,721)**
Total change in bank balances		**286,611**	**39,574**	**292,144**	**55,114**
Opening bank balances 1 July					
BNZ Cheque account		101,959	173,763	242,642	298,906
BNZ Savings account		23,343	22,357	23,343	22,357
Bank Deposits and Investments		708,243	597,852	708,243	597,852
		833,546	793,972	974,229	919,115
Closing bank balance 30 June		**1,120,156**	**833,546**	**1,266,372**	**974,229**
Closing bank balance represented by					
BNZ Cheque account		126,693	101,959	272,909	242,642
BNZ Savings account		174,675	23,343	174,675	23,343
Bank Deposits and Investments	13	818,788	708,243	818,788	708,243
		1,120,156	**833,546**	**1,266,372**	**974,229**

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notes and independent auditor's report.

East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2026

1 Statement of Accounting Policies

a) Accounting Policies Applied

REPORTING ENTITY

The Financial Statements presented are those of the East Taieri Parish of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.

The Church has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (PS) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Public Sector). The entity is eligible to apply these requirements as it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of less than $5,000,000

All transactions in the financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting.

Budget figures provided are those endorsed by the elders and approved at the Annual General meeting held on Sunday 23rd November 2025.

The financial statements are prepared on the assumption that the Church is a going concern, and has the resources necessary to ensure that it will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

East Taieri Church has registration reference CC52089 with the Charities Commission

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting Policies Applied

Revenue

Offerings, Donations, Grants and other giving

Revenue received from these sources is recognised upon receipt unless there is an obligation to return the funds if conditions attached to the donation or grant are not met ("use or return condition"). If there is such an obligation, the funds are initially recorded as a liability and recognised as revenue when the relevant conditions have been satisfied.

Sale of goods and services

Revenue from the sale of goods and services is recognised when the customer has taken possession of the goods or the contracted service has been provided.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recorded as earned during the year. Interest due but not received at balance date is accrued as a current asset.

Employee related costs

Wages, salaries, and annual leave are recorded as an expense as staff provide services and become entitled to remuneration and leave entitlements.

Employer contributions to staff Kiwisaver and other superannuation schemes are recorded as an expense as staff provide services.

Bank accounts and cash

Bank accounts and cash comprise cash on hand, cheque and savings accounts.

Bank overdrafts are presented as a current liability in the statement of financial position.

East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2026

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Accounts Receivable
Debtors are initially recorded at the amount owed. If it is likely an amount owed will not be collec
a provision for impairment is recognised and the loss is recorded as a bad debt expense.

Prepayments
That portion of an expense paid in the current period that relates to the following financial year i
as a prepayment at balance date.

Parish Investments
Investments comprise funds held in call accounts and on term deposits with banks.
Deposits with banks are initially recorded at the amount paid. If it appears that the carrying amo
investment will not be recovered, it is written down to the expected recoverable amount.

Accrued Employee Entitlements
The value of accumulated employee entitlements to annual leave, and payroll costs due but not
balance date, are recognised as a current liability.

Specific Reserves
Specific Reserves represent funds given or held in trust for specified purposes within the Parish
Use of these funds is normally restricted to the purposes for which the funds have been set asic

Fixed Assets
Land and Buildings are recorded at latest rating valuation by QV Property Valuations Ltd.
Ownership of these properties is vested in the Otago Foundation Trust Board, but the church is
required by the Presbyterian Church to recognise the assets in its financial reports. These asse
depreciated, but are revalued every three years. The most recent valuation was undertaken for
purposes at 1 July 2023
All other Fixed Assets are recorded at initial purchase cost, and are subject to depreciation.

Depreciation
Depreciation is charged using rates which will write assets off over their estimated useful lives
Rates in use are generally as follows

Land and Build	Not depreciated
Hub refurbishm	10%
Plant and equip	9% - 48%
Computers anc	25% - 60%

Goods and Services Tax
The Church is registered for GST. All amounts in the financial statements are recorded exclusiv
except for debtors and creditors, which are stated inclusive of GST as applicable.

b) Changes in Accounting Policies
There has been no changes in Accounting Policies

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2026

2 Offerings and Donations

The Parish acknowledges with thanks the continuing support of the congregation through regular giving towards the mission of the Church

