

ORDER PAPER

BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 29 March 2022
Time: 6.00 pm
Venue: Ohakea Room, Te Matapihi
Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
Bulls

Chair: Ms Danelle Whakatihi
Deputy Chair: Mr Matthew Holden
Membership: Mr Nigel Bowen
Mr Bruce Dear
Ms Nicole Harrison
Ms Raewyn Turner
Mr Russel Ward
Mr Dennis Moratti
Ms Candace Ashby
Cr Brian Carter
Cr Coral Raukawa
HWTM Andy Watson (ex officio)

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 provided¹.
- 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.

Quorum

The quorum for the Bulls Community Committee is 6.

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.

At least 1 Elected Member must be present at the meeting.

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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 Tuesday, 29 March 2022 at 6.00 pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

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 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

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

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	8-Dec-21	25 Feb 21 RDC Meeting: Use of the Te Matapihi hall feedback. Can the BCC please see the feedback.	Ash Garstang	Forwarded the feedback to Ms Turner (also included in the Order Paper for the 25 Feb 21 RDC Meeting).	Closed
2	13-Oct-21	website does not have easy access for Community Committee information including the purpose of the committee, Contact details, committee members meeting details and meeting minutes and order papers. Could we please look at the MDC website and make it	Ash Garstang	Emailed the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Bulls Community Committee 16 Nov 21. Added the Purpose Statement to the Meetings page of the website.	Closed
3	11-Aug-21	RDC please look at traffic calming options on Criterion St and Taumaihi St.	Arno Benadie	Traffic counting tubes to be put on Criterion and Taumaihi St for a week. The data collected will determine traffic counts, speeds and times to see if traffic calming is required.	In progress

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - March 2022

Author: Danelle Whakatihi, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The Chair may provide an update during the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – March 2022 be received.

8 Mayoral Update

8.1 Mayoral Update - February 2022

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

I fully endorse the actions taken by the Chief Executive and Executive Leadership Team on how Council can operate under the Omicron Covid pandemic. It is one of minimising risk to Council being able to continue to operate effectively. We are responsible for the provision of core services throughout the district which must come first. Unfortunately, and inevitably, this means that some of the face-to-face meetings and personal contacts need to be limited. The Chief Executive is committed to updating Elected Members and the community on any new changes that will need to be put in place.

Having just bedded down the Long Term Plan, we start reviewing it under the Annual Plan. In some years that review is just a formal adoption of Year 2 of the LTP directions. That may well be the case but Covid has changed things - we need to understand and review our budgets and workload. The cost of capital works has increased dramatically with fuel and raw materials costs increasing by up to 35%. So, the questions will be –

- 1) will we have the labour force/contractors available to do the work?
- 2) can we finance the level of work proposed?

In Marton many people are asking me if the industrial development in Marton is still happening. We are in the final stages of the Environment Court determination. Companies wanting to come here or to expand their existing company to employ many people are still very keen.

We've reached an exciting milestone for our Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond spatial planning project – launching our community engagement. The timing of the engagement is likely to be challenged by the current Omicron outbreak, but it's important that our whole community gets involved and has their say. Our district has been experiencing unprecedented growth and this is a key opportunity to gain an understanding of the aspirations of the communities within each of our settlements so that we can most effectively plan for the future. I urge all Councillors to share the message widely through their networks. I will personally be encouraging everyone I come across to get involved and fill out the survey or hard copy. I have been really impressed with the new functionality we are implementing for the online engagement material – particularly the ability to share and comment on ideas via a map.

I thank Councillors for the support and concerns shown around the approach by Waka Kotahi to have a programme of what looks to be like blanket speed restrictions through the country. I feel that it is important that we continue to be a party to these discussions. Included for the record is a copy of the letter sent to Waka Kotahi of behalf of Council.

Also included for your information is –

1. The Mayor's letter to Waka Kotahi regarding their proposal for blanket speed restrictions.
2. Letter of thanks from Taihape Area School \$1,000 scholarship recipient Atawhai McDonnell-Toto.
3. Letter of thanks from Farid Ahmed.

