

# ORDER PAPER

## BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, 11 August 2021

**Time:** 6.00 pm

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

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**Deputy Chair:** Ms Danelle Whakatihi

**Membership:** Mr Nigel Bowen  
Mr Bruce Dear  
Ms Nicole Harrison  
Mr Matthew Holden  
Ms Raewyn Turner  
Mr Russel Ward  
Mr Dennis Moratti  
Cr Brian Carter  
Cr Coral Raukawa  
HWTM Andy Watson

## Purpose of the Committee

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To 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 provided<sup>1</sup>.
- Particularly, to help ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure, by promoting its use and advising community members on how to use it.
- 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/small communities of the ward represented.

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<sup>1</sup> 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, 11 August 2021 at 6.00 pm.**

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## AGENDA

### 1 Welcome

### 2 Apologies

### 3 Elections

#### 3.1 Election of New Committee Members

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

#### 1. Background

1.1 The Bulls Community Committee was unable to meet on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 2021 due to a lack of a quorum. As there had been committee members who had resigned, including the Chair (Mr Tyrone Barker) an approach to attract new members was undertaken. As part of this, the Mayor met with members of the Bulls community on 15 June 2021 to promote the Committee's purpose and attract further interest from those who may want to be part of the Committee.

#### 2. Membership

2.1 The Committee should be comprised of a minimum of seven, and a maximum of ten, members from the community. Additionally, two Rangitikei District councillors and one representative from RNZAF Base Ohakea are currently appointed to the Committee.

#### 3. Election of new Members

3.1 As per Council resolution 04/RDC/404, the Committee has the power to appoint additional members, provided that the total membership does not exceed ten (this number does not include appointed councillors or the RNZAF representative).

#### Recommendation 1

That the report 'Election of New Committee Members' be received.

#### Recommendation 2

That the following individuals, subject to their agreement, be appointed as members of the Bulls Community Committee:

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**3.2 Election of New Chair for the Bulls Community Committee****Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a voting mechanism to allow for the election of a new Chair for the Bulls Community Committee.

**2. Statutory**

- 1.2 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 chairperson of a committee), states that:

- 1.3 ... 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 two systems of voting:

**3. System A**

- 3.1 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

- 3.2 Has the following characteristics:

- a. There is a first round of voting for all candidates; and
- b. 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
- c. 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
- d. 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**

- 4.1 Requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and

- 4.2 Has the following characteristics:

- a. There is only 1 round of voting; and
- b. If 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.

**Recommendation 1**

That the 'Election of New Chair for the Bulls Community Committee' report be received.

**Recommendation 2**

That the Bulls Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, adopt System A *or* System B [~~delete one~~].

**Recommendation 3**

That ..... be appointed Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

The Mayor or presiding Councillor vacates the Chair.

### **3.3 Election of Deputy Chair for the Bulls Community Committee**

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

#### **1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 This report is provided if an election for a Deputy Chair for the Bulls Community Committee is required and provides a voting mechanism if such an election is undertaken at the meeting.

#### **2. Statutory**

- 2.1 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 chairperson of a committee), states that:
- 2.2 ... 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 two systems of voting:

#### **3. System A**

- 3.1 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
- 3.2 Has the following characteristics:
  - a. There is a first round of voting for all candidates; and
  - b. 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
  - c. 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
  - d. 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**

- 4.1 Requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and
- 4.2 Has the following characteristics:
  - a. There is only 1 round of voting; and
  - b. If 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.



**Recommendation 1**

That the 'Election of Deputy Chair for the Bulls Community Committee' report be received.

**Recommendation 2**

That the Bulls Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, adopt System A *or* System B [~~delete one~~].

**Recommendation 3**

That ..... be appointed Deputy Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

## 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, [enter item number](#) be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 10 March 2021 are attached.

#### Attachments

1. 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.









## **7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings**

### **7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings**

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

#### **1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Bulls Community Committee meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for follow up, and a brief status comment.

#### **2. Decision Making Process**

- 2.1 Staff have assessed the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to this item and have concluded that, as this report is for information only, the decision-making provisions do not apply.

#### **Attachments**

1. **Follow-up Actions Register**

#### **Recommendation**

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings' be received.