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Regular offerings in cash	2,581	4,405	3,592	2,581	3,592
Regular offerings by the envelope system	1,720	1,714	1,155	1,720	1,155
Regular offerings by automatic payment	377,430	397,766	391,658	377,430	391,658
Total Offerings received	**381,731**	**403,885**	**396,405**	**381,731**	**396,405**

The Parish also acknowledges the financial support provided by both the congregation and the wider community for special projects and appeals. This support has included:

		Church			Consolidated	
	Note	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Donations to support:						
- Missionaries	7	16,885	26,354	12,307	16,885	12,307
- Nets to Sudan		-	-	-	-	-
- Christmas appeal	7	-	-	-	-	-
- Community mission		2,777	2,125	1,987	2,777	1,987
- Mission Facilities Fundraising		157,278	-	-	157,278	-
- Children and Families		921	1,240	11,945	921	11,945
Other donations and gifts		17,439	7,022	7,588	17,439	7,588
This additional financial support amounted to		**195,300**	**36,741**	**33,827**	**195,300**	**33,827**

We thank those who volunteer their time and energy in the planning and completion of these special projects and elsewhere within the Church to ensure its programmes are delivered efficiently and effectively.

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East Taieri Presbyterian Church

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2026

3 Grants

The parish acknowledges with thanks the financial support of the following community organisations

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026	2026	2025	2026	2025
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Actual	Actual
	$	$	$	$	$
Synod of Otago & Southland	8,000	7,500	8,000	42,999	58,000
Dunedin City Council	-	4,550	4,000	3,500	7,500
DIA - COGS grant	-	-	-	5,750	5,000
Otago Community Trust	-	-	-	35,000	35,000
Lottery Grants Board	-	-	-	17,250	17,250
Southern Presbyterians	-	-	-	2,000	-
Dunedin Casino	-	-	-	390	1,217
Lion Foundation	-	-	-	20,000	-
Inner Court	-	-	-	1,800	4,700
Catalytic Foundation	-	-	-	6,000	4,000
Other	-	-	-	-	17,391
				25,745	3,862
Total Grants received	**8,000**	**12,050**	**12,000**	**160,434**	**153,920**

Unspent balances of these grants are held as Specific Reserves - refer note 9

4 Rental and Other Revenue

Rental

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026	2026	2025	2026	2025
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Actual	Actual
	$	$	$	$	$
Rentals from properties	53,054	42,500	60,163	35,454	42,563

Other Revenue

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026	2026	2025	2026	2025
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Actual	Actual
	$	$	$	$	$
Christian counselling fees	31,381	22,741	26,983	31,381	26,983
Fundraising revenue	-	-	-	-	-
South Island Pastors' Conference	7,235	14,548	12,922	7,235	12,922
Hospitality Workgroup	-	1,494	1,500	-	1,500
Use of church facilities	3,230	3,770	4,590	3,230	4,590
Moderator Income	-	-	-	-	-
Recoveries SHFT	-	-	-	-	-
Bequests	-	-	147	-	147
Shop on Taieri	-	-	-	173,105	166,333
Other revenue	2,464	10,174	8,224	61,649	64,461
	44,310	**52,727**	**54,366**	**276,600**	**276,936**

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2026

5 All Staff Costs

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Wages and Salaries	223,686	251,761	215,390	427,855	395,936
Moderator Costs	28,105	36,000	48,276	28,105	48,276
Staff Expenses	2,470	2,400	2,672	2,470	2,672
Ministry Enhancement	4,549	1,468	1,013	4,549	1,013
ACC Levy	467	500	301	467	301
	259,277	**292,129**	**267,651**	**463,446**	**448,197**

6 SHFT

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Saddle Hill Foundation Trust (SHFT)	27,700	27,600	27,600	-	-
	27,700	**27,600**	**27,600**	**-**	**-**

East Taieri appreciates and values those volunteers who provide programmes for children on Sundays. SHFT provides programmes for youth and young people from its base at the Hub Youth Centre. The Trust is a separate legal entity whose results and financial position are consolidated into this financial report.

