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Councillors Cath Ash, Richard Aslett, Jane Dunn,
Angus Gordon, Dean McManaway, Soraya Peke-Mason, Graeme Platt,
Ruth Rainey, Lynne Sheridan, Dave Wilson

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1 Welcome

2 Public Forum

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

4 Members' conflict of interest

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

5 Confirmation of order of business

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

6 Confirmation of minutes

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 April 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Mayor's Report

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-EP-3-5

Recommendation

That the Mayor's Report to the Council meeting on 27 April 2017 be received.

8 Portfolio Updates

Ohakea
Criterion Site
Shared Services
Southern Sport
Samoan Community and Youth Development
Marton Building (Civic Centre)
Iwi Interests
Heritage and Tourism
Northern Sport and Taihape Building

Cr Platt
Cr Dunn
Cr Belsham / Cr McManaway
Cr Sheridan
Cr Ash
Cr Wilson
Cr Peke-Mason
Cr Aslett
Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey

9 Administrative Matters – April 2017

A report is attached.

File ref: 5-EX-4

Recommendations

- 1 That the report 'Administrative matters – March' be received.
- 2 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to Horizons Regional Council on its 2017/18 Annual Plan.
- 3 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee be delegated authority to award the contract for the upgrade of filtration and heating in the Taihape Pool (Contract C1057).
- 4 That subject to 80% funding from the Ministry for the Environment, Council agrees to provide a grant of \$2,200 for three years from 1 July 2017 from the Waste Minimisation Levy to Para Kore for its zero waste programmes to marae within the Rangitikei District.
- 5 That the Council waive% of the internal building consent costs for the new house built in 2016 at Edale.

10 Top Ten Projects – April 2017

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 5-EX-4

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Top ten projects – status, April 2017' be received.

11 Analysis of submissions to 'What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...' Consultation Document for Annual Plan 2017/18

A report will be tabled (circulated electronically beforehand)

File ref: 1-AP-1-3

Recommendations

1. That the report 'Analysis of submissions to 'What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...', Consultation Document for Annual Plan 2017/18' be received.
- 2.

12 Analysis of submissions to the proposed Schedule of fees and charges for 2017/18

A report will be tabled (circulated electronically beforehand)

File ref: 1-AP-2-1

Recommendations

1. That the report 'Analysis of submissions to the proposed Schedule of fees and charges for 2017/18 be received.
- 2.

13 Submission to the 'Clear Water' Package

The Ministry for the Environment's 'Clear Water' sets out a number of Government initiatives which seek to improve fresh water quality throughout New Zealand.

A draft submission will be tabled at the meeting. A draft has been circulated to all Elected Members reflecting discussion at the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 13 April 2017.

Recommendation

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission [as amended/without amendment] to the Ministry for the Environment's 'Clear Water' package.

14 Submission on the proposed implementation of Urban Development Authorities

The Rangitikei District is not experiencing sustained growth at this time, which the proposed reforms are seeking to address. Through discussion at the Policy/Planning Committee it was agreed that a submission be prepared recommending that the Government to think outside the box in dealing with fast-paced growth in our urban areas and consider the opportunities that regional New Zealand can provide. A submission is in preparation, focussing particularly on Marton and Bulls. Submissions close with the Ministry on 19 May 2017.

Recommendation

That Council delegate to the Policy/Planning Committee the decision to authorise His Worship the Mayor to sign, on behalf of the Council, a submission on the discussion document released by the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment on proposed legislation to establish Urban Development Authorities.

15 Project plan and timeline for developing the 2018-28 Long Term Plan

An outline plan is attached for information. The timing of engagement by the Council's auditors has yet to be finalised. There is likely to be a need for additional workshop sessions to allow more detailed briefings and discussions.

16 Marton B and C Dam Management Plan

A report is attached.

Recommendation

- 1 That the report 'Draft Marton B and C Dams Management Plan' be received.
- 2 That the draft Marton B and C Dam Management Plan [as amended/without amendment] is approved for public consultation during May/June 2017, provided the engagement plan and the outstanding matters are approved at the 11 May 2017 Policy/Planning Committee meeting.
- 3 That the Dog Control Bylaw (amended to restrict public access to the Marton B and C Dams) is approved for consultation during May/June 2017, provided the engagement plan is approved at the 11 May 2017 Policy/Planning Committee meeting.
- 4 That the profits from the harvesting of forestry at the Marton B and C Dams are used to cover costs associated with plant pest control and replanting of the site to meet regeneration requirements under Section 179 of the Climate Change Response Act 2002 and following public consultation and the completion of logging, Council will decide on whether to use any of the residual funds for recreation purposes at the site.

17 Receipt of Committee minutes and resolutions to be confirmed

Recommendations

- 1 That the minutes of the following meetings be received:
 - Finance/Performance Committee 30 March 2017
 - Turakina Community Committee, 6 April 2017
 - Hunterville Community Committee, 10 April 2017 – to be tabled
 - Bulls Community Committee, 11 April 2017 – to be tabled
 - Ratana Community Board, 11 April 2017 – to be tabled
 - Taihape Community Board, 12 April 2017
 - Marton Community Committee, 12 April 2017
 - Assets/Infrastructure Committee 13 April 2017
 - Policy/Planning Committee 13 April 2017
 - Audit/Risk Committee 20 April 2017

- 2 That the following recommendations from Marton Community Committee meeting held on 12 April 2017 be confirmed:

17/MCC/010

That Council considers a similar process of information provision to Community Committees when other significant Council decisions are being made

That the Committee endorses its submission made to 2017/18 Annual Plan

17/MCC/014

That the Committee request that Council investigate and develop a policy, in conjunction with the government's intention to achieve a pest free New Zealand, on the acceptable disposal of nuisance/stray/feral cats.

17/MCC/016

That the Committee suggests that Murimotu for Otiwhiti and Raumai for Parewanui may be suitable but that feedback should be primarily from the affected communities and Iwi

17/MCC/017

The Committee recommends that the same colours (cream/green) be used to repaint the exterior of Memorial Hall and Jubilee Pavilion

18 Public Excluded

Recommendation

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

Item 1: Earthquake-prone buildings

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 Earthquake-prone buildings	Briefing contains information which if released would be likely unreasonably to prejudice maintaining the effective conduct of public affairs through the	Section 48(1)(a)(g)

	protection of members, officers or employees of any local authority from improper pressure or harassment.	
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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.

19 Late Items

20 Future Items for the Agenda

21 Next Meeting

Thursday 25 May 2017, 1.00 pm
(with the Elected Members only session being from 12.45 pm)

22 Meeting Closed

Attachment 1

Rangitikei District Council

Council Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 20 April 2017 – 10:34 AM

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Present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Jane Dunn
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Dean McManaway
Cr Graeme Platt
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr David Wilson

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Community & Strategy Planning Manager
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator
Ms Samantha Kett, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents: **Item 7 Oral submissions to “What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”** – Petition from Ms Doreen Gardiner, supporting documentation from Mr Wayne Spencer and financial information for Edale Trust from Mr Dudley Brown

1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council Payer

The Council Prayer was read during the Audit/Risk Committee meeting earlier in the day.

3 Apologies/Leave of absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Aslett, absence, and the apology for leaving early from Cr Peke-Mason be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Dunn. Carried

4 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.

5 Confirmation of order of business

His Worship the Mayor informed Council that there would be no change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **17/RDC/081** File Ref

That the Minutes (and Public Excluded Minutes) of the Council meeting held on 30 March 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr McManaway / Cr Belsham. Carried

7 Oral submissions to "What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"

His Worship the Mayor highlighted the changes made to the list of submitters in the tabled updated agenda. He noted that Mr Kevin Wheelan had opted to withdraw his submission after meeting with the Mayor to discuss the issues highlighted in his submission.

His Worship the Mayor informed all submitters present that they would have 10 minutes to speak to Council including time for Councillors to answer questions and it would be up to submitters how they used their time. If the submitter chose to speak for the entire 10 minutes, there would be no time for Councillors to ask questions.

Time	Submitter	Submission document	Page nos.
10.30am – 11.30am	Doreen Gardiner	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	10.40am – 10.46am
	Gretta Mills	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	10.47am – 10.59am
	Wayne Spencer	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	10.59am – 11.08am
	Federated Farmers	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	11.10am – 11.22am
	Dudley Brown – Edale Trust	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	11.23am – 11.34am
11.30am – 12.30pm	Raewyn Turner	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	11.35am – 11.47am
	Alicia Kirkwood & Rachel Mahur - Rangitikei Toy Library and Marton Plunket	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	11.47am – 11.58am
	Raymond James Seymour	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	11.59am – 12.09pm
Lunch Break 12.15pm / 1.15pm			
1.30pm – 2.30pm	Terence Peter Baird & Barry Thomas – Taihape Rugby and Sports Club	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	1.15pm – 1.23pm
	Michelle Fannin – Taihape Community Board	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	1.23pm – 1.36pm
	Robert Snijders	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	1.37pm – 1.47pm
	Bronwyn Minty	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	1.48pm – 1.58pm
	Les Clarke	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	1.59pm – 2.13pm
	Heritage New Zealand – Fin Kiddle	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	2.13pm – 2.24pm
	Marton Community Committee – Carolyn Bates	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	2.27pm – 2.35pm
2.30pm – 3.30pm	Carolyn Bates	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	2.35pm – 2.41pm
	Afternoon Tea 2.42pm / 3.00pm		
	Greg Carlyon – Rangitikei College	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	2.59pm – 3.09pm
	Greg Carlyon – Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	3.09pm – 3.25pm
3.30pm – 4.30pm	Pania and Raymond Hemopo	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	3.27pm – 3.40pm
Withdrawn	Heather Thorby		
Withdrawn	Owen Bonner		
Withdrawn	John Vickers		
Withdrawn	Kevin Whelan		

Cr Sheridan left the meeting 2.14pm / 2.22pm & 3.27pm / 3.31pm

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 2.24pm

Cr McManaway left the meeting 3.27pm / 3.29pm

8 Late Items

Nil

9 Future items for the agenda

Nil

10 Next meeting

27 April 2017, 1.15 pm

11 Meeting closed – 3.41pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Hearings Thursday 20 April 2017

Rangitikei District Council

Submission Hearing on:

“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?” the consultation document to Rangitikei District Council’s Annual Plan 2017/18.

Thursday 20 April 2017

Submitter’s name	Submitter’s organisation / affiliation (if any)	Time	Topic	Summary of key questions posed by Elected Members and responses.
MARTON				
Michael McCartney and Bruce Gordon	Horizons Regional Council	Council, 30 March 2017	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>Council are supportive of the replacement of the Mangaweka Bridge (it fits within the Regional Transport Plan) but we would ask that you take note of the flow-monitoring equipment that is owned by Regional Council at the base of the current bridge. We suggest that the level of consultation being proposed for this project is over the top and costly. Council is supportive of the proposed Infrastructure upgrades and will continue to engage with Rangitikei at every chance.</p> <p>Council is also supportive of the work done in the Civil Defence area and acknowledges that relationships are key.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – What is Horizons position on the Regional Growth Strategy? Horizons will continue to fund for one more year (half from reserves and half from rates), beyond that will be a Long Term Plan consideration. This is a role to be considered by all Council’s.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Will the funding for the Regional Growth Study still go into all nine streams? Yes but it won’t be an even split between each stream.</p>
Richard Gower		Council, 30 March 2017	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>Mr Gower narrated a presentation on the potential for a Dog Cemetery in Hunterville, similar to one he had visited in Corrigin in Western Australia. He requested that Council look into the possibility of offering the former Council works site at 27 Milne Street (also SH1) for this project. Mr Gower sees this as a tourism opportunity as Hunterville is tagged as the ‘Huntaway capital of the world’ and a dog cemetery would tie in with this theme. Council asked about who would be responsible for</p>

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				<p>the project and the upkeep of the cemetery, if he had a 'plan-B' if this site wasn't suitable and whether he had approached the Hunterville Lions Club for support. Mr Gower stated that he didn't have a concrete idea of who would eventually become responsible for the cemetery (either Council or a Community Group, e.g. the Hunterville Community Committee), he hadn't researched a 'plan-B' if the identified site wasn't suitable and that he was intending to approach the Hunterville Lions Club at their next meeting. It was suggested that this be taken as a submission to Council's draft Annual Plan 2017/18 and Mr Gower accepted this suggestion.</p>
Doreen Gardiner		10.40am – 10.46am	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Ms Gardiner spoke to Council about the need to reconstruct the Ratana urupa road, from the entrance to the top cemetery. There is only one lane to the top cemetery (lots of congestion when funeral, with some having to walk up to the top cemetery). The fence hasn't always been there so it used to be a 2 lane road. Would like to see the road either tar-sealed or concreted and the addition of a parking area before the gate (before the fence was put in place, people parked on grass and got stuck). There is a great deal of support from the community for this proposal.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Thank you for coming to speak to your submission. Is the cemetery maintained by Council (specifically the road)? Half of the cemetery at Ratana, including road access, is maintained by Council.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Thank you for coming to speak to your submission and welcome. Has this issue been raised with Council before? Don't think so. I created a petition for support from the Community (went to houses and got signatures of support). The current road is not suitable for all vehicles (a 4WD would be needed at times of the year. Is there a place to turnaround? No, you have to go right to the top.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – Thank you for attending and being proactive with this</p>

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				<p>issue. Your submission is as an individual but you have door-knocked in Ratana to gather support, do you have copy of signatures from the community? Yes, will leave with staff.</p> <p>Cr Gordon – Welcome. Has this issue been raised with the Ratana Community Board? The issue was raised at the recent Ratana Community Board meeting on the Annual Plan.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank you for coming and presenting to Council. The process from here is for Council to deliberate on submissions before making any decisions on the final Annual Plan. Submitters will be advised in bulk response.</p>
Gretta Mills		10.47am – 10.59 am	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>My submission is very brief as I couldn’t use the online submission. My submission centres on wants vs needs. Half of Council’s income comes from rates and the other half from Central Government (subsidies and external funding). I would like to use Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs (five levels) to demonstrate my submission. Council needs to meet the Communities basic needs first, before looking at developing town centres. I work with lower socio-economic population in the District (a large part of the community are seasonal workers). The Rangitikei is not a wealthy community, yet Council is planning large scale (expensive) development. \$170k has been spent buying property in Marton, with \$50k already spent on concepts and a further \$800k on more detailed concept development. Where did these ideas come from? Who understands ABCD?</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – welcome. Should all Council wants be raised by the Community? Some, community based ones should be. I don’t feel that there is genuine consultation with the Community on these issues. Who should do strategic thinking concerning community? We need wide involvement. I would think there is an issue with top paid staff who don’t live in the Rangitikei District. These staff members need to live in the</p>

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				<p>community and attend community events to have a better understanding. You believe senior staff make these high-level decisions? Yes.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission. How do you think Council could better engage? There needs to be more detail on Council's website around roles and responsibilities of staff.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – You mention ANZCO, have you contacted them about the average wage of their workers? No. But there is a considerable cost to these families moving to New Zealand and living off a seasonal wage.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission.</p>
Wayne Spencer		10.59am – 11.08am	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Mr Spencer would like to see Council accelerate the sealing of the remainder of the Turakina Valley Road (5km of unsealed road left). There is great potential for increasing tourism in the District by bringing people off SH1 into the District's back-country. There is beautiful country-side here, but people won't use a gravel-road. Motorcycle groups won't use this road due to it being a gravel road. We are limiting tourism by not completing this road. There is economic potential as well; there are several farm stays along the road and it will improve transport in and out of farms. There has been a huge increase in the popularity of cycling around the Country, and we need to bring them to Rangitikei. Council is also limiting access to the District through this road not being sealed. This road is also used as a bypass when the Turakina Bridge is closed. I understand that this project is on the work programme (1km per year) but I believe Council should bring it forward and do it all at once. I have email support from 11 others for this idea.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – There will be a large cost to this project, do you have any suggestions for funding? Council should reprioritise the Roding programme from other projects, which isn't an extra cost.</p>

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				<p>Cr Gordon – What do you do and where do you live? I live in Marton and work for Horizons Regional Council. What is your knowledge of the use of this section of the road? I use this road for work, but currently there is not a lot of traffic due to it being a gravel road.</p> <p>Cr Ash – Where would cyclist use the road and how would impact would it have on our towns? Cycling is only one aspect of the potential use for the road if it were sealed, motorcycle tours of the area and farm stays are others; it is a very scenic route into Marton. They currently come from Whanganui but go to Hunterville not Marton as the portion of the road to Marton is gravel. How would we advertise that the road is now sealed? Cycling blogs and websites, and some signage.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Could this be done as a targeted rate to Hunterville and Marton? How do you think farmers would feel? Use reprioritisation as drive, not extra expense.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Thank-you for coming along. In our current programme, Mangatapona Road will be completely sealed next month (which came at a huge cost) so where is the urgency for completing this road? Council needs to take advantage of tourist boom hitting the Country right now.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming along and speaking to your submission.</p>
Kristy McGregor	Federated Farmers	11.10am – 11.22am	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...”	<p>Kristy McGregor, Tim Matthews, Richard Morrison, Harry Matthews. Rangitikei District Council straddles two Federated Farmers Groups, which means we represent a large number of farmers. We feel that there is a need for more time to discuss our submission with Council.</p> <p>Tourism and district promotion portion of rates; farmers pay a large portion of these costs (as their rates are generally higher due to capital value of these properties). The agriculture sector in the Rangitikei contributes approximately 33% of the GDP in District; I would guess that tourism contributes >1% of the GDP. If Council is going to continue to</p>

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				<p>prioritise tourism in the District (and therefore forms part of the rates take), it needs to increase tourism to match GDP of agriculture. Council would be better off leaving more money in farmer's pocket, which they can then use locally to benefit the District. Council needs to look at where money (rates) comes from and where they are used.</p> <p>It is not realistic to assume that tidying up the main street in Marton will improve economy, better decisions need to be made.</p> <p>We would like to workshop some of the early parts of the next Long Term Plan with Council, specifically the Revenue and Financing Policy, and suggest that Council needs a more detailed explanation of how Council arrives at Revenue and Financing Policy decisions on its website.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Does promoting the District help rural property sales? We would say that has very little impact on the sale of rural properties in the District. Farmers are very good at doing their due diligence when purchasing a property, and wouldn't come to Council for that information. Promoting the District would help business more. Are you aware of the amount of funding Council has put into irrigation investigation through the Economic Development budgets? Yes.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Why do you see rural properties continuing to increase in value, but urban properties will continue to decrease? There has been a lift in urban and commercial property value, are you pessimistic? There isn't the demand in the Rangitikei District as in there is in larger Districts, this is a small increase not a drastic change.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Would you agree that from our Annual Reports our Council is reasonably efficient and lean? You say the rural sector is not a recipient of benefits from urban rates, but would you agree that the rural sector is the major beneficiary of roading and could be targeted? Yes and no; there used to be differentials for roading between urban and rural sectors. However, roads are not exclusive.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Thank-you for speaking to your submission. Do you think</p>

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				<p>that Council should display all its rationale for its decisions on the website? Yes, community needs to know how decision reached.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – Are you aware that Council are spending a considerable amount of funding on the Tutaenui irrigation scheme? Yes (question has already been asked).</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission. Council would be happy to engage with Federated Farmers in the Long Term Plan process (the same as any major industry).</p> <p>*preferably before X-Mas</p>
Dudley Brown	Edale Trust Board	11.23am – 11.34am	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>I am the Chair of the Edale Trust Board; a community, not-for-profit trust. The centre has recently undergone some expansion, with a normal occupancy of 87-91%. Edale. The Trust is now struggled financially, but the community donations and grants we receive help. The recently discovered fraudulent activity has also compounded this issue but is now in the hands of Police. Edale is salvageable, with good cash-flow. A report was commissioned in January which had several suggested changes that would help the centre stay viable; restructure of the Board (law and finance expertise), restructure staffing roster, close dementia unit and move five flats to a license to occupy structure. The District Health Board normally audits 3-yearly but have agreed that the Centre can move to a 3-yearly cycle now. There were also no recommendations from the most recent audit. The Trust is now running under its strategic plan to 2020, with a new management team. The centre is valued at \$2.2M, with a total debt of less than \$300k. What the Trust is seeking from Council is an interest free loan to implement the recommendations from strategic report. The Trust is happy to continue working with Council’s Finance Team. Edale is a significant business in the Rangitikei, and with an aging population is essential as it is the only aged-care facility in the Rangitikei. Thanks to staff and Mayor for help in recent time. The facility can expand</p>

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				<p>to meet increased demands.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Do you pay your staff minimum wage or higher? Majority of staff are on minimum wage.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – With all of the recent changes to the management team, who's running Edale? We have appointed a new management team, including a Facility Manager (who has been with us since January 2017) and the deputy Chair of the Trust Board has been assisting where possible (Mike O'Regan).</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – What does further assistance look like? Cash-flow issues have been brought to ahead by the recently discovered fraud (which is in the vicinity of \$200k, with approximately \$60k being wage-fraud), so the Trust is seeking an interest free loan from Council.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – What is the current occupancy of the dementia unit? Recently have had to reduce the number of beds in the unit due to lack of demand, but it is now at full occupancy. What will this unit be used for once it's closed? It will be brought back into the rest home.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – In your future financials, why is there no reduction in rental income if the rentals are to be sold (so no further rent collected)? I don't know. All but 1 of the units is full, so that is where the current rental income is coming from.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – So the centre is now on yearly audits not 3-yearly? Yes. If Council invests wouldn't we want yearly audits again? District Health Board audits don't consider finances, just the functioning of the centre as an aged-care facility.</p> <p>Cr Platt – Do the DHB offer support? No</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – You're seeking a loan against security? Yes.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission.</p>