Mayors Engagement

February 2022

1	<p>Attended a Resource Management Reform Meeting</p> <p>Attended a Forestry Differentials Meeting</p> <p>Attended monthly RDC/Police Update</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
2	<p>Attended monthly Q&A Session with Executive Leadership Team</p> <p>Worked all day from Taihape Office</p>
3	<p>Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended online Reforms Update meeting for Mayors, Chairs & CEs</p> <p>Attended Turakina Community Committee Meeting</p>
4	<p>Attended online Regional Leadership Group weekly meeting</p> <p>Attended online Future of Local Government Workshop: Roles and Functions</p>
8	<p>Attended Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p> <p>Attended Ratana Community Board Meeting</p>
9	<p>Attended Masterton Rail Hub Site Visit with Chief Executive and Mark McCarthy</p>
10	<p>Attended Funeral in Paraparaumu (Bruce Stokes)</p> <p>Attended Policy & Planning Meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive</p>
11	<p>Attended fortnightly discussion on Economic Development</p> <p>Attended fortnightly discussion on Spatial Plan</p> <p>Attended online Accessing Central NZ Governance Group Meeting</p> <p>Attended Future of Local Government Workshop: Treaty Partnerships</p> <p>Attended online Regional Leadership Group weekly meeting</p>
14	<p>Attended catchup with Mayor Helen Worboys</p> <p>Attended Hunterville Community Committee Meeting</p>
15	<p>Attended online Three Waters Entity B Update Meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p> <p>Attended Defence Hub Meeting at NZDF Base Ohakea</p>
16	<p>Attended online Accelerate25 Meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended Taihape Community Board Meeting</p>
17	<p>Attended Council Workshop on Annual Plan</p>
18	<p>Attended Regional Leadership Group online weekly meeting</p> <p>Attended Future of Local Government Workshop: Responsive Local Leadership</p>

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	Attended Marton Rail Hub 2022 – Board Meeting #1
21	Attended catchup with Mayor Helen Worboys
22	Attended Regional Transport Matters – Regional Chiefs Online Meeting Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
23	Attended Santoft Domain Management Committee Meeting
24	Attended Finance/Performance Committee Meeting Attended Council Meeting Attended Marton Development Group Meeting
25	To attend fortnightly discussion on Economic Development To attend fortnightly discussion on Spatial Plan To attend Regional Leadership Group weekly online meeting To attend online Future for Local Government workshop: Fiscal sustainability
28	To attend Three Waters Entity B Working Group Online meeting To attend Climate Action Joint Committee online meeting To attend Regional Chiefs online meeting

Attachments

1. Letter to Waka Kotahi [↓](#)
2. Letter from Atawhai McDonnell-Toto [↓](#)
3. Letter from Farid Ahmed [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Mayoral Update – February 2022, including the attachments to the report, be received.

FROM THE
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



10 February 2022

Waka Kotahi

STATE HIGHWAY SPEED REDUCTIONS

In response to the proposal to lower speed limits on state highways across New Zealand from 18 February 2022, commencing with State Highway 5 (Napier-Taupo Road), while we appreciate the working relationships that we have with the staff at Waka Kotahi and the Regional Roding Committees, the Rangitikei District Council would like to note the following:-

1. We are not in favour and will not support blanket speed restrictions being placed on either the network in its entirety or a total road approach. We note also that many sections of our network locally are suitable to be travelled at 100km/hr.
2. We do accept the need for revision on sections of our networks while noting that safe speed limits vary widely to local conditions present at the time of use.
3. Council is also concerned that a lowering of speed limits seems to be a response to a lowering of maintenance funding by Local Government supported by the majority funding via Government FAR Rates.
4. Community consultation must precede the setting of suggested limits which does not appear to be the case in the consultation process elsewhere as indicated in the Napier to Taupo Road SH5.
5. We support the suggested response by Hastings District Council that –
 - a) Speeds are reduced at known crash hot spots (two)
 - b) We would welcome a preparation of a comprehensive development plan with timelines and funding that will address the under-funding and bring roads up to the standard that are safe for traffic volumes of today.

Yours faithfully

Andy Watson
Mayor – Rangitikei District Council

Making this place home.

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ITEM 8.1**ATTACHMENT 2**

Dear Mayor Andy Watson, and the councillors of the Rangitikei District Council.

