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Council Meeting Order Paper

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His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

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Cr Dean McManaway

Membership

Councillors Cath Ash, Richard Aslett, Nigel Belsham, Angus Gordon, Tim Harris,
Mike Jones, Rebecca McNeil, Soraya Peke-Mason,
Ruth Rainey, Lynne Sheridan

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- 1 Welcome and Council prayer**
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- 5 Confirmation of minutes**

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 28 January 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

- 6 Mayor's report**

A report (and schedule of meetings and engagements) will be tabled at the meeting.

File: 3-EP-3-5

Recommendation

That the Mayor's report to Council's meeting of 29 January 2016 be received.

- 7 Administrative matters**

A report is attached. The draft submission to the Productivity Commission's proposed approach to its first principles study of urban planning will be tabled at the meeting (and circulated electronically beforehand)

File: 5-EX-4

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Administrative matters – February 2016' be received.
- 2 That the Delegations Register make explicit the qualification for nominators and electors for Council's community committees and reserve management committees as follows:
 - a. Community Committees – residents of the relevant ward (as evident from the Rangitikei District electoral roll);
 - b. Turakina Reserve Management Committee – residents of the Turakina Ward (as evident on the Rangitikei District electoral roll);

- c. McIntyre Reserve Management Committee – residents within 25 km of Ohingaiti (as evident on the Rangitikei or Manawatu District electoral roll)
- 3 That when a public meeting is required to form a reserve management committee or a community committee, there must be at least eight (8) eligible voters present for a reserve management committee and ten (10) eligible voters present for a community committee.
- 4 That the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund Expression of Interest form be amended to make explicit that upgrade projects which have started are not eligible for a grant.
- 5 That the proposed carry-forward from 2015/16 to 2016/17 be approved for inclusion in the draft 2016/17 Annual Plan and included as an appendix to the minutes of Council's meeting on 29 February 2016.
- 6 That, having regard for recommendations from the Taihape Community Board (16/TCB/004) and the Assets/Infrastructure Committee (16/AIN/016), Council EITHER agrees OR declines to include the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the draft 2016/17 Annual Plan for public consultation.
- 7 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Local Government and Environment Committee on the proposed Resource Legislation Amendment Bill.
- 8 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Productivity Commission's proposed approach to its first principles study of urban planning.
- 9 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to the Chair of Horizons Regional Council on the Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan.
- 10 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to the Associate Minister of Transport on the proposed changes to the Vehicles Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule

8 Proposed District Plan changes – report for notification

A report is attached. A marked-up version of the operative District Plan is provided as a separate document.

File: 1-PL-2-5

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Proposed District Plan changes – report for notification' be received.
- 2 That the proposed District Plan changes are adopted for public consultation from 4 March 2016 to 4 April 2016.
- 3 That the Mayor and the Chief Executive be authorised to appoint an independent commissioner to conduct the hearing of submissions to the proposed District Plan changes.

9 Draft heritage strategy – oral hearings

Public consultation was open from 18 January to 19 February 2016. Four submissions were received and are attached. A submission was expected from Heritage New Zealand: that will be tabled at the meeting, if received. One submitter has asked to speak to Council:

John Vickers (scheduled for 9.45 am)

Deliberation on submissions will be an item on Council's agenda for its 31 March 2016 meeting.

10 Proposed Treasury management policy

Public consultation on the proposed Treasury management policy was open from 18 January to 19 February 2016. No submissions were received.

Recommendation

That the proposed Treasury management policy (including the Liability Management Policy and the Investment Policy) as issued for public consultation be adopted effective from 1 March 2016.

11 Receipt of committee minutes and resolutions to be confirmed

Recommendation

1 That the minutes of the following meetings be received:

- Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committee, 1 February 2016
- Taihape Community Board, 3 February 2016
- Turakina Community Committee, 4 February 2016 (to be tabled, if available)
- Turakina Reserve Management Committee, 4 February 2016 (to be tabled, if available)
- Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, 9 February 2016
- Bulls Community Committee, 9 February 2016 (to be tabled, if available)
- Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committee, 10 February 2016 (to be tabled, if available)
- Marton Community Committee, 10 February 2016
- Assets/Infrastructure Committee, 11 February 2016 (*public excluded minutes provided separately to Elected members only*)
- Policy/Planning Committee, 11 February 2016
- Ratana Community Board, 16 February 2016 (to be tabled, if available)

- 2 That the following recommendations from Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee dated 1 February 2016 be confirmed:

16/HRWS/007

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee recommends to Rangitikei District Council that the rural water rate for the Hunterville Rural Water Supply to be set at a minimal \$280.

- 3 That the following recommendations from Taihape Community Board dated 3 February 2016 be confirmed:

16/TCB/004

~~That the Taihape Community Board supports the inclusion of the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the 2016/17 Annual Plan.*~~

- 4 That the following recommendations from Assets/Infrastructure Committee dated 11 February 2016 be confirmed:

16/AIN/016

~~That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee supports the inclusion of the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the 2016/17 Annual Plan*~~

- 5 That the following recommendations from Policy/Planning Committee dated 11 February 2016 be confirmed:

16/PPL/004

~~i. That the report 'Proposed District Plan Changes' be received.~~

~~ii. That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends that Council adopts for consultation the proposed district Plan as discussed at the Committee's meeting on 11 February 2016.**~~

* dealt with in Item 7 (Administrative matters), recommendation 6

** dealt with in item 8 (Proposed District Plan changes....)

12 Late items

13 Public Excluded

Recommendation

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

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Item 1: Council-owned property

Item 2: Chief Executive remuneration

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
Item 1 Council-owned property	Briefing contains information which if released would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it or who is the subject of the information and to enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) – <i>sections 7(2)(c) and (i)</i> .	Section 48(1)(a)(i)
Item 2 Chief Executive remuneration	Briefing contains information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons, and also to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of members, officers or employees of any local authority for improper pressure or harassment – <i>section 7(2)(a) and (f)</i> .	Section 48(1)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding or the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

14 Future items for the agenda

15 Next meeting

31 March 2016, 1.00 pm

16 Meeting closed

Attachment 1

Rangitikei District Council

Council Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 28 January 2016 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Dean McManaway
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Tim Harris
Cr Mike Jones
Cr Rebecca McNeil
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Lynne Sheridan

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst
Ms Laura Richards, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents: Item 5 Mayor's report

1 Welcome and Council Prayer

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 One minute silence in memory of former Councillor, Ed Cherry

3 Public Forum

Jo Rangooni and Jan Harris attended to discuss the topic of homelessness, specifically people stranded in Bulls. Bus Stop Café had volunteered food. Ms Harris said she thought without a fixed address MSD is unable to provide funds to a person and it would be good to have strategies in place to help people in these circumstances.

Cr Sheridan noted the District has a Safe and Caring Community policy and perhaps this issue needs to be looked at through it.

Cr Peke-Mason arrived 9.40 am.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Ms Harris liaise with staff. He noted this issue surfaces every so often and needs to be dealt with.

4 Apologies / leave of absence

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/001	File Ref
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That apologies for absence from Cr Gordon for lateness be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Aslett. Carried.

5 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/002	File Ref
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That the Minutes and Public Excluded Minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 December 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Ash / Cr Belsham. Carried

6 Mayor's report

His Worship the Mayor said the minute of silence to honour the memory of former Taihape Councillor Ed Cherry also honoured the seven years Cr Cherry served on the Taihape Borough Council and the three years he served as Mayor of the Borough. Cr Cherry served as a Rangitikei District Councillor for 15 years. He served his community for 25 years.

Speaking to his tabled report, His Worship the Mayor noted the various events he has attended since the last Council meeting. He said a common theme throughout these events were the comments congratulating the new Parks Team for the thought and care to ensure the venues were in tip top conditions.

Cr Peke-Mason told His Worship the Mayor and Councillors the Ratana Celebrations brought in 10,000 people to the village. While it was thought that the TPP issue would put extra pressure on their security there was minimal disturbance. The Maori Wardens were commended for their presence and help.

Councillors discussed the popular Kiwi Burn, affiliated with the world wide Burning Man events. His Worship the Mayor said there is a 30 percentile growth with this event each year. This year, while there is no direct funding from Council to hold the event, the Council has graded the gravel roads to the event property. Deputy Chair McManaway said participants spend a lot of money in the District's small towns.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/ 003** **File Ref**

That the Mayor's report to Council's meeting of 28 January 2016 be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried.

7 Administrative matters

Mc McNeil spoke to his report and responded to questions from Elected Members.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/004** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That the report 'Administrative matters – January 2016' be received.

Cr Harris / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/005** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That Council grants a certificate of exemption until 30 June 2016 to the current operator of the Scotts Ferry Camping Ground (Frank and Vicki Rout) from the requirements in the Schedule to the Camping-Grounds Regulations 1985, subject to the Community & Leisure Services Team Leader being satisfied that the camping ground provides a safe and hygienic environment.

Cr Harris / Cr Gordon. Carried.

The application for funding for the Hunterville cemetery was left on the table to enable clarification of the status of the cemetery and of its trustees.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/006** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That the Council continues to fund the Taihape Youth Hutt for one month to be reassessed at the February Council meeting.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/007** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to the Parliamentary Social Services Committee on the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Belsham. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/008** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That Council authorises the Policy/Planning Committee to provide comment on behalf of Council to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's discussion paper on *Proposed residential tenancies regulations for insulation and smoke alarms*, having particular regard for ways to equalise benefit over cost irrespective of the level of rent and the value of the rental property.

Cr Aslett / Cr Jones. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/009** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised, on behalf of the Council, to sign the proposed submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Parliamentary Government Administration Committee on the proposed amendment to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 in part 23 of the Statutes Amendment Bill.

Cr Belsham / Cr Sheridan. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/010** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised, on behalf of the Council, to sign the proposed submission without amendment to the Ministry of Environment's Urban Development Team on the proposed National Policy Statement on Urban Planning.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/011** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised, on behalf of Council, to sign the proposed submission without amendment to priority issues identified in the Ministry of Environment's discussion paper on its review of the Emissions Trading Scheme.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Jones. Carried.

8 Submission - A 'blue skies' discussion about New Zealand's resource management system

Ms Gray spoke briefly about her report and answered questions from Elected Members.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/012** **File Ref** **2-EA-2**

That the memorandum 'Submission - A 'Blue Skies' Discussion about New Zealand's Resource Management System' be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Gordon. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/013** **File Ref** **2-EA-2**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council the feedback without amendment to the Local Government New Zealand discussion document on 'blue skies' thinking for New Zealand's resource management system.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Jones. Carried.

9 Facilitating iwi engagement in Accelerate25 and the Rangitikei Growth Strategy

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/014** **File Ref** **4-ED-1**

That the report "Facilitating Iwi engagement in Accelerate25 and the Rangitikei Growth Strategy" be received

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Jones. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/RDC/ 015** **File Ref** **4-ED-1**

That Council requests that Te Roopu Ahi Kaa considers, at its meeting on 9 February 2016, what assistance may be required to support local iwi/hapu to develop their governance and strategic planning capability in order to complete the review of the TRAK Strategic Plan

Cr Belsham / Cr Ash. Carried.

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/016	File Ref	4-ED-1
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That the outcome from the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting on 9 February 2016 is reported back to the Finance/Performance Committee on 29 February 2016 for decisions about any support, including funding implications, with an update on other aspects of the Accelerate25 and the Rangitikei Growth Strategy.

Cr Ash / Cr Belsham. Carried.

10 Receipt of Committee minutes and resolutions to be confirmed

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/017	File Ref
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That the minutes of the following meetings be received:

- Turakina Reserve Management Committee, 3 December 2015
- Turakina Community Committee, 3 December 2015
- Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee, 14 December 2015

Cr Sheridan / Cr Harris. Carried.

No recommendations were made at these meetings which require Council confirmation.

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/018	File Ref
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That the Council the meeting be adjourned

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried.

Council adjourned 10.55 am, reconvened 3.30 pm

~~11 Public excluded~~

12 Late items

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His Worship the Mayor noted the further discussions on the proposed regional MOU with AITA

Resolved minute number	16/RDC/019	File Ref
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That His Worship the Mayor be authorised, on behalf of the Council, to sign the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Australia International Trade Association (AITA).

Cr Gordon / Cr McManaway. Carried.
Cr Ash voted against the motion.

6. Administrative matters – continued

Resolved minute number

16/RDC/ 020

File Ref

5-EX-4

That Council has a preference to assume responsibility for the management and maintenance of the Hunterville Cemetery, and subject to confirming ownership status or statutory responsibility for the cemetery property agrees a transition arrangement until the Hunterville Cemetery Trustees makes an appropriate budget provision to fulfil this responsibility.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr McManaway. Carried

13 Future items for the agenda

No item was suggested

14 Next meeting

Monday 29 February 2016, 8.30 am.

15 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 3.35 pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Attachment 2



Rangitikei
RESPECT...

REPORT

SUBJECT: **Administrative matters – February 2016**

TO: Council

FROM: Ross McNeil, Chief Executive

DATE: 18 February 2016

FILE: 5-EX-4

1 Remuneration Authority processes

- 1.1 During 2016 the Remuneration Authority will carry out a formal review of remuneration of all Elected Members. By the end of March 2016, Council will be advised of base remuneration and be required (by 13 May 2016) to make a submission to the Authority on funds to recognise additional responsibilities (such as Committee Chairs and Deputy Chairs), so that will be a matter for Council to consider at its meeting on 28 April 2016. The Authority aims to issue its determination by 1 July 2016. This will apply until 30 June 2017. Council may apply for an amending determination if (say) Committee structures change after the October elections.
- 1.2 The Authority will also advise any changes to provisions for mileage, travel time and communications allowances by the end of April. Council will need to submit its Members' allowance and reimbursement policy to the Authority for approval by 10 June 2016, so that will be included on the Council agenda for 26 May 2016.

2 McIntyre Reserve Management Committee

- 2.1 Council currently has two reserve management committees – one for the Turakina Domain, the other for the McIntyre Reserve. Election of the committees after the 2013 election was by the respective ward, just as for the four community committees.
- 2.2 However, this basis of representation does not align with the real area of community interest for the McIntyre Reserve: it excludes Ohingaiti (which is in the Taihape Ward) and also nearby properties in the Manawatu District. For the 2010 electoral process, nominators had to live within 50 km of the reserve, which certainly included all people with an interest in the reserve, but going well beyond that. It is suggested that for forming a new committee for the 2016 elections, nominators (and voters, should that prove necessary) be resident within 25 km of Ohingaiti, and that this (along with ward qualifications

for the other committees) be made explicit in the Council's Delegations Register.

- 2.3 The minimum number of eligible voters, if a public meeting is required to form a reserve management committee or community committee, is currently set at twenty. This proved difficult in 2013 so it is proposed to reduce that number to eight for reserve management committees and ten for community committees.

3 Funding for youth services in the Rangitikei

- 3.1 At its meeting on 28 January 2016, Council resolved to fund the Taihape Youth Hutt for one month to be reassessed at the February Council meeting.
- 3.2 A verbal update on discussions will be provided to the meeting.