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Raewyn Turner		11.35am – 11.47am	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Thank you for opportunity to come and speak to my submission, and thank you for the work that Council does. I have strong views on the Bulls multi-purpose centre. Thank you for the engagement with community and the work behind the scenes. I believe that the proposed building not fit for purpose; size and orientation of the hall is not appropriate, and the kitchen is not workable. The stairs too large and take up too much space. There is limited staff space and space for Plunket etc. No foyer. No paving on eastern side. Heating issues. Not functional but aesthetic. I have sent correspondence to the Mayor and Councillors, but have had limited reply. I feel that Council should retain the current budget but look to redesign the building. Only one plan was presented to the community for feedback and this design is not multi-purpose. I am worried that if this design isn't accepted Bulls could miss out altogether, and Council will move onto Marton/Taihape. Council has received designs from the Community, but haven't listened to the community views and concerns. I believe that the current design will go ahead if the funding is secured, regardless of the communities concerns around the design. When spending money on development, Council needs to be mindful that the end product is the best possible. I am community minded. My suggestions with engaging with the Marton Community, is let the community know the specs, needs and requirements, ask them to present designs and engage students. Using the high-school students will also save money, before going to architect. Children need to have say. Let the community have a say and be open to diverse opinions.</p> <p>Cr Platt – Welcome and thank you for speaking today. Do you have support in the Community on your views? Yes, I work with lots of group who have voiced an opinion to me.</p> <p>Cr Gordon – Did you express these views in the initial consultation? I attended some of the steering group meetings, but couldn't get to all of</p>

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				<p>them.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Thank you for coming to speak to your submission. How much do you know about the communication between Council and the Toy Library? I am part of the new committee, so I have no idea of the communication with the past committee.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – How often have the Toy Library used their current facilities? The past Committee closed the facility in September 2016, and have been uncooperative with helping to reopen the facility. The new Committee are planning a reopening in July.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – Would you agree that eventually a 'kids design' has to be costed by architect? Yes.</p>
Alicia Kirkwood and Rachel Mahur	Rangitikei Toy Library and Marton Plunket	11.47am – 11.58am	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Tender apologies from Heidi Wright from Plunket who can't make it, but I have her contact details if questions are raised. There are a good number of members of toy library but we want to increase the membership by better utilising the current building. Our idea is for a Parent-Hub with Plunket; use the front room as a meeting place for parents (tea and coffee facilities), change rooms or feeding room and used by Plunket for workshop sessions. We want to make the building more inviting and welcoming; the building hasn't been painted since the 1960's. We are also considering a clothing exchange for younger children. Our other idea for upgrading the site is upgrades to playground; this has been vandalised in the past (WiFi from Library reaches this area and could be a draw-card for this behaviour) and it looks tired and outdated (needs to be upgraded to make people want to use it). We see the following work as required to make the site more inviting; painting interior and exterior, playground upgrades (mural on building wall by playground using school children) and upgrades to the front room (a committee will be established to make sure this area is kept tidy). We are looking for external funding (Lions, Rotary and Dudding Trust) to help as</p>

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				<p>well. We are seeking funding assistance from Council for the playground upgrade and paint; the other aspects we will look for external funding to cover. The Toy Library becomes a meeting place for local new mums and families.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – I like the ideas. Is this all non-profit and voluntary? Yes. Have you considered applying for the Creative Community scheme for funding? Yes, but we missed this round.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Would you like funding applications provided to you? Yes. Do you have design plans? We have thoughts on the playground from Athol Sanson (who provided information on design options) but nothing will change to the floorplan of the building. How will you promote the facility? Any way possible. We can use Plunket as a promotion tool, they already have contact with new families.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Thank you for coming and speaking to your submission. Do you have any costings? No, Athol Sanson suggested that \$30k had been given to upgrade the playground but nothing was ever done.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank you for coming and speaking to your submission. I suggest that you bring any costings you do obtain to staff.</p>
Raymond James Seymour		11.59am – 12.09 pm	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...”	<p>Thank-you for the opportunity to come and speak to my submission. My submission focuses on the need by Council to look after our memorials. I am totally in favour of retaining the grandstand at Taihape Memorial Park. The information in my submission comes from the 2010 Management Plan for the Memorial Park and a 1971 DSIR report (specifically the Botany Section).</p> <p>Mr Seymour highlighted the main points of his written submission. Taihape grandstand is a memorial, and needs to be retained.</p>
Lunch 12.15pm / 1.15pm				
Terence Peter Baird Barry	Taihape Rugby & Sports Club	1.15pm – 1.23pm	“What’s changed, what’s the plan	<p>Skype call from Taihape.</p> <p>Our submission centres around the need to build a new grandstand on</p>

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Thomas			for 2017/18...?"	<p>top of the proposed amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park (there needs to be some form of grandstand on the site). The grandstand is widely used for all sporting codes. The locals are used to the state of the grandstand but visiting teams have voiced concerned.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Is there support from the community for a new grandstand rather than retaining the old one? Unsure; the Taihape Community are generally poor at reading the information available. Maybe we need a referendum; half the town doesn't care and the other half are misinformed.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Is the current site the right place for a new grandstand/amenity block? Yes. You don't think at the end of the netball courts would be suitable? No.</p> <p>Cr Gordon – Would you be happy with other groups using the grandstand? Yes, lots of group use the grandstand currently and would be happy for this to continue.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – How many seats would the new grandstand need? 3-400. What is the capacity of the current grandstand? 625.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission.</p>
Michelle Fannin	Taihape Community Board	1.23pm – 1.36pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>I just want to point out that the use of Skype of is frustrating when things don't go to plan.</p> <p>Congratulations to Taihape on engaging in this consultation. I see lots of new people and a wide range of ages in the submitters, but we still need to spend more time with community.</p> <p>The numbers in the submissions are currently stack-up towards keeping the old grandstand, but there is some division. What is clear is that Taihape wants a covered grandstand. We may need another round of consultation (a referendum is a good idea). Yes to pool upgrades. We need toilets as tourism is increasing (campervan numbers)in the District.</p>

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				<p>Mangaweka bridge needs to be done, just get it sorted. I have no answers to helping with communication; the current newspaper isn't well liked in the Community. I gave out lots of submission forms during the consultation period but few actually submitted. As Chair of the Taihape Community Board I will continue to do my bit to get the community involved. There are internet access issues in Taihape when it comes to using online submissions. There needs to be more lead-up to consultation. We support finding funding for Rangitikei Tourism. Taihape footpaths, is an ongoing issue. The cost is prohibitive to progressing the dog exercise area; it is well used thought (we need \$15k; all materials and labour + traffic management). Potential cycle trails (in Memorial Park) need to be investigated with a working party of interested locals. We need to promote Taihape as a destination town. We need more opportunities for camping in Taihape; campervans and freedom camping (Memorial Park, Papakai Park as solution). Playground upgrades need to be progressed; Athol Sanson is very helpful and has suggested options. Taihape is a great place, central to everywhere. We need to progress projects through costs, roadblocks and resource issues.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – From your list of projects can you give us a priority ranking, and which are Annual Plan and which are Long Term Plan projects? The grandstand is the most important project; we need that sorted first then other projects will fall into place. The pool upgrade is happening. We also need to address communication to progress anything. And the dog exercise park will be easy.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Could the Taihape Community Development Trust pick-up cycle trail? No. Why? Not at this time.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – Could a community newsletter be a good idea of keeping the community informed? I have no idea what is going to work, even handing information one-on-one can't make people read it.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Do we provide enough rationale when consulting, and is</p>

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				<p>there enough plain-English? To me yes as I have an understanding, but people don't even read the information properly. There needs to be more plain-English though.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for speaking to your submission.</p>
Robert Snijders		1.37pm – 1.47pm	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>Council needs more one-on-one engagement with the community and look at potentially delivering consultation documents to each mailbox as not everyone knew that Annual Plan consultation was open. I also note issues with the community feeling Council is open and welcoming if they opted to come and speak to their submission. GDP is low in Rangitikei, so Council needs to work to better progress tourism opportunities within the District. Council should help museums to work together to bring more people into the District and potentially having public toilets at these sites would be a good draw-card. Council need to look at procurement process of Marton Civic Centre site and have other options been investigated. Could Council look at merging the Bulls and Marton community halls? Council need to give contractors a performance brief to remove any liability from Council. I have reservations for all centres and the costs associated with these. Why is key infrastructure being put-off? Councillors wouldn't build a house using the same methodology as Council.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Is it Council's responsibility for Council to put funding into tourism? As part of the last Annual Plan process Council rated for more funding for Economic Development, part of this is marked for tourism. It is a good look for Council to be seen in this area. The little things help people to stay in the District; we need to make things for them to stop and do. You want Council to man museums? No, Council should provide financial resources and should encourage more youth to get involved (history students from High Schools).</p> <p>Cr Gordon – What maintenance projects have been deferred in favour of</p>

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				<p>the civic projects? Bulls water and Taihape water projects. Have you listened to the reasons for deferring these projects? Yes, I have sat in on meetings and read minutes.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – You think Council could build on land already owned at 7 King Street? Council needs to look at the economic life of its facilities; there will be some work that needs to be done to the facilities in King Street. Put the money spent on land into the building instead.</p>
Bronwyn Minty		1.48pm – 1.58pm	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>My Submission centres around Council’s approach to a zero-waste philosophy, the need for a heavy-vehicle bypass in Bulls and the cost-effectiveness of the new Bulls Multi-Purpose Community Centre.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor - What do you see as being Council’s approach to a zero-waste philosophy? Curb-side recycling; Palmerston North City Council have wheelie bins and glass bins and Rangitikei should look to do the same. There will be a large cost to implement this service but it will be cheaper in the long run. Council should provide wheelie bins instead of rubbish bags for curb-side rubbish collection.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Are you aware that Council doesn’t supply rubbish bags anymore? Yes, but it would be much more cost-effective to have wheelie bins rather than rubbish bags.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – How can we help retain heritage in Bulls? The Town Hall is earthquake-prone but no comprehensive report has been completed. I am in two minds about the new Bulls Community Centre, I want to see development but it should be cheaper to upgrade the current infrastructure than build new.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – Wouldn’t making a heavy bypass in Criterion Street create another bottle-neck? So effectively two bottlenecks? Yes and no; Criterion Street should be able to cope with being a detour (could make it a no-parking zone), making the main street safer for pedestrians by making cars only (no trucks).</p>

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				<p>His Worship the Mayor – Do you realise Council has contacted NZTA about the issues at the SH1 and SH3 intersection, and they have no plans to make changes? Yes.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Do other Council's charge for the wheelie bins they provide? Unsure, I haven't finished my research yet.</p> <p>Cr Gordon – Are you aware that Rangitikei residents get a discounted rate at Bonny Glen? No.</p>
Les Clarke		1.59pm – 2.13pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>I am a past Taihape Community Board member and Councillor. I feel that Rangitikei District Council keeps residents in the dark and it is sad that Council has turned its back on \$700k for Memorial Park. I am a member of Clubs Taihape, who are working to upgrade Memorial Park to a modern day standard. Council have gone for 'cheap' with the proposed amenity block, and needs to understand that money needs to be spent to progress the District. The group has \$700k to upgrade the park but need to know if Council will work with them.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Could the design of the current building could be adapted for Clubs Taihape needs? Yes. Would you agree that Council have taken some steps towards getting everything in one building? Yes, but not everyone knows about the Annual Plan consultation process and this wasn't presented as an option.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Do you have a plan and support from the Community to present to Council? We have given at least two presentations to Council, but no reply. A previous Mayor asked Clubs Taihape to stop progress with project so we did. After some time, we wrote to Council to ask for an extension to complete the work required by Council to accept the proposal but got a reply of 'no'.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – When did you last write to Council? Unsure. Do you know if it has been discussed with Council in the last year? Unsure, but would think no.</p>

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				<p>Cr Gordon – Doesn't the wording in the consultation document suggest flexibility? If you have to go looking for that idea then people don't know. If it isn't explicit then people won't know.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Are you aware that this project came from a consultation process with all user groups? Yes, but they were given two options (no option to have their own design) and not all groups were present. The proposal is not fit for all purposes.</p> <p>Cr Peke-Mason – Can we have a discussion with you as Council? We would appreciate it. There has been 8-9 years' work already done on this project and members are getting frustrated.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Do you agree that there was an aspect of 'what do you want?' as part of the consultation document? Not everyone saw that opportunity.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – If Council goes ahead with proposed amenity block would you still build at the end of netball courts? The group need to go to Lotteries for funding but we know we won't get it without Council support (Lotteries only X amount of finding for Taihape). This project is more than just an amenity block for rugby, it would cater for all sporting codes, plus events centre.</p> <p>Cr Dunn – What are your plans for the building? Two story building with small meeting room, lounge room and sports bar, along with changing facilities.</p>
Finbar Kiddle	Heritage New Zealand	2.13pm – 2.24pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>I am a planner for the central region for Heritage New Zealand. I would like to tender apologies from my colleagues Claire Craig and Alison Dangerfield.</p> <p>Firstly, I'd like to start by saying that Heritage New Zealand is happy to provide any advice where needed when looking at what happens to the heritage buildings in Marton. Ideally Heritage New Zealand would like to see Council retain the heritage buildings in Marton (specifically the ones</p>

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				<p>on the Civic Centre site), but do acknowledge that this is not always feasible. Alterations to the rear of the building while retaining the façade would be acceptable. There are different types of facadism that can be considered for these buildings; sticker facadism (just keep the very front of building), but Heritage New Zealand would prefer to see some of the back of the building being kept as well (keeping the first row of rooms would preserve the relationship of the façade with the interior). The other point that I would like to make is around Walton St, Bulls. This site is a redoubt and has heritage status (category 2) as it is a site of archaeological significance. According to the covenant on the site, the site and surrounding environment requires written approval from Heritage NZ (I am unsure what the approval process would be, but first step is probably archaeological investigation) before it can be subdivided. Supports what Council is doing.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Regarding the Mangaweka Bridge, is there funding for conservation management plan for this site? The bridge is not on list of heritage sites within the country, and there is not a lot of funding even if it was, so short answer no.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – Have Heritage New Zealand been involved in similar projects to Marton? I haven't personally, but some of my other colleagues would have more information.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank-you for coming and speaking to your submission and please relay the need for funding to keep heritage buildings. Could Heritage New Zealand engage with Central Government on Local Governments behalf? Not sure if we can do that as we are a crown enterprise. Good to see that Council applied to recently released fund.</p>
Carolyn Bates	Marton Community Committee	2.27pm – 2.35pm	"What's changed, what's the plan	Thank-you for the opportunity to speak to my submission. The info provided on Civic Centre needed costings to allow the community to

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Carolyn Bates		2.35pm – 2.41pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>I am in two minds about the Marton Civic Centre project; we need to develop and brighten the town centre but I am concerned about cost. My issue is with purchasing more land when there is land already owned by Council that could be used. Not enough investigation was done before the purchase of the site and the consultation document doesn't give enough detail.</p> <p>I am supportive of more toilets within the District, particularly in Marton. The library and ICT Hubs do a great job in the community. There is a real</p>

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				<p>need to get rid of strays (both cats and dogs) throughout the District. It was good to see promotion of the District outside of the Region. Some of the terminology in the consultation document isn't user friendly to people who don't take an interest and doesn't make people want to engage.</p> <p>Cr Rainey – Why did you move to Marton? Health issues. And the current state of main street didn't deter you from moving here? Marton has stayed the same for a long time, and needs improvement.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank you for coming and speaking to your submission.</p>
Afternoon Tea				
Greg Carlyon	Rangitikei College	2.59pm – 3.09pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Thank-you for the contribution to building the community multi-purpose turf facility at Rangitikei College. The facility was completed this week; just tidying up and landscaping to be completed before public opening. There have already been a large number of enquiries to use the turf (from various sporting codes and schools). We are committed to following-through with our promise to be publically available. Further work to redevelop the front field and creation of all-weather court is also being investigated.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – Do you know how good this is to see? Yes. How will you manage use of the facility by outside groups? A collective has formed for managing the use of the facility. Is it being used now? Not yet, fencing and landscaping to be completed before a public opening.</p> <p>Cr Ash – Are there toilet facilities and a water fountain at the facility? We are putting in a water fountain and toilets at the back of hall can be used independently of the Hall for the time-being. The infrastructure to build a toilet block closer to the facility has been put in place once funding is secured. And the idea of installing a grandstand has also been explored.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – Would you ever consider using the Council swimming pool</p>

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				<p>instead of maintaining your own? Yes, this idea has been raised with both the Board and the School but we need to formalise plan. Sharing assets is a good idea.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Can tennis be played on the new turf? Yes there are three courts, and an additional court on the rubber surface. How are you promoting availability of the facility? It is quite well-known that the facility is there. Will be promoted once it has been publically launched. Didn't get the funding sought for lighting so school will use reserves.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – Have you secured funding for maintenance? Lighting will be user-pays, but maintenance of the turf will fall to the school.</p>
Greg Carlyon	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Group	3.09pm – 3.25pm	"What's changed, what's the plan for 2017/18...?"	<p>Throughout the last year the group have done what was suggested during the last Annual Plan process, and have done some planning and work, and have a detailed proposal of projects. We are seeking ongoing funding from Council (under the control of the Parks Team mostly for minor safety improvements) and would like to be more engaged in the management plan for the area. Funding from Horizons Regional Council has been secured for restoration works along stream. 4-5 months of the year there is no flow in the stream, creating broad concern for the stream. Our main priority is getting residual flow back into the stream. The Group would also like to be involved in solution to the issues created by the Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – When did Council agree to the track at the dam? We have opened up the existing bench track around the dam, but this wasn't an approval from Council. We needed to demonstrate that the group would do what it said it would, and to a degree we have.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – The track is not open to the public as a walking track yet? No, it has been investigated and community support gaged, and a management plan drafted. A large amount of correspondence with staff around the potential for this project to take place has occurred.</p>

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				<p>His Worship the Mayor – What is the purpose of the excess lengths of pipe left at the dam? My understanding it was surplus to requirements.</p> <p>Cr Ash – Is the track open? Council is yet to make a decision regarding the potential to open the area up to the public. What was the stream like prior to dams, what is it like now and what are your aspirations for the stream? We want to see minimum-flow and permanent flow in the stream, the community take ownership of stream, changes to the discharge from the Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant (resource consent process), and stop stock access to stream. We need to make sure the community understands the importance of the stream.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – You are seeing \$10k per year for implementation and maintenance? Yes, as a maximum. Some work needs to be carried out at the start of the project but costs will decrease. There is also potential for other contributors.</p> <p>Cr Gordon – Will the removal of forestry cause maintenance issues? The track is below the pine-trees, so the damage would come from vehicle movements across the track but should be a simple fix.</p> <p>Cr Ash – Do you have support from Horizons Regional Council? They have made a grant for planting and fencing, and the group is meeting with staff to show them what has been done and what will be done, and to seek further funding.</p> <p>Cr Belsham – How could we increase flow? The stream could have had significant flow historically, but this needs investigation by regional council staff.</p>
Pania & Ray Hemopo		3.27pm – 3.40pm	“What’s changed, what’s the plan for 2017/18...?”	<p>We are here to present on the skate park upgrade proposal that has been presented to Council previously</p> <p>Cr Belsham – How much funding are you seeking? \$150k. We have tried to keep the proposal within that budget. How much financial support have you gained from local business? We have had confirmation of</p>

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				<p>support but no solid figures yet.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Does the \$150k include in-house support? Yes. If external funding is gained would it decrease the Council contribution? Yes.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – Are these indications of support in terms of funding or time-in-lieu? Lions and Rotary would be financial support. Richard Coxon would financial support? Yes and in any other way, but he couldn't give a figure. Have you been to any external funders yes? Yes have spoken to Lotteries, but have been informed that the application needs to come from Council.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Do you have a committee behind you or is it just you? You've put the proposal together yourselves? Is this a proposal between you and Council or do you have other people that could be pulled together into a working group? We have spoken to the Rainer brothers (builders) and McIlwaine representatives (and other builders), who are all willing to support the project in any way they can. Can this be a staged expenditure? It could be done in two stages. We've been told it would take 8 months to a year to complete.</p> <p>Cr McManaway – Are there other parents that would help run this project? We hope so, there is a lot of support from the community. Could you bring more parents that would support the project? Yes.</p> <p>Cr Sheridan – Are you going to form a committee of parents or experts (project management group)? I'm not aware of how to bring together a project management group.</p> <p>Cr Wilson – You need to get a group together to manage this project</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Is everyone on the list of signatures over 18? Yes. Have you spoken to the Marton Community Committee? No.</p> <p>His Worship the Mayor – Thank you for presenting your proposal</p>

Attachment 2

Report

Subject: **Mayors Report**

To: Council

From: Andy Watson
Mayor

Date: 20 April 2017

Floods around the country dominated the news over the last month, for us in the Rangitikei it was a case of "what could have been". At one stage we received advice that the projected flood levels for the Whangaehu would be 15.9m with the Turakina River at 11.8m (significantly more in both cases than 2015 or 2004). To put this in perspective the Whanganui River at Pipiriki, in 2015, rose to 14.5m and was predicted last month to peak at 19m. Fortunately we did dodge that "bullet" and we lifted the declaration with very little roading or infrastructural damage. The feedback I had from the community, that the decision to declare early and start the sandbagging and door knocking process, was well received, common comments were that it is better to do this several times and not have it needed than not to do it once when it was needed. My thanks go to the staff and volunteers for the tremendous effort that they put in over several days.

I would like to congratulate Peter and Carol Scott at McGruers for reaching a fantastic milestone - 100 years in business. Peter and the team can be justifiably proud of the effort that they went to celebrate along with the large number of locals who have served in the shop over the last few years.

I would like to also congratulate Parewhawhaha Marae also for celebrating their 50th birthday last weekend. The Marae has served as a teaching marae for school children, rotary and the police for many years. There are also not many maraes that can claim a US President as one of their guests. It was a pleasure for me to be invited and spend the time among friends over the weekend.

The combined Samoan churches the previous weekend had a service at the Memorial Hall in Marton, which struggled to have enough space for the congregation. It was again a demonstration of how our community has changed and it was a delight to be involved.

The first of what will be several meetings around building a business case for the replacement of the Mangaweka Bridge, took place this month. Initially there were fears from the large number of attendees that both Councils were looking for alternatives than replacing the bridge. This is not the case and as was explained through the meeting that there is a process that we must go through to convince NZTA, the government funding agency that the expense is warranted.