## Current Follow-up Actions

From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
10-Mar-21	Rubbish bins in Rangitikei Junction	Gaylene Prince	Gaylene has advised that the rubbish bins belong to the landowner not RDC. They are not part of the CBD contract. NB RDC leases the toilets from the owner but not the rubbish bins.	Closed
10-Mar-21	Town entrance signs: Investigate options for the relocation and the placement of these signs on old framing without frames.	Nardia Gower	Two signs have been erected on old frames, south end of Bulls SH1 and north end SH1.	Closed
10-Mar-21	Staff 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.	Murray Phillips	<p>This was discussed at the Bulls Community Committee meetings on 21 July and 15 September 2020 - then at the 27 Aug 2020 Council meeting where Council approved investigating, with Horizons, the installation of rubbish bins at the picnic area on the Bulls side of the river – noting the need for continued maintenance of the bins and removal of rubbish.</p> <p><b>Update:</b> Mr Phillips advised that RDC has a 50/50 cost sharing agreement with Horizons for the removal of illegal rubbish dumping at the Bulls area of the Rangitikei river. The installation of litter bins would likely result in a significant increase of illegal dumping in and around the location of the bins, resulting in additional costs to Council. The installation of rubbish bins is therefore not recommended.</p>	Closed



## 8 Mayoral Update

### 8.1 Mayoral Update - July 2021

**Author:** Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

#### Local Government New Zealand Conference 2021

I went, I saw, I thought, I report.....

Last week I spent time in Marlborough at the Local Government Conference where all the Mayors, Chief Executives and many Councillors gathered to discuss the issues of the day. I would like to congratulate the Mayor of Marlborough John Leggett and his team for the incredible way that they put the conference together. I also compliment John on how he seamlessly moved from running the major conference of the year in a small community to dealing with a significant weather event and widespread flooding.

Councillors Fi Dalgety, Tracey Hiroa and Gill Duncan, together with myself and the Chief Executive attended the conference. The advantage of attending the Local Government Conference is really about networking and understanding other authorities' positions, as well as the Government's direction. The conference also finished with an AGM where remits were discussed, including Local Government's position to the three waters aggregation Government is proposing. Local Government passed a motion by the narrowest of margins stating that the three waters should not be legislated by Government – that Councils should still have the opportunity to opt out of these reforms.

The issue of the day was always going to be the Three Waters discussion and updating people on the Government's decision. They came incredibly close to saying they will mandate the aggregation of the three waters changes. The Minister was asked directly whether opting out could still be an option and her response was "the conversation has moved on since then". Read into that statement what you may.

Government released a second tranche of money to Local Authorities and one must question whether that is a bribe. Our Council gets nearly \$14m to spend over the next couple of years. I had anticipated that this second tranche of funding would probably heavily favour Auckland and Christchurch, because without them being in the aggregated model one would have to question whether the efficiencies are there to be gained. The Government also released their decision on where the boundaries for the four entities would lie. Rangitikei is placed in Entity B along with 22 other Councils. This region includes everything north of us and to the south of Auckland including Taranaki. Notably this area does not include Wellington, Palmerston North or Manawatu as I had previously anticipated. I would have to say that my personal preference would be that we do end up in entity B rather than C. We know that Wellington City and Palmerston North City have a huge amount of money to be spent and would probably have the weight of numbers to say it may indicate that they will take first priority. The National Party spoke about "not taking the Local Government out of Local Government" while seemingly accepting that reform is necessary. Their position is about 'how' rather than a 'no'.

**ITEM 8.1**

The Government has indicated that the timeframes for Councils to make a decision on the aggregation still remains, which limits the opportunity for discussion or consultation within our district.

I have asked for this Council meeting so that we can update Councillors on the three waters and to strategise how we can involve the community in this decision. To consult on the three waters we have to, in my opinion, understand the offer and the benefits of aggregation that may be brought, along with the risks, costs and lack of control. We have budgeted heavily in the Long Term Plan to make Council compliant and to solve water and wastewater issues. One of the many questions under the new regulations will be what is exactly required, in terms of future compliance and levels of service. I believe we must inform the community as widely as possible using media and probably letter drops to individual properties on the options we face. Undoubtedly the decision made by Council in October will be the biggest decision we have ever made and probably the biggest in Local Government since the 1989 amalgamations.

My apologies for not chairing this meeting. The Council meeting was not planned for and I am away on Council business attending the Institute of Directors course. I accepted this position in the knowledge that the Deputy Mayor Nigel Belsham is well informed and has my absolute confidence to progress this matter.