4 Parks Upgrade Partnership scheme

- 4.1 At its meeting on 11 February 2016, having considered two applications for grants from this scheme, the Assets/Infrastructure Committee requested clarification of eligibility and criteria, and the treatment for projects which had been completed.
- 4.2 The scheme was an outcome of the deliberations on submission to the consultation document on the 2015/25 Long Term Plan – *What's the Plan Rangitikei...?* In that document Council explained that it had been asked to consider proposals to fund upgrades in different parks, the total costs of which exceeded \$250,000. Council's preference was to rely primarily on the community's donated labour and materials, rather than committing to an ongoing provision of \$50,000. However, the clear preference in submissions was that such funds would exert real leverage if used in tandem with a strong community contribution.
- 4.3 At its meeting on 14 May 2015, Council resolved to confirm its intention "to invest \$50,000 per annum to fund park and reserve upgrades that are supported by the community and bring added value of at least \$100,000 (in cash or in kind) per annum"¹. Subsequently Council resolved to ask the Assets/Infrastructure Committee "to consider a scheme to allocate the fund created for Council-owned parks and reserves upgrades which will be matched (in cash and in kind) by the community, and communicate with submitters regarding their particular projects"². The potential conflict in these two resolutions between the relative size of the contribution from Council and the community was not noticed at the time.

¹ 15/RDC/137

² 15/RDC/139

- 4.4 The Assets/Infrastructure Committee considered the matter at its meeting on 9 July 2015 and approved the process for allocating funding for small-scale, community-led capital projects as outlined in the report “Scheme for community-led park upgrades”³. A copy of this report and the suggested ‘Expression of interest’ form included with that, is attached as Appendix 1. It is explicit about expecting a two-third community contribution (but recognises that this could be a mix of cash and in-kind).
- 4.5 That report and application form do not comment specifically on the question of retrospective funding, While there is a strong implication that the process is looking forward to future projects, it would be best to make explicit the normal convention that the funding scheme will not fund retrospectively. This means community groups (and staff) having regard for when the Committee meets but, given the frequency of Committee meetings and the collaborative process in formulating the application, that situation should not normally arise.

5 Proposed carry-forwards from 2015/16 to 2016/17

- 5.1 The proposed schedule of carry-forwards from 2015/16 to 2016/17 is attached as Appendix 2. These were included in the Order Paper for Assets/Infrastructure Committee on 11 February 2016 and have been included in preparing budgets for the draft 2016/17 Annual Plan, but a Council resolution is needed to confirm that.
- 5.2 In previous years, the schedule has either been written into the resolution or (if too large) attached as an appendix to the minutes of the meeting which gave the approval. It is proposed to continue that practice.

6 Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park

- 6.1 Council requested that the views of the Taihape Community Board and the Assets/Infrastructure Committee be sought about including this proposal in the draft 2016/17 Annual Plan. Both bodies supported that being done – and both have recommendations to be confirmed on that.
- 6.2 For clarity it is suggested that the matter be determined by a specific resolution of Council, and one is included in this report’s recommendations.

7 Transfer of Hunterville cemetery to Council management and control

- 7.1 At its last meeting, Council expressed its preference to assume responsibility for the management and maintenance of the Hunterville cemetery, conditional on confirming ownership status or statutory responsibility.

³ 15/AIN/052

- 7.2 The procedural requirements have been clarified by the Ministry of Health, starting with formal advice from the trustees that they have reached agreement with the Council to transfer control and management and ending with the Governor General appointing the Council to have control and management of the cemetery. At that time, the land will be vested in the Council.
- 7.3 This process typically takes 2-3 months. In the meantime, the Parks & Reserves Team have started mowing on the site

8 Submissions

- 8.1 At the end of last year, two important pieces of work were released for public comment. The first was the release of a discussion document by the Productivity Commission on its proposed approach to a first principles review of urban planning. The terms of reference for this inquiry is to identify the most appropriate system for allocating land use in cities; the Commission, however, understands its brief is to identify a good planning system which reflects the needs of all cities, whether growing quickly or slowly or if their population is shrinking. A presentation was provided to the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 11 February 2016 as the basis for discussion on points to be made in the Council's submission. The draft submission is being prepared and will be tabled at the meeting (circulated beforehand electronically). It is due with the Productivity Commission on 9 March 2016.
- 8.2 The second was the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill, which extends beyond the Resource Management Act to get greater alignment of legislative requirements. The main features of the proposed reforms and the key issues for a Council submission were discussed by the Policy/Planning Committee at its meeting on 11 February 2016. The resulting draft submission is attached as [Appendix 3](#). It is due with the Parliamentary Committee on 14 March 2016.
- 8.3 At its meeting on 11 February 2016, the Assets/Infrastructure considered a draft submission on proposed changes to the Vehicles Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule, as presented in a discussion document issued by the Ministry of Transport. As the final day for submissions was 19 February 2016, the Committee resolved that the submission be finalised by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive. The submission as sent is attached in [Appendix 4](#). The submission highlights width limitations in many of the District's local roads and bridges and reminds the Ministry that very accurate weight loading is not always feasible when this is done on farms.
- 8.4 At its meeting on 11 February 2016, the Policy/Planning Committee considered a draft submission on the proposed regional pest management plan. As the final day for submissions is 26 May 2016, the same process as for the VDAM submission was followed. The submission as sent is attached as [Appendix 5](#). The focus of that submission is the application of the 'good neighbour' rule for the Council, given the significant infestation of field horsetail on road reserves.

8.5 Also at that Policy/Planning Committee meeting, consideration was given to the proposed submission to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment on proposed regulations under Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill. At its meeting on 29 January 2016, Council had delegated the matter to this Committee, and authorisation was given to His Worship the Mayor to sign the submission on behalf of the Council. The submission as sent is attached as Appendix 6. The key issue highlighted was the different impacts for owners of residential rental properties in high and low rent areas.

8.6 The Civil Defence Emergency Management Bill was referred to the Government Administration Committee on 9 February 2016, with submissions due on 24 March 2016. A draft will be prepared for the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 17 March 2016, with subsequent consideration by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive prior to being finalised and sent to Parliament.

9 Proposed road closures

9.1 No new applications have been received to close roads for events

10 Request for waiver of all fees

10.1 No new applications have been received to reduce fees to a greater extent than allowed under Council's delegation to the Chief Executive.

11 Service request reporting

11.1 The summary reports for first response and feedback (requests received in January 2016) and resolution (requests received in December 2015) are attached for information, as Appendix 7.

12 Staffing

12.1 There have been no changes in staffing since the previous report.

13 Recommendations

13.1 That the report 'Administrative matters – February 2016' be received.

13.2 That the Delegations Register make explicit the qualification for nominators and electors for Council's community committees and reserve management committees as follows:

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- 13.6 That, having regard for recommendations from the Taihape Community Board (16/TCB/004) and the Assets/Infrastructure Committee (16/AIN/016), Council EITHER agrees OR declines to include the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the draft 2016/17 Annual Plan for public consultation.
- 13.7 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Productivity Commission’s proposed approach to its first principles study of urban planning.
- 13.8 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Local Government and Environment Committee on the proposed Resource Legislation Amendment Bill.
- 13.9 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to the Chair of Horizons Regional Council on the Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan.
- 13.10 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to the Associate Minister of Transport on the proposed changes to the Vehicles Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule

Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

Appendix 1



Rangitikei
UNEXPECTED...

REPORT

SUBJECT: Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

TO: Assets/Infrastructure Committee

BY: Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager

DATE: 1 July 2015

FILE: 1-AS-1-1

1 Background

- 1.1 The consultation document associated with the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan outlined two options for the future upgrades to parks. Option 1 (Council's preferred option) was to rely on community donated labour and materials for improving our parks. Option 2 was to make an annual provision of \$50,000 to upgrade facilities and equipment at our parks.
- 1.2 During submissions, there was a strong majority in favour of Council contributing funding to park renewals and upgrades and also a significant recognition of the value of community input. A substantial minority of submitters specifically suggested that a combination of both community and Council support was needed.
- 1.3 Council decided to allocate up to \$50,000 per year in a fund for park and reserve upgrades. The funding will be allocated to projects which contribute at least \$2 (in cash or in kind) for each ratepayer \$ so bringing in a total value of up to \$150,000 each year.
- 1.4 Submitters also raised a number of specific projects for park upgrades;
 - A dog park in Robin Street, Taihape
 - Better drainage system for Taihape Gumboot Throwing Lane and the addition of a community playground in the Outback with the offer of community input to enhance the park
 - Campground close to the Taihape CBD
 - Skate park upgrades in Marton and Taihape
 - Mountain Bike Trail/Fitness Challenge in Memorial Park
- 1.5 All of these proposals for upgrades to parks, as well as the proposals already received to upgrade play equipment at Wilson Park and the skate park at Bulls Domain could benefit from such a scheme.
- 1.6 This report suggests a process for the allocation of this funding.

2 Parks and Reserves Management Plans

2.1 A schedule of all Council-owned or administered reserves is contained within the Recreational parks and reserves management plan Part 1 (Appendix 1). The major developed and maintained sports grounds cater for:

- Taihape Memorial Park Rugby, Football Netball, Tennis,
- Hunterville Rugby
- Marton Park Rugby, Rugby League
- Centennial Park Marton Cricket, Netball, Football, Tennis
- Bulls Domain Rugby, Football, Tennis, Rugby League

2.2 All Council's recreational parks and reserves are managed in line with this Part 1 plan. There are Part 2 management plans containing more detail for the four of the five key recreational parks and reserves in the District¹. The Part 2 Management Plans contain an action plan with an agreed list of priority actions to be implemented as an opportunity arises. These are presented in Appendix 2. Work is underway/identified to develop multi-purpose sports facilities at Centennial Park, Marton, Memorial Park, Taihape and Bulls Domain, Bulls.

2.3 Depreciation for parks and open spaces is funded at 50% indicating that Council views this activity as one where rationalisation to have fewer, better assets can occur.

2.4 The Committee would be unlikely to consider contributing to park upgrades which went against either:

- a) The objectives and/or action plan contained in the Parks and reserves management plan(s) or
- b) Council's intent to rationalise its parks and open spaces assets (fewer but better).

3 Other considerations

3.1 Council also has a policy on community gardens and has earmarked a number of Council-owned sites in Marton and Bulls with potential for community gardening. To date no community garden has been established at a Council-owned site. However, the use of an approved Council-owned site as a community garden is consistent with the objectives and policies of the Part 1 management plan.

¹ Centennial Park and Wilson Park, Marton, Taihape Memorial Park, Taihape and Bulls Domain, Bulls. The preparation of a Management Plan for Marton Park is scheduled for completion during 2016/17, preceding any decisions about the renewal of the Marton Park pavilion (budgeted for in 2016/17).

- 3.2 Council has suggested that a 2:1 contribution from the community (in cash or in kind) to match Council's funding is appropriate. It is worth considering the scale of the upgrades that Council wishes for this fund to support. So, an upper limit to Council's contribution of \$15,000 would indicate that projects should be up to \$45,000 in total (cash and in kind contributions). Anything over this amount would be a significant upgrade for consideration through the Annual Plan process. The Committee should consider what the limit for projects under this scheme should be.

4 Process

- 4.1 This process would be very much a partnership between Council and the community. It is likely that either a need, or a great idea, is identified in the community and someone from the community approaches Council to seek support. This could be at any time during the development of the project but it could be expected that if it concerned a Council-owned asset then Council would be engaged near the start.
- 4.2 The fund could be open for applications at any time and each application is treated on a case-by-case basis by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee.
- 4.3 A draft application form is attached as Appendix 3. This takes the form of an "expression of interest" which is developed in conjunction with Council staff. The contribution from the community would be to describe the project, the community support/consultation that has taken place and a fundraising plan and the contribution from Council staff would be to describe the fit with Council's current objectives in managing its parks and reserves.
- 4.4 The Committee could then take a view on whether it wishes to support the project and to what extent. It would also give the Committee the opportunity to consider the phasing of these projects and to put a deadline for community fundraising to be completed.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That the report on "Scheme for community-led park upgrades" be received.
- 5.2 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves the process for allocating funding for small-scale, community-led capital projects that as outlined in the report "Scheme for community-led park upgrades" [as amended/without amendment].

Appendix 3

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Rangitikei District Council

Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

Expression of Interest

Do you have a great idea to add or improve on recreational facilities at a Council-owned park?

Do you have good support for your idea from the community?

Have you got a realistic fundraising plan that can raise at least two thirds of the resources needed to make it happen?

If so, then Rangitikei District Council wants to hear from you!

We know that the communities in the District have long been active in developing facilities for their recreation and leisure. We want to encourage this by providing 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.

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY SMALL-SCALE, COMMUNITY-LED CAPITAL PROJECTS?

Capital Project is a project which creates a new asset, replaces an existing asset, upgrades an existing asset or refurbishes an existing asset.

Community-led means a project that has been identified from within the community, where the majority of the fundraising has taken or will take place within the community and where the asset will be owned by the Council, or available for use by the community as if it were owned by Council.

Small-scale means a project with the total value of less than \$45,000, taking into account actual costs and the value of donated labour or materials.

PLEASE NOTE: Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next available Assets/Infrastructure Committee of Council (usually within a month). All applications are copied into the Assets/Infrastructure Committee Order Paper and are therefore available to the general public.

Please complete this application form in conjunction with Council staff. The sooner you talk with us about your idea, the sooner we can give you an answer about whether Council can support your project.

Contact: Gaylene Prince, Community and Leisure Services Team Leader,
Rangitikei District Council, Private Bag 1102, Marton 4741
Phone: 0800 422 522
Email: gaylene.prince@rangitikei.govt.nz

1. YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Full Name: _____

Organisation (if any) _____

Street address: _____

Postal address: _____

_____ Post Code: _____

Telephone (day) _____

Email: _____

Contact 2 Name _____

Telephone (day) _____

Email: _____

2. YOUR PROJECT

2.1 What is the name of your project? _____

2.2 When will it take place: _____

2.3 Where will it take place: _____

2.5 Describe your project in full:

Attach additional sheets if you need to.

2.6 What support do you have in the community for your project?

Please describe how your project came about, who you have talked with about it and what response have you had. If you have undertaken any surveys or petitions, then please include these.

[illegible]

2.7 How does your project fit with Council's objectives for the development of its parks and open spaces?

You will definitely need to be talking with Council staff to complete this section!

[illegible]

3. HOW MUCH WILL YOUR PROJECT COST? Please provide **all** costs and **all** sources of income for the project you are planning.

Attach additional sheets if necessary

Item	Amount	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
Total Cost (GST inclusive / exclusive. Please delete one)	\$	

4. WHAT IS YOUR FUNDRAISING PLAN? Please provide a realistic estimate of how much funding (in cash and in kind) you will be able to contribute to this project.

The total amount of your fundraising plan must be at least two thirds of the total cost of the project. Council staff can help you to identify sources of funding for your project.

Item	Amount	
Donated material	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
Cash in hand towards project	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
Other sponsorship/grants (please specify source/s below)	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
Total funds available (GST inclusive / exclusive. Please delete one)	\$	

Amount of funding you are requesting from Rangitikei District Council: \$ _____

Appendix 2

Proposed carry-forwards to 2016/17 (for inclusion in final draft Annual Plan)

Stormwater

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
None proposed			
TOTAL	0	0	

Wastewater

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
Ratana - WWTP Upgrade - aeration and consent compliance	1,500,000	1,200,000	Money for irrigation scheme to reduce discharge to lake. Unlikely to have agreement in place for land application before end of June 2016.
Marton - WWTP New Anaerobic Pond and Inlet Works	1,250,687	1,000,687	Money allowed for improvements to plant to meet consent pending reduction in loading from Bonny Glen. Awaiting recommendations from advisory group.
Bulls - WWTP Upgrade and consent renewal	1,100,000	1,000,000	Awaiting consent notification. At this stage we don't know how much the consent will cost but the main costs are unlikely to be incurred this financial year.
Koitiata - Wastewater Scheme Extension	130,000	80,000	Still consulting with residents – no immediate plans to spend the money to extend the scheme so will carry over the 80,000 at this stage (this may end up as a saving if it is not needed)
TOTAL	3,980,687	3,280,687	

Water

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
Bulls - Johnson St Water Main (52 to 84)	243,200	0	We are anticipating a substantial saving this year on this contract but are not proposing to carry anything over.
TOTAL	243,200	0	

Community & leisure assets

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
Community Housing upgrades	100,000 (funded from depreciation reserves)	\$0	Waiting on quotes: To rectify and seal parking area at Matua Flats to redo and insulate the ceilings in Matua Flats combining two units into one, at Wellington Road. .
Mangaweka Campground toilet	\$95,000	\$0	Kitset toilet block will be \$65K. Waiting on quote to demolish old block and erect/fitout and do plumbing for new block.
Bulls multi-purpose community facility	\$750,000 (funded from depreciation reserves)	tbd	
Ratana Cemetery Land	\$20,000	20,000	Have not investigated this. Likely to need to roll over.
Marton Swim Centres	\$60,000	\$25,000	Presently waiting on quotes to fill in Dive pool. Once these have been received will have a better idea. Cost for bulk head had come in well over budget. Trevor is unsure if that type of bulk head work due to section remaining on floor of pool. Looking at other options. Will follow up on quotes and should have more idea by middle of this month. Roll-over bulkhead provision.
TOTAL	\$1,025,000	\$45,000¹	

¹ Carry-forward for Bulls multi-purpose community facility yet to be determined.