7 Resourcing Mission

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
PCANZ Assembly Assessment	25,899	24,897	24,893	25,899	24,893
Dunedin Presbytery levy	6,803	14,327	8,910	6,803	8,910
Computer Cost including Licenses	8,835	11,200	7,728	8,835	7,728
Internet/Phones/Tolls	2,342	2,220	5,806	2,342	5,806
Printing, Photocopying & Stationary	5,660	5,250	5,908	5,660	5,908
Accountancy and Audit Fees	4,611	4,616	4,616	4,611	4,616
Other costs	11,622	17,156	14,200	11,622	14,200
	65,772	**79,666**	**72,062**	**65,772**	**72,062**

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8 Mission Facilities

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Insurance premiums	24,773	20,353	20,353	24,773	20,353
Power	21,152	18,667	20,774	21,152	20,774
Rates	7,305	6,685	4,968	7,305	4,968
Buildings and property maintenance	14,410	11,715	15,417	14,410	15,417
Other administrative and property costs	6,605	10,696	14,250	6,605	14,250
	74,246	68,116	75,763	74,246	75,763

9 Global and wider church mission

The parish supported missionaries and other appeals in the following ways

	Note	Church			Consolidated	
		2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Payments in support of missionaries		1,000	1,584	1,420	1,000	1,420
				-	-	-
Global missions	2	31,310	35,005	27,555	31,310	27,555
Gifts to visiting speakers, other costs		-	-	-	-	-
		32,310	**36,589**	**28,974**	**32,310**	**28,974**

10 Local mission and community life

	Church			Consolidated	
	2026 Actual $	2026 Budget $	2025 Actual $	2026 Actual $	2025 Actual $
Ministry Conference	3,119	11,867	5,803	3,119	5,803
Christian counselling service	41,145	29,958	33,653	41,145	33,653
Alpha courses/Ripple Effect Courses	-	2,976	-	-	-
Community projects	-	-	-	-	-
Other specific programmes	30,317	19,032	21,426	30,317	21,426
Life in Worship	498	2,670	3,975	498	3,975
Other costs	-	-	-	136,957	145,624
	75,078	**66,503**	**64,858**	**212,036**	**210,481**

Income from Christian Counselling and the annual Ministry Conference is included in Other Revenue (Note 4).

Funding received in support of Fuel Breakfast Church is included in Donations (Note 2)

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11 Specific Reserves

	Opening Balance	irants eques	Other Income	Expended	Closing Balance
	$	$	$	$	$
Funds for Missionaries					
Isaiah 58 Fund	40,993	-	1,438	(5,000)	37,431
Mainly Music Funds	1,461	-	-	-	1,461
Maintenance Resen	20,359	-	-	-	20,359
Ministry Conference	11,707	-	-	-	11,707
Mission Training Fu	25,503	-	1,076	(2,500)	24,079
Molly Burns Fund	27,089	-	1,172	(150)	28,112
Pastoral Discretiona	5,627	-	-	(3,365)	2,262
Tobias Trust	21,210	-	6,145	(12,941)	14,414
Other Reserves	40,487	-	-	(1,145)	39,342
	194,436	-	9,831	(25,101)	179,166

Reserves are available for the Church's use, subject to conditions and rules established at inception.
The Isaiah 58 Fund is the balance of funds received on the winding up of the former East Taieri Training Establishment Trust. Funds can be used for training especially if the trainee is a non-Christian.
The Trustees in the Tobias Trust have given ET Church the capital of the Trust to administer.
The Tobias Trust is for the provision of advice and financial assistance to relieve poverty in New Zealand.
The Mission Training Fund is to be used for Mission Training of members of East Taieri Church.
Any balance remaining in the the Mission Training Fund must be returned to the donor should East Taieri Church close. No other reserves have such conditions attached.
Reserves are used on a needs basis with an application required.

12 Prepaid expenses

	Church		Consolidated	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
	$	$	$	$
Insurance premiums paid to 1 August	4,336	4,336	4,336	4,336
Total prepayments	**4,336**	**4,336**	**4,336**	**4,336**

13 Bank Deposits and Investments

	Church		Consolidated	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
	$	$	$	$
Bank of New Zealand	142,431	246,840	142,431	246,840
ANZ Bank	43,328	41,742	43,328	41,742
Rabobank	-	-	-	-
Baptist Savings (formerly Presbyterian	67,147	64,729	67,147	64,729
The Otago Foundation Trust Board	565,882	354,932	565,882	354,932
Total Bank deposits and investment	**818,788**	**708,243**	**818,788**	**708,243**
Funds available for general purposes	261,461	339,970		
Funds for specific purposes	557,327	368,273		

