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# Council Meeting Order Paper

## Thursday 26 May 2016, 1.00 pm

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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

#### 2 Apologies/leave of absence

#### 3 Public Forum

#### 4 Confirmation of order of business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, ........ be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

#### **5** Confirmation of minutes

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 16 May 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

#### 6 Mayor's report

A report with the Mayor's 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 on 26 May 2016 be received.

#### 7 Administrative matters

A report is attached.

File: 5-EX-4

#### Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Administrative matters May 2016' be received.
- 2 That the proposed governance structure for the Pre-feasibility study for a Tutaenui Community Irrigation/Stock Water Scheme be approved, that Councillor...... be confirmed as a member of the group, and that the Mayor and the Chief Executive be authorised to finalise and confirm the membership of the group, with advice being provided to a subsequent meeting of Council.
- 3 That the updated Reimbursement and Expenses Policy [as amended/without amendment] be submitted to the Remuneration Authority for consideration.

- 4 That the Chief Executive arrange a meeting with officials from the Ministry of Education to discuss amended terms for the proposed licence to occupy the former Taihape College site at 55 Rauma Road, to formalise the use currently being made of the facilities by a number of local community organisations.
- 5 That Council authorises the Policy/Planning Committee to approve (for the Mayor's signature) a submission to the Government Administration Committee on the Health Homes Guarantee (No. 2) Bill, with the signed submission being included in the Council Order Paper for its meeting on 30 June 2016.
- 6 That Council approve/decline a total waiver of the internal costs of the building consent lodged by the Pukeokahu Hall Committee for upgrading the toilets at that hall.

#### 8 Proposed District Plan Change – Update May 2016

A memorandum is attached.

File: 1-PL-2-7

#### Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Proposed District Plan Change – Update May 2016' be received.

## 9 Variation to Contract C990 Area wide sewer renewals – sliplining 2015/16

A report is attached.

File: 5-CM-1: C 990

#### Recommendations

- 1. That the report 'Variation to Contract C990 Area Wide Sewer Renewals Sliplining 2015/16' be received.
- 2. That the Council approve a variation to Contract C990 for the sum of \$148,929.41(excluding GST) being at the same competitively tendered rates, to complete:

Marton – \$78,633.41 worth of works in Hair St, Morris St and Broadway.

Taihape – \$56,296.00 worth of work in Kiwi Street and Mataroa Road.

Hunterville – undertake \$14,000 worth of lateral joint repairs.

#### **10** Proposed final carry-forwards to 2016/17

A schedule is attached.

#### Recommendation

That the proposed final carry-forwards from 2015/16 to 2016/17 be approved for inclusion in the final 2016/17 Annual Plan and included as an appendix to the minutes of Council's meeting on 26 May 2016.

#### 11 Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, "What's new, what's changed...?" with respect to the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan

A report is attached.

File: 1-AP-1-6

#### Recommendations

- 1. That the report 'Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, "What's new, what's changed...?" with respect to the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan' be received.
- 2. That Council provides \$70,000 for funding youth development services in the 2016-17 Annual Plan and continues to seek an equivalent contribution from external sources and that it requests a proposal from the Policy/Planning Committee to its meeting on 30 June 2016 outlining how this funding can be used to transition from its current provision towards a Youth One Stop Shop
- 3. That Council retains provision of \$500,000 in the 2016-17 Annual Plan to construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park.
- 4. That Council uses the balance of the insurance pay out to contribute to the proposed facility at Rangitikei College, once the area damaged at Centennial Park has been cleaned up.
- 5. That Council makes provision during the 2016/17 Annual Plan for a further contribution of \$100,000 to the proposed facility at Rangitikei College, subject to the balance funding being confirmed.
- 6. That Council confirms its commitment to contribute \$100,000 towards a full sized multi-sport AstroTurf at Nga Tawa School, provided that satisfactory provision is made for community access and once the balance of funding is confirmed through external fundraising.
- 7. That Council confirms the provision in the 2016-17 Annual Plan of \$200,000 to be transferred to the roading reserve.
- 8. That Council confirms the purchase of the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the site for Council's administration and library services, and sets aside up to \$50,000 to undertake an initial heritage assessment and development concept. These costs are to be loan-funded and will not impact on rates until 2017/18

- 9. That Council amends the rates remission policy to provide remission for low value properties where hardship can be demonstrated.
- 10. That the Roading Team:
  - Liaise with the New Zealand Transport Agency on improvement to Mokai Road, Taihape and report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August 2016.
  - Investigate what is feasible to reinstate the provision of heavy trailer parking near Wyleys Bridge, given that it was available by the site of the earlier structure.
  - Undertake the usual analysis for speed limits around Kauangaroa, with a view to formalising a speed limit change, bearing in mind the need to comply with the statutory requirements.
  - Include minor safety requests at Ratana in the 2016/17 work programme.
  - Liaise with the regional office of the New Zealand Transport Agency about new signage on either side of Mangaweka.
- 11. That the Community and Leisure Services/Parks and Reserves Team:
  - Liaise with the secretary of the Marton Saracens Cricket Club to formulate a plan for the cricket wicket at Centennial Park, and with the secretary of the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees regarding improving the playground at Ratana.
  - Consider the feasibility of making the toilets in the Shelton Pavilion more readily accessible and/or a commercial arrangement with the Z service station to provide such facilities.
  - Continue to develop long-term management plan for Marton Park sand consider the suggestions about improved facilities there (toilets, BBQ, drinking fountains).
  - Prepare a report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August on a proposed replacement facility at Koitiata campground and a basis for funding the work.
  - Investigate the feasibility of an arrangement at Mangaweka similar to that still in place at Turakina, paying an annual fee for existing toilets to be available to the public during specified hours.
  - Replace veranda at Taihape & District's Women's Club before the end of June 2016.
  - Refer the matter of improvements to the cemetery lawn at Ratana Urupa to the Ratana Community Board meeting in August 2016, with the possibility of further budget provision in the 2017-18 Annual Plan.
  - Initiate discussions with Rangitikei College on opportunities for collaboration on the use of its pool and the nearby Council Marton Swim Centre and to extend this to consider library provision and use of facilities during emergency management.
- 12. That a further annual provision of \$10,000 be added to the Parks and Reserves budget from 2016/17 for a formal programme to control wasps.

- 13. That the Green party be invited to speak further with the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on its findings over glysophate.
- 14. That the Enjoying life in the Rangitikei theme group be asked to consider how a programme of Open Water Life Saving Education in schools and communities can be supported by Council
- 15. That the Marton Community Committee considers, in conjunction with Project Marton, promotional signage for and within Marton.
- 16. That a single response to submissions to 'What's new, what's changed...?' (Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan), reflecting Council's deliberations on 26 May 2016, be drafted for consideration at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016.

#### 12 Deliberations on submissions to the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2016/17

A report is attached.

File: 1-AP-2

#### Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Deliberations on submissions to the proposed Schedule of fees and That charges for 2016/17' be received.
- 2 That the final draft of the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17 be adopted [as amended/without amendment].
- That a single response to submissions to the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17, reflecting Council's deliberations on 26 May 2016, be drafted for consideration at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016.

#### 13 Deliberations on submissions to the Dog Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw

A report is attached.

File: 3-PY-1-20

#### Recommendations

- 1. That the report 'Deliberations on submissions to the Dog owner responsibility policy and associated bylaw 'be received.
  - 2. That the existing Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw be revoked.

- 3. That pursuant to section 10 of the Dog Control Act 1996 Council adopt proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy (with any necessary amendments).
- 4. That pursuant to section 20 of the Dog Control Act 1996 Council adopt the proposed Control of Dogs Bylaw (with any necessary amendments).
- 5. That a response to submitters is prepared and forwarded to those who submitted, based on this report and Councils decision.

#### 14 Deliberations on submissions to the review of the Gambling Class 4 Venue and TAB Venue policies

A report is attached.

File: 3-PY-1-5

#### Recommendations

- 1 That Council receive this report entitled 'Gambling (Class 4) Venue and TAB Policy Deliberation report'.
- 2 That Council adopts the proposed TAB Venue Policy [with/without amendment].
- 3 That Council forward the Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy and associated consultation analysis to be considered by the Planning/Policy Committee at its meeting in June and request that its findings are reported to the Council meeting on 30 June 2016.

#### 15 Deliberations on submissions to proposed change in Speed Limit Bylaw – Parewanui Road, Bulls

A report is attached.

File: 1-DB-1-7

#### Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Deliberations on the Speed Limit Bylaw Amendment Parewanui Road' be received.
- 2 That the amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw [as amended] to reduce the speed along Parewanui Road to 50m south of Brandon Hall Road from 100krn/h to 80km/h be adopted.

## 16 Update on investigation into alternative providers of community housing

A report will be tabled.

File: 1-DB-1-7

#### Recommendations

- 1. That the report 'Update on investigations into alternative providers of community housing' be received.
- 2. That Council EITHER confirms OR removes the requirement for potential providers of community housing in the Rangitikei District to be registered with the Community Housing Regulatory Authority.

#### 17 Receipt of Committee minutes and resolutions to be confirmed

#### **Recommendations:**

- 1. That the minutes of the following meetings be received:
  - Hunterville Community Committee, 15 February 2016 (*Tabled if available*)
  - Hunterville Community Committee, 18 April 2016 (Available but no resolution numbers)
  - Ratana Community Board, 19 April 2016 (Tabled if available)
  - Finance/Performance Committee, 28 April 2016
  - Bulls Community Committee, 10 May 2016 (*Tabled if available*)
  - Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee, 11 May 2016 (*Tabled if available*)
  - Marton Community Committee, 11 May 2016 (*Tabled if available*)
  - Assets/infrastructure Committee 16 May 2016
- 2. That the following recommendation from the Assets/Infrastructure Committee dated 11 May 2016 be confirmed:

<del>16/AIN/051</del>	File ref	<del>5-CM-1, C1023</del>
- , ,		

- 1 That report 'C1023 RDC Emergency Works Bundle 9' be received.
- 2 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves awarding Contract C1023 to Higgins Contractors Ltd for a value of Two Hundred and Seventy Thousand, Eight Hundred and Twenty Four Dollars and Eighty Three Cents plus GST (\$270,824.83 plus GST).

\*Addressed by recommendation in item 7

#### 18 Late items

#### **19 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

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) – sections 7(2)(c) and (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.

#### 20 Future items for the agenda

#### 21 Next meeting

30 June 2016, 1.00 pm

#### 22 Meeting closed

## Attachment 1



### Rangitikei District Council

#### **Council Meeting**

Minutes – Monday 16 May 2016 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present:

	Cr Dean McManaway
	Cr Cath Ash
	Cr Nigel Belsham
	Cr Angus Gordon
	Cr Tim Harris
	Cr Mike Jones
	Cr Rebecca McNeil
	Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
	Cr Ruth Rainey
	Cr Lynne Sheridan
In attendance:	Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
in attenuance.	Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
	Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
	Mr Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Manager
	Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
	Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager - Utilities
	Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator
	Wis Samantila Whitcombe, Governance Administrator
Tabled documents:	Item 7 Oral submissions to 'What's new, what's changed?', Dog
	Control and owner responsibility policy and Control of Dogs bylaw, the
	review of Gambling class 4 venue and TAB venue policies – Late Submission
	(Hew Dalrymple), amended submission from Horizons Regional Council,
	submission from Gary Thomas, supplementary information from Eru Loach
	(the Problem Gambling Foundation of New Zealand, gambling statistics),

supplementary information from Greg Carlyon (Rangitikei College Board of

information from Hew Dalrymple (example of community centre in Kaitaia), supplementary information from Marie Kinloch (further information to submission) and supplementary information from Steffan Browning (Green

Trustees, letter regarding use of the multisport turf), supplementary

Party MP, further information to submission).

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

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#### 1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 Council Payer

Cr Ash read the Council Prayer.

#### 3 Apologies/Leave of absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Aslett, and the apology for lateness from Cr Harris be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Gordon. Carried

#### 4 Confirmation of order of business

His Worship the Mayor informed Council that one late submission to 'What's new, what's changed...?' had been received, and informed Council that it was up to them whether or not to accept the submission.

Council agreed to wait for the arrival of Cr Harris before accepting or declining the late submission.

#### 5 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda

#### 6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number 16/RDC/095 File Ref

That the Minutes (and Public Excluded Minutes) of the Council meeting held on 28 April 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Jones / Cr Gordon. Carried

#### 4 Confirmation of order of business - continued

Resolved minute number 16/RDC/096 File Ref

That the late submission to 'What's new, what's changed...?" from Hew Dalrymple be accepted.

Cr McManaway / Cr Belsham. Carried

Cr Harris arrived 9.36am

Cr Peke-Mason arrived 9.38am

#### 7 Oral submissions to 'What's new, what's changed...?', Dog Control and owner responsibility policy and Control of Dogs bylaw, the review of Gambling class 4 venue and TAB venue policies

All submissions were compiled into several separate documents. Those submissions which were presented orally were contained in one of those separate documents: *What's new, what's changed...? Annual Plan 2016/17 and simultaneous consultations: submissions oral hearings.* 

The record of the oral hearings table is attached as an appendix to these minutes.

Asterisked names in the following table denotes submitters who communicated (from the Taihape Chamber) via skype.

		Submission document	Page nos.
10.04am	Dave Wilson	What's new, what's changed	7-8
9.52am	Sally Patrick	What's new, what's changed	83-85
9.39am	Gretta Mills	What's new, what's changed	26-31
9.58am	John Vickers, Marton Bridge Club 📎	What's new, what's changed	52
10.46am	<del>Michelle Fannin</del> *Gary Thomas	What's new, what's changed	
10.53am	*Michelle Fannin, Taihape Community Board	What's new, what's changed	
10.22am	E Loach, Problem Gambling Foundation	Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies	97-137
10.13am	Margaret Ryniker, Problem Gambling Foundation of NZ	Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies	86-88
10.34am	Andre Taylor/Hine Potaka, Nga Tai o Te Awa	Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies	89-96
11.01am	*Stephen and Trudi Mattock, Mikayla Mattock, Tarata Fishaway	What's new, what's changed	53-54, 74-76
11.01am	*Pip Stalker	What's new, what's changed	57-58
	Morning tea 11.10am – 11.20am	What's new, what's changed	
11.51am	Nathan Kane	What's new, what's changed	83-85
11.39am	Katarina Hina, UCOL	What's new, what's changed	83-85
11.21am	Rangitikei College Students	What's new, what's changed	Video attachment
11.21am	Greg Carlyon, BOT, Rangitikei College	What's new, what's changed	5-6, 59-60
12.01pm	Roger Dalrymple BOT, Nga Tawa Diocesan School	What's new, what's changed	4, 5-6
12.01pm	Fi Dalgety	What's new, what's changed	83-85
12.01pm	Victoria and Rebecca Symes	What's new, what's changed	9-10, 75-76
12.31pm	Hew Dalrymple	What's new, what's changed	Tabled
	Lunch 12.39pm – 1.09pm	What's new, what's changed	
1.10pm	Marton Community Committee	What's new, what's changed	83-85

Submitters shown with the same start time presented jointly.

1.18pm	Anne George	What's new, what's changed	2-3
1.44pm	Sarah McVerry	What's new, what's changed	65-68
1.34pm	Irene Loder	What's new, what's changed	39-40
1.40pm	Lyn Watson	What's new, what's changed	42-49
1.24pm	Marie Kinloch, Sport Whanganui	What's new, what's changed	50-51
	Steffan Browning	What's new, what's changed	72-73
1.52pm	Tim Matthews	What's new, what's changed	77-80
2.02pm	Tim Matthews, Federated Farmers	What's new, what's changed	11-22
	Heather Thorby	What's new, what's changed	32-33
2.13pm	Tony Ward	What's new, what's changed	81-82
2.22pm	Rob Snijders	What's new, what's changed 🧠	61-64
2.35pm	Scott Oliver, Saracens Cricket Club,	What's new, what's changed	69-71
2.55pm	Marton		
2.45pm	Pen Tucker, Horizons Regional Council	What's new, what's changed	34-38
	David Marshall	What's new, what's changed	9-10
	Judy Williams	Dog Control and Owner	138-139
2.51pm		Responsibility Policy and Control of	
		Dogs Bylaw	
	Silvia Rizzi	Dog Control and Owner	142-143
3.02pm		Responsibility Policy and Control of	
	Margaret Robinson	Dogs Bylaw Dog Control and Owner	140-141
3.10pm		Responsibility Policy and Control of	140-141
0.10pm		Dogs Bylaw	
2.20	Denise Wallen Turakina	What's new, what's changed	83-85
3.20pm	Community Committee		
3.25pm	Nick Whisker	What's new, what's changed	55-56
	Fred Hammer: withdrawn	What's new, what's changed	23-25
	Bryce Hosking: withdrawn	What's new, what's changed	83-85

Cr McNeil 10.22am / 10.23am & returned from lunch 2.31pm

Cr Peke-Mason 10.45am / 10.47am

Cr Ash 10.50am / 10.54am

Cr Harris 11.08am / 11.10am & 2.18pm / 2.19pm

#### 8 Late Items

Nil

#### 9 Future items for the agenda

Nil

#### 10 Next meeting

26 May 2016, 1.00 pm

#### 11 Meeting closed – 3.36pm

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:

## Attachment 2



#### REPORT

SUBJECT:	Administrative matters – May 2016	
TO:	Council	
FROM:	Ross McNeil, Chief Executive	
DATE:	19 May 2016	
FILE:	5-EX-4	

#### 1 Pre-feasibility study for a Tutaenui Community Irrigation/Stock Water Scheme

- 1.1 The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has confirmed acceptance of the Council application for this feasibility study at a total estimated project cost of \$150,000 (50% funded by MPI). The draft application was part of the Order Paper for Council's meeting on 29 October 2015.
- 1.2 The governance structure proposed in the application is for the Council to have overall governance responsibility for monitoring progress with the project, being assisted in this by a project governance/advisory group comprising elected members and stakeholder representatives. The provisional membership (subject to confirmation) is:

Bob Crawford – Chair, Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee

At least one other member of that Committee

Chris Turner – Tutaenui area farmer (currently on the HRWS scheme)

Grant Huwyler or Chris Shenton - Ngati Apa

Bruce Gordon – Chair, Horizons Regional Council

Andy Watson – Mayor

Dean McManaway – Deputy Mayor

A representative from Federated Farmers

The application notes that the Governance Group has the ability to co-opt additional members as it considers appropriate.

- 1.3 It is suggested that Council endorse this governance structure and authorise the Mayor and Chief Executive to finalise and confirm the membership, with subsequent advice back to Council.
- 1.4 Delivery of the project will require external (consultant) expertise, supported with input from members of the Council's Assets team. Subject to final contract sign-off with MPI, the engagement of consultant support will be by way of a public procurement process (potentially a request for proposal process through invitation and Tenderlink).

#### 2 Remuneration Authority processes

- 2.1 At its meeting on 28 April 2016, Council was advised of the circular issued by the Remuneration Authority on Elected Members' Expenses and Allowances. From 1 July 2016, the mileage allowance will change:
  - the first 5,000 km claimed will be reimbursed ay 74c per km instead of 77 c per km; and
  - every Elected Member will have a standard deduction of 30 km if attending a Council/Committee/Community Board meeting, but this deduction will not apply for travel for other Council-related business.
- 2.2 The Authority asked all local authorities to review their Reimbursement and Expenses Policy and provide these by 10 June 2016. The one stipulation is that the policy must identify the payment regime and authorisation process and satisfy the tests applied by the Auditor-General over sensitive expenditure. However, despite enquiry, it is unclear to what extent (if any) this is a changed requirement from when the policy was developed (and approved by the Authority) three years ago. So, apart from including the standard deduction for attending meetings noted above, the only change proposed is to reflect the provision of tablets to the Mayor and Councillors and Chairs of the Community Boards for accessing Council/Committee/Community Board Order Papers and related documents.
- 2.3 The marked-up policy is attached at <u>Appendix 1</u> for consideration.

### 3 Application to the Community Development Fund administered by the Department of Internal Affairs

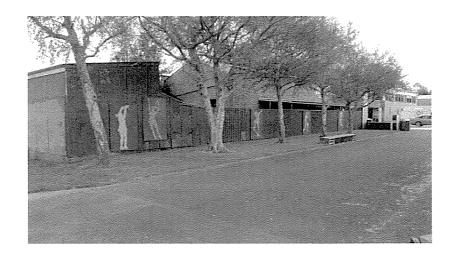
3.1 Staff have identified the Community Development Fund as a possible source of funding for youth services in the District for a period of three years (with a possible extension for a further two years) as well as providing support for the District's growing Samoan community. If the application is successful, it should provide sufficient opportunity to demonstrate to the Ministry of Social Development the value of co-investment in the delivery of these services in the Rangitikei.

- 3.2 An application was submitted on the closing date of 18 May 2016.
- 3.3 The application is based on the Department and the Council providing equivalent funding. While the application has noted the extent of support in submissions to the 2016/17 Annual Plan for Council to continue providing youth services (particularly on a co-investment approach), it is simply an application, and does not commit Council to take up a funding offer. Should Council decide later in this meeting (when deliberating on submissions to the 2016/17 Annual Plan) to discontinue further budget provision for youth services after 30 June 2016, the application will be withdrawn.
- 3.4 The result of the application should be known by mid August. If Council continues with it, and it is successful, the co-funded programme would begin on 1 September 2016.

#### 4 Update on town centre plans (including place-making initiatives)

- 4.1 A successful, youth-led 7 Day Makeover was held during the school holidays at Centennial Park. The process was facilitated by HYPE Academy and over 40 young people (mainly from Rangitikei College) took part in the activities – some of them demonstrating excellent leadership skills.
- 4.2 There was great support from the existing users of the park, particularly Saracen's Cricket Club, Marton Netball and Marton Youth Club. A range of projects were completed including pallet seating, murals, repainting of fences and painting of sporting silhouettes which were placed on fences.





#### 5 MW LASS update

5.1 The Archives Central newsletter for April 2016 is attached as <u>Appendix 2</u>). There is no specific mention of Rangitikei in this issue, but the newsletter does highlight the Archives Facebook page. One of the recent posts there is a photograph taken during the 1950 flood that hit Marton, showing a cow picking 17 Hereford Street as a refuge from the rising waters.



#### 6 Health and Safety update

- 6.1 As part of our obligations under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, Council is running a 45 minute presentation followed by a question opportunity to pre-qualify contractors who carry out work for the Council. The presentation will cover Council's expectations and requirements of all contractors and subcontractors.
- 6.2 Two sessions are being held in Marton on 25 May 2016 and a further session in Taihape on 2 June 2016. Invitations have been sent to all of Council's current contractors.

#### 7 Licence to occupy for the former Taihape College site at 55 Rauma Road

- 7.1 The proposed licence from the Ministry of Education requires Council to assume full responsibility for the site, both buildings and grounds. The initial work would be to satisfy fire protection requirements and undertake basic repairs to broken windows, guttering etc. A provision of \$10,000 would probably suffice for this. There will be ongoing maintenance and operating costs for the buildings, including insurance and electricity. Having regard for equivalent costs in Council halls, an initial annual budget provision for this of \$12,000 would seem necessary.
- 7.2 The larger cost is for the grounds, which are extensive. While mowing is currently being done, there is considerable tidying up of the grounds around the building, in particular overhanging trees, which needs to be addressed. This is estimated at around \$8,000. The annual cost for maintaining the grounds is likely to be in the range of \$27,000. The Parks team would need increased staffing to take on this work. In addition, a further tractor mower may be required.
- 7.3 In summary, if the proposed licence were accepted, there would be a likely initial cost of \$18,000 and ongoing annual costs of \$39,000. Given that the users of the facility are, with the exception of the McQueen School of Dance and the Taihape Area School, all community organisations, recovery of much of these costs is improbable.
- 7.4 The suggested next step is to discuss with the Ministry options which would make it more financially viable for Council to accept a licence to occupy, including a lesser degree of responsibility being assigned to the Council for the site and/or a cost-sharing arrangement with the Ministry.
- 7.5 A list of current users of the site, a site plan and an aerial view are attached as <u>Appendix 3</u>.

#### 8 Submissions

- 8.1 Council has been invited to make a submission to the Healthy Homes Guarantee Bill (No. 2) Bill, because of a submission made earlier this year on the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill (which is now at Committee stage in Parliament). The Healthy Homes Guarantee Bill (No. 2) Bill is not a government bill.
- 8.2 The Clerk of the Government Administration Committee has suggested contacting Andrew Little's office, to establish more clearly any overlap with the government bill and whether it is desirable for Council to make a submission. As submissions close on 23 June 2016, it is suggested that a delegation be given to the Policy/Planning Committee to approve a submission, if it considers appropriate for Council to do so.

#### 9 Proposed road closures

9.1 No new requests have been received for Council to consider.

#### 10 Request for waiver of all fees

- 10.1 The Pukeokahu Hall Committee is upgrading the toilet block at the Hall and has lodged a building consent application for the work. The Committee has requested Council waive the Building Consent fees for this project. The letter of request is attached as <u>Appendix 4</u>.
- 10.2 The Chief Executive's delegation allows for the waiving of up to 50% of the Council-related costs. As the Committee have requested a 100% waiver of fees, this request is referred to Council for consideration. The expectation is that any waiver granted would exclude the external costs/levies payable (e.g. BRANZ, Fire Service, etc).

#### **11** Service request reporting

11.1 The summary reports for first response and feedback (requests received in April 2016) and resolution (requests received in March 2016) are attached for information, as <u>Appendix 5</u>.

### 12 Appointment of independent Commissioner to conduct the hearing of submissions into the proposed District Plan changes

- 12.1 At its meeting of 29 February 2016, Council authorised the Mayor and the Chief Executive to make this appointment.<sup>1</sup> Phillip Percy (from Perception Planning) has agreed to undertake this assignment.
- 12.2 Progress with the review is the subject of a separate memorandum.

#### 13 Staffing

- 13.1 Following interviews and referee checks, an offer has been made to the preferred candidate for appointment as Senior Animal Control Officer. This will fil the vacancy created by the resignation of Matt Blythe.
- 13.2 Initial interviews have been held for the Finance and Procurement Systems Officer. This is to fill the vacancy created the resignation of Ngaire Davison.
- 13.3 The new role of Customer Services Team Leader is currently being advertised, closing 7 June 2016. The primary focus of the role is on the Marton office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 16/RDC/038.

13.4 Tracey Nielsen is providing temporary part-time assistance for the Marton front office. Nardia Gower is providing temporary part-time assistance for the Policy team. Aldo Fehr is continuing to provide casual part-time assistance to the Parks team.

#### 14 Recommendations

- 14.1 That the report 'Administrative matters May 2016' be received.
- 14.2 That the proposed governance structure for the Pre-feasibility study for a Tutaenui Community Irrigation/Stock Water Scheme be approved, that Councillor...... be confirmed as a member of the group, and that the Mayor and the Chief Executive be authorised to finalise and confirm the membership of the group, with advice being provided to a subsequent meeting of Council.
- 14.3 That the updated Reimbursement and Expenses Policy [as amended/without amendment] be submitted to the Remuneration Authority for consideration
- 14.4 That the Chief Executive arrange a meeting with officials from the Ministry of Education to discuss amended terms for the proposed licence to occupy the former Taihape College site at 55 Rauma Road, to formalise the use currently being made of the facilities by a number of local community organisations.
- 14.5 That Council authorises the Policy/Planning Committee to approve (for the Mayor's signature) a submission to the Government Administration Committee on the Health Homes Guarantee (No. 2) Bill, with the signed submission being included in the Council Order Paper for its meeting on 30 June 2016.
- 14.6 That Council approve/decline a total waiver of the internal costs of the building consent lodged by the Pukeokahu Hall Committee for upgrading the toilets at that hall.

Ross McNeil Chief Executive

# Appendix 1

#### Rangitikei District Council

#### POLICY ON ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES AND RECOVERY OF EXPENSES

#### <u>APPLICABLE FROM 1 JULY 2016</u>FOR THE ELECTORAL TENURE COMMENCING 15-OCTOBER 2013<sup>1</sup>

#### INTRODUCTION

This policy sets out rules on the claiming of expenses by elected members and the resources that will be available to them during their term of office.

Contact person for queries: Carol Downs, *Executive Officer* Email: carol.downs@rangitikei.govt.nz Phone: (06) 327-0099

#### DOCUMENTATION OF POLICIES

This document forms part of the Governance Handbook for Elected Members. It contains provisions around sensitive expenditure and conflicts of interest.

#### AUTHENTICATION OF EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS AND ALLOWANCES

From time to time elected members incur expenses on the Council's behalf, which need to be reimbursed. This reimbursement and the use of Council supplied resources apply only to elected members personally, and only while they are acting in their official capacity as elected members.

Costs for expenses must have a justifiable business purpose, be moderate and conservative having regard to the circumstances, and be appropriate in all respects. Transparency is achieved through the monthly publication on the Council's website of all expenses for elected members over the past month.

The process for reimbursement of claims includes the following principles:

- any expenses to be reimbursed must be on an actual and reasonable basis and in line with Council policy;
- expense claims are approved by the Chief Executive or the Executive Officer, and full original receipts are required; and
- cost reimbursements will be made via the payroll system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The exact date from when this policy will apply is the day that elected members come into office after the 12 October 2013 local body elections.

In the case of one-off expenditure such as travel to conferences, the process and prior approvals required are detailed in this policy.

In the case of vehicle mileage, travel time and communications, all limits set in this document do not exceed the Remuneration Authority's Determination.

To satisfy the requirements of the Council's auditors, there will be periodic sampling of expense claims and allowances paid to elected members and staff.

No allowances are paid without deduction of withholding tax.

All expenditure that falls under this policy is approved on the condition that it can be met within relevant budget provisions.

#### DEFINITIONS

"Actual" means as evidenced by the original receipt attached to the claim form.

"Reasonable" means that it is within the amount specified by this policy or as deemed reasonable by the Mayor and/or Chief Executive.

"Council business" includes: formal Council and Community Board meetings, committee meetings, workshops, seminars, statutory hearings, training courses, site visits, meetings with staff, meetings with community groups, meetings with members of the public. It does not include events where the primary focus is on social activity.

"Remuneration Authority" is an independent body established by the Remuneration Authority Act 1977, with responsibilities under the Local Government Act 2002 to determine remuneration and expense/allowance rules for local authority members.