The Minister of Police, Hon Paula Bennett, announced last week the package of resourcing that our District will receive around the increases in police numbers advised by Government. We will get an additional 67 police, an increase of 10% in our region, and Marton will be one of 20 stations moving to a 24/7 policing station, which will happen in 2020. I think that there

is also an opportunity for us to bid for one of the 20 ethnic policing positions around the country. This could be our chance to push for a Samoan speaking police officer in our district.

My apologies to the Marton Community, I will not be attending the Marton dawn parade as I have accepted a request from the Hunterville RSA to attend their dawn parade. On the 8th of April I was invited to open the new Field of Remembrance in Hunterville, which featured the white named crosses made by David Cole the RSA President and the pupils of Hunterville School.

Andy Watson
Mayor

Mayor's Meetings and Engagements

April 2017

Date	Event
3	Opened the 100 year celebrations at McGruers, Marton Attended Junior Neighbourhood Support Awards Met with local Marton resident Attended Hunterville Rural Water Supply
4	Hosted a Citizenship Ceremony Met with local business Attended Bulls fundraiser meeting for proposed Bulls Multi-purpose building
5	Mayor based in Taihape all day
6	Met with local organisers Met with local business Attended Turakina Community Committee meeting
7	Met with local Marton resident Met with local resident
8	Attended Hunterville RSA Dedication of Field of Remembrance
9	Attended combined Samoan Church event
10	Met with local Marton resident Attended meetings at Bulls and Ratana schools Attended Hunterville Community Committee meeting
11	Attended meeting with High Commissioner in Wellington Attended Bulls Community Committee meeting Attended Ratana Community Board meeting
12	Attended NZ Army Capability Day at Linton Army Camp
13	Attended Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting Attended Policy/Planning Committee Attended meeting with local iwi

15	Attended celebration of Parewahawaha Marae
18	Attended meeting with local organisation Attended Gallaghers end of year sponsorship event at Marton Pool Met with local Marton residents
19	Based in Taihape for the morning Attended Marton Park meeting
20	Attended Audit and Risk Committee meeting Hearing of submissions to Annual Plan
21	Met with local Marton resident Met with local resident
23	Attended Robert Cunningham Bruce 100 year Commemoration
24	Met with the Department of Corrections
25	Attended Hunterville Anzac Day Dawn Parade Attended Marton Anzac service at the Marton Cenotaph
26	Attended Creative Communities Committee meeting Attended Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund meeting
27	Attended Finance/Performance Committee meeting Attended Council meeting

Attachment 3



REPORT

SUBJECT: **Administrative matters – April 2017**

TO: Council

FROM: Ross McNeil, Chief Executive

DATE: 20 April 2017

FILE: 5-EX-4

1 State of Emergency

- 1.1 At 5.30 pm on 4 April 2017, the Mayor declared a State of Emergency for the Rangitikei District in response to projected flooding in Marton, Whangaehu and Turakina. During the evening of 6 April 2017, businesses in Marton's CBD areas were sand-bagged and houses which lie in flood-prone areas of the town were visited alerting residents of the risk. A welfare centre was established at Marton Memorial Hall but almost all who chose to self-evacuate found accommodation with family or friends.
- 1.2 The rain over the ensuing 48 hours was less than forecast which meant that no flooding occurred in houses in the District. The State of Emergency was lifted at 8.30 am on 6 April 2017.
- 1.3 The assistance from the rural fire and other volunteers together with Police, Ambulance and the Air Force was hugely appreciated and Council staff also made a strong contribution: the response to the perceived flooding danger was timely and effective. A debrief/review process is underway.

2 Local Authority Protection Programme (LAPP)

- 2.1 At its last meeting, Council resolved:

That Council gives notice of its intention to withdraw from the Local Authorities Protection Programme (LAPP) from 1 July 2017 and requests the Chief Executive to arrange an additional meeting of the Audit/Risk Committee to consider whether Council should exercise its right to withdraw from LAPP and to make a recommendation to Council's meeting on 25 May 2017.

- 2.2 The Committee met on 20 April 2017 to discuss the matter. It resolved to advise Council that it has requested further information on pricing and conditions of the various insurance options and will meet again in May prior to making a recommendation to the May Council meeting. Discussion with LAPP

has confirmed that this timing will not jeopardise Council's ability to decide to continue as a contributor to or withdraw from LAPP effective 1 July 2017.

3 Horizons Annual Plan for 2017/18

- 3.1 The draft submission to Horizons was circulated to Elected Members for comment and submitted on the due date, 13 April 2017. The submission as sent is attached as Appendix 1.
- 3.2 A recommendation is included for Council to formally endorse that.

4 Additional funding round for the Mid-sized Tourism Infrastructure Fund

- 4.1 As agreed at Council's last meeting, an application was made to this additional funding round, which closed on 12 April 2017, having regard for the proposals contained in the Consultation Document for the 2017/18 Annual Plan. The outcome is expected to be known by July 2017. A date has yet to be advised of a further funding round.

5 Rangitīkei Tourism

- 5.1 There has been a further meeting between staff and Rangitīkei Tourism to finalise the winding up process in terms of the website and final accounts.
- 5.2 The organisation has been removed from the register of incorporated societies.

6 Prosecution over dog attack in Hunterville

- 6.1 Previous reports have noted that Council is prosecuting the owner of the dog which caused serious injuries to a person in Hunterville in June 2016.
- 6.2 The owner pleaded not guilty at the Marton District Court on 15 February 2017. The Court has now fixed the hearing date as 5 April 2017, but this was a register led case review hearing involving only lawyers and the judge. The hearing date, to which witnesses will be called, is now 18 May 2017.

7 Refurbishment of the old BNZ building, 12-14 High Street, Marton

- 7.1 The situation is unchanged from that reported to Council at its meeting on 1 December 2016, i.e. the plan of work has not yet been received, and the owner is not permitted to allow the use of the downstairs apartment until this matter is resolved.

8 Update on former Taihape College site, 55 Rauma Road

- 8.1 As foreshadowed last month, a Heads of Agreement has been drafted to assist the three primary users to engage with other groups who have been using the facilities, and a further meeting will be arranged soon to finalise this document. Once that is done, it will be appropriate to recommend to Council that the licence to occupy proposed by the Ministry of Education be accepted.
- 8.2 The water line has yet to be checked to be sure there are no leaks or illegal connections inflating the metered use.

9 Taihape Pool upgrade (Contract C1057)

- 9.1 The tender documents were issued on 13 April 2017 and close on 3 May 2017. Advance notice was provided to those known to have expertise in this field. Evaluation of tenders will be conducted on 4-5 May 2017.
- 9.2 The expected price exceeds the Chief Executive's financial delegation, and Council does not meet again until 25 May 2017. A delegation to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee to award the contract at its meeting on 11 May 2017 is recommended so that the successful contractor can be given possession of the site on 15 May 2017. Tenderers are required to provide a project plan. Completion is required by mid November 2017.

10 Pare Kore Marae

- 10.1 Pare Kore Marae Limited delivers free zero waste programmes to marae where it can demonstrate external partner support to the Ministry for the Environment's Waste Minimisation Levy (which will fund up to 80% of the costs). The programme is operating successfully in the Waikato region, Hawkes Bay and Wellington.
- 10.2 At its meeting on 30 March 2017, Council asked for a more formal proposal from Pare Kore, including a list of Marae in the District that will be targeted as part of the programme. That formal request is attached as Appendix 2. The matter has not been discussed by Te Roopu Ahi Kaa as its meeting scheduled for 11 April 2017 was cancelled.
- 10.3 A recommendation is included.

11 Proposed road closures

- 11.1 There have been no further requests since Council's last meeting.

12 Request for waiver of all fees

- 12.1 There have been no new requests for waiver of fees since the last Council meeting. However, there is an outstanding building consent fee for a new house built at Edale. Council may be willing to waive all or some of the internal costs (\$3,697.23). The details are attached as [Appendix 3](#)

13 Service request reporting

- 13.1 The summary reports for first response and feedback (requests received in March 2017) and resolution (requests received in February 2017) are attached as [Appendix 4](#).

14 Health and Safety update

- 14.1 The programme of health and safety site audits continues: the Taihape Swim centre has been completed and the waste transfer stations are in progress. Procedures to ensure safe handling of chemicals at the Hunterville Pool are being developed. Further work was undertaken on hazard identification and the risk management strategy at Marton B/C Dam as part of developing the draft management plan for the site.
- 14.2 During the coming month the Council's obligations under the Health & Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016 will be reviewed: by April 2018, identification of asbestos at any of Council's workplaces and preparation of an asbestos management plan must be completed.

15 Staffing

- 15.1 Samantha Kett has resigned as Governance Administrator (part-time) effective 21 April 2017. Nardia Gower has been appointed to this role.

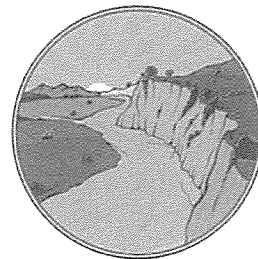
16 Recommendations

- 16.1 That the report 'Administrative matters – March' be received.
- 16.2 That Council confirms the submission made by His Worship the Mayor to Horizons Regional Council on its 2017/18 Annual Plan.
- 16.3 That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee be delegated authority to award the contract for the upgrade of filtration and heating in the Taihape Pool (Contract C1057).
- 16.4 That subject to 80% funding from the Ministry for the Environment, Council agrees to provide a grant of \$2,200 for three years from 1 July 2017 from the Waste Minimisation Levy to Para Kore for its zero waste programmes to marae within the Rangitikei District.

- 16.5 That the Council waive% of the internal building consent costs for the new house built in 2016 at Edale.

Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

Appendix 1



13 April 2017

File No: 3-OR-3-12

Bruce Gordon
Chairman
Horizons Regional Council
Private Bag 11025
Manawatu Mail Centre
PALMERSTON NORTH 4442

By email: submissions@horizons.govt.nz

Dear Bruce

Key Issues for the 2017/18 Annual Plan

Council appreciated you and Michael coming to our meeting on 30 March 2017 to talk about your 2017/18 Annual Plan.

We are pleased to know that Horizons intends to maintain the commitment in the Long Term Plan to support the Accelerate25 programme for regional growth. Individual councils, iwi and businesses all have a part to play in realising opportunities for greater prosperity but Horizons has a critical role in co-ordination and liaising with Ministers and central government agencies. We hope Horizons, in developing its 2018-28 Long Term Plan, will provide an early opportunity for all councils in the region to discuss how they see this programme being advanced. There is one particular aspect about Accelerate25, raised by Tararua, which we like you to consider. This is to redirect some of the existing road safety operational budget into supporting young people into driver training programmes in partnership with secondary schools. More support for young people to gain quality driver training through schools will also support employment and other goals that are part of the Regional Growth Study and the Accelerate25 action plans.

We understand the importance of your science programme. Monitoring of ground water and swimming spots in the region are vital to ensure that economic growth is sustainable and not detracting from the quality of life of people in the region. We support the increased expenditure proposed for this activity.

We are also pleased to see that the flood protection work for the Rangitikei Scheme, disrupted by the June 2015 floods, will continue in 2017/18. We note the intention to make some improvements to manage the safety of detention dams in the region, particularly those around Marton and Hunterville. However, we wonder what had prompted this initiative and what its relative priority is against the other flood protection measures for the region.

You propose an additional investment in biosecurity and biodiversity management, partly to increase biological control and partly to enhance surveillance of plant pests, to encourage landowners, and to increase public awareness. We believe this investment is needed and timely, particularly given the phased withdrawal of OSPRI from possum control in the Horizons region and the additional expectations from central government. The SLUI programme has been of immense significance for the Rangitikei and other parts of the region but we accept that it is demand driven and a reduced expenditure in 2017/18 is appropriate.


We have valued the partnership approach you have provided Rangitikei in civil defence and rural fire, and expect that will continue in some form after 1 July 2017, when the rural fire fighting forces merge with urban brigades under Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

We agree with the proposed \$30,000 contribution from the regional transport general rate to the Philips Search and Rescue Trust for the helicopter servicing the Horizons region. This is the fairest way to ensure that this vital service continues.

We support the efforts made by Horizons to maintain the Capital Connection. We hope that you can use this to promote greater utilisation of the rail network. In talking with us you mentioned the declining patronage on the Marton to Palmerston North bus. This coincides with issues raised in local community meetings (particularly in the Southern Rangitikei Youth Advisory Group). We know that some of our residents rely on the Palmerston North commuter service, and at present it is impossible for residents in Marton to attend UCOL in Whanganui unless they can find private transport. So, we ask you to investigate other methods of providing public transport options, perhaps through utilising existing capacity of commercial services or community resources – for example tapping into school buses, or using spare capacity on long distance services for short trips - to meet this need. We would not support further reduction in services in small towns; there is a need to provide innovative and creative transport alternatives to allow residents to live in these towns but access employment, health, education and shopping facilities in other centres; we would be happy to contribute to further thinking about this.

I would like the opportunity to speak with your Council on these issues.

Yours sincerely

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

Andy Watson
Mayor of Rangitikei

Appendix 2



Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

19 April 2017

Dear Sir

I'm writing to you about Para Kore. Para Kore means zero waste. Para Kore is the name of our organisation and the name of our waste education programme. Para Kore is a Māori, zero waste not-for-profit organisation with charitable status. The Para Kore kaupapa is based on whakapapa to Papatūānuku and expressed through an experienced and skilled team who work regionally delivering the Para Kore programme to marae and Māori communities. The Para Kore whānau are passionate about, and committed to, achieving a zero waste Aotearoa.

Established in 2009, the Para Kore programme is delivered from a Māori worldview perspective with *te reo Māori me ōna tikanga*. Para Kore's objective is that by 2020 all marae in New Zealand will be working towards zero waste. We're working to normalise zero waste behaviours within marae and Māori communities throughout Aotearoa so that putting everything in the same black bag or rubbish bin is completely unacceptable and frowned upon whilst consuming consciously, buying local, using reusable products, recycling and composting are standard practices.

Para Kore began in late 2008 from a series of meetings held at Waikato Regional Council. In July 2009, Para Kore, under the umbrella of Xtreme Zero Waste (Raglan), was successful in their application to the Ministry for the Environment's Sustainable Management Fund for three consecutive years of funding. In November 2010, Para Kore Marae Incorporated was registered and now there are more than 180 marae registered across eight rohe (regions).

Each year we (Para Kore Marae Incorporated) have applied to the Waste Minimisation Fund, administered by the Ministry for the Environment, and each year we have been lucky enough to

be successful. Our goal is that we have an advisor in each region of the country to deliver the Para Kore programme to interested marae and organisations by 2020.

Therefore I'm emailing to find out if there's interest from Rangitikei District Council for the programme. If we were successful with an application a local person would be contracted part-time to deliver the programme. This person would be provided with full training and resources and would be supported by a manager. This advisor would cover the rohe (region) of a number of iwi and hapū, and the districts and cities of a number of councils from Tamaki nui a Rua (Dannevirke) through to Taihape, through to Whangaehu, through to Levin. Iwi and hapū and councils of these rohe are also being approached to see if they are interested. The goal is to make an application to the Ministry for the Environment's Waste Minimisation Fund (which closes early May) and we would be looking for \$11,000 in external partner support each year for three years. This amount would be split up between the partners.

Essentially the annual budget is \$55k to deliver the free programme. 80% (= \$44k) would come from the Ministry, and the remaining (\$11k) would come from partners. In other rohe, councils and iwi organisations have contributed financially as external partners. Before we can submit an application to the Ministry, we need to have the partner funding pledged or at least in the process of being confirmed (there's a pending box that can be ticked).

If the application was successful, the deed would be signed late Dec 2017 or early Jan 2018 with the actual programme delivery to marae and Māori organisations starting late March/early April 2018.

The amount we are requesting from Rangitikei District Council if an application is successful is \$2,200 each year for 3 years.

Para Kore also works with non Māori organisation. Our programme has been adapted in the Waikato District Council to schools, and throughout the country to early childhood centres, office buildings, radio stations, events and sports club. The Para Kore programme can be used to help any organisation with a 'place' to reduce waste. We provide free crates, wheelie bins and signage as well as free education and on-going support and mentoring. The potential marae and Māori organisations within your district are:

Marae

1. Kauangāroa, 2 Kumuiti Rd
2. Ratana, Ratana
3. Tini Waitara, 394 Turakina Beach Rd
4. Raketapauma, 24 Maukuku Rd

5. Winiata (Mangaone), 5035 SH 1
6. Opaea, 824 Spooner Hill Rd
7. Rātā, 43 Te Houhou Rd, Hunterville
8. Otāhuhu, 4993 Taraketi Rd, Hunterville

Organisations

Ngāti Apa 161 Bridge St, PO Box 103 4863 Bulls

Plus all schools, early childhood centres and community organisations

Thank you in advance for considering this request. Please contact me if you have questions or queries in regards to how the programme works.

Ka nui ngā mihi



Jacqui Forbes

General Manager

Para Kore

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Appendix 3

Rangitikei District Council

Tax Invoice

Marton Edale Home Trust Board
PO Box 323
Marton 4741

Tax Invoice GST Reg. No 51-668-596

Issue Date: 21/12/16

Customer Number **BC160280**
Tax Invoice **51498**

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160280 : Armagh Terrace, Marton
Build new 2 bedroom house with attached garage
Owner: Marton Edale Home Trust Board

Qty	Description	Rate	Amount	
	Building Consent		3,697.23	*
	BRANZ Levy		205.00	OG
	DBH Levy		412.05	*
	Miscellaneous Fees		10.00	*
	Registration on Title		296.00	*
	Building Consent fee includes the cost of 10 inspection visits, Certificate of Title search fee and Registering of Section 73 Certificate with LINZ			
	BEFORE GST		4,044.37	

	(* Includes GST)	GST	575.91	
	Total		\$4,620.28	
	Cash Received		932.00	CR
	NET DUE		3,688.28	

Rangitikei District Council

Debtor Number: **BC160280**
Name: **Marton Edale Home Trust Board**

TOTAL NOW DUE TOTAL NOW DUE \$3,688.28

Amount Paid if Different
from Total Due \$ _____

Payment Method 03-0683-0195600-00 (Please use customer number as reference)
Please tick appropriate box ☐ Cheque ☐ Cash ☐ EftPos ☐ Internet Banking

Appendix 4

Service Request Breakdown to March 2017 - First Response

Service Requests Department	Compliance			Grand Total
	Overdue	Responded in time	Responded late	
Animal Control		83	7	90
Animal control bylaw matter		1		1
Animal welfare concern		1		1
Attack on human		2		2
Barking dog		8	1	9
Dog property inspection (for Good Owner status)		3	4	7
Found dog		6	1	7
Lost animal		22		22
Microchip dog		7		7
Property investigation - animal control problem		2		2
Rushing at human		1		1
Wandering stock		18	1	19
Wandering/stray dog		12		12
Cemeteries		1		1
Water leak - cemeteries only		1		1
Council Housing/Property	4	15	2	21
Council housing maintenance	4	10	2	16
Council property maintenance		5		5
Environmental Health	6	64	4	74
Abandoned vehicle		1	1	2
Dead animal		1		1
Dumped rubbish - outside town boundary (road corridor only)		3		3
Dumped rubbish - under bridges, beaches, rivers, etc		1		1
Dumped rubbish - within town boundary		2		2
Fire Permit - urban (restricted fire season only)		1		1
Noise	5	49	3	57
Pest problem eg wasps		2		2
Untidy/overgrown section	1	4		5
Footpaths		2		2
Footpath maintenance		2		2
General enquiry	2	1		3
General Enquiry	2	1		3
Parks and Reserves		8		8
Maintenance (parks and reserves)		8		8
Public Toilets	3	7	1	11
Maintenance (public toilets)	3	6		9
Toilet cleaning issues		1	1	2
Roads	1	16	6	23
Culverts, drains and non-CBD sumps		1	1	2
Potholes		4	1	5
Road maintenance - not potholes		9	4	13
Road signs (except state highway)		2		2
Vehicle crossings	1			1
Roadside Trees, Vegetation and Weeds	1	3		4
Urban trees, vegetation and weeds	1	3		4
Street Lighting	1	1		2
Street lighting maintenance	1	1		2
Wastewater		1		1
Wastewater overflow (dry weather)		1		1
Water	1	21		22
HRWS maintenance required		1		1
Location of meter, toby, other utility		3		3
Low drinking water pressure		1		1
Replace meter, toby or lid		6		6
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries		7		7
Water leak at meter/toby	1	3		4
Grand Total	19	223	20	262

Feedback Required (Multiple Items)

Service Requests	Feedback						Grand
	After hours	Email	In Person	Not able to contact	Telephone	Not Provided	
Department							Total
Animal Control	1		11	2	17	5	36
Council Housing/Property			1			1	2
Environmental Health	3			5	3	6	17
General enquiry						3	3
Parks and Reserves					1	1	2
Roads		1	1			4	6
Roadside Trees, Vegetation and Weeds						2	2
Water			1		2	1	4
Grand Total	4	1	14	7	23	23	72

Service Request Breakdown for February 2017 - Resolution

Service Requests Department	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Animal Control	69	32		2	103
Animal control bylaw matter	1				1
Animal welfare concern	6				7
Attack on animal		1			1
Attack on human		2			2
Barking dog	15	6		1	22
Dog property inspection (for Good Owner status)	2	2			4
Found dog	12	5			17
General enquiry	1				1
Lost animal	19				19
Microchip dog		1			1
Property investigation - animal control problem		1			1
Rushing at human	1	1		1	3
Stock worrying		1			1
Wandering stock	2	9			11
Wandering/stray dog	10	2			12
Building Control				2	2
Property inspection				2	2
Cemeteries	1				1
Cemetery maintenance	1				1
Council Housing/Property	15	3		1	19
Council housing maintenance	9	3			12
Council property maintenance	5			1	6
General enquiry	1				1
Environmental Health	57	4	4	4	69
Abandoned vehicle	2	1		1	4
Dead animal	2				2
Dumped rubbish - outside town boundary (road corridor only)	2				2
Dumped rubbish - under bridges, beaches, rivers, etc	3				3
Dumped rubbish - within town boundary	2			2	4
Fire Permit - urban (restricted fire season only)	1				1
Hazardous substances				1	1
Livestock (not normally impounded)	2				2
Noise	40	1			41
Pest problem eg wasps		1			1
Untidy/overgrown section	3	1	4		8
Footpaths				1	1
Footpath maintenance				1	1
General enquiry	3			3	6
General enquiry	3			3	6
Parks and Reserves	8	1			9
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	5				5
Pest problem eg wasps	1				1
Water leak - parks and reserves only	2	1			3
Public Toilets	5	2		2	9
Maintenance (public toilets)	5	1		2	8
Toilet cleaning issues		1			1
Roads	12	6		2	20
Culverts, drains and non-CBD sumps	2	1			3
Potholes	2				2
Road maintenance - not potholes	6	5		1	12
Road signs (except state highway)	1			1	2
Road surface flooding - danger to traffic	1				1
Roadside Berm Mowing		1			1
Rural berm mowing (including Taihape - see map)		1			1

Service Requests	Compliance				
Department	Completed in time	Completed late	Current	Overdue	Grand Total
Roadside Trees, Vegetation and Weeds	3	1		1	5
Rural trees, vegetation and weeds	1				1
Urban trees, vegetation and weeds	2	1		1	4
Rubbish bins	1				1
Bins - Hunterville/Taihape	1				1
Street Cleaning		1			1
CBD cleaning (gutters/sumps) - Hunterville/Taihape		1			1
Street Lighting	7	1			8
Street lighting maintenance	7	1			8
Water	29	2			31
Bad tasting drinking water	3				3
Dirty drinking water	2	1			3
HRWS maintenance required	2				2
HRWS No water supply	1				1
Location of meter, toby, other utility	3	1			4
Low drinking water pressure	2				2
No drinking water supply	1				1
Replace meter, toby or lid	10				10
Water leak - council-owned network, not parks or cemeteries	2				2
Water leak at meter/toby	3				3
Grand Total	210	54	4	18	286

Attachment 4

Memorandum

To: Council

From: Ross McNeil

Date: 19 April 2017

Subject: Top Ten Projects – status, April 2017

File: 5-EX-4

This memorandum is an update from the statements provided to the Council's meeting on 28 July 2016 and subsequent months.