Mayor Andy Watson

## Mayors Engagement

July 2021

1	Attended farewell for Katie Brosnahan MSD
6	Worked from Taihape Office Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
7	Attended Future of Local Government workshop
8	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Council Meeting to adopt Long Term Plan Attended Representation Review Council Workshop Attended 2021 Rangitikei Youth Awards
9	Attended meeting with NZDF Director of Housing
12	Attended meeting with Ministry of Education re education pathway
13	Worked from Te Matapihi Office Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Rangitikei Youth Council meeting
14-17	Attended Local Government 2021 Conference & AGM in Blenheim Attended Mayor Task Force for Jobs AGM
20	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
21	Attended meeting re RMA Reforms with Opus staff Attended Marton Rail Hub – Project Board Meeting #7
22	Attended Whanganui Community Foundation Panel Discussion with Mayors from Whanganui and Ruapehu re regional housing issues
23	Attended new staff whakatau Visited Edale resident for 100 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebration
25-30	Attended Institute of Directors course in Wellington

### Recommendation

That the Mayoral Update – July 2021 be received.

## 9 Reports for Information

### 9.1 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2021

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

#### 1. Allocation

- 1.1 The yearly allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Bulls Community Committee is \$1,254.
- 1.2 The yearly allocation aligns with the financial year, from 01 July to 30 June. In February 2016 Council resolved to allow a carry-forward from one financial year to the next, of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee or Board's Small Projects Fund<sup>2</sup>, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution from the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 24 June 2021, Council resolved to carry-forward the full amount of unspent funds from the 2020/21 year of \$1,901.90 to the 2021/22 year<sup>3</sup>, while acknowledging that this was inconsistent with its resolution made on 29 February 2016.
- 1.4 Council made this decision for the following reasons:
  - a. The Committee was unable to meet in April 2021; and
  - b. Therefore, the Committee could not make their own carry-forward recommendation; and
  - c. The Committee has not had the opportunity to allocate funding since March 2021.
- 1.5 The total allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Bulls Community Committee is now \$3,155.90.

#### 2. Breakdown

- No grants have been made so far in 2021/22.

#### 3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2021/22 financial year of **\$3,155.90**.

#### Recommendation

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – August 2021' report be received.

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<sup>2</sup> 16/FPE/010

<sup>3</sup> 21/RDC/172 and 21/RDC/175

**9.2 Community Development Manager Report - August 2021**

**Author: Bonnie Clayton, Community Development Manager**

**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 The Community Development Manager Report is a standing item for this Committee, and is currently provided by Bonnie Clayton (Community Development Manager).
- 1.2 The August report is attached.

**Attachments**

- 1. **August 2021 Community Development Manager Report**

**Recommendation**

That the Community Development Manager Report – August 2021 be received.



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## August 2021 Community Development Manager Report

Its been a while in between meetings, below is a quick overview of what we have been up to the past few months. Thank you to the committee members who have attended or volunteered their time at our events.

- Shocking Pink, Breast Cancer fundraiser was a huge success. With over 160 attendees, the night was well received. We are really looking forward to next years event.
- Tradies Breakfast held on 18 June, was a great start to the end of the working week, thank you to the men and women taking the time to come and have breakfast while listening to health information. We were very lucky with the support from local businesses to put this event on, we are very lucky here in Bulls to have such a supportive community. This will remain a biannual / triannual event.
- Annual Matariki Concert, in collaboration with Bulls and Clifton Schools and Te Tini o Rehua Kapa Haka Roopu, all performances were spectacular. There were more than 400 attendees, it was great to see the Hall and Mezzanine packed out.
- Planning is underway for our 3 final events for the year - Art 4 Arts Sake Exhibition which will be held between 1 October-10 October; Annual Bulls Rose and Flower show on 13 November and the Bulls Christmas Parade and Whanau Day on 4 December.

If you would like to volunteer at any of these events or be part of a committee then please contact me – many hands make light work!

- Bulls Food Pantry – Is thriving, we are very lucky to have enough volunteers that we can roster them on once every three weeks. Our core focus is to reduce food waste, if you have items you wish to donate then please let me know. On average we have 20 people through the doors each week, which is fantastic. We are currently working on a flyer with our location and contact details for a letterbox drop, the aim is to target those who do not use social media.

As always, if you have any feedback on any of our past events, or ideas on what we can do in the future please let me know [office@bulls.kiwi](mailto:office@bulls.kiwi)

Thank you,

Bonnie



## 10 Discussion Items

### 10.1 Humphrey Subdivision

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 At its meeting held 10 March 2021, the Committee requested that the following be added to the agenda for the next meeting:

*'Humphrey Subdivision, specifically around a progress update'.*

#### Recommendation

If required:

### 10.2 The Beautification of the Reservoir

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 At its meeting held 10 March 2021, the Committee requested that the following be added to the agenda for the next meeting:

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

#### Recommendation

If required:

## **11 Future Meetings**

There are two further meetings scheduled for 2021. The next meeting is Wednesday, 13 October 2021 at 6.00 pm and there will be a meeting Wednesday, 08 December 2021 at 6.00 pm.

## **12 Meeting Closed**