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RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
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COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 29 April 2026

Time: 1.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Jeff Wong
Cr Paul Sharland
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Cr Alan Buckendahl
Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Ms Kym Skerman, Manager – Venues and Events, District Promotions
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Dalgety opened the meeting at 1.00pm.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Cr Sharland declared a conflict of interest with the Bulls Rugby Football Club application.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Reports for Decision

6.1 Community Initiatives Fund - Consideration of Applications for Round Two 2025/26

The Committee confirmed using a median recommendation from the assessors.

Friends of Taihape Charitable Society

The Committee acknowledged the large sum of funding requested by the group but also acknowledged the work that the group has completed and the fantastic community asset.

Bulls & District Community Trust

Officers confirmed that this matter is not currently included within the Memorandum of Understanding with the Trust. The Committee noted that it could be considered during the next review.

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/001

That the report Community Initiatives Fund – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/002

That the Community Grants Committee consider the median value from the assessments be used as the base point for consideration of funding.

Cr J Wong/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/003

That the Community Grants Committee approve the sponsorship of projects listed below, and disperse the Community Initiatives Fund as outlined to successful applicants:

- Friends of Taihape Charitable Society - \$10,000
- Brain Injury Association Whanganui - \$ 2,250
- People First New Zealand Inc - \$1,000
- Taihape Neighbourhood Support - \$2,250
- Bulls & District Community Trust - Bulls Hip Hop \$ 2,000
- Rangitikei Forest and Bird - \$989.30
- St Margarets Mobile Art Expo - \$1,000
- Bulls Toy Library - \$1,920
- Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble - \$1,297
- Sport Whanganui - \$1,934
- Taihape & District Museum & Historical Society - \$ 700

Funds totalling \$25,340.30

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/004

That the Community Initiatives Fund – Project Report Forms to be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/005

That the Community Grants Committee does recommend to Council that the remaining funds totalling \$3,717.70 from the Community Initiatives Fund 2025/26 be carried forward to 2026/27.

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

6.2 Event Support Scheme - Consideration of Applications for Round Two for 2025/26

The Committee queried the reason for small numbers of applicants. Officers noted that events are held at the end of the year more commonly and this has been the trend for a number of years.

Bulls Rugby Football Club

The Committee decided to retrospectively fund this event and acknowledged this was a one off event.

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/006

That the report Event Support Scheme – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/007

That the Community Grants Committee approve the sponsorship of events listed below, and disperse the Events Support Scheme funds as outlined to successful applicants:

- Bulls & District Community Trust - Wear-a-Bull Arts - \$3,000
- Bulls Junior Rugby Club - \$3,000
- Rangitikei Netball - \$2,000

And retrospectively provide funds to Bulls Rugby Football Club \$5,000

Funds totalling \$13,000

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/008

That the Event Support Scheme – Project Report Forms be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/009

That the Community Grants Committee does recommend to Council that the remaining funds totalling \$1,620 from the Event Support Scheme 2025/26 be carried forward into 2026/27.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

The meeting closed at 2.17pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Community Grants Committee held on 24 September 2026 .

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Chairperson