I, Atawhai McDonnell-Toto, am writing to thank you for the scholarship which was awarded to me on the 9th of December 2021. I apologise for not being able to meet via zoom, as I will be in the process of moving to Hamilton during the scheduled date. However, I have decided to write a letter to express my gratitude, instead.

I would like to express how extremely thankful I am for the opportunity to receive the award as I venture onto my new path at the University of Waikato. I intend to use the money wisely and towards factors of my schooling such as course related costs. I ensure that your contribution towards my education will be used to its fullest potential and I hope that in the process, I make our district, and the District Council, proud.

Nga Mihi,
Atawhai McDonnell-Toto

Farid Ahmed, (MNZM). Adv. Dip.Hom.NZ (A.C.C.H). Dip. Mechanical Engineering (B.D)

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Date: 17/01/2022

NOTE OF THANKS

Your excellency,

15 March is approaching fast. It was a tragic day for the entire New Zealand. When victims like me was crying, you cried with us along with other loving Kiwis. You led your city reacting to that tragedy with love and compassion. The outcome was peaceful through unity in peace, love, and compassion. Together, we defeated one hate with millions of loves.

I would like to take the opportunity to personally thank you and the Kiwis in your city. I admire Kiwi attitude towards peace and harmony. The whole world was amazed looking at New Zealand how quickly it came together against hate. I have no words to express my gratitude, but your kindness has a permanent place in the hearts of so many survivor families like me.

Today, even though it is quite late, but I would like to say that time may have passed but the gratefulness in our hearts will never pass. Please pass this message to the members in your city that like 15 March unity, we must continue the unity in diversity to build a stronger cohesive society. NZ has earned very high respect for its strong stand for peace, and we must maintain that. It was a wonderful achievement for NZ that a hate attack could not divide us.

I would like to remember 15 March not with sadness, but with positive reactions from us. That reaction was unity in diversity for which we put humanity first, and we became one to face the calamity. That's why, since last year, we as a team has started celebrating the UNITY IN DIVERSITY dinner event around 15 March to celebrate the unity among New Zealanders. With that event, we would like to continue reminding all that we should be united to be stronger.

To continue, this year, we are organizing the UNITY IN DIVERSITY dinner event on 18 March 2022 in Christchurch. We wish to receive your best wishes, and support in future to make it widespread to inspire others towards unity. Considering the Covid 19 situation, we are inviting only 250 guests from various walks of life. We hope, in future, we would request for your contributions.

With kind regards

Farid Ahmed

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Community Development Manager Report - March 2022

Author: Bonnie Clayton, Community Development Manager (BDCT)

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 for the Bulls District and Community Trust.

Attachments

1. Community Development Manager Report - March 2022 [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Community Development Manager Report – March 2022 be received.



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March 2022 Community Development Manager Report

Kia ora koutou,

I hope you have all settled into the new year well, I can't believe we are nearly in April already.

We have been busy planning our year ahead and have several funding applications in the works for us to proceed with our workplan.

- Unfortunately, we started the year off by cancelling Rhythm in Bulls 2022 due to restrictions. Though we won't let that get us down and will continue business as usual with our other events this year.

Our 2022 events are as follows:

- Pink Ribbon fundraiser
- Matariki celebration, collaboration with both schools and Te Tini o Rehua Kapa Haka
- Health initiative - TBC, collaboration with Jigsaw
- Annual Bulls Rose and Flower Show
- Bulls Christmas Parade and Whanau Day

Please note that the Arts 4 Arts Sake Exhibition has been moved to a bi-annual event as it is a huge task.

- In the past week we have taken on a design student from Ucol as our intern for semester 1. She is a Bulls born and bred local which is fantastic. I look forward to sharing the completed work with you all once it is complete.
- And finally, an update on the Bulls Food Pantry. We have just turned one! Its been a busy 12 months and we did not expect what was to come with lockdowns etc. over that time we have established a relationship with MSD and RDC who are very supportive of the work we do. Our group of 12 permanent volunteers and 3 back up, turn up each fortnight prepared to make a difference. Most of our volunteers have been with us since we opened! Our core focus is still on rescuing edible food that would go to waste – landfill or animals. However, we do offer emergency parcels for those who are doing it tough, these requests can come via MSD or directly via our Facebook page. So, if you know of someone who is keen to rescue food, tell them to pop down to the St James Presbyterian Hall on a Friday afternoon between 3.30pm – 4pm. Alternatively, if you know of a business, or a local with excess kai they want to share then please send them in my direction.