1. Reinstatement of the roading network after the June 2015 floods

The main part of the programme for 2016/17 has been implemented, continuing to use the bundling approach for engaging contractors. Work on the Mount Curl Road dropout is now complete. The work at Majuba Bluff is expected to be complete by the end of May 2017. The New Zealand Transport Agency has approved carrying over \$500,000 into 2017/18 for the James Road project, which has encountered delays because of the proposed method of construction, unfavourable weather and the need to maintain access for a property owner.

2. Upgrade of the Bulls wastewater treatment plant to meet new consent conditions

The consent application remains under consideration by Horizons, which effectively puts the project on hold. Riverlands had expressed interest in a collaborative approach to the upgrade of the Bulls wastewater treatment plant but, on further consideration, seems unlikely to make such a commitment. Although Horizons is keen to see the merging of the two discharges, it would be entirely a Council decision to do that. It would mean withdrawing the current consent application and submitting a new one. The same applies to discussions being held with Horizons about piping Marton's wastewater to be treated at Bulls, thus ending any discharge to the Tutaenui Stream.

This position is unchanged from the last update.

3. Upgrade of the Marton wastewater treatment plant to meet new consent conditions

The initial focus until December 2017 is on acceptable management of the leachate from the Bonny Glen landfill. The Heads of Agreement has been signed between Midwest Disposal and Council; the management plan to define the arrangements for transporting the leachate to Marton, storing it, and releasing it into the waste water treatment plant has been finalised. The document was presented to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee at its meeting on 11 August 2016. The storage tanks and pumping system for pre-treated leachate

is now in place at the Marton wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). This means that there is now a managed entry of pre-treated leachate into the treatment plant.

Midwest has yet to see a commercially running plant that can demonstrate the efficiency of their preferred option of on-site treatment of leachate. Midwest aims to have its pre-treatment plant operating by April 2017. However, it seems that the leachate will require further treatment before it can be discharged into a waterway. Council has been specific that the application for the new consent for the Marton wastewater treatment plant will not allow leachate to be accepted.

The Advisory group membership has been reviewed, with a combination of re-appointments and new appointments. The Group met on 3 March 2017.

In conjunction with Horizons and local Iwi, an application has been made to the Ministry for the Environment Freshwater Improvement Fund to seek financial support for the piping of effluent from the Marton WWTP to the Bulls WWTP. The outcome of that funding application will be known in July.

4. Upgrade of the Ratana wastewater treatment plant to meet the demands from the anticipated housing development

Planning and legal formalities are under way for the 60 lot subdivision at Ratana. This subdivision has been approved as a 'partition' through the Maori Land Court, rather than a subdivision consent under the Resource Management Act. As the land is under multiple ownership, the partition process allows for specific areas (parcels) to be defined and assigned to owners. This is similar to a cross-lease arrangement.

External funding support for the wastewater treatment plant capacity upgrade has yet to be confirmed. However, Te Puni Kokiri, as the social housing funder for this development, is aware of the funding shortfall and discussions are being held with staff from that organisation. Council budgets do include funding to upgrade the plant to meet future treatment standards.

An update on the subdivision project was included in the Administrative matters report to Council's meeting on 29 September 2016. The Waipu Trust, which is advancing the development, will be seeking an agreement with Council for management and maintenance of the core infrastructure and open space areas associated with the development. Council's legal advisers have prepared a draft agreement.

Planning continues for the wastewater plant upgrade/renewal to meet new conditions of consent. To this end an application has been made to the Ministry for the Environment Freshwater Improvement Fund to seek financial support for a land-based treatment option for the Ratana WWTP. The outcome of the funding application will be known in July.

5. Sustainable provision of stock and irrigation water within the area now serviced by the Hunterville Rural Water Scheme, extended south to Marton, and provision of a safe, potable and affordable supply to Hunterville town

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) approved the Tutaenui pre-feasibility study, and officials visited on 1 August 2016 to view the area and discuss their views on what a pre-feasibility study should achieve and how it would be best done. This included engaging a specialist consultancy, and Brian Kouvelis and David Voss were engaged in this regard. Their first task has been to complete concept designs for the reconfiguration of the Hunterville rural scheme and for supply through the proposed Tutaenui scheme. This work is supported by water network modelling. Draft demand profiles have been produced, and these have informed the concept designs. The engineering report is nearing completion.

Horizons Regional Council is completing a GIS resource for the project, i.e. an online viewer that will enable all spatial data (such as climate and soil conditions) to be easily viewed, with layers that can be turned on and off to suit.

450 surveys were sent to properties within the project area, and 73 responses have been received. They show a high preference for additional horticultural production if irrigation water is available. Murray Robinson has been engaged to carry out face to face interviews. 25 interviewees have been selected, and interviews have commenced.

The project is due for completion in mid-2017. Depending on the outcome, a feasibility study may follow, again with funding support from MPI.

6. Future management of community housing

Council has committed to examine other options for managing its community housing stock, using one or more specialist organisations with the ability to tap into government financial assistance. The Manawatu Community Trust is the only organisation which has continued to express interest in taking over the ownership and management of all 72 units. However, Council has indicated that the four units at Ratana are to be excluded.

Over the past twelve months the level of occupancy has risen considerably. A further report to Council's meeting on 15 December 2016 showed that, at this level of occupancy, there is a small comparative financial benefit for Council in retaining ownership and managing the housing directly. Forming a Rangitikei-trust is an option to direct management

The Manawatu Community Trust made a presentation to Council at its meeting on 23 February 2017 and is meeting with its legal advisers to discuss some options in an attempt to clarify the issue of ownership. Investigations are in progress on the feasibility of establishing a similar Rangitikei-specific trust or having a committee structure within the Manawatu Community Trust, and a ten-year plan for the housing (if remaining under direct Council control) is being prepared for the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting on 15 June 2017.

7. Upgrade of Taihape Pool

Major work is required in filtration and heating to get this pool to a satisfactory standard. An expert assessment was obtained and peer reviewed. Initially, there was an assessment that the existing electricity supply to the pool would need upgrading, but on further examination will not be necessary. The costs for the full extent of work are estimated at \$430,000 which takes the project beyond the funds committed by Council and the Trust.

There has been a meeting with the Taihape Community Development Trust (which has a service contract to manage the Pool) and a commitment secured to work on a joint funding strategy to secure the funding gap of \$200,000 to enable the work to be done during 2017. A contingency budget to fund this upgrade has been included in the draft 2017/18 Annual Plan, and is an element for community consultation. No application for external funding as yet been submitted.

The tender was issued on 13 April 2017. . A recommendation is included on the Council's agenda for 27 April 2017 to delegate to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee to make a decision at its meeting on 11 May 2017. The objective is to have the upgrade finished before the start of the 2017/18 swimming season.

8. Bulls multi-purpose community centre

Community feedback was sought at the public launch of the project on 8 August 2016, and as a consequence the design has been modified to provide a larger auditorium, a wider stage, and additional toilets. The funding implications from these changes were considered by Council at its meeting on 29 September 2016. The total cost of the facility is likely to be \$4.36 million but the rate-funded loan (for \$1.6 million) will not increase. The required additional funding will come from corporate sponsorship, a higher target for local community funding and sale of further surplus Council property in Bulls or use of financial reserves. The architects suggested a mesh-style exterior cladding to lighten the look: subject to confirming the price, this change in the building appearance has got strong support. However, this brings the estimated cost very close to the budget. Before proceeding to the detailed design and specification, a value management workshop was held on 31 January 2017 to review what savings are available from alternative products and systems. The objective was to lower the design estimates by at least 10%. The actual savings outcomes achieved were 18.7%. As the detailed design and specification will cost between \$100,000 and \$150,000, it is critical to avoid substantial revision of that further in the process.

Agreement has now been reached with the Joint venture (JV) partners (who own the whole former Criterion Hotel site) in regard to the area to be purchased by Council – including the retention by the JV partners of the civic square area (so Council does not need to purchase it) which will be subject to enduring control by the Council. A geotech assessment and the site survey have both been completed.

The application to Lotteries' Community Facilities Fund was submitted by the due date, 31 August 2016. In December the Fund decided to grant \$500,000 although it will not be paid before 23 November 2017 and the Fund administrator will require evidence that the balance of remaining funds has been raised for the project, a copy of the final construction contract, a copy of the building consent, confirmation of the project start date, estimated completion date and that the project is as submitted in the grant request.

A funding application was lodged with the Dudding Trust; it will be discussed further in the coming funding round. Additional funding applications have been submitted to Lotteries Significant Projects Fund and the Four Regions (PowerCo) Trust. The outcome of these applications is unlikely to be known until at least mid-2017.

During the Annual Plan consultation, work on investigating the legal saleability of surplus properties was paused. The information centre/bus stop at 113 Bridge Street has no impediment to sale and it will be offered for sale through an open tender process in accordance with Council policy on the sale of surplus property. Such a sale will be conditional on allowing Council to continue using the site as now until the new facility is available. (The sale is being managed by Property Brokers). Properties proposed for sale, but not flagged for disposal in the initial discussions with the community, is an item in the Consultation Document for the 2017/18 Annual Plan

Preparations for the local fund-raising campaign are well advanced. A newsletter was distributed to every property in Bulls outlining the background to the project, its current status, and the next stages of the development. The Give-a-little page has been launched. The potentially significant source of funding from selling (on commission) the FM radios (providing information about the aircraft and Base facilities) during the Ohakea Air Show was declined because Council would have had to purchase the radios. The Mayor has had a number of discussions with likely corporate sponsors. Local and corporate funding and pledges now exceed \$54,000, with the target being \$350,000.

At its meeting on 29 September 2016 Council resolved to proceed with the preparation of detailed plans and tender documents, and, subject to budget, invite tenders for the construction of the new facility when at least 70% (\$1.19 million, including at least \$105,000 in local community funding from the Bulls community) of the external funding is secured by way of grants from external agencies, local community funding and corporate sponsorship. This does not commit Council to continuing the project. Detailed design is not essential for other funding bids but it must be complete before the Lotteries grant will be paid. It will take about three months to complete.

The design, costings and proposed property sales associated with the proposed Centre were the focus of an Annual Plan consultation meeting held in Bulls on 8 March 2017. The preparation of detailed plans and specifications to support a tender process for the Centre's construction have been put on hold pending the close of the submission period for the draft 2017/18 Annual Plan. This will be the community's last opportunity to influence the design of the proposed Centre before it is finalised.

The funding application to the Lotteries Significant Projects Fund has been completed and submitted to the Department of Internal Affairs. The application presents the proposed Bulls Community Centre project as part of a District-wide town centre development programme, and references the proposed Marton City Centre and Taihape town hall/service centre development projects. The Department has confirmed that the application will proceed through to assessment and then to the Committee for a funding determination.

9. Development of Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site in Marton for Council's administration centre and the town library

Possession was gained on 31 August 2016. A meeting has been held with building owners and businesses in this area and an opportunity provided for them to see inside the buildings.

Following a call for Expressions of Interest, Opus was engaged to assist in preparing a heritage assessment and concept development, not just for the Council's site, but more generally within the Broadway precinct between High Street and Follett Street. The Opus team visited Marton on 23 November 2016 to undertake preliminary site investigations and discuss their initial thinking. The project was completed just before Christmas and 'rough-order' cost estimates provided for four options –

- retain, strengthen and refurbish;
- retain all facades, with new facility behind;
- retain, strengthen and refurbish Davenport; retain facades of Cobbler B and Abraham and Williams, with new facility behind, demolish Cobbler B and replace with new one storey build;
- demolish all and construct new facility.

In all cases, a structure at IL4¹ rating for the Civil Defence function is envisaged on the Cobbler A site.

The costs have now been peer-reviewed. Given the high community interest, the three main options were included within the Consultation Document for the 2017/18 Annual Plan to inform the community and invite their views.

The Marton heritage precinct concept was shared before Christmas with building owners who showed interest in progressing it. The objective in this part of the project is to develop a heritage precinct plan which could be submitted for funding in the Government's Heritage Earthquake Upgrade Incentive Programme (EQUIP). Draft terms of reference for a Marton Heritage Panel have been prepared. The Ministry has expressed interest in a precinct application.

In some places collaboration to regenerate urban centres has been formalised through an approach known as the 'Precinct Model'. This will be explored with property owners. A preliminary action is to gather information about spending by Marton residents in Marton and in nearby centres. It is intended that this work is completed by the end of May.

A meeting for Marton business/commercial property owners was held on 1 March to provide an overview of the information to be presented in the draft 2017/18 Annual Plan. The public meeting on 13 March for the draft Annual Plan provided a focus for presenting the concepts associated with the proposed Marton Civic Centre and heritage precinct.

¹ i.e. Importance Level 4, which denotes buildings that must be operational immediately after an earthquake or other disastrous event, such as emergency shelters and hospital operating theatres, triage centres and other critical post-disaster infrastructure. Clause A3 of the Building Code defines the significance of a building by its importance level (IL), which is related to the consequences of failure. There are five levels of importance, considered by the importance of the building to society:

Attendees were encouraged to submit their views on the ideas presented in the consultation document.

10. Taihape civic and community centre

As noted in previous commentaries, this is the least conceptualised town centre complex – but its location, on the Town Hall site, has previously found strong support.

Council has previously anticipated that, early in 2017, the Taihape community would be asked to say where their preferred site is for the new amenity block on Memorial Park (approved following the consultation process for the 2016/17 Annual Plan). That facility will have provision for a second storey, which may be part of finding a long-term solution for those organisations currently using the former Taihape College buildings on Rauma Road. That discussion will provide an opportunity to think in more detail the nature of the facility on the town hall site and the extent to which the current building can be an integral part of that. Both these issues were explored at a joint meeting between Council and the Taihape Community Board on 3 November 2016 and with the users of the Rauma Road facilities on 14 November 2016.

An advisory group is being formed on options for community facilities in Taihape, with terms of reference modelled on those used for the Bulls town centre project. Cr Gordon will chair it. This group will review the brief for the amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park and be a reference group during its construction.

The Annual Plan consultation meeting for Taihape (22 March) focused on the need to identify the preferred site for the proposed amenity block and encourage community views on the future of the Memorial Park grandstand.

Recommendations

That the memorandum 'Top ten projects – status, April 2017' be received.

Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

Attachment 5

	Community Committees/Boards	Te Roopu Ahi Kaa	Finance/Performance	Policy/Planning	Assets/Infrastructure	Council	Audit/Risk
Mar-17							
Apr-17				Review community outcomes			
May-17			Economic Development workshop	Review forecasting assumptions and confirm Groups of Activities and Activities Review Growth Strategy Review Engagement Strategy	3 Waters Asset Management Plan	Monthly update	
Jun-17	Engagement Strategy	Engagement Strategy	Scope review of Revenue and financingpPolicy Financial Strategy	Stocktake of existing strategy, policy and plans	Roading Asset Management Plan Infrastructure Strategy	Monthly update Discussion with Mayor and Committee chairs on key messages and consultation strategy	Risk management framework for the LTP
Jul-17			Councillor workshop on financial forecasts, rating scenarios, etc	Significance and Engagement Policy (to frame the right debate)	Review of Levels of Service	Monthly update	
Aug-17	Levels of Service	Levels of Service and relevant Policy Review (e.g. Policy on Māori capability to contribute to decision-making)	Review Revenue and financing policy	Policy review complete		Monthly update	
Sep-17	Workshop with all CC/CBs	Workshop with all CC/CBs	Activity level budgets	Draft of key choices/right debate section		Monthly update	
Oct-17	Key choices/right debate	Key choices/right debate	First cut of financial forecasts	Finalise key choices/right debate and final review of forecasting assumptions	Final Asset Management Plans	Monthly update	
Nov-17						Monthly update	
Dec-17						Pre-exposure draft of CD and LTP available to Councillors	
Jan-18						Walkthrough of exposure draft of CD and LTP	
Feb-18	Prepare to make submission	Prepare to make submission				Council adopts CD and draft LTP	
Mar-18							
Apr-18	Make submission	Make submission				Council considers submissions on CD	
May-18						Council adopts final 2018-28 LTP	
Jun-18							
Jul-18							

CD = Consultation Document

Attachment 6

Report

Subject: Draft Marton B and C Dams Management Plan

To: Council

From: Katrina Gray, Senior Policy Analyst/Planner

Date: 6 April 2017

File: 1-CP-4

1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society have requested that the Marton C dam is opened for public access. Following resolution from Council, staff have prepared a draft Management Plan for Marton B and C Dams which covers legislative requirements, health and safety and costs.
- 1.2 Council is requested to make decisions on the following matters:
- Consultation on the draft Management Plan.
 - The use of funds derived from forestry harvesting at the site.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society would like to open up the C dam for public access alongside a wider project for walking access alongside the Tutaenui Stream from Marton to the Dam. Council had previously indicated high level support for public access via a walking track around the C dam.
- 2.2 At its 1 December 2016 meeting Council resolved to endorse the principle of allowing public access to the Marton B & C Dams, provided it does not jeopardise the security of the water supply and that measures are in place to protect people from the hazards associated with the operation of the dams. Council requested a detailed management plan (including costs) was prepared for Council's consideration¹.
- 2.3 A draft Management Plan is attached (Appendix 1).

¹ 16/RDC/370

3 Similar Examples

- 3.1 To gain an understanding regarding public access to sites which supply drinking water, Ellen Webb-Moore and David Rei Miller visited the Turitia Dam in Palmerston North and the Mangamahoe Dam in New Plymouth. The Turitea Dam does not have public access, while the Mangamahoe Dam does provide public access.

Turitea Dam – Palmerston North

- 3.2 Turitea Dam serves as one of the water supplies for Palmerston North, with approximately 60% of the city's water currently being sourced here. The area is closed to the public, with access blocked by gates. Guided tours are occasionally taken and are well received – the site possesses an impressive dam face around 80 metres in height and the native bush regeneration has admirable natural values. The source consists of two dams – upper and lower.
- 3.3 Staff from PNCC Water Treatment plant maintain that barring public access ensures the water quality of the catchment, and keeps it free from contamination, both deliberate and accidental. The water's edge is surrounded in very dense regenerated bush. There are minimal tracks around the dam. Hunters are sometimes permitted to carry out pest control in these areas, as deer and pigs have been sighted. Hunters who are permitted in the area are vetted, and must confirm that they do not have any notifiable diseases.

Sources of Contamination

- 3.4 PNCC keep tight control of access to the dam. It is not generally open to the public. Perceived risks associated with human contact include direct risks such as protozoal or viral contamination, and indirect risks such as the introduction of foreign species to the dam water from shoes etc. Vandalism is also perceived to be a risk resulting from access. While it's accepted that most contamination, if it occurred, would be unintentional, it's felt that there is a risk of intentional fouling of the water.

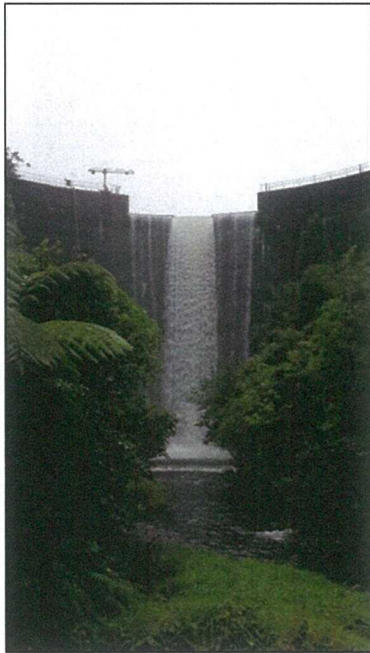
Water Treatment

- 3.5 Two main areas of concern for staff are bacteria (such as E. coli) and protozoa (such as Giardia and Cryptosporidium species). The Turitea Dam catchment's security means that water sourced from it only has to be treated to 3-log protozoa removal. Tributaries that supply the catchment are considered to be relatively free from interference by stock, staff at the treatment plant indicating that only one neighbouring farm could be viewed as affecting water feeding the dam.
- 3.6 It is largely because of the pristine nature of this catchment that PNCC are so keen to protect it, and restrict public access.