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
All elected members	Travel and attendance at conferences/ seminars/training programmes	All elected members are entitled to payment of actual and reasonable registration, travel, accommodation, meal and related incidental expenses (including travel insurance) incurred in attendance at these events, held both within New Zealand and overseas, subject to:
		<ul> <li>a) related expenditure being accommodated within existing budgets, and</li> <li>b) the appropriate approvals as outlined in this policy</li> </ul>
		and excluding reimbursement for purchases

#### ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES BY GROUP OF MEMBERS

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
		from hotel mini-bars and charges for in-room video or cable movies. All travel and accommodation arrangements for elected members are to be made by the Executive Officer with the Council's preferred travel agents, at the most economic cost available (when possible) at the time of booking, unless all travel costs are being met privately or by an outside party.
	Taxis	Taxis may be used for Council business, instead of private vehicles or public transport, for the following reasons:
		<ul> <li>a) safety/security reasons, and</li> <li>b) when travelling outside the Rangitikei if         <ul> <li>a taxi is the most appropriate form of             transport.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		Taxis may not be used if significant travel distances mean that use of a taxi is not the most cost effective option. Rental cars booked by the Executive Officer should be considered as an option in such circumstances.
		Taxi charge vouchers should be used for planned travel within New Zealand. Costs paid for directly by the individual for unanticipated travel within New Zealand or for international travel will be reimbursed on presentation of actual receipts.
	Exceptional circumstances for Council related meetings	The Executive Officer may arrange overnight accommodation for elected members when travel or business requirements do not allow for the return on the same day, e.g. if it is unreasonable for an elected member to travel to their home after a late meeting.
	Domestic air travel	All elected members are entitled to utilise domestic air travel for Council related travel, generally where travel by air is the most cost effective travel option.
	International air travel	As a general policy all elected member

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
		international air travel is by way of economy class, where all or part of the costs of the fares are to be met by the Council. The approval of the Council is required for exceptions, e.g. where Premium Economy or the equivalent air travel is desirable for health or other compelling reasons.
	Air points	No airpoints accumulated while on Council business can be utilised for personal use.
	Private accommodation provided by friends/relatives	Payment of \$50 per night when staying in private accommodation, to cover accommodation, breakfast and dinner. It is intended that at least a portion of this allowance is paid to the accommodation provider.
Mayor	Car	The Mayor may be provided with a vehicle that will also be available for his/her private use. A deduction will be made from his/her salary as determined by the Remuneration Authority. The Mayor will not be able to claim for vehicle mileage if provided with a vehicle.
	Vehicle mileage	When a vehicle is not provided, the Mayor is entitled to the maximum threshold permitted in the Remuneration Authority's Determination.
	Travel and conferences, courses and seminars	The prior approval of the Chief Executive is required for travel within New Zealand for: council business; attendance at conferences/courses/training events/ seminars; other purposes associated with the position of mayor.
		The prior approval of the Council is required for all international travel, where costs or partial costs are paid for by Council funds. Where the Mayor or the Mayor's authorised representative is accompanied by his/her partner on international travel, the Council will meet the cost of their travel, accommodation

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description	
		and incidental costs. The Council will authorise such expenditure where the partner's involvement directly contributes to a clear business purpose.	
	Telephone costs	<ul> <li>Full payment by the Council of:</li> <li>a) home telephone line rental and associated toll charges, and</li> <li>b) cellphone based rental and all associated call charges.</li> </ul>	
	Car parking	Use of an assigned car-park at the Council's Marton Office for use on Council business.	
	Entertainment and hospitality	The Mayor may hold a purchasing card to pay directly for any entertainment or hospitality expenses incurred while carrying out Council business. If such a card is issued, full receipts and details of the names of parties entertained and reasons for the entertainment are to be provided. All expenditure on this card is approved by the Chief Executive.	
Mayor and Councillors	Rental Cars	Rental cars may be utilised when attending meetings or conferences in other centres, where this is the most cost-effective travel option.	
Mayor, Councillors and Community Board Chairs	Communications equipment	Provision of a tablet for uploading         Council/Committee/Community Board         meeting papers         Option of either         a) provision of a mobile phone, PC or         laptop, and printer. Full technical         support is provided for Council         business, or	
		b) provision of an annual allowance for	

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
	2019/2019 2010/2019 2019 2019 2019 2019 2019 2019 2019	any or all equipment provided by the elected member, as follows: i) \$150 for a PC ii) \$150 for a tablet iii) <u>ii)</u> \$40 for a printer iv)iii) \$60 for a telephone (mobile or handset).
	Stationery and consumables	Supply of reasonable amounts of paper and printer consumables for Council business.
Councillors	Conferences, courses, seminars and training	The conference, course, seminar or training event must contribute to the Councillor's ability to carry out council business. Attendance at these events when held in New
		Zealand must be approved by both the Mayor (or the Deputy Mayor) and the Chief Executive. Attendance at these events when held overseas must be approved by the Council.
	Entertainment and hospitality	Reimbursement of costs incurred while hosting official visitors to the Council, or while travelling on Council business. These costs can cover a range of items including, but not limited to, tea/coffee, and catering including alcohol with meals.
Councillors, Community Board Chairs	General community related expenses	From time to time Councillors and Community Board chairs may have unforseen costs arise for items relating to community events, e.g. payment of koha, or purchasing a wreath for attendance at a commemorative event. Reimbursement of such expenditure should be previously approved by the Executive Officer. The items should be appropriate to the occasion and expenditure should be moderate and conservative.
Councillors, Community Board members	Vehicle mileage	Vehicle mileage will be paid for all travel on Council business <u>except when attending a</u> <u>Council/Committee/Community Board</u> <u>meeting when a standard deduction of 30km</u> <u>applies. that exceeds, in any one day, the</u>

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
		relevant threshold distance.
		The threshold distance will be personal to each elected member. It will depend on the distance of a round commuting trip from the elected member's home to their nearest Council office <sup>2</sup> :
		<ul> <li>a) members living more than 15 kilometres away from their nearest office may claim the allowance for round trip distances travelled more than 30 kilometres in any one day</li> <li>b) members living less than 15 kilometres away from their nearest office may claim mileage for round trip distances travelled more than their round trip from home to their nearest council office, in any one day.</li> <li>Mileage will be paid up to the maximum rate per kilometre as set out in the current Remuneration Authority Determination.</li> </ul>
		Mileage will be paid to eligible members on receipt of a completed and signed mileage claim, and approved by the Executive Officer.
	Mobile phone expenses	An allowance towards Council generated calls, text and data through mobile phones: \$400 for councillors and community board chairs
	Landline and broadband connection	Monthly reimbursement (on production of invoice) of the connection/usage costs that can be identified as relating to Council business.
Community Board members	Conferences/training/ seminars	Attendance at conferences, courses, seminars and training programmes requires the prior approval of the relevant Community Board. Exceptions to approval of the Community

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This means the Taihape Office or the Marton Office.

Position	Expense/Allowance	Description
		<ul> <li>Board being required are:</li> <li>a) when a Board member is to be the Council's representative at a conference or event; in such cases the approval of the Council is required, and</li> <li>b) for RMA hearings training, as there is a separate budget for such training which is managed by staff.</li> </ul>

# Appendix 2

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#### WELCOME

Welcome to the Archives Central newsletter. This is a monthly update that lets you know what we are up to, the sorts of archives we hold in the stacks and a bit about the history of the region.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

Over March we had:

- · 50 requests lodged with archives staff
- 1,906 unique visitors to the Archives Central website

#### TARARUA CATALOGUE EXPANDED

Over 2,400 new catalogue entries have been added to the Tararua section of the database. These consist of files and volumes transferred by the Tararua District Council over the last three years.

These include:

- Minutes of council meetings 1989-2012
- Road and Bridge files from predecessor councils, 1900-1989
- Land Auction plans for Dannevirke County, 1895-1929 .
- District Council files, 1989-1993
- Eketahuna County files 1980-1989
- Eketahuna Public Office files, 1989-2002
- Akitio County Balance Sheets, 1917-1975
- Contracts from predecessor councils, 1910-1989
- · Assorted other records

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### **FROM THE STACKS** – ATTRACTIVENESS VS INTELLIGENCE IN TAUMARUNUI

We occasionally come across amusing or light hearted exchanges on file. This particular example was found on a Taumarunui Borough file from 1939.

The Council decided to build a collection of photographs of former mayors. As they were missing one for C C Marsack, they wrote to him requesting a copy. He was happy to oblige, but noted "As far as I can remember the ex-mayors of Taumarunui have not been a particularly handsome lot, but I suppose it is up to us to supply something for future



generations to laugh over".

The Town Clerk wrote back, thanking Mr Marsack for the photograph and replied "I quite agree that the ex-Mayors of Taumarunui were not a very handsome lot, but what they lost in looks they made up in dignity".

A follow up letter from Mr Marsack ended the exchange with "It would be an interesting occupation to study the photo looking for the dignity which you assure me makes up for the lack of good looks. After all one can't have everything and many a good brain functions beneath a bald scalp."

### ARCHIVES FACEBOOK PAGE

If you are interested in seeing some of the other quirky things we come across, have a look at our Facebook page. We post all sorts of bits and pieces there, with at least one post each week.

Our most popular so far has been the photograph of the Manawatu River Bridge from 1943. Between likes and shares that has reached over 3,000 people!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Hawke's Bay Earthquake in the official minute books

In the Hawke's Bay Regional Council Collection are a number of minute books for the former authorities. Three of these agencies were operating at the time of the Hawke's Bay Earthquake in 1931 and this features heavily in their records.

The surviving minute books of the Hawke's Bay Rabbit Board and Omaranui Drainage Board both record that all prior records had been destroyed in the fire that followed the earthquake.

The Hawke's Bay Rivers Board was actually in the middle of a meeting when the earthquake hit. The minutes record "A violent earthquake terminated the proceedings at 10.48am".

Unlike the others, the Rivers Board did not lose all their records in the disaster. But follow up meetings for all the authorities have a focus on reviewing and repairing earthquake damage for some time after.

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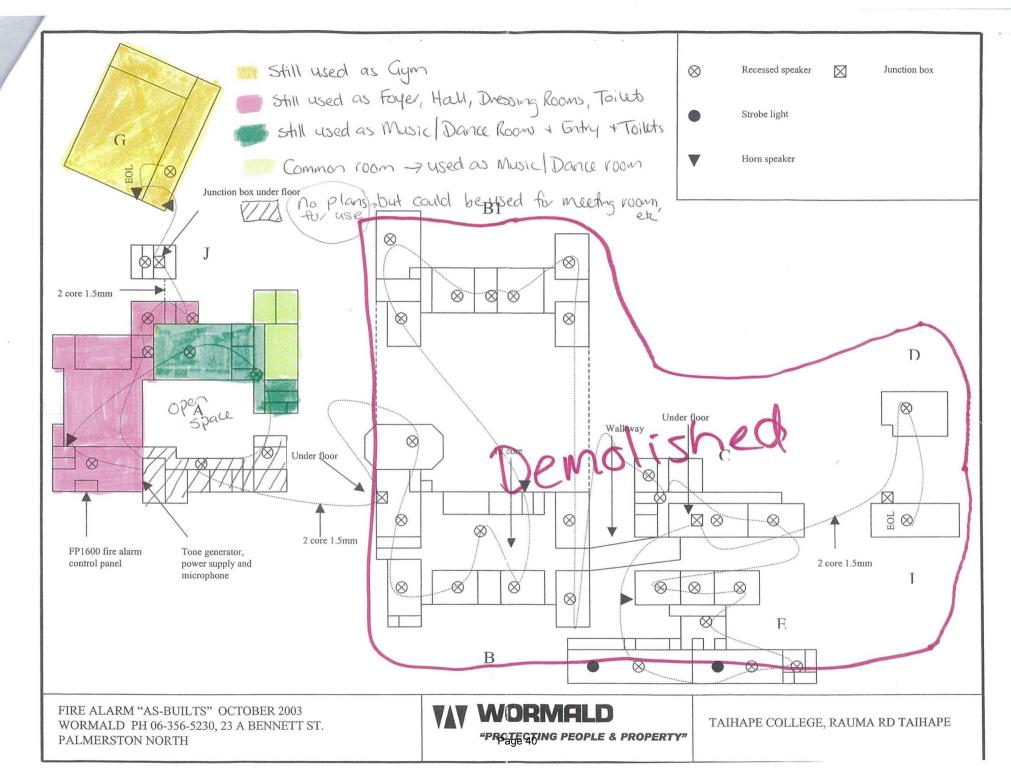
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# Appendix 3

## Ex-Taihape College facility users @ May 2016

User	Facility	Number of Persons &
		days per week
McQueen School of Dance Heather McQueen (06) 3880006	Hall Hub – 2 x ex-classroom & staffroom and toilets Not likely to use hall – have finale Tpe Town Hall	<ul> <li>* Usually 11-12 students per session, plus some parents etc</li> <li>– Max 20</li> <li>*3-4 days per week</li> </ul>
Taihape Gymnastics Club Helen Luoni (06) 3889209	Gym	*Usually 21 children/6 adults – Max 35 *2 days per week *Once a year combine with Taihape Gym Sports for finale – 150-200 people
Taihape Gym Sports Rochelle McCann 021 02798348	Gym and Hall	*Max 15 people *5 days a week *as above, have combined finale in Gym
Personal Trainer/Circuit Larissa 027 969 7565	Gym	*Max 20 people at one time, plus one on one personal training * Monday-Thursday (5-6hrs) * a week or two off at Xmas
St Joseph's School Amy (06) 388 0531	Hall	*300 people max for show nights * Once every 2-years for school production *Block booked for 2-3 weeks
Taihape Drama Group Barb Wallis	Hall	*40 people max with smaller groups of 22 in between * used from 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 24 <sup>th</sup> March (Sunday 2-9pm, Mon/Wed 7pm-10pm) Intending to use later this year for one act play practice
Tae Kwon Do Billy Bourne 027 558 9202	Hall	Not using at moment but: *Max 30 people *Twice weekly
Ladies Tennis Mandy Loveridge (06) 3880521	Tennis Courts	*Max 10 *Every Tues, year round
TAS Richard McMillian (06) 3880130	Soccer Field and Gym Changing rooms	*1 Senior Team (Juniors play at St Josephs School) *Terms 2 & 3





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C/o Jock Stratton Pukeokahu Road RD3 Taihape

Pukeokahu Hall Committee

13/5/2016

Rangitikei District Council

High street

Marton

Re, waiver of fee for building consent application for Pukeokahu Hall alterations

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the Pukeokahu Hall committee to apply for a waiver of the building consent fee for the alteration of the toilet block at the Pukeokahu Hall. The Pukeokahu Hall-committee is a not-for-profit organisation that maintains the Hall and holds functions there for the benefit of the Pukeokahu community.

I hope you will view this request favourably

Yours faithfully

Jock Stratton.

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# Appendix 5

### Service Request Breakdown for April 2016 - First Response

ervice Requests	Compliance	Completed	C	Querd	Construct
Department	Completed in time	Completed late			Grand Total
Animal Control	92	8	2	6	
Animal Control Bylaw matter	1			2	1
Animal welfare	2	2		2	
Attacks on animal	3	2			5
Attacks on humans	1				1
Barking dog	13		-	2	13
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)	4		2	2	
Found dog	8	2			10
Lost animal	12				12
Microchip dog	1				1
Rushing at animal		1			1
Rushing at human	4	2			6
Wandering stock	10	1			11
Wandering/stray dog	33			2	
Building Control		1			1
Dangerous or unsanitary building		1			1
Council Housing/Property	15	2		7	
Council housing/property maintenance	13	2		7	
Pest problem eg wasps	2				2
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps	2	1			3
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)	2	1			3
Environmental Health	34	3		6	
Abandoned vehicle	2			1	3
Dead animal	3				3
Dumped Rubbish (outside town boundary)	4				4
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	1				1
Hazardous substances	1				1
Livestock (not normally impounded)				1	1
Noise - day and night	21	1		1	23
Pest problem eg wasps	1			1	2
Smell/smoke - refer to Horizons				1	1
Untidy/overgrown section	1	2	2		3
Vermin				1	1
Footpaths	1	1			2
Maintenance (footpaths)	1	1			2
General enquiry	1	1		2	4
General Enquiry	1	1	_	2	4
Halls	2			1	3
Maintenance (halls)	2			1	3
Libraries				1	
Maintenance (libraries)				1	
Parks and Reserves	9	1	L	2	
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	7			1	
Pest problem eg wasps	, 1		-	1	
Playground equipment	1			-	1
Public Toilets	2			3	
Cleaning (public toilets)	2			1	
	2			2	
Maintenance (public toilets)	4			2	4
Road Signs					2
Maintenance (road signs)	4				
Roads	12			1	and a second
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	10		<u></u>	1	
Maintenance (roads - potholes only)	1				-
Pest problem eg wasps	1				1
Roadside Berm Mowing	1				1
Urban berm mowing (not parks and reserves)	1				1

Service Requests	Compliance				
Department	Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	<b>Grand Total</b>
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees	1	Ĺ	1	1	
Maintenance (roadside weeds/vegetation/trees)	1	L	1	1	. 3
Stormwater	4	k i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	1	2	. 7
Stormwater blocked drain (non urgent)	3	3	1	2	. 6
Stormwater road surface flooding (non urgent)	1	L			1
Street Cleaning and Litter Bins	1	L	1		
Street Cleaning - non CBD	-	L	1		2
Street Lighting	2	2			2
Maintenance (street lighting)	2	2			1
Vehicle Crossings	1	L			:
Maintenance (vehicle crossings)	-	L			
Water	33	L		1 1	. 33
HRWS Maintenance required	3	3			3
HRWS No water supply	3	3			3
Location of meter/toby/other utility	:	L			
No drinking water supply (urgent)	2	2			1
Replace toby or meter	0	9	1	1	10
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries	1:	L			1:
Water leak at meter/toby	:	2		1	1
Grand Total	21	5 2	3	3 33	3 27

Feedback Required	(Multiple Items)

ervice Requests	Feedback method				Not able to		N	lot	
Department	After hours	Email	In Per	rson Lette				provided	Grand Tota
Animal Control				9			13	13	3 3
Animal Control Bylaw matter								:	1
Animal welfare				1				1	2
Attacks on animal							2	1	2
Attacks on humans				1					
Barking dog				1			1	1	2
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)				1			1		3
Found dog				1			1		
Lost animal				1			3		
Microchip dog								:	1
Rushing at human									1
Wandering/stray dog				3			5		1
Building Control				5	1		-		
Dangerous or unsanitary building					1				
Council Housing/Property					-		1		1
Council housing/property maintenance							1		1
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps							-		1
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)									1
Environmental Health		5				2			4
Dumped Rubbish (outside town boundary)		3				1			•
Noise - day and night		5				1		,	1
Pest problem eg wasps		5				Т			1
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Smell/smoke - refer to Horizons									1
Vermin						1	1		1
Footpaths						1	1		
Maintenance (footpaths)			2			T	T		2
General enquiry			<b>2</b>						2
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Parks and Reserves			<b>3</b> 3						2
Maintenance (parks and reserves)			3						3
Public Toilets									3 1
Cleaning (public toilets)									2
Maintenance (public toilets)							-		
Roads							2		<b>3</b>
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)							2		
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees									1
Maintenance (roadside weeds/vegetation/trees)									1
Stormwater			1	1					1
Stormwater blocked drain (non urgent)			1	1					1
Vehicle Crossings									1
Maintenance (vehicle crossings)							1421		1
Water			1	4			1		1
HRWS No water supply				1					
Location of meter/toby/other utility				1					
Replace toby or meter			1	2					1
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries							1		
irand Total		5	7	14	1	3	18	3	3

### Service Request Breakdown for March 2016 - Resolution

ervice Requests	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Tota
Animal Control	107	4		4	
Animal Control Bylaw matter	2				
Animal welfare	2				
Attacks on animal	5				
Attacks on humans	2				
Barking dog	11	1		2	. 1
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)		1		1	
Found dog	12	1			1
Lost animal		-			1
Property Investigation - animal control problem					
Rushing at animal	1				
Rushing at human	2	1			
Wandering stock	27	-			2
Wandering/stray dog	25			1	
Building Control	1			1	
Dangerous or unsanitary building	1			1	
Cemeteries	1			1	
	1			1	
Cemetery maintenance	15	2		1	
Council Housing/Property		3		1	
Council housing/property maintenance	15	3		3	
Culverts, Drainage and Non-CBD Sumps	5			3	
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)	5	2	-		
Environmental Health	33	3	3	3 4	
Dead animal	2	2			
Dumped Rubbish (outside town boundary)	2	2			
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	1				
Fire Permit - urban (restricted fire season only)	1				
Livestock (not normally impounded)		1			
Noise - day and night	23		_	4	
Untidy/overgrown section	3		3	3	
Vermin	1				
Footpaths	6			2 1	
Maintenance (footpaths)	6			2 1	
General enquiry	3	1			
General Enquiry	3	1			
Halls	1				
Maintenance (halls)	1				
Parks and Reserves	5			1	
Empty rubbish bins - parks and reserves only	1				
General Enquiry	1				
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	2			1	L
Water leak - Parks and Reserves only	1				
Public Toilets		4		3	3
Maintenance (public toilets)		4		3	3
Road Signs	2				
Maintenance (road signs)	2				
Roads	10				L
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	10			1	L
Roadside Berm Mowing	2				
Urban berm mowing (not parks and reserves)	2				
Roadside Weeds/Vegetation/Trees	3			1 3	3
Maintenance (roadside weeds/vegetation/trees)	3		-	1 3	3
Stormwater	2	1			
Stormwater blocked drain (non urgent)	1				
Stormwater blocked drain (urgent)		1			
Stormwater road surface flooding (non urgent)	1				

Service Requests	Compliance				
Department	Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Street Cleaning and Litter Bins	1			2	3
CBD cleaning (gutters/sumps) - Hunterville/Taihape				2	2
Street Cleaning - non CBD	1				1
Street Lighting	1	L	1		2
Maintenance (street lighting)	1	L	1		2
Wastewater	7	'			7
Maintenance (wastewater)	1	L			1
Wastewater blocked drain	2	2			2
Wastewater leak	1	L			1
Wastewater odour	1	L			1
Wastewater overflow (dry weather)	1	L			1
Wastewater overflow (wet weather)	1	L			1
Water	31	Ĺ	1		32
Dirty drinking water	2	2			2
HRWS Maintenance required	i	L			1
Location of meter/toby/other utility	1	2			2
Low drinking water pressure (non urgent)	i	L			1
No drinking water supply (urgent)	:	L	1		2
Replace lid (non urgent)		L			1
Replace toby or meter	9	Э			9
Water flooding (other than stormwater and wastewater)	:	L			1
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries	8	3			8
Water leak at meter/toby	Į	5			5
Grand Total	230	5 1	8 6	5 25	5 285

# Attachment 3



### Memorandum

То:	Council
From:	Katrina Gray
Date:	17 May 2016
Subject:	Proposed District Plan Change - Update May 2016
File:	1-PL-2-7

### 1 Background

1.1 Council approved the proposed District Plan Change 2016 for public consultation at its meeting on 29 March 2016. Public submissions were open from 4 March to 4 April 2016, with further submissions open from 9 April to 22 April 2016.

### 2 Comment

- 2.1 A total of 22 original submissions and 4 further submissions were received. The summary of original submissions is attached as <u>Appendix 1.</u>
- 2.2 The most significant issues raised are heritage, natural hazards (Taihape West Slip zone, advice notes and flooding), commercial zoning and rural zone setbacks.
- 2.3 Pre-hearing meetings have been held with submitters where there is scope to resolve issues prior to the hearing. Highly productive discussions have been held with Heritage New Zealand, New Zealand Institute of Architects (NZIA) Western Branch, Federated Farmers, NZTA and Horizons. Discussions between staff and submitters have also been occurring in situations where submissions would be more appropriately addressed through the Annual Plan process. This work has reduced the number of submissions to 19.
- 2.4 It is anticipated that a number of the issues identified by submitters will be addressed prior to the hearing including:
  - Flooding with all relevant submitters.
  - Taihape West Slip zone with Horizons Regional Council.
  - Advice notes for natural hazards with the majority of parties.
  - Liquefaction, ground shaking, active fault and landslide with all relevant submitters.
  - Signage with NZTA.
  - Manufacturing setbacks with Robert Snijders.
  - Heritage matters with NZIA Western Branch and Heritage New Zealand.
  - Issues raised by Federated Farmers.

- 2.5 The result from these pre-hearing discussions is that the issues to be considered at the hearing are likely to be reduced to the following matters:
  - Issues which are considered by staff to be outside of the scope of the current plan change process.
  - Taihape West Slip zone concerns from residents.
  - Minor issues related to heritage from other submitters.
- 2.6 The hearing has been tentatively scheduled for the last week of June 2016. This timing means that that officer reports are likely to be released early June. There are 14 submitters that have indicated they wish to speak to their submission, however, it is expected this number will reduce when issues are resolved.

### 3 Recommendation

3.1 That the memorandum 'Proposed District Plan Change – Update May 2016' be received.

Katrina Gray Policy Analyst

# Attachment 4



### REPORT

SUBJECT:	Variation to Contract C990 Area Wide Sewer Renewals – Sliplining 2015/16
TO:	Rangitikei District Council
FROM:	Hamish Waugh, General Manager Infrastructure
DATE:	12 May 2016
FILE:	5-CM-1: C 990

### 1 Executive Summary

### 1.1 Purpose of the report

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council approve a variation for Contract C990 Area Wide Sewer Renewals – Sliplining 2015/16.

### 1.2 Key issues

A contract was let in August 2015 for sewer relining throughout the District, for a value of \$670,000. As indicated in the report recommending the contract be let, the budget was indicated as \$994,228 for renewals to the District's sewer reticulation in the current 2015/16 financial year. The projected spend at this time is expected to be in the order of \$660,000.

Given the poor condition of the sewers and the budget underspend in the current financial year, there is an opportunity to undertake more sewer relining in Marton and Taihape, to improve the condition of the network as a whole and to reduce infiltration and inflow.

This can be best achieved as a variation to the existing contract. The Contractor, Pipe Technologies Ltd has agreed to hold the competitively tendered rates as per contract C990 for the purposes of this variation.

1.3 The major recommendation is to approve a variation to Contact C990 Area Wide Sewer Renewals – Sliplining 2015/16.

### 2 Context

### 2.1 Background

The work that has been completed and that is programmed to be undertaken as part of the contract includes review of 44km of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) log sheets, CCTV before and after on lines requiring relining (1950m) and repair of 50 lateral connection joints where required.

As a consequence of the log sheet review a further 7720m of sewers in poor condition has been identified. Only log sheets for CCTV undertaken since 2006 were reviewed – the recent CCTV reveals further deterioration since this time.

### 2.2 Scope of works

The following have been identified as extra works that could be completed in this financial year:

- 1. Marton \$78,633.41 worth of works in Hair St, Morris St and Broadway.
- 2. Taihape \$56,296.00 worth of work in Kiwi Street and Mataroa Road.

Note: The Eagle Street sewer which is also intended to be replaced, will be outside of this contract.

3. Hunterville – undertake \$14,000 worth of lateral joint repairs.

The total amount of work proposed is valued at \$148,929.41, being at the same competitively tendered rates as per C990.

2.3 Long Term Plan (LTP)

Funding has been allocated in the 2015-25 LTP for the renewal of sewers in the District, of which this project will form a part.

The proposed works will be undertaken at the rates adopted in the existing contract.

### 2.4 Significance

The proposal does not trigger the significance thresholds. The impact on Council's direction in terms of its strategic objectives, the change from Council's current level of service, the level of public impact and/or interest and the impact on Council's capability (non-cost) to continue to provide existing services are all assessed as medium to low.

### 2.5 Maori consultation

Community views have not been explored in this report.

The sewer renewals budget has been consulted through the process associated with the adoption of the LTP.

2.6 Legal issues

Nil.

2.7 Approach

Community views have not been explored in this report.

The sewer renewals budget has been consulted on through the process associated with the adoption of the LTP.

### 3 Analysis

#### 3.1 Views

As noted in Section 2.4 community views have not been explored in this report.

3.2 Options

The option for Council is whether or not to proceed with the extra work.

The works are considered necessary as they can be completed quickly and demonstrate, particularly to Horizons Regional Council, that Council is committed to actively managing its sewer network to improve the condition of the network and to reduce the infiltration and inflow from the network into the treatment and disposal systems.

3.3 Costs

The estimated cost for the project is \$148,929.41, to come from the budgeted provision of \$994,228 for renewals to the District's sewer reticulation.

#### 4 Conclusions

- 4.1 The extra work will benefit the Council as outlined above.
- 4.2 Impact on Council policy

Nil.

4.3 Impact on taking a sustainable development approach

The preferred option will have an expected life in excess of 100 years.

4.4 Need for further consultation

Nil.

4.5 Issues for Maori

Nil.

### 5 Recommendation

- 5.1 That the report 'Variation to Contract C990 Area Wide Sewer Renewals Sliplining 2015/16' be received.
- 5.2 That the Council approve a variation to Contract C990 for the sum of \$148,929.41(excluding GST) being at the same competitively tendered rates, to complete:

Marton – \$78,633.41 worth of works in Hair St, Morris St and Broadway.

Taihape – \$56,296.00 worth of work in Kiwi Street and Mataroa Road.

Hunterville – undertake \$14,000 worth of lateral joint repairs.

Hamish Waugh General Manager – Infrastructure

# Attachment 5

### Proposed additional carry-forwards to 2016/17

(for inclusion in adopted Annual Plan)

### Stormwater

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry- forward to 2016/17	Reason
No further proposals			
TOTAL			

### Wastewater

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry- forward to 2016/17	Reason
Ratana - WWTP Upgrade - aeration and consent compliance	\$1,500,000	\$219,000 (\$1,200,000 already in draft Annual Plan so a total of \$1,419,000)	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 renewals	\$537,480	\$302,000	Advisory group has suggested that there are only essential renewals on the plant until a full assessment has been completed and consent application drafted. Carry-over requested to enable works in 2016/17 once programme determined.
Marton - WWTP New Anaerobic Pond and Inlet Works	\$1,386,807 (1,250,687 noted as budget at 29 February 2016)	\$337,313 (1,000,687 already in draft Annual Plan, so a total of \$1,338,000)	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	\$1,500,000 (1,100,000 noted as budget at 29 February 2016)	\$100,000 (1,000,000 already in dAP, so a total of \$1,100,000)	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. Also some delays in sludge removal contract may mean some costs need to be carried over.
Koitiata - Wastewater Scheme Extension	\$130,000	\$30,000 (\$80.000 already in draft Annual Plan, so a total of \$110,000)	Still consulting with residents – no immediate plans to spend the money to extend the scheme so will carry over the 110,000 at this stage (this may end up as a saving if it is not needed)

TOTAL	\$6,099,287	1,128,313	
			be carried over.
– Contractor			and so there may be costs that need to
Hunterville Treatment	\$595,000	\$80,000	Sludge contract start has been delayed
			2016/17 first quarter.
			completion of the installation in
			carry-over is requested to enable
			but may not be fully installed. The
Contractor			delivered to site in the fourth quarter
Taihape Treatment -	\$450,000	\$60,000	The lamella clarifier is due to be

### Water

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry- forward to 2016/17	Reason
Bulls Treatment - Contractor	\$779,048	\$633,000	Seismic assessment recommends full replacement of reservoir. Carry over requested to allow for design and construction in 2016/17
Taihape Treatment – Contractor	\$237,238	\$129,000	Carry over requested to carry out repairs to existing concrete structures that have been identified as needing work following recent seismic assessments.
Mangaweka Treatment – Contractor	\$140,313	\$80,000	Seismic assessment has identified the need for some structural repairs. Carry over requested to enable these to be designed and completed.
Taihape Reticulation - Contractor	\$100,000	\$70,000	Dixon Way project being designed but may not be on site until June 2016. Carry over requested to cover construction costs.
Marton Reticulation - Contractor	\$224,800	\$140,000	Broadway duplication still under design so construction may not happen until July. Carry over requested to cover construction costs.
Taihape Treatment – Contractor	\$222,111	\$70,000	The lamella clarifier is due to be delivered to site in the fourth quarter but may not be fully installed. The carry-over is requested to enable completion of the installation in 2016/17 first quarter.

Ratana Treatment – Contractor	\$765,067 <sup>1</sup>	\$375,000	Building delays have meant that the installation of the treatment equipment has been delayed to July. Carry over requested to allow completion in 2016/17 year.
TOTAL	\$2,231,339	\$1,497,000	

### **Community & leisure assets**

Project	2015/16 budget	Proposed carry-	Reason
		forward to 2016/17	
Community Housing upgrades	100,000 (funded from depreciation reserves)	\$75,000	Combining two units into one, at Wellington Road, deferred pending decision on approach to alternative providers.
Mangaweka Campground toilet	\$95,000	\$95,000	Delay in finalising design.
Taihape Memorial Park – provision of water source for irrigation	\$50,000	\$50,000	Out for tender by end of May 2016. Delay from change of irrigation system being funded by the Park User group
Koitiata Hall	\$10,000	\$10,000	Delayed because surrounding road needed to be sealed first.
Hunterville cemetery internal road upgrade	\$50,000	\$45,000	Further investigation needed before contract let.
Bulls multi-purpose community facility	\$750,000 (funded from depreciation reserves)	\$700,000	Slower progress than envisaged in developing final designs
Ratana Cemetery Land	\$20,000	20,000	Yet to be actively progressed.
Marton Swim Centres	\$60,000	(\$25,000)	Bulkhead provision to be removed, as not feasible at this time
	\$23,500	\$23,500	Solar panels to be installed while the pool is closed.
Taihape Swim Centre	\$150,000	\$150,000	Consultancy report recommending significantly more work is needed at greater cost currently being peer reviewed. This also delays related projects:
	\$20,878	\$20,878	Concrete resurfacing
	\$28,812	\$28,812	<ul> <li>Ventilation fans</li> </ul>
TOTAL	\$1,358,190	\$1,193,190	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note that Ratana budget was increased over and above this figure to cover increased treatment costs.