Have a great few months ahead,

Bonnie



9.2 Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action

Author: Kezia Spence, Executive Assistant- Group Managers

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the committee regarding issues relating to climate change in the Rangitikei District and prioritise the issues that impact, and are most relevant, within our local communities.
- 1.2 Consideration of local priorities is an important step towards the development of a collective response.

2. Project Overview

- 2.1 The Manawatū - Whanganui Climate Change Risk Assessment (MW CCRA) was commissioned by Horizons Regional Council and the outcome provided was an assessment of climate related risks for the region. The risk assessment did not specify what individual or collective priorities should be so we are seeking feedback from our communities on what they think these are. These priorities will differ across communities and groups, at different scales. The feedback provided from this committee will help develop a regional climate action plan for consideration by the Climate Action Joint Committee (which is made up of elected members from councils across our region).

3. Discussion Questions

- 3.1 Staff will be present to provide further information and to ask for feedback.
- 3.2 It would be useful for Committee members to think about the following questions prior to the meeting:
 - What climate issues is your community or yourself, currently facing, or what might be a significant issue in the future?
 - What impacts will climate change have on your community or yourself?

Recommendation

That the report 'Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action' be received.

9.3 Funding Schemes Update - March 2022

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

1. Overview

- 1.1 Council currently administers five funding schemes for the Rangitikei District:
 - a. Community Initiatives Fund
 - b. Events Sponsorship Scheme
 - c. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund
 - d. Creative Communities Scheme
 - e. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

2. Community Initiatives Fund

- 2.1 This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei District that develop community cohesion and community resilience.
- 2.2 Council allocates \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$11,910 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$18,090 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 2.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 24 March 2022. The Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 24 April 2022.

3. Events Sponsorship Scheme

- 3.1 This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth.
- 3.2 Council allocates \$50,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$2,900 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$47,100 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 3.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is CLOSED for applications and the Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 31 March 2022. The next round of funding will open in early April 2022.

4. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

- 4.1 This is a Council fund and is the only one available for capital purchases. The Council provides up to 33% in cash of the value – in cash or in kind - of the contribution from the community for small-scale, community-led, capital projects.
- 4.2 Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next available Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

5. Creative Communities Scheme

- 5.1 This fund is supplied by Creative NZ and administered by Council. Applications are encouraged from community groups and individuals whose projects:
- Demonstrate growth over time
 - Develop and support local artistic communities
 - Encourage a transfer of artistic skills
 - Support diversity and inclusion
 - Projects with a youth focus are also encouraged
- 5.2 Creative NZ has allocated \$43,615.63 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$8,550 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$35,065.63 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 5.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 28 April 2022. The Creative NZ Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 02 June 2022.

6. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 6.1 This fund is supplied by Sport NZ and administered by Council. The fund is targeted at young people aged between 5 and 19 years, and is open to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams with eligible members who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.
- 6.2 Sport NZ has allocated \$9,500 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22. There is one funding round per year.
- 6.3 This funding round opened for applications 16 November 2021 and closes 18 March 2022. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee will meet to consider applications on 28 April 2022.

7. Further Information

- 7.1 More details about these funding opportunities can be found on the Council website (link below) and this is also where applications can be submitted:

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/community/grants-funding>

Recommendation

That the Funding Schemes Update – March 2022 be received.

9.4 Small Projects Fund Update - March 2022

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

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 Fund², 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 year³, while acknowledging that this was inconsistent with its resolution made on 29 February 2016.
- 1.4 The total allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Bulls Community Committee is now \$3,155.90.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 The below payments have been **earmarked** by the Committee but not yet paid, as no invoice and/or bank details have been received from the funding recipients:
 - \$466.56 to Road Runners for installation of a scooter rack. This is 50% of the total cost of \$933.11, with Council having agreed to fund the other half (\$466.55).

3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2021/22 financial year (not accounting for earmarked payments) of **\$3,155.90**.

Recommendation

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – March 2022' report be received.

² 16/FPE/010

³ 21/RDC/172 and 21/RDC/175

10 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 31 May 2022 at 6.00 pm.

11 Meeting Closed