

Bulls Community Committee Meeting



Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 07 April 2021 – 6.00pm

Venue: Ohakea Room, Te Matapihi - Bulls Community Centre,
Criterion Street, Bulls

Chair

TBC

Deputy Chair

Danelle Whakatihi

Membership

Nigel Bowen, Bruce Dear, Nicole Harrison, Matthew Holden,
John Sula (alt), Raewyn Turner, Russel Ward, Dennis Moratti,
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson and Councillor Brian Carter

The quorum for the Bulls Community Committee is 6 including 1 Elected Member.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 31 October 2019) 11.2 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.

Purpose of the committee:

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To also provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation of \$1.00 per rateable property for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided¹
- Particularly, to help to ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure in the appropriate manner through promoting the use of the Request for Service procedure and advising community members on how to use the Request for Service procedure
- To be the first point of contact (prior to Council) for community groups. Where this is not possible the Committee will be informed of the approach by the community group to the Council.
- Applications for the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund are considered and commented on by the Committee prior to the application being considered by Council.
- Placemaking initiatives that are taking place on Council land, will be considered and commented on by the Committee before the application is considered by the Chief Executive.
- To engage with wider/smaller communities of the ward represented.

¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Bulls Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitikei District Council will be held in the Ohakea Room, Te Matapihi, Bulls Community Centre, 4 Criterion Street, Bulls on Wednesday, 7 April 2021 at 6.00 pm.

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1 Welcome

2 Apologies

An apology has been received from Bonnie Clayton (Community Development Manager - Bulls and District Community Trust).

3 Election of new Chair

(1) Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, which relates to voting systems for certain appointments (including the election or appointment of the deputy mayor, the election or appointment of the chairperson and deputy chairperson of a committee, and the election or appointment of a representative of the local authority), states that:

(2) ... a local authority or a committee (if the local authority has so directed) must determine by resolution that a person be elected or appointed by using one of the following systems of voting:—

(a) the voting system in subclause (3) ("system A");

(b) the voting system in subclause (4) ("system B").

(3) **System A—**

(a) requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives the votes of a majority of the members of the local authority or committee present and voting; and

(b) has the following characteristics:—

(i) there is a first round of voting for all candidates; and

(ii) if no candidate is successful in that round there is a second round of voting from which the candidate with the fewest votes in the first round is excluded; and

(iii) if no candidate is successful in the second round there is a third, and if necessary subsequent, round of voting from which, each time, the candidate with the fewest votes in the previous round is excluded; and

(iv) in any round of voting, if 2 or more candidates tie for the lowest number of votes, the person excluded from the next round is resolved by lot.

(4) **System B—**

(a) requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and

(b) has the following characteristics:

(i) there is only 1 round of voting; and

(ii) if 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.

Recommendations:

1. That the Bulls Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25, adopt **either** System A, **or** System B.
2. That Be appointed Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.
The Mayor or Ward Councillor vacates the chair.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

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

Bulls Community Committee Meeting - 10 March 2021.

Recommendation: That the minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 10 March 2021 {as amended/without amendment} be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

BONNIE minuting:

1. Welcome

The meeting opened at 6.05pm

Mr Tyrone Barker opened the meeting advising the committee that he was resigning from the Chair and the committee, effective immediately – though would remain for the rest of the meeting.

Recommendation:

That Mr Tyrone Barkers tabled resignation from the Bulls Community Committee be accepted.

Mr Barker / Cr Carter. Carried

2. Apologies

Recommendation:

That the apology for absence of Mr Bowen and apology for lateness of Ms Whakatihi be received.

Mr Dear / Ms Turner. Carried

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 17 November 2020 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Dear / Cr Carter. Carried

Cr Panapa arrived 6.09pm

4. Chairs Report

Recommendation:

That the verbal 'Chairman's Report' to the 10 March 2021 Bulls Community Committee be received.

Cr Carter / Mr Holden. Carried

5. Co-ordinator report

The Bulls Co-Ordinator report was taken as read.

Recommendation:

That the 'Bulls Community Co-Ordinator Report' to the 10 March 2021 Bulls Community Committee meeting be received.

Cr Carter / Mr Dear. Carried

6. Mayoral Update

Ms Whakatihi arrived 6.28pm.

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6 . Mayors Report continued..

Discussion regarding new regulator.

Role of council in future in regards to Water, Unsure of what future role in in provision of supply for reticulation.