### **Roading and footpaths**

Project 2015/16 bu	dget Proposed	Reason
	carry-	그는 것 같은 것 같은 것 같은 것 같이 없을까?
	forward to 2016/17	
To be advised		
TOTAL		

### Miscellaneous

Project 2015/16 budget	Proposed	Reason
	carry-	
	forward to 2016/17	
No further proposals		
TOTAL 0	0	

GRAND TOTAL		

# Attachment 6

## REPORT



SUBJECT:	Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, "What's new, what's changed?" with respect to the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan
TO:	Council
FROM:	Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
DATE:	20 May 2016
FILE:	1-AP-1-6

### 1 Executive Summary

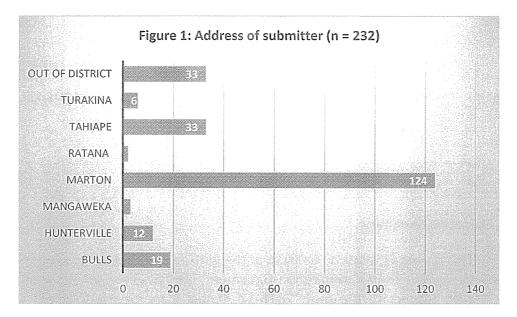
- 1.1 This report provides an analysis of the written and oral submissions received by Council to its Consultation Document, "What's new, what's changed...?" with respect to the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan, having followed the due process of the special consultative procedure outlined in the Local Government Act 2002.
- 1.2 The six key issues identified in the consultation document are considered separately and any other issues as raised by submitters are discussed in sections relating to Council's relevant group of activities.
- 1.3 Some officer comment has been provided following the analysis of submissions in each area of key choice. These are reflected in the recommendations for Council to consider.

### 2 Overall summary of submissions

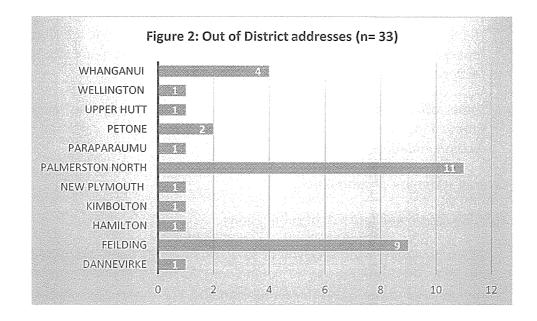
### Number, origin and location of submissions

- 2.1 233 submissions were received in total, of which 92 were submitted online i.e. 39%. This compares to 47 submissions to the 2013/14 Annual Plan, 39 submissions to the 2014/15 Annual Plan and 127 to the 2015-25 Long Term Plan. In other words, this consultation elicited a much higher number of submissions than in previous years.
- 2.2 Information and submissions which were received and considered as part of this analysis but not yet made publically available are attached as Appendix 1:
  - A submission, from Barry Thomas, that was severely delayed in the post
  - An attachment to the submission from Ratana Communal Board of Trustees that was inadvertently not attached to the original submission

• An attachment to the submission from Ratana Community Board which was inadvertently omitted from the original circulation of received submissions.



2.3 An analysis of the origin of submitters follows in Figure 1 and 2.



### Submissions from organisations

2.4 30 submissions were from organisations, detailed in table 1.

Table 1: Submitting organisations	5
Accelerate25	Rangitikei College
Clubs Taihape Inc.	Rangitikei Environment Group
Dudding Lake Trust	Rangitikei Hockey Association
Federated Farmers	Ratana Communal Board of Trustees
Green Party	Ratana Community Board
Horizons Regional Council	South Makirikiri School
Hunterville School	Sport and Recreation Sub-Group,
	Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei
Koitiata Residents Committee	Taihape & District Women's Club
Marton Bridge Club	Taihape Community Board
Marton Community Committee	Taihape Community Development
	Trust
Marton Saracens Cricket Club	Taihape Music Group and Arcadion
	Singers
Marton School	Taihape Show Jumping
Nga Tawa Diocesan Board	Te Runanga o Nga Wairiki - Ngati
	Ара
Nga Tawa Diocesan School	Toimata Foundation
Nga Wairiki Ki Uta Iwi Authority	Turakina Community Committee
(Kauangaroa - Mangamahu)	
Kauangaroa Marae &	
Community	

Issue addressed by submissions

- 2.5 The submission form in the consultation document provided opportunity to specifically submit on six key issues identified by Council. These were:
  - 1. Should Council continue to invest in youth development, and if so, to what extent?
  - 2. Should Council construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park?
  - 3. A. Providing a replacement multi-sport artificial turf facility in Marton using the insurance pay-out

B. Should a ratepayer contribution be used to help fund the artificial turf?

- 4. Should Council increase the sum transferred into the roading reserve
- 5. Should Council proceed with the purchase of the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the site for Council's administration and library services?
- 6. Do you agree with the proposed addition to Council's rates remission policy?

Table 2: Spread of responses across the six key issues in the consultation document									
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District
Should Council continue to invest in youth development, and if so, to what extent?	123	68	10	22	1	6	5	2	9
Should Council construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park?	112	51	9	29	1	6	6	2	9
Providing a replacement multi- sport artificial turf facility in Marton using the insurance pay- out	173	97	16	14	1	4	12	2	28
Should a ratepayer contribution be used to help fund the artificial turf?	180	102	16	17	1	4	11	2	27
Should Council increase the sum transferred into the roading reserve	108	59	11	17	1	3	6	2	9
Should Council proceed with the purchase of the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the site for Council's administration and library services?	128	84	11	13	0	3	7	2	8
Do you agree with the proposed addition to Council's rates remission policy?	77	47	6	8	0	4	5	2	5

# 2.6 Table 2 outlines the spread of responses to these issues amongst the various settlements of the District.

### Structure of this report

- 2.7 This report first considers the six key issues, with Council staff comment and recommendations. Other issues raised are then presented by group of activities, again with comments from Council staff, as follows:
  - Community leadership
  - Roading
  - Water supply
  - Sewerage and the treatment and disposal of sewage
  - Stormwater drainage
  - Community and Leisure Assets
  - Rubbish and Recycling
  - Environmental and regulatory services
  - Community Well-being

# 3 Key Issue 1: Should Council continue to invest in youth development, and if so, to what extent?

3.1 Table 3 below analyses the response to this option, including by address of submitter.

Table 3: Response to "Should Council continue to invest in youth development, and if so, to what extent?"										
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option 1 – Yes I support Council's proposal of developing the Marton Youth Club and Taihape Youth Club into Youth One Stop Shops – with a 50% external funding contribution	65	37	5	10		3	3	2	5	53%
Option 2 – I support developing the Marton Youth Club and Taihape Youth Club into Youth One Stop Shops – even if there was no external funding contribution	26	20		3					3	21%
Option 3 – I prefer Council continue to provide the current after-school and school holiday programmes in Marton and Taihape, while acknowledging Council may not secure long- term funding to cover part of the costs	17	7	2	7	1					14%
Option 4 – No I don't support Council delivering youth services.	13	4	3	2		2	2			11%
Do you have an alternative option?	1								1	1%
Total	123	68	10	22	1	6	5	2	9	
	%	55%	8%	18%	1%	4%	4%	2%	7%	

- 3.2 The majority view in response to this key question was for Council to seek matching funding for its contribution to increase the focus on youth development (option 1). The vast majority of submitters were in favour of Council funding youth development/services of some description by more than 5:1. This consensus was achieved across all areas in the District.
- 3.3 1 in 4 submitters agreed that Council should fund the proposed services to the full extent, irrespective of matched funding: this view was particularly strong in Marton.

- 3.4 Comments from those in favour of this expenditure focussed on the need to support youth for the future whilst those not in favour tended to think that Council should not be funding youth services no matter how great the need.
- 3.5 Federated Farmers suggested an alternative that if these services were thought to be necessary, then they should be paid for directly by the communities that benefited (in this case, Marton and Taihape).

### Proposed response:

- 3.6 There appears to be strong support for Council to co-fund youth development services in the District. Council's dilemma is whether and to what extent to fund youth development services until such time as matched funding is secured if at all.
- 3.7 An application for funding has been submitted to the DIA which outlines a project plan to deliver youth development services broadly as a ½ FTE focussing on each of Marton, Taihape, rural outreach and Samoan outreach. This project has been developed through Council's partnership working with a number of different health and social welfare agencies and some, albeit, limited consultation with young people themselves. It particularly recognises that consultation has been limited and identifies that as an early activity going forward.
- 3.8 The project plan envisages the current provision of after-school and holiday programmes in Marton and Taihape for ages 8-12 as potentially one of a number of extended services for young people rather than a core focus for Council supported youth services.
- 3.9 It is suggested that Council considers funding youth development services at 50% of the level required to implement the developed project plan whether or not the funding application is successful with the DIA. This allows the Council to start to transition from its current provision towards a Youth One Stop Shop that would deliver the current services as a priority or until such time as engagement processes show that there are higher priorities. This would appear to be a position that is supported by the submissions process.
- 3.10 Whatever Council's decision, it is suggested that a detailed implementation plan is discussed at Policy/Planning Committee in June 2016 and final recommendations presented to Council at its meeting in June when the final 2016-17 Annual Plan is adopted.

# 4 Key Issue 2: Should Council construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park?

4.1 Table 4 below analyses the response to this option, including by address of submitter.

Table 4: Response to "Should Council construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park?"										
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	outside of District	%
Option 1 – Yes I support Council's proposal of constructing a new amenity block in Memorial Park, conditional on \$100,000 being funded from external agencies.	88	40	4	25	1	4	5	2	7	79%
Option 2–1 do not support Council's proposal but do support further consideration of refurbishing facilities in the grandstand.	24	11	5	4		1	1		2	21%
Total	112	51	9	29	1	6	6	2	9	
	%	46%	8%	26%	1%	4%	5%	2%	8%	

4.2 The submissions are strongly supportive of option 1 (to build a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park). This option finds majority favour across the District with the exception of Bulls where opinion is divided.

Proposed response:

4.3 It is suggested that Council retains provision to progress this project in the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

### 5 Key Issue 3A and 3B: Providing a replacement multi-sport artificial turf facility in Marton using the insurance pay-out and Should a ratepayer contribution be used to help fund the artificial turf?

5.1 Table 5 below analyses the response to option 3A, including by address of submitter.

the insurance pay-out"	•		•							0
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangawek a	Turakina	Huntervill e	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option 1 – Yes I support Council's proposal to develop turf facilities in Marton by assigning the \$100,000 insurance pay-out to Rangitikei College.	166	94	16	10	1	4	11	2	28	96%
Option 2 – I support the option of reinstating the Council's hockey turf at Centennial Park.	7	3		4			1			4%
Total	173	97	16	14	1	4	12	2	28	
	%	87%	14%	13%	1%	4%	11%	2%	25%	

Table 5:Response to "Providing a replacement multi-sport artificial turf facility in Marton using the insurance pay-out"

Table 6: Response to "Should a ratepayer contribution be used to help fund the artificial turf?"										
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option A: A rate-funded contribution of \$100,000 to Rangitikei College and \$100,000 to Nga Tawa Diocesan School	91	45	11	2	1	1	10	0	21	51%
Option B: A rate-funded contribution of \$100,000 to Rangitikei College only	47	29	4	7	0	1	0	2	4	26%
Option C: A rate-funded contribution of \$100,000 to Nga Tawa Diocesan School only	4	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2%
Option D: A rate-funded contribution of \$50,000 to Rangitikei College and \$50,000 to Nga Tawa Diocesan School	9	6		1	0	1	0	0	1	5%
Option E: A rate-funded contribution of \$50,000 to Rangitikei College only	8	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4%
Option F: A rate-funded contribution of \$50,000 to Nga Tawa Diocesan School only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Option G: Other	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2%
No rate-funded contribution to either school	18	12	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	10%
Total	180	102	16	17	1	4	11	2	27	
	%	57%	9%	9%	1%	2%	6%	1%	15%	

# 5.2 Table 6 below analyses the response to option 3B, including by address of submitter.

- 5.3 96% of submitters agreed that the insurance money should be reinvested in a multi-sport artificial turf facility at Rangitikei College. Those who did not agree with this, tended to feel that the money should be used to either reinstate the turf at Centennial Park or used to tidy up the area for an alternative use with any surplus funds being used for example, to support the Youth Club<sup>1</sup>.
- 5.4 In terms of ratepayer funding being used to develop artificial turfs at Rangitikei College and/or Nga Tawa there was a good majority in favour of Council making some contribution from ratepayers towards one or both facilities – only 10% of submitters did not want Council to contribute at all. A slight majority (51%) were in favour of Council providing funding of \$100,000 towards both facilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is not an option since the insurance money can only be used to reinstate the turf at Centennial Park or to contribute to a similar facility elsewhere in the town.

5.5 52 submitters ONLY submitted on this issue and no other. Of these 43 submitted in favour of Option 1 and Option A and of these, 16 submitted from addresses outside of the District. If these 16 submitters are removed from the analysis, as being non-ratepayers in the District<sup>2</sup>, then this 51% majority reduces to 46%. Nonetheless, this option still remains the preferred option amongst submitters. The proportion of submitters wanting the Council to only invest in Rangitikei College increases from 26% to almost 30%.

### Proposed response:

- 5.6 The support for the insurance money from the turf at Centennial Park to be put towards a multi-sport artificial turf facility at Rangitikei College is unequivocal, particularly in Marton. It is suggested that Council uses the money from the insurance pay out to clean up the area in Centennial Park with the balance contributed to the proposed facility at Rangitikei College.
- 5.7 There is also a strong majority (77%) in favour of making a ratepayer contribution of \$100,000 towards the facility at Rangitikei College and it is suggested that Council makes this provision during the 2016/17 Annual Plan.
- 5.8 A more marginal majority (53%) is in favour of Council contributing \$100,000 towards the proposed facility at Nga Tawa School. There was a strong turnout at the oral hearings from both schools and great emphasis was placed on the regenerating effect that a full sized multi-sport AstroTurf could have on Marton and the wider District. Certainly, it seems beyond doubt that it could only have a positive effect.
- 5.9 Any funding would be conditional upon the schools raising the balance from alternative sources and it seems unlikely that any total provision would all be needed during the 2016/17 Annual Plan. It is suggested that a commitment is made by Council to contribute \$100,000 towards a full sized multi-sport Turf at Nga Tawa School and provision made for this in a future annual plan to be advised in due course. This aligns with the contribution of \$70,000 that Council had previously set aside in the 2009/19 Long Term Plan, with the same condition pending successful fundraising to secure the balance.

### 6 Should Council increase the sum transferred into the roading reserve

6.1 Table 7 below analyses the response to this option, including by address of submitter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This is an assumption that has not been tested. The point to illustrate the maximum potential impact on the analysis of these potential non-ratepayers.

Table 7:Response to "Should Council increase the sum transferred into the roading reserve"										
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option 1 – I agree with Council's proposal to retain the \$200,000 transfer to the roading reserve	83	51	8	7	1	3	3	2	8	77%
Option 2 – I think Council should increase the sum transferred to the roading reserve to \$400,000	25	8	3	10	0	0	3	0	1	23%
Total	108	59	11	17	1	3	6	2	9	
	%	55%	10%	16%	1%	3%	6%	2%	8%	

6.2 More than 3 in 4 submitters selected Option 1 – to retain a sum of \$200,000 to be transferred to the road reserve. Federated Farmers suggested that Council defer a decision until the amount of the insurance pay-out is known.

Proposed response:

6.3 Council must agree some provision for its Annual Plan for 2016/17 and this decision must be made without the benefit of knowing what the final insurance pay-out will be. The vast majority of submitters agree with Council's preferred option to retain \$200,000 to be transferred to the roading reserve and it is suggested that this decision is confirmed.

#### 7 Should Council proceed with the purchase of the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the site for Council's administration and library services?

7.1 Table 8 below analyses the response to this option, including by address of submitter.

Table 8: Response to "Should Counci	Table 8: Response to "Should Council proceed with the purchase of the									
Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the										
site for Council's administration and library services?"										
	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option 1 – Yes – I think this is appropriate given these sites were one of the two preferred locations in the Town Centre Plan for Marton's civic centre.	98	67	5	10		3	4	2	7	77%
Option 2 - No – I don't think Council should take this opportunity and should concentrate on strengthening its existing administration and library buildings	30	17	6	3			3		1	23%
Total	128	84	11	13		3	7	2	8	
	%	66%	9%	10%		2%	5%	2%	6%	

- 7.2 More than 3 in 4 submitters selected Option 1, that Council should go ahead with the purchase of the site on the corner of Broadway/High Street in Marton as the site for the library and administration centre. This was across the District with the exception of Bulls and Hunterville where opinion was divided.
- 7.3 Several people also spoke to this key issue both for and against the purchase - at the oral hearings. Those in support of Council's preferred option emphasised to need to revitalise the town with an anchor development and felt that that this would demonstrate Council's confidence and commitment to the town. Those against the development felt that an alternative use for the site could have a greater impact on the regeneration of the town. Many, both in favour and against the purchase and development of this site, were concerned to ensure that the heritage character of the façade was maintained. Other submitters were concerned that a perceived heritage value could lead to an extended wrangle over the redevelopment plans. There was also a concern over the impact on rates.

7.4 The opportunity for Council to purchase one of only two sites identified as suitable for a development of Council facilities in the CBD area of Marton was generally recognised as an opportunity not to be missed. If Council does go ahead and purchases the properties, then an additional sum, say up to \$50,000 should be set aside to undertake a necessary study of the heritage value and the development opportunities to preserve or enhance heritage values. Heritage New Zealand has indicated that it would welcome the opportunity to be involved with the Council in such an assessment and concept development but that it recognises the economic realities operating in towns such as Marton.

- 7.5 Any funding associated with the purchase and early heritage studies of the site would be capital costs to be loan funded and the impact on rates will not occur until 2017/18.
- 7.6 It is suggested that Council confirms its preferred option to purchase this site and to make a provision for up to \$50,000 to undertake an initial heritage assessment and concept development.

#### 8 Do you agree with the proposed addition to Council's rates remission policy?

8.1 Table 9 below analyses the response to this option, including by address of submitter.

Table 9: Response to "Do you agree with the proposed addition to Council's rates remission policy?"										
,	Total	Marton	Bulls	Taihape	Mangaweka	Turakina	Hunterville	Ratana	Outside of District	%
Option 1 – Yes	62	39	5	7	0	4	1	2	4	79%
Option 2 - No	15	8	1	1	0	0	4	0	1	19%
Total	77	47	6	8	0	4	5	2	5	
	%	60%	8%	10%	0%	5%	6%	3%	6%	

8.2 Almost 4 out of 5 submitters selected Option 1 – to amend the rates remission policy to allow remission to be granted where the rates payable on any property amounts to more than 10% of the value of that property and where hardship can be demonstrated.

#### Proposed response:

8.3 Since the vast majority of submitters agree with Council's preferred option to amend the rates remission policy, it is suggested that this decision is confirmed.

#### 9 Community Leadership

9.1 Several submitters were critical of Council's approach to communications. One submitter thought that there was an over-reliance on the website and that getting printed flyers onto rural delivery routes would be effective. Another submitter thought that the number of submitters and profile of submitters could be improved by more postal information.

9.2 Council uses a range of communication channels, including bulletins in the local newspapers as well as the online newsletter. The number of submissions done online points to increasing use of this by the community – an experience shared by other local authorities. Printing and postal costs are a barrier to making greater use of mail delivery for informing the community.

#### 10 Roading and footpaths

10.1 Several submitters sought improvements to Mokai Road, which is the route into the bungy, where a camping ground is proposed. Submitters were specific on particular parts of the road which particularly needed attention. One submitters noted the loss of heavy trailer parking after the renewal (and relocation) of Wyleys Bridge. Road safety was an issue for several submitters -a request was made to have lower speed limits around the Kauangaroa settlement, to have the speed humps at Ratana extended and for a street light to be installed at the end of Rangatahi Street (in Ratana). One submitter was keen to see a comprehensive approach taken to the footpaths on Broadway, Marton from the Calico Road intersection to New World.

#### Proposed response:

- 10.2 As upgrade work on Mokai Road is not on the current work programme, the Roading team will inspect, liaise with the New Zealand Transport Agency and report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August 2016.
- 10.3 The Roading team will also investigate what is feasible to reinstate the provision of heavy trailer parking near Wyleys Bridge, given that it was available by the site of the earlier structure.
- 10.4 The usual analysis for speed limits will be undertaken around Kauangaroa, with a view to formalising a speed limit change, bearing in mind the need to comply with the statutory requirements.
- 10.5 The minor safety requests at Ratana will be included in the 2016/17 work programme.
- 10.6 Upgrade of part of the footpath along Broadway, Marton will follow the renewal of water services which is programmed for 2016/17.

#### 11 Water Supply

11.1 Two submitters asked for attention to water leaks in Taihape.

#### Proposed response:

11.2 Council's water network renewals programme is prioritised based on age and condition of pipes, and is progressively targeting areas of greatest need.

- 11.3 Council has a service level standard of attending to water leaks and repairing them. For urgent callouts (i.e. where supply is interrupted as a result of the leak, the target resolution time is 24 hours; for other (non-urgent) callouts, the target resolution time is 96 hours.
- 11.4 For the period 1 July 2016 to 31 March 2017, 7 of 12 urgent callouts were resolved within 24 hours, and 288 of 3000 non-urgent callouts were resolved within 96 hours.

#### **12** Sewerage and the treatment and disposal of sewage

12.1 Horizon Regional Council encouraged Council to continue working towards fully compliant wastewater systems. Tow submitters expressed concern about the disposal of leachate from the Bonny Glen landfill, one urging Council to ensure that Bonny Glen paid its fair share if any upgrade to the Marton Waste water treatment plant was required to accept the leachate.

#### Proposed response:

12.2 Council is committed to securing compliant wastewater discharges from all its plants and appreciates the productive working relationship with Horizons in establishing priorities. The implementation of Water Outlook is enabling Council to detect problems much sooner than before. The disposal of leachate is a matter being discussed with MidWest, Horizons and the local community as well as an expert reference group.

#### 13 Stormwater drainage

13.1 Flooding from blocked drains, culverts and waterways was identified by several submitters in both Taihape and Marton as an issue.

#### Proposed response:

13.2 The network of private and public drains in the District has been identified for some time as a risk to property. Council is currently working on a project to identify clearly the respective responsibilities: once complete the stormwater provisions of the Water and related services bylaw will be brought into effect

#### 14 **Community** and Leisure Assets

- 14.1 Improving these facilities was the major interest for submitters outside the specific issues raised in the Consultation Document.
  - (a) Heating the Taihape Town Hall

Nine submitters asked for heating to be installed in the Taihape Town Hall because it is the only venue in Taihape capable of hosting large dramatic productions, expos and the like.

- Consultation with the Taihape community during 2015 identified that the 14.2 current town hall site is the preferred location for a civic centre. Yet to be determined is whether the existing building should be strengthened, refurbished and/or modified or a new structure erected. Permanent heating requires an upgraded power supply, and an earlier proposal from Council had been to purchase and install a generator which would have the capacity to run heating in the town hall for particular events and also to be available for emergencies. However, the total cost of \$100,000 is significant and was deferred pending consultation with the Taihape community on its preferred civic amenities. Before that, Council had arranged to borrow industrial heaters and a generator to provide heating for one drama production in the Town Hall. Pending resolution of the larger question of the future civic centre in Taihape, Council will investigate the feasibility of having a standing arrangement for a similar loan facility to be available for those events which cannot be held in other venues in Taihape.
  - (b) Park upgrades
- 14.3 Submitters requested new toilets, and working in partnership with Council to get improved turf and irrigation at Centennial Park (Marton). There were also requests for toilets, a BBQ facility and drinking fountains at Marton Park, an upgraded skate park at Taihape, and support for playground improvements at Ratana.

#### Proposed response:

- 14.4 Council's Parks Upgrade Programme was set up to allow ratepayer funding to be targeted to those improvements which had significant community support i.e. one dollar for every two dollars (cash or in-kind) from the community (including funding from other organisations).
- 14.5 In addition, during 2015, Council assumed direct responsibility for the day-today management of the District's parks and reserves, meaning that it now has access to useful expertise: for the cricket ground on Centennial Park, the Council's parks team leader will liaise with the secretary of the Marton Saracens Cricket Club to formulate a plan, and with the secretary of the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees regarding improving the playground at Ratana.
- 14.6 The feasibility of making the toilets in the Shelton Pavilion more readily accessible will be considered but so, too, will the willingness of the Z Service Station to provide such facilities (as is the case in Turakina, where Council pays an annual fee).
- 14.7 Council is in the initial stages of developing a long-term management plan for Marton Park so the suggestions about improved facilities there (toilets, BBQ, drinking fountains) will be incorporated into that.

- (c) Koitiata campground upgrade
- 14.8 Residents in the village advocated strongly for an upgrade to the run-down campground facilities, providing photographs of the current arrangements

- 14.9 Council acknowledges the efforts made by the Koitiata community to keep the campground running, with little expenditure from Council. However, the facilities are run down, unattractive to visitors and potentially dangerous. A report will be provided to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August on a proposed replacement facility and a basis for funding the work. Since this will be a capital project, rates liability will be first incurred in 2017/18.
  - (d) Mangaweka village green
- 14.10 One submitter advocated having a village green in Mangaweka, to include a bus shelter and public toilets. A second submitter from Mangaweka suggested making the toilets in the Mangaweka Hotel available to the public, at least as an interim measure.

#### Proposed response:

- 14.11 Constructing and operating further public toilets is a considerable expense. In the past Council had an arrangement at Mangaweka similar to that still in place at Turakina, paying an annual fee for existing toilets to be available to the public during specified hours. 24/7 toilets in small communities will not bring any revenue to businesses which operate during normal business hours.<sup>3</sup>
  - (e) Replace veranda at Taihape & District's Women's Club
- 14.12 The Club noted that the recent removal of the previous veranda, seriously decayed, left the front of the building very exposed, risking damage to equipment being brought into the hall as well as creating unpleasantness for people using the hall in inclement weather.

#### Proposed response:

- 14.13 Council will arrange for this work to be done before the end of June 2016.
  - (f) Improvements to lawn cemetery at Ratana
- 14.14 Council was asked to make improvements, specifically to extend the road, landscape and install a gazebo.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> One submitter asked for all of Council's public toilets at the Wallace Development in Bulls to be open 24/7, not just the paraplegic facility. That has already been done. No additional costs have been incurred.

- 14.15 Council has already budgeted \$20,000 to purchase land so that a road can be formed in the cemetery. This project will be costed and discussed with the Ratana Community Board at its August meeting. Depending on cost, it may need to be staged over two years, with further budget provision in 2017/18.
  - (g) Environmental considerations
- 14.16 The Green party provided extensive information on the impact of using glysophate and the available alternatives. The Rangitīkei Environmental Group was keen to see Council implement a formal programme to control wasps, which were particularly prevalent around Taihape during the summer months.

#### Proposed response:

- 14.17 An opportunity will be made for the Green Party to talk with the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on its findings over glysophate. Council is aware that there are polarised views on this topic, having considered it last year. Establishing an ongoing fund to address wasps and other pests will allow a proactive programme to be put in place, as well as dealing with infestations which arise. An annual provision of \$10,000 will be added to the Parks and Reserves budget from 2016/17.
  - (h) Collaboration
- 14.18 Rangitikei College was keen to discuss opportunities for collaboration on the use of its pool and the nearby Council Marton Swim Centre.

#### Proposed response:

14.19 This invitation is in line with the College's proposal for its turf development. Council welcomes this initiative and will discuss with the College what might be achieved from it. One potential extension could be over library facilities.

#### 15 Rubbish and recycling

15.1 The Toimata Foundation (which manages the provision of the Enviroschools scheme) was keen for Council support to continue. One submitter requested more public rubbish bins to be available, including some designated for dog litter. There was also a request for signage about providing clean recyclables to be placed at the Ratana waste transfer station.

#### Proposed response:

15.2 Council is committed to the Enviroschools programme, funding it from the waste levy payments from the Government. Community Boards and Community Committees will be invited (at their August meetings) to consider the number and location of public rubbish bins in their respective

communities and make recommendations for change. Signage promoting deposit of clean recyclables is being put in place at all waste transfer stations. Further publicity to this will be given through the Council's print and online bulletins.

#### 16 Environmental and regulatory services

16.1 Rangitikei College was keen to discuss opportunities for collaboration on the use of its facilities during emergencies

#### Proposed response:

16.2 As with the invitation to discuss the use of the College pool, Council welcomes this initiative and will progress discussion over the coming months.

#### 17 Community Well-being

- 17.1 Sport Whanganui, through their role with the Sport and Recreation sub-group of the Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei, advocated the desirability of Council developing an open water strategy.
- 17.2 One submitter asked for the signage on SH1 on either side of Mangaweka to be renamed 'Mangaweka Village'.
- 17.3 One submitter considered that Marton needed better promotional signs on the state highways, and within the urban area itself.
- 17.4 One submitter asked Council to endeavour to keep students at local schools' another thought it could be worthwhile approaching Fonterra about using the Kensington Road site in Marton, which Council has owned for several years.

#### Proposed response:

- 17.5 As a first step, the Enjoying life in the Rangitikei theme group will be asked to consider Sport Whanganui's suggestion (and how Council might make a useful start).
- 17.6 The Roading team will liaise with the regional office of the New Zealand Transport Agency about new signage on either side of Mangaweka.
- 17.7 The question of promotional signage for and within Marton is initially a matter for the Marton Community Committee to consider, in conjunction with Project Marton.
- 17.8 Council sees local school attendance as an important indicator of the District's well-being and economy; for some years it has provided scholarships to Rangitikei College as a tangible demonstration of support. Council has been exploring a number of opportunities for use of the Kensington Road site, which was purchased to promote job opportunities in the southern part of the Rangitikei.

#### 18 Other matters

- 18.1 Federated Farmers was keen to see Council review its rating structure, including using differential s and increasing the Uniform Annual General Charge to its legal maximum. Another submitter was keen for Council to review how different property types contribute to funding different Council services, and suggested that Council needed to implement a time management system.
- 18.2 As noted by Federated Farmers, this would be part of developing the 2018/28 Long Term Plan. As part of that, Council will review its revenue and funding policy, which determines the extent of user pays, the rating structure, and how different types of properties contribute to funding different Council facilities and services. Council already has a time management system: time spent by each employee on different Council functions is recorded and used in budget setting and monitoring.
- 18.3 One submitter provided considerable information about electric cars. Council will certainly look at the feasibility of introducing these to its fleet. The likely increasing availability of charging stations, and reducing purchase costs, will make the use of such vehicles increasingly realistic.

#### 19 Next Steps

- 19.1 Council's decisions will be incorporated into a revised draft of the 2016-17 Annual Plan, both in terms of the financial projections and the work plan described in the commentaries on the groups of activities to reflect Council's decisions.
- 19.2 This revised draft of the 2016-17 Annual Plan will be on Council's agenda for its meeting on 30 June 2016. The impact on rates of the additional expenditure recommended in this report will be included in this draft.
- 19.3 That meeting is not envisaged as an opportunity to reconsider submissions: the purpose is for Council to be satisfied that the revised draft does reflect Council's deliberations on submissions. If there are matters which Council considers require further investigation these will need to be flagged to the Council's auditors.
- 19.4 A draft response to submitters will be prepared for consideration at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016. It will be confirmed at the meeting when Council adopts the final Plan, with audit opinion.

#### 20 Recommendations

20.1 That the report 'Analysis of submissions to the Consultation Document, "What's new, what's changed...?" with respect to the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan' be received.

- 20.2 That Council provides \$70,000 for funding youth development services in the 2016-17 Annual Plan and continues to seek an equivalent contribution from external sources and that it requests a proposal from the Policy/Planning Committee to its meeting on 30 June 2016 outlining how this funding can be used to transition from its current provision towards a Youth One Stop Shop
- 20.3 That Council retains provision of \$500,000 in the 2016-17 Annual Plan to construct a new amenity block in Taihape Memorial Park.
- 20.4 That Council uses the balance of the insurance pay out to contribute to the proposed facility at Rangitikei College, once the area damaged at Centennial Park has been cleaned up.
- 20.5 That Council makes provision during the 2016/17 Annual Plan for a further contribution of \$100,000 to the proposed facility at Rangitikei College, subject to the balance funding being confirmed.
- 20.6 That Council confirms its commitment to contribute \$100,000 towards a full sized multi-sport AstroTurf at Nga Tawa School, provided that satisfactory provision is made for community access and once the balance of funding is confirmed through external fundraising.
- 20.7 That Council confirms the provision in the 2016-17 Annual Plan of \$200,000 to be transferred to the roading reserve.
- 20.8 That Council confirms the purchase of the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams properties on Broadway/High Street Marton as the site for Council's administration and library services, and sets aside up to \$50,000 to undertake an initial heritage assessment and development concept. These costs are to be loan-funded and will not impact on rates until 2017/18
- 20.9 That Council amends the rates remission policy to provide remission for low value properties where hardship can be demonstrated.
- 20.10 That the Roading Team:
  - Liaise with the New Zealand Transport Agency on improvement to Mokai Road, Taihape and report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August 2016.
  - Investigate what is feasible to reinstate the provision of heavy trailer parking near Wyleys Bridge, given that it was available by the site of the earlier structure.
  - Undertake the usual analysis for speed limits around Kauangaroa, with a view to formalising a speed limit change, bearing in mind the need to comply with the statutory requirements.
  - Include minor safety requests at Ratana in the 2016/17 work programme.
  - Liaise with the regional office of the New Zealand Transport Agency about new signage on either side of Mangaweka.