Roading and footpaths

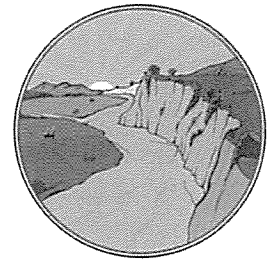
Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
None proposed			
TOTAL	0	0	

Miscellaneous

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-forward to 2016/17	Reason
None proposed			
TOTAL	0	0	

GRAND TOTAL	5,248,887	3,325,687	
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Appendix 3



29 February 2016

File No: 3-OR-3-5

Scott Simpson
Chair
Local Government and Environment Select Committee
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6160

By email selectcommittees@parliament.govt.nz

Dear Scott

Local Government and Environment Select Committee - Resource Legislation Amendment Bill 2015

The Rangitikei District Council appreciates the opportunity to submit on the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill 2015. We agree that changes are required to provide a more effective and efficient resource management planning process. The objectives of the proposed changes are supported; we agree that it is important to have alignment across legislation, proportional and adaptable resource management processes and ensure that RMA decisions are robust.

While generally supporting the proposed amendments, , we would like the Committee to consider some refinement of the detailed provisions for proposed amendments to the Resource Management Act 1991. Specifically, we will provide comment on the following topics; national direction, resource consents, plan making, iwi participation, monitoring requirements.

National direction

1 National Plan Template

Rangitikei District Council acknowledges that there is a wide range of structures, formats and provisions between planning documents throughout New Zealand that adds unnecessary complexity to resource management processes. We consider that a National Plan Template would increase the usability of planning documents for residents, developers and businesses.

We would like to highlight that the success of such a template would rely on the transition and implementation regulations. It is important that undue strain on local authority resources does not occur. A possible solution would be to set an implementation programme to allow changes to occur during the next District Plan review process. For Rangitikei District Council this could be as late as 2023.

Rangitikei District Council supports the concept of standardised, national provisions in limited circumstances, where these provisions have been developed in accordance with a robust evidence base. An example of this could be the standardisation of daylight setback provisions. However, it is unclear to us how much work has been done (and would be needed) to develop a comprehensive set of templates which met the needs of both growth areas and areas of decline. One approach could be that taken for developing mandatory performance benchmarks for local councils, as provided in section 261B of the Local Government Act 2002, where the responsible agency (in this case, Internal Affairs) was required to consider the usefulness of a measure and to consult with every local authority and give them a reasonable opportunity to make submission on the proposal.

2 Natural Hazards as a Part 2 matter

Rangitikei District Council supports the addition of natural hazards as a Part 2 matter. Natural hazards are a significant part of the environment, and development needs to consider the risk of natural hazards and mitigate them.

3 Capacity for Residential and business development

Rangitikei District Council would like to highlight that there are only a small number of New Zealand urban areas that are experiencing significant population growth and where urban land supply is an issue. We consider that the requirement to undertake an assessment of supply and demand is an extra and unnecessary burden on areas with declining populations. The bigger issue for these locations is an excess of urban sites. If this provision is to remain, we suggest that it is limited to either named cities or to urban areas with a normally resident population exceeding 100,000 people.

In addition, the proposed amended functions for regional councils overlap with territorial authority responsibilities. We understand that a regional perspective can be important but that can be secured by requiring a territorial authority to consult with its (primary) regional council when considering development capacity in relation to residential and business land.

Resource consents

4 Fast track consents

The Bill provides a requirement for the 10 day fast tracking of simple resource consent applications. Rangitikei District Council supports the idea of fast track consents in principle, and would like to see the concept extended to other legislation (such as the Building Act).

We support the concerns raised in the Regulatory Impact Statement that if the regulations are too narrow, then too few proposals will be able to meet them, while if they are set too broad, then complex applications may compromise the quality of decision-making. We recommend that any future regulations that identify fast-track applications would limit those to simple plan breaches such as setbacks and do not incorporate more complex matters such as out of zone activities.

However we would like the Committee to consider the implications of this requirement on smaller local authorities. At larger local authorities, the ability to fast track consents may not create any extra resourcing requirements; by contrast, Rangitikei District Council, as a small local authority with a part-time planning service, the 10 working day fast track process is likely to lead to increased resourcing requirements. This is exacerbated by resource consent applications often being lodged in 'waves'. The current 20 working day timeframe allows for smoothing of these 'waves'.

Additionally, in rural districts is that there is a greater proportion of time spent undertaking site inspections: in the Rangitikei, properties can be located up to 1.5 hours from the Council offices. This could become a significant factor if the number of fast track consents was a significant part of the consent load.

We suggest that the fast-track requirements are not mandatory on local authorities which have an ordinarily resident population of less than 20,000 people. A parallel case is the differential requirements for the pre-election report (section 99A(2), Local Government Act 2002).

5 Boundary activities as permitted activities

Rangitikei District Council supports the intent behind the provisions to allow for boundary activities as permitted. We have some experience with such an approach: our initial (1999) Rangitikei District Plan had provision that allowed for boundary activities to be permitted with the approval of the neighbour. On this basis, we suggest that the Committee give specific consideration to the following:

- How long is the affected party approval valid for?
- Can the approval be withdrawn? Under what circumstances?
- How long does the applicant have to give effect/undertake the project?
- The potential for the provisions to exacerbate legal proceedings to determine what is considered to be 'marginal'.

We would like to suggest an alternative approach. Resource consent is still required, however, the information required as part of the consent application is limited to the items outlined in the Bill (description of the activity, a scaled plan (signed by the affected party), name and address of the property owner/occupier and affected property owner/occupier). We suggest that the application would need to be granted (a controlled activity), limited assessment would be required by the consent authority and that the application has a fixed fee. It is important to consider that a resource consent process allows for a user pays system - with a permitted activity there is no ability for cost recovery, thus development would be subsidised by ratepayers.

6 Positive effects

We would like to support the proposed changes to increase emphasis on the positive effects of developments.

7 Fixed fees

There is little information about the intent regarding the use of fixed fees. The Bill allows (360e) the Governor-General to specify fees that need to be fixed. Rangitikei District Council supports the principle of providing cost certainty for developers. However, we would like to suggest that fees would only be fixed for non-notified applications as limited/publicly notified applications can take significantly different times (and have significantly different costs). In addition, we would like the Committee to consider potential unintended consequences. If fees are fixed there is reduced incentive for the applicant to prepare a detailed application (as currently the longer the Council has to spend on the application, through further information requests, the higher the cost of the application).

Plan making

8 Notification determinations

Rangitikei District Council acknowledges that the notification process is an important part of the resource consent process, as it can restrict the people who are involved in the decision making process. It is important that all parties with a legitimate interest in a proposal are informed so that they are able to exercise the right to make a submission on the application. We support the amendments that allow the electronic notification of applications and agree that there is scope to refine notification requirements.

However, we recommend the reconsideration of the proposed provisions. While the proposed amendments step towards reducing the discretion for notification (for residential activities, controlled activities and subdivision), the ultimate consideration for other activities remains as to whether the effects are considered to be more than minor. This is unless the regulations subsequently imposes are highly detailed. The requirement to consider if the effects of a particular activity are more than minor often requires council officers to undertake an effects assessment at the section 95 stage which overlaps with the decision assessment.

One solution would be to standardise notification decisions through public notice of all consent applications. This would reduce the requirement for notification assessments and reduce possible legal challenge. However, it could increase processing timeframes and costs associated with full notification processes.

9 Submissions

We would like to support the provisions that refine the requirements for submissions. We believe that ensuring submissions relate to the relevant environmental effects of the activity and are supported by factual information are important factors in ensuring robust resource management decisions are achieved.

However, we are concerned that there would be a decreased ability for the general public (particularly those with a low income) to participate in resource consent processes as they may not have the expertise, and/or resources to submit a compliant submission. We recommend that consideration is given about how submitters could be supported through resource consent processes.

Iwi participation

The bill proposes a number of amendments to increase Maori involvement in RMA processes. Rangitikei District Council has positive relationships with Iwi in our District. We support the proposed provisions, particularly with regard of the iwi participation agreements. However, we would like to highlight the capacity and engagement issues many iwi have engaging with resource management issues. This is particularly the case for iwi who have yet to reach Treaty settlements. In addition, we suggest refinement with regard to the requirement to give a draft plan change to iwi for comment prior to notification. In many cases it is not necessary or appropriate for minor plan changes to go to iwi. It is important that iwi are not overloaded with unnecessary consultation.

Monitoring requirements

The proposal outlines that regulations can be made to prescribe how councils undertake monitoring, what information is collected, methods and reporting. We support standardised monitoring, as it will be useful to compare environmental trends throughout New Zealand. However, we do have concerns about the potential for unnecessarily increased costs. Rangitikei District Council monitors in accordance with the low development pressures being faced. We would be disappointed if a monitoring regime designed for a large urban centre was made and thus, increased the costs for our rural authority.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei

Appendix 4



19 February 2016

File No: 6-RT-2

Hon Craig Foss
Associate Minister of Transport
Parliament Buildings
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WELLINGTON 6141

By email: VDAM_REFORM@nzta.govt.nz

Dear Craig

Review of the Vehicle Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on proposed changes to the VDAM Rule. The Council's Assets/Infrastructure Committee considered the discussion paper at its meeting on 11 February 2016.

Axle mass and gross mass

The Council accepts that encouraging greater use of 8-axles vehicle combinations (over 7-axles) and further uptake of 9-axle 50MAX vehicle combinations will allow heavier loads but with no additional (and potentially) less impact on pavement wear from standard 8-axle vehicles.

On that basis, the Council favours Proposal 3.

However, we do not support Proposal 4 – with 20% of local road bridges nationally which are currently not available for 50MAX vehicles, we think that the permit requirement should remain.

The Council does not support Proposal 7 (i.e. the current tolerance should remain). The discussion document notes that the New Zealand Transport Agency weigh-in-motion sites yields an estimate that only 82% of truck-trailer combinations are compliant, which might suggest it is prudent to reduce the weighting tolerance from 1.5 tonnes to 0.5 tonne. However, this overlooks the practicalities of operators not having access to accurately weigh-in facilities when loading. There is already a substantial financial penalty for overloading and also the potential for loss of Transport Service Licence for repeat offending. The Council is unclear about the justification for allowing tolerance to 44 tonne vehicles but not to 50 tonne vehicles.

Width

The Council accepts that an increase in usable width may provide productivity benefits through increased cubic capacity and, potentially, fewer trips. Allowing a further 50mm in allowable width will have no discernible effect on current safety margins for oncoming traffic and also cyclists, increasingly prevalent. However, higher width tolerances will create problems - there are bridges in the Rangitikei which cannot now accommodate two heavy vehicles side-by-side. There are significant roads within the Rangitikei which are severely constrained by topography – notably the Turakina Valley Road and the Taihape-Napier Road. There are identified pinch-points on many other local roads in the Rangitikei – for example on Aldworth, Kauangaroa, Kie Kie, Mangahoe, Otara, Parewanui, Raumai and Toe Toe Roads. We support the proposal for consideration to requiring safety improvements as a condition of allowing increased width.

Height

The Council accepts that increasing the general access height limit to 4.3 metres addresses the height limit discrepancy between fully enclosed vehicles and vehicles with external load restraints and improves OSH safety and animal welfare for livestock.

However, the risk of overhead strike on the state highway network needs to be addressed before the limit is changed. The costs of this remedial work may prove greater than the potential efficiency savings, there will be few instances where there is a safe and practical alternative for trucks to avoid the risks of striking a bridge, tunnel or overpass. An important local instance is the railway over-bridge across Wellington Road in Marton which has a sign-posted clearance of 4.4 metres.

In the case of local roads the Rangitikei District, there are no height clearance issues with over-bridges as these all span railway lines not roads.

Minor amendments

The Council supports these proposed changes. In particular, we note the intention to give discretion to road controlling authorities over the use of over-weight or over-dimension vehicles in an emergency. However, rather than a discrete rule, we suggest that this is integrated into the intended amendments to the Civil Defence Emergency Management Amendment Bill.

Yours sincerely

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Andy Watson
Mayor of Rangitikei

Appendix 5



19 February 2016

File No: 3-OR-3-12

Bruce Gordon
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Manawatu Mail Centre
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by email to: pestplan@horizons.govt.nz

Dear Bruce

'Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan and Strategy' - Submission from Rangitikei District Council

The Rangitikei District Council appreciates the opportunity to make a submission on the proposed Regional Pest Management Plan and Strategy and found it helpful that Craig Davey came to the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 11 February 2016.

Rangitikei District Council supports the work Horizons undertakes in pest management and currently supports initiatives to manage, particularly plant pests. We accept that a team approach between Horizons, the landowner and Rangitikei District Council is appropriate for the most effective management of pest plants.

We support the work of the Rangitikei Environment Group, through the provision of \$20,000 per annum to provide for roadside spraying of plant pests, and we facilitate the Treasured Natural Environment Group. Council has also contributed to funding a national research programme about biological control of Field Horsetail and looks forward to monitoring the advances in the management of this species with Horizons Regional Council. Council would like Horizons to consider publicising the potential for Grazon to be used to control Field Horsetail, at least until the biological control methods are proven and being implemented.

We have concerns about the 'good neighbour' rules. While Council would ideally like to be a good neighbour, with regard to the management of pests, due to its District's small population base and large roading network, these provisions could create significant costs for our ratepayers. We note that your plan specifically excludes payment of compensation although there is legislative sanction for doing so. Our preference is for these rules to apply to us only when there are willing landowners who are actively managing plant pests on their property; in these instances Council would support their efforts, where possible, by undertaking roadside spraying in these areas. One related matter is the obligations between two private landowners. We note that Waikato Regional Council set limits for different weeds (e.g. up to 50 metres from the boundary for ragwort), and we wondered whether this would be helpful in helping property owners understand their obligations.

The proposed Plan (Rule 5.3.5) outlines that the MOU may defer enforcement of actions with regard to good neighbour rules in preference for levels of service that achieve the purpose of the RPMP. We are concerned that this could result in a perception by private land owners that territorial authorities are favoured under the proposed Plan. It is recommended that the MOU developed would be transparent and publicly available on both Councils' websites. It is anticipated that Horizons would work closely with the Council in the development of this agreement with regard both to the 'good neighbour' provisions, as well as, the wider management of pests throughout the Rangitikei District. At the same time, we think it is important that this new requirement for good neighbour rules is reflected in a documented transitional approach.