Interest rates earned on deposits range from 2.25% to 6.05% (2024: 2.25% to 6.05%)

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14 Accrued employee entitlements

	Church 2026 $	Church 2025 $	Consolidated 2026 $	Consolidated 2025 $
Accrued salaries and wages	6,247	3,772	6,247	4,277
Accumulated leave entitlements	19,795	16,715	26,387	23,307
Total Employee Entitlements	**26,042**	**20,487**	**32,634**	**27,584**

15 Plant and Equipment

Church

	Opening Cost $	Opening Accumulated Depreciation $	Additions 2026 $	Disposals and write offs Cost 2026 $	Disposals and write offs Accumulated Depreciation 2026 $	Depreciation Charge 2026 $	Book Value 2026 $	Book Value 2025 $
Hub Youth Centre fit-out	176,984	(176,984)				-	-	-
Computers, software and accessories	59,549	(56,777)	5,928			(2,433)	6,267	2,772
Plant & Equipment	176,489	(167,685)	17,551			(7,910)	20,445	10,804
Book Value	**415,022**	**(401,446)**	**23,479**	**-**	**-**	**(10,343)**	**26,712**	**13,576**

Consolidated

	Opening Cost $	Opening Accumulated Depreciation $	Additions 2025 $	Disposals and write offs write offs 2025 $	Depreciation Charge 2025 $	Book Value 2025 $	Book Value 2024 $
Hub Youth Centre fit-out	176,984	(176,984)	2,438	-	(219)	2,219	-
Computers, software and accessories	97,577	(91,655)	8,071	-	(3,848)	10,146	5,920
Plant & Equipment	254,866	(222,113)	56,681	-	(15,027)	74,407	32,753
Book Value	**529,427**	**(490,752)**	**67,190**	**-**	**(19,094)**	**86,771**	**38,673**

16 Land and Buildings

	2026 $	2025 $
Land	4,440,658	4,518,657
Buildings and improvements	2,324,581	2,202,395
	6,765,238	**6,721,052**

East Taieri Presbyterian Church has the use of a range of properties whose ownership is vested in the Otago Foundation Trust Board, and is required to recognise these properties in its statement of financial position.

Classified as		
Non-current Assets	4,542,475	4,542,475
Current Assets	-	-

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17 Deferred Revenue and Commitments

Deferred Revenue

At balance date, the Parish has received no significant donation, grant or bequest for which revenue recognition has been deferred.

Commitments

At balance date, the Parish had no capital commitments (2025: nil)

The Parish has committed to developing a concept plan for the development of the buildings and have retained the services of McCoy and Wixon Architect's

18 Related party and Inter Group Transactions

	2026 $	2025 $
East Taieri Church Paid SHFT		
Saddle Hill Foundation Trust Next Generation	27,600	27,600
Community Facilitator funding and transfer costs	-	-
Other Revenue		282
East Taieri Church received from SHFT		
Hub Rental	(17,600)	(17,600)
Administration services provided	-	-
Courses and fees	(100)	(1,025)

There have been no other related party transactions.

2026-2027 BUDGET AT A GLANCE

KNOW

HR & TECHNOLOGY

Our dedicated staff are the backbone of our mission to make disciples who make disciples. Honouring their service means ensuring fair compensation.

Ministry in today's world requires reliable, up-to-date technology. Investing in technology will empower our staff and volunteers to serve more effectively, freeing them from avoidable frustrations and enabling them to focus on what matters most.

MAINTENANCE AND EQUIPMENT

Our church buildings are more than bricks and mortar—they are spaces where people encounter God and community. This budget invests in essential repairs and improvements, including maintenance on the children's playground, creating a safe and welcoming environment for families.

MUSIC & SOUND:

We are continuing to invest in muisc and sound equipment, as well as supporting our worship teams, so that everyone can experience high-quality, engaging worship that draws us closer to God and enriches our Sunday services.

GROW

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Investing in our children and families is investing in the future of the church. By maintaining strong support for this ministry, we empower our team to grow through training and to offer high-quality teaching, resources, and activities—including for our intermediate age group. This is how we nurture lifelong faith and discipleship.

YOUTH

Our committment to supporting SHFT includes Youth East Taieri church based programmes, as well as community outreach youth programmes and other community programmes for all ages.