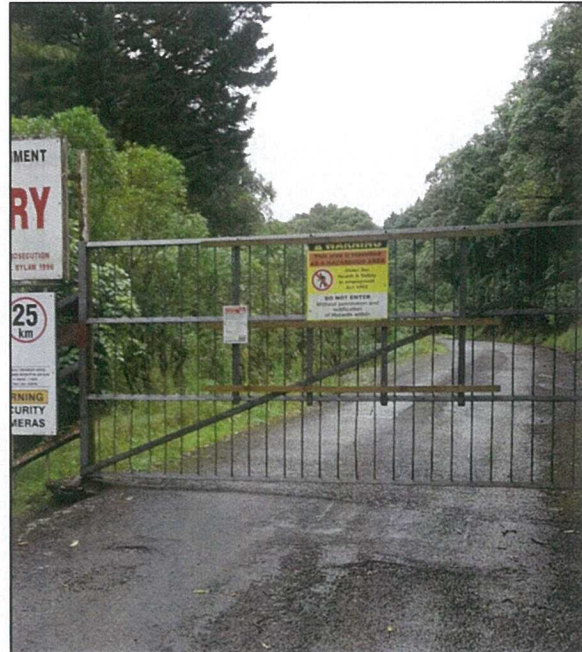
General Management

- 3.7 Management of the dams themselves largely rests with PNCC staff. Failure of the dam represents a significant risk not only to life and property, but also to the water

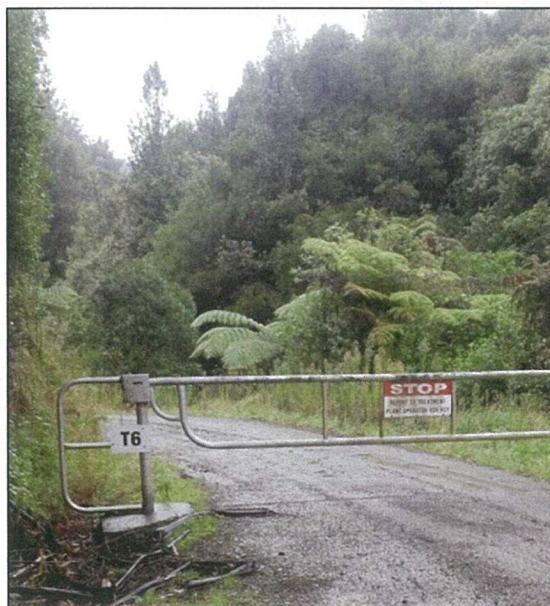
supply for Palmerston North. For these reasons, a substantial programme of dam monitoring and assessment is in place.



Upper Dam Face with Spillway Operating



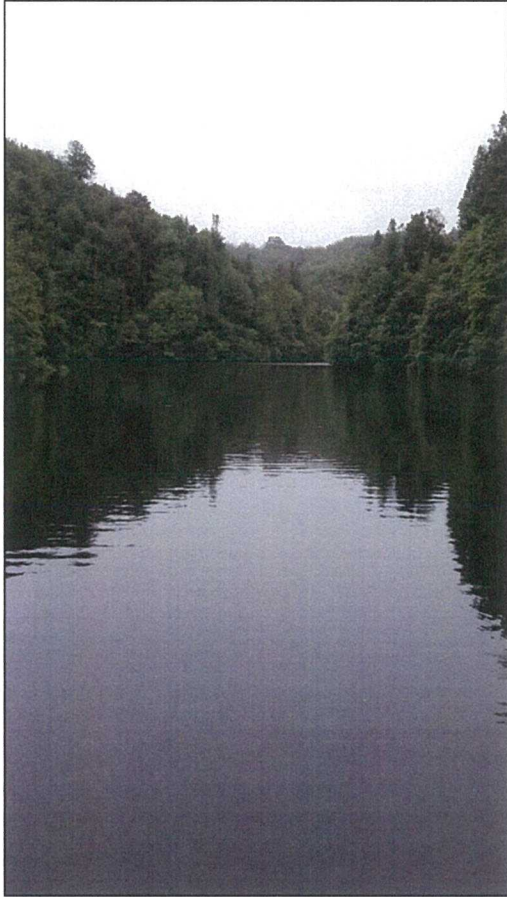
Entrance Gate



Locked Dam Access Gate



Entry signs



Upper dam



Upper Dam Crest

Lake Mangamahoe – New Plymouth

- 3.8 Lake Mangamahoe serves as the water supply for New Plymouth, from the areas of Omata to Urenui. The lake itself is owned by Trustpower (with rights vested in New Plymouth District Council to take water for water supply purposes) and water that exits the lake is used for the commercial purpose of power generation.
- 3.9 While Lake Mangamahoe is deemed 'non-contact' and entering the water is prohibited, it still serves as a recreational site for the general public, and there are a variety of recreation uses including a complete circuit walk, bridle path and mountain bike tracks through the production forest. Trout fishing is another activity undertaken at Lake Mangamahoe.

Sources of Contamination

- 3.10 Contamination issues were raised with NPDC. Staff indicated that their primary concerns for contamination of the water supply were dairy effluent in the waterways and the potential for oil spills on nearby State Highway 3. Other sources of contamination included Canadian Geese which require regular culling. The staff at NPDC indicated that public access at the site did not give them cause for concern

in terms of the water supply, as the lake was non-contact. There was a proposal some years ago to allow rowers onto the lake, but staff in Water Supply were against this and it did not go ahead.

- 3.11 Dumped rubbish is a concern at Lake Mangamahoe, especially green waste. The reason for green waste being of particular concern could be that in past years there was an official green waste dump site at the location.

Water Treatment

- 3.12 Due to the nature of the catchment, NPDC are required to have 4-log removal of protozoa. Protozoal sampling at the Lake is done regularly which is required for drinking water compliance.
- 3.13 Systems in use for water treatment include coagulation, filtration, and disinfection with chlorine. Their treatment does not include UV treatment, but does include an scan instrument upstream which optimises coagulation control and is set up to detect hydrocarbon contamination in case of an oil spill.
- 3.14 Dairy effluent is a huge concern for the Council. In the past they have experienced peaks and troughs in contaminants in summer related to milking times, and have needed to shut down the intake to the Water Treatment Plant. The issue of viruses has not been considered by NPDC.
- 3.15 The walking track is generally not close to the lake, and the intakes are not located where walking tracks are close.

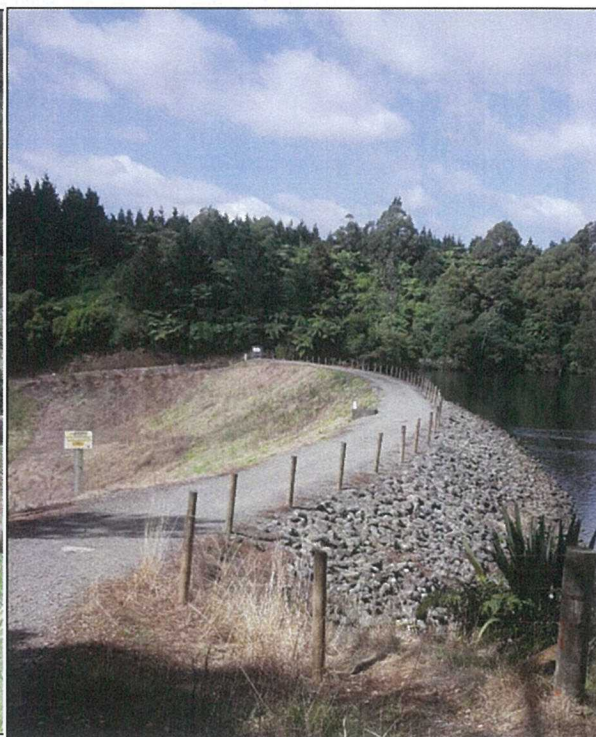
General Management

- 3.16 Lake Mangamahoe is open to the public between the hours of 7.00 am and 6.00 pm outside daylight savings, with the main gate locked outside of these hours. This is done by security staff, as part of NPDCs security package.
- 3.17 Recreation groups work alongside Council. The mountain biking tracks in the forest were established in the 1990s. The group have a licence to conduct activity at the site, as do a local group who use and maintain the bridle trail (which was created in 2004).
- 3.18 The area surrounding the lake is regenerated native bush. Gorse and blackberry have been problematic plants to manage. Since gaining control of these species, there has been a no spray within 5 metres of the water policy to reduce the likelihood of chemical contaminants ending up in the water supply. Care is also taken that mulch is not washed into the lake, for the same reason.
- 3.19 There is forestry around the lake, but once felled, in future years forestry will be replanted at a greater distance from the water's edge. There are concerns about felling operations affecting the environment and the water supply, which is the main reason for pushing back forestry to a greater distance.

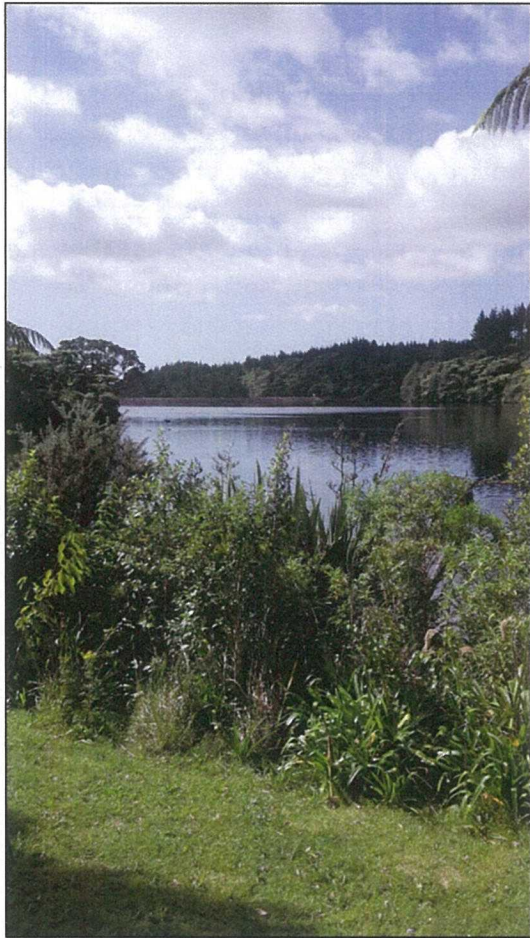
- 3.20 In addition to the “no spray” area, there is a buffer strip of 5 m around the lake from which the public are instructed to exclude dogs. Rangitikei District Council staff spoke at length with a frequent user of the facilities, who indicated that the rules are largely followed and behaviour is self-managed.



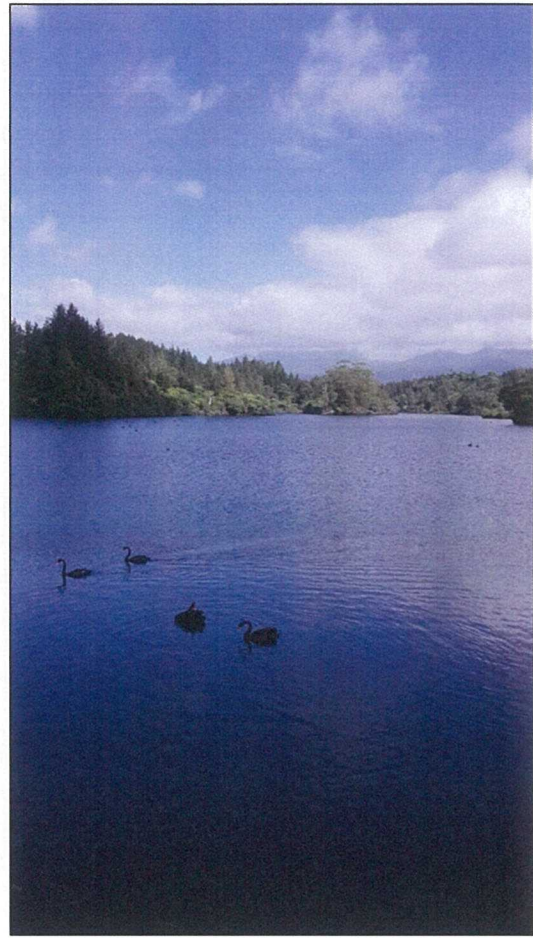
Bridle trail signs



Dam crest



View across the Lake



View to Mt Taranaki



Access road sign



Trustpower warning sign

Comment

- 3.21 The two dams provide two different management regimes. The Tiritea Dam has few sources of contaminants and is managed to a 3 log treatment system, while the Lake Mangamahoe Dam has contamination from a range of sources (particularly agriculture) and therefore, is managed to a higher system (the 4 log system). The Lake Mangamahoe system of management is the one which is the most comparative to the Marton B and C Dams and water treatment system which also has contamination from upstream land uses and is managed to a 4 log system.

4 Public open day

- 4.1 An open day was held on 4 March 2017 which was attended by 45 residents. The feedback received on the day was largely supportive, with only two attendees unsupportive of the opening of the area for public access due to the costs.

5 Structure of the Management Plan

- 5.1 The Management Plan has been designed to cover all aspects of management of the Marton B and C Dams and is structured with the following sections:
- PART 1 – Introduction and Background
 - PART 2 – Legal Framework
 - PART 3 – Overview Water Supply and Recreation
 - PART 4 – Management Objectives and Activities
 - PART 5 – Action Plan
- 5.2 Parts 1 – 3 of the Management Plan provide the background and context for the management of the site. Part 4 provides the management objectives for the site which will be used to guide future activities in the area and are directly related to the action plan. The management activities provide an overview of the management of various aspects of the site and where responsibilities sit within Council.
- ## **6 Forestry harvesting**
- 6.1 Most of the area around B and C Dams is covered with pines more than 30 years old. The harvesting of these trees this autumn will dramatically change the appearance of the site to being much more open, for at least the next five years – but will also allow natural regeneration into mature bush.
- 6.2 The proceeds from the logging could be used to fund improvements to the site. The expected return from the harvesting could be up to \$100,000. This means that no additional rate funding should be needed.

Natural regeneration

- 6.3 Under the Emissions Trading Scheme, sites are considered to be deforested unless the required level of planting or regeneration occurs within specified timeframes.
- 6.4 For the site to not be declared as deforested 4 years following clearing the site must have been replanted with at least 500 stems per hectare of forest species, 100 stems per hectare of poplars or have regenerated cover of 500 stems per hectare of exotic forest species or regenerated indigenous forest which is likely to be forest land within 10 years. Additionally, 10 years after clearing the exotic forest species must have a tree crown cover of at least 30% from trees that have reached 5 metres or have predominantly indigenous species growing as forest land. After 20 years of clearing the indigenous species must have tree crown cover of at least 30 percent from trees at least 5 metres tall.
- 6.5 It is intended that following harvesting, the site will be allowed to regenerate naturally and will be monitored on a yearly basis to ensure the site is going to meet the required targets, with supplementary planting undertaken where required.
- 6.6 It is not proposed to replant the site in pine trees as Council is decreasing its forestry assets and the site is not efficient for forestry due to the narrowness of the areas available for planting.

Pest Plants

- 6.7 If left unmanaged, the site has significant risk of becoming overrun with pest plants. Plant pests need to be addressed to ensure regeneration requirements are met. An annual monitoring programme would need to be developed, audits undertaken during spring to ascertain the current leaves of control needed for the coming summer and to identify any potentially new invasive species that may have established. It is extremely difficult to foresee which weeds will become dominate once the pines have been removed.

7 Costs

- 7.1 Revenue from forestry harvesting is likely to be at least \$100,000.
- 7.2 Costs associated with opening up the site for recreation purposes and planting and plant pest management are provided in the tables below. They are differentiated into the basic action plan and advanced action plan costs.
- 7.3 Costs associated with planting and plant pest control are \$25,000 for one-off costs and \$40,000 annually for plant pest control in the first year, reducing over time with the emergence of regenerating species.
- 7.4 The most significant cost of allowing public access to the site is the fencing of the sludge ponds which is estimated to cost \$50,000. Other costs associated with recreation access are much less \$4,200 for initial costs and \$10,000 for ongoing

costs. There are cost savings as the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society will be able to provide in-kind labour in the maintenance of the site.

Basic Action Plan - Recreation

Action(s)	Cost
Erect signs which prohibit dogs, swimming.	\$500
Advertising on the Rangitikei District Council website, Rangitikei.com, Council display space in Marton.	Staff time. Printing.
Forming of the track to a walkable standard. Including culverts.	\$10,000 per year for first two years After 2 – 3 years \$5,000 per year.
Signs – directional, hazard, welcome, informative.	\$2,000
Addition of gate to existing fence.	\$200 for materials. Community labour.
Weekly rubbish check	Nil
Develop a memorandum with the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	Staff time
Fencing of the sludge ponds – deer fencing with razor wire.	\$50,000
Provide Health and Safety training to all volunteers.	Staff time
Installation of handrail on bridge over spillway.	\$1500
Steps onto bank	As part of the annual track maintenance.
Mowing of the parking area and track	In kind
Total	One off costs – \$54,200 Ongoing costs - \$5,000 - \$10,000

Basic Action Plan – Biodiversity

Action(s)	Cost
Development of a Pest Plan Operational Management Plan	Staff time
Planting of the riparian margin of the dams.	5,000 plants @ \$2.80 each = \$13,000. Contractor 5,000 plants @ \$2.40 each = \$12,000 Total = \$25,000
Plant pest control	\$40,000 - \$50,000 per year
Total	One off costs - \$25,000 Ongoing costs - \$40,000 annually

Advanced Action Plan - Recreation

Action(s)	Cost
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Action(s)	Cost
Installation of toilet. Single toilet with a chamber that can be pumped.	\$35,000 initial cost. Ongoing cleaning costs of \$10,000 per year for daily clean.
Further signage	\$1,500
Rubbish bins	\$250 for installation. \$2,000 per year for monitoring
Creation of a parking area	\$2,000 for fencing \$5,000 for gravel In-kind labour
Total	One off costs - \$43,750 Ongoing costs – up to \$10,000 per year

Advanced Action Plan - Biodiversity

Action(s)	Cost
Other plantings	1,000 plants @ 2.80 each = \$2,600 per year Contract planter 1,000 plants @2.60 each = \$2,600 per year.
Total	\$5,200

8 Consultation

- 8.1 If Council resolves to move forward with the proposal to open the B and C dams for public access, it is recommended that the draft Management Plan is put out for public consultation with the community. As the site is not a reserve, consultation does not need to occur in accordance with the Reserves Act (which requires 2 months), but needs to be consulted on in accordance with Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 8.2 It is suggested that an engagement plan would be approved by the Policy/Planning Committee at its 11 May 2017 meeting, with the consultation period open from 12 May 2017 – 16 June 2017, with a view for oral submissions to occur at Council's 29 June 2017 meeting.
- 8.3 Given the proposed restriction of dogs at the site it would be beneficial to consult on amendments to the Dog Control Bylaw simultaneously.
- 8.4 There are a few outstanding matters to be addressed (advanced action plan matters for water quality, tangata whenua), it is recommended that the Policy/Planning Committee is delegated the responsibility of considering these matters.

9 Recommendations

- 9.1 That the report 'Draft Marton B and C Dams Management Plan' be received.
- 9.2 That the draft Marton B and C Dam Management Plan [as amended/without amendment] is approved for public consultation during May/June 2017, provided the engagement plan and the outstanding matters are approved at the 11 May 2017 Policy/Planning Committee meeting.
- 9.3 That the Dog Control Bylaw (amended to restrict public access to the Marton B and C Dams) is approved for consultation during May/June 2017, provided the engagement plan is approved at the 11 May 2017 Policy/Planning Committee meeting.
- 9.4 That the profits from the harvesting of forestry at the Marton B and C Dams are used to cover costs associated with plant pest control and replanting of the site to meet regeneration requirements under Section 179 of the Climate Change Response Act 2002 and following public consultation and the completion of logging, Council will decide on whether to use any of the residual funds for recreation purposes at the site.

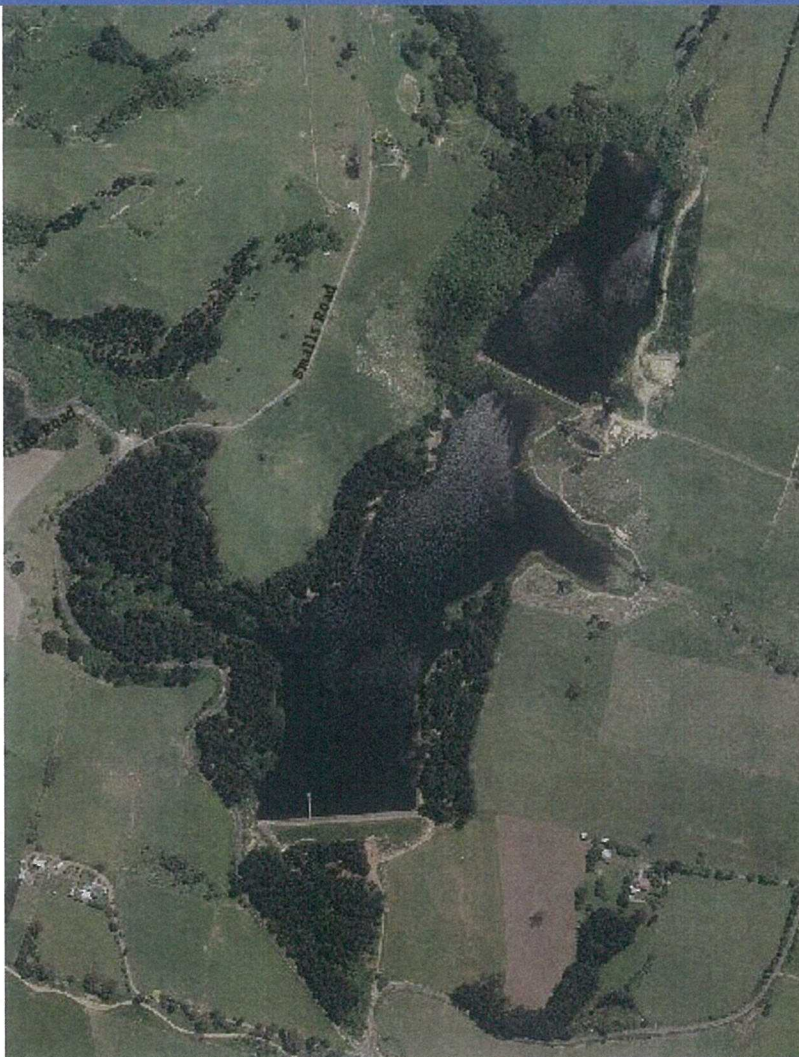
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Marton B and C Dam Management Plan



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PART 1 - Introduction

Introduction

The Marton B and C dams have been the source of Marton's water supply since 1912 (B dam) and 1953 (C dam). The primary purpose of this site is for water catchment for the town's supply. It is important that the town's water supply is adequate to service the town's needs and is of high quality.