Recommendation:

That the Mayors report to the 10 March 2021 Bulls Community Committee be received

His Worship the Mayor/Ms Turner. Carried

LESSONS LEARNED (from Te Matapihi Build)

- a. Governance: The business plan that was put together was not put together well. Council as governors never actively said do we want an Iconic building or not? It was a lack of experience and knowledge of the building process and how big this job really was going to be. As result Councillors will be put through governance training.
- b. Clearly define aspects of the reporting back process. Wasn't structured well enough.
- c. Operational: Need to have a suitably qualified project manager, as they would have brought a more robust and a suggestive reporting process.
- d. Not all parties were part of the cohesiveness of the project.

As a consequence, we need to establish a Project Managers office/portfolio. Still going through the review on the function of Te Matapihi.

DRESIGNATION OF CHAIRPERSON BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

1. 1st item on the agenda for next meeting is to elect a new Chairperson. Mayor/Elected Councillor to open meeting until election of office

7. Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – March 2021

Recommendation:

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – March 2021' to the 10 March 2021 Bulls Community Committee be received.

Ms Turner / Mr Holden. Carried

Recommendation:

That \$200 (two hundred dollars) be given to BESS Memorial project from the Bulls Community Committees Small Projects Grant Scheme.

Ms Turner / Ms Whakatihi. Carried

8. Requests from Bulls Community Committee

UNDERTAKINGS

1. Mayor Andy Watson undertakes to investigate the follow through regarding the rubbish bins – picnic side and find out whose jurisdiction it is and send an email to the new Bulls Community Committee Chairperson once appointed.
2. Town entrance signs: Investigate options for the relocation and the placement of these signs on old framing without frames.

3. Rubbish bin at Junction
4. Bus Lane: Mayor to investigate further the following motion from the BCC

Recommendation:

Clarity and an indication is sought as to when the Te Matapihi wharepaku will become operational on a 24hour basis.

Ms Turner /Mr Dear. Carried

ACTIONS

1. Agenda item for next meeting:

Discuss the beautification of the reservoir for artworks and the artists who could do it

Ms Turner / Ms Harrison. Carried

Raewyn brought up concerns Signage for Te Matapihi and the breakdown of the elevator. Also wanted clarity on why library is on second floor as elderly cant get up to 2nd floor when elevator is broken.

Clarity given that if there is any concerns for Te Matapihi building talk to Bonnie as she is coordinator.

Recommendation:

That the Greenspace committee be approached by the Bulls Community Committee to discuss photo opportunities options in this greenspace area.

Ms Turner/ Ms Harrison. Carried

LATE ITEM**Recommendation:**

The Bulls Community Committee recommends to Council that a Convex Mirror be placed at Holland Crescent & Bridge Street, showing both ways, for the purpose of residents being able to safely navigate their way onto the highway when emerging from these streets.

Ms Whakatihi / Ms Harrison. Carried

The committee wish to compliment to the Parks and Reserve team for their good work in and around the Bulls district.

FUTURE ITEMS

1. Humphrey Sub division – progress update

2. Discuss the beautification of the reservoir for artworks and the artists who could do it
3. Committee to discuss roles and responsibilities for Te Matapihi staff and the Community Development Manager role.

MEETING CLOSED 7.35pm

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7 Mayoral Update

Author: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Things have been exceptionally busy lately and I will try and deal with the major items in front of us at the moment.

1. Last week we had a series of meetings with communities to discuss the LTP (Long Term Plan). This consultation process is essentially about what Council's vision is for the next 10 years, what work will be done and how will it be paid for. As previously reported this is the most difficult process, I have been involved in. Covid and the potential aggregation of the Three Waters (to be discussed later) have taken their toll on the limited staffing resources we have. Finalising the budgets for our Long Term Plan document has been difficult within this environment, all of which needs to be adopted by Council and approved by Audit. AuditNZ has also been challenged by its resourcing.

The consequence is that the Long Term Plan discussions have been held without the formal LTP Consultation Document which has not been ideal. I have offered to return to the communities to carry on the conversation over the final document once it is available. However, the Long Term Plan meetings have been about direction and assumed positions and I urge you to engage with your communities wherever possible over the LTP.

2. On 11 March several Councillors and staff had meetings in Palmerston North with the Zone 3 Councils. These are the Councils essentially representing the central North Island. At those meetings we were told more around the Three Waters. The Three Waters is the aggregation model possibilities for the supply and delivery of drinking water, waste-water and stormwater. I have reported on this previously and my comments at the time were that there was a need for public consultation within the LTP timeframes, however we didn't have the information available as to what it may look like. The meeting on 11 March was the most informative of what has been a very long process so far. Unfortunately there are still many essential parts of the model that need to be developed. Some of the changes that we are now aware of are that instead of it being an "opt-in" model for Councils, it is now an "opt-out" model. In other words, we agree to the aggregation and if we don't like it we have to formally opt out. This may seem like a very subtle distinction but the implication is that it will be nearly universally adopted. For the first time we got a look at where the boundaries of each new entity could lie and there was much discussion around whether those boundaries be territorial, catchment (i.e. river system boundaries) or aligned also to Iwi boundaries. One of the tentative models put forward interested me because it showed Northland as a standalone district. My personal interpretation of that would be that Government has been given a very clear steer that Auckland City may opt out. Auckland is of course our largest metropolitan authority by a very significant way and to gain efficiencies of provision of these services I would have thought it was essential that Auckland was part of it. However I am musing on my thoughts rather than established fact.