DISCIPLESHIP

Including discipleship in our budget is essential because it enables us to provide resources, training and opportunities that help people grow deeper in their faith and live out our mission to Know, Grow and Go. By investing financilly in discipleship we are equipping our church family to become committed followers of Jesus and empowering them to support one another on their spiritual journey.

Budget at a Glance continued

GO

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Our commitment to global missiones continues to be a tangible expression of our call to share Christ's love to the ends of the earth.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Our Christmas Outreach has touched many lives over the past three years. By continuing to provide for this in the budget, we are investing in creative, impactful ways to connect with our community and share the hope of Christ during a season when hearts are open.

EVANGELISM

Evangelism is a continuing key priority for the coming year. Maintaining strong support for Alpha and other outreach initiatives, ensures we are equipped to share the Good News with boldness and compassion. This budget continues to allow for $1,000 for a new Evangelism initiative and $1,000 for Alpha.
Last year we received an $8,000 grant from Synod that will be carried over to be spent on the City to City Evangelism project early 2027.

Budget at a Glance continued

BUDGET SUMMARY OVERVIEW

	Projected Year End Jun-26	2027
	Forecast Actual	Budget with 6 months of Senior Pastor and 6 months part-time pastor
	$	$
Mission expenditure		
All Staff Costs	235,026.36	329,221.00
SHFT	27,700.00	27,700.00
Resourcing Mission	94,439.73	73,863.00
Mission Facilities	70,268.14	73,209.00
Local Mission and community Life	58,264.71	77,508.00
Global and wider church mission	35,297.00	40,000.00
Total Mission expenditure	**520,995.94**	**621,501.00**
Mission funding		
Offerings	387,928.31	403,928.31
Building Donations	67,270.40	-
Donations	39,030.23	35,131.23
Grants	12,550.00	20,550.00
Rentals from properties	53,286.16	42,836.16
Other revenue	35,868.07	44,780.45
Interest earned	53,664.55	53,664.55
Total Mission funding	**649,597.72**	**600,890.70**
Net surplus / (deficit) from Mission	**128,601.78**	**-20,610.30**
Less Depreciation of Fixed Assets	7,487.01	7,500.00
Annual operating surplus / (deficit) for the year	**121,114.77**	**-28,110.30**

How will we Fund this?

This budget is a statement of faith and vision. While we must acknowledge financial constraints—particularly regarding a full-time Senior Pastor—we are confident that God will provide as we step forward in obedience. The longer the vacancy, the more we rely on the dedication of our current pastors and staff, but we remain steadfast in our mission.

Let us approach this season with hope, unity, and a shared commitment to Know God deeper, Grow together in faith, and Go into the world as ambassadors of Christ. Together, we can trust that God will multiply our efforts for His glory and the good of our community.

We are confident that our generous God will provide the resources necessary as He has given every member of the church family enough money, time and skills to contribute their share towards the mission of God on the Taieri. Our vision to Know God, Grow in Christ and Go in the Holy Spirit will enable us to be a growing church with more people joining in this mission.

A large proportion of our funds comes from regular Sunday giving, whether by envelope, automatic bank transfer or in cash.

To be sustainable for future years we ask that you regularly monitor your automatic payments and if you can afford to, try to increase the amount as inflation increases. To meet our projected deficits in the years to come, we would need a 10% increase in giving to cover mission as well as wages, insurances, maintenance, heating, health and safety, etc.

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with this budget update and to reflect and pray about whether you are able to increase your automatic payment or regular envelope giving. People give through one or a combination of: the "Envelope System" placed in the Sunday offering, Automatic Bank Transfers; Bank transfers for one off gifts, cash in the Sunday offering, or payroll giving to receive immediate tax credits.

See the church website for details: https://etchurch.co.nz/giving/

This budget year began on July 1st, so now is an opportune time to review your giving. We want to be ambitious for the Kingdom, but we can only do it together and with God's blessing.

Please prayerfully consider increasing your personal giving by 10%, if possible. Without this 10% increase, we would need to look at what we are doing and make painful cuts to either missional activities or staffing.

God blesses us so we can be a blessing to others. (Gen 12:1-3) Christian giving is an essential part of our discipleship, following the God who gave us the most extravagant gift of all – his own Son. We are thankful for God's provision to us, and acknowledge with thanks the generous financial support our church has received.

Lyndon Jones (Session Clerk)

If you have questions or concerns about this budget, you can email: manager@etchurch.co.nz