#### 20.11 That the Community and Leisure Services/Parks and Reserves Team:

- Liaise with the secretary of the Marton Saracens Cricket Club to formulate a plan for the cricket wicket at Centennial Park, and with the secretary of the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees regarding improving the playground at Ratana.
- Consider the feasibility of making the toilets in the Shelton Pavilion more readily accessible and/or a commercial arrangement with the Z service station to provide such facilities.
- Continue to develop long-term management plan for Marton Park sand consider the suggestions about improved facilities there (toilets, BBQ, drinking fountains).
- Prepare a report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August on a proposed replacement facility at Koitiata campground and a basis for funding the work.
- Investigate the feasibility of an arrangement at Mangaweka similar to that still in place at Turakina, paying an annual fee for existing toilets to be available to the public during specified hours.
- Replace veranda at Taihape & District's Women's Club before the end of June 2016.
- Refer the matter of improvements to the cemetery lawn at Ratana Urupa to the Ratana Community Board meeting in August 2016, with the possibility of further budget provision in the 2017-18 Annual Plan.
- Initiate discussions with Rangitikei College on opportunities for collaboration on the use of its pool and the nearby Council Marton Swim Centre and to extend this to consider library provision and use of facilities during emergency management.
- 20.12 That a further annual provision of \$10,000 be added to the Parks and Reserves budget from 2016/17 for a formal programme to control wasps.
- 20.13 That the Green Party be invited to speak further with the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on its findings over glysophate.
- 20.14 That the Enjoying life in the Rangitikei theme group be asked to consider how a programme of Open Water Life Saving Education in schools and communities can be supported by Council
- 20.15 That the Marton Community Committee considers, in conjunction with Project Marton, promotional signage for and within Marton.
- 20.16 That a single response to submissions to "What's new, what's changed?" (Consultation Document for the 2016-17 Annual Plan), reflecting Council's deliberations on 26 May 2016, be drafted for consideration at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016.

Denise Servante Strategy and Community Planning Manager

# Attachment 7



# REPORT

SUBJECT:	Deliberations on submissions to the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17
TO:	Council
FROM:	Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
DATE:	19 May 2016
FILE:	1-AP-2

#### 1 Commentary

- 1.1 At its meeting on 31 March 2016, Council adopted the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2016/17 (in association with the consultation document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan) for public consultation. This occurred between 4 April and 6 May 2016. Eight written submissions were received; no submitter on this topic spoke at Council's hearings on 16 May 2016.
- 1.2 Two submitters sought clarification on the volumetric wastewater charge. This applies only to domestic institutions like nursing homes whose water consumption is greater than that for a residential dwelling. That has been made explicit in the final draft.
- 1.3 Two submitters looked to have fees in the libraries for overdue loans and outof-District membership. No other submitter looked for such changes. Council has operated its libraries on a no borrowing fee basis for some time, as a way of reducing barriers to use. Borrowing rights may be withdrawn if items have not been returned and no payment made for replacement.
- 1.4 Other submitters supported the draft Schedule as proposed, one pleased to see similar fees applying to all Council parks and reduced hall hireage costs.
- 1.5 During the pre-hearing discussions (for the proposed changed to the District Plan) Federated Farmers requested consideration of providing for a fixed fee for rural boundary setback land use consents. This has the potential to encourage complete applications (because it would apply only in such cases) so it has been included in the final draft. If accepted, further consideration will be given during the coming year to other situations where fixed fees could be introduced for resource consents: they have the advantage of providing certainty of costs for applicants.
- 1.6 The draft Schedule included a use charge for library PCs. That was a mistake and has been rectified in the final draft: all PCs in the Council libraries are

owned by Aotearoa People's Network Kaharoa (administered by the National Library of New Zealand): one condition of having these PCs available is that there is free access. Libraries are entitled to restrict the amount of time which anyone can have, and that is done in the Rangitikei so that there is a reasonable opportunity for everyone.

1.7 The final draft of the Schedule is attached as <u>Appendix 1</u>.

#### 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the report 'Deliberations on submissions to the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17' be received.
- 2.2 That the final draft of the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17 be adopted [as amended/without amendment].
- 2.3 That a single response to submissions to the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17, reflecting Council's deliberations on 26 May 2016, be drafted for consideration at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016.

Michael Hodder Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager

# Appendix 1



# Rangitikei District Council

# Schedule of Fees and Charges

### 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

All fees expressed on a GST inclusive basis (15%)

**Statement of Proposal under section 83 Local Government Act 2002** *Document shows current 2015/16 fees and proposed fees for 2016/17* 

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#### Explanatory note

The fees and charges set by the Council follow from the revenue and financing policy (part of the 2015/25 Long Term Plan). This policy expresses Council's view about how various services are to be funded, particularly the balance between the share to be funded by ratepayers (because there is advantage to everyone in having the service available and used) and the share to be funded by those making use of it (because the benefit from the service is primarily, or wholly, enjoyed by such people). In determining this balance, Council has regard for thinking in other councils, especially our neighbours.

In general, fees for 2016/17 have been raised by 1.9%, the inflation factor used in setting Council's budgets for 2016/17. This inflation factor is different from cost-of-living adjustments, because there are significant elements in Council's expenditure whose costs have risen more sharply – particularly materials to support maintenance of roads and infrastructure. The Schedule shows the proposed fees alongside the 2015/16 fees.

The actual fees from applying this factor have been rounded to the nearest dollar except for solid waste fees which are rounded to the nearest 10c.

Some fees are set by regulation and thus are not changed during this review.

The notable changes are:

- Setting similar fees for use of all Council parks,
- Reducing fees for hall hire and being more flexible over short-term hire (with the objective of attracting greater use) and allowing discounts to non-profit community groups,,
- Altering library photocopying, faxing and scanning fees to reflect actual cost more accurately (and making explicit that use of PCs in the libraries is free),
- Providing for the applicable charges under the Food Act 2014,
- Introducing a fixed fee for rural boundary setback land use,
- Simplifying the fee structure for dog registration, and
- Introducing a volumetric fee structure for wastewater (for domestic institutions)

Fees and charges for parks relate to exclusive use only. They have been set to encourage regular use by local sports clubs and organisations, and other non-profit community users.

Adjustment to rents in Council's community housing must be made in accordance with the requirements of section 24 of the Residential Tenancies Act 1986. Typically this means that a change to rents for existing tenants will not occur for two months after Council adopts the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the coming year.

Several Council-owned or administered facilities are managed by other organisations, which set their own fees (typically in consultation with the Council):

Marton Swim Centre	. Nicholls Swim Academy
Taihape Swim Centre	. Taihape Community Development Trust
Hunterville Town Hall	. Hunterville Sports and Recreation Trust
Turakina Domain	. Turakina Reserve Management Committee
Koitiata Hall	. Koitiata Residents Association
Shelton Pavilion	. Marton Saracens Cricket Club

#### **Cemetery Charges**

Charges for the cemeteries under the administrative control of the Rangitikei District Council at Bulls, Mt View, Taihape, Mangaweka, and Turakina:

	2016/17	2015/16
Plot		
Adult – over 12 years	\$809.00	\$794.00
Child – up to and including 12 years of age	\$309.00	\$309.00
Ashes – all sections	\$180.00	\$180.00
Memorial Wall Plaque – Mt View	\$98.00	\$98.00
Rose Berm – Mt View	\$98.00	\$98.00
Interment Fees		and the second
Wall Niche – Bulls	\$180.00	\$180.00
Adult – over 12 years	\$809.00	\$794.00
Child – up to and including 12 years of age	\$335.00	\$329.00
Stillborn	\$207.00	\$203.00
Ashes	\$212.00	\$208.00
Ashes – placed by family	\$39.00	\$38.00
Extra depth – extra charge	\$162.00	\$159.00
Saturdays sexton fees – extra charge	\$475.00	\$466.00
Extra charge for all out of district interments – does not apply to ashes,	\$798.00	\$783.00
stillborn or child interments		
Disinterment/re-interment charges	\$1,750.00	\$783.00
Disinterment of ashes	\$196.00	\$192.00
Monumental permit - fee will be waived if an image of the headstone is	\$30.00	\$30.00
supplied		
RSA Burials at Marton and Taihape - Interment Fees only apply		

#### **Ratana Cemetery Separate Charges**

For all interments arranged and carried out by the Ratana Community. The cemetery is managed by the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees and details of plot maintenance and interment charges are available from the Board. This includes limits to the number of plots that can be reserved at any one time and possible additional charges to out-of-District residents for plot maintenance and interment.

	2016/17	2015/16
Adult – over 12 years (including plot reinstatement/maintenance)	\$476.00	\$476.00
Child – up to and including 12 years of age	\$138.00	\$138.00
Ash plot	\$138.00	\$138.00

#### Parks and Reserves

Fees below are for exclusive use of Council-owned parks. Anyone may use Council-owned parks for leisure and recreational activities. Where exclusive use is required, the schedule of fees and charges applies and reflects the wear and tear on the grounds of various activities. These fees, but not deposits against damage, can be waived at the discretion of the Chief Executive. Where an organisation or group wishes to have exclusive use of a Council facility not otherwise specified in the Schedule, the fee (if any) will be determined by the Chief Executive or his nominee.

*Turakina Domain* is managed by the Turakina Reserve Management Committee. For bookings, please contact Laurel Mauchline Campbell on 06 327 8279.

	2016/17	2015/16
Memorial Park – Taihape.		
Annual users per annum*		
No 1, 2 and 3 fields (each)	\$557.00	Field 1 - \$915.00 Fields 2 and 3 - \$773.00
Taihape Area School – for a maximum of 5 days exclusive use of all three fields (with the exception of any equestrian event)	\$1,694.00	\$1,662.00
Casual one-off exclusive users per use (1 day)		
No 1, 2 and 3 fields (each)	\$190.00	\$186.00
Hunterville Domain		
Annual users per annum*	\$318.00	\$312.00
Casual one-off exclusive users per use (1 day)	\$190.00	\$186.00
Bulls Domain, Marton Park, Centennial Park and Wilson Park		
Annual users per annum (per ground)*	\$557.00	\$547.00
Casual one-off exclusive users per use (1 day)	\$190.00	\$186.00
All Parks		
Special event users (per day) to include circus, equestrian events, festivals and tournaments	\$669.00	\$657.00
Refundable deposit against damage**	\$614.00	\$603.00
Refundable key deposit***	\$50.00	\$50.00
Weighting of deposit/fees specified below at all parks		
Horse trials/events	200% of deposit	200% of deposit
Other animals outside defined enclosures	200% of deposit	200% of deposit
Rugby (including league), soccer	100% of fee	100% of fee
Hockey, cricket, softball, horse trials/events, other animals outside of enclosures	50% of fee	50% of fee
Athletics, marching other contact sports	25% of fee	25% of fee
Non-contact sport, non-profit recreational users	10% of fee	10% of fee
After-hours staff call out	\$45.00	

#### Notes

\* Annual User charges give sole use of a ground to a sporting code for Saturday and practice night. Actual electricity use to be charged to clubs by measured and metered arrangement.

\*\* Where the damage costs are more than the deposit, the actual cost of reparation will be charged

\*\*\* Where the replacement cost is more than the deposit, the actual cost will be charged

#### **Hall Charges**

The charges outlined below relate to hiring the whole facility or dedicated meeting rooms. The full fee is payable by any commercial hirer, and a substantial discount applied for non-profit community users. Fees, but not deposits against damage or for keys, can be waived at the discretion of the Chief Executive. Where an organisation or group wishes to have exclusive use of a Council facility not otherwise specified in the Schedule, the fee (if any) will be determined by the Chief Executive or his nominee.

	2016/17	2015/16
Refundable deposit against damage to be charged to all users*	\$150.00	\$246.00
Refundable deposit against damage to be charged for 21st birthdays*	\$500.00	
Taihape Town Hall, Marton Memorial Hall, Bulls Town		
Hall and Mangaweka Town Hall		
Half day (up to five hours)	\$100.00	\$263.00
Full day (key returned before 5.00 pm)	\$150.00	\$525.00
Evening (key returned by 10.00 am the following day)	\$150.00	
Multiple days	One day at full cost,	
	consecutive days at	
	half full day rate	
Full day and evening	\$225.00	
Profit making/commercial use per day	\$550.00	
Projector screen	\$5.00	\$5.00
Furniture is not to be removed from any of Council-owned	\$15 per trestle table	\$15 per trestle table
buildings, except for trestle table hire – by arrangement		
Cancellation Fee for all halls		
Payable if cancelled later than 14 days prior to booked	Full fee	Full fee
event		
Key deposit for all halls		
Refundable when key returned**	\$50.00	\$50.00
Commercial kitchen – Marton Memorial Hall***	\$15 per half day	\$15 per half day
Weighting of fees specified below at all halls		
Local, non-profit community organisation	One fifth of full fee	One fifth of full fee
Callouts – staff	\$45.00	
Callouts – security	\$150.00	

\* Where the damage costs are more than the deposit, the actual cost of reparation will be charged

\*\* Where the replacement cost is more than the deposit, the actual cost will be charged

\*\*\* Local residents preparing food for sale within the district, on a casual basis, up to ten times a year. More frequent usage would be at the daily charge for the hall hireage

Fees for using the Hunterville Town Hall are set by the Hunterville Sport and Recreation Trust which has a lease agreement with Council to operate the Hall. Contact Barry Lampp on 06 322 8662 or 06 322 8009 for all bookings.

Fees for the Shelton Pavilion are set by Marton Saracens Cricket Club. Contact Fellix Bell on 06 327 8984.

Where an organisation or group wishes to have exclusive use of a Council facility not otherwise specified in the Schedule, the fee (if any) will be determined by the Chief Executive or his nominee.

#### **Library Charges**

	2016/17	2015/16
All borrowing, for first three weeks (DVD/CDs one week)	Free	Free
Borrowing limit (per borrower)	20 items	20 items
DVDs limit (per borrower)	5 items	5 items
Renewals		
For second and third week periods	No charge	No charge
Overdue charge (per day)	No charge	No charge
Borrowing may be suspended if any item is overdue for more than three weeks		
Reserves	\$1.00	\$1.00
Interloans (interloan libraries)	\$6.00	\$6.00
Replacement cards	\$1.00	\$1.00
Internet		
Use of computers <sup>1</sup>	Free	Free
Photocopying and printing (per page)		
A4	\$0.20	\$0.20
A3	\$0.50	\$0.50
A4 colour	\$2.00	\$4.00
A3 colour	\$3.00	\$7.00
Fax: New Zealand		
First page	\$2.00	\$2.00
Following pages (per page)	\$0.20	\$1.00
Fax: International		
First page	\$2.00	\$4.00
Following pages (per page)	\$0.50	\$1.00
Fax: Receiving (per page)	\$0.20	\$1.00
Out of District Membership	No charge	No charge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Public access PCs in the Council libraries are Aotearoa People's Network Kaharoa machines.

#### **Building Consent Fees**

Set by Council in accordance with Section 219 of the Building Act 2004 and Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

		2016/17	2015/16
Work Type : Exempt Building Work (Note 1)			
The Building Act allows some building work to be exempt as of right (specified in Part 1 of Schedule 1), and no consent is needed for that.		No charge (unless application for exemption made so project documented in Council's records)	No charge (unless application for exemption made so project documented in Council's records)
The Act also allows discretion to Council to exempt other building work using its discretion (specified in Clause 2 of Part 1 in Schedule 1). A formal application is required for this. Details of Schedule 1 are provided on the following pages.		\$141.00	\$138.00
Work Type: Fixed Building Consent Fee (Note 2)			
Domestic/Residential Small Projects		5	
Install freestanding fire		\$293.00	\$288.00
Install inbuilt fire		\$408.00	\$400.00
If installation includes a wet back	In addition	\$59.00	\$58.00
Residential demolition		\$408.00	\$400.00
Proprietary garage, carport, pole shed, garden shed, un-plumbed sleep out		\$701.00	\$688.00
Temporary/freestanding signs		\$466.00	\$457.00
Conservatory placed on existing deck		\$677.00	\$664.00
Grease trap installation		\$400.00	\$377.00
Remove an interior wall		\$408.00	\$400.00
Install external window/door		\$408.00	\$400.00
Install storm water drain		\$400.00	\$377.00
Install WC/shower		\$400.00	\$377.00
Install hot water cylinder		\$198.00	\$194.00
Install on-site effluent disposal system and field		\$451.00	\$443.00
Marquee (greater than 100m <sup>2</sup> erected for longer than one month)		\$204.00	\$200.00
Property Information Memorandum – if requested prior to lodging a building consent application	See also note 5	\$102.00	\$100.00

		2016/17	2015/16
Work Type: Variable Building Consent Fee (Note 3)			
Larger Domestic/Residential Projects			
Swimming pools and fencing	Deposit required (note 3)	\$466.00	\$457.00
New dwellings and alterations/additions	Deposit required (note 3)	\$932.00	\$915.00
Code of Compliance bond (potentially refundable)		\$586.00	\$575.00
Kerb and footpath bond (potentially refundable)		\$703.00	\$690.00
Agricultural/Rural Buildings			
Wool sheds, dairy sheds, silos, intensive agriculture	Deposit required (note 3)	\$703.00	\$690.00
Commercial, Government, Educational Building Work			
Project value: \$0.00 to \$10,000.00	Deposit required (note 3)	\$586.00	\$575.00
Project value: \$10,001.00 to \$100,000.00	Deposit required (note 3)	\$1,160.00	\$1,138.00
Project value: \$100,000.00 to \$250,000.00	Deposit required (note 3)	\$2,327.00	\$2,284.00
Code of Compliance bond (potentially		10% of	10% of Consent
refundable)		Consent Fee	Fee
Kerb and footpath bond (potentially refundable)		\$2,901.00	\$2,847.00

	2016/17
PIM Fees	
Domestic/Residential Small Projects	
Install freestanding fire	\$15.00
Install inbuilt fire	\$15.00
Residential demolition	\$31.00
Proprietary garage, carport, pole shed, garden shed, un-plumbed sleep out	\$41.00
Conservatory placed on existing deck	\$41.00
Remove an interior wall	\$61.00
Install storm water drain	\$41.00
Install on-site effluent disposal system and field	\$41.00
Work Type: Variable Building Consent Fee (Note 3)	
Larger Domestic/Residential Projects	
Swimming pools and fencing	\$41.00
New dwellings and alterations/additions	\$148.00
Agricultural/Rural Buildings	
Wool sheds, dairy sheds, silos, intensive agriculture	\$87.00

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	2016/17
Commercial, Government, Educational Building Work	
Project value: \$0.00 to \$10,000.00	\$61.00
Project value: \$10,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$82.00
Project value: \$100,000.00 to \$250,000.00	\$107.00

		2016/17	2015/16
Other Fees			
Compliance Schedule (new)		\$123.00	\$121.00
Compliance Schedule (alteration)		\$72.00	\$71.00
Building Warrant of Fitness (renewal)		\$77.00	\$77.00
Inspections (BWOF, swimming pool, building consent, general compliance)		\$192.00	\$188.00
Certificate for Acceptance for unconsented work done under urgency (Sec 42 and 96(1)(b) of the Building Act 2004)	+ Staff time	\$296.00	\$290.00
Certificate of Acceptance for unconsented work not done under urgency (Sec 96(1)(a) if the Building Act 2004)	+ Staff time	\$592.00	\$581.00
Certificate of Public Use	+ Staff time	\$116.00	\$114.00
Extension to consent timeframes (maximum 12 months)		\$111.00	\$109.00
Application for amendment	+ Staff time	\$116.00	\$114.00
Consent endorsements (Sec.37, 75 certificates etc.)		\$296.00	\$290.00
Independently Qualified Person – registration		\$351.00	\$344.00
Independently Qualified Person – renewal		\$87.00	\$85.00
LIM Report – residential (within 10 working days) <sup>4</sup>		As per LGOIMA (page 28)	As per LGOIMA (page 28)
LIM Report – commercial (within 10 working days) <sup>4</sup>		As per LGOIMA (page 30)	As per LGOIMA (page 30)
Urgent LIM surcharge (within 2 working days) <sup>4</sup>		As per LGOIMA (page 30)	As per LGOIMA (page 30)
Property file access (other than by property owner or owner's authorised agent)		\$15.00	\$15.00
Kerb and footpath bond (potentially refundable) for relocating a house off or onto a property		\$703.00	\$690.00

		2016/17	2015/16
Building Control staff time (per hour or part			
thereof)			
Consents Administrator		\$104.00	\$102.00
Building Officer		\$196.00	\$192.00
Manager		\$223.00	\$219.00
BRANZ and DBH Levies on projects over \$20,000	per \$1,000	\$3.01	\$3.01

Notes:

- 1 The Building Act 2004, Schedule 1, allows for some works to be undertaken without a Building Consent. Each application will be considered on a case-by-case basis. See Council's website for details of how to apply.
- 2 Fixed fee consents will be charged at stated rate.
- 3 Variable fee consents will be calculated based on actual and reasonable costs. In the event of fees being inadequate to cover Council's costs, for example where additional inspections are required or where specialist technical or professional consultation is required, additional charges may be made to recover actual and reasonable costs.
- 4 LIM charges reflect the actual costs incurred in providing the LIM rather than a flat fee. This will ensure a fairer user-pays pricing approach.

## Schedule 1 Building work for which building consent not required

#### Part 1

#### Exempted building work

#### General

#### 1 General repair, maintenance, and replacement

- (1) The repair and maintenance of any component or assembly incorporated in or associated with a building, provided that comparable materials are used.
- (2) Replacement of any component or assembly incorporated in or associated with a building, provided that—
  - (a) a comparable component or assembly is used; and
  - (b) the replacement is in the same position.
- (3) However, subclauses (1) and (2) do not include the following building work:
  - (a) complete or substantial replacement of a specified system; or
  - (b) complete or substantial replacement of any component or assembly contributing to the building's structural behaviour or fire-safety properties; or
  - (c) repair or replacement (other than maintenance) of any component or assembly that has failed to satisfy the provisions of the building code for durability, for example, through a failure to comply with the external moisture requirements of the building code; or
  - (d) sanitary plumbing or drainlaying under the <u>Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Act</u> <u>2006</u>.

#### 2 Territorial and regional authority discretionary exemptions

Any building work in respect of which the territorial authority or regional authority considers that a building consent is not necessary for the purposes of this Act because the authority considers that—

- (a) the completed building work is likely to comply with the building code; or
- (b) if the completed building work does not comply with the building code, it is unlikely to endanger people or any building, whether on the same land or on other property.

#### 3 Single-storey detached buildings not exceeding 10 square metres in floor area

- (1) Building work in connection with any detached building that—
  - (a) is not more than one storey (being a floor level of up to one metre above the supporting ground and a height of up to 3.5 metres above the floor level); and
  - (b) does not exceed 10 square metres in floor area; and
  - (c) does not contain sanitary facilities or facilities for the storage of potable water; and
  - (d) does not include sleeping accommodation, unless the building is used in connection with a dwelling and does not contain any cooking facilities.
- (2) However, subclause (1) does not include building work in connection with a building that is closer than the measure of its own height to any residential building or to any legal boundary.

#### 4 Unoccupied detached buildings

(1) Building work in connection with any detached building that—

- (a) houses fixed plant or machinery and under normal circumstances is entered only on intermittent occasions for the routine inspection and maintenance of that plant or machinery; or
- (b) is a building, or is in a vicinity, that people cannot enter or do not normally enter; or
- (c) is used only by people engaged in building work—
  - (i) in relation to another building; and
  - (ii) for which a building consent is required.
- (2) However, subclause (1) does not include building work in connection with a building that is closer than the measure of its own height to any residential building or to any legal boundary.

#### 5 Tents, marquees, and similar lightweight structures

Building work in connection with any tent or marquee, or any similar lightweight structure (for example, a stall, booth, or compartment used at fairs, exhibitions, or markets) that—

- (a) does not exceed 100 square metres in floor area; and
- (b) is to be, or has been, used for a period of not more than 1 month.
- 6 Pergolas
  - Building work in connection with a pergola.

#### 7 Repair or replacement of outbuilding

The repair or replacement of all or part of an outbuilding if—

- (a) the repair or replacement is made within the same footprint area that the outbuilding or the original outbuilding (as the case may be) occupied; and
- (b) in the case of any replacement, the replacement is made with a comparable outbuilding or part of an outbuilding; and
- (c) the outbuilding is a detached building that is not more than 1 storey; and
- (d) the outbuilding is not intended to be open to, or used by, members of the public.

#### Existing buildings: additions and alterations

#### 8 Windows and exterior doorways in existing dwellings and outbuildings

Building work in connection with a window (including a roof window) or an exterior doorway in an existing dwelling that is not more than 2 storeys or in an existing outbuilding that is not more than 2 storeys, except,—

- (a) in the case of replacement, if the window or doorway being replaced has failed to satisfy the provisions of the building code for durability, for example, through a failure to comply with the external moisture requirements of the building code; or
- (b) if the building work modifies or affects any specified system.

# 9 Alteration to existing entrance or internal doorway to facilitate access for persons with disabilities

Building work in connection with an existing entrance or internal doorway of a detached or semi-detached dwelling to improve access for persons with disabilities.

#### 10 Interior alterations to existing non-residential building

Building work in connection with the interior of any existing non-residential building (for example, a shop, office, library, factory, warehouse, church, or school) if the building work—

- (a) does not modify or affect the primary structure of the building; and
- (b) does not modify or affect any specified system; and
- (c) does not relate to a wall that is—
  - (i) a fire separation wall (also known as a firewall); or

- (ii) made of units of material (such as brick, burnt clay, concrete, or stone) laid to a bond in and joined together with mortar; and
- (d) does not include sanitary plumbing or drainlaying under the <u>Plumbers, Gasfitters, and</u> <u>Drainlayers Act 2006</u>.

#### 11 Internal walls and doorways in existing building

Building work in connection with an internal wall (including an internal doorway) in any existing building unless the wall is—

- (a) load-bearing; or
- (b) a bracing element; or
- (c) a fire separation wall (also known as a firewall); or
- (d) part of a specified system; or
- (e) made of units of material (such as brick, burnt clay, concrete, or stone) laid to a bond in and joined together with mortar.

#### 12 Internal linings and finishes in existing dwelling

Building work in connection with any internal linings or finishes of any wall, ceiling, or floor of an existing dwelling.

#### 13 Thermal insulation

Building work in connection with the installation of thermal insulation in an existing building other than in—

- (a) an external wall of the building; or
- (b) an internal wall of the building that is a fire separation wall (also known as a firewall).

#### 14 Penetrations

- (1) Building work in connection with the making of a penetration not exceeding 300 millimetres in diameter to enable the passage of pipes, cables, ducts, wires, hoses, and the like through any existing dwelling or outbuilding and any associated building work, such as weatherproofing, fireproofing, or sealing, provided that—
  - (a) in the case of a dwelling, the dwelling is detached or in a building that is not more than 3 storeys; and
  - (b) in the case of an outbuilding, the outbuilding is detached and is not more than 3 storeys.
- (2) In the case of an existing building to which subclause (1) does not apply, building work in connection with the making of a penetration not exceeding 300 millimetres in diameter to enable the passage of pipes, cables, ducts, wires, hoses, and the like through the building and any associated building work, such as weatherproofing, fireproofing, or sealing, provided that the penetration—
  - (a) does not modify or affect the primary structure of the building; and
  - (b) does not modify or affect any specified system.

#### 15 Closing in existing veranda or patio

Building work in connection with the closing in of an existing veranda, patio, or the like so as to provide an enclosed porch, conservatory, or the like with a floor area not exceeding 5 square metres.

#### 16 Awnings

Building work in connection with an awning that—

- (a) is on or attached to an existing building; and
- (b) is on the ground or first-storey level of the building; and
- (c) does not exceed 20 square metres in size; and

(d) does not overhang any area accessible by the public, including private areas with limited public access, for example, restaurants and bars.

#### 17 Porches and verandas

Building work in connection with a porch or a veranda that—

- (a) is on or attached to an existing building; and
- (b) is on the ground or first-storey level of the building; and
- (c) does not exceed 20 square metres in floor area; and
- (d) does not overhang any area accessible by the public, including private areas with limited public access, for example, restaurants and bars.

#### 18 Carports

Building work in connection with a carport that—

- (a) is on or attached to an existing building; and
- (b) is on the ground level of the building; and
- (c) does not exceed 20 square metres in floor area.

#### 19 Shade sails

Building work in connection with a shade sail made of fabric or other similar lightweight material, and associated structural support, that—

- (a) does not exceed 50 square metres in size; and
- (b) is no closer than 1 metre to any legal boundary; and
- (c) is on the ground level, or, if on a building, on the ground or first-storey level of the building.

#### Other structures

#### 20 Retaining walls

Building work in connection with a retaining wall that—

- (a) retains not more than 1.5 metres depth of ground; and
- (b) does not support any surcharge or any load additional to the load of that ground (for example, the load of vehicles).

#### 21 Fences and hoardings

- (1) Building work in connection with a fence or hoarding in each case not exceeding 2.5 metres in height above the supporting ground.
- (2) Subclause (1) does not include a fence as defined in <u>section 2</u> of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987.
- 22 Dams (excluding large dams)

Building work in connection with a dam that is not a large dam.

#### 23 Tanks and pools (excluding swimming pools)

Building work in connection with a tank or pool and any structure in support of the tank or pool (except a swimming pool as defined in <u>section 2</u> of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987), including any tank or pool that is part of any other building for which a building consent is required, that—

- (a) does not exceed 500 litres capacity and is supported not more than 4 metres above the supporting ground; or
- (b) does not exceed 1 000 litres capacity and is supported not more than 3 metres above the supporting ground; or
- (c) does not exceed 2 000 litres capacity and is supported not more than 2 metres above the supporting ground; or

- (d) does not exceed 4 000 litres capacity and is supported not more than 1 metre above the supporting ground; or
- (e) does not exceed 8 000 litres capacity and is supported not more than 0.5 metres above the supporting ground; or
- (f) does not exceed 16 000 litres capacity and is supported not more than 0.25 metres above the supporting ground; or
- (g) does not exceed 35 000 litres capacity and is supported directly by ground.

### 24 Decks, platforms, bridges, boardwalks, etc

Building work in connection with a deck, platform, bridge, boardwalk, or the like from which it is not possible to fall more than 1.5 metres even if it collapses.

#### 25 Signs

Building work in connection with a sign (whether free-standing or attached to a structure) and any structural support of the sign if—

- (a) no face of the sign exceeds 6 square metres in surface area; and
- (b) the top of the sign does not exceed 3 metres in height above the supporting ground level.

#### 26 Height-restriction gantries

Building work in connection with a height-restriction gantry.

#### 27 Temporary storage stacks

Building work in connection with a temporary storage stack of goods or materials.

#### 28 Private household playground equipment

Building work in connection with playground equipment if—

- (a) the equipment is for use by a single private household; and
- (b) no part of the equipment exceeds 3 metres in height above the supporting ground level.

### Network utility operators or other similar organisations

# 29 Certain structures owned or controlled by network utility operators or other similar organisations

Building work in connection with a motorway sign, stopbank, culvert for carrying water under or in association with a road, or other similar structure that is—

- (a) a simple structure; and
- (b) owned or controlled by a network utility operator or other similar organisation.

## Demolition

#### 30 Demolition of detached building

The complete demolition of a building that is detached and is not more than 3 storeys.

### 31 Removal of building element

The removal of a building element from a building that is not more than 3 storeys, provided that the removal does not affect—

- (a) the primary structure of the building; or
- (b) any specified system; or
- (c) any fire separation.