We do now know that Government has said that the timeframes could be slightly longer than first indicated which could allow for some consultation in an Annual Plan process next

year. We also know that if an authority has spent significant money to upgrade their plants and has a debt that if they offer not to opt out then the debt, along with the plants, would be transferred to any new authority. Government went to some length at the meeting to provide protection around any new entity, stating that it could not be privatised and there would be a shareholding base.

So where are my principle concerns? They centre around the lack of knowledge but also the timeframes to allow consultation. Councils are routinely requested to attend meetings and briefings and our Chief Executive and staff are well informed as information becomes available. My principle worry is Iwi. They are very much part of this mix and it appears to me the consultation with them has been incredibly poor to date. Council has an engagement process with Iwi through Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa where representatives of each Iwi sit at the Council table. I suspect that they will end up saying that they don't have a mandate to make a decision on behalf of their Iwi and that this consultation needs to back to the marae base or rohe base engagement process.

3. On 21 March the new Youth Council was put in place. I welcome the new Youth Councillors and unfortunately this year, while I was able to go to their Foundation Meeting, was not able to spend the entire weekend with them. I wish them well and it is up to Council and the community to involve them wherever we possibly can.
4. At the moment we are asked routinely to submit to a number of Regional Plans and Government positions. This is challenging with the resource base that we have available but incredibly important because if we don't have our say at the time of submissions we are not party to the ongoing discussions that come out of those submissions. One example has been the need to submit to the Regional Transport Plan which sets priorities for the approval of Government funding within the greater region. I have asked the Chief Executive to submit to this, highlighting the Napier-Taihape Road, bus and commuter transport and the rail hub that we are developing in Marton. This submission will form part of the reports to Council and I would endorse its adoption.
5. There have been a large number of community type events at this time of year with planning of several more to come. I have attended the Rural Games in Palmerston North and been to events in Taihape such as the duck race. I commend organisations such as Matt Hobbs Plumbing that are using these events to raise funds for organisations like St Johns.
6. Lastly, I will finish with reporting on an 8am meeting held on 1 March on the Kuripapango boundary bridge between us and Hastings. To give an idea of scale of our district, for me to attend that meeting I needed to be on the road by 5.45am. The process around the bridge closure has not been perfect. Council was unaware of contracts that were put in place by Hastings District Council resulting in the road closure of the Gentle Annie for an extended period of time. My apologies go to the farmers and station owners on especially the Gentle Annie Road. The summer is of course the time when most of the transport related farm work takes place. The alternative route for a station like Ngamatea or Timahanga involves hundreds of extra kilometres of transport. A resultant Zoom call prior to the bridge closure organised by Hastings District Council Deputy Mayor Tania Kerr was appreciated by the owners and they focussed on "Where To From Here?" rather than seeking to place blame. I thank them for their attitude.

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Mayors Engagement

March 2021

1	Kuripapango Bridge Powhiri for commencement of works
2	Online Climate Change Risk Assessment Workshop LTP Consultation Meeting with Pasifika Groups
3	Attended a Traffic Safety Meeting with residents around a subdivision Online TUIA Mayoral Training Workshop
4	Online Zone 3 Meeting Meeting re noise complaint issues on local worksite Onsite meeting at Ratana Playground
5	Zoom – Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting Opened an exhibition in Palmerston North
7	Met with ratepayer in Sicely Street Attended Kohitangata Trust Meeting
8	Zoom – Mayoral Taskforce for Jobs Meeting Meeting with Taihape Area School Principal Meeting with Susan at Hautapu Pine Meeting with ratepayer at Taihape Town Hall Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Meeting Rotary Meeting
9	Fortnightly Teleconference Regional Chiefs' Transport Matters Meeting with Oceania Healthcare LTP Consultation Meeting with Business Groups at Bulls Community Centre
10	Worked from Bulls Community Centre Te Matapihi Green Space Artwork Working Group Meeting LTP Workshop – Consultation Document Met with local business to discuss Marton Rail Hub project Attended Bulls Community Committee Meeting
11	Attended Three Waters Reform Programme Workshop in Palmerston North Attended a meeting in Taihape to update on Memorial Park Amenities Facility
12	Attended Duck Race in Taihape