The site is also open to public access for recreation purposes. Recreational facilities are important as they contribute to the quality of life for local residents and can enhance visitor experience. This is a Management Plan covers the ongoing management of all aspects of the Marton B and C Dams.

The Management Plan has been developed to provide an overview of the site, identify objectives for the management of the site, and to guide day to day management and decision making.

It is important to identify the primary purposes of the site is for water supply purposes, which take precedence over any recreational activities.

The Plan is structured into the following sections:

- PART 1 – Introduction and Background
- PART 2 – Legal Framework
- PART 3 – Overview Water Supply and Recreation
- PART 4 – Management Objectives and Activities
- PART 5 – Action Plan

Purpose

The Marton B and C Dam Management Plan provides a policy framework and specific action plan for the future development and use of the Marton B and C dams.

Consultation

To be completed following public consultation.

Site Description

The site covers an area of 54 hectares and comprises of the Marton B dam and the Marton C dam (Figure 1). The catchment area for the dams is approximately 14.5km² which feeds into the dams via the Tutaenui Stream from the north and an unnamed tributary from the east. These waterbodies flow through privately owned property. The Tutaenui Stream to the north is fenced, restricting stock access, while the tributary to the east is unfenced.

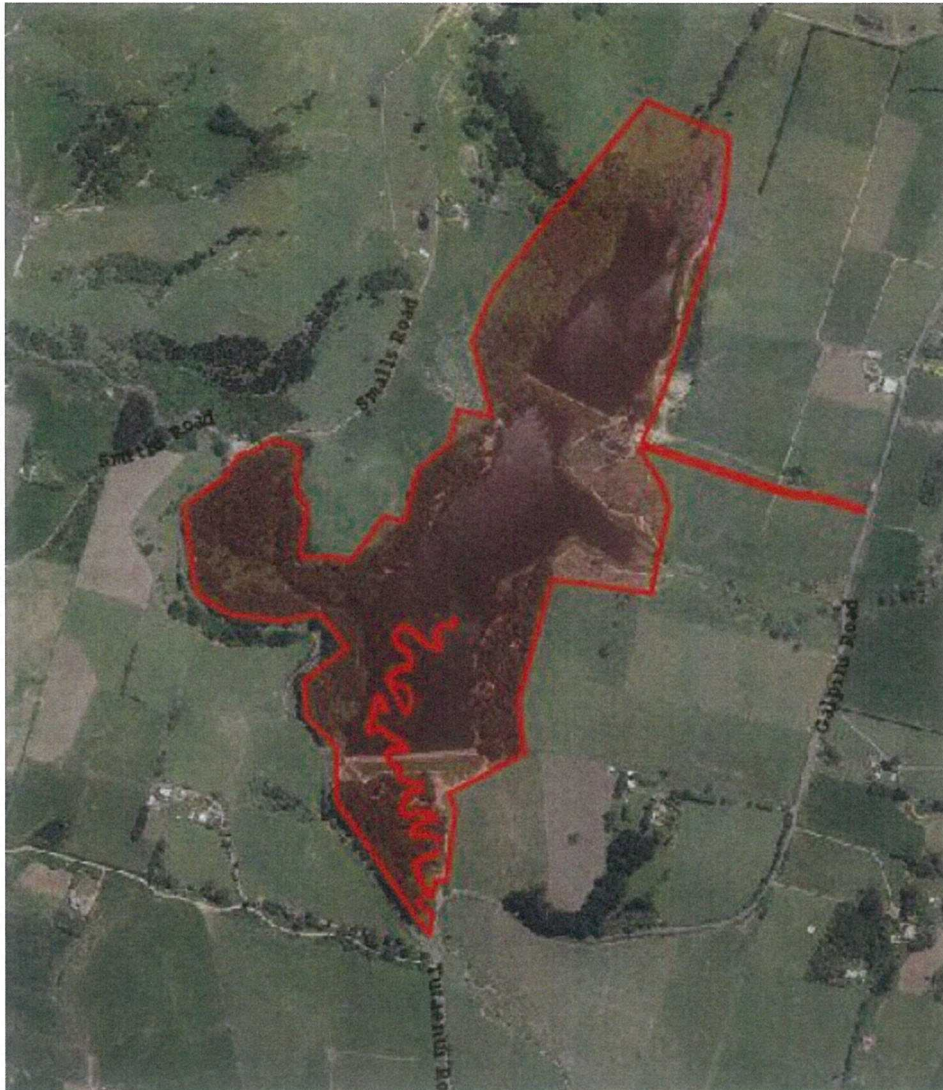


Figure 1. Aerial view of the site (source: IntraMaps)

The site contains two dam faces, one each for the B and C dams and three ponds which are used for aluminium flocking ([Figure 2](#)). The site also contains other infrastructure including; the dam intake system, dam level readings, valve controls and telemetry. The C dam is the newest of the dams and was constructed in the 1950s. A spillway connects the B and C dams on the west of the site and a spillway from the B dam back into the Tutaenui Stream. The dams are concrete faced earth impoundment dams enabling 917,000m³ of water storage.

The site has approximately 11.5 hectares of pine trees surrounding the dams ([Figure 3](#)) which are due to be harvested autumn 2017. The north-eastern side of the B dam contains regenerated native bush.

There is vehicle access for authorised vehicles from the site entrance off Tutaenui Road, to the settling ponds associated with the operation of the Marton Water Treatment Plant.

There is currently a rough walking track around the C dam rehabilitated by the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society throughout 2016.

The site is surrounded by a number of rural properties that are used for primary production purposes. There are five different land owners of the properties surrounding the dams.



Figure 2. Aluminium flocking ponds



Figure 3. Pine trees surrounding the dam

History of Marton's water supply

Prior to 1879, which was the year Marton became a Borough, water was collected manually from the Tutaenui Stream. The Borough worked to find an improved water supply. In 1882 the Marton A dam was developed. However, in 1910 – 1912 the Marton B dam was constructed by the Marton Borough Council as a replacement to the A dam which was not large enough to provide for an increasing population. At the time of construction the B dam provided for 24 weeks of consumption by Marton residents. Given the ample supply, water was also supplied to residents of the Rangitikei County and the Railway Department. However, by the 1940s the increasing population was putting pressure on the supply and water restrictions were a frequent occurrence.

In 1953 follow a process of considering alternative options, the plans were prepared and loans authorised for the C dam. Construction on the C dam began later that year. The C dam was completed by 1956; however, by 1958 restrictions were again imposed due to water shortages. Issues were not with the capacity of the C dam, but with the water treatment plant's capacity which resulted in improvements in 1971.

Demand for water continued to grow, with investigations occurring in 1973 to investigate options for increasing supply. As a result the height of the C dam was raised by a further 3 metres at a cost of \$300,000.

Tangata Whenua

To be added.

Existing Leases/ Licences

Fish and Game New Zealand currently manage duck shooting licences during the hunting season which runs between May and July each year. This is undertaken primarily as a mechanism for controlling water fowl, which have the potential to adversely water quality if numbers are not effectively managed.

Forestry

The pine trees on the site (approximately 11.5 hectares) are due for harvesting in autumn 2017. Harvesting is required to ensure the primary purpose of the property as a municipal water supply source is not compromised. The removal of the pine trees creates a number of opportunities and potential issues which are discussed below.

Opportunities

Funding

The harvesting operation is expected to generate up to \$100,000 in profits. Council has yet to decide how this revenue may be used.

Associated works

The harvesting of the pine trees provides an opportunity for the equipment to complete a number of activities which can be beneficial for operations and for opening the site for public access. These activities are identified below include:

Activity	Operations	Recreation
Post-harvest track establishment	Yes	Yes
Boundary fence with Makuhou Road	Yes	Yes
Removal of the large Macrocarpa tree at the bottom of C dam	Yes	No

Issues

Sedimentation/Erosion

The harvesting of pine trees has the potential to increase sedimentation of the dams. Nevertheless, if harvesting is undertaken at an appropriate time of year, in accordance with best practice methods, sediment loads can be reduced to a minimum.

Deforestation

Following the removal of the pine trees, it is intended that the site be replanted to achieve the regeneration required to avoid classification as 'deforested' pursuant to section 179 of the Climate Change Response Act 2002 (and the subsequent payment of NZ Carbon Units).

Plant Pests

Following harvesting, if not carefully managed, the site is likely to be invaded by weed species. Once the pines are removed the weeds growing beneath them will flourish with the increased light levels. There is also a significant build-up of weed seeds beneath these pines which will germinate quickly in spring. The management response to this issue is addressed in further detail below.

PART 2 - Legal Framework

The management of the Marton B and C Dams are the responsibility of Council. Table 1 provides the legal description of the parcels of land that comprise Marton B and C Dams. Council is the owner of all of these properties.

Table 1. Legal Description of Marton B and C Dams

Certificate of title	Area	Legal description	Interests
WN203/127	6.5306 hectares	Part Section LVII Rangitikei District	Notice pursuant to Section 195(2) Climate Change Response Act 2001
WN20A/105	19.5639 hectares	Part Block LVII Rangitikei District Part Block LVII Rangitikei District Part Block LVII Rangitikei District Part Block LVII Rangitikei District Section 1 Survey Office Plan 23185	Notice pursuant to Section 195(2) Climate Change Response Act 2001.
WN334/242	14.2803 hectares	Part Block LX Rangitikei District Part Block CXCVIII Rangitikei District	Notice pursuant to Section 195(2) Climate Change Response Act 2001.
WN330/81	2.0323 hectares	Part Block LVIII Rangitikei District	Notice pursuant to Section 195(2) Climate Change Response Act 2001.
No title	2.7598 hectares	Part Block LX Rangitikei District	
No title	8.3140 hectares	Part Block LVIII Rangitikei District	

Local Government Act 2002

The Local Government Act 2002 and the Local Government Amendment Act 2010 define the purpose of local authorities as twofold:

- a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and

- b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.

The legislation sets out range of obligations, restrictions and powers, including requiring local authorities to assess their communities' needs for water and to provide water services for local communities. Funding levels are set out in the Long Term Plan which is a document produced under the Local Government Act 2002.

Bylaws

Bylaws are created under the Local Government Act 2002. The bylaws which are relevant to the site include:

- Public Places Bylaw 2013 – seeks to protect the public from nuisance, promote and maintain public health and safety and minimising the potential for offensive behaviour.
- Control of Dogs Bylaw 2014 – specifies standards that must be complied with by dog owners. NOTE: dogs would be prohibited at the Marton B and C dams.

Wildlife Act 1953

The Wildlife Act 1953 provides for the protection and control of wildlife (any animal living in a wild state) and birds, and regulates the hunting of game. The Act sets out in a series of schedules the levels of protection for different wildlife, listing those birds and animals which fall into each category.

The Resource Management Act 1991

The Resource Management Act 1991 has the purpose of providing for the sustainable management of natural and physical resources. It is the overarching document under which the following national policy standards, national environmental standards, the One Plan and the Rangitikei District Plan are created.

The National Environmental Standard for Sources of Human Drinking Water

National Environmental Standard (NES) for Sources of Human Drinking Water is a regulation made under sections 43 and 44 of the Resource Management Act, the purpose of which is to improve drinking water management by ensuring that catchments are included in the management of drinking water. It sets out the requirements for protecting sources of human drinking water from becoming contaminated, making regional councils accountable in ensuring that effects of activities on drinking water sources are considered in decisions on resource consents and regional plans. This relates to land-use activities within the dam catchment area.

National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management

The National Policy Statement (NPS) for Freshwater Management took effect on 1 August 2014. It sets out the objectives and policies for freshwater management under the Resource Management Act 1991. This NPS directs Regional Councils to establish objectives and set

limits for freshwater takes in their regional plans. In the Manawatu-Wanganui region, this is achieved through the Horizons One Plan.

Horizons One Plan

The One Plan provides the resource management framework, for water takes and discharges. It also addresses contaminant management and large scale earthworks. Some of the activities undertaken by the District Council at the site have resource consents for their operation and other proposals being considered by the Council may need resource consent. The activities proposed to provide for public access at the dams do not require resource consent.

Council currently holds the following consents with Horizons for activities on the site:

- Consent 6929 – Abstraction – Tutaenui Stream – Expires 11 July 2032.
- Consent 6853 – Discharge – Discharge aluminium sludge and filter backwash to the B dam.

The Rangitikei District Plan

The site is zoned as Rural under the operative Rangitikei District Plan. The site also has a designation (D16) over the Marton B and C dams for water supply purposes. Open space and recreation activities are provided for as permitted within all areas of the Rangitikei District.

Health Act 1956

The Ministry of Health, through the provision of standards, guidelines and other tools, ensures that an appropriate infrastructure is present in New Zealand to support the provision of clean and safe drinking-water to communities. Underlying the standards and processes is the Health Act 1956.

Under the Health Act 1956, the Council is required to take all practicable¹ steps to ensure they provide an adequate supply of drinking water that complies with the New Zealand Drinking Water Standards produced by the Ministry of Health². The Act:

- Requires drinking-water suppliers to take all practicable steps to ensure they provide an adequate supply of drinking-water that complies with the New Zealand Drinking-Water Standards;
- Requires drinking-water suppliers to introduce and implement water safety plans;

¹ All practical steps' is defined in the Act. As a drinking water supplier this means we have to take all steps that you are reasonably able to do in the circumstances to meet the standards having regard to certain matters including: (i) the means available to meet the standards; (ii) cost and affordability; (iii) the harm that would result if the standards are not met; and (iii) what is known about that harm. What this means is that suppliers need to understand the risks with their supply and show they have taken all reasonable steps they can to plan to avoid or minimize these risks.

² See Sections 69S-69W of the Health Act.

- Ensures drinking-water suppliers take reasonable steps to contribute to the protection from contamination of sources from which they obtain drinking-water;
- Requires officers appointed by the Director-General of Health to act as assessors to determine compliance with the Act and to have their competence internationally accredited;
- Requires record keeping and publication of information about compliance;
- Provides for the appropriate management of drinking-water emergencies;
- Improves enforcement by providing an escalating series of penalties for non-compliance.

Further information on the water quality standards is provided in Appendix 1.

Drinking Water Assessors

The Ministry of Health does not check on the local authorities directly, but instead works at the regional level through the District Health Boards (DHBs). Each DHB is expected to oversee the territorial authority in its area and ensure (audit) that they maintain appropriate water quality. In a serious health risk situation, the DHB can, through the health district's Medical Officer of Health, order a water supply to close, but generally it works effectively through persuasion rather than coercion. Drinking-water responsibilities of the DHBs are undertaken by Drinking-Water Assessors (DWAs).

Rangitikei's drinking water assessor has made the following comments on human activity around the catchment:

To be included

PART 3 – Overview of Water Supply and Recreation

Water Supply

Background

The Marton B and C dams are the primary water source for the Marton township. The water is treated before entering a 5.3km bulk main to the town boundary. There is the potential for emergency supply from chlorinated bore water from a site at Calico Line. This is pumped into the system to supplement flows during peak demand. The Marton Water Treatment Plant is currently operating with a 4 log treatment system which is the highest requirement being enforced throughout the country³.

Effective management of drinking water requires reducing the risk of contamination – from source through to treatment plant and distribution system. The risk of contamination is minimised at every step of the process to reduce the potential for contamination ([Figure 4](#)).

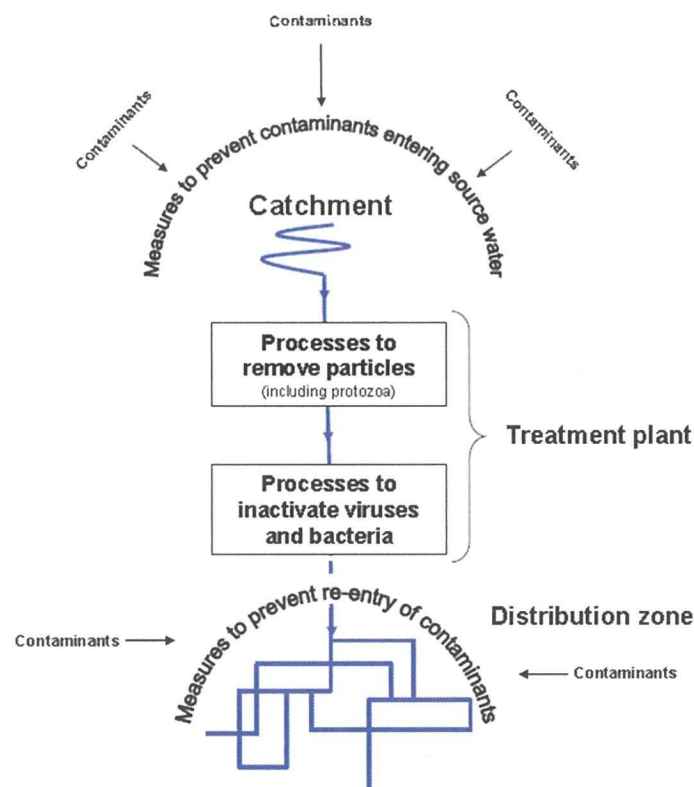


Figure 4. Management of drinking water from source to distribution

³ Note: Log credits = The capacity of a treatment process to reduce the number of infectious *Cryptosporidium* oocysts in water is specified by the number of log credits it is assigned. The greater the number of log credits assigned to a treatment process, the larger the percentage of oocysts the process is able to remove or inactivate.

Sources of Contamination

Currently the Marton B and C Dams have a number of sources of contamination:

- Stock access to tributaries - particularly the eastern tributary which has cattle in the tributary over the winter months.
- Stock around the dams – there can be deer found in the pine forest surrounding the dams.
- Aluminium backwash – is discharged to the Marton B Dam from the Water Treatment Plant in accordance with consent 6853 from Horizons.
- Water fowl – the dams are home to a number of ducks and other bird species throughout the year. Control of the ducks is currently undertaken through allowing duck shooting on the site from May – July each year.
- Human pathogens – human contact with the water, pathogenic contamination entering the dam through ground water migration or runoff.

Water Quality Testing

Water quality testing currently takes place as follows:

- Water quality testing for algae levels takes place weekly from the end of October through to mid-April.
- Annual general water quality testing.
- In-house testing is also conducted weekly to identify pH levels, dissolved oxygen, temperature and manganese.
- Testing for aluminium levels and turbidity occurs from the 'B' Dam four times per year, in February, May, August and September⁴.
- E.Coli testing occurs weekly with samples taken from the water leaving the treatment plant.
- Monitoring of turbidity and UV.

Recreation

Background

The Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society have been advocating for public access to the C dam as part of a wider project to increase access and restoring the Tutaenui Stream. Access to green spaces is important for community well-being, however, there is also the opportunity for increases to well-being through community engagement in the management of the site. Public access to the dams is provided as part of this management plan and has not been previously provided. The dams will only be opened for walking access, with other activities such as biking or horse riding not permitted. At a later date consideration may be given for increasing activities that occur at the site.

⁴ A requirement of resource consent 6853 – which relates to the discharge of wastewater (aluminium sludge and filter backwash) from the Marton Water Treatment Plan into the Marton B Dam.

It is recognised that the opening of the Marton Dams for public access will provide a new recreational opportunity for the local community. However, there are potential issues which need to be assessed. Analysis of these issues is found in [Appendix 2](#).

Demand

The Marton B and C Dams are located approximately 10 minutes from the Marton Township. The Marton Township has access to a number of parks which are largely comprised of playing surfaces and gardens. There are no other similar open spaces within the surrounding environment.

An open day was held on 4 March 2017 which was attended by 45 residents. The feedback received on the day was largely supportive, with only two attendees unsupportive of the opening of the area for public access due to their sense of the likely costs.

PART 4 - Management Objectives and Activities

Management Objectives

The implementation of any management plan requires clear objectives. This plan has identified objectives for water supply, recreation, biodiversity, forestry and community partnerships. The primary objective for the site is for the water supply which takes priority over the other objectives.

Water supply

The Marton B and C dams is managed in a manner that protects and where possible improves the quality of the water supply.

Health and Safety

The health and safety of staff and the public is protected⁵.

Recreation

To develop, maintain and promote the use of the walking track at the Marton B and C dams.

Community partnerships

To work with the local community, particularly the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Trust, in the management and development of the Marton B and C dams.

Forestry

To maximise the potential benefits and minimise the adverse effects arising from forestry harvesting at the Marton B and C dams.

Biodiversity

To manage the Marton B and C dams in a manner that enhances biodiversity of the area.

Management Activities

Water quality management

The Marton B and C Dams are managed by Council's Assets Department. There are two aspects to management of the site; asset management and operations. Management of the site occurs in conjunction with the Water Safety Plan⁶ which identifies potential risks that present public health risks and identifies improvements. To increase water quality the following preventative measures will be undertaken:

⁵ This will be managed through a separate Health and Safety Management Plan.

⁶ Prepared under the Drinking Water Standards for New Zealand 2005 (revised 2008).