In addition, the proposed plan outlines that roading authorities shall undertake yearly reviews of the presence of specified pest plants in Active Management Zones. We do not have the internal expertise to undertake this assessment, thus significant costs would be created to contract this work to a suitably qualified expert. The plan then notes that Horizons will inspect roadsides for pest plant infestations on a yearly basis. This looks like duplication. Based on these issues above it is recommended that the requirement for the roading authority to identify the presence of specified pests on a yearly basis is removed and completed by Horizons. We would use the monitoring information gathered to inform future management responses. That would be a productive partnership between our two councils.

Council has noted the growing prevalence of Pink Ragwort, particularly in the southern part of the District. We would like to encourage Horizons to take a proactive approach in managing this plant pest, possibly following the approach taken by Taranaki Regional Council.

Finally, we would like to highlight that natural events, such as the June 2015 floods can result in a significant spread of pest plants into highly productive properties, adversely affecting these farming operations. In particular, issues will be experienced in the Whangaehu and Turakina catchments. We also have concerns that in a few years, when memory of the extent of the flooding has faded, and horsetail (in particular) is causing issues, that its distribution will be incorrectly attributed to the roading network, and onus placed on Rangitikei District Council for its management. We would like to encourage Horizons to increase resources for the management of these pests in affected areas when these situations arise and take responsibility for the management of pest plants when their spread is from flooding events. It may be useful for both councils to raise this in making submissions on the Civil Defence Emergency Management Amendment Bill.

I wish to speak to your Council about the points raised in this submission. I note the intention to hold hearings on the mornings of 5th and 6th of April 2016, can I request a slot on Tuesday, 5 April to present this submission.

Yours sincerely

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Andy Watson
Mayor of Rangitikei

Appendix 6



11 February 2016

File No: 3-OR-3-5

David Smol
Chief Executive
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By email: TenanciesSubmissions@mbie.govt.nz

Dear David

Proposed Residential Tenancies Regulations for insulation and smoke alarms

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Ministry's discussion document on the proposed Residential Tenancies Regulations for insulation and smoke alarms.

The Council endorses the objective (in the Regulations and the Amendment Bill) to provide safe and healthy homes for all New Zealanders, irrespective of whether they are owners or tenants. The Council agrees with the proposed standard and benchmark over insulation requirements. In particular, where the insulation is incomplete, damaged, damp, or degraded, we think it is necessary to require retrofitting to the 2008 requirements as this recognises the fact that there are no requirements for wall insulation or double-glazing. In addition, we suggest consideration is given to requiring glazing where retrofitting either or both ceilinged underfloor insulation is not practical.

However, the Council considers that the Ministry's cost benefit analysis overlooks a critical characteristic of New Zealand's rental property market. While the costs of installing or retrofitting insulation are likely to be similar across New Zealand (although potentially cheaper in larger centres where there will be greater competition among installers), there is a large variation in levels of rental income and rates required by local authorities. For example, a two-bedroom house in Marton may have a gross annual rent of only \$3,250 – meaning that the average compliance cost is about 85% of that. Taking into account the rates requirement, the owner would make a loss for one year and possibly a second. The Council believes that this situation will be true for most of New Zealand's smaller towns.

We do not think lowering the insulation standard or allowing a longer time to do the retrofitting would be meaningful responses. Rather, we suggest that the Ministry, in conjunction with the Department of Internal Affairs, implement a short-term subsidy for owners of residential rental properties whose gross annual rental was below a specified

threshold (or possible using a net annual rental income, which deducted the rates required for the property).

The Council considers that the Fire Service's view of the number and location of smoke alarms is to be preferred as providing the best chance of early detection of a fire, particularly at night. We support the Ministry's preference for requiring 10-year photo-electric alarms, but suggest that these become mandatory from 1 July 2019 except where there are no alarms already installed.

The Council hopes these comments are useful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Watson', with a large, stylized initial 'A'.

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei District

Appendix 7

Service Request Breakdown for January 2016 - first response

Service Requests Department	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Animal Control	72	8	3	9	92
Animal Control Bylaw matter	2		1	1	4
Animal welfare	3	1			4
Attacks on animal	1				1
Attacks on humans	2			1	3
Barking dog	7	1	2	3	13
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)	2			2	4
Found dog	12				12
Lost animal	15	1			16
Property Investigation - animal control problem	2			1	3
Rushing at animal	1				1
Rushing at human	2			1	3
Wandering stock	13	4			17
Wandering/stray dog	10	1			11
Building Control		1			1
Dangerous or unsanitary building		1			1
Cemeteries	4				4
Cemetery location enquiry	1				1
Cemetery maintenance	3				3
Council Housing/Property	14	4			18
Council housing/property maintenance	13	4			17
Low drinking water pressure (non urgent)	1				1
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps	3				3
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)	3				3
Environmental Health	36	7		4	47
Dead animal	1				1
Dumped Rubbish (outside town boundary)	4	1		2	7
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	1				1
Food premises health issue				1	1
Livestock (not normally impounded)	1				1
Noise - day and night	23	1			24
Pest problem (Council property)	1				1
Untidy/overgrown section	5	4		1	10
Vermin		1			1
Footpaths	4				4
Maintenance (footpaths)	4				4
General enquiry	9		1		10
General Enquiry	9		1		10
Halls	1				1
Maintenance (halls)	1				1
Parks and Reserves	4	1			5
Empty rubbish bins - parks and reserves only		1			1
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	3				3
Playground equipment	1				1
Public Toilets	3	5			8
Cleaning (public toilets)	2	1			3
Maintenance (public toilets)	1	4			5
Road Signs	4				4
Maintenance (road signs)	4				4
Roads	20	2			22
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	18	2			20
Maintenance (roads - potholes only)	2				2
Roadside Berm Mowing	3	3		1	7
Rural berm mowing	3				3
Urban berm mowing (not parks and reserves)		3		1	4
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees	7			2	9
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	1				1

Service Requests	Compliance				
Department	Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Maintenance (roadside weeds/vegetation/trees)	6			2	8
Solid Waste	1				1
Waste Transfer Station	1				1
Stormwater	3			1	4
Stormwater blocked drain (non urgent)	3			1	4
Street Cleaning and Litter Bins		1			1
Street Cleaning - non CBD		1			1
Street Lighting	3	1			4
Maintenance (street lighting)	3	1			4
Wastewater	9	1			10
Caravan effluent dump station	4				4
Maintenance (wastewater)		1			1
Wastewater blocked drain	2				2
Wastewater overflow (dry weather)	2				2
Wastewater overflow (wet weather)	1				1
Water	20		1		21
HRWS No water supply	4				4
Location of meter/toby/other utility	3				3
Low drinking water pressure (non urgent)	1				1
No drinking water supply (urgent)	2				2
Replace lid (non urgent)	1				1
Replace toby or meter	4		1		5
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries	2				2
Water leak at meter/toby	3				3
Grand Total	220	34	5	17	276

Feedback Required (Multiple Items)

Service Requests

Feedback Method

Department	After hours	Email	In Person	Not able to contact	Telephone	Not Provided	Grand Total
Animal Control			8	1	13	13	35
Cemeteries						1	1
Council Housing/Property			1				1
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps		1				1	2
Environmental Health	1			1		4	6
Footpaths					1		1
General enquiry		1		1	4	2	8
Public Toilets						2	2
Roads		1		2	1	3	7
Roadside Berm Mowing					1	1	2
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees		1				3	4
Solid Waste						1	1
Stormwater						1	1
Street Lighting				1			1
Wastewater			1	1			2
Water		3	3	1	3		10
Grand Total	1	7	13	8	23	32	84

Service Request Breakdown for December 2015 - Resolution

Service Requests Department	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Animal Control	90	6		2	98
Animal Control Bylaw matter	3				3
Animal welfare	4				4
Attacks on animal	1				1
Barking dog	7	1		1	9
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)	10			1	11
Found dog	9	1			10
Lost animal	16				16
Property Investigation - animal control problem	4				4
Rushing at animal	1				1
Rushing at human	4	1			5
Wandering stock	12	2			14
Wandering/stray dog	19	1			20
Cemeteries	1				1
Cemetery maintenance	1				1
Council Housing/Property	23	3			26
Council housing/property maintenance	21	3			24
Maintenance (halls)	1				1
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	1				1
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps	1				1
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)	1				1
Environmental Health	32	4	1	3	40
Abandoned vehicle	1	1			2
Dead animal	2				2
Dumped Rubbish (outside town boundary)	2				2
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	1				1
Food premises health issue	1				1
Livestock (not normally impounded)	1			1	2
Noise - day and night	23	2		1	26
Untidy/overgrown section	1	1	1	1	4
Footpaths	1	1	1		3
Maintenance (footpaths)	1	1	1		3
General enquiry	5	2		1	8
General Enquiry	5	2		1	8
Graffiti/Vandalism	3				3
Maintenance (graffiti/vandalism)	3				3
Halls	2	1			3
Maintenance (halls)	2	1			3
Parks and Reserves	3	4			7
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	3	4			7
Public Toilets	4	9			13
Maintenance (public toilets)	4	9			13
Road Signs	1	1		1	3
Maintenance (road signs)	1	1		1	3
Roads	4			2	6
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	1			1	2
Maintenance (roads - potholes only)	3			1	4
Roadside Berm Mowing	5	3		5	13
Rural berm mowing	5	1			6
Urban berm mowing (not parks and reserves)		2		5	7
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees	1		2	2	5
Maintenance (roadside weeds/vegetation/trees)	1		2	2	5
Street Cleaning and Litter Bins	1			1	2
Empty rubbish bins - Marton	1			1	2
Street Lighting	1				1
Maintenance (street lighting)	1				1

Service Requests		Compliance				
Department		Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Vehicle Crossings				1		1
Maintenance (vehicle crossings)				1		1
Wastewater		1	1			2
Caravan effluent dump station		1	1			2
Water		42	3			45
Dirty drinking water		1				1
HRWS Maintenance required		6				6
HRWS No water supply		4				4
Location of meter/toby/other utility		1	1			2
Low drinking water pressure (non urgent)		2				2
Replace lid (non urgent)		1				1
Replace toby or meter		7	1			8
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries		14	1			15
Water leak at meter/toby		6				6
Grand Total		221	38	5	17	281

Attachment 3

Report

Subject: **Proposed District Plan Changes - Report For Notification**

To: Council

From: Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst

Date: 17 February 2016

File: 1-PL-2-5

1 Background

- 1.1 The Rangitikei District Plan became fully operative in October 2013. Inevitably, with any new plan, there are a number of unforeseen issues and minor errors which will come to light as the Plan is implemented. At its meeting on 15 May 2014, the Policy/Planning Committee received a report detailing some of these issues. Since then, the Committee has been considering the best response for these issues.
- 1.2 The most significant issue is liquefaction. The District Plan currently contains liquefaction maps that cover broad areas of the District and an associated rule framework. These provisions are creating barriers to development and are not able to be resolved without amending the Plan. As the additional costs of including other identified issues is not significant, a number of other issues have also been included in the proposed changes.
- 1.3 At its 17 December 2015 meeting Council approved undertaking a targeted District Plan Change.

2 Process and timeframes

- 2.1 Schedule 1 of the RMA prescribes the timeframes and steps for a plan change process. To achieve a completion date of 30 June 2016 the key steps and timing of this is as follows.

Council adoption for consultation

- 2.2 Adoption of the following documents:
- Section 32 report – evaluation report of the proposed changes.
 - Tracked changes copy of the District Plan.

Notification

- 2.3 The proposed plan changes will be formally notified on 4 March 2016. Following notification consultation will occur with a range of affected parties as discussed in the section below. It is best practice to undertake consultation with these parties prior to notification. However, due to the limited timeframes this has not been possible.

Submissions¹

- 2.4 4 March 2016 – 4 April 2016.

Further submissions

- 2.5 Once the initial submission period has closed, Council must summarise and publicly notify the decisions requested by submitters and provide opportunity for further submissions (for a period of up to 10 working days). These further submissions may only comment on an original submission. This is scheduled for mid-end April.

Pre-hearing meetings²

- 2.6 If required, pre-hearing meetings will be held with submitters to try to resolve or refine issues before the hearing.

Hearing

- 2.7 Submitters have the right to speak to their submission at a hearing. It is recommended that one independent commissioner is appointed by the Mayor and Chief Executive. The hearing is scheduled for the end of May.

Environment Court

- 2.8 Submitters have the right to appeal the hearing decision to the Environment Court. If appeals are received, the timeframe of completing the plan changes before 30 June 2016 will not be achieved. However, it is not envisaged that the proposed changes will be controversial.

3 Policy/Planning Committee discussion

- 3.1 The most significant of the proposed changes were discussed at the 11 February 2016 Policy/Planning Committee meeting. Many of the issues were resolved, with the results incorporated into the proposed documents. There were additional issues that have been further investigated. The proposed response to these issues is given below.

¹ The submission period must be at least 20 working days.

² This is not mandatory, but may reduce hearing time and costs.

Issue raised	Response
Increasing the Commercial zone in Bulls	<p>No proposed changes.</p> <p>There is sufficient supply of vacant commercial buildings in Bulls. There is no logical area of expansion. There has been no formal request/identified demand. A specific proposal can be considered through a resource consent process.</p>
Expanding the Industrial zone in Taihape to cover the cattle yards	<p>No proposed changes.</p> <p>The cattle yards do provide a potential area for industrial expansion. Nevertheless, they are located adjacent to residential areas. Industrial zoning provides an extremely permissive rule framework that does not protect the amenity of the adjoining residents. Additionally, this area is known to experience flooding issues.</p> <p>The development of this site would be best considered through a resource consent process where appropriate conditions to protect residents can be applied.</p>
Expand Industrial zoning in Marton west along Kensington Road	<p>No proposed changes.</p> <p>The analysis undertaken on the need for industrial land in Marton showed that there was sufficient supply. As a site adjacent to existing industrial land there is scope for the expansion of the Industrial zone to the west. However, the amenity of local residents also needs to be considered. There has been no formal approach by the land owner, so there is little reasoning for a proposed change. The expansion to the west would be best considered under a resource consent.</p>
Provision for temporary event signage	<p>No proposed changes</p> <p>The existing plan provides for temporary signage for events (displayed for up to 3 months in one year).</p>

4 Proposed Changes

- 4.1 The proposed changes address a number of issues that span across the District Plan. However, many of these changes are relatively minor and do not substantially alter

the vision or intent of the Plan. A table showing the list of issues considered and rationale for the proposed approach is attached as Appendix 1.

4.2 The section 32 report is attached as Appendix 2 and the marked up version of the District Plan is be provided as a separate document to elected members and available on Council's website. Associated maps will be tabled at the meeting.

4.3 The key changes include:

- Removal of liquefaction, ground shaking, active fault and landslide zones.
- Alteration of Taihape West Slip zone provisions to better reflect the current intent of the plan.
- Refinement of the flood mapping for Hunterville town centre and Bulls by the Rangitikei River.
- The inclusion of all residential activities as permitted in the Commercial Zone.
- The addition of commercially zoned properties in Mangaweka and Turakina.
- The addition of retail activities as permitted in the settlements of Mataroa, Ohinigaiti, Utiku, Mangaweka, Turakina, Ratana, Scotts Ferry and Koitiata.
- Amendments to signage provisions to better meet the needs of local business.
- The addition of a heritage values schedule for commercial buildings in Marton's CBD.
- The addition of offsetting provisions for heritage.
- The reduction in rural boundary setbacks from 20 metres to 5 metres for accessory buildings. Note: Dwelling setbacks are proposed to remain at 20 metres.