15	<p>Attended Breakfast Meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys</p> <p>Attended judging of Bulls Community Centre (finalist in NZ Commercial Project Awards – as entered by Wells & Wadsworth)</p> <p>Attended monthly Marton Health Networking Meeting</p> <p>Attended Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committee</p>
16	<p>Attended George Street Subcommittee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Marton Long Term Plan Consultation Meeting at Rangitikei College</p>
17	<p>Attended Makirikiri Flood Control Scheme Catchment Community Meeting</p> <p>Attended Marton Rail Hub – Project Board Meeting #3</p> <p>Attended Bulls Community LTP Consultation Meeting at Bulls Community Centre</p>
18	Attended Online Live Video LTP Consultation Meeting #1
19	<p>Attended an MSD meeting in Whanganui to discuss MSD's focus for the year</p> <p>Attended Mangaweka Community LTP Consultation Meeting</p> <p>Attended Central Districts Feilddays Connections VIP Event with Ministers</p>
20	Attended Outstanding Women in Sport Function in Palmerston North
21	<p>Attended Rangitikei Youth Council Meeting – Pukeokahu (as part of Youth Council weekend)</p> <p>Attended Scotts Ferry LTP Community Consultation meeting</p>
22	Attended Pukeokahu Community LTP Consultation meeting
23	<p>Attended Fortnightly Teleconference – Regional Chiefs' Transport Matters</p> <p>To attend UCOL Manawatu Graduation Ceremony Awards in Palmerston North</p> <p>Attended Koitiata LTP Community Consultation Meeting</p>
24	To attend online North Island Regional Passenger Rail Services Workshop Attended Hunterville LTP Community Consultation Meeting
25	<p>Attended Audit Risk Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Finance/Performance Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Council Meeting</p> <p>To attend Business Hall of Fame Awards in Auckland</p>
26	To potentially meet with Grey Power – LTP Consultation Meeting (tbc)
28	<p>To attend Parewahawaha Marae for LTP Consultation Meeting</p> <p>To attend Moawhango Marae for LTP Consultation Meeting</p>
29	To attend Taihape Community LTP Consultation Meeting

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30	To attend EM Joint Standing Committee Meeting in Palmerston North To attend Regional Transport Committee Meeting in Palmerston North To attend monthly RDC/Police Meeting To attend Civil Defence Emergency Management Declaration Exercise
	To attend Online Live Video LTP Consultation #2
31	To attend Mataroa Community LTP Consultation Meeting

Recommendation

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the Bulls Community Committee 07 Apr 21 meeting be received.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Co-ordinator Report

Author: Bonnie Clayton, Community Development Manager - Bulls and District Community Trust.

The Bulls co-ordinator has advised ahead of time that there are no updates to report.

8.2 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2021**Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator****1 Allocation**

- 1.1 The amount of the 2020/21 Small Projects Grant Scheme for Bulls Ward is \$1,254.
- 1.2 The allocation of the Small Projects Grant Scheme is for the period 1 July to 30 June each year. At its meeting on 29 February 2016, Council resolved to allow carry-forward from one financial year to the next of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee's Small Projects Grant Fund, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution of the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 25 June 2020, Council resolved to carry-forward the full amount of unspent funds from the 2019/20 year of \$1,047.90 to the 2020/21 year due to COVID-19 and the inability of the Committee to hold meetings and make their own carry forward recommendations.
- 1.4 This gives a total allocation for the 2020/21 year of \$2301.90.

2 Breakdown

- \$200, Steve Leurink from Design Addiction for the design and production of artwork generated for the Bulls Town Signage. *Paid 8 September 2020.*
- \$200, BESS Memorial project. *Not yet paid - pending invoice.*

3 Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2020/21 financial year of \$2101.90. This figure does not include the \$200 that has been earmarked to BESS Memorial project.

Recommendation

That the report 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2021' to the 07 April 2021 Bulls Community Committee be received.

8.3 Item for Discussion - Humphrey Sub-division

Reason for Report

Item for discussion, specifically around a progress update.

8.4 Item for Discussion - The Beautification of the Reservoir

Reason for Report

Item for discussion, specifically for the artworks and the artists who could do it.

8.5 Item for Discussion - Roles and Responsibilities

Reason for Report

Item for discussion, specifically around the roles and responsibilities of:

1. Te Matapihi staff
2. The Community Development Manager role

9 Future Items for the Agenda

10 Next Meeting

Wednesday, 09 June 2021, 6.00 pm.

11 Meeting Closed