

# Rangitikei District Council

## Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Agenda – Tuesday 13 February 2018 – 5:30 PM



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The quorum for the Bulls Community Committee is 6 plus an Elected Member.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

**1 Welcome**

**2 Public Forum**

**3 Apologies**

**4 Members' Conflict of Interest**

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

**5 Confirmation of Order of Business and Late Items**

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, ..... be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

**6 Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes for the meeting of the Bulls Community Committee held on 12 December 2017 are attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-1

**Recommendation**

That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 12 December 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

**7 Chair's Report**

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

**8 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Committee**

**The Committee requested that the cost estimates for strengthening the Bulls Water Tower be included at the next meeting in February 2018.**

- The estimated cost for strengthening the Bulls Water Tower is \$300-\$400.

**Options for the bend on SH1 near the RSA**

- An update will be provided to the Committee at the meeting.

**That the Bulls Community Committee recommends to Council that a copy of the engineers report for the Brandon Hall Road Bridge be supplied to the committee.**

- Jim Mestynek (Senior Project Engineer – Roading) has provided a response below:

“From the date of its original construction, the maximum load permitted on the Brandon Hall Bridge has been 44,000 kg (i.e. Class 1). If carriers are crossing the bridge with heavier loads (egg 53 tonne, as below), then they are doing so illegally.

The recent installation of signage stating 44,000 kg Max Gross has been necessary only because on 1 December, NZTA redefined Class 1 nationwide as 45,000 kg (for 7 axle units) and 46,000 kg (for 8 axle units). In fact, the physics of the bridge have not changed at all. It is still permitted to carry only 44,000 kg, just as it always has.

Finally, Council staff are aware of the peak forestry harvest which is looming and which, in fact, already is underway. With this in mind, we are planning within the next year or two to carry out a thorough capacity assessment of this bridge and determine whether strengthening is possible.”

A full inspection report dated May 2017 has been provided as a separate document on the Rangitikei District Council website.

**That the Bulls Community Committee recommends to Council that the Brandon Hall Road Bridge be strengthened and the ‘S Bend removed**

- Council declined this recommendation. The response above from Jim Mestyanek outlines the situation with this bridge. A business case will need to be accepted by the New Zealand Transport Agency to secure financial assistance (without which no work would be feasible).

**That the Bulls Community Committee recommends to Council to request that Wallace Development increase the number of bins at Rangitikei Junction and to clean up the tagging.**

- A letter was posted to Wallace Development on 31 January 2018 requesting that the above issues be addressed. Blair Taylor from Morgans Property Advisors has been in contact with a contractor to have the graffiti removed, and is investigating the issue in regards to the bins.

## **9 Council Response to Queries Raised at Previous Meetings**

**The Bulls Neighbourhood Support Group falls under the Manawatu District. The co-ordinator for the region is:**

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### **Pedestrian refuge Barriers update**

There has been discussion with the New Zealand Transport Agency which, while receptive to the proposal, has yet to formally approve. Once that is done, installation will happen quickly.

## **10 Update on Place-Making Activities**

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

## **11 Update on the Bulls Community Centre Development**

Work on detailed drawings and specifications has progressed but will not now be finalised until later this month. A design modification on the top floor is being made to provide for additional meeting space and a separate youth zone.

The decisions on the funding applications to the Lotteries Community Facilities Fund and the Tourism Infrastructure Fund were unfavourable, although there appears to be scope to re-submit an application to the latter in early 2018. An expression of interest to the Whanganui Community Foundation has been submitted.

## **12 Update from Bulls and District Community Development Manager**

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

## **13 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update**

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-1

### **Recommendation**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – February 2018' be received.

## **14 Increased delegations**

Following the recommendation from the Committee's December 2017 meeting, Council resolved to give the Bulls Community Committee the following delegations, subject to review in 12 months:

- Community Initiatives Fund - consideration of applications from the ward. The proposed funding is for \$5,400.
- MoU Group Work Programmes - consideration of annual work programme, recommending this to Council and receiving regular written and oral updates.
- Community Facilities/Services - user groups at the Bulls Domain.
- Increased engagement with wider/smaller communities of the ward represented.

## **15 Traffic and Parking bylaw- Council decisions on local requirements**

Following the recommendations from the Committee's December 2017 meeting, Council resolved to adopt the following changes to parking restrictions in Bulls:

- The extension of the 10 minute parking restriction area to 108 High Street, Bulls to include a drop off area for All About Children Childcare.

They also agreed that the 120 minute parking restriction on 106 - 112 Bridge Street be revisited once the Bulls Community Centre has been opened.

## **16 Current Infrastructure Projects/Updates and Other Council Activities within the Ward**

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-5

### **Recommendation**

That the memorandum 'Extract for Bulls from activity reports to Assets/Infrastructure Committee, Nov-Dec 2017' be received.

## **17 Information on Creative Communities and Rural Travel Fund grants**

An information pack is attached.

### **Recommendation**

That the information pack 'Grants update February 2018' be received.

## **18 Late Items**

As accepted in Item 5.

## **19 Next meeting**

10 April 2018, 5.30pm

## **20 Meeting Closed**