# **Fees Applying to Specific Licences**

	2016/17	2015/16
Amusement Device Permit (prescribed by the Amusement Devices		
Regulations 1978)		
One device at one site:		
First seven days	\$10.00	\$10.00
Second and subsequent seven day period	\$1.00 per week	\$1.00 per week
Additional device at one site:		
First seven days	\$2.00	\$2.00
Second and subsequent seven day period	\$1.00 per week	\$1.00 per week
<b>Licensed Premises Fees</b> – set by Council in accordance with the Health (Registration of Premises) Regulations 1966 and Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002		
Your attention is drawn to the <b>33% prompt renewal discount</b> available on transactions completed within 10 working days of invoice		
Food Premises – restaurants, bakeries (where food is prepared)	\$683.00	\$670.00
Food Premises –dairies, petrol stations etc (where pre-packaged food is reheated etc)	\$532.00	\$522.00
Food Premises – ancillary premises, coffee carts, etc	\$385.00	\$378.00
Hairdressers	\$385.00	\$378.00
Food Control Plan application processing	\$114.00	\$112.00
Verification visit for Food Control Plan (Audit) – first hour	\$199.00	\$195.00
Verification visit for Food Control Plan (Audit) – subsequent hours	\$69.00	\$68.00
Funeral Director	\$385.00	\$378.00
Amusement Gallery	\$385.00	\$378.00
Camping Ground	\$385.00	\$378.00
Mobile Shop selling or supplying food	\$385.00	\$378.00
Offensive Trade*	\$385.00	\$378.00
Prompt Renewal Discount (within 10 working days)	33%	33%
Any inspections or advisory visits requested by licence holders or other persons (per hour)	\$183.00	\$183.00

\* Means any trade, business, manufacture, or undertaking, as specified in Schedule 3 of the Health Act 1956 including blood or offal treating; bone boiling or crushing; collection and storage of used bottles for sale; dag crushing; fellmongering; fishing cleaning; fishing curing; flax pulping; flock manufacturing, or teasing of textile materials for any purpose; tanning; gut scraping and treating; nightsoil collection and disposal; refuse collection and disposal; septic tank desludging and disposal of sludge; slaughtering of animals for any purpose other than human consumption; storage, drying, or preserving of bones, hides, hoofs, or skins; tallow melting; wood pulping; and wool scouring.

## Liquor Licensing Fees

Prescribed by the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013. No change from 2014/15.

Applications for new licences	2016/17	Transferred to ARLA
Cost/risk rating*		
Very low (0-2)	\$368.00	\$17.25
Low (3-5)	\$609.50	\$34.50
Medium (6-15)	\$816.50	\$51.75
High (16-25)	\$1,023.50	\$86.25
Very high (26 and over)	\$1,207.50	\$172.50
Annual licence fees		
Cost/risk rating*		
Very low	\$161.00	\$17.25
Low	\$391.00	\$34.50
Medium	\$632.50	\$51.75
High	\$1,035.00	\$86.25
Very high	\$1,437.50	\$172.50
*The cost/risk ratings are those specified in clause 5 of the Regulations		
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*The cost/risk ratings are those specified in clause 5 of the Regulations          Other application fees         Manager's Certificate         Temporary Authority         Temporary Licence         Extract of Register         Special Licences	\$296.70 \$296.70 \$517.50 \$57.50	N/A N/A Paid directly to ARLA \$57.50 (if extract from
*The cost/risk ratings are those specified in clause 5 of the Regulations          Other application fees         Manager's Certificate         Temporary Authority         Temporary Licence         Extract of Register         Special Licences         Class 1: 1 large event, more than 3 medium events, more than	\$296.70 \$296.70 \$517.50 \$57.50	N/A N/A Paid directly to ARLA \$57.50 (if extract from

Clause 9 of the Regulations provides the following definitions:

Large event = more than 400 people

Medium event = 100 to 400 people

Small event = fewer than 100 people

# **Food Act Fees**

	2016/17
Hourly charge out rate - up to one hour	\$140.00
Additional fee per hour - 15 minute blocks	\$140.00
FCP registration fee - up to one hour	\$140.00
Additional FCP registration fee per hour - 15 minute blocks	\$140.00
NP registration fee - up to one hour	\$140.00
Additional NP registration fee per hour - 15 minute blocks	\$140.00
FCP renewal fee	\$140.00
NP renewal fee	\$140.00
Verification fees FCP - up to one hour	\$140.00
Additional verification fees FCP per hour - 15 minute blocks	\$140.00
Verification fees NP - up to 30 minutes	\$70.00
Additional verification fees NP per hour - 15 minute blocks	\$140.00

# **Resource Management Act Administrative Charges**

Set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991

		2016/17	2015/16
Resource Consent applications – notified	Deposit required (note 1)	\$2,500.00	\$1,810.00
(land use and subdivision)			
Resource Consent applications – limited	Deposit required (note 1)	\$1,500.00	\$850.00
notification (land use and subdivision)			
Resource Consent applications – non-	Deposit required (note 1)	\$650.00	\$450.00
notified (land use)			
Resource Consent applications – non-		\$800.00	\$850.00
notified (subdivision)			
Resource Consent applications - controlled	Fixed fee	\$250.00	\$450.00
activity signage			
Resource consent applications – rural	Fixed fee	\$650.00	n.a.
setback land use <sup>2</sup>			
RMA certification (e.g. s223, s224 etc)	Fixed fee	\$300.00	\$220.00
charged at \$100.00 + staff time			Security and the second
Requests for Plan Changes	Deposit required (note 1)	\$5,640.00	\$5,640.00
Application for alteration to designation –	Deposit required (note 1)	\$2,000.00	\$1,805.00
notified			\$1,805.00
Application for alteration to designation –	Deposit required (note 1)	\$650.00	¢450.00
non-notified			\$450.00
Cancellation/change of consent conditions	Deposit required (note 1)	\$300.00	\$280.00
Resource consent extension (s125)	Deposit required (note 1)	\$300.00	\$280.00
Right of Way application (s348 LGA)	Deposit required (note 1)	\$300.00	\$280.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This is for applications which breach the rural setback rule. The fixed fee will apply only if the application is lodged as complete (i.e. written approvals, a site plan and assessment of environment effects are included) and no further information requests are required.

Outline plans for designations	Deposit required (note 1)	\$500.00	\$310.00
Waiver for requirement for Outline Plan	Deposit required (note 1)	\$250.00	\$220.00
Hard copy of District Plan (available free on		\$222.00	\$220.00
RDC website)			
RMA hearing deposit	Deposit required (note 1)	\$2,200.00	\$2,190.00

	2016/17	2015/16
Charges for Council Staff (per hour or part thereof)		
Administration/Committee Administration Staff	\$105.00	\$105.00
Planning Officer/Consents Planner	\$150.00	\$150.00
Senior/Consultant Planner	\$190.00	\$190.00
Technical and professional staff from all other Council units	\$190.00	\$190.00
Manager	\$220.00	\$220.00
Commissioner	At cost + disbursements	At cost + disbursements
All advertising, consultant and solicitor fees associated with all work types including processing of a consent or certificate (including specialist technical or legal advice) and new Notice of Requirements, designation alterations, removal of designations and District Plan changes	At cost + disbursements	At cost + disbursements

#### Notes:

- 1 Council will recover its reasonable costs and a deposit is required which will be off set against the final invoice. However, Council cannot guarantee the final invoice amount that will be due to recover its reasonable costs.
- 2 Cost and time of travel by staff is included in the fees. Additional fees will be charged to cover other actual and reasonable costs incurred at the applicable staff charge-out rate together with the costs associated with employing the services of professional consultants where necessary.

Note: The chargeout rate for staff undergoing training who handle a consent application will be at the rate applicable to that staff member not whoever is providing the supervision.

- 3 Any difference will be payable/refundable once a decision has been made on the application as per the relevant section of the Resource Management Act 1991. Actual and reasonable costs associated with any resource consent hearing will be recovered from the applicant.
- 4 Other charges for Certificates, monitoring of Resource Consents, processing various applications, providing information in respect of Plans and Consents and the supply of information to be charged at the applicable staff charge-out rate.
- 5 Interim invoices for the processing of Resource Consents may be generated when costs exceed the deposit paid.

# **Dog Registration Fees**

Set by Council in accordance with Section 37 and 68 of the Dog Control Act 1996. The Act makes provision to fix reduced fees for dogs under a specified age (not exceeding 12 months). However, Council has not made provision for reduced fees for young dogs/pups.

	2016/17	2015/16
Registration fees		
Working dogs	\$39.00	\$38.00
Working dogs (late payment)	\$58.50	\$59.00
Non working dogs	\$120.00	\$175.00
Non working dogs (late payment)	\$180.00	\$263.00
Non working dogs de-sexed	\$80.00	\$161.00
Non working dogs de-sexed (late payment)	\$120.00	\$241.00
Good owner dog	\$56.00	De-sexed - \$55.00 Otherwise \$69.00
Good owner dog (late payment)	\$84.00	\$263.00
Dangerous Dogs		
Section 32(1)(e) of the Dog Control Act, Effect of classification as dangerous dog states "must, in respect of every registration year commencing after the date of receipt of the notice of classification, be liable for dog control fees for that dog at 150% of the level that would apply if the dog were not classified as a dangerous dog".		
Impounding Charges		
Impounding first offence (within 12 month period)	\$125.00	\$192.00
Impounding second offence (within 12 month period)	\$175.00	\$192.00
Impounding third offence (within 12 month period)	\$225.00	\$246.00
Sustenance - per day	\$12.00	\$12.00
Destruction fee – per dog	\$34.00	\$33.00
Other fees		
Replacement tags	No charge	No charge
Micro-chipping and registration onto National Dog Database	\$40.00	\$43.00

#### Note

The Dog Control Act 1996 does not allow Council to levy separate fees for application and monitoring in respect of Approved Good Owner Classification but does allow Council to set fees having regard to the relative cost of registration and monitoring. Therefore, these fees have been incorporated into the fees applicable to Approved Good Owner Classifications.

# Stock Impounding

Set by Council in accordance with sections 14, 15 and 33(3) of the Impounding Act 1955

	2016/17	2015/16
Poundage Fees		
Sheep, goats (per animal)	\$20.00	\$13.00 scalable
Cattle, horses, deer, pigs	\$44.00	\$32.00 scalable
These charges are to be doubled for impound of stock of any owner that are impounded more than once in a 12 month period		

# **Sustenance Charges**

	2016/17	2015/16
No of Animals (per animal, per day)		
Sheep, goats (per animal)	\$6.00	\$4.00 scalable
Cattle, horses, deer, pigs	\$12.00	\$4.00 scalable
* or actual expenses, if higher		

Trespass charges, where applicable, are prescribed by clause 7 of the Impounding Regulations 1981.

# **Driving Charges**

	2016/17	2015/16
Float Hire/Transport	At cost	At cost
Callout		Fee will be based
	Fee will be based on	on recovery of
	recovery of actual and	actual and
	reasonable costs incurred	reasonable costs
	associated with the callout	incurred associated with
	– minimum charge of	the callout –
	\$160.00	minimum charge
		of \$162.00

# **Animal Control Miscellaneous Fees**

	2016/17
Costs associated with, but not limited to, tagging (NAIT), vet treatment,	
inspection, supplementary feeding or animal husbandry will be charged at cost	
plus hourly rate for staff time if applicable.	

# **Storage of Hazardous Substances**

Set by Council in accordance with section 23 of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 and section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

	2016/17	2015/16
Charge out rate for carrying out any of the enforcement functions	\$192.00	\$188.00
required by section 97 (h) of the Hazardous Substances and New		
Organisms Act 1996 (per hour)		

# Noise Control

	2016/17	2015/16
Charge to property owner for every call out attended by Council's noise control contractors where in the view of the officer a noise reduction instruction was warranted	\$71.00	\$70.00
Charge to complainant for unsubstantiated complaint where the complainant has lodged three previous unsubstantiated complaints within the preceding 12 months	\$71.00	\$70.00

# **Miscellaneous Permits/Authorities/Fees**

	2016/17	2015/16
Certificates under the Overseas Investment Act		
Set in accordance with Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002	\$131.00	\$129.00
Return of Property Seized Pursuant to Section 328 of the Resource		
Management Act 1991		
Set in accordance with Section 36 of the Resource Management Act	\$191.00	\$187.00
1991 and Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002		
Gambling Venue Consent – Application Fee		
Set in accordance with Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002	\$191.00	\$187.00
Costs associated with removal of dumped rubbish		
Set in accordance with Section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002	Actual cost +	Actual cost +
	staff time	staff time

# Water Charges – Urban Areas

	2016/17	2015/16
Extraordinary Consumers (Water by Meter)		
Refer also to Rates Notice		
Taihape untreated water	\$1.45m <sup>3</sup>	
Ordinary supply – 20mm diameter – domestic only,	\$1,250.00	\$1,200.00
per single dwelling unit to property boundary,		
maximum overall length 5m, unmetered, manifold.		
Connection will be installed by the Rangitikei	Plus proportionate share	Plus proportionate
District Council. Installation will occur after	of targeted rate for	share of targeted rate for water (connected)
payment in full is received by the Council.	water (connected) due	due for balance of year
	for balance of year	
Extraordinary supply – all other connections to	Quote	Quote
property boundary		
Connections shall be installed by the Rangitikei	Plus proportionate share	Plus proportionate share of targeted rate
District Council. An installation quotation will be	of targeted rate for	for water (connected)
provided to the applicant and installation will occur	water (connected) due	due for balance of year
after payment in full is received by Council.	for balance of year	
Disconnection Fees (including restrictors)		
All types of supply - per disconnection	-	
Includes all work to disconnect service. Work shall		
be undertaken by Rangitikei District Council.		10000
Where applicable, a final meter reading shall be	\$275.00	\$250.00
taken and the applicant will be responsible for		
payment of water consumed to the date of		
disconnection		
Reconnection Fees (including restrictors)		Quete beend on
Per reconnection	Quote based on	Quote based on investigation
	investigation	intestigation
Bulk Water Sales		
Marton – located in King Street	-	
Taihape – located behind Town Hall		ća 10 <sup>3</sup>
Bulls – (to be installed)	\$3.10 per m <sup>3</sup> plus \$6.20	\$3.10 per m <sup>3</sup> plus
One free tanker load per year for each unconnected	per load	\$5.90 per load
property in the District (freight not covered)	-	
Access is via PIN for pre-approved contractors		

## **Rural Water Schemes**

	2016/17
Rural Water Schemes	
Refer also to Rates Notice	

Rural Water Schemes are managed entirely by committees established by the users of each scheme. The fees and charges are set by the relevant committee based upon the cost of running the schemes shared equitably by the users of that scheme.

#### Hunterville Rural Water Scheme

10% penalty will be incurred on late payment. Reconnection fee of \$500.00.

## Stormwater Charges – Urban Areas

	2016/17	2015/16
Connection Fees		
100mm diameter – Domestic consumers only, per single	\$575.00	\$55.00
dwelling unit to property boundary, total length up to 10m,		
galvanised kerb outlet		
Connections shall be installed by the Rangitikei District Council.	plus	plus
Installation will occur after payment in full is received by	proportionate	proportionate share of the
Council.	share of the	targeted rate for
	targeted rate for	stormwater
	stormwater	(urban) due for
	(urban) due for	the balance of the
	the balance of	year
	the year	
All other connections to property boundary	Quote	Quote
Connections shall be installed by the Rangitikei District Council.	plus	plus
An installation quotation will be provided to the applicant and	proportionate	proportionate share of the
installation will occur after payment in full is received by	share of the	targeted rate for
Council.	targeted rate for	stormwater
	stormwater	(urban) due for
	(urban) due for	the balance of the
	the balance of	year
	the year	
Disconnection Fees		
Per disconnection, capped at boundary	Quote based on	Quote based on
	investigation	investigation
Reconnection Fees		and the second second
Per reconnection	Quote based on	Quote based on
	investigation	investigation

# Wastewater Charges

	2016/17	2015/16
Extraordinary Consumers		
Refer to Rates Notice		
Volumetric wastewater charges		
Base charge per water meter connection - charged per 3-	\$678.14	
month period includes 76m <sup>3</sup> of flow use per period		
Domestic wastewater discharge consumption is calculated at	\$2.23	
80% of the volume of water used as measured by water		
meter. (This cost excludes trade waste)		
This rate applies to domestic institutions (e.g. nursing homes) where water consumption exceeds the normal consumption for a single house		
Connection and Reconnection Fees		
All connections and reconnections	Quote based on	Quote based on
	investigation	investigation
Connections shall be installed by the Rangitikei District	plus proportionate	plus proportionate
Council. A quote will be provided based on investigation.	share of targeted	share of targeted
Installation will occur after payment in full is received by	wastewater	wastewater
Council. Cost is highly dependent on depth of	(connected) rate due	(connected) rate due for balance of year
connection, length of later and mains diameter.	for balance of year	for balance of year
All other connections to property boundary	Quote	Quote
Connections shall be installed by the Rangitikei District		plus proportionate
Council. An installation quotation will be provided to the	plus proportionate share	share of targeted
applicant and installation will occur after payment in full	of targeted wastewater	wastewater
is received by Council.	(connected) rate due for balance of year	(connected) rate due for balance of year
Disconnection Fees		
Per disconnection	\$250.00	\$250.00
Septage Discharge Fee		
Per cubic metre	\$23.00	\$20.00
Trade Waste Charges		
Flow per cubic metre	\$1.00	
BOD per kg	\$0.60	
COD per kg	\$0.60	
TSS per kg	\$0.65	
Phosphorous charge per kg	\$30.00	
Ammoniacal nitrogen per kg	\$30.00	
Other Trade Waste Charges		
Trade Waste Consent (includes first 2 hours of processing)	\$200.00	
Consent processing fee (cost per hour)	\$100.00	
Annual compliance monitoring	\$380.00	
Re-inspection fees (per inspections)	\$100.00	
Oil or Grease trap inspection and annual monitoring (cost per visit)	\$65.00	

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# Solid Waste

		2016/2017	2016/2017
		Refuse	Green Waste
Refuse bag charges (60 litre	Only accepted at Ratana	\$2.50	\$1.20
volume)	Waste Transfer Station		

Waste Transfer Station		Refuse	Greenwaste
			Marton, Bulls, Taihape
Rubbish bag		\$2.50	\$1.30
Wheelie bib		\$11.50	\$6.00
Car boot		\$16.50	\$8.70
Van/station-wagon		\$27.50	\$13.80
Trucks		\$129.00	\$64.50/tonne
Small trailer (deck)		\$35.00	\$17.50
Medium (deck up to 2.4 m long)	All subject to standard	\$43.50	\$22.00
Large (deck up to 3.0 m long)	weighbridge charge \$129.00/tonne where this	\$64.50	\$32.00
Overloads (loads greater than	service is available.	\$76.50	\$38.00
1.5m in height) – extra \$6.00	Where a weighbridge is		
Oversize (deck over 3.0m long)	not available, these prices	\$127.00	\$63.50
Overloads (loads greater than	will be used.	\$165.00	\$84.50
1.5m in height) – extra \$21.00	will be used.		

	2016/2017
Other chargeable items	
Hazardous waste (household quantities – max 20 litres/kilos (Marton, Bulls, Taihape WTSs only)	\$0.00
Fridges and freezers – degassing fee	\$16.70
Whiteware – except refrigeration (each)	\$0.00
Microwave/small appliances	\$0.00
TVs	\$25.00
Monitors	\$15.00
E-waste desktop/VCRs/Fax/Scanners/Printers/UPS	\$5.50
Tyres – car	\$7.80
Tyres – 4x4	\$8.40
Tyres – light truck less than 50 kg	\$13.00
Tyres – long-haul vehicle	\$15.50
Tyres – tractor	\$90.00
Automotive oil (per litre in excess of 20 litres)	\$0.3/litre
Gas bottles (each)	\$5.20
Fluorescent tubes (each)	\$0.00

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	2016/2017
Other chargeable items	
Eco bulbs (each)	\$0.00
PCBs per kg (fluorescent light ballasts)	\$66.00/kg
Paint 4 litre pail (each)	\$2.00
Paint 10 litre pail (each)	\$4.50

	2016/2017
Recycling accepted - no gate charge (Marton, Bulls, Taihape and Ratana)	P Defi
Paper and cardboard - unsoiled	\$0.00
Glass bottles and jars - colour sorted	\$0.00
Tins and cans - rinsed clean	\$0.00
Plastics 1-6 - rinsed clean	\$0.00
Metals (charges may apply if scrap incurs handling charges)	

	2016/2017
Recyclables not accepted for recycling	
Plastic bags	Refuse rate
Plastic wrap	Refuse rate
Food contaminated recyclables	Refuse rate
Hazardous waste contaminated recyclables	Refuse rate

# Solid Waste 2015/16

	2015/2016	2015/2016
	Charges – M	larton
Waste Transfer Station Accepted Refuse	Refuse	Green Waste
Rubbish bag	\$2.40	\$1.20
Wheelie bin	\$11.00	\$6.00
Car boot	\$15.80	\$8.70
Van/station-wagon	\$26.00	\$13.80
Trucks		\$62.50/tonne
Trailers		
Small trailer (deck)	All subject to standard weigh-	\$17.00
Medium (deck up to 2.4 m long)	bridge charge: \$122.00/tonne	\$21.50
Large (deck up to 3.0 m long)	Minimum trailer charge less	\$31.80
Overloads (loads greater than 1.5 m in	than 100 kg: \$12.00	Plus \$6.00 on above
height)		Plus \$6.00 oll above
Oversize (deck over 3.0 m long)		\$62.50
Overloads (loads greater than 1.5 m in		Plus \$21.00 on above
height)		

	2015/16			
	Charges – Taihape, Bulls,	Ratana, Hunterville		
Waste Transfer Station Accepted Refuse	Refuse	Green Waste Bulls		
Rubbish bag	\$2.40	\$1.20		
Wheelie bin	\$11.00	\$6.00		
Car boot	\$15.80	\$8.70		
Van/station-wagon	\$26.00	\$13.80		
Trucks	Large trucks (3 tonne plus) are required to use the weighbridge at Marton. Smaller trucks determined as per Refuse or Green Waste trailer charges			
Trailers				
Small trailer (deck)	\$33.00	\$17.00		
Medium (deck up to 2.4 m long)	\$41.00	\$21.50		
Large (deck up to 3.0 m long)	\$61.00	\$31.80		
Overloads (loads greater than 1.5 m in height)	Plus \$12.00 on above	Plus \$6.00 on above		
Oversize (deck over 3.0 m long)	\$120.00	\$62.50		
Overloads (loads greater than 1.5 m in height)	Plus \$38.00 on above	Plus \$21.00 on above		

	2015/2016
Recycling	
Glass	
Metal	
Paper/cardboard	
Plastic bottles (grade 1, 2 and 4)	
Can (tin and aluminium)	no charge for recycling
Oil and hazardous waste (20 ltr or 20 kg max)	
Fluorescent tubes	
Eco bulbs	
Agrichemical containers – triple rinsed	
Special rates for toxic/non-permitted items	
TVs	\$23.00
Monitors	\$15.00
E-waste desktop/VCRs	\$5.50
Refrigeration requiring degassing	\$16.70
PCBs per kg	\$66.00
Used vehicle oil – over 20 litres (per litre)	\$0.30
Paint – 4 litre pail	\$2.00
Paint – 10 litres and over	\$4.50
Tyres – car	\$7.80
Tyres – 4x4	\$8.40
Tyres – light truck less than 50 kg	\$13.00
Tyres – long-haul vehicle	\$15.50
Tyres – tractor	\$90.00
Gas bottles	\$5.20

# Roading

	2016/17	2015/16
Road Opening Application Fee		
Excavations in road, footpath, berm or road reserve – including	\$257.00	\$252.00
Network Utility Operators and trenchless technology		
Licence fee	\$128.00	\$126.00
Road Encroachments Survey and Documentation	Actual cost	Actual cost
Kerb Opening/Vehicle Crossing Inspection Fee (private works)	\$257.00	\$252.00
Stock Underpass Street Opening Inspection Fee	\$257.00	\$252.00
All work in road to be done by Council-approved contractor		

# **Miscellaneous Charges**

	2016/17	2015/16
Council publications, (Draft Annual Plan, Annual Plan, Annual		
Report, Long Term Plan (including Consultation Document), Activity		
Management Plans)		
To District residents and ratepayers	Free	Free
To non-ratepayers and non-residents (reproduction costs)	Actual cost	Actual cost
Customer Services		
Photocopying charges		
Black and white A4	\$0.20	\$0.20
Black and white A3	\$0.50	\$0.50
Black and white A2	\$3.00	\$3.00
Black and white A1	\$4.00	\$4.00
Colour A4	\$2.00	\$4.00
Colour A3	\$3.00	\$7.00
Electronic GIS copies	No charge	No charge
District Electoral Roll		
Full District listing	\$83.00	\$81.00
Full Ward Listing (each)	\$42.00	\$41.00
Rural Numbers		
Application and placement of rural numbers	No charge	No charge
Replacement rural number plates	\$25.00	\$25.00
Valuation Rolls/Rating Information Database		
One booklet for the whole District	\$259.00	\$254.00
Electronic version	\$135.00	\$132.00
Rural Fire		
Burn-off supervision by the Rural Fire Officer – per hour	\$94.00	\$92.00

# Community Housing

Rental rates apply to superannuitant tenants only. Council reserves the right to charge nonsuperannuitants a market rent for the housing units. Adjustment to rents in Council's community housing must be made in accordance with the requirements of section 24 of the Residential Tenancies Act 1986. Typically this means that a change to rents for existing tenants will not occur for two months after Council adopts the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the coming year. Council has included a provision for a small contract with Age Concern Wanganui and Older & Bolder, Taihape to support elderly residents to remain independent in their housing.

	2016/17	2015/16
Single	\$98.00	\$96.00
Double	\$160.00	\$157.00
Fully renovated unit – Single	\$125.00	
Fully renovated unit – Double	\$185.00	

## **Requests for Official Information**

Official information requests are able to be made to the Council by any person, in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Council reserves the right to charge for this information as follows:

	2016/17
Official Information Request	
Staff time – first hour	Free
Staff time – each subsequent half hour (after the first hour)	\$40.00
Photocopying – first 20 pages	Free
Photocopying – each subsequent page (after the first 20 pages)	Current charges
	apply
Other actual and reasonable costs	At cost

(These charges are drawn from guidelines issued by the Ministry of Justice on Official Information Act requests.)

A deposit may be required where the estimated cost of the request exceeds \$76.00.

Charges may be modified or waived at the Council's discretion.

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Final Draft proposed for adoption by Council, 26 May 2016

# Attachment 8



# REPORT

SUBJECT:Proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and proposed<br/>Control of Dogs BylawTO:CouncilFROM:Alex Staric, Policy AnalystDATE:19 May 2016FILE:3-PY-1-20

#### 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines to Council the results of public consultation on both the proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw;
- 1.2 The draft policy and bylaw were subject to a special consultative procedure with written submissions requested between 4 April and 6 may 2016. Sixteen submissions were received and three submitters requested to be heard at oral hearings. These took **p**lace on 16 May 2016.
- 1.3 The more significant changes proposed in the draft Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw were:
  - Introduction of an enabling clause to explicitly **p**ermit penalties for late registration of dogs
  - A new clause suggesting a maximum period between property inspections of five years. This allows the Dog Control team to inspect properties more frequently if necessary
  - Introduction of a discretionary authority, rather than a mandatory one, for the Senior Dog Control Officer to require that a menacing dog is neutered. This aligns the policy with the Delegations Register and enables the Council to avoid potentially lengthy appeals processes
  - Further clarification of the requirements to achieve Responsible Owner classification, and hence to secure reductions in registration fees
- 1.4 Submissions were largely supportive of these proposed changes and are summarised in Appendix 1. The main areas of concern to submitters were the introduction of a discretionary authority to neuter a menacing dog (most submitters would prefer to maintain a mandatory requirement) and the maximum inspection period of 5 years. In the latter case, this was often a misunderstanding of the nature of the proposed inspection regime which could be more frequent, as assessed but the Dog Control Team, but would not be less frequent than every five years. In both these instances, the changes were in response to the legal compliance review that Council staff

undertook and were viewed as necessary to ensure that Council processes would support Council staff to carry out their duties.

1.5 This report therefore recommends that the existing Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw are revoked and the proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy (Appendix 2) and proposed Control of Dogs Bylaw (Appendix 3) be adopted without amendment.

#### 2 Analysis

- 2.1 All submitters were supportive of the new owner classification and the general contents of the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw.
- 2.2 A common area of comment was that the Dog Owner carries more responsibility for their dog's behaviour than the dog's breed per se. There were requests for more monitoring of owners, including suggestions for compulsory training before people could own a dog. These measures could potentially be effective but would be very expensive and problematic to implement.

#### Neutering of dogs classified as menacing

- 2.3 With regards to menacing dogs, 10 out of 16 submitters supported a policy to require a dog classified as menacing to be neutered, removing Senior Dog Control Officer discretion.
- 2.4 Submitters supporting mandatory neutering of menacing dogs focused on biological determinism, in that a dog's behaviour is innate and relates to their breed. Neutering is an effective mechanism in controlling a dog's behaviour.

"The only way to get rid of bad breeds and make children and other dogs safe is to have them neutered"

#### Inspection of registered dog owner properties

- 2.5 14 out of 16 submitters supported Council's Dog Control Officers to regularly inspect all properties of registered dog owners to ensure compliance to the Policy, Bylaw and the Dog Control Act 1996.
- 2.6 11 out of 16 submitters did not support a maximum inspection of registered dog owner properties of 5 years, preferring instead reduced timeframes for inspection variously to yearly or every two or every three years.

#### 3 Recommendations

3.1 That the report "Proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and proposed Control of Dogs Bylaw" be received.

- 3.2 That the existing Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw be revoked.
- 3.3 That pursuant to section 10 of the Dog Control Act 1996 Council adopt proposed Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy (with any necessary amendments).
- 3.4 That pursuant to section 20 of the Dog Control Act 1996 Council adopt the proposed Control of Dogs Bylaw (with any necessary amendments).
- 3.5 That a response to submitters is prepared and forwarded to those who submitted, based on this report and Councils decision.

Alex Staric Policy Analyst

# Appendix 1

Summary of Submitter Comments: Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy & Control of Dogs Bylaw.

Submitter No.	Submitter	Response to Question	Submitter comments	Key themes	Officer comments
003	Silvia Rizzi	Yes	<ul> <li>"7.5.1.b) dogs should not be on running wire all day.</li> <li>7.5.1 g) should be exeptions, dog being adopted from pound or SPCA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dogs not running on wire all day</li> <li>Exceptions to 7.5.1.g</li> </ul>	It is excepted practice the emphasis is that the dog is controlled at all times as conveyed by 7.5.1.b of the policy 7.5.1.g Relates to owner not new or potential owner
008	Carolyn Bates (Marton Community Committee)	Yes	"7.2.8 and 7.5.11 have different parameters - 7.2.8 states a 5 year visit cycle when 7.5.11 indicates an annual visit would be required. 7.5.2 Responsible Owner We feel the proposed consequence of changing the fee payable for all dogs when only one dog may be a ""problem"" is an overly harsh consequence for owners of multiple animals. We recommend that if an owner has more than one dog, the penalty/full fee should apply only to the specific	<ul> <li>Conflicting messages between 7.2.8 &amp; 7.5.11</li> <li>Loss of discount due to "problem" dog"</li> <li>Rec: only problem dog pays full fee for period of 12 months</li> <li>Rec: If more than dog is an issue (eg regularly found roaming) within a 12 month period then the full penalty is then applicable for all dogs</li> </ul>	There is no conflict as 7.5.11 relates to disqualification. We are trying to change the behaviour of the owner as the owner, not the dog, has the responsibility to ensure all conditions are met under 7.5.1.

Are you generally supportive of Section 7.5: Dog Yes Owner Classification found within the policy (including 7.5.1 & 7.5.2)?

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			dog for a minimum of 12 months. If more than dog is an issue (eg regularly found roaming) within a 12 month period then the full penalty is then applicable for all dogs (or a stepped system should be considered dependant on the number of dogs an owner has). As the greater the number of dogs owned then the greater is the chance of there being a problem, but to simply apply the penalty for all dogs ""from day one"" seems overly severe.		
009	Carolyn Bates	Yes	"7.2.8 and 7.5.11 have different parameters - 7.2.8 states a 5 year visit cycle when 7.5.11 indicates an annual visit would be required. "	• Conflicting messages between 7.2.8 & 7.5.11	Please refer to response to submitter No. 008
014	Judy Williams	Yes	"Control of the owners as well as the dogs. the owner has to prove they have undergone training prior to dog ownership.Once they have a certificate, they have a dog trained as well. All dogs	<ul> <li>Owner completes training and provides certification</li> <li>Remove dogs if training not undertaken</li> </ul>	Officer disagrees as this is not practical for all owners and will only be considered for probationary owners.

removed if training not	
undertaken."	