5 Proposed Consultation

5.1 It is proposed to consult on the proposed plan changes as follows:

- Press release following Council's meeting.
- Public meetings in Turakina and Mangaweka
- Letters to affected property owners (excluding those that are having natural hazard provisions lifted).
- Letters to people that submitted on proposed issues during the District Plan Review.
- Letters to adjoining authorities.
- Drop in sessions in Taihape and Marton.
- Public notice in local newspapers.
- Inclusion in Rangitikei Line if possible.
- Memo/presentation to community boards/committees – where there are no meetings scheduled an email to the Chair and either a public meeting for drop in session in the town will be held.
- Letter to Te Roopu ahi Kaa members (there is no meeting in March).
- Meetings with key stakeholders (Horizons, NZTA, Heritage New Zealand)

6 Recommendation

- 6.1 That the report 'Proposed District Plan Changes - Report for Notification' be received.
- 6.2 That the Proposed District Plan Changes are adopted for public consultation from 4 March 2016 to 4 April 2016.
- 6.3 That the Mayor and Chief Executive be authorised to appoint an independent commissioner to conduct the hearing on submissions to the proposed District Plan Change.

Katrina Gray
Policy Analyst

Appendix 1

Proposed District Plan Changes – Overview February 2016

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
<i>Flooding</i>	<p>Minimum floor height for habitable buildings only.</p> <p>Buildings included in flood flow rule.</p> <p>Refined flooding mapping for Bulls and Hunterville.</p> <p>Remove storm water flooding overlay.</p>	<p>Requiring a minimum floor height for non-habitable buildings is often not practicable. There is no increased risk to human life.</p> <p>The information that the Bulls (by the Rangitikei River) and Hunterville flood mapping is based on is not accurate (it is not modelled). Site visits have been completed to refine the flood areas. This is important for Bulls as a significant portion of this land is vacant industrial land. In Hunterville, currently the whole town centre is mapped as floodable.</p> <p>Our assets department is not able to set minimum floor heights. It is a barrier to development. This should be picked up at the building consent stage by the asset engineers if there are concerns.</p>
<i>Taihape West Slip zone</i>	Remove last sentence of permitted activity standard. Refine rules to better reflect intentions. Add non-complying status for new dwellings. Add in associated policy to support the rule intent.	No alteration to the intent of the current rules. Minor amendments to better reflect the current intent.
<i>Landslide, Active Fault, Liquefaction, Ground Shaking</i>	<p>Remove.</p> <p>Include advisory note on data and mapping by Horizons for lifelines (critical infrastructure) in the region.</p>	<p>The information is based at a regional scale and is not robust enough to make planning decisions from.</p> <p><u>This excludes the West Taihape Slip Zone</u></p>

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
<i>Rural Settlement</i>	<p>Spot zone properties as commercial in Mangaweka, Ohingaiti and Turakina.</p> <p>Provide for retail activities as a permitted activity in Mangaweka, Mataroa, Ohingaiti, Utiku, Scotts Ferry, Koitiata, Turakina.</p>	<p>The previous Rural Settlement zoning in these small towns provided for retail activities as a permitted activity. The current residential zoning places a barrier to development on commercial sites that are currently unused. The zoning of these properties as Commercial will allow for maximum flexibility of development for these properties.</p>
<i>Rural Living zoning</i>	<p>No changes to Rural Living zoning.</p>	<p>The first issue is that the Rural Living zone does not appear to be having any noticeable effect on development patterns. It may be due to the very low development in the District. This issue requires in depth research before any changes could be proposed – would better fit under a full review.</p> <p>The second issue is small lots in the Rural zone not being able to comply with the rules for new buildings/dwellings. Issues with buildings will be rectified with the reduction in building setback from 20 metres to 5 metres.</p> <p>Issues with dwellings will remain where small lots have been subdivided without building platforms. The key example of this is Rowes Road. There are approximately 6 properties affected in the Rowes Road subdivision. This issue has been addressed through a RC at this point in time as the developer still owns all of the lots. However, this will expire within 5 years (2020).</p> <p>It is proposed to retain the current zoning as we don't want to encourage further development in the area, the spot zoning of 6 properties isn't desirable, once dwellings are built the issues aren't problematic. Re-zoning is likely to lead to challenge from the neighbouring property owners. The reduction of the boundary setback from 20 metres to 5 metres will mean the developer is in the same position as when they first subdivided.</p>

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
<i>Industrial Bulls</i>	No proposed changes	<p>Bulls has a large amount of undeveloped industrial land by the Rangitikei River. It is hoped that by reducing the flooding zoning over this land that it will become a more desirable development opportunity. There is also undeveloped land on Watson Street.</p> <p>There are no other logical locations for further industrial land.</p>
<i>Industrial Marton</i>	No proposed changes	There is undeveloped industrial land in Marton (brownfield and greenfield). Kensington Road/McIlwaines and land zoned on Goldings Line.
<i>Industrial Taihape</i>	No proposed changes	There is little to no industrial land available in Taihape. However, there is no logical area for expansion of the Industrial zone. In addition, there is little demand for industrial sites in Taihape. It is an issue that can be considered on a case by case basis as required through the resource consent process.
<i>Residential activities</i>	Provide for residential activities as permitted in the Commercial zone.	<p>It is common throughout NZ for residential activities to be located in close proximity to commercial activities. It is important for the vibrancy/ long term sustainability of the District's towns that maximum flexibility of development is provided for in these commercial areas.</p> <p>There is limited potential for reverse sensitivity.</p> <p>Mixed use commercial buildings would be captured under the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Bill if they are multi-storey or multi-unit. They would be captured anyway as non-residential buildings.</p> <p>Building consent would be required for change of use where the proposed residential area was not originally constructed for residential purposes.</p>

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
<i>Activity setbacks</i>	<p>Changes to the activity setback rules to provide increased flexibility.</p> <p>Residential activities to be screened.</p> <p>Manufacturing activities to be screened (exemption for small businesses).</p> <p>Sites adjoining the Residential zone have screening fence/planting for 1.8m to 2m.</p> <p>3m building setback, rather than a landscaped setback.</p> <p>1.5 metres green strip for parking lots with 5 or more spaces.</p>	<p>Amendment to increase flexibility for residential and manufacturing activities to occur in the retail shopping core. But recognising that it is most appropriate to ensure that retail activities are occurring at the front of buildings.</p> <p>There should be some separation between commercial and residential activities. However a 3 metre landscaped setback has the potential to cover a large portion of some commercial sections. Requiring a separation will protect amenity, while screening is appropriate between commercial and residential properties to ensure amenity values are retained. This increases the flexibility of use of the site.</p> <p>Increases amenity of the town centres, while retaining flexibility for development..</p>
<i>Verandas</i>	Amendment to require all permanent buildings in the shopping core to have a veranda.	This will ensure continuity of shelter for pedestrians.
Residential zone – rule changes		
<i>Daylight setback</i>	Amend rule so that accessory buildings need to comply with daylight setback provisions.	Accessory buildings can still create shading issues and adversely affect the amenity of neighbours.
Rural/Rural Living Zone – rule changes		
<i>Shelterbelts</i>	No proposed changes.	PPL considered shelterbelts between private property owners and considered there should be no rule amendments. The issue was raised about shelterbelts adjoining road reserves. There is an existing provision about shading. The

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
		Roading Department do not consider a road boundary setback for shelterbelts would be practical or useful. A setback would not fix the current issues and would be time consuming to monitor.
<i>Building Setback</i>	<p>Reduce building setback from 20 metres to 5 metres for buildings up to 5 metres in height.</p> <p>Height of buildings from boundary for buildings over 5 metres in height.</p> <p>Note: dwelling setback is proposed to remain at 20 metres.</p>	<p>To allow primary production to occur without undue restrictions. 20 metres for accessory buildings is creating a barrier to development – limited cases of situations where neighbour approval has not been provided.</p> <p>(Retain building setback at 20 metres for dwellings to ensure privacy is maintained).</p> <p>Increased distance from boundary for buildings over 5 metres to ensure large buildings do not create adverse effects on adjoining properties.</p>
<i>Dwelling separation</i>	Dwelling separation applies only to other dwellings in the Rural zone.	Increases clarity in the rules. Dwellings adjoining residential zones will still need to comply with a 20 metres setback from boundaries.
Industrial Zone – rule changes		
<i>Relocated buildings</i>	Allow relocated buildings as a permitted activity.	Relocated buildings are unlikely to adversely affect amenity values of the Industrial zone. This will ensure flexibility of development.
General Rules – rule changes		
<i>Motorhomes</i>	No proposed changes	Motorhomes provide alternative, affordable housing options for residents. Small communities need to be able to access a range of housing types. The implementation of the District Plan as it is currently written provides for a flexible approach to managing motorhomes.

Issue	Proposal	Rationale
<i>Exterior Storage</i>	No proposed changes	There have been few complaints received about exterior storage throughout the District. The rules are currently fairly strict, particularly in relation to vehicles.
<i>Notable Trees</i>	No proposed changes.	An interest from the Parks Team Leader was raised about protecting more trees on Council land under the District Plan. It was considered that as Council owns the property, these trees are best managed through the reserve management plan process.
<i>Heritage</i>	<p>Addition of a schedule of specified values for CBD heritage properties.</p> <p>Addition of offsetting.</p> <p>Inclusion of an objective for commercial heritage.</p> <p>Council appointed and funded design panel to consider applications.</p>	<p>Need to address the key issues which is how to best provide for the management of heritage buildings in the town centre of Marton. The addition</p> <p>Deficient heritage registrations – leave to consider as part of the review. While Heritage NZ considers that these properties have heritage value, it would be most suitable to contact the property owners before putting them in the DP. The timeframe for this DP Change does not provide for this to occur.</p>
<i>Signage</i>	<p>Controlled activity for local signage in Rural/Rural Living zones.</p> <p>Expanded ability for signage in Commercial and Industrial zones.</p>	<p>Signage is complex. Currently the majority of signage is unconsented.</p> <p>Council wishes to have a permissive approach to local signage. A controlled activity status would enable certainty for business owners at a specified cost (if fees are fixed). Non-local signage restricted through discretionary status. These provisions will contribute to the economic viability of the District's towns.</p>

Appendix 2



Proposed Rangitikei District Plan Changes 2016

**Report prepared in accordance with Section 32 of the Resource Management
Act 1991**

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Introduction

Rangitikei District Council recently completed a full review of its District Plan, which became fully operative on 3 October 2013. Since that time staff have been working under this new Plan, and in doing so have identified a number of minor issues with some of the Plan's provisions that are impacting upon the Plan's implementation. Accordingly, Council has embarked upon a plan change process to rectify these issues. This report sets out the issues, the options considered to address the issues, and an assessment of the costs/benefits of the options.

Plan change processes are common over the life of a District Plan. It is considered a best practice approach for addressing issues in a timely manner, and to ensure the Plan remains responsive to changes in Council priorities, community attitudes and emerging trends.

Report structure

This report is presented in three key parts:

- Legislative and regulatory requirements, including discussion of Rangitikei District Council priorities.
- The proposed plan changes presented in three separate sections – built, cultural and natural environments. Each section provides context for the issues identified in each environment, presents the issues, describes options available for addressing the issues, assesses the cost/benefit of each option, and concludes with the preferred option for moving forward with the plan change processes.
- Summary.

Legislative and regulatory requirements

As part of plan review and plan change processes, Council is required to undertake an evaluation of the appropriateness of the objectives, policies, rules and other methods in accordance with s32 of the Resource Management Act. The Resource Management Act specifies the matters for consideration by territorial authorities as part of the plan review/change process.

Further, plan changes and reviews must give effect to National Environmental Standards and National Policy Statements, and be consistent with relevant regional policy statements and regional plans (in Rangitikei District's case this includes both Horizons Regional Council and Hawkes Bay Regional Council plans), and various Council documents (e.g. bylaws, Long Term Plan etc).

The Plan review process gave effect to the above legislative and regulatory requirements. The proposed plan changes affect only a small part of the plan and are relatively narrow in their scope and as such will not impact upon the Plan's consistency with, and giving effect to, the above legislative and regulatory requirements.

Council's strategic priorities

Rangitikei District Council's Long Term Plan 2015-2025 sets out Council's priority issues for the next 10 years.

- Infrastructure service levels
- **Economic development**
- Unused facilities/rationalisation
- **Earthquake-prone buildings**
- Communication/engagement and collaboration

The priorities of significance to sustainable management of the District's natural cultural and amenity resource and values, and this plan change process, are highlighted. Unsurprisingly, the Council has a strong focus on local economic development, which is a priority common amongst most provincial councils given their common issues of declining and aging populations, a heavy reliance on primary production activities, and limited development pressure.

Council's desire to increase economic development and remove real/perceived barriers to this occurring in a sustainable way is the primary driver for many of the changes proposed through this process.

Evaluation of Proposed District Plan Changes

The following sections of this report have been arranged according to the chapters set out in the operative Rangitikei District Plan 2013 which are relevant to the proposed changes.

Built Environment

Context

Rangitikei district has two distinct types of built environment - towns (e.g. Bulls, Marton, Hunterville and Taihape) and villages (e.g. Turakina and Mangaweka). The District Plan aims to protect amenity values within these towns/villages and reduce conflicts between differing built environment land uses (e.g. residential, commercial and industrial). There is minimal development pressure in the built environment, reflecting the district's declining population and associated reduction in commercial and industrial activity.

The low level of development pressure means the District Plan has a reasonably permissive approach to management of the built environment. Such an approach is consistent with Council's priority of supporting local economic development.

Issue

A number of issues associated with the built environment have arisen over the past two years including:

- Restrictions on living in commercial buildings
- Restrictions on the establishment of retail/commercial activities in villages
- Daylight setback issues with accessory buildings
- Activity setback provisions within commercial zone e.g. front boundary setback requirements for residential and commercial activities within the retail shopping core and landscaped setbacks between commercial and residential properties.
- Restrictions on relocating buildings into the Industrial zone.

These issues are considered barriers to economic activity in the district as they are imposing costs and time delays through requirements for resource consents and placing restrictions on development.

Objectives

The operative District Plan objectives are considered still relevant and suitable for achieving the purposes of the RMA, therefore are not proposed to be amended as part of the plan change process.

Options considered

Two options were identified for resolution of the above issues:

Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives, policies and rules i.e. make no changes to the District Plan.

Enhanced Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives and policies, and make a number of minor changes to the built environment rules to address the identified issues, as follows:

Proposed changes
Residential Zone
Removal of the exemption for accessory buildings in complying with daylight setback provisions.
Removal of the requirement for all buildings (including dwellings) to be setback 20 metres from a Rural Zone boundary.

Addition of retail activities as a permitted activity in Scotts Ferry, Koitiata, Utiku, Ohingaiti, Mangaweka, Ratana, Turakina and Mataroa.
Inclusion of restricted discretionary standards for marae and community facilities
Commercial zone
Spot zoning of 'commercial' properties in Turakina, Mangaweka and Ohingaiti.
Inclusion of residential activities as permitted
Amendments to activity setback provisions
Amendment to signage provisions to increase flexibility
Industrial zone
Amendment to signage provisions to increase flexibility
Allow for relocated buildings as a permitted activity

Cost/Benefit analysis

The following table summarises the cost/benefit evaluation of the two options.

Options	Costs	Benefits
Status Quo	Does not address identified issue. Potentially impacts on economic development.	Retains an (unnecessarily) high level of control over development activities.
Enhanced Status Quo	Slightly reduces the level of control over certain development activities, but the level of development pressure is expected to be low in the short-medium term.	Addressees identified issues. Supports local economic development.

Conclusion

'Enhanced status quo' was evaluated to be the most appropriate option for addressing the identified issues. The proposed changes will support Council's of supporting local economic development, whilst protecting urban amenity.