- Fencing of the eastern tributary – will decrease stock access and reduce direct contamination of this tributary. The stream edges which are fenced will also require planting. The fenced areas will be located as far from the water edge as possible (ideally 7 metres).
- Removal of overgrown and inappropriate vegetation from the banks of the dams.
- Riparian planting with suitable species.
- Duck shooting – continue to allow Fish and Game to oversee licences for the duck shooting season⁷.
- Deer management – work with suitably qualified hunters to control deer at the site⁸.
- Management of the forestry harvesting to reduce the potential for sedimentation – harvesting at the right time of the year in accordance with best practice. A reputable contractor has been engaged to undertake this work.
- Dam scouring following approval of resource consents.
- Sludge disposal into the spillway.
- Water pumped from the Tutaenui bore to the B dam and irrigated through a floating pontoon.

While improving water quality at the source is important. Effective treatment processes at the water treatment plant have responsibility for ensuring the water supplied to residents is suitable for human consumption.

Operations management

General operations at the dams are also required for the optimum functioning of the water supply. Operations at the site are the responsibility of the Utilities Operations Manager. The following operations occur at the site:

- Mowing of the dam faces
- Checks of the structures to assess for potential failures.
- Cleaning of the outlet screen on the floating structure on the C dam on a monthly basis.
- Use of a gas cannon to scare Paradise ducks away from the dam.

Pest Plant Management

Pest management of the site is the responsibility of the Parks and Reserves Team Leader. Without a long term operations plan, following forestry harvesting the site would quickly revert into a condition that makes future weed management of this site extremely difficult.

Pest Plant Operational Management Plan

A Pest Plant Operational Management Plan will be developed for the long term management of pest plants at the site.

⁷ The dams will be closed for public access during this period.

⁸ The dams will be closed for public access during this period.

This plan will include:

- Targeted weed species
- The level of control required for selected species
- Pest plant auditing
- Methodology for controls
- Selection of suitable contractors

Regenerative of Native Species

Managing invasive plant pests and by selective removal of weeds that are hindering the natural regeneration on site will reduce the need for significant new plantings. Once the pines are removed the damaged understory should quickly adapt to its newly created open environment.

Annual Pest Plant Audit

An Annual Pest Plant Audit will be required to ascertain the current leaves of control needed for the coming summer and to identify any potentially new invasive species that may have established. It is extremely difficult to foresee which weeds will become dominate once the pines have been removed. However the following species list will be the starting point.

Common name	Scientific Name	Control Measure
Gorse	<u><i>Ulex europaeus</i></u>	Progressive control
Sycamore	<u><i>Acer pseudopalatus</i></u>	Total Control
Blackberry	<u><i>Rubus fruticosus</i></u>	Progressive control
Pampus	<u><i>Cortaderia jubata</i></u>	Total Control
Broom	<u><i>Cytisus scoparius</i></u>	Progressive control

Following forestry harvesting aquatic plants will be monitored on an annual basis so that any spread of invasive aquatic weed species can be managed from an early stage. By removing the pines will allow more light into the dam which may cause aquatic plant pests to flourish.

Riparian Margin

All riparian margins of the dams will be planted with appropriate species. A buffer strip of at least 5-10 metres of new planting will be formed in areas that are able to be planted.

Seed Collection

As part of good land management the need to plant the correct species back into the right location is imperative. Future plants for this site will be sourced from seeds that have been collected from naturally occurring plants on the site. During March 2017 the Parks and Reserves team collected seed from naturally occurring vegetation on site. These seeds have been cleaned by the Manawatu District Council Nursery and are being stored for future plant production.

Plant Maintenance

An ongoing requirement will be that any new planting, are required to be maintained for 3 years following installation to ensure the plant establishes quickly. Maintenance will consist of regular site visits to hand release plants followed by a spray release.

Management of recreation use

The management of recreational use of the site is the responsibility of the Community and Regulatory Services Group. A local community group, the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society, has a specific interest in the development of the dams for public access and to increase water quality. The Community and Regulatory Services Group will work with the Society to develop a memorandum of understanding with the Society for their involvement in the improvement and maintenance of the site. The Community and Regulatory Services Group also have responsibility for overseeing other recreational improvements on the site such as signs, track development, and planting.

Public access to the site will be reviewed by the Chief Executive on a yearly basis to ensure that access is not creating issues with regard to the quality of the water supply and health and safety. If issues have arisen the Chief Executive will determine if there are mitigation measures required to address the issue, or if the issues are of such significance that public access to the site will be withdrawn.

Site closure

Public access to the site will be restricted under the circumstances identified below. Where possible, at least one week prior to restriction Council will place a public notice in the local newspaper and will put a sign up on the site.

- Annually for the duck shooting season from May – July.
- As required for operations to occur – e.g. chemical spraying, operational management of the dam faces, emptying of sludge ponds.
- During tree harvesting.
- During high rainfall and wind events.

PART 5 - Action Plan

Basic

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeframe
Water supply	Erect signs which prohibit dogs, swimming.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services Group	\$500	Prior to public access. Associated with general recreation sign.
	Development of a plan for fencing and planting of the eastern tributary	Council – Assets Council – Parks and Reserves	Staff time	Year 1
	Fencing of the eastern tributary	Council – Assets Council – Parks and Reserves	\$7,500 for fencing materials 1,500 plants @ 2.80 each = \$3,900 Total = \$11,400	Year 2
Recreation	Advertising on the Rangitikei District Council website, Rangitikei.com, Council display space in Marton.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services Group	Staff time. Printing.	Year 1

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeframe
	Forming of the track to a walkable standard. Including culverts.	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	\$10,000 per year for first two years After 2 – 3 years \$5000 per year.	Years 1- 5.
	Signs – directional, hazard, welcome, informative.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services.	\$2,000	Year 1
	Addition of gate to existing fence.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services.	\$200 for materials. Community labour.	Excludes vehicle access, but allows walking access.
	Weekly rubbish check	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	Nil	Ongoing
Biodiversity	Development of a Pest Plan Operational Management Plan	Council – Parks and Reserves Team Leader	Staff time	Year 1
	Plant pest control	Council – Parks and Reserves Team Leader	\$40,000 - \$50,000 per year	Ongoing
	Planting of the riparian margin of the dams.	Council – Parks and Reserves Team Leader	5,000 plants @ \$2.80 each = \$13,000. Contractor 5,000 plants @ \$2.40 each = \$12,000 Total = \$25,000	Following harvesting.
Forestry	Site visit with John Turkington prior to	Athol Sanson in conjunction	Staff time	Year 1

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeframe
	harvesting to determine areas which need to be harvested more sensitively.	with Andrew van Bussel, Andrew Jamieson and Greg Carlyon.		
	Reinstatement of the walking track around the C dam to a basic standard.	Council – Utilities Operations Manager	TBC	Following harvesting.
Community Partnerships	Develop a memorandum with the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	Council – Community and Regulatory Services Groups and the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	Staff time	Year 1
Health and Safety	Fencing of the sludge ponds – deer fencing with razor wire.	Council – Assets in association with the Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	\$50,000 - \$100,000	Prior to public access
	Provide Health and Safety training to all volunteers.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services Group	Staff time	Year 1
	Installation of handrail on bridge over spillway.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services Group	\$1500	Prior to public access
	Steps onto bank	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	As part of the annual track maintenance.	

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeframe
	Mowing of the parking area and track	Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society	In kind	Ongoing

Advanced

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeline
Water supply	Installation of toilet. Single toilet with a chamber that can be pumped.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services	\$35,000 initial cost. Ongoing cleaning costs of \$10,000 per year for daily clean.	Assess 1 year following the opening of the site for public use, or at the time significant issues arise.
	<i>Further actions to be confirmed.</i>			
Recreation	Erection of a sign at the entrance with a map, history and H&S notices.	Council – Community and Regulatory Services	\$1,500	2018
	Rubbish bins	Council – Community and Regulatory Services	\$250 for installation. \$2,000 per year maintenance	Assess 1 year following the opening of the site for public use, or at the time significant issues arise.

Objective	Action(s)	Person responsible	Cost	Timeline
	Creation of a parking area	Council – Community and Regulatory Services	\$2,000 for fencing \$5,000 for gravel In-kind labour	If required following monitoring of the use of the site.
Biodiversity	Other plantings	Council – Parks and Reserves Team Leader	1,000 plants @ 2.80 each = \$2,600 per year Contract planter 1,000 plants @2.60 each = 2,600 per year.	Years 2, 3, 4, 5.

Appendix 2 – Analysis of potential issues resulting from public access

Risk/issue	Current state	Options to address	Residual Risk	Comment
WATER QUALITY				
<p><i>Bacteria, protozoa, viruses</i></p> <p>Increased risk from human effluent.</p>	<p>Water quality at the B and C Dams is affected by a number of sources.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nutrient loads and pathogens from tributaries. Specifically, for the Marton B and C Dams there is unrestricted stock access into the eastern tributary. 2. Sediment as a result of forestry harvesting. 3. Aluminium discharge in to the Dam's from the settlement ponds. 4. Effluent from ducks. 	Use of existing treatment processes.	<p>Low – the water source is already affected by a wide range of contaminants.</p> <p>The water treatment plant has the capability to treat contaminants.</p>	The Marton Water Treatment is currently operating at log 4.
		Reduce other sources of contamination e.g. fencing of the eastern tributary to restrict cattle access.		Currently stock have unrestricted access to the eastern tributary.
		Monitoring.		
		No swimming.		
		Dogs not allowed.		
		Toilet block with septic tank.		A toilet with an effluent chamber could be constructed which would require emptying (rather than the need for a full septic system).
		Educational signage e.g. no swimming.		

Risk/issue	Current state	Options to address	Risk	Comment
UNSOCIABLE BEHAVIOUR				
Vandalism	Currently there have been issues with trespassers and motorbike riding.	Restricting access at night.	Low – moderate – there is currently little vandalism at the site and public access is unlikely to significantly increase the risk.	The Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society could undertake this work.
Tagging		Restricting access at night.		The Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society could undertake this work.
Litter		Regular rubbish checks.		Tutaenui Stream Restoration Society can undertake weekly monitoring of rubbish.
		Rubbish bins provided		
Risk/issue	Current state	Options to address	Risk	Comment
TUTAENUI RURAL WATER SUPPLY PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY				
Potential raising of the B/C dam	Council is involved with a project to look at whether a new rural water supply could be established in the wider Tutaenui area using the existing water assets in the Tutaenui area – the A/B/C Dams and other water sources.	Nothing required.	Low – the raising of the C dam is not feasible.	The raising of the C has been discounted as not being feasible. The initial proposal for public access is for access to the C dam only, therefore, would be unaffected by the project.

Attachment 7

Rangitikei District Council

Finance and Performance Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 30 March 2017 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present:

Cr Nigel Belsham (Chair)
 Cr Lynne Sheridan
 Cr Angus Gordon
 Cr Dean McManaway
 Cr Graeme Platt
 Cr Ruth Rainey
 Cr David Wilson
 His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also present:

Cr Angus Gordon

In attendance:

Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
 Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
 Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
 Ms Samantha Kett, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents:

Item 7

Chair's Report – Chair's Report

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council Prayer

Cr Platt read the Council Prayer.

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apologies for absence from Cr Ash and Cr Peke-Mason be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Rainey. Carried

4 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.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that there would be no change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **17/FPE/004** File Ref

That the Minutes of the Finance/Performance Committee meeting held on 23 February 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Rainey / Cr Sheridan. Carried

7 Chair's Report

The Chair spoke briefly to the tabled report, thanking Mr McIlrvine and the Finance Team for the work that goes into preparing the monthly financial reports that are provided to the Committee.

The Chief Executive made brief comment on the recent visit by assessors for the Local Government Excellence Programme, stating that he felt that the visit was overall a positive one.

Resolved minute number **17/FPE/005** **File Ref** **3-CT-14-1**

That the Chair's Report to the Finance/Performance Committee meeting on 30 March 2017 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Sheridan. Carried

8 Adopted Strategic Intentions for the 2016-19 Triennium – work plan implications

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the item.

The Committee were happy with the format of the document provided and agreed that it be used for the key priority issues for Council's other two Committees, with one amendment around the use of the word 'No' in the Progress column, suggesting the use of 'Not Yet' instead.

9 Monthly Financial Report – February 2017

Mr McIrvine spoke briefly to the Monthly Financial Report highlighting the changes to the format of the report from previous months.

The Committee requested the following information:

- Commentary around how the Roothing Activity is tracking towards year-end, given the less-than ideal weather conditions.
- What the \$325,000 in the budget for the Marton is for.
- Why the \$6M budget for flood damage reinstatement shows no spend and a breakdown of what this \$6M covers.

The Committee considered that a workshop session should be held around what roading projects are approved under the three-year contract (currently assigned to Higgins) and what projects are approved under a normal tender process.

Mr McIrvine confirmed that it was feasible to show the true budget – i.e. deducting approved carry-forwards and adding approved increases. However, Council had a legal obligation to show Annual/Long-Term Plan budget figures in the Annual Report.

Resolved minute number **17/FPE/006** **File Ref** **5-FR-4-1**

That the monthly financial report for February 2017 be received.

Cr Wilson / Cr Rainey. Carried

10 Local Authority Protection Programme (LAPP)

Mr McIrvine narrated a presentation on the Local Authority Protection Programme, providing background to the establishment of the Programme and Council's involvement. He

also outlined the potential issues facing Council if it stayed in the Programme vs. looking at 100% insurance.

The Chief Executive highlighted that this issue also forms part of the order paper to the Council meeting later in the day.

The Committee agreed more information was needed before making a final decision about withdrawing from LAPP.

11 Late Items

Nil

12 Future Items for the Agenda

Policy for referral of rates arrears to Debt Management Central

13 Next Meeting

Thursday 27 April 2017, 9.30am

14 Meeting Closed – 10.50am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

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Turakina Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 6 April 2017 – 7:30 p.m.

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Present: Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell (Chair)
Mr Duran Benton
Mr Alistair Campbell
Ms Tina Duxfield
Ms Carol Neilson
Ms Anita Oliver
Mayor Andy Watson
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

In attendance: Ms Katrina Gray (Senior Policy Analyst/Planner)

1 Welcome

Ms Mauchline Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public Forum

Nil

3 Apologies

Nil

4 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. No conflicts of interest were declared.

5 Confirmation of order of business

Due to the timing of ANZAC day, discussion about the Committee's involvement in ANZAC Day celebrations cannot be dealt with at the Committee's June 2017 meeting.

Resolved minute number	17/TCC/007	File Ref
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That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, the ANZAC Day celebrations be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Ms Mauchline Campbell/ Mr Benton. Carried

6 Minutes of last meeting

Resolved minute number	17/TCC/008	File Ref	3-CC-1-4
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That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 2 February 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms Neilson/Mr Campbell. Carried

7 Chair's Report

Ms Mauchline Campbell noted relief that the District made it through the recent flooding event relatively unscathed.

Cr Peke Mason noted that the event could have been much worse and that Council had made contact in key areas – Koitiata and Whangaehu. The event highlighted that while Koitiata has an emergency evacuation plan, Whangaehu needs to develop one.

Mayor Watson gave an overview of the events of the flooding. Worst case scenario and there would have been significant damage. Declaring a State of Emergency allowed Council to move people and received assistance from the air force.

Discussion was held about a welfare centre in Turakina. The town could potentially be split into three sections by the flood waters.

Resolved minute number **17/TCC/010** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 6 April 2017 Turakina Community Committee meeting be received.

Ms Mauchline Campbell/ Mr Campbell. Carried.

8 Update from the Combined meeting / workshop with Council and Community Committees

None of the Committee members were present at the combined meeting/workshop.

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations from the Committee to Council.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

The recommendation regarding placemaking funding for the tables was discussed Item 11.

11 Update on place-making initiatives

The Committee is now ready to organise the materials for the edging and base, and setting a date for the working bee. Ms Mauchline Campbell reported that Mr Sanson will work with the Committee to determine the locations with regard to the plants he has planned. Ms Mauchline Campbell will contact Mr Sanson to set a date for the working bee. Cr Peke-Mason noted the need to incorporate the relocation of the rubbish bin into the plan.

Discussion was held about the historic information sign which used to be displayed in the village. Ms Mauchline Campbell will investigate whether it is available to be reinstated.

12 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - January 2017

Ms Oliver will ensure the deposit slip for the donation to the school newsletter will be provided to Ms Gray to finalise the payment.

The Committee previously approved funding for the playcentre relocation. Ms Gray will find the recommendation in the previous minutes. Ms Duxfield will ensure the invoice is provided to Council before the end of the financial year.

Resolved minute number **17/TCC/011** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-4**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2017' be received

Ms Duxfield/ Ms Oliver. Carried

13 Update on the Community Newsletter

This item was discussed in item 12 above. The newsletter is distributed twice per term, with the next issue released in May. This issue can have an article about the picnic tables. Mayor Watson noted that good news articles could be provided to Council for the Rangitikei Line newsletter.

14 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Mayor Watson reported the following activities the Committee might be interested in:

- The last major roading project from the June 2015 storm event (Majuba Bluff on Turakina Valley Road) being completed.
- Stop-bank down Turakina Beach Road is now complete.
- Discussions are occurring regarding the flooding issues surrounding the entrance to Koitiata.
- Engaging in discussions with the Singapore Ambassador regarding the potential for Singapore Air Force to have a base at Ohakea.
- Thank you to Mr Benton for cleaning the cemetery sign.
- Ratana celebration - next year looking at 40-50 thousand people for the centenary. Enormous effort required for traffic management. Will be a process for working with local communities.
- Deliberations on Council's draft Annual Plan occurring in April.

15 Late Items

ANZAC Day Service in Turakina

Turakina ANZAC Commemorations have previously been organised by Bob Major and Pike Tereni (military). Bob is no longer able to complete his side. Have been unable to find someone to take over, therefore, there has been a request for the Community Committee to help.

The Committee discussed the requirements and logistics of assisting. The group agreed that they would support the event this year to ensure it is held, but would look to other community members for the following year.

16 Next Meeting

Thursday 1 June 2017, 7:30pm

17 Upcoming meetings for 2017

- 3 August
- 5 October
- 7 December

18 Meeting closed

8.28pm

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

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Present: Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Mrs Yvonne Sicely (left at 7.30pm)
Cr Angus Gordon

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

Tabled documents: Item 10 Memorandum – Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2017
Item 13 Memorandum – Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward.
Item 15 Progress report -Matters arising not elsewhere on the Agenda.

Unconfirmed

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public Forum

Mr Keith Rowland gave a presentation on the various types of defibrillators, outlining the performance and cost of each model. He said that he was currently waiting for information on the lock up boxes that would be required to house them.

The Board asked that Mr Rowland provide them with a report detailing this information as well as his recommendations.

Board members were keen to drive this project so a brief discussion was then held on how many defibrillators to purchase and where they should be located with the CBD. Mr Rowland suggested that the same models be purchased for each site.

The Board to look into the various funding options for this project. It was thought that there would be some community donations as well.

3 Apologies

Resolved minute number 17/TCB/014 File Ref

That the apologies from Cr Rainey, Cr Aslett and Ann Abernethy for absence be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

4 Members' conflict of interest

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

5 Confirmation of order of business

It was agreed that the following be taken under item 16 of the Agenda (Late Items)

- Wreaths for Anzac Day
- Ratification of the Taihape Community Board's submission to the 2017/18 Draft Annual Plan.

6 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved minute number 17/TCB/015 File Ref

That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 8 February 2017, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Chair's report

The Chair gave a verbal report noting the various meetings/activities that she had attended.

She said that she had received some great comments about the recent work that had been undertaken in the Triangle.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/016** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 12 April 2017 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

8 Requests for Service concerning Taihape – February 2017

The Chair said it was important that members of the public were aware that they could remain anonymous when reporting any issues and that they should be encouraged to contact Council staff directly or through the 0800 number.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/017** **File Ref**

That the report 'Requests for Service concerning Taihape- February 2017' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

9 Update on the Small Projects Fund

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/018** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2017' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

10 Update on place-making initiatives

The Chair spoke briefly on the Taihape Triangle Tile Project. She said that there had been a great deal of interest shown from new families who wished to complete a tile as well as those that had missed out last time.

It was thought that they would start with around 200 tiles and costs for each family would be approximately \$15. Carla Woollaston to provide information on the process/timeline for this project.

The Chair advised that she would order the two BBQ tables for placement on the Alex Wong corner.

11 Update on Youth Development – March 2017

There was a brief discussion on the use of the Scout hall in Taihape as the new Youth Zone. Members felt that this would be an ideal location.

Resolved minute number 17/TCB/019 **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Update on Youth Development –March 2017' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

12 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward.

SH1 to Dixon Way

The Board agreed that a decent walking surface from SH1 to Dixon Way was all that was required. They asked that the wording be changed from "New Footpaths" to "Walking surface" in future discussions regarding this matter.

Resolved minute number 17/TCB/020 **File Ref**

That the report 'Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

13 Terms of Contract 994 (CBD Cleaning – Taihape and Hunterville)

There was some discussion regarding the Scope of Works for the Taihape CBD cleaning contract following complaints about the unsatisfactory work that was being undertaken.

The Board noted that the Contract specifications did not include cleaning of the footpaths which was an issue especially outside of unoccupied shops.

14 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

Resolved minute number 17/TCB/021 **File Ref**

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

Cr Gordon/Mrs Sicely. Carried

15 Late items

ANZAC Wreaths

It was agreed that 3 wreaths be ordered from Taihape Blush florist. It was thought that Cr Rainey would represent Council at Mangawekas service while Ms Larsen and Cr Gordon

would attend the service at Taihape. Council staff to pass this information onto a RSA representative.

2017/18 Draft Annual Plan

There was some discussion on the Board's submissions. The Chair asked that members forward any further ideas to her before Thursday 20th April (when she would be making an oral submission to Council).

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/022** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board's submission to the 2017/18 Draft Annual Plan as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

16 Future items for the agenda

None.

17 Date of next meeting

The Board agreed to hold a workshop on 10 May 2017.

The next meeting to be held 14 June 2017.

