



# Rangitikei District Council

## Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 9 December 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

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**Present:** Cr Tim Harris (Chair)  
John Guinan  
Brent Hammond  
Carol Lewis  
Keith Scott  
Heather Thorby  
Cr Rebecca McNeil

**In attendance:** Jayme Anderson

## **1 Welcome**

In the absence of Mr Dalrymple, Cr Harris took over as Chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **2 Apologies**

That the apologies for absence from Hew Dalrymple, Jane Dunn and His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, be received.

Mr Scott / Cr Harris. Carried

## **3 Confirmation of minutes**

<b>Resolved minute number</b>	<b>14/BCC/074</b>	<b>File Ref</b>
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That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 11 November 2014 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Hammond / Mr Scott. Carried

## **4 Matters arising**

None

## **5 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee**

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations from the Committee presented to Council's 27 November 2014 meeting.

## **6 Report from the Sub-Committee addressing the transition issues for Samoan families into the Bulls Community**

Cr McNeil gave an oral update to the Committee. The following points were raised:

- Liaison has begun with two Samoan ladies who have been in the area for a year.
- There is a need for information (e.g. fire safety, public toilets etc.) to be made available in the Samoan language.
- There was an issue with the induction of new arrivals. This is a work in progress.

## **7 Update on the Bulls Town Centre Plan – December 2014**

Discussion was held around the second project under the Bulls Town Centre Plan. Ms Anderson explained that this is the 'Four Corners' project.

Another application for funding from the Creative Communities Scheme will be made in March.

Feedback on the new seats and post around town has been positive. The Committee thanked Ms Dunn and Mr Guinan.

Bulls Town Centre Plan Steering Group Chair's report presented by Cr McNeil:

- Thanks to Cr Harris for sponsoring the paint for the pots in High Street, Trisha Falkner for painting and the Scotts Ferry Rural Women for the provision of planter pots in the courtyard.
- Need to paint power boxes (three) in High Street. Ms Dunn was given the 'ok' to contact PowerCo.
- The community notice board (Notice-a-Bull) is almost ready to be set up. Approval was given by the Committee to purchase materials. Thanks to Mr Dalrymple for the donation of timber.
- The Committee approved the proposed landscaping on the corner of Criterion Street and State Highway One, outside the takeaway shop, provided the property owner agrees.
- Discussion was held around the tidying up of the kowhai tree that hangs over the roof of the Library and the Platts Pharmacy site. The area will be checked Mr Guinan, Mr Hammond and Cr Harris.

**Resolved minute number**                      **14/BCC/075**                      **File Ref**                      **1-CP-7-2**

That the memorandum 'Update on the Bulls Town Centre Plan – December 2014' be received.

Mr Hammond / Cr Harris. Carried

## **8 Update on the Bulls Wastewater Upgrade Project Focus Group**

The Committee noted that no further progress had been made on this project since the last update.

## **9 Potential sites for Community Gardens in Bulls**

Discussion was held around the lease-type arrangement and who pays. The Committee asked if this is a 'pepper-corn' rental, specifically who is the individual.

The Committee agreed that Walker Park should not be included as a potential site for a community garden, and asked that more detail on the project be presented for approval by the Committee.

**Resolved minute number**                      **14/BCC/076**                      **File Ref**                      **1-AS-1-1**

That the report 'Potential Sites for Community Gardens in Bulls' be received.

Mr Hammond / Mr Scott. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **14/BCC/077**                      **File Ref**                      **1-AS-1-1**

That the Bulls Community Committee recommends that Haylock Park be the preferred site of a community garden in Bulls.

Mr Hammond / Mr Scott. Carried

## **10 Signage Report**

Cr McNeil informed the Committee that Rangitikei Tourism want to place signs in the 100km/h zone along State Highway One and have been in contact with NZTA.

A review of the existing business signs in the 70km/h and 50km/h zones is still underway.

## **11 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Bulls Ward**

The Committee would like it noted that the use of the term 'caravan dump site' within the memorandum should be replaced with 'caravan wastewater dump site'.

**Resolved minute number**                      **14/BCC/078**                      **File Ref**                      **3-CC-1-5**

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Bulls Ward' be received.

Mr Guinan / Ms Lewis. Carried

## **12 Small projects grant scheme**

The Committee noted the balance of the Small Projects Grant Scheme for the Bulls Ward.

## **13 General business**

**J Anderson**

- Feedback from the Bulls Christmas Parade and information on upcoming events.
- Commented on the cost of the Rose Show, particularly the hire of the hall for a major community event. She will follow up on the expenses for the Rose Show.
- 'Thank You' cards will be sent to Helen Cooper and James O'Regan for organising the Christmas Parade.

### **C Lewis**

- Walton Street land could be a possible Motor Home site.
- The Library ramp has become slippery with moss building up.

### **K Scott**

- There is a major safety risk in broken pavement and substances on the pathway from the car park behind the Town Hall through to High Street. This is on Council property and needs urgent repair.
- The current car park areas behind the Library and Town Hall need to have the parking bays re-painted urgently; the white lines have almost disappeared.
- There is a need for signage to indicate heritage sites along Parewanui Road. Is this a Council responsibility or Heritage New Zealand?

### **H Thorby**

- Mobility access signs are needed to indicate crossing points for mobility scooters.
- The rubbish bins at Rangitikei Junction are too small. Litter is spilling out and blowing up against the netting.
- The ladies toilets at Rangitikei Junction need to be monitored more closely, especially in regard to soap levels.
- There is a sharp stick near the square where a sign has broken off.
- Westpac Bank has not communicated with its local account holders on the probable closure of the Bulls Branch. There is a need for a Westpac presence/agency/service within the Bulls Community.
- What are the dates for the re-sealing of State Highway One and the installation of the pedestrian crossing?

### **B Hammond**

- Reported on the fatal accident at Parewanui Road and the speed of traffic on this road, and Ferry Road, near Bulls. He was speaking on behalf of concerned residents and the Fire Brigade.

**Resolved minute number**                      **14/BCC/079**                      **File Ref**

That the Bulls Community Committee recommends to Council that the speed limit along Parewanui Road, from the 50km/h sign to Ferry Road, be reduced to 70km/h.

Mr Hammond / Ms Lewis. Carried

### **Cr McNeil**

- Informed the Committee that there is a Night Market on 12 December.

## **14 Notification of business for the next meeting**

- Procedural motion for the election of a Deputy Chairperson as approved by the Committee at the April meeting.

## **15 Next meeting**

Tuesday 10 February 2014, 5.30 pm

## **16 Meeting closed - 7.10 pm**

Confirmed/Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_