Cultural Environment

Context

A lot of residential and commercial construction activity occurred in the District in the latter part of the 19th and first quarter of the 20th century. As a consequence, the commercial areas of many of the District's towns have retained buildings of this age and style. Further, scattered throughout the District are many grand homesteads built during this time.

Many of these buildings have heritage significance, and the collection of such buildings in towns has formed heritage precincts, notably in Marton. Council wishes to protect its heritage buildings and values, both because it is required to, but also because such buildings provide the District and its townships a unique look and feel. The District Plan reflects these shared aims.

Issue

A key issue associated with the cultural environment that has emerged over the past two years is:

- The uncertainty surrounding the heritage values of commercial buildings (particularly in Marton), how they apply to particular buildings, and the implications of these values on the development aspirations of current and future building owners.

This uncertainty is creating a barrier to investment in the heritage building stock of the District, which is at odds with Council's priority of supporting local economic development.

Objectives

The operative District Plan objective is considered largely still relevant and suitable for achieving the purposes of the RMA. A minor amendment is proposed to the existing objective to refer to the well-being of current and future communities. An additional objective is proposed to recognise and provide for the protection of heritage values at both a building and precinct scale. The proposed amendments will support Council's aims of protecting the District's unique heritage precincts and buildings, while supporting local economic development.

Options considered

Two options were identified for resolution of the above issues:

Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives, addition of a new objective, policies and rules i.e. make no changes to the District Plan.

Enhanced Status Quo

Retention of the current objective with minor amendment, addition of a further objective, and make a number of amendments to the policies and rules relating to heritage buildings to address the identified issue, as follows:

Proposed policy and rule changes
Addition of a schedule of heritage values for Marton CBD heritage buildings.
Inclusion of offsetting provisions to provide flexibility of development where effects cannot be avoided, remedied or mitigated.
Requirement to consider the overall precinct values when redeveloping buildings in Marton.

These amendments increase certainty about the heritage values of specified commercial buildings in Marton for the purposes of identifying the elements that need to be protected or be offset should developers seek to modify or demolish one of the scheduled buildings.

Cost/Benefit analysis

The following table summarises the cost/benefit evaluation of the two options.

Options	Costs	Benefits
Status Quo	Does not address identified issues. Potentially impacts on economic development.	Each development proposal involving a heritage building is negotiated on a case by case basis, allowing the heritage values that exist at the time to be quantified and managed accordingly.
Enhanced Status Quo	Allows someone to buy their way out of protecting a heritage building or its values, by opting for an offset approach. However, the risk of this is considered low given the low development pressure and the high cost of offsetting.	Addressees identified issue. Clearly identifies the heritage value features of listed buildings. Supports the retention of heritage buildings and values, while supporting local economic development. Offsetting offers flexibility to developers, while maintaining overall heritage values and consideration of matters in a transparent framework.

Conclusion

'Enhanced status quo' was evaluated to be the most appropriate option for addressing the identified issue. The proposed changes will support Council's aims of protecting the District's unique heritage precincts and buildings, while supporting local economic development.

Natural Environment

Context

The District and its economy are dominated by primary production activities. In recognition of this fact, the District Plan seeks to protect and support current and future primary production activities from incompatible development. Accordingly, the Plan is reasonably permissive with respect to primary production and supporting activities. At present, there is a low level of pressure from non-primary production activities.

The Natural Environment section of the District Plan covers the Rural and Rural Living zones and Natural Hazards, amongst other matters.

Rural and Rural Living Zone

Issue

Two issues associated with the Rural and Rural Living zones have arisen over the past two years:

- Building setbacks
- Signage on State Highways

Objectives

The operative District Plan objectives are considered still relevant and suitable for achieving the purposes of the RMA, therefore are not proposed to be amended as part of the plan change process.

Options Considered

Two options were identified for resolution of the above issues:

Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives, policies and rules i.e. make no changes to the District Plan.

Enhanced Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives, and make a number of minor amendments to the policies and rules relating to the Rural and Rural Living zones to address the issues identified above, as follows.

Proposed change
Reduction in the building setback from side and rear boundaries from 20 metres to 5 metres. Note: Dwelling setback remains at 20 metres.
Provide signage for local businesses as a controlled activity.
Signage for non-local businesses as a discretionary activity.

Cost/Benefit analysis

The following table summarises the cost/benefit evaluation of the two options.

Options	Costs	Benefits
Status Quo	Does not address identified issues. Potentially impacts on economic development.	Retains an (unnecessarily) high level of control over development activities.
Enhanced Status Quo	Slightly reduces the level of control over certain development activities. However, the level of development pressure is expected to be low in the short-medium term.	Addressees identified issues. Supports local economic development and primary production activities.

Conclusion

'Enhanced status quo' was evaluated to be the most appropriate option for addressing the identified issues. The proposed changes will support Council's aims of supporting local economic development, whilst protecting primary production activities and rural amenity values.

Natural Hazards

Context

The District is subject to a number of hazards including flooding, tsunami, earthquakes, and land instability. These hazards vary widely in their extent, probability and severity across the District. The District Plan contains a number of provisions to protect people and property from these hazards, as directed by the One Plan.

Issue

A number of issues associated with the natural hazard provisions have arisen over the past two years including:

- The accuracy of the underlying hazard information and its suitability when applying District Plan rules at the property-scale.
- The Taihape West Slip Zone provisions are inappropriately preventing all new development.

Objective

The operative District Plan objectives are considered still relevant and suitable for achieving the purposes of the RMA, therefore are not proposed to be amended as part of the plan change process.

Options

Two options were identified for resolution of the above issues:

Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives, policies and rules i.e. make no changes to the District Plan.

Enhanced Status Quo

Retention of the current objectives and amend the policies and rules relating hazards generally, and the West Taihape Slip zone specifically, to address the issues identified above, as follows:

Proposed change
<u>Flooding</u> Minimum floor height applies to habitable buildings only. Addition of buildings and structures to the rule requiring flood flow paths not be changed to the extent that they will exacerbate flooding on the site or any adjacent site. Refined flood mapping for Bulls alongside the Rangitikei River and in Hunterville township.

Remove stormwater flooding overlay from the flood maps
<u>Taihape West Slip Zone</u> Amendment to the permitted activity standard to increase clarity on what is permitted e.g. additions to buildings not exceeding 40 square metres. Addition of a non-complying activity status for the construction or relocation of dwellings. Refine the provisions related to extensions. Addition of a policy to support the strategy intent for the Taihape West Slip zone.
<u>Liquefaction, ground shaking, landslide, active fault</u> Remove existing maps and associated provisions. Include advisory note that there may be natural hazards affecting properties that are not identified in the District Plan.

Cost/Benefit analysis

The following table summarises the cost/benefit evaluation of the two options.

Options	Costs	Benefits
Status Quo	<p>Does not address identified issues.</p> <p>Potentially impacts on economic development.</p>	Retains an (unnecessarily) high level of control over development.
Enhanced Status Quo	Slightly reduces the level of control over certain development activities and potentially the protection of people and property - but the level of development pressure is expected to be low in the short-medium term.	<p>Addressees identified issues.</p> <p>Supports local economic development, while still protecting people and property from hazards</p>

Conclusion

'Enhanced status quo' was evaluated to be the most appropriate option for addressing the identified issues. The proposed changes will support Council's aims of supporting local economic development, whilst protecting people and property from hazards.

Summary

Council's stated priority is to support local economic development and primary production in particular. The operative District Plan largely supports this priority. However, in the time the District Plan has been operative, a number of issues have been identified with respect to specific policies and rules that are impacting upon the successful implementation of the Plan and are considered to barriers to economic development. Accordingly, the District Council has embarked upon a Plan Change process to address the identified issues.

This report sets out the issues, and the process Council followed to evaluate the options for addressing the issues, and the option settled upon.

Council considers the proposed changes to the District Plan strike a good balance between the Council's priority for increased economic activity whilst protecting the amenity, cultural and natural values that make the District such a great place to live, work and play.

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Question 1: Do you think the draft Strategy is clear, unambiguous and easy to understand?

☒ Agree

☐ Disagree

Comment:

Question 2: Do you think **heritage**, defined as built, natural, cultural, and social, is important to the Rangitikei District?

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☐ Disagree

Question 3: Are you supportive of the draft Strategy's Goals?

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☐ Disagree

Our organisation shares
many of your goals and
objectives for our District.

Please complete the remaining questions on the reverse side of this page.

Question 4: Are you supportive of Council's role as outlined in the draft Strategy?

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Question 5: Do you have any further comment you wish Council to consider in relation to the draft Heritage Strategy?

I think this is a good framework to achieve the necessary mix/balance of regulation/participation and community "buy in"

Attach additional information or pages if necessary

Signed: J D Vickers

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? use of term 'built'
→ "building"

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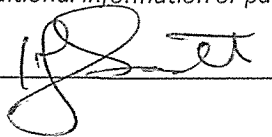
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Always potential conflict re demolition
vs preservation, but if a building is
Category 1 or Category 2 preservation
should be a realistic option.

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- ① Support for the Rangitikei Heritage Group
12-2 Add "Where appropriate, council will share information about heritage issues with this group and vice versa"
- ② Support for Treasured Natural Environment Group
12-4 Add "Where appropriate, council will share information about environment issues with this group and vice versa"

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Signed: A George

Date: 18-02-2016

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Question 1: Do you think the draft Strategy is clear, unambiguous and easy to understand?

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Comment:

Would like more opportunity to respond to this survey using free text but I'll fill out the form first:)

Click boxes not working on entire survey, I agree

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- ☐ Disagree

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Signed:_____

Date:_____

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Submission to draft Heritage Strategy – Madeleine & Vernon Grove

Challenges 6.1 & 6.2 Tension between public benefit and cost.

Totally agree that this is a tension but if the Strategy is endorsed by Council then Councillors and staff at all levels of Council need to endorse, understand and turn the strategy into action at the resident level.

We bought Flock House over two years ago and approached Council in “goodwill” to offer to work in partnership to protect this significant property which we aim to restore to its former glory when we retire back in NZ in two years.

Unfortunately, apart from Andy Watson who is terrific, we were met with resistance every step of the way by Finance Managers who could only think of the rates base rather than working with us to protect this site. We were going to offer it open to the public etc as I’ve worked for Council in Australia for 27yrs and understand the contribution we can make to the area. Sheryl Bright was terrific but senior management “didn’t want to know” which took the shine off our whole return to NZ experience.

If Rangitikei wants positive migration, retirees coming back with \$\$ and skills to make things better, help us, do not put bureaucratic red tape in our way. We sought assistance from Council to improve the cartilage around the Homestead in our negotiations with Ag Research but once again, no help. We have Te Hakeke’s cairn on site and would love to welcome Maori to visit and pay respects. Enough said😊

6.6 Capacity of Council

Please use goodwill and cut red tape as mentioned above.

9.1 Please look at extending assistance more broadly than just earthquake prone buildings.

11.1 Waiving Consent Fees. Great idea😊

12. Information, Education and Support

Tried to gain advocacy support but didn't work for us. Also tried NZHPT and Ian McKelvie MP (whose family once owned the property), but little interest which is very sad and disappointing.

General

Great that you have a strategy. Will it include a list of significant buildings as before? Flock House was an omission. Is there any benefit in having it listed given its rich heritage in the area and NZHPT listing.

Would love to be more involved in the future with Council and any Historical Society as both Vern (a builder) and I are passionate about the Arts & Crafts era and cannot believe how fortunate we are in being custodians of this remarkable property. We hope to do it justice!

Thanks for your time and excuse lack of document formatting as I want to get this submission in, on time.

Madeleine & Vernon Grove

18 February 2016

Attachment 5



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Rangitikei District Council

Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Monday 1 February 2016 – 3:00 p.m.

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The quorum for the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committee is 4.

At its meeting of 28 October 2010, Council resolved that "The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roou Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3.

Present: Mr Bob Crawford
Mr Bernie Hughes
Mr Brett Journeaux
Mr Mark Lawson
Mr John McManaway
Mr Ivan O'Reilly
Mr Paul Peterson
Cr Dean McManaway

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr George McIrvine, Finance and Business Support Group Manager
Mr Carl Kelly, Finance Support
Mrs Joanna Saywell, Utilities Asset Manager
Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Manager
Ms Laura Richards, Governance Administrator

1 Welcome

The Chairman, Mr Bob Crawford welcomed Committee members and Council staff to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 16/HRWS/001 File Ref

That apologies for absence from Andrew van Bussel, Sam Weston be received. Apologies from Cr Dean McManaway for lateness.

Mr Hughes / Mr Peterson. Carried.

3 Notification of late items

Mr Crawford noted he received another letter in regards to the transference of water units between the Ngahere dairy farm and the dry stock farm.

4 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number 16/ HRWS/002 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee meeting held on 14 December 2015 be taken as read, modified in that the word 'committee' be changed to 'Council' in Item 7 paragraph two, first line on page 8, and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Hughes / Mr Journeaux. Carried..

5 Issues arising

Members discussed the connection of the dairy farm and that of the dry stock farm prior to the Operations report plus concerns around the Hunterville Township water supply. Connect re Sam Crowther in Operations report.

3.10 Cr McManaway entered meeting.

6 Correspondence

Mr Crawford said he had received an email from Mr G H Rhodes in regards to the permanent transference of five units of water from the Putorino Road address to the State Highway 1 address. In the email it is noted the main water line runs through the property but there is no connection to the water scheme.

Committee members said they would recommend that all associated costs would be paid by the new property. Also, all rules and regulations to be abided by. The new connector would pay the \$500 to connect to the scheme plus ensure the placement of a 30,000 litre water tank on property to ensure a two-day supply. A letter is to be sent to the landowner regarding the transference.

Resolved minute number **16/HRWS/ 003** **File Ref**

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee agree to the permanent transference of five unused units from the Ngahere Dairy farm at 231 Putorino Road to the dry stock farm at 3360 State Highway 1, Hunterville.

Mr J McManaway / Mr Peterson. Carried.

7 Chair's report

Mr Crawford noted he did not have a report for the committee as all of his concerns were to be discussed during the meeting.

8 Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report

Resolved minute number **16/ HRWS/ 004** **File Ref** **6-WS-3-4**

That the 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply — Operations report', dated January 2016 be received.

Mr J McManaway / Mr Peterson. Carried

9 Overdue Accounts Penalties

Resolved minute number **16/HRWS/005** **File Ref** **3-CT-3**

That the memorandum 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply, Overdue Accounts Penalties' be received.

Mr Journeaux / Mr Hughes. Carried

10 Financial report - November Month End and Options for future funding

Resolved minute number **16/HRWS/005** **File Ref**

That the Financial report 'November Month End and Options for future funding' be received.

Mr Hughes / Mr Patterson. Carried.

Resolved minute number **16/HRWS/007** **File Ref**

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee recommends to Rangitikei District Council that the rural water rate for the Hunterville Rural Water Supply to be set at a minimal \$280.

Mr J McManaway / Cr McManaway. Carried

11 Update on stage 2 application and potential implications of using an alternative water source as the town's supply

The Committee members discussed the 'how' the Rural Water Supply is an alternative water source as the town's supply and deemed the two as separate as the rural water supply was not meant to be consumed by people.

12 General Business

13 Next Meeting

11 April 2016, 3.00 pm

14 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 4.19 pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 3 February 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

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Present: Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Dr Peter Oliver
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Richard Aslett
Mrs Yvonne Sicely

Also Present: Cr Angus Gordon

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration
Mr Athol Sanson, Parks & Reserves Team Leader

Tabled documents: Item 12: Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park
Item 20: Te Moehau Road draft signage
Item 21: Late Item submissions:
Marton Placemaking attendance
Taihape Market Day
Draft Treasury Management Policy

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 One minute silence in memory of former Board member, Councillor and Borough Mayor Ed Cherry

The Board stood for one minute silence in memory of former Board member, Councillor and Borough Mayor Ed Cherry.