## Question: Is a maximum interval between inspections of 5 Yes years the right timeframe for inspections?

Submitter No.	Submitter	Response to question	Submitter comments	Key themes	Officer comments
001	Geoff McGuire	No	"Dangerous dog breeds and bad owners should be inspected at least once a year. Most do not stay in one place very long. Inspect properties when new dogs cited, and should inspect where unregistered dogs are found also."	<ul> <li>Dangerous breeds and "bad" owners inspected yearly</li> <li>Inspect properties when new dogs cited</li> <li>Inspect properties where unregistered dogs are found</li> </ul>	Officer feels the submitter has <b>m</b> isunderstood the intention the period of five years is the maximum period of which a visit must occur, it does not limit the amount and frequency of inspections that officers can undertake as required to address problems or undertake inspections more regular as work load allows.
002	Margaret Robinson	yes	:As long as the owner has been notified of the inspection. I would like all dog owners to be inspected. Not just the good owners.:	<ul> <li>Owner to be notified of inspection</li> <li>All dog owners to be inspected</li> </ul>	In general owners are notified, if owner not present "calling card" left on door. All dog owners are inspected regardless of classification status.
005	J Hyde	no response	"In the absence of documented evidence of a problem about a dog(s) "inspections" uninvited are a breach of privacy and unjustified. -concession on registration fees for dogs that have a	<ul> <li>Inspections justified based on documented evidence</li> <li>Concession on registration fees for dogs that have a recognised obedience training course</li> </ul>	The Dog Control Act 1996 is very clear on powers of Animal Control Officers and the only exclusion is entering a dwelling except when in immediate pursuit. With regards to further concessions, there is sufficient concession in the new Fees and charges structure for 2016/2017.

			recognised obedience training course -concession for gold card seniors."	• Concession for gold card seniors	
007	Heather Howe	No	"unless on previous inspection everything is alright"	• If previous inspection is passed, relinquish need for inspection	The officer does not agree with the submitter as this is not a feasible process as circumstances change and would need to confirm current compliance.
008	Carolyn Bates (Marton Community Committee)	No	"We support more regular visits eg annually."	Annual inspections	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no. 001
009	Carolyn Bates	no	C"omments I recommend an interval of 2-3 years."	• 2-3 yearly inspections	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no. 001
010	Michelle Fannin (Taihape Community Board)	no	"For urban shorter timeframe. 5 years right for rural."	<ul> <li>Reduce timeframes for urban</li> <li>Rural timeframes are supported</li> </ul>	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no. 001
011	Lisa Ross	no	"Should be a shorter timeframe as situations change quickly - especially with rental properties."	Reduce timeframes	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no. 001

012	Anonymous	no	"Menacing animals and their	• Reduce timeframes;	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no.
	2		owners need to be better	not supportive of	001
			controlled which can only be	current proposal	
			done by constant		
			measures and stretching		
			inspections out to as much		
			as 5 years potentially is		
			counter productive."		
014	Judy	no	"Yearly. randomised and not	Recommendation:	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no.
	Williams		let owner know"	yearly and randomised	001
				inspections	
015	Name	no	"I think this should be more	Recommendation:	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no.
	withheld		regularly if possible, maybe	every three years	001
			every three years? "		
016	Michelle	no	"Urban shorter timeframes,	<ul> <li>Reduce timeframes</li> </ul>	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter no.
	Fannin		people move around a lot.	for urban	001
			Right timeframe for rural"	Rural timeframes are	
				supported	

## Question: Which of the following options do you prefer? (Blanket or Discretion neutering)

Submitter No.	Submitter	Response to question	Submitter comments	Key themes	Officer comments
001	Geoff McGuire	Option A: Blanket	"The only way to get rid of bad breeds and make children and other dogs safe is to have them neutered."	• Support blanket	Leaves no option to treat each case on its own merits and circumstances.
002	Margaret Robinson	Option B: Discretion	"No I don't think all menacing dogs should be neutere3d. Mistakes are	<ul> <li>Mistakes can be made by officers</li> <li>Can menacing</li> </ul>	Owners have the right to object to the classification within allowed legislative timeframes. The decision is then reviewed by a hearings committee

			made by dog control officers. Is there any way a good owner can get their dog taken off the menacing code?"	classification be reversed?	
003	Silvia Rizzi	Option B: Discretion	"To neuter a dog does not mean he or she change their behaviour. Any dog can turn out to be menacing if not brought up properly from a puppies stage. The owners need to be educated how to use a dog."	<ul> <li>Further educate owners</li> <li>Support discretion</li> </ul>	The officer Agrees, but in cases where the behaviour does not change we are assured the bad bloodline cannot continue through reproduction.
005	J Hyde	Option B: Discretion	"And only after documented evidence regarding the behaviour of the dog and documented communication with the owner."	• Support discretion only if i) documented evidence and ii) documented comms with owner	Any classification of a dog is made under Section 33A of the Dog Control Act 1996 and are based on factual evidence.
006	E M Tolhurst	Option A: Blanket	"And muzzled in public also on a lead in town."	<ul> <li>Menacing dogs to be muzzled in town</li> <li>Menacing dogs to be on a lead in town</li> </ul>	Officer would like to point out to the submitter Section 33 E of the Dog Control Act 1996 is quite clear with regards to muzzling in any public place.
007	Heather Howe	Option A: Blanket	"If the dog is menacing definitely. Any dog not belonging to a registered breeder, police etc should not be entice. This would cut down a lot on backyard breeding."	• Support blanket	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter No. 001
011	Lisa Ross	Option B: Discretion	"If the animal is reported to give a reasonable reason to do so - ie act menacing or potential to do so/be."	<ul> <li>Supports discretion only if animal is reported to give a reasonable reason</li> </ul>	Any classification of a dog is made under Section 33A of the Dog Control Act 1996 and are based on factual evidence.

012	Anonymous	Option A:	"I agree that compulsory	Supports blanket	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter No.
	2	Blanket	neutering is the only way to	<ul> <li>Owner pays</li> </ul>	001
			go as long as the ratepayer is		
			not footed with the cost		Cost is always on the owner not the ratepayer.
			burden. The owner of the		
			animal should pay only."		
014	Judy	Option A:	"Its a dilution of the act. The	<ul> <li>Supports blanket</li> </ul>	Please refer to Officer's response to submitter No.
	Williams	Blanket	whole behaviour of the		001
			dog changes when it is		
			neutered- more controllable.		
			Pitbulls are breed to fight."		
015	Name	Option B:	"I feel that the decision	<ul> <li>Based on case by</li> </ul>	Officer agrees.
	withheld	Discretion	should be made on a case by	case basis	
			case basis, with owner	Owner responsibility	
			responsibility being taken	taken into account	
			into account."		

## Question: Are you generally supportive of the contents of Council's Control of Dogs Bylaw?

Submission #	Submitter	Response to question	Submitter comments	Key themes	Officer comments
001	Geoff McGuire	Yes	"fencing needs to be strong at least 1.5m high"	• Fencing needs to be strong at least 1.5m high	Officer powers are limited to two types of dog owners, 1. Mandatory fencing in relation to a dangerous dog owners and should the fencing be found inadequate the dog can remain impounded until the officer is satisfied safety is achieved, 2. For selected dog owners the only recourse is not granting the classification as they do not meet all conditions, a blanket requirement for all owners is not feasible and would depend on breed of dog as to the required height of fence, not all dog owners

					own the property they are housed on landlords may not want their tenants erecting fences.
002	Margaret Robinson	Yes	"I can't understand why a menacing dog has the same penalty as a dangerous dog. Shouldn't the menacing dogs be able to be tested to get this lifted and have a lighter sentence?"	<ul> <li>Menacing and dangerous dog classification has same penalty.</li> <li>Can menacing dog classification be lifted or lighten through testing?</li> </ul>	The Officer disagrees as there are significant more penalties for a dangerous dog than menacing (see section 32 compared to 33E of the Dog Control Act 1996). The Act does not allow for the lifting of menacing dog classification once all objection avenues have been exhausted and the classification is upheld.
003	Silvia Rizzi	yes	<ul> <li>No dogs of lead should be         <ul> <li>I town or town area</li> <li>if excessive barking of dog,             neighbour should talk to dog             owner first, if that does not             help, then ranger should get             involved.             "</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	• No dogs of lead should be I town or town area	Signage is in place for leash required areas.
005	J Hyde	Yes	"I enclosed the Hamilton information as an example of what is needed here to provide solid evidence upon which to base action taken. Then there can be accountability for the dog, its owner and the animal control officers."	• Please refer to manual	The Officer appreciates the submitter's interest and has cited the Hamilton information provided. The Officer trusts Rangitikei District Council's policy as contextually effective and appropriate for the District.
006	E M Tolhurst	yes	"But with some concerns about how this is decided."	<ul> <li>Concern with decision-making</li> </ul>	The Officer is unable to response to the submitter's comments due to a lack of clarity.

Question: Do you have any further comments you wish to make to Council with regards to the Dog Control and Responsibility Policy, and/or the Control of Dogs Bylaw?

Submitter No.	Submitter	Submitter comments	Key themes	Officer comments
001	Geoff McGuire	"Fencing and/or kennels need to be monitored. I was riding a horse around Taihape and as the fencing was inadequate and dogs frequently loose, made it impossible for me to pursue this activity. Dogs need to be restrained and not rush at people using the footpath and /or road."	<ul> <li>Fencing and kennels monitored</li> <li>Dogs need to be restrained on properties neighbouring footpaths</li> </ul>	Fencing and kennel monitoring is currently done on case by case basis taking into account classification and if dog is an inside or outside dog i.e. Responsible dog owner or dangerous dog property must have suitable fencing. A dog classified as dangerous is compulsory, responsible optional, but they may not qualify for classification.
002	Margaret Robinson	"If an incident arises is all the power put on one person (dog ranger) to set the punishment or are the dogs tested first? The way its been portrayed to us good owners is that the dog and good owner hasn't any rights and in our case they are not listened top./ The dog owner know their dog best and if necessary could have their dog seen by a animal behaviourist. Would this lift the menacing dog label? "	<ul> <li>Clarification of ranger exercise of power</li> <li>Clarification if menacing classification can be lifted through any mechanism</li> </ul>	Each case is investigated on its own merits. All dog owners have rights to object to any classification as allowed by the Dog Control Act 1996.

003	Silvia Rizzi	"• If dog adopted from pound or	• If dog adopted from pound or from SPCA it	As soon as a dog is uplifted for all
		from SPCA it can happen that dog	can happen that dog could run off, therefor	instances and purposes it is deemed
		could run off, so therefor the dog	the dog should not be impounded the first	impounded under the Dog Control
		should not be impounded the first	time.	Act 1996. Unfortunately equipment
		time.	Make sure the scanner from ranger works	does fail from time to time, but the
		Make sure the scanner from	otherwise what is the point to microchip the	team does have access to more than
		ranger works otherwise what is the	dog	one scanner.
		point to microchip the dog	• Putting signs up in the parks to pick up after	
		<ul> <li>Putting signs up in the parks to</li> </ul>	dog has done business otherwise there will be	Marton already has a dog exercise
		pick up after dog has done business	a fine for not doing so. (example bulls domain	area in Wilson Park.
		otherwise there will be a fine for	etc)	
		not doing so. (example bulls	<ul> <li>We need a dog exercise area in Marton</li> </ul>	All owners should know to pick up
		domain etc)		after their dogs in a public place,
		<ul> <li>We need a dog exercise area in</li> </ul>		signage is not a practical solution for
		Marton "		all parks but maybe for designated
				dog exercise areas.
005	J Hyde	"Please see "Horizon housing assoc	See full submission	Noted. Council has sufficient policies
		Ird –corporate policy. For	• Recommendation: For a fenced areas and for	in place for complaints.
		complaints handling and customer	owners to sit	
		feedback" for an example of what	<ul> <li>Wire netting up to 1m for small dogs</li> </ul>	
		is needed for this Rangitikei		
		Council. In particular the CEO		
		needs to consider the need for this		
		with regard to attitudes and		
		behaviours of animal control		
		officers throughout the area in		
		which they operate.		
		We need a fenced area in which		
		dogs can be let off lead with seats		
		for owners to sit. Wire netting up		
		to 1m. to keep small dogs from		
		getting away. "		

006	E M Tolhurst	"What about welfare of animals not just dogs? Who is checking to see if the animal has food, water, shelter, adequate exercise? Both urban and rural. And another point, what about notices about dog exercise areas also about cleaning up after your dog?"	<ul> <li>Checking food, water, shelter, and exercise</li> <li>Notices about dog exercise areas &amp; cleaning up after your dog</li> </ul>	Some of the submitter concerns are not part of Council's core services. The SPCA and MAF have responsibilities under various legislation to look at animal welfare in general.
007	Heather Howe	"Please consider registering the owners rather than dogs and there needs to be much more education on how to behave around dogs, especially the parents as they are the ones that reinforce behaviour"	• Owners to be registered	The Act requires the registration of dogs, unless legislation is changed by Central Government this will not change.
008	Carolyn Bates (Marton Community Committee)	"Animal de-sexing We recommend inexpensive opportunities are provided to have animals de-sexed. A trial is suggested for 6 months of up to three open days for animals to be de-sexed - at a minimal cost to owners. "	<ul> <li>Recommendation: Inexpensive opportunities are provided to have animals de-sexed.</li> <li>Recommendation: A trial is suggested for 6 months of up to three open days for animals to be de-sexed - at a minimal cost to owners.</li> </ul>	Concept supported as long as the cost reduction is expected to be absorbed by Council(Rate payers)
010	Michelle Fannin (Taihape Community Board)	"Taihape community board feels the act provides enough legislation to enable animal contr5ol officers to act. The board would like to see animal control officers to enforce, implement the legislation as much as possible and be more proactive."	• General comments	Noted officers undertake proactive and reactive measures on a daily basis to give effect to the Act, bylaws and policies.

014	Judy Williams	"More staff and better training of dog control officers/ dog control rangers. Officers need to know what is happening in the community. delegating work out to junior/cadet dog rangers. Is it possible to have a space dedicated	<ul> <li>More dog control officers</li> <li>Better training of dog control officers</li> <li>Delegating work out to junior rangers</li> <li>Space dedicated ion Marton as dog play area</li> </ul>	Noted.
		in Marton as a Dog Park (e.g boundary line of ward near blue gums) for dogs to run off their leash and socially interact with other dogs. "		
016	Michelle Fannin	"The bylaws are there, I would like to see that they are enforced and implemented by our animal control officers. We have too many repeat offenders, both dogs and their owners, we need to do better, by following the policys and bylaws that we have in place. "	• Animal control officers to enforce bylaws as repeat offenders are plentiful	Noted officers undertake proactive and reactive measures on a daily basis to give effect to the Act, bylaws and policies.

#### Verbal Submissions

Submitter	Issue raised	Summary of verbal submission	Officer Comments
	no.		
Judy Williams	1	Every dog chipped	Section 36 A of the Dog Control Act 1996 is clear on this requirement.
	2	Every dog and dog owner registered	This is not a requirement of the Act.
	3	Every dog owner does a 3 month course	The Officer believes this is not practical.
	4	Prior to dog ownership, all persons to undertake a course on dog ownership	The Officer believes this is not practical.

	5	All dogs registered must be certified they attended a training school	Yes, a probationary owner.
	6	More dog rangers	Noted.
	7	Education in schools	This is currently undertaken by Contractor.
	8	All dogs to go to doggie school	The Officer believes this is not practical.
Silvia Rizzi	1	Signs up in Bulls to signify the boundary of the dog exercise area	Noted.
	2	Owners to pick and clean up after dog poos in public	Agree.
	3	Advertise the above (i.e leaflet)	Noted.
	4	Owners will receive a fine if they do not pick up after their dog	Noted.
	5	Dog exercise in Marton- better contained exercise area	Noted.
	6	If a pounded or RSPCA dog escapes, there should be a grace if they find a good home	As soon as a dog is uplifted for all instances and purposes it is deemed impounded under the Dog Control Act 1996. Unfortunately equipment does fail from time to time, but the team does have access to more than one scanner.
	7	Dog to be exercised weekly	Noted.
	8	Dog needs shelter, food, and water	Agree
	9	Council to repair microchip scanners as submitter has said these did not work last time	Noted
Margaret Robinson	1	Pick up after dogs. Enforce with a fine	Agree
	2	Further clarity of menacing dog classification.	Officer believes there is no need for further clarity.

3	Menacing dog classification with relation to responsible owner needs clarification	Please refer to Officer's previous response.
4	Penalty between menacing dog and dangerous dog classification is the same	Officer wishes to clarify that the penalty between menacing and dangerous dog classification is very different.
5	Dangerous dog definition needs further clarity	Officer believes Dangerous dog definition requires no further clarity.
6	Recommendation: advise registered dog owners prior to premises inspections	Agree.
7	Rangitikei District Council to publish dog related figures like Whanganui District Council has done recently (general stats)	This is done an annual basis as required by Section 10 of the Dog Control Act 1996.
8	More signage in Bulls where dogs are permitted to run free. Signage at entry points recommended	Noted.
9	Reversing dangerous dog classification	The Dog Control Act does not allow this when all objection avenues have been followed and classification upheld.
10	Dog ranger to join Margaret in training workshops	Animal Control Officers are not trainers in animal behaviour modification and should Council endorse one particular trainers workshop.

# Appendix 2



Rangitikei District Council

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### PROPOSED

### DOG CONTROL AND OWNER RESPONSIBILITY POLICY

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#### <u>ABSTRACT</u>

- Section 10 of the Dog Control Act statutorily mandates Council to develop and adopt a policy on dogs in accordance with the special consultative procedure set out in Section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- Council must give effect to the enforcement of this policy by developing and adopting under Section 20 of the Act the necessary Control of Dogs Bylaw.
- Council wishes to encourage dog ownership with the accompanying positive effects such ownership brings, however, Council recognises that this must be balanced by ensuring measures are in place to minimise and mitigate problems that dogs can cause.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Under the Dog Control Act 1996 Council is responsible for both administering the Dog Control Act 1996 within its territorial district and developing a dog control bylaw. This policy forms the basis of the Rangitikei District Council Dog Control Bylaw 2014 which is made pursuant to Section 20 of the Act and sets out a framework on how Council proposes to implement the various measures prescribed by the Act as being the responsibility of Council, meet community outcomes and Council's performance measures for dog control as set out in its 10 Year Long Term Plan.
- 1.2 Council acknowledges that the majority of dog owners within the Rangitikei district are responsible dog owners and that most interactions between dogs and people are positive. However, there will always be instances when a dog becomes a nuisance or danger to the community. A core feature of this policy is ensuring a balance is maintained between public safety and meeting the recreational needs of dogs and their owners.
- 1.3 In developing this policy Council has had regard to the urban / rural character of the Rangitikei district and has sought to encourage and reward responsible dog ownership recognising the value of well-behaved dogs whilst ensuring adequate measures are in place to minimise or mitigate the nuisance to the community that dogs can cause.

#### 2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

"Act" means the Dog Control Act 1996 and any amendments to it.

"At Large" means at liberty, free, not restrained.

"Bylaw" means the Control of Dogs Bylaw 2014.

"**Confined**" means enclosed securely in a building or vehicle or tied securely to an immovable fixture on a premise or within an enclosure from which the dog cannot escape.

"**Dangerous Dog**" means any dog that behaves aggressively or threatens the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal or protected wildlife as defined under Section 31 of the Act.

"Disability Assist Dog" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"Dog Control Officer" means a dog control officer appointed under Section 11 of the Act; and includes a warranted officer exercising powers under Section 17 of the Act.

"**Dog Ranger**" means a dog ranger appointed under Section 12 of the Act; and includes an honorary dog ranger.

**"Senior Dog Control Officer"** is of the same meaning as "Dog Control Officer" with the addition of further delegated responsibilities.

"Domestic Animal" has the same meaning as defined under the Act

"Council" means Rangitikei District Council.

"Infringement Offence" has the meaning given to it under Section 65(1) of the Act.

"Menacing Dog" has the same meaning as defined under the Act and means any dog that Council considers may pose a threat to any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal or protected wildlife due to either observed or reported behaviour or dogs which are classified as menacing under Section 33A or 33C of the Act.

"Neutered Dog" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"Non-Working Dog" means all dogs that are not working dogs as defined in this Policy.

"Owner" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"**Policy**" means the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy.

"Poultry" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"**Probationary owner**" means a **d**og owner who has received three or more infringement notices in a 24 month period or been convicted of any offence under the Act or any offence against Part 1 or Part 2 of the Animal Welfare Act 1999 in respect of a dog, or any offence against Section 26ZZP of the Conservation Act 1987, or Section 561 of the National Parks Act 1980.

"Protected Wildlife" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"Public Place" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"Under Control" means a dog that is under the direct control of a person either through the use of a leash, voice or hand commands (when in a leash free area) or which has its movements physically limited through the use of a leash and/or muzzle.

"**Registration Year**" has the same meaning as that given to the term "financial year" in Section 5(1) of the Local Government Act 2002.

"Roaming Dog" has the meaning given under Section 52 of the Act any is any dog unaccompanied by its owner found in a public place or on private land or premises other than that occupied by the owner. "**Responsible Owner"** means any person who demonstrates to the satisfaction of a Council dog control officer, that they are able to comply with the requirements as specified in section 7.5.1 of this policy.

"Rushing" has the same meaning as defined under Section 57 (1) of the Act and includes a dog in a public place which rushes at, or startles any person or animal in a manner that causes a person to be killed, injured or endangered; or any property to be damaged or endangered; or which rushes any vehicle in a manner that causes or is likely to cause an accident.

"Stock" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

"Working Dog" has the same meaning as defined under the Act.

#### 3. LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

- 3.1 Section 4 of the Act states that the purpose of the Act is
  - "(a) to make better provision for the care and control of dogs
    - *i.* by requiring the registration of dogs; and
    - *ii.* by making special provision in relation to dangerous dogs and menacing dogs; and
    - iii. by imposing on the owners of dogs, obligations designed to ensure that dogs do not cause a nuisance to any person and do not injure, endanger, or cause distress to any person; and
    - iv. by imposing on owners of dogs obligations designed to ensure that dogs do not injure, endanger, or cause distress to any stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife; and
  - (b) to make provision in relation to damage caused by dogs.
- 3.2 Dog owners are responsible for their dog and its behaviour. Section 5 of the Act sets out statutory obligations for every dog owner which they are required to comply with and include:
  - "(a) Ensuring that the dog is registered in accordance with the Act and that all relevant territorial authorities are promptly notified of any change of address or ownership of the dog;
  - (b) Ensuring that the dog is kept under control at all times;
  - (c) Ensuring that the dog receives proper care and attention and is supplied with proper and sufficient food, water and shelter;
  - (d) Ensuring that the dog receives adequate exercise;
  - (e) Taking all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not cause a nuisance to any other person, whether by persistent and loud barking or howling or by any other means;

- (f) Taking all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, intimidate, or otherwise cause distress to any person;
- (g) Taking all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, or cause distress to any stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife;
- (h) Taking all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not damage or endanger any property belonging to any other person;
- (i) Complying with the requirements of the Act and of all regulations and bylaws made under the Act.

Nothing in the Act limits the obligations of any owner of a dog to comply with the requirements of any other Act or of any regulations or bylaw regulating the control, keeping, and treatment of dogs.

#### 4. <u>POLICY CONSIDERATIONS</u>

- 4.1 Dog control is a statutory regulatory function which Council is required under Section 6 of the Act to provide. Further, Council is required under Section 10 of the Act to adopt a dog control policy which must:
  - a) Specify the nature and application of any bylaw made or to be made under Section 20;
  - b) Identify any public place from which dogs are to be prohibited, either generally or at specified times, pursuant to a bylaw made under Section 20(1)(a);
  - c) Identify any particular public place, and any areas or parts of the district in which dogs (other than working dogs) in public places are required by a bylaw made under Section 20(1)(b) to be kept on a leash;
  - d) Identify those areas or parts of the district in respect of which no public place or area has been identified under paragraph (b) or (c) above; and
  - e) Identify any space within areas or parts of the district that are to be designated as dog exercise areas permitting dogs to be exercised at large;
  - f) State whether dogs classified by any other Council as menacing dogs under Section 33A or 33C are required to be neutered under Section 33EB(2) if the dog is currently registered with Council and, if so whether the requirement applies to all such dogs and if not, the matters Council will take into account when determining whether a particular dog must be neutered;
  - g) Include such other details of the policy as Council thinks fit including, but not limited to, details of the policy in relation to:
    - i. Fees or proposed fees;
    - ii. Owner education programmes;
    - iii. Dog obedience courses;
    - iv. The classification of owners;
    - v. The disqualification of owners; and

vi. The issuing of infringement notices.

#### 5. <u>POLICY OBJECTIVES</u>

- 5.1 Council seeks to promote a high standard of dog care and control so that people can enjoy the benefits of a dog ownership without adversely affecting other members of the public, and for people of all ages to feel safe in our communities during their interactions with dogs.
- 5.2 As required by Section 10(4) of the Act, this policy has been made having regard to the need to:
  - a) Minimise danger, distress and nuisance to the community;
  - b) Avoid the inherent danger in allowing dogs to have uncontrolled access to public places that are frequented by children, whether or not the children are accompanied by adults; and
  - c) Enable, to the extent that is practicable, the public (including families) to use streets and public amenities without fear of attack or intimidation by dogs; and
  - d) Provide for the exercise and recreational needs of dogs and their owners.

#### 6. SHARED SERVICES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- 6.1 Council Officers liaise on dog control issues (as appropriate) with key external community stakeholders such as the SPCA, veterinary surgeons, New Zealand Police, dog obedience clubs, kennel/dog breed clubs and adjoining councils.
- 6.2 Recent amendments to the Local Government Act 2002 require Council to fulfil its dog control obligations under the Act in an efficient and cost effective method. Council does this partly through contractual agreement with Manawatu District Council and Wanganui District Council.

#### 7. NATURE AND APPLICATION OF POLICY

#### 7.1 FEES AND CHARGES

#### Registration fees

- 7.1.1 Registration of dogs is a central principle of the Act, with all registered dogs listed in the national dog database. Councils are statutorily required to keep a register of all dogs registered in their district and dog owners must ensure that their dogs are registered with Council each year. Dog registration is an effective tool for Council to use to communicate with known dog owners, and creates a valuable record detailing the history of each dog and dog owner within the district.
- 7.1.2 Council's tiered fee structure reflects a partial "user pays" system in that the dog control activity is partially funded through Council rates as the service incorporates an element of public good associated with community safety

outcomes. Despite payment of both registration and impounding fees Council does not fully recover the costs associated with this regulatory activity.

- 7.1.3 The dog registration fees are set by Council each year and reflect the respective levels of service required by each category of dog owner. Payable by 31 July each registration year, reduced registration fees are payable for neutered dogs, working dogs, and "Responsible Owners" providing an incentive for responsible dog ownership.
- 7.1.4 A key component of this policy is the control of dogs within the district particularly unwanted dogs and accordingly registration fees for dogs which have been neutered are set lower than dogs which have not been neutered.
- 7.1.5 All dogs over the age of three months are required to be registered. Accordingly, when a dog is first registered only the balance of the current years registration fee is payable.
- 7.1.6 Dog owners are required to advise Council promptly of any change of dog ownership or address.
- 7.1.7 Registration fees are set for all dogs over three months of age for each registration year. The registration fee shall be payable by 31 July in each registration year.
- 7.1.8 Pursuant to Section 32(1)(e) of the Act the registration fee of a dog classified as dangerous is 150% of the level that would apply if the dog were not so classified.

Penalties for late registration

7.1.9 Council may choose to apply a penalty fee on late registrations as stipulated under Section 37(3) of the Dog Control Act 1996 and outlined in the current schedule of fees and charges.

#### Impounding fees

7.1.9 Council has a statutory duty of care pursuant to Sections 67-72 of the Act for all dogs impounded, seized or committed to its custody. Each year Council pursuant to Section 68 of the Act sets fees relating to the impounding, seizing or committing dogs to its custody and the costs associated with this activity.

These fees are intended to capture the costs of Councils Officers time undertaking such activities, the daily sustenance costs for impounded dogs and also the costs associated with euthanising impounded dogs. As part of the tiered user pays fees structure for dog control activities but also as a sanctioning /deterrent element of this policy Council resolved to impose higher pound fees on the owner of any dog which has a second or subsequent impoundment within a single 12 month period.

7.1.10 Before any impounded dog can be released into the care of its owner or rehomed all impounding fees and charges must be paid in full and the dog (if not already) must be registered and micro chipped.

#### 7.2 DOG CONTROL MATTERS

- 7.2.1 Dog owners must keep their dogs on a leash at all times when in a public place, (excluding those locations designated as dog exercise areas or where dogs are specifically prohibited). Dog owners are required to keep their dog under continuous and effective control when in a public place.
- 7.2.2 Any dog which is placed on an open tray of a vehicle must be kept restrained by a leash or chain of a length which is sufficiently short to ensure that the dog cannot fall from the vehicle or rush at passers-by. This provision will not apply if the dog is placed in a suitable cage or box which can adequately contain it.
- 7.2.3 Bitches in season are not permitted to enter or remain upon a public place except a registered veterinary clinic and must be kept contained upon their owner's property in such a way so that they are inaccessible to roaming dogs.
- 7.2.4 Dogs suffering from any infectious disease are not permitted to enter or remain upon a public place but must be kept contained within its owner's property or alternatively be confined at a registered veterinary clinic while the disease, is being medically treated.
- 7.2.5 Council provides signage to inform the community of areas where dogs are prohibited or required to be on a leash or where they may be exercised off the leash. Signage is also used to reinforce Councils requirement that dog owners remove their dog's faeces when on public places.
- 7.2.6 Any dog owner or person responsible for a dog when out on any public place or upon land not owned or occupied by that person, must carry a suitable container to collect and remove any dog faeces defecated by the dog under their control, and dispose of it in a sanitary manner. Dog faeces can contain bacterial disease or parasites which are potentially dangerous to public health particularly for children.
- 7.2.7 Any dog found roaming on any public place or private land not owned or occupied by its owner shall be in breach of Council's Control of Dogs Bylaw and may be impounded or destroyed.
- 7.2.8 All properties of registered dog owners will be checked by Council's dog control officers or dog rangers within a 5 year period in relation to the contents of this Policy, the Control of Dogs Bylaw, and Dog Control Act 1996

#### 7.3 DOG OWNERSHIP

#### Minimum Standard of Care

- 7.3.1 Dog ownership carries with it responsibilities on the part of the owner to provide the dog with proper facilities, care, attention and exercise. Failure to do so can lead to unhealthy conditions for the dog and give rise to nuisance to neighbours through odours, vermin, pests and noise from the dog barking or howling.
- 7.3.2 Every owner, or person responsible for a dog must ensure that the area of the property that the dog has access to is fully fenced suitable for the purpose of confining the dog.
- 7.3.3 Every owner, in respect of every dog in the care of the owner, must provide accommodation, which meets the following minimum standards:
  - a) A weatherproof kennel in which there is sufficient room for the dog to stand up and turn around;
  - b) The kennel must be constructed on dry ground and be sheltered from the weather. It should be a solid structure with a roof and a floor, and allow the dog access to clean water at all times and be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.
- 7.3.4 The kennel must not be located nearer than one metre to any boundary of the property. Failure to comply with this is an offence under the Control of Dogs Bylaw and may result in an infringement notice being issued.
- 7.3.5 The dog owner must ensure that their dog is supplied with proper and sufficient food and water, is free from injury or infection or, is receiving proper care and attention for the injury or infection. Failure to comply with this is an offence under the Control of Dogs Bylaw and may result in an infringement notice or prosecution under the Act.
- 7.3.6 Each dog owner must ensure that the dog receives adequate exercise.
- 7.3.7 Where a case of neglect or cruelty to a dog is found an appropriate agency will be informed and the dog may be seized immediately.

#### 7.4 DOG CLASSIFICATION

#### Dangerous Dog

- 7.4.1 Sections 31 33 of the Act set out the reasons how or why a dog may be classified as dangerous and the obligations and responsibilities such a classification imposes on the dog owner.
- 7.4.2 Pursuant to Section 31 of the Act Council <u>must</u> classify a dog as dangerous if:
  - a) the owner of the dog has been convicted of an offence in relation to the dog under section 57A(2)<sup>1</sup> of the Act; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 57A Dogs rushing at persons, animals, or vehicles

<sup>(1)</sup> This section applies to a dog in a public place that-

- b) the territorial authority has, on the basis of sworn evidence attesting to aggressive behaviour by the dog on 1 or more occasions, reasonable grounds to believe that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife; or
- c) the owner of the dog admits in writing that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.
- 7.4.3 When a dog is classified as dangerous Council must give the owner of the dog notice of its classification whereupon the owner has 14 days to object in writing to Council of its classification. The owner is entitled to be heard by Council in support of their objection to the classification.
- 7.4.4 The owner of a dog classified as dangerous must ensure that the dog is:
  - a) kept contained within a securely fenced area of their owners property which it is not necessary to enter to obtain access to at least 1 door of any dwelling on the property;
  - b) kept confined within a vehicle or cage, or muzzled in such a manner to prevent the dog from biting but allowing it to breathe and drink without obstruction, or controlled on a leash (except when in a dog exercise area) when in a public place or private way; and
  - c) neutered or has been neutered within 1 month of receipt of the dangerous dog classification and produces to Council a veterinary certificate confirming this; or
  - d) there are reasons why the dog is not in a fit condition to be neutered before the date specified in the veterinary certificate. In such circumstances, the dog owner must produce to Council a certificate that the dog has been neutered within 1 month of the date specified in the veterinary certificate.
- 7.4.5 The owner of a dog which has been classified as dangerous is not permitted to transfer ownership of the dog without the prior written permission of Council. The obligations imposed by Section 32 of the Act and owning a dangerous dog transfer to any new owner.
- 7.4.6 The classification of a dangerous dog extends throughout all of New Zealand.