Also acknowledged was the passing of Mr Doug Bond and Mr Jim Vernon, both of whom were valued members of the community.

3 Apologies

There were no apologies.

4 Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair agreed to take the following as late items on the basis that they had arisen after the Order Paper had been compiled and a decision was required at this meeting.

Taihape Community Market Day,
Placemaking workshop in Marton
Taihape Majestic Theatre
Proposed Treasury Management Policy

6 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest that they may have in respect of the items on this agenda.

7 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Chair reported that she was in the process of composing a letter of support for further funding applications for the Birds on Signs Project Group.

The Parks & Reserves Team Leader gave an update on the Gumboot throwing lane drainage. He said that he had met with the drainage contractor who had devised a system and provided a quote for the work. Once Council's Utilities team had confirmed that there were no further leaks, work would then progress.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/001** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 2 December 2015, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Aslett / Dr Oliver. Carried

8 Chair's report

The Chair gave a verbal report, noting that the Taihape Christmas Parade and Community Christmas Dinner had been well attended. She expressed her thanks to the local businesses for their support.

The Chair suggested that Board members join Facebook pages such as Taihape NZ, The Taihape Community Notice Board and Taihape Pay it Forward in order to get an insight into the good they do for the local community.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/002** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 3 February 2016 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented, be received.

Mrs Fannin / Dr Oliver. Carried

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

There were no recommendations from the Board's meeting on 2 December 2015 which required approval from Council at its meeting on 17 December 2015. However, at that meeting Council approved the award of contracts C1009A and C1009B, supply of a lamella clarifier to both the Taihape Wastewater Plant and the Taihape Water Treatment Plant, to Service Engineers Ltd. The total cost is \$435,720.

10 Update on the Small Projects Fund

The current commitments on the Fund to date were \$1,109.60. At its previous meeting, the Board agreed to fund the Community Christmas Dinner up to \$200, however the Chair advised that accounts were still to be finalised, so this item would be discussed at the Board's next meeting.

11 Parks management

Mr Athol Sanson, Council's Parks & Reserves Team Leader introduced himself and explained his role along with the current work programme and future plans.

He said that the key areas of focus for the team were trees and the parks sports fields, noting that long term management would be developed for both. This included

commissioning a report on the state of the Taihape Memorial Park along with soil testing and putting in place a fertiliser programme.

Mr Sanson reported that there were a number of unsafe trees at the Taihape cemetery. These would need to be attended to by an arborist.

Also programmed was the Gretna Corner gardens which would be excavated and replanted in a theme that would continue on into the main street.

There was some discussion on who was responsible for emptying the bins at the Outback and along Mataroa Road. Over the busy holiday period these were often overflowing. Mr Sanson reported that it was his responsibility and that in future he would put 44 gallon drums in place over the peak period.

Also discussed was the issue of fly tipping. Mr Sanson said that this equated to a big percentage of the rubbish. Ms Larsen agreed, adding that some locals frequently dumped their empty beer bottles by the bins at Taihape Memorial Park. It was suggested that she take photos of this activity.

Cr Aslett asked who was responsible for maintaining the grass around the telephone box in Mangaweka. Mr Sanson advised that he would look into this matter.

Cr Gordon wished to pass on the positive comments that he had received regarding the work that had been undertaken by the Parks and Reserves Team.

12 Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park

After some discussion, the Board agreed to support the inclusion of the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

Resolved minute number 16/TCB/003 **File Ref**

That the report 'Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park' be received.

Mrs Fannin / Cr Rainey. Carried

Resolved minute number 16/TCB/004 **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board supports the inclusion of the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

Mrs Fannin / Mrs Sicely. Carried

The Board stressed the need for contact to be made with the Otaihape Club so that there was clarity on the availability of its funds.

13 Overview of the Council-initiated District Plan review

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/005** **File Ref**

That the report 'Overview of the Council-initiated District Plan' review be received.

Mrs Fannin / Cr Rainey. Carried

14 Consultation on the draft heritage strategy

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/006** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Consultation on the draft heritage strategy' be received.

Mrs Fannin / Ms Larsen. Carried

15 Update on place-making initiatives

The Chair advised that she was also keen to attend the place making workshop in Marton.

Mr Hodder agreed, saying that he thought it would be worthwhile for both her and the Trust Manager to attend in order to get a sense of how people were applying this approach even though it would be different for each community. He suggested that, following the Marton Makeover, the Board hold a workshop and then arrange to meet with the Taihape Community Development Trustees in order to discuss priorities.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/007** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board support the Taihape Community Development Trust Manager in attending the placemaking workshop in Marton by agreeing to pay for one night's accommodation and that the Board Chair also attend the workshop.

Cr Rainey /Cr Aslett. Carried

16 Outcome of consultation with residents of Dixon Way and Mangan Valley Road on options for reticulated water supply

Dr Oliver noted that this meeting had been well attended, with all residents agreeing that their preferred option was for the water supply to be upgraded only.

17 Requests for service in the Taihape Ward (November-December 2015)

Dr Oliver wished to acknowledge the prompt response by Council contractors who had removed the slip on O'Taihape Road. He said that he had reported this through the RFS system and that the job had been undertaken on a public holiday.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/008** **File Ref**

That the report 'Requests for service in the Taihape Ward, November-December 2015) be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Rainey. Carried

18 Youth Hutt report

In reply to Mrs Sicely's query, Mr Hodder explained the current funding situation for the Youth Hutt.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/009** **File Ref**

That the Youth Hutt report be received.

Cr Rainey / Mrs Fannin. Carried

19 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Taihape Ward.

As the Assets/Infrastructure Committee was not meeting until 11 February 2016, an update was not available for the Board's meeting; however, this would be circulated to members on 9 February 2016.

20 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

Te Moehau Junction sign

Cr Aslett tabled a draft design option and reported that Council's Roading Operations Manager had suggested that the sign be made from steel rather than wood. The Chair was keen to see a gumboot in the design. Cr Aslett to include this and then forward to members along with prices.

Walkway from Dixon Way to the CBD

Board members were keen to see this walkway levelled and tidied up with crushed lime as they felt that it was well used by local residents as well as backpackers.

Mr Hodder to discuss this matter with Council's Roading Operations Manager.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/010** **File Ref**

That the report 'Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update' be received.

Mrs Fannin / Cr Aslett. Carried

21 Late items

The Chair tabled a late item submission recommending that the Taihape Community Board use funds from the Small Project Fund to cover the hall hireage costs for the Taihape market day which was to be held on Saturday 20 February.

All members were in agreement, noting that the market days were usually well attended.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/011** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agree to using funds from the small project fund to cover Taihape Town Hall hire costs for the February community market day.

Ms Larsen / Dr Oliver. Carried

The Chair asked that the Board give consideration to help support the Taihape Majestic Theatre in their bid to raise funds for it to go digital.

All members agreed to fund this project \$1,000.00 from the Small Project Fund.

Resolved minute number **16/TCB/012** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agree to fund the Taihape Majestic Theatre \$1,000.00 from the Small Project Fund.

Dr Oliver / Cr Rainey. Carried

Mr Hodder explained that the tabled late item on the draft Proposed Treasury Management Policy was for the Board's information only.

22 Future items for the agenda

None proposed.

23 Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held on 6 April 2016

24 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

Rangitikei District Council

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 9 February 2016 – 10:10 a.m.

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Present: Mr Pahia Turia (Chair)
Ms Barbara Ball
Ms Hari Benevides
Mr Katarina Hina
Mr Peter Richardson
Mr Pai Maraku

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst/Planner
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

1 Karakia/Welcome

Mr Peter Richardson performed the opening Karakia for the meeting, before the Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public forum

None

3 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from His Worship the Mayor, Cr Ash, Mr R Steedman, Mr C Shenton, Mr T Steedman, and Mr M Gray, and the apology for lateness from Mr T Curtis be received.

Ms B Ball/Ms K Hina. Carried

4 Chair's report

The Chair provided a verbal report to the Komiti, touching on the following subjects:

- The review of the Te Turi Whenua Maori Act and the recent hui held in Whanganui.
- Update on the Regional Growth Study.
- Opposition to the TPPA (Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement).
- The success of the Ratana Celebrations held in January.

Mr Curtis arrived 10.17 am

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/001 **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting on 9 February 2016 be received.

Mr P Turia/ Mr P Richardson. Carried

5 Confirmation of minutes

Ms Hina requested an amendment to page 10 of the Minutes of the previous meeting, replacing 'Whangaehu' with 'Kauangaroa' in the last sentence of the third paragraph.

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/002 **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 8 December 2015, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms H Benevides/ Ms K Hina. Carried

6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

The Komiti acknowledged that there were no decisions on recommendations presented to Council's December 2015 or January 2016 meetings.

7 Update from Council (December 2015 - January 2016)

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the long-term mitigation for flood-prone areas in the District and funding for youth services in the Rangitikei items. Ms Hina noted recent discussions with the Mayor and the Chief Executive, advising that they would be visiting the marae the coming weekend.

Resolved minute number	16/IWI/003	File Ref	3-CT-8-1
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That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in December 2015 and January 2016' be received.

Mr P Turia/Ms K Hina. Carried

8 Update on landlocked land

Mr Hodder provided a brief update to the Komiti on Council's progress with finding a solution to the issue of Maori landlocked land within the District. His Worship the Mayor is awaiting a meeting with Minister Flavell to further his discussions with Central Government on this issue.

10 Update on Path to Wellbeing Initiative – February 2016

Ms Servante spoke to the memorandum, highlighting the continued funding of the youth services in the Rangitikei until the end of February 2016 and providing additional background information on the Healthy Families initiative.

The Chair noted that regional initiatives for social services had been evident for a while, and that they had all encountered the difficulty of relating to the large number of small communities within the region.

Resolved minute number	16/IWI/004	File Ref	3-CT-8-1
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That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative – February 2016' be received.

Ms B Ball/Mr T Curtis. Carried

9 Proposed District Plan Changes

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the memorandum, providing the Komiti with background information on why Council is initiating a Plan Change and highlighting the specific parts of the District Plan that are part of the change.

The Chair commended the Council in trying to remove unnecessary barriers.

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/005 **File Ref** 2-PL-2

That the memorandum 'Proposed District Plan Changes' be received.

Ms B Ball/Mr T Curtis. Carried

11 Central register of Commitments

The Komiti noted the establishment of a Central Register of Commitments and the benefit that local Iwi could see from this register.

12 Māori Legal, Business and Governance Forum

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/006 **File Ref**

That Mr Thomas Curtis attends the 2016 Maori Legal, Business and Governance Forum on behalf of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti, and provide a report back to the Komiti on the forum to a future meeting.

Mr P Turia/Ms H Benevides. Carried

13 Addressing the Komiti's strategic needs (as prelude to consideration of options for Maori community development programme in 2016/17 and 2017/18 and facilitating Maori engagement in economic development)

Ms Servante spoke to the tabled discussion document providing some background to the Komiti on how the document came about and where the information it contains came from.

Members present favoured a hui potentially including all Komiti members and the respective runanga.

Ms Servante and Mr Turia undertook to provide the Komiti members with a series of dates for a meeting with representatives of the various Iwi/Hapu groups and Maori organisations within the District.

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/007 **File Ref**

That the tabled discussion document Addressing the Komiti's strategic needs (as prelude to

consideration of options for Maori community development programme in 2016/17 and 2017/18 and facilitating Maori engagement in economic development) be received.

Ms K Hina / Mr P Richardson. Carried

14 Consultation - draft Heritage Strategy

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the item. Mr Maraku noted his strong support for this initiative. Understanding tribal history was an important part of strengthening relationships.

15 Consultation – draft Treasury Policies

The Komiti noted that the consultation material is available on Council's website.

16 Late items

Citizenship Ceremony – The Mayor had asked whether the Komiti would like to be involved in the ceremony. The Komiti was keen, asked to be informed of future dates and for the matter to be added to the next meeting agenda to allow a discussion about the nature of that involvement.

Induction process for the new Council following the October 2013 elections – The Mayor was interested to know the Komiti's views on its preferred involvement. The Komiti asked for this to be added to a future agenda to formalise a process for induction – both for Council and new Komiti members.

The recently announced proposed changes to the Rating Act (regarding Maori land) would be a matter for the next meeting.

Rangitikei Heritage – the recent visit to Taihape's former abattoir, freezing works and Winiata marae was considered a useful precedent for similar visits elsewhere in the District.

Update on ultrafast Broadband in the Rangitikei – action plan in progress.

17 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 19 April 2015, 10.00 am

18 Karakia – 12.06pm

Mr Richardson performed the closing Karakia for the meeting.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Rangitikei District Council

Marton Community Committee Meeting

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Present: Ms Anne George (Chair)
Mr Nathan Kane
Ms Lorraine Pearson
Mr Robert Snijder
Cr Lynne Sheridan

Tabled documents : Item 13 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Marton Ward - memorandum

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the start of the new year.

2 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from Ms C Bates, Ms L Duncan and Ms J Greener be received.

Ms L Pearson / Mr N Kane. Carried

3 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	16/MCC/001	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 9 December 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr R Snijder / Mr N Kane. Carried

4 Matters arising

Nil

5 Council decisions in recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations from the Committee presented to Council's meeting on 28 January 2016.

6 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

The Project Marton co-ordinator was absent from the meeting so no update was available.

In its place Anne George gave an update of the Placemaking project currently being erected in the Marton CBD.

7 Update on the Town Centre Plan Project

The 7 day makeover is running from 8-13 February 2016.

A verbal report may be given at the meeting 9 February 2016.

8 Issues raised at the previous meeting

- 1 Highway Signs - Mr R Snijder still to talk to the Mayor. Meanwhile Robert will design a sign to be presented at our next meeting
- 2 Mr R Snijder looked at the BBQ at Duddings Lake and will explore other options.

- 3 Long grass has been dealt with by Cr Sheridan

9 Consultation – Draft Heritage Strategy

A submission from the committee will be filled in and sent to council by Ms A George.

Paragraph 12.2 to include the words - "Where appropriate, council will share information about heritage issues with this group and vice versa."

Paragraph 12.4 to include the words - "Where appropriate, council will share information about environmental issues with this group and vice versa."

Resolved minute number 16/MCC/002 **File Ref** 1-CP-5-2

The memorandum 'Consultation – Draft Heritage Strategy' be received.

Mr R Snijder / Mr N Kane. Carried

10 Proposed District Plan Changes

Cr Sheridan explained the process.

Resolved minute number 16/MCC/003 **File Ref** 2-PL-2

The memorandum 'Proposed District Plan Changes' be received.

Mr N Kane / Ms L Pearson. Carried

11 Consultation on Draft Treasury Policies

The Committee noted that consultation was open on these policies.

12 Smalls Projects Grant Scheme

The Committee noted the balance of the Small Projects Grant Scheme for the Marton Ward.

13 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Marton Ward

Resolved minute number 16/MCC/004 **File Ref** 3-CC-1-5

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Marton Ward' be received.

Mr N Kane / Mr R Snijder. Carried

14 General business

The paint for the fence at Wilson Park Playground has been purchased and delivered to Council.

Mr Athol Sanson is organising the painting of the fence with the Corrections Officer.

15 Next meeting

Tuesday 9 March 2016, 7.00pm

16 Meeting closed – 8.30pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Rangitikei District Council

Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting

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Present: Cr Dean McManaway (Chair)
Cr Mike Jones
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Tim Harris
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Lynne Sheridan
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also present: Cr Richard Aslett

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Mr Glenn Young, Project Engineer – Utilities
Ms Joanna Saywell, Asset Manager – Utilities
Mr John Jones, Asset Manager - Roothing
Mr Reuben Pokiha, Operations Manager - Roothing
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager - Utilities
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

Tabled Documents:

Item 6	Chair's Report – Chair's Report
Item 8	Activity Management Templates – Additional Roothing Information
Item 10	Review of the Vehicle Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule - Draft submission to the Associate Minister of Transport
Item 17	Late Items – Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced John Jones, the new Roading Asset Manager for both Rangitikei and Manawatu District Councils, to the Committee.

2 Council Prayer

Cr Harris read the Council prayer.

3 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apologies for lateness from Cr Gordon and Cr Peke-Mason and the apologies for having to leave early from His Worship the Mayor and Cr Jones, be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Rainey. Carried

4 Confirmation of order of business

Resolved minute number

16/AIN/001

File Ref

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, the Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Rainey. Carried

Cr Gordon arrived 9.39am

5 Confirmation of minutes

The Committee agreed that in Item 10 of the previous meeting's minutes the sentence should read: "Mr Waugh stressed that, if the leachate was not treated to a level where it could be received as wastewater, **additional** trade waste fees would apply – but only if the leachate did not compromise the plant and compliance with its discharge consent."

Resolved minute number

16/AIN/002

File Ref

That the Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 12 November 2015, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

6 Chair's Report

The Chair's report was tabled at the meeting.

Resolved minute number

16/AIN/003

File Ref

That the Chair's report to the 11 February 2016 meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Jones. Carried

7 Queries raised at previous meeting

The Committee noted that there were no queries raised at the previous meeting.

8 Activity Management

Mr Young introduced John Jones, the new Roding Asset Manager for both Rangitikei and Manawatu District Councils. Mr Jones provided a brief employment background and its relevance to his new position.

Mr Pokiha spoke briefly to the non-financial reporting templates for November 2015 to January 2016 for Roding and footpaths. The Committee asked that the additional spreadsheet provided as a tabled document be provided to future meetings.

Cr Peke-Mason arrived 9.43am

The Committee questioned the current contractor's use of machinery that appears to be damaging the seal on some roads. Mr Pokiha informed the Committee that the contractor had been informed of this damage, that the machinery was no longer being used, and that any repairs needed would be made at the contractor's expense.

The Committee also asked for an update to the next meeting on the repair works from the June 2015 flood event.

The Chair suggested that the other sections of the Activity Management Plans be considered after considering item 9.

Cr Harris left the meeting 10.10am / 10.13am

9 Performance to date of Higgins Contractor

Mr Pokiha spoke to his report. The Committee expressed their disappointment at the contractor's performance regarding the mowing of rural berms in the District. Mr Pokiha informed the Committee that several management-level meetings had taken place between Council and Higgins, and both parties were actively engaged in a process to remedy the contractor's under-performance.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/004** **File Ref** **5-CM-1-C980**

That the report 'Performance to date of Higgins Contractor' to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting of 11 February 2016 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Jones. Carried

8 Activity Management

Continued...

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the non-financial reporting templates for November 2015 to January 2016 for Water (including rural water supplies), highlighting the substantial increase in water take in Mangaweka. The cause of this increase was a substantial leak on a property in the area. Ms Saywell informed the Committee that staff were in discussion with the landowner to remedy the situation, which could potentially come at Council's cost as it is not yet known if it is Council's infrastructure that is the cause of the leak.

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the non-financial reporting templates for November 2015 to January 2016 for Sewerage and the treatment, disposal of sewerage and Stormwater drainage and Rubbish and recycling, suggesting that there was nothing major to highlight to the Committee. Cr Belsham asked Ms Saywell to look into the trial period for altering the opening hours of the Marton Waste Transfer Station on the weekends, which had been agreed to last year. It appears as though this trial period has not yet begun.

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the non-financial reporting templates for November 2015 to January 2016 for Community and leisure assets (including parks). Cr Sheridan asked that staff investigate the whereabouts of the volleyball net for Wilson Park, it was returned to Ms Prince as it was not installed properly and has yet to be reinstalled.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/005** **File Ref** **5-EX-4**

That the activity management templates for November 2015-January 2016 for Roothing, Water (including rural water supplies), Sewerage (and the treatment and disposal of sewage), Stormwater drainage, Community and leisure assets, and Rubbish and recycling be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 10.37am / 10.38am

Cr Sheridan left the meeting 10.37am / 10.39am

Cr Harris left the meeting 10.45am / 10.48am

12 Consent compliance - July 2015 to January 2016

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the report.

Resolved minute number	16/AIN/006	File Ref	5-EX-3
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That the report 'Consent compliance – July 2015 to January 2016' be received.

Cr Jones / Cr Gordon. Carried

13 Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant as at 1 February 2016

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the report informing the Committee that the advisory group had met late last year and are due to meet again this month.

Alternative disposal sites for the sludge from the Bulls wastewater treatment plant were being investigated. The critical issue was its high zinc content, potentially able to be dealt with through bulking up with green waste or straw. Allowing the sludge to dry on the hard surface of the Bulls landfill meant a reduction to 20% of its initial weight. His Worship the Mayor expressed his desire to see this issue resolved within the current financial year and not carried-forward to the next.

Resolved minute number	16/AIN/007	File Ref	6-WW-1-4
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That the report 'Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant as at 1 February 2016' be received.

Cr Jones / Cr Belsham. Carried

14 Outcome of Public Consultation on Water Mains Options for Dixon Way, Taihape

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the report. The Committee expressed a desire for staff to investigate the potential for other service providers to use the same trench at the same time as Council when renewing the reticulation in Dixon Way.

Resolved minute number	16/AIN/008	File Ref	6-WS-3-10
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That the report 'Outcome of Public Consultation on Water Mains Options for Dixon Way, Taihape' be received.

Cr Gordon / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/009** **File Ref**

That Council give approval to proceed with the design and construction to renew the reticulation in Otaihape Valley Road, Dixon Way and Mangaone Valley Road to address low pressure and flow issues, without allowance for fire flows, for an estimated overall sum of \$219,175, with construction to be programmed in 2015/16 and 2016/17 using budgets already set in the Long Term Plan.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried

15 Proposed carry-forwards to 2016/17

Mr Young spoke briefly to the report. Cr Peke-Mason expressed concern from the Ratana Community Board that vehicles were damaging the new berms in the urupa.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/010** **File Ref** **1-AP-2**

That the Schedule of proposed carry-forwards to 2016/17 be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried

10 Review of the Vehicle Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule

A draft submission was tabled at the meeting. Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the item. The Committee expressed a desire to see the pinch-points within the District pointed out in the submission, as well as highlighting the fact that there is an allowed tolerance at 44T but not at 50T and whether or not these potential amendments will bring about any issues with the width of bridges within the District.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/011** **File Ref**

That the draft submission on the Review of the Vehicles Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Rainey. Carried

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/012** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends that, following consideration by His Worship the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive, the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Associate Minister of Transport on the Review of the Vehicles Dimensions & Mass (VDAM) Rule, and that the Chief Executive provides that signed submission to the next meeting of Council for formal confirmation by resolution.

Cr McManaway / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

Cr Peke-Mason 11.13am / 11.21am

11 Park Upgrade Partnership Applications

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the item. The Committee asked that the criteria and eligibility guidelines for the fund be reviewed and better clarified.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/013** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves the application from Taihape Showjumping Group to upgrade the toilets at Memorial Park in Taihape to the value of \$2354.63.

Cr Rainey / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/014** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves the application from Taihape Showjumping Group to upgrade the horse yards at Memorial Park in Taihape to the value of \$3530.00.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Rainey. Carried

Cr Aslett arrived 11.30am

16 Moving sand dune at Koitiata

Mr Sanson, Team Leader, Parks & Reserves, gave a verbal report on the progression of sand dunes towards the children's playground within Koitiata. He informed the Committee that he had been in discussion with Horizons Regional Council about a potential remedy and whether or not it would require a resource consent. This will be a long-term project and an additional meeting with staff from Horizons Regional Council has been arranged for next week to further discuss options for mitigation.

The local Residents Committee have offered to complete the initial work to mitigate the situation once consent has been granted.

His Worship the Mayor left the meeting 11.50am / 11.51am

17 Late items

Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park

A report was tabled at the meeting. Mr Hodder spoke briefly to it. The Committee expressed a desire for a discussion to take place with Clubs Taihape prior to any work being completed and a plan to be created on what is to happen with the existing infrastructure.

Resolved minute number **16/AIN/015** **File Ref** **6-RF-1-12**

That the report 'Proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park' be received.

Cr Gordon/ Cr Rainey. Carried

Resolved minute number**16/AIN/016****File Ref****6-RF-1-12**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee supports the inclusion of the proposed new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park in the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

Cr Rainey / Cr Gordon. Carried

His Worship the Mayor left the meeting 12pm / 12.16pm

18 Public Excluded – 12.03pm

Resolved minute number**16/AIN/017****File Ref**

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Item 1: Council-owned property

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to this matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
Item 1 Council-owned property	Briefing contains information which if released would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it or who is the subject of the information and to enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) – <i>sections 7(2)(c) and (i)</i> .	Section 48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding or the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey. Carried

Resolved minute number**16/AIN/018**

19 Open meeting – 12.43pm

Resolved minute number

16/AIN/019

File Ref

I move that the meeting return to open meeting.

Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey. Carried

20 Future items for the agenda

21 Next meeting

Thursday 17 March 2016, 9:30 am

22 Meeting closed – 12.43 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Rangitikei District Council

Policy/Planning Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 11 February 2016 – 1:09 p.m.

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Present: Cr Lynne Sheridan (Chair)
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also present: Cr Ruth Rainey

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Johan Cullis, Environmental Services Team Leader
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst/Planner
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents:

Item 7	Issues proposed for Council-initiated Plan Change – Signage Worksheet and District Plan References sheet
Item 14	Horizons Pest Management Plan Review - Submission
Item 12	Update on Legislation and Governance Issues – Submission to the Proposed Residential Tenancies Regulations

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 1.09pm and then adjourned the meeting. The meeting reconvened 1.30pm.

2 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Ash be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Aslett. Carried

3 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that Greg Carlyon (Catalyst Group), Paul Chaffe (Rural Fire and Emergency Management Officer for Rangitikei District Council) and Craig Davies (Horizons Regional Council) would all make presentations to the meeting.

4 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **16/PPL/001** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 November 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Gordon / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

5 Chair's report

The Chair spoke briefly to her report. The Committee asked that the issue of homelessness within the Rangitikei District, as highlighted in the Chair's Report, be referred to the Safe & Caring Community Theme Group.

Resolved minute number **16/PPL/002** **File Ref**

That the Policy/Planning Committee request the Safe & Caring Community Theme group to consider the question of homelessness in the Rangitikei and subsequently report back to the Policy/Planning Committee.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Aslett. Carried

Resolved minute number **16/PPL/003** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the meeting of the Policy/Planning Committee on 11 February 2016 be received.

Cr Sheridan / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

6 Queries raised at previous meeting

The Committee noted that there were no queries raised at the previous meeting.

7 Issues proposed for Council-initiated Plan change

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the report provided in the order paper. Ms Gray and Mr Carlyon (Catalyst Group) narrated a presentation on the Council-initiated Plan Change.

A document was distributed to the Committee outlining the proposed changes to the District Plan and a page reference within the current plan for each proposed change.

The following were the main points discussed by the Committee:

- Refining the rules around signage to better provide for local businesses and to limit promotion on the state highways to before the next town;
- Restoring flexibility in villages having a 'rural settlement' zoning in the 1999 District Plan by allowing for retail activities there;
- Differentiating between temporary signage (e.g. for an event) and permanent signage (e.g. for a business);
- Applying fixed-fees for local businesses;
- Considering the potential to expand the commercial zone in Bulls;
- Considering potential sites in Marton and Taihape to be re-zoned as industrial land;
- Allowing residential activities to occur in the commercial zone;
- Allowing offsets to be considered when a heritage building is proposed for demolition; and
- Including a list of heritage values in Marton.

Resolved minute number	16/PPL/004	File Ref	1-PL-1
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1. That the report 'Proposed District Plan Changes' be received.
2. The Policy/Planning Committee recommends that Council adopts for consultation the proposed District Plan as discussed at the Committee's meeting on 11 February 2016.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

Cr Gordon left the meeting 2.14pm / 2.16pm

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 2.17pm / 2.27pm

Cr Rainey left the meeting 2.20pm

His Worship the Mayor left the meeting 2.30pm / 2.35pm

Afternoon Tea 3.08pm / 3.25pm

8 Revised Rural Fire Plan

This item was deferred for consideration at the Committee's next meeting.

14 Horizons Pest Management Plan Review

Craig Davies, Horizons Regional Council, outlined the new requirements for the review of the Horizons Pest Management Plan, and highlighted the changes that are relevant to the Rangitikei District. The main points discussed were:

- the desire for a proactive rather than a punitive relationship between Horizons and territorial authorities – roadside weeds were a significant issue and the objective was best-practice management.
- priorities in the plan were set having regard for the extent of infestation.

Resolved minute number 16/PPL/005 **File Ref** 3-OR-3-12

That the memorandum 'Horizons Pest Management Plan Review' be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Resolved minute number 16/PPL/006 **File Ref** 3-OR-3-12

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends that, following consideration by His Worship the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive, the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission as amended to Horizons Regional Council on the Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan, and that the Chief Executive provides that signed submission to the next meeting of Council for formal confirmation by resolution.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

9 CDEM National Capability Assessment Report

The Committee noted the report attached for their information.

10 Update on communications strategy

Resolved minute number 16/PPL/007 **File Ref** 3-CT-15-1

That the Update on communications strategy to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 11 February 2016 be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Aslett. Carried

11 Activity Management:

Resolved minute number 16/PPL/008 **File Ref**

That the activity management templates for Community Leadership, Environmental and

Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being (November 2015-January 2016) be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Aslett. Carried

12 Update on legislation and governance issues

His Worship the Mayor told the Committee that he had been informed by Minister Flavell about proposed changes to the Local Government (Rating) Act, specifically around the rating of unused and unoccupied Maori land. He informed the Committee that there is to be a meeting held at Parliament next week and information from this meeting will be brought to the next Committee meeting if possible.

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the points on the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill, the First principles study of Urban Planning and the proposed regulations under the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill.

Ms Gray then narrated presentations on the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill and the First principles study of Urban Planning.

The Committee asked that the submission on the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill be forwarded to Pahia Turia for comment prior to Council confirming the submission.

Mr Hodder then narrated a presentation on the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill.

Resolved minute number	16/PPL/009	File Ref	3-OR-3-5
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1. That the 'Update on legislation and governance issues' to the 11 February 2016 meeting of the Policy/Planning Committee be received.
2. That, in terms of Council's delegation regarding a submission to the proposed regulations under the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill, the Policy/Planning Committee authorises the Mayor to sign, on behalf of the Council, the tabled submission as amended.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

13 Update of Local Governance Statement

This item was deferred for consideration at the Committee's next meeting

15 External risk to Council's roading network

The Committee noted that a report will be provided to the Committee's March 2016 meeting.

16 Dog Control and Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw Review

This item was deferred for consideration at the Committee's next meeting

17 Bulls Multi-purpose Community Centre – project update Including progress with the fundraising plan for the Bulls Multi-purpose Community Centre

This item was deferred for consideration at the Committee's next meeting

18 Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – February 2016

This item was deferred for consideration at the Committee's next meeting

19 Late items

None

20 Future items for the agenda

To the next Finance/Performance Committee meeting – potential to roll-over the Small Projects Grant Scheme for Community Committees and Community Boards.

21 Next meeting

Thursday 17 March 2016, 1.00 pm

22 Meeting closed – 5.35pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____