- (ii) any property to be damaged or endangered; or
- (b) rushes at any vehicle in a manner that causes, or is likely to cause, an accident.

(2) If this section applies,—

- (a) the owner of the dog commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000
- in addition to any liability that he or she may incur for any damage caused by the dog; and
- (b) the court may make an order for the destruction of the dog.

(3) A dog control officer or dog ranger who has reasonable grounds to believe that an offence has been committed under subsection (2)(a) may, at any time before a decision of the court under that subsection, seize or take custody of the dog and may enter any land or premises (except a dwellinghouse) to do so.

<sup>(</sup>a) rushes at, or startles, any person or animal in a manner that causes—
(i) any person to be killed, injured, or endangered; or

#### Menacing Dog

- 7.4.7 Sections 33A 33EC of the Act set out the reasons how or why a dog may be classified as menacing and the obligations and responsibilities such a classification imposes on the dog owner.
- 7.4.8 Pursuant to Section 33A of the Act Council <u>may</u> classify a dog as menacing if:
  - a) it has not been classified as a dangerous dog under Section 31; but Council considers may pose a threat to any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal or protected wildlife because of any observed or reported behaviour of the dog; or any characteristics typically associated with the dog breed or type.
- 7.4.9 When a dog is classified as menacing pursuant to Section 33A(2) of the Act Council must give the owner of the dog notice of its classification whereupon the owner has 14 days to object in writing to Council of its classification. The owner is entitled to be heard by Council in support of their objection to the classification.
- 7.4.10 The owner of a dog classified as menacing must ensure that the dog is:
  - a) not allowed to be at large or in any public place or in any private way, except when kept confined within a vehicle or cage, or muzzled in such a manner to prevent the dog from biting but allowing it to breathe and drink without obstruction, or controlled on a leash (except when in a dog exercise area) when in a public place or private way; and
  - c) neutered as required by a Senior Dog Control Officer, who at his/her discretion can, on a case by case basis, require a classified menacing dog to be neutered within a month of notice and for the owner to provide a veterinary certificate to Council as confirmation;
  - d) In such circumstances where a dog is not in a fit condition to be neutered before the date specified by the Senior Dog Control Officer, the Owner must produce to Council a veterinary certificate advising of the date when neutering may take place, and the dog must be neutered within 1 month of the date specified in the veterinary certificate.
- 7.4.11 All breeds listed in Schedule 4 of the Act, or types of dog belonging wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4 of the Act will be classified as menacing and will be subject to muzzling and a ban on importation.
- 7.4.12 The classification of a menacing dog extends throughout all of New Zealand.

#### 7.5 DOG OWNER CLASSIFICATION

#### **Responsible Owner**

7.5.1 Any person who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Council's dog control officer that they are able to comply with all the following requirements will be designated a Responsible Owner and will be entitled to a discounted registration fee as outlined in the current Schedule of Fees and Charges:

- a) The dog is provided with adequate accommodation. Kennels are sited on a hard surface and kept clean, and are able to provide the dog with shelter from the elements and be free from dampness. In the event that the dog does not have a kennel, the dog must be kept in a building.
- b) At all times the dog is under the proper control of the owner either through direct interaction with the owner (voice, sightlines, leash), or via a control apparatus (full fenced space, running wire).
- c) The Dog responds to owner's basic commands
- d) The dog is registered and microchipped.
- e) There has been no justified complaints within a 24 month period made against the dog.
- f) The Owner has not received a conviction under the Dog Control Act 1996, nor receive any infringement notice in the last year.
- g) The owner has not had a dog impounded over the last year.
- h) The owner has not been classified as a Probationary or Disqualified owner.
- i) The Owner will be in attendance when required for any inspection and shall provide the dog control officer with assistance as requested.
- j) The owner will promptly notify Council of any death, or transfer of any dog they own.
- k) The owner will comply with all requirements of the Act and Council's Control of Dogs Bylaw.
- Has submitted an application to be a Responsible Owner four weeks prior to 31 July each registration year and a Council dog control officer has visited the property and determined that the owner is appropriately classified as a Responsible Owner.
- 7.5.2 Failure to comply with any of the above conditions may result in the dog owner losing their Responsible Owner classification for a minimum of two complete registration years effective immediately, except in the case of late registration, in which case the dog owner will lose their Responsible Owner classification for a period of one registration year.

As Responsible Owner classification is granted to the person identified as the owner of a dog or dogs, the inability of the owner to meet Responsible Owner classification as specified under 7.5.1 due to the transgression of one dog, will effectively mean the Responsible Owner classification be revoked even though other dogs under the Owner's ownership have not transgressed.

The loss of Responsible Owner classification will result in the dog owner being liable for the payment of the difference between their Responsible Owner classification fee and whichever other fee they would otherwise be liable for. This will impact all dogs under the ownership of the Owner.

#### Probationary owner

7.5.3 Council may under Section 21 of the Act classify a dog owner as a probationary owner. Council must give the person notice of its decision to classify them as a probationary owner whereupon they shall have 14 days to object in writing to

Council of their classification. The probationary owner is entitled to be heard by Council in support of their objection to the classification.

- 7.5.4 The effect of such a classification shall continue for a period of 24 months, unless Council or the Environmental and Regulatory Services Manager determine that a lesser period of time is appropriate.
- 7.5.5 The classification of a probationary owner extends throughout all of New Zealand.

#### Duties of a Probationary Owner

- 7.5.6 A probationary owner is not permitted to be the registered owner of a dog, unless they were the registered owner of the dog on the date of the classification. Within 14 days of receiving the probationary owner classification the probationary owner must dispose of any unregistered dog that they own.
- 7.5.7 Council may require the probationary owner to attend at the dog owners expense a dog owner education programme or dog obedience course (or both) which has been previously approved by Council or the Environmental and Regulatory Services Team Leader.
- 7.5.8 Every person commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 who without reasonable excuse fails to attend the dog owner education programme or dog obedience course (or both).

#### Disqualified Owner

- 7.5.9 Where section 25 of the Act applies Council must disqualify a person from being a dog owner unless Section 25(1A) applies. Owners can be disqualified from owning a dog for a period of up to five (5) years.
- 7.5.10 Council must give the person notice of its decision to disqualify them from being permitted to own a dog whereupon they shall have 14 days to object in writing to Council of this decision. The disqualified dog owner is entitled to be heard by Council in support of their objection to being disqualified.
- 7.5.11 The disqualification from being permitted to own a dog extends throughout all of New Zealand.

#### Duties of a Disqualified Owner

- 7.5.12 A disqualified person is not permitted to be the registered owner of any dog, and must within 14 days of receiving notice that they have been disqualified from owning any dog must dispose of all dogs that they own.
- 7.5.13 All of the disqualified person's dogs must be disposed of in a manner that does not constitute an offence under the Act or any other Act; and they must not be disposed of to any person who resides at the same address as the disqualified person.

- 7.5.14 Every disqualified person commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000:
  - a) If they fail to dispose of all of the dogs that they own within the specified time frame; or
  - b) do not dispose of their dogs in a manner which doesn't constitute an offence under the Act or any other Act, or if they dispose of their dogs to any person who resides at the same address; or
  - c) if at any time while they are disqualified to own a dog become the owner of a dog.
- 7.5.15 Every person commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 if they dispose of or give custody or possession of a dog to any person, knowing that that person is disqualified from owning a dog pursuant to Section 25 of the Act.
- 7.5.16 Where a disqualified person fails to dispose of any dog that they own within the specified 14 day timeframe then Council's dog control officers may seize any dog owned by the disqualified person.

#### 7.6 **PROHIBITED AREAS**

- 7.6.1 A dog (except working dogs whilst carrying out their function as a working dog) shall be prohibited at all times from the following areas:
  - a) All public buildings;
  - b) The playing surfaces of sports grounds and up to 20 metres of the playing surfaces where contained within the perimeter fence of the sports ground;
  - c) Public swimming pools;
  - d) All children's playgrounds in public places;
  - e) Picnic areas;
  - f) Wilson Road stock route, Hunterville.
- 7.6.2 All areas from which a dog are prohibited from entering shall have appropriate signs posted notifying the public that dogs are prohibited within that area.
- 7.6.3 A Dog kept on a leash by their owner or person in charge of the dog are permitted to move through the playing surface of sports grounds, children's playgrounds, picnic areas and the Wilson Road stock route travelling from one side to the other if there is no viable alternative route; however, the dog owner or person in charge of the dog is not permitted to stop with the dog whilst within any of these areas.
- 7.6.4 Council, may upon written request, allow a dog to enter public buildings for the purpose of a dog show or such other events as Council may at its discretion authorise. In considering such written requests, Council will consider the suitability of the building concerned for holding such an event, the duration of the event, and measures necessary to ensure public health and safety. The

determination of this request will be made at the appropriate delegation level within Council.

#### Conservation areas

7.6.5 No dog (except working dogs carrying out their function as a working dog) are permitted in scenic reserves, conservation or forest parks and named conservation areas unless the dog owner has obtained a permit from the Department of Conservation.

#### 7.7 LEASH CONTROL AREAS

The owner of a dog shall not allow the dog on any public place (not being a prohibited area or dog exercise and recreation area) unless the dog is controlled on a leash or is under the continuous control to the satisfaction of Council's dog control officer.

#### 7.8 DOG EXERCISE AND RECREATION AREAS

7.8.1 Dog exercise areas are designated locations within the district where Council permits dogs to run at large off the leash. The dog owner must have the dog under their control at all times and a leash to be used if necessary. The areas listed below have been designated by Council as dog exercise areas:



Marton	The periphery of Wilson Park (excluding the children's playground) (Appendix 1)
Taihape	The north eastern section of Taihape Domain (Appendix 2) 16-18 Robin Street, Taihape (Appendix 3)
Bulls	The northern section of Bulls Domain (Appendix 4)

- 7.8.2 Other areas may be designated dog exercise areas by resolution of Council and these may include certain beach areas.
- 7.8.3 Subject to the practicality of undertaking the necessary work, some dog exercise areas may be fenced to provide a secure area for both dog owners and non-dog owners alike.
- 7.8.4 All dog exercise areas shall have appropriate signs posted prominently notifying the public that dogs are permitted to exercise within that area.

#### 7.9 EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

- 7.9.1 While Council itself does not provide any owner education programmes or dog obedience courses it will continue to visit schools to familiarise children on issues of dog safety and caring for their dog.
- 7.9.2 Areas where a dog is prohibited or conversely where they may exercise will be publicised through this Policy and appropriate signage will be displayed on the street or at the park concerned or sports ground.
- 7.9.4 Additionally, an extensive website containing information for dog owners, adults and children on dog safety is maintained by the Department of Internal Affairs <u>http://www.dogsafety.govt.nz/</u>.
- 7.9.5 Owners whose dogs come to the attention of Council dog control officers through nuisance behaviour or, those owners who are classified as probationary, may be directed to approved courses or classes.

#### 7.10 CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW

- 7.10.1 The main tool that Council will use to meet its statutory obligations and implement this policy in order to achieve its policy objectives is its Control of Dogs Bylaw 2016. This Bylaw will include inter alia:
  - a) Prescribing minimum standards for the housing of dogs;

- b) Regulating and controlling dogs in Public Places;
- c) Designating specific areas as dog exercise areas;
- Requiring dogs, other than working dogs, to be controlled on a leash in specified public places, or in public places in specified areas of parts of the district;
- e) Requiring owners of dogs that defecate in public places (except as exempted by the Bylaw) to immediately remove faeces;
- f) Requiring bitches in season to be confined;
- g) Providing for the impounding of dogs, whether or not they are wearing a collar having the proper label or disc attached, that are found at large in breach of any bylaw made by Council under the Act.
- 7.10.2 As required by Section 10(6)(a) of the Act Council will review its Control of Dogs Bylaw within 60 days of adopting this Policy.

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

- 7.11.1 Council provides a 24 hour Animal Control Service and encourages people to report nuisance dog behaviour and dangerous or menacing dogs.
- 7.11.2 Council seeks to promote a high standard of dog care and control within the district and acknowledges that the majority of dog owners within the Rangitikei district are responsible dog owners. Council recognises that sometimes even a responsible dog owner may breach the policy, Bylaw or Act. On such occasions Council's Environmental and Regulatory Services Team Leader may use discretion and issue a written warning provided that the incident did not involve injury or distress to a person or animal, or a health issue e.g. the non-removal of dog faeces.
- 7.11.3 Dog owners who are in contravention of the Act (including any subsequent amendments) or a Council Bylaw will be liable to enforcement action. Such enforcement action may generally take the form of one or more of seven (7) mechanisms:
  - 1. A verbal or written warning;
  - 2. The issuance of an infringement notice (an instant fine) for an Infringement Offence pursuant to Sections 65-66 of the Act as specified in Schedule 1 of the Act; or
  - 3. Filing Court papers for those statutory infringement offences under the Act which are enforced under Section 21 of the Summary Offences Act 1957;
  - 4. Seizing and impounding dogs;
  - 5. Classifying dogs as menacing or dangerous;
  - 6. Classifying dog owners as probationary or disqualifying people from being allowed to own a dog;
  - 7. Prosecuting dog owners.
- 7.11.4 Infringement notices shall be issued by Council's dog control officers and dog rangers for infringement offences as specified in Schedule 1 of the Act. With

respect to any of those offences, Council gives delegated authority to the Senior Animal Control Officer who may in his absolute discretion decide to issue either a verbal or written warning or an Infringement Notice for any subsequent offending of that offence.

- 7.11.5 There will be instances whereby legal action is initiated for serious offences under the Act or Control of Dogs Bylaw. A serious offence in this instance would include but not be limited to, situations where a dog:
  - a) Creates a nuisance to any person;
  - b) Causes distress to any person;
  - c) Causes damage or injury to any person;
  - d) Causes serious injury to any person;
  - e) Causes damage to property;
  - f) Causes damage or injury to any animal;

Where legal action has been initiated Council gives delegated authority to the Environmental and Regulatory Services Team Leader in his absolute discretion to determine if it is appropriate to proceed with legal action.

7.11.6 In addition to statutory offences contained within the Act, Council may impose further penalties for offences specific to Rangitikei district through its Control of Dogs Bylaw.

#### 7.12 DOG POUND

- 7.12.1 Due to the costs associated with building, maintaining, securing and staffing an impounding facility for dogs, bitches or puppies Council does not have a permanent pound facility, rather Council uses the Wanganui District Council and Manawatu District Council pound facilities through a contractual agreement.
- 7.12.2 Whenever a dog is impounded Council officers shall make all reasonable efforts to contact the owner to advise them that their dog has been impounded and shall provide written notice to the owner advising that they have seven (7) calendar days to pay in full all fees payable or their dog may be sold, euthanised or otherwise disposed of. Where Council officers are able to identify and contact the owner of a dog which has been impounded, regardless of the outcome, Council will seek to recover from the Owner all fees and costs incurred as a consequence of the impounding with respect to the dog.
- 7.12.3 Before any dog can be released from the pound the following conditions must be satisfied:
  - a) When a dog is claimed by its owner it must be registered, micro chipped (if it is not already), and all other fees and charges must be paid in full.
  - b) Council dog control officers must be satisfied that the prospective new owner of a dog being rehomed is a fit and proper person and that the property condition where they reside is suitable for a dog.

- c) Any unregistered dog before being rehomed and prior to it being released from the pound to its new owner must be both registered and micro chipped at the new owner's expense and all fees and charges must be paid in full.
- d) The release of any impounded dog from the pound shall be by a prearranged appointment.
- 7.12.4 Council will not rehome any dog which in the opinion of Council dog control officers is menacing, dangerous or has undesirable traits.
- 7.12.5 It is an offence under Section 72 of the Act to attempt to unlawfully release a dog from a council controlled pound or to be in possession of a dog that has been unlawfully released from such a pound.

#### 7.13 NUISANCE

- 7.13.1 A person must not keep a dog on any land or premises if:
  - a) The dog is causing a nuisance; or
  - b) The dog poses a significant health or safety risk to people.
- 7.13.2 Any person is in breach of this policy if they cause a dog on any land, premises or public place to become unmanageable; or if they incite a dog to fight with or attack any domestic animal, poultry, protected wildlife, stock or person.

#### Abatement of Nuisance

7.13.3 Where a dog or dogs on any property has become or is likely to become a nuisance or injurious to health, a notice will be issued to the owner at the discretion of a dog control officer or dog ranger.

The notice will request the owner within a specific timeframe to complete reasonable action to minimise or remove said nuisance or injury to health and can include the following:

- c) reducing the number of dogs living on the property
- d) repairing kennel so that it meets Council's minimum standard of accommodation
- e) constructing a new kennel so that it meets Council's minimum standard of accommodation

#### Barking Dogs

7.13.4 Where the dog control officer or dog ranger has received a complaint and has reasonable grounds for believing that a nuisance is being created pursuant to Section 55 of the Act by the persistent and loud barking or howling of a dog, the dog control officer or dog ranger, under the provisions of section 55. may:

- a. "Enter the property at any reasonable time (excluding the dwelling house), on which the dog is kept, to inspect the conditions under which the dog is being kept; and
- b. Regardless of whether or not the dog control officer or dog ranger makes such an entry upon the property, may give the owner of the dog an abatement notice requiring them to make such provision on the property to abate the nuisance as specified in the notice or, if considered necessary, to remove the dog from the land or premises."
- 7.13.5 Non-compliance with an abatement notice may result in Council taking enforcement action.

#### Roaming Dogs

- 7.13.6 Roaming dogs can cause annoyance and danger to the community, domestic animals, poultry, protected wildlife and stock.
- 7.13.7 In the first instance, when the owner of a roaming dog can be identified by dog control officers or dog rangers the dog control officers or dog rangers will have discretion to return the dog to the owner with a warning or alternatively to issue the owner with an Infringement Notice.
- 7.13.8 Excepting paragraph 7.13.7 above roaming dogs may be impounded by dog control officers or dog rangers and the dog owner will be required to pay all impound fees and other associated charges, daily sustenance before the dog will be allowed to be released from the pound to its owner.

#### 7.14 <u>POLICY REVIEW</u>

7.14.1 Pursuant to Section 10 of the Act, this policy shall be reviewed or amended, using the special consultative procedure prescribed by Section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002, within ten (10) years from the date that the policy is adopted, or earlier if directed by Council or in response to changed legislative or statutory requirements.

#### 7.15 <u>REPEAL</u>

Upon the commencement date of this policy all previous Rangitikei District Council Dog Control and Owner Responsibilities policies are hereby repealed.

#### 7.16 COMMENCEMENT DATE

- 7.16.1 This policy was duly adopted by Council by a resolution passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 2014, following the use of the special consultative procedure as set out in Section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 7.16.2 The Rangitikei District Council Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy will commence on the <del>28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2014</del>.

#### 7.17 <u>RELEVANT LEGISLATION</u>

- Dog Control Act 1996.
- Dog Control Amendment Act 2003.
- Dog Control Amendment Act 2004.
- Dog Control Amendment Act 2006.
- Dog Control Amendment Act 2010.
- Dog Control (Perro de Presa Canario) Order 2010.
- Dog Control Amendment Act 2012.
- Impounding Act 1955.
- Animal Welfare Act 1999.

# Appendix 3



Rangitikei District Council

### CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the powers vested in it by the Local Government Act 2002 and amendments, together with the Dog Control Act 1996 and amendments, the Impounding Act 1955 and amendments, together with every other power and authority conferred on it, the Rangitikei District Council hereby makes this bylaw.

#### 2. PURPOSE OF THE BYLAW

The purpose of this Bylaw is to give effect to the Rangitikei District Council Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy 2016 by specifying standards of control which must be observed by dog owners in the Rangitikei District. The requirements are deemed necessary to ensure compliance with the Dog Control Act 1996 and to give effect to the objectives of that Act and the Council's Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy.

#### 3. SCOPE OF THE BYLAW

3.1 Under Section 10(6) of the Dog Control Act 1996 Council must give effect to the Policy adopted under Section 10 of the Act by adopting the necessary bylaw under Section 20 of the Act.

3.2 Section 20(1) of the Act permits Council in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002, to make bylaws for all or any of the following purposes:

- a) prohibiting dogs, whether under control or not, from specified public places;
- b) requiring dogs, other than working dogs, to be controlled on a leash in specified public places, or in public places in specified areas or parts of the district;
- c) regulating and controlling dogs in any other public place;
- d) designating specified areas as dog exercise areas;
- e) prescribing minimum standards for the accommodation of dogs;
- f) limiting the number of dogs that may be kept on any land or premises;

- g) requiring dogs in its district to be tied up or otherwise confined during a specified period commencing not earlier than half an hour after sunset, and ending not later than half an hour before sunrise;
- h) requiring the owner of any dog that defecates in a public place or on land or premises other than that occupied by the owner to immediately remove the faeces;
- i) requiring any bitch to be confined but adequately exercised while in season;
- j) providing for the impounding of dogs, whether or not they are wearing a collar having the proper label or disc attached, that are found at large in breach of any bylaw made by the territorial authority under this or any other Act;
- requiring the owner of any dog (being a dog that, on a number of occasions, has not been kept under control) to cause that dog to be neutered (whether or not the owner of the dog has been convicted of an offence against Section 53);
- any other purpose that from time to time is, in the opinion of the territorial authority, necessary or desirable to further the control of dogs.

3.3 Pursuant to Section 20(3) of the Act no bylaw authorised by any of the provisions of paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (1) above shall have effect in respect of any land for the time being included in—

- a) a controlled dog area or open dog area under section 26ZS of the Conservation Act 1987; or
- b) a national park constituted under the National Parks Act 1980; or
- c) Te Urewera, as defined by section 7 of the Te Urewera Act 2014.

3.4 This Bylaw is authorised by Section 20 of the Dog Control Act 1996 and is made in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002.

3.5 Under Section 20(5) of the Act any person who commits a breach of this Bylaw commits an offence and is liable on conviction to the penalty prescribed by section 242(4) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3.6 An injunction preventing a person from committing a breach of any bylaw authorised by Section 20(5) of the Act may be granted in accordance with section 162 of the Local Government Act 2002.

#### 4. SHORT TITLE

The short title of this bylaw is the Rangitikei District Council Control of Dogs Bylaw 2016.

#### 5. COMMENCEMENT

This bylaw shall commence on 28 November 2014.

#### 6. **REVOCATION OF BYLAW**

This bylaw repeals the Rangitikei District Council Bylaw 2004 adopted on 16 December 2004 and amended 30 September 2010. However, with respect to infringement notices issued or the enforcement of any offences which occurred prior to the commencement of this Bylaw the Rangitikei District Council Bylaw 2004 will continue to apply.

#### 7. APPLICATION OF BYLAW

This bylaw applies to the whole Rangitikei District unless otherwise stated.

#### 8. INTERPRETATION

In this bylaw the terms used have the meaning given to them in the Dog Control Act 1996 except these terms which have the following meanings:

"Act" means the Dog Control Act 1996.

"At large" means at liberty, free, not restrained.

"Bylaw" means the Rangitikei District Council Control of Dogs Bylaw.

**"Confined"** means enclosed securely in a building or vehicle or tied securely to an immovable fixture on a premise or within an enclosure from which the dog cannot escape.

"Under Control" means a dog that is under the direct control of a person either through the use of a leash, voice or hand commands (when in a leash free area) or which has its movements physically limited through the use of a leash and/or muzzle.

"Council" means Rangitikei District Council.

"Designated Dog Exercise Area" means a public place designated for the exercise of dogs under this bylaw.

"District" means the Rangitikei District.

**"Dog Control Officer"** means a dog control officer appointed under Section 11 of the Act; and includes a warranted officer exercising powers under Section 17 of the Act.

**"Dog Ranger"** means a dog ranger appointed under Section 12 of the Act; and includes an honorary dog ranger.

"Policy" means the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy.

**"Occupier"** means any person, who is not the owner of the land or premises in question, who has the right to occupy and use the land or premises by virtue of a lease, sub-lease, licence or renewal thereof, granted by the owner of the land or premises.

"Owner" has the same meaning as defined in Section 2 of the Dog Control Act 1996 and shall include any person who has a dog in their possession for the purpose of caring for such dog for a short period of time on behalf of the owner.

#### 9. PENALTIES

Every person who commits a breach of this bylaw is liable to either:

- a) An infringement fee not exceeding \$750 or
- b) Upon summary conviction, a fine not exceeding \$20,000

#### 10. CONTROL OF DOGS IN PUBLIC PLACES

10.1 An owner or the person responsible for or having custody or control of a dog must have his or her dog on a leash at all times when the dog is in a public place (excluding those areas which are designated prohibited areas or dog exercise and recreation areas). A working dog is not required to be on a leash in a public place, while it is working if it is not normally on a leash when carrying out the work being undertaken.

10.2 Any dog which is placed on an open tray of a vehicle must be kept restrained by a leash or chain of a length which is sufficiently short to ensure that the dog cannot fall from the vehicle or rush at passers-by. This provision will not apply if the dog is placed in a cage or similar enclosure which can adequately contain it.

#### 11. DOG PROHIBITED AREAS

All dogs (except working dogs whilst carrying out their function as a working dog) shall be prohibited from the following areas:

- a) All public buildings;
- b) The playing surfaces of sports grounds and up to 20 metres of the playing surfaces where contained within the perimeter fence of the sports ground;
- c) Public swimming pools;
- d) All children's playgrounds in public places;
- e) Picnic areas;
- f) Wilson Road stock route, Hunterville.

#### 12. DOG SHOWS

Clause 11.1(a) above does not apply to any use of any prohibited public place for the purposes of a dog show not exceeding 48 hours and authorised in writing prior to the show by Councils principal administrative officer.

#### 13. DESIGNATED DOG EXERCISE AND RECREATION AREAS

13.1 Council may from time to time, declare by resolution any public place, except in all cases the playing surfaces of sports grounds and up to 20 metres of the playing surfaces where contained within the perimeter fence of the sports ground, to be a designated dog exercise area. The following areas within the District are designated dog exercise areas:

- a) The northern section of the Bulls Domain, Bulls;
- b) The north eastern section of Taihape Domain, **T**aihape;
- c) The periphery of Wilson Park, Marton (and excluding the children's playground);
- d) 16-18 Robin Street, Taihape<sup>1</sup>.

13.2 Within a dog exercise and recreation area the owner of a dog shall ensure that the dog is under their continuous control but shall not be obliged to keep the dog on a leash.

#### 14. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE ACCOMMODATION AND CARE OF DOGS

14.1 Every owner must provide their dog with a kennel that meets the following standards:

- a) There is sufficient room for the dog to stand up and turn around;
- b) The kennel is on dry ground and sheltered from the elements;
- c) The kennel must be a solid structure with a roof and floor;
- d) The kennel and its surrounds must be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

14.2 If a kennel is not provided, dogs must be confined inside premises with an adequate sleeping area provided.

14.2 Every owner of a dog must ensure at all times:

- a) That the dog receives proper care and attention and is supplied with proper and sufficient food and water;
- b) That the dog is not fed, nor has access to, any untreated sheep or goat meat.
- c) That the dog receives adequate exercise.

14.3 No owner shall permit a kennel to be located closer than 1 metre to any boundary of the premises.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> So long as it remains available for this purpose under the licence from the Ministry of Justice.

#### 15. CONFINEMENT OF DOGS

The owner of any dog must provide means of confining the dog upon the owner's property so that it is unable to gain access to any other private property or to any public place.

#### 16. BITCHES IN SEASON AND DISEASED DOGS

16.1 The owner of a bitch dog in season or any dog suffering from an infectious disease, distemper or mange shall at all times ensure the dog does not enter on or remain in a public place or on any land or premises other than the land or premises occupied or owned by the owner of the dog, or at a registered veterinary clinic.

16.2 The owner of any bitch dog in season or dog suffering an infectious disease, distemper or mange must do the following:

- a) Keep the dog confined;
- b) Provide the dog with adequate food, water, veterinary care and exercise.

#### 17. REMOVAL OF FAECES

The owner of a dog that defecates on any land or premises, other than that occupied by the owner, must promptly remove and dispose of the faeces.

#### 18. AGGRAVATION OF DOGS

No person shall wilfully or negligently cause any dog to behave or contribute to any dog behaving in such a manner that would, if that person were the owner of the dog constitute a breach of the obligations imposed by Section 5(1)(e), (f) or (g) of the Act.

#### **19. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE**

Where a dog or dogs on any property has become or is likely to become a nuisance or injurious to health, a notice will be issued to the owner at the discretion of a dog control officer or dog ranger.

The notice will request the owner within a specific timeframe to complete reasonable action to minimise or remove said nuisance or injury to health and can include the following:

- a) reducing the number of dogs living on the property
- b) repairing kennel so that it meets Council's minimum standard of accommodation
- c) constructing a new kennel so that it meets Council's minimum standard of accommodation

#### 20. IMPOUNDING OF DOG FOUND IN BREACH OF THIS BYLAW

20.1 Any dog found at large in breach of this bylaw, whether or not it is wearing a registration label or disc as required by the Act, may be seized and impounded by a Dog Control Officer or a Dog Ranger.

20.2 As soon as practicable after any dog has been impounded Council shall:

- a) In the case of a dog wearing a registration label or disc or where the owner of the dog is known through some other means, give written notice to the owner that the dog has been impounded and unless the dog is claimed and any fee payable paid within seven (7) days of receipt of the notice, it may be sold, euthanised or otherwise disposed of in such a manner as Council sees fit; and after the expiry of that period Council may so dispose of the dog.
- b) Where the owner of the dog is not known or despite reasonable enquiry cannot be identified, Council may, after the expiration of seven (7) days after the date of the seizure and impounding of the dog, sell, euthanize or otherwise dispose of the dog in such manner as it thinks fit.
- c) No dog which is not registered in accordance with the Act shall be released until it is registered, micro chipped and all fees due paid in full.
- d) The sale, destruction or disposal of any dog in accordance with this Bylaw shall not relieve the owner of the dog of liability for the payment of any fees or penalties payable under this Bylaw.

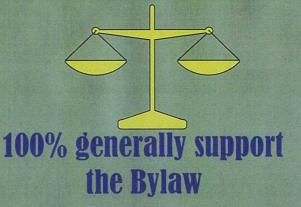
#### 21. DATE BYLAW MADE

This Bylaw was made by the Rangitikei District Council, passed and adopted at a meeting of Council on 26 May 2016.

## Appendix 4

**Dog Policy and Bylaw submitter feedback** 

# 100% support the new owner classification



**Menacing dogs neutered** 

56%

Blanket

38%

Discretion

# Regular inspection of registered properties



Maximum inspections every 5 years

69% disagree

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### Attachment 9



### Report

Subject:	Deliberations on Submissions to the review of the Gambling (Class 4) Venue and TAB Venue Policies
То:	Council
From:	Alex Staric, Policy Analyst
Date:	20 May 2016
File:	3-PY-1-5

#### 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides Council with the results of the public consultation on the review of the Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy and TAB Venue Policy.
- 1.2 The Gambling (Class 4) Venue and TAB Venue policies were subject to a special consultative procedure with written submissions requested between 4 April and 6 May 2016. Eight submissions were received and three oral submitters were heard at oral hearings on 16 May 2016. Three submissions were inadvertently left out of the original circulation of submissions and these are attached as <u>Appendix 1</u>.
- 1.3 Submissions were largely supportive of retaining the current TAB Venue Policy without amendment. However, most submitters requested that Council consider adopting a sinking lid policy for its Gambling (Class 4) Venue policy. Aggregated results displayed in <u>Appendix 2</u>.
- 1.4 This report therefore recommends that whilst the existing TAB Venue Policy is adopted without amendment, submitters requested a substantive change to Council's proposed Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy. It is therefore suggested that this is referred to the Policy/ Planning Committee for consideration and to make recommendations to Council at its meeting on 30 June regarding adoption of a final Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy.

#### 2 Analysis

#### Gambling (Class 4 Venue) Policy

2.1 The majority of submitters (five out of eight) supported Option D for Council to alter the current Gambling policy to a Sinking Lid Policy. This would not permit any machines to be replaced as venues decrease the number of licensed machines and/or venues close with the ultimate effect of having zero machines in the District. Two submitters proposed no changes to the current policy, and one submitter supported a reduced cap of 60 electronic gaming machines district wide. This would need to be implemented as machines are lost to the District.

- 2.2 Nga Tai o Te Awa supported both Options D (Sinking Lid) and C (reducing the cap to the level of current machines in the District) supporting a cap at 70 to coincide with current electronic gaming machines counts in the district.
- 2.3 The three oral submitters were supportive of a sinking lid policy.
- 2.4 Research provided by the Gambling Foundation and Nga Tai o Te Awa, for the most part, coincide with Council officer findings as presented by the Social Impact Assessment that was developed concurrently with the Gambling and TAB venue policies' review.
- 2.5 Two submitters, (one submitter identified as a problem gambler and one a recovering gambler) provided personal accounts of the negative and harmful impacts of gambling on their livelihoods and general person. The comments made by these two submitters echoes the gambling harm presented in the Rangitikei District by the face to face appointments as accounted in Margaret Ryniker's submission in her role as a Problem Gambling counsellor for the Rangitikei District.

#### TAB Venue Policy

2.6 Four out of five submitters supported no change to the current Policy with one submitter supporting the policy to permit new standalone TABs. It is suggested that the TAB Venue Policy is adopted (Appendix 3).

#### 3 Recommendations

- 3.1 That Council receive this report entitled "Deliberations on Submissions to the review of the Gambling (Class 4) Venue and TAB Venue Policies".
- 3.2 That Council adopt the proposed TAB Venue Policy [with/without amendment].
- 3.3 That Council forward the Gambling (Class 4) Venue Policy and associated consultation analysis to be considered by the Planning/Policy Committee at its meeting in June and request that its findings are reported to the Council meeting on 30 June 2016.

Alex Staric Policy Analyst

# Appendix 1



#### Submissions close at 12 noon on 6 May 2016

Return this form, or send your written submission to:

Gambling Policies Submission Rangitikei District Council Private Bag 1102 Marton 4741

Email: info@rangitikei.govt.nz

Fax: (06) 327 6970

#### Oral submissions

Oral submissions will be held at the Marton Council Chambers on 16 May 2016. I wish to speak to my submission

Ten minutes are allowed for you to speak, including questions from Elected Members. If you have any special requirements, such as those related to visual or hearing impairments, please note them here:

#### Privacy

All submissions will be public, please tick this box if you would like your name withheld

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		VENUE	POLICIES

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R.D.1 Marton 4787	7	
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**Option D**: Replace the current CAP on Class 4 gaming machines with a SINKING LID CAP (i.e. do not replace gaming machines as they are lost to the District)

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Question 2: Would you like to see any other changes to Council's Gambling Venue (Class 4) policy?

Tab Venue policy

Question 3: Which of the following options do you prefer? (please tick one response)

✓ Option A: No changes made to TAB venue policy

**Option** B: Permit new standalone TAB venues

Question 4: Would you like to see any other changes to Council's current TAB venue policy?

Question 5: Do you have any further comments you wish to make to Council in relation to the TAB venue or Gambling venue (Class 4) policies?

Council welcomes additional information or pages if necessary



### Submissions close at 12 noon on 6 May 2016

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#### Gambling venue (class 4) policy

Question 1: Which of the following options do you prefer? *(please tick one response)* 

**Option A:** No changes made to current CAP of 83 Class 4 gaming machines permitted in the District

Option B: Increase the CAP on Class 4 gaming machines permitted in the District from 83 to: (please provide your preference)



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**Option D**: Replace the current CAP on Class 4 gaming machines with a SINKING LID CAP (i.e. do not replace gaming machines as they are lost to the District)

Please turn over

Question 2: Would you like to see any other changes to Council's Gambling Venue (Class 4) policy?

#### Tab Venue policy

Question 3: Which of the following options do you prefer? (please tick one response)

Option A: No changes made to TAB venue policy

**Option B:** Permit new standalone TAB venues

Question 4: Would you like to see any other changes to Council's current TAB venue policy?

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# Appendix 2

Submitter feedback **Gambling and TAB Venue policies 2016** 

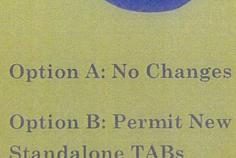
# GAMBLING VENUE

# TAB VENUE



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Option C: Reduce CAP	

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**Option B: Permit New Standalone TABs** 

# Appendix 3

### TAB VENUE POLICY

Policy Title: TAB VENUE POLICY			
Date of Adoption: 30 September 2004 Resolution: 04/RDC/229			
Review Date: 2016			
Statutory reference for adoption: Racing Act 200	)3, Gambling Act 2003 schedule 8,		
Local Government Act 2002 s 83			
Statutory reference for review: Gambling Act 2003 s102 (5)			
Included in the LTP: no			
Date Amended or Reviewed	Resolution		
13 April 2006	06/RDC/122		
29 January 2009	09/SPP/ 026 - 09/RDC/067		
28 February 2013	13/RDC/045		

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

The Racing Act 2003 (amended by Schedule 8 of the Gambling Act 2003) requires that the Rangitikei District Council adopt a Totalisator Agency Board (hereinafter referred to as TAB) venue policy for the District in accordance with the special consultative procedure in s83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

The TAB Venue Policy must specify whether or not new TAB venues may be established in the District and, if so, where they may be located. In the development of its policy, Council must have regard to the social impact of gambling on the Rangitikei District communities.

#### 2 POLICY OBJECTIVES

Among the objectives of the Gambling Act 2003 is control of the growth of gambling and the prevention and minimization of harm caused by gambling, including problem gambling. Over and above the objectives stated in the Act, the objective of the Rangitikei District Council's TAB venue policy is:

 To control the growth of gambling in the Rangitikei District within the scope of the Gambling Act 2003, while providing for the continued availability of sports or race betting within the District in accordance with the purpose and intent of the Gambling and Racing Acts. All current opportunities for sports or race betting within the District have been considered when setting this policy and include current Pub/social outlets and opportunities for telephone and Internet gambling.

#### 3 TAB VENUE CONDITIONS

There will be no new Board venues established in the Rangitikei District.

#### 4 REVIEW

4.1 The TAB Venue Policy will be reviewed concurrently with the Gambling Venue (Class4) Policy.

# Attachment 10



## REPORT

SUBJECT:	Deliberations on the Speed Limit Bylaw Amendment - Parewanui Road
TO:	Council
FROM:	Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
DATE:	20 May 2016
FILE:	1-DB-1-7

#### 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report recommends that Council adopt the amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw 2009 to reduce the speed limit along Parewanui Road from 100km/h to 80km/h/.
- 1.2 The opportunity to present written submissions was open from 4 April noon 6 May 2016. During this time 11 submissions were received, with no submitters wishing to speak at an oral hearing.

#### 2 Background

- 2.1 Concerns had been raised by residents of Parewanui Road, Bulls, about the appropriateness of a 100km/h speed limit along the road at the outskirts of the Bulls township.
- 2.2 A survey of drivers and vehicles on Parewanui Road has identified that the reduction in the speed limit to 80km/h is warranted. A draft amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw was adopted by Council for consultation. Specifically, affected residents were invited to submit.

#### 3 Comment

- 3.1 Eleven submissions were received and have been previously circulated. A summary is attached as <u>Appendix 1</u>. Nine submitters supported the reduction in speed limit along Parewanui Road from 100km/h to 80km/h.
- 3.2 Two submissions requested further reductions (to 70Km/hour and to 50Km/hour). The Roading Team advise that the survey undertaken does not support a lower speed limit in this area.
- 3.3 The Bulls Community Committee requested that no signage be placed on Brandon Hall Road and that an additional sign be placed 50m south of Ferry Road. It should be noted that the change in the speed limit is required to extend 50m up Brandon Hall Road and therefore a sign is required to alert drivers to the change from 80Km/100Km. The

Bylaw is not enforceable without this signage. Reducing the proposed 80Km/hr zone to 50m south of Ferry Road – hence negating the need to extend up Brandon Hall Road would be a considerable amendment to the proposed change and would require further consultation. It is not suggested that the change is warranted to avoid signage on Brandon Hall Road.

3.4 The Bylaw and relevant map, showing the proposed location of the 50km/h/80km/h signs are included as <u>Appendix 2</u>.

#### 4 Recommendation

- 4.1 That the report 'Deliberations on the Speed Limit Bylaw Amendment Parewanui Road' be received.
- 4.2 That the amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw [as amended] to reduce the speed along Parewanui Road to 50m south of Brandon Hall Road from 100km/h to 80km/h be adopted.

Denise Servante Strategy and Community Planning Manager

# Appendix 1

## Speed Limit Bylaw: August 2014 amendments

Consultation Period: 4 April - 6 May 2016

Submission #	First Name	Last Name	Oral Hearing	Submission Comments
1	L Mark & Vicky	Power	No	Agrees with proposed changes
2	2 W K	Cowan	No	Agrees with proposed changes
3	3 Tom Choke	RTA	No	Agrees with proposed changes
2	1 Steve Couper	Ernslaw One Ltd	No	Agrees with proposed changes
Ţ	5 P	Dady	No	Agrees with proposed changes
6	5 Joe & Karen	Yorke	No	Agrees with proposed changes
	7 June	Cockburn	No	Disgree with proposed changes. Move 50km/h sign closer to Ferry
				Road
8	3 Janet & Bruce	Deihl	No	Agrees with proposed changes
9	) Carolyn	Bates	No	Agrees with proposed changes
10	) Natalie	Third	No	Disgree with proposed changes; 80km/h is too fast should be
				70km/h
11	Bulls Community		No	Amendments to the signage associated with the amendment
	Committee			

# Appendix 2



# Speed Limit Bylaw 2009

Including the 2013, and 2014 and 2016 Amendments

# Rangitikei District Council

#### 1 Introduction

Pursuant to Section 684(1)(13) of the Local Government Act 1974, the Local Government Act 2002, the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2003, the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits Amendment 2005 and Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits Amendment 2006, the Rangitikei District Council makes this bylaw to set speed limits as specified in the schedules.

This Bylaw applies only to roads under the jurisdiction of the Rangitikei District Council.

#### 2 Title

The title of this bylaw is the Rangitikei District Council Speed Limit Bylaw 2009.

#### 3 Date the speed limits come into force

The speed limits described in the schedules come into force on 2/11/2009 excluding;

- the amendments to Wellington Road, Marton, in Schedule 7, which comes into force on 10/1/2014 and the amendments to Goldings Line in Schedule 7 and Wanganui Road in Schedule 8 which come into force on 4/7/2014; and
- the amendment to Nga Tawa Road, Marton, in Schedule 8, which comes into force on 5/12/2014, and
- the amendment to Parewanui Road, Bulls, in Schedule 8, which comes into force on xx/xx/2016.

#### 4 Definitions

#### Road

(a) includes:

i. a street

- ii. a motorway; and
- iii. a beach; and
- iv. a place to which the public have access, whether as of right or not ; and
- v. all bridges, culverts, ferries, and fords forming part of a road or street or motorway, or a place referred to in (iv); and
- vi. all sites at which vehicles may be weighed for the purposes of the Land Transport Act 1998 or any other enactments; and
- (b) includes a section of a road

**Rural Area** means a road or a geographical area that is not an urban traffic area, to which the rural speed limit generally applies.

Rural Speed Limit means a speed limit of 100km/h.

#### Speed limit means

(a) the maximum speed at which a vehicle may legally be operated on a particular road, but does not mean the maximum permitted operating speed for classes or types of vehicles in any Act, regulations or rule;

(b) for a minimum speed limit, the minimum speed at which a vehicle may legally be operated in a specified lane of the road

(c) an urban, rural, permanent, holiday, temporary, variable or minimum speed limit.

**Urban traffic area** means an area designated under this rule that consists of one or more specified roads or a specified geographical area, to which the urban speed limit generally applies.

Urban traffic limit means a speed limit of 50km/h.

#### 5 Speed limits

The roads or areas described in the schedules specified in paragraph 6 or as shown on a map referenced in the schedules are declared to have the speed limits specified in the schedules and maps, which are part of the bylaw.

#### 6 Schedules

Schedule 1: Roads that have a speed limit of 10 km/h (Schedule 1 is not in use in this bylaw).

#### Schedule 2: Roads that have a speed limit of 20 km/h.

Schedule 3: Roads that have a speed limit of 30 km/h (Schedule 3 is not in use in this bylaw).

Schedule 4: Roads that have a speed limit of 40 km/h (Schedule 4 is not in use in this bylaw).

#### Schedule 5: Roads that have a speed limit of 50 km/h.

Schedule 6: Roads that have a speed limit of 60 km/h (Schedule 6 is not in use in this bylaw).

Schedule 7: Roads that have a speed limit of 70 km/h.

Schedule 8: Roads that have a speed limit of 80 km/h.

Schedule 9: Roads that have a speed limit of 90 km/h (Schedule 9 is not in use in this bylaw).

Schedule 10: Roads that have a speed limit of 100 km/h.

Schedule 11: Roads that have a holiday speed limit (Schedule 11 is not in use in this bylaw).

Schedule 12: Roads that have a variable speed limit (Schedule 12 is not in use in this bylaw).

Schedule 13: Roads that have a minimum speed limit (Schedule 13 is not used in this bylaw).

#### 7 Date bylaw made

This Bylaw was made by the Rangitikei District Council at a meeting of Council on 27 August 2009 (resolved minute number 09/RDC/300).

The Amendment to the Crofton intersection was adopted by the Rangitikei District Council at a meeting of Council on 26 November 2013 (resolved minute number 13/RDC/318).

The Amendments for Goldings Line and Wanganui Road were adopted by the Rangitikei District Council on 1 May 2014 (resolved minute number 14/RDC/096 and 14/RDC/097).

The Amendments for Nga Tawa Road were adopted by Rangitikei District Council on 20 October 2014 (resolved minute number 14/RDC/231).

The Amendments for Parewanui Road were adopted by Rangitikei District Council on xx May 2016 (resolved minute number 16/RDC/xxx).

#### Schedule 2 Traffic Areas 20 km/h

The roads or areas described in this schedule and shown on a map referenced in this schedule are declared to have a speed limit of 20 km/h.

Мар	Description	Legal Instrument
Camping Grounds RDC 09-01	Dudding's Lake Camping Ground	Rangitikei District Council Speed
	Covering all roads from the entrance off State Highway 3 right around the lake.	Limit Bylaw 2009
Camping Grounds RDC 09-01	Mangaweka Camping Ground	Rangitikei District Council Speed
	Covering the road from the entrance off Ruahine St, Mangaweka right through the	Limit Bylaw 2009
	camping ground.	
Camping Grounds RDC 09-01	Bulls Domain	Rangitikei District Council Speed
	Covering all roads and car parks from the entrance off Domain Road, Bulls	Limit Bylaw 2009
	throughout the Domain.	

#### Schedule 5 Urban Traffic Areas 50 km/h

The Rangitikei District Council declares Urban Traffic Areas as defined below in this Register. All roads within the nine separately defined areas have a speed limit of 50 km/h unless otherwise designated. Roads that are not 50 km/h within the Urban Traffic Areas are listed separately in this register and shown on the speed limit maps. The roads covered by the nine Urban Traffic Areas exclude State Highways where the Road Controlling Authority is the New Zealand Transport Agency and those roads or areas that are marked on the said map and identified in the legend as having a different speed limit, as referenced in the appropriate schedule of this bylaw.

Мар	Description	Legal Instrument
Taihape	Taihape	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09-02	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled Taihape RDC 09-02 and identified in	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h.	
Mangaweka RDC 09-03	Mangaweka	Rangitikei District Council
	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled Mangaweka RDC 09-03 and identified	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	in the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h.	
Hunterville RDC 09-04	Hunterville	Rangitikei District Council
	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled Hunterville RDC 09-04 and identified	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	in the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h.	
Bulls	Bulls	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09-06	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled "Bulls RDC 09-06" and identified in the	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h.	
Marton	Marton	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09-05	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled Marton RDC 09-05" and identified in	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h.	
Scott's Ferry and	Scott's Ferry	Rangitikei District Council
Koitiata RDC 09-07	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled "Scott's Ferry and Koitiata RDC 09-07"	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	and identified in the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h,	
Rātana and Whangaehu	Rātana	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09-08	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled " <u>Rātana and Whangaehu RDC 09-08</u> "	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
	and identified in the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h,	

Мар	Description	Legal Instrument
Scott's Ferry and	Koitiata	Rangitikei District Council
Koitiata RDC 09-07	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled "Scott's Ferry and <u>Koitiata RDC 09-07"</u> and identified in the legend as an urban traffic area having a speed limit of 50 km/h,	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
Rātana and Whangaehu	Whangaehu village	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09 - 08	All the roads within the area marked on the map entitled "Rātana and Whangaehu RDC 09-08"	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009

## <u>Schedule 7: 70 km/h</u>

The roads or areas described in this schedule or as shown on a map referenced in this schedule are declared to have a speed limit of 70 km/h.

Map	Description	Legal Instrument
Turakina	Turakina	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 09-	All roads marked on the map entitled	Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
09	Turakina RDC 09-09.	
Marton RDC 09- 05	Pukepapa Road, Marton along Pukepapa Road starting south of Henderson Line 400 m to 121 Pukepapa Road.	Rangitikei District Council Speed Limit Bylaw 2009
Crofton	Wellington Road, Marton along Wellington Road beginning 200 metres south of Neal Dow Road/Lawson Street to	Rangitikei District Council
RDC 13-	a point adjacent to #567 Wellington Road, and down Hawkestone Road 240 metres to the Bridge, and down Neal	Speed Limit Bylaw
01	Dow Road 600 metres onto Makirikiri Road, and down Lawson Street to a point 50 metres east of Goldings Line	Amendment 2014
	onto Makirikiri Road, and down Golding Line to 100m south of Alexandra Street.	

#### Schedule 8 Traffic Areas 80 km/h

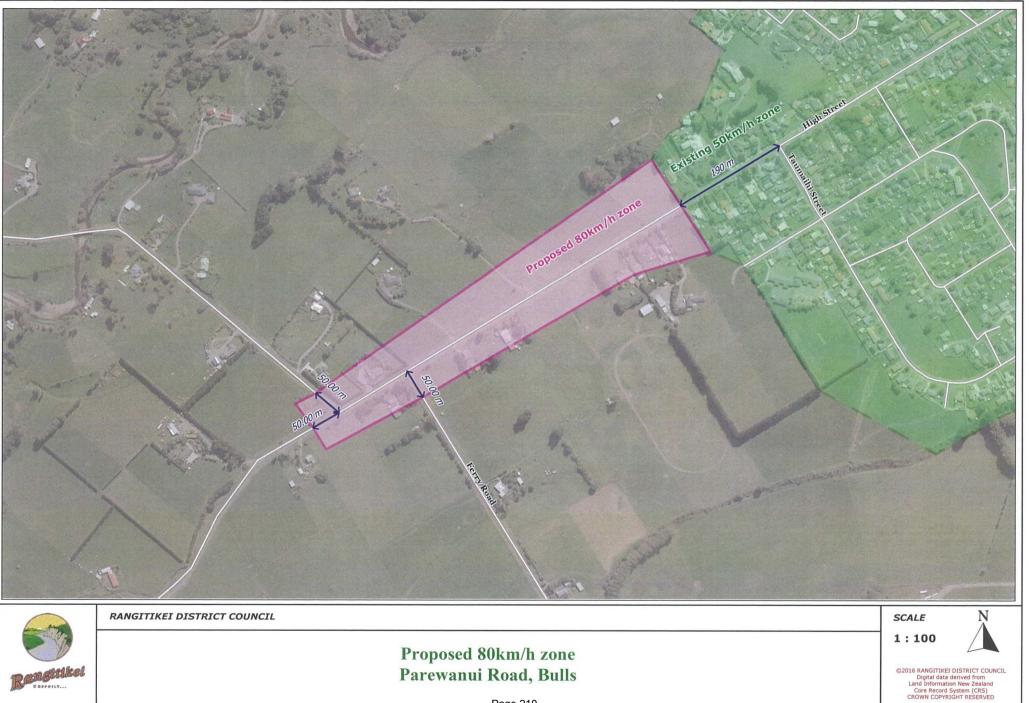
The roads or areas described in this schedule and shown on a map referenced in this schedule are declared to have a speed limit of 80 km/h.

Map	Description	Legal Instrument
Marton	Calico Line, Marton – 1.4 km down Calico Line from a point east of Nga Tawa School to the current 50	Rangitikei District
RDC 13-01	km/h sign near Marton.	Council Speed Limit
		Bylaw 2009
Marton	Wanganui Road, Marton – down Wanganui Road west from the current 50km/h sign to 180m west	Rangitikei District Council Speed
RDC 13-02	of Johnston Road and down Johnston Road.	Limit Bylaw Amendment 2014
Marton	Nga Tawa Road, Marton – down Nga Tawa Road south from Calico Line to 180m north of Marumaru	Rangitikei District Council Speed
RDC 14-01	Street.	Limit Bylaw Amendment 2014
Bulls RDC	Parewanui Road, Bulls – down Parewanui Road west from the current 50km/h sign to 50 metres south	Rangitikei District Council Speed
<u>16-xx</u>	west of Brandon Hall Road, 50 metres along Brandon Hall Road and 50 metres along Ferry Road.	Limit Bylaw Amendment 2016

#### Schedule 10: Rural traffic areas 100 km/h

The roads or areas described in this schedule are declared to have a speed limit of 100 km/h.

Speed	Description	Legal Instrument
Limit		
	All Rangitikei District Council roads outside an urban traffic area listed in Schedule 5 have a speed limit of	Rangitikei District Council Speed
100	100 km/h, except for roads or areas that are:	Limit Bylaw 2009
km/h	(a) described as having a different speed limit in the appropriate schedule of this bylaw; or	
	(b) shown on a map as having a different speed limit, as referenced in the appropriate schedule of this	
	bylaw.	



# Attachment 11



# **Rangitikei District Council**

Hunterville Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Monday 18 April 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

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12	Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward
13	General business
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15	Meeting closed – 8.05pm

#### Present:

Ms Jane Watson (Chair) Ms Maureen Fenton Ms Karen Kennedy Ms Jean Signal Cr Dean McManaway (Acting Mayor)

In attendance:

Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager

#### 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 Apologies

That the apology for absence from Ms E True be received.

Ms K Kennedy / Ms J Signal. Carried

#### 3 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

Nil

#### 4 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from the Hunterville Community Committee meeting 15 February 2016, are yet been received by Council<sup>1</sup>

#### 5 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations from the Committee to Council's meeting on 29 February 2016.

# 6 'What's new, what's changed...?' –Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan

Cr McManaway (as the Acting Mayor) and Mr Hodder presented the consultation document for the Annual Plan 2016/2017. Each item was thoroughly discussed and questions from the committee were answered. Both the Committee and indeed the wider Community were encouraged to participate in the submission process: this is our opportunity to have our voice heard.

#### 7 Other simultaneous consultations:

- proposed 2016/17 Schedule of Fees and Charges
- proposed amendments to the dog control policy and associated bylaw
- review of class 4 Gambling venue policy

The Committee read through the Summary of Information documents for the proposals out for simultaneous consultation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Resolution numbers 15/HCC/001 to 004 have been set aside for that meeting.

#### 8 Update on town centre plan project

No further update was provided to the meeting.

#### 9 Issues raised at previous meeting

Nil

### **10** Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

Resolved minute number16/HCC/005File Ref3-CC-1-5That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2016' be received.

Ms J Watson / Ms K Kennedy. Carried

## 11 Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation – part one: water quality

Resolved minute number16/HCC/006File RefThat the letter 'Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation - part one: water quality' be

That the letter 'Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation - part one: water quality' be received.

Ms K Kennedy / Ms J Signal. Carried

# 12 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Resolved minute number16/HCC/007File Ref3-CC-1-5That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council<br/>activities within the Ward' be received.other Council

Ms J Watson / Ms K Kennedy. Carried

#### 13 General business

- Ms M Fenton suggested the Rangitikei District Council be informed via the Request for Service process, of the blackberry and vegetation infestation in the Hunterville township waterways (in front of bowling club), also the creek in Te Maire Rd and the Old Man's Beard infestation at Buffalo Park (opposite the Station Hotel).
- The Committee requests Rangitikei District Council look at the issue of trees and branches overhanging footpaths in the township, these are proving to be an obstacle for pedestrians.

The Committee thanked both Cr McManaway and Mr Hodder for their time to 0 discuss in detail the Consultation Document to the Annual Plan 2016/17.

#### 14 Next meeting

Tuesday 20 June 2016, 6.30pm

#### Meeting closed – 8.05pm 15

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Finance/Performance Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday 28 April 2016 – 9:35 a.m.

Cr Nigel Belsham (Chair)

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#### Present:

	Cr Dean M	cManaway (Acting Mayor)
	Cr Cath Asl	h
	Cr Tim Har	ris
	Cr Rebecca	McNeil
	Cr Soraya F	Peke-Mason
	Cr Ruth Ra	iney
	Cr Lynne Sl	heridan
Also present:	Cr Angus G	Gordon
	Cr Mike Jo	nes
In attendance:	Mr Ross M	cNeil, Chief Executive
		McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
	Mr Michae	el Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
	Ms Saman	tha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator
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	ltem 8	Statement of Service Performance – nine months to 31 March
		2016 – Roading and footpaths – additional information

#### 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 Council Prayer

Cr McManaway

#### 3 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apologies for absence from His Worship the Mayor, and the apology for lateness from Cr Harris be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Rainey. Carried

#### 4 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that there were no changes to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

#### 5 Confirmation of Minutes

#### Resolved minute number 16/FPE/022 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 31 March 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Rainey. Carried

#### 6 Chair's report

The Chair spoke briefly to his report.

The Committee briefly discussed the delays around capital expenditure, especially within the Utilities area.

#### Resolved minute number 16/FPE/023 File Ref 3-CT-14-1

That the Chair's report to the Finance/Performance Committee meeting of 28 April 2016 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

#### 7 Financial results, July 2015 to March 2016

Mr McIrvine spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the major variances within the budgets.

The Committee requested a report to a future meeting on overdue rates showing a comparison on the outstanding amounts between years.

Resolved minute number16/FPE/024File Ref5-FR-4-1

That the memorandum 'Financial Highlights and Commentary to 31 March 2016' be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Ash. Carried

#### 8 Statement of Service Performance – nine months to 31 March 2016

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the Nine-month Statement of Service Performance, highlighting the first reporting of median times to respond to complaints (water and wastewater) and of the levels of service for footpaths (both measures being part of the mandatory performance framework). However, the Roading Operations Manager was reviewing the methodology adopted by the contractor surveying the District's footpaths as trip hazards were not being specifically documented, potentially distorting the reported result.

The Committee expressed concern around the potential water loss from the Rural Water Schemes and requested that work be done to identify what water loss, if any, there is on these Schemes. It was agreed that a report would be provided to the next meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on the water take for each Scheme vs. the amount of water charged for through the property meters on the schemes.

The need for more robust signage and better education around the need to clean recyclables before they are disposed of at Council's recycling sites was also discussed. Information about this, particularly on whether the cleanliness of recycled glass and plastics affected how they were recycled, would be provided to the next meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee.

The Committee requested that the nature of the interaction between staff and the community should be captured within Council's next annual survey.

Resolved minute number 16/FPE/025 File Ref 5-FR-

That the report 'Statement of Service Performance – nine months to 31 March 2016' be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried

#### 9 Late items

Nil

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Present: Cr Dean McManaway (Chair) Cr Mike Jones Cr Cath Ash Cr Nigel Belsham Cr Angus Gordon Cr Tim Harris Cr Ruth Rainey Cr Lynne Sheridan His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson In attendance: Mr Hamish Waugh, Infrastructure Group Manager Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager Mr John Jones, Asset Manager - Roading Ms Joanna Saywell, Asset Manager - Utilities Mr Reuben Pokiha, Operations Manager - Roading Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager - Utilities Ms Gaylene Prince, Community & Leisure Services Team Leader Mr Glenn Young, Senior Projects Engineer - Utilities Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

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Item 13 I

Late Items - C1023 RDC Emergency Works Bundle 9

#### 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 Apologies/Leave of absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Peke-Mason be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

#### 3 Confirmation of Order of business

Resolved minute number 16/AIN/045 File Ref

That the report C1023 RDC Emergency Works Bundle 9 be accepted as a late item.

Cr Harris / Cr Jones. Carried

#### 4 Confirmation of minutes

#### Resolved minute number

16/AIN/046 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 14 April 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Belsham / Cr Harris. Carried

### 5 Chair's report

There was no Chair's report to this meeting.

## 6 Queries raised at previous meeting(s):

The Committee noted the responses in the agenda to the queries raised at the previous meeting.

#### 7 Activity Management:

Mr Jones and Mr Pokiha spoke briefly to the activity management templates for the Roading & Footpaths group of activities. Mr Pokiha informed the Committee that progress has been made with the Wanganui Road, Marton, site and that completion would be approximately three weeks away. He undertook to investigate the comment that work at the Mangatipona Road drop-out site was not to a standard that would ensure it was a long-term fix.

Ms Saywell and Mr Young spoke briefly to the activity management templates for the Water, Sewage and the treatment and disposal of sewerage, and Stormwater drainage groups of activities.

Ms Prince spoke briefly to the activity management templates for the Community & Leisure Assets group of activities.

#### Resolved minute number 16/AIN/047 File Ref

- 1 That the activity management templates for April 2016 for Roading, 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.
- 2 That the Community and leisure assets (including parks), performance measures be received as tabled at the meeting.

Cr Jones / Cr Rainey. Carried

#### 8 Roading contract performance

Mr Pokiha spoke briefly to the report. The Committee agreed that from now on this report could be included in the activity management template for Roading & Footpaths.

Resolved minute number	16/AIN/048	File Ref	5-CM-1-4: C980
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That the report on roading contract performance to the meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on 16 April 2016 be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Rainey. Carried

#### 9 Resource consent compliance – update

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the report.

Resolved minute number 16/AIN/049 File Ref 5-EX-3

That the report 'Consent compliance – April2016' be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

Cr Harris 4.50pm / 4.51pm

#### **10** Water loss in rural water schemes

The Committee noted the response provided to the concern expressed by the Finance/Performance Committee.

#### 11 Renewal of Marton wastewater treatment plant – update

Ms Saywell spoke briefly to the report, informing the Committee of the continued discussions with Mid-West Disposals Ltd on the continued acceptance of leachate in to the Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The initial pre-treatment process has been installed onsite and there have been improvements in the colour of the leachate and the levels of some of the contaminants. Testing of this pre-treated leachate is still ongoing.

Ms Saywell also informed the Committee that Horizons Regional Council indicated that Rangitikei District Council should not continue to accept leachate from the Bonny Glen Landfill after June 2016 if the levels of ammonia within the leachate have not been decreased significantly.

The Committee expressed a concern that Council would be left with a 'do-or-die' decision at the end of June 2016. It was suggested that a meeting be set up between Mid-West Disposals Ltd, the Chief Executive, His Worship the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and other relevant Council staff.

It was also suggested that a meeting be set up between Mr Waugh, Ms Saywell, His Worship the Mayor, the Chief Executive and Horizons Regional Council staff to ascertain a definitive position from the Regional Council on the repercussions of Council continuing the accept leachate.

#### Resolved minute number 16/AIN/050 File Ref 6-WW-14

That the report 'Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant as at 1 May 2016' be received.

Cr Jones / Cr Harris. Carried

# 12 Stormwater – identification of public and private drains – project update

This item was deferred to the Committee meeting in June 2016.

#### 13 Late items

#### C1023 RDC Emergency Works Bundle 9

Mr Waugh spoke briefly to the tabled report.

Resolved minute number16/AIN/051File Ref5-CM-1, C1023

- 1 That the report 'C1023 RDC Emergency Works Bundle 9' be received.
- 2 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee approves awarding Contract C1023 to Higgins Contractors Ltd for a value of Two Hundred and Seventy Thousand, Eight Hundred and Twenty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents plus GST (\$270,824.83 plus GST).

Cr McManaway / Cr Jones. Carried

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