18 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

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Marton Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 12 April 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

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Present: Ms Carolyn Bates (Chair)
Ms Donna Harris
Ms Lyn Hunter
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr Dave Wilson
Ms Wendy Wagner
Ms Jennifer Greener (7.15)
His Worship the Mayor A Watson (7.25)

In attendance: Ms Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Ms Cath Ash, Project Marton Coordinator

1 Apologies

Resolved minute number 17/MCC/006 File Ref

That apologies be received from Belinda Larsen-Harvey, Lyn Duncan and Pip Hancock

Ms Bates/Ms Hunter Carried

2 Members' conflict of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared in respect of items on this agenda.

3 Confirmation of order of business and late items

Ms Bates explained that due to confusion over the deadline for agenda items previously circulated, the agenda items that she had forwarded had not been included on the agenda.

Resolved minute number 17/MCC/007 File Ref

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, Swimming pool repairs, Tutaenui Scheme AGM, Annual Plan Submission to RDC, Annual Plan submission to Horizons, Curtain Bank, Civil Defence update and Marton Park update be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Ms Bates/Ms Wagner Carried

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 17/MCC/008 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 8 February 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Wilson/Ms Harris Carried

5 Chair's Report

Ms Bates reported on the things she has been involved with since the last meeting. She also informed the Committee that Gillian Bowler has been confirmed in her appointment as the Youth Development Coordinator.

Resolved minute number **17/MCC/009** **File Ref**

That the Chairs' report to the Marton Community Committee meeting on 12 April 2017 be accepted.

Ms Bates/Cr Wilson carried

6 Combined meeting / workshop with Council and Community Committees

Ms Bates reported that she appreciated the opportunity to receive the information directly from the Mayor and staff ahead of the time that the public meetings took place. She was appreciative of feedback from the Committee members to the draft submission that had been circulated for comment. Ms Bates thanked Committee members, Ms Harris and Ms Harvey-Larsen who came to help draft the submission. Ms Bates confirmed that it had been submitted to Council and informed the Committee that she would welcome support at the oral hearings – the allocated slot is between 2.30 and 3.30 on 20 April in the Council Chamber.

Resolved minute number **17/MCC/010** **File Ref**

That Council considers a similar process of information provision to Community Committees when other significant Council decisions are being made

That the Committee endorses its submission made to 2017/18 Annual Plan

Ms Bates/Ms Hunter Carried

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

It was noted that there were no recommendations from the Committee to Council.

8 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

The responses to queries from the Committee to Council were noted.

9 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

Ms Ash reported to the Committee.

Harvest Fair was very successful. Project Marton estimated that up to 8,000 people had attended. Wet tent selling craft beer was very popular (on licence). Amazing support from local businesses and volunteers. Feedback from out-of-town stall holders was that they felt welcomed and at home.

Community garden has been great with over 80 kg food each week being distributed for free. Newsletter bulletin is very popular with more people signing up each week. Ms Bates asked whether hard copies of the newsletter could be left in public places. Ms Ash reported that printing costs were prohibitive for too wide a printed distribution.

The following projects are being worked on:

- Community Services Awards
- Cooking class coming up - focussing on harvest abundance (pickling and bottling etc.).
- Meet the candidates evening for the general election, MC Nigel Belsham.
- Craft Alive event being worked on for 23/24 September
- Rangitikei's Got Talent in next month, final on 22 May
- Place-making group working on seating outside Countdown

Focus for the coming 12 months is on Men's Shed and Timebanks, youth suicide and anti-bullying.

Cr Sheridan asked whether there was an opportunity/need to do adult education classes in evenings at the College. Ms Ash informed the Committee that Land Based Training offer literacy and numeracy classes and that a recent conversation with the Principal at Rangitikei College indicated that he would be open to discussions. Cr Sheridan asked about parenting classes. Ms Ash informed the Committee that Jigsaw run parenting courses every term.

Ms Bates noted that the Arts and Crafts Centre had been approached by two teachers from the College with a view to developing a learning opportunity for students who are not necessarily doing well at school. Ms Hunter will follow up with the teachers concerned.

10 Update from the Marton Wastewater Advisory Group

Ms Hunter reported on the meeting at the end of February which was a first meeting to bring everyone up to speed with the terms of reference and role of the group. The Mayor added that there may be an opportunity to look at how to resolve Bulls and Marton at the same time i.e. connecting the two together.

11 Update on Youth Services

The update was noted.

12 Update on place-making initiatives

The update from Mr Sanson was noted.

13 Update on the Marton Civic Centre/Heritage Precinct project

Cr Wilson reported on the well documented project around the Heritage Precinct in Marton as part of the 2017/18 Annual Plan and good number of submissions received. High level project and high level of interest/engagement. Looking forward to reading the submissions thoroughly.

14 Marton / Council Street Table

Cr Sheridan reported that the tables went well on 4 March and 1 April 2017. Always interesting what questions come up from passers-by. Next one is on 6 May (New World) and then 3 June (Countdown). All welcome to help.

15 Small Projects Grant Scheme update – April 2017

Resolved minute number	17/MCC/011	File Ref	3-CC-1-3
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That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2017' be received.

Ms Bates/Cr Sheridan Carried

It was noted that a quote has been received and tabled for the irrigation scheme for the community garden for \$348 and the Committee confirmed its contribution of \$250. The letter indicates that the equipment has been purchased and reimbursement is requested.

Some discussion over the plaque to commemorate the Main Street horses. It was noted that the plaque had been printed but not placed anywhere. Staff will follow up to see if the money was dispersed and what supporting documents there were.

Ms Bates proposed that the Committee contribute to the final paint that is required to complete painting the fence at Wilson Park. This is estimated at \$34.

Ms Harris raised the possibility of buying cat traps. This discussion is noted under the item on stray/feral/nuisance cats.

Ms Bates had noted that the glass disposal at the Waste Transfer Station had a very high step to access and wondered if the Committee was minded to fund an adaptation to make it easier for older/less mobile people. It was agreed that this is a request for service. Ms Bates will pursue.

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That the Committee approves \$34 from the Small Projects Grant Scheme towards paint for the Wilson Park fence

Ms Bates/Ms Harris Carried

16 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

The Mayor reported on several issues:

- Declared civil defence emergency last week, storm warnings in place over Easter weekend will be monitored. Ms Bates asked what support could be provided by Community Committee members. The Mayor outlined the training that goes into developing staff for responding and that trained staff are required for first responses. Support such as food and rest for the staff involved is always welcome. Feedback has been very positive about the response from the Civil Defence team.
- Edale Home – The Mayor is the Council's representative to the Board. Not in good shape as the moment. Closure of the dementia unit, changes in staff and in Board structure. Trying to ensure it survives and is sustainable
- Police – reinforcements being put in place. Rangitikei will get 67 additional police - an additional 10%. Marton will become a 24/7 station in 2020. 20 additional ethnic officers for New Zealand – The Mayor put forward a strong case for a Samoan (speaking) officer on Marton.
- Singapore Air Force possibly going to station a squadron at Ohakea – watch this space.
- Stormwater – clearing surface water, ponding under houses and inability to cope with surface water during rain events. Discussion need to be had about whose responsibility it is to clear and maintain drains.

Resolved minute number 17/MCC/013 File Ref 3-CC-1-5

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure Projects/Upgrades and other Council Activities within the Ward, March 2017' be received.

Ms Harris/Ms Greener Carried

17 Stray / feral / nuisance cats

The Mayor informed the Committee that traps are available from Council for a returnable deposit. Ms Bates had requested traps from Horizons and been told that there were none. The Mayor noted that central government had recently issued its intention for a pest-free New Zealand and had included feral cats in the list of pests. Government action on this issue needed to be known. In terms of nuisance or stray cats, the issue is the destruction of such cats and distinguishing them from lost cats, not their capture. Needs to be a regional discussion. Likely that Council's discussion will be around disposal of nuisance/stray cats when caught in Council traps. Ms Ash noted that microchipping cats would avoid the destruction of wanted but lost cats.

Resolved minute number 17/MCC/014 File Ref 3-PY-1

That the Committee request that Council investigate and develop a policy, in conjunction with the government's intention to achieve a pest free New Zealand, on the acceptable disposal of nuisance/stray/feral cats.

Ms Bates/Ms Hunter Carried

18 Update on town signage

Ms Bates reported on a conversation with Mr R Snijders. Now that Mr Snijders is no longer on the committee, his work on signage is on hold. He also indicated that it could be affected by decisions pending about Rangitikei Tourism. The Mayor reported that Council has been informed that Rangitikei Tourism is winding up and negotiations are underway about what Council will continue in terms of the website and other promotional initiatives. The road signage is a slightly different issue since the signs are owned by Project Marton.

19 Geographical review of Census spatial units

Resolved minute number	17/MCC/015	File Ref	1-LTP-4-2
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That the memorandum "Geographical review of Census spatial units" be received.

Ms Bates/Ms Hunter Carried

Resolved minute number	17/MCC/016	File Ref	1-LTP-4-2
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That the Committee suggests that Murimotu for Otiwhiti and Raumai for Parewanui may be suitable but that feedback should be primarily from the affected communities and Iwi

Ms Bates/Ms Wagner Carried

20 Repainting of Memorial Hall and Jubilee Pavilion

The Committee considered the Resene Heritage swatch provided by Council staff. Ms Bates had also sought advice from local paint shop colour experts. The Committee agreed that it would be good to get some coordination of colours throughout the town. Noted that dark colours such as red, can have shorter durability than lighter colours.

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The Committee recommends that the same colours (cream/green) be used to repaint the exterior of Memorial Hall and Jubilee Pavilion.

Cr Wilson / His Worship the Mayor Carried (4/3)

21 Chorus Cabinet Art programme

The information was noted. Committee members will alert their networks.

22 Late Items

22.1 Ratana Celebration

His Worship the Mayor informed the Committee of a special event celebrating the advent of the Ratana movement through the 100th anniversary of the vision of Tahupōtiki Wiremu Ratana. The event could be huge at the Paa – up to 50,000 visitors. The Mayor urged the Committee to support in whatever way was possible. It was agreed that the Chair would write a letter to the Ratana Community Board offering support from the Committee.

22.2 Swimming Pool

Ms Bates had been informed of a potential repair required for the steps out of the pool. It was agreed she would submit a request for service. The Mayor will also follow up.

22.3 Tutaenui Scheme AGM

Cr Sheridan reported. 60-70 people turned out for this evening meeting, particularly from Bulls. Have been issues with the maintenance of the Tutaenui down in Bulls through Brandon Hall Road and Trickers Road. Agreed at the meeting to a rates increase to improve the maintenance and also to seek a global consent to remove metal from the river bed to aid draining.

22.4 Annual Plan submission to Horizons

Ms Bates alerted the Committee to the deadline for submission to the Horizons Annual Plan which is tomorrow. Council is considering its submission at the Policy/Planning Committee meeting tomorrow. Agreed not to make a submission from the Committee.

22.5 Curtain Bank

Ms Bates has been discussing with the Council community housing staff about developing a curtain bank for Council community housing tenants.

22.6 Marton Park update

Cr Sheridan reported on three project groups that she is involved with to develop the Park and is looking for additional community members to work alongside her and others in the group. There will be a meeting at 3.00 pm on Wednesday 19 April at the Library.

23 Next Meeting

Wednesday 14 June 2017, 7:00pm

24 Meeting Closed

9.15 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

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Rangitikei District Council

Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting

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Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Jane Dunn
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr Dave Wilson
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also present: Cr Graeme Platt

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Mr John Jones, Roading Manager
Mr Chris Pepper, Special Projects Manager – Utilities
Mr Wirimu Greening, Utilities Projects Team Leader
Mr Michael Hawker, Projects Delivery Manager
Mr Brent Holmes, Roading Operations team leader
Mr David Miller, Asset Engineer – Utilities
Mr Rob Smith, project Engineer- Utilities
Ms Gaylene Prince, Community & Leisure Services Team Leader
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator
Ms Samantha Kett, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents: **Item 7 Chair's Report** – Chair's Report
Item 12 Resource Consent Compliance – March 2017 - Resource Consent Compliance – March 2017
Item 13 Water Safety Plan Statuses – March 2017 – Water Safety Plan Statuses – March 2017
Item 15 Activity Management – RFS Reporting, Special Projects Report – Utilities and Question of Activity Management Templates

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed the Committee that the Chief Executive would provide a debrief over the recent Civil Defence Emergency event after the meeting.

2 Council Prayer

Cr Platt read the Council Prayer

3 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apologies for lateness from Cr Ash and Cr Sheridan, and the apology for absence from Cr Aslett be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Dunn. Carried

4 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.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that there would be no change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

His Worship the Mayor 9.35am / 9.41am

6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	17/AIN/015	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meetings held on 9 February 2017 and 9 March 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Dunn. Carried

7 Chair's Report

The Chair spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the debrief of the recent Civil Defence Emergency event that the Chief Executive will provide after the meeting.

He noted that the log above the Rata Bridge had been removed. His Worship the Mayor had recently learned that the engineering division of the Army had the capability and interest for such tasks.

Resolved minute number

17/AIN/016

File Ref

3-CT-15-1

That the Chair's Report to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on 13 April 2017 be received.

Cr McManaway / Cr Belsham. Carried

8 Progress with Strategic Intentions

The suggested categorisation in terms of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan was accepted and it was agreed that a suggested prioritisation would be brought to a future meeting.

9 Investment Logic Mapping for Roothing

Mr Jones and Mr Hawker narrated a presentation on investment logic mapping, the process used to identify the prioritisation of projects within the Roothing Group for inclusion in the 2018-2021 proposal to the New Zealand Transport Agency for Funding Assistance Rate funding. A four-stage process was required: identifying problems, benefits, strategic response and solutions.

This was relevant for the proposed replacement of Mangaweka Bridge as it was not yet on the national programme. Approval for emergency roading works lie outside this process.

The Committee asked that the slides provided at the meeting be provided to all Elected Members. Mr Jones also agreed to circulate the draft business case to NZTA for all Elected Members.

Cr Sheridan arrived 9.45am

10 Renewal of Marton Wastewater Treatment Plant

Due to recent changes to the membership of the Advisory Group and reorganisation of staff, a meeting has yet to be convened. An update will be provided to the next meeting.

11 Stormwater Bylaw – Update on Response to Submissions

Mr Miller spoke briefly to the report.

Mr Miller informed the Committee that even though Part 2 of the Water-Related Services Bylaw had not been enacted (due to the need to address the issues identified during consultation), Council had other means of enforcing the provisions of the Bylaw.

The majority of the issues identified during the consultation process had either been resolved or a solution had been identified and would be implemented. He informed the meeting that a bulk response would be sent to all submitters.

Mr Miller also spoke about the need to address issues with increased flow to some of the stormwater network (specifically around open drains) where Council had approved subdivision, and therefore may have contributed to the issue itself.

An A3 map of Marton's stormwater network would be placed in the Committee Room

Resolved minute number	17/AIN/017	File Ref	1-DB-1-11
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That the report "Stormwater Bylaw – Update on Response to Submissions" to the Assets and Infrastructure Committee on 13 April 2017 be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

14 Calico Line water main renewal

Mr Pepper spoke briefly to the report and informed the Committee that if he couldn't answer a specific question it would be forwarded on to Mr Young to be answered in an email to all Councillors.

He informed the Committee that the project was essentially an 'optimised renewal', in the sense that when renewals are assessed in terms of a 'what product would be used if it were built now' rather than replacing like-for-like. It is this philosophy that provides the basis for increasing the size of the existing pipe along this line. The Fire Safety Code also suggests good-practice in increasing fire-fighting capacity when renewing infrastructure.

Resolved minute number	17/AIN/020	File Ref	PRJ 18/02 (GL: 6060176101)
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That the report 'Calico Line watermain renewal' be received.

Cr Wilson / Cr Dunn. Carried

12 Resource Consent Compliance – March 2017

Mr Pepper spoke briefly to the tabled report, highlighting the instances of non-compliance and providing a brief explanation.

The Committee asked for an update on the compliance of the current Ratana Water Supply, given that the report did not provide a status for the new water supply as it is not complete.

The Committee also suggested that some work needed to be done on how to prepare the infrastructure in Ratana for the 2018 Ratana Celebrations.

Resolved minute number	17/AIN/018	File Ref	5-EX-3-2
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That the memorandum 'Consent Compliance – March 2017' be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

13 Water Safety Plan Statuses – March 2017

Mr Pepper spoke briefly to the tabled update.

Resolved minute number

17/AIN/019

File Ref

That the report 'Water Safety Plan Statuses – March 2017' to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting on 13 April 2017.

Cr Belsham / Cr Rainey. Carried

15 Activity Management

The memorandum 'Questions of Activity management templates' was tabled.

The Activity Management templates were each discussed individually:

- Roading and footpaths – Mr Jones
- Water (including rural water supplies) – Mr Pepper and Mr Greening
- Sewage & the treatment and disposal of sewerage – Mr Pepper and Mr Greening
- Stormwater drainage – Mr Pepper and Mr Greening
- Community and leisure assets (including parks) – Ms Prince
- Rubbish and recycling - Mr Pepper and Mr Greening

The Committee discussed the following points:

Utilities

- Mr Pepper and Mr Greening informed the Committee that if the Bulls Mushroom was not used to store water then less strengthening work will be required. An initial assessment has been undertaken and now a detailed assessment (with a view of the structure not being used) will be initiated.
- The new Ratana Water Supply should be operational by mid-May. It was noted that the existing infrastructure will cope with the new supply as the pressure through the pipes will be the same.
- Mr Pepper informed the Committee that it has been decided that the Hunterville Wastewater Treatment Plant will be monitored for any changes before further desludging is carried out, as it is not guaranteed to provide benefit to the workings of the plant.

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 11.44am / 11.47am

Cr Dunn left the meeting 11.44am / 11.47am

Community & leisure assets

- Ms Prince gave a progress update on the potential for the Taihape Drama Group to use the Taihape Conference centre. They are still deciding whether they want to take ownership of the facility or enter into a licence to occupy with Council.
- The Committee asked for the money tagged for the new lookout tower to be forwarded to the Friends of Mt Stewart.
- The Committee asked if there was potential for professional input into the colour choice for the Jubilee Pavilion, given that recent discussion at the Marton Community Committee had not produced any suggestions.

Roading

- Mr Jones informed the Committee that there had been no further damage to Majuba Bluff from the recent weather event.

Resolved minute number

17/AIN/021

File Ref

That the activity management templates for March 2017 for Roothing, Water (including rural water supplies), Sewerage and the treatment and disposal of sewage, Stormwater drainage, Community and leisure assets, and Rubbish and recycling, and the memorandum 'Questions of Activity Management Templates' be received.

Cr Ash / Cr Gordon. Carried

16 Late Items

Nil

17 Future Items for the Agenda

Nil

18 Next Meeting

Thursday 11 May 2017, 9.30am

19 Meeting Closed – 11.50am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Rangitikei District Council

Policy and Planning Committee Meeting

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Present: Cr Angus Gordon (Chair)
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Jane Dunn
Cr Graeme Platt
Cr Lynne Sheridan
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Also present: Cr Ruth Rainey

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Senior Policy Analyst/Planner
Mr Johan Cullis, Environmental Services Team Leader
Ms Ellen Webb-Moore, Policy Analyst/Planner
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator
Ms Samantha Kett, Governance Administrator

Tabled Documents:

Item 6	Chair's Report – Chair's Report
Item 8	Update on Communications Strategy – Update on Communications Strategy
Item 15	Activity Management – RFS Reporting, and Question of Activity Management Templates

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

2 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for absence from Cr Aslett, and the apology for leaving early from Cr Peke-Mason be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

3 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.

4 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that the only change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda would be that Item 13 and 14 would be taken after Item 8.

5 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number 17/PPL/022 **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 9 March 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Ash / Cr Sheridan. Carried

6 Chair's Report

The Chair spoke briefly to his tabled report.

Resolved minute number 17/PPL/023 **File Ref** 3-CT-15-1

That the Chair's Report to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 13 April 2017 be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Sheridan. Carried

7 Progress with Strategic Intentions

The Committee suggested that this should be a standing item on all future agendas, with a brief update on progress with any of the projects.

8 Update on Communications Strategy

Resolved minute number

17/PPL/024

File Ref

3-CT-15-1

That the update on the Communications Strategy to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 13 April 2017 be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Ash. Carried

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 1.15pm / 1.21pm

13 Clear Water Package 2017

Ms Webb-Moore narrated a presentation on the Ministry for the Environment's 'Clean Water' package – a package of Government initiatives which seek to improve our fresh water.

The Committee discussed the following points that should be included in Council's submission:

- Classification of bodies of water need to reflect actual conditions, year-round.
- Identify proximity of stock feed-pads to Rangitikei District Rivers as a contributing factor to water quality, as well as proximity of stock grazing behind break-fencing.
- Maps are needed to identify priority areas for improvement.
- Not just an issue of making water-ways 'swimmable'; also need to improve the whole ecosystem.

The draft submission will be circulated to all Committee members for further comment before inclusion in the Order Paper to Council's meeting on 27 April 2017.

Cr Rainey left the meeting 1.20pm / 1.24pm

14 Proposed Urban Development Authority

Ms Gray narrated a presentation on proposed Urban Development Authorities - proposed legislation that would allow nationally or locally significant urban development projects to be built more quickly.

The Committee discussed the following points that should be included in Council's submission:

- Would like to see Territorial Authorities have overriding say over projects considered.
- Limitations placed around the potential to use Maori Land for development (relating to the use of the Public Works Act to seize land).
- The cost implications of creating many Authorities needs to be taken into consideration.
- Need to ensure that the establishment of these Urban Development Authorities doesn't erode the environmental bottom-line that underpins the Resource Management Act.
- Plant the seed in Central Government's mind that development outside of major centres (where less expensive land is available) as a solution to lack of housing/commercial space in growing urban populations.

The outline of the submission will be included in the Order Paper to Council's meeting on 27 April 2017 for further discussion, with a view to seek delegation to this Committee to approve the final submission for His Worship the Mayor to sign.

Cr Ash left the meeting 2.21pm / 2.24pm

9 Update on Legislation and Governance Issues

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the progress with the Local Government Act Amendment Bill and the Resource Management Act Amendment Bill. Further information on the latter will be provided in the next update to the Committee.

Resolved minute number 17/PPL/025 **File Ref** 3-OR-3-5

That the report 'Update on Legislation and Governance Issues' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 13 April 2017 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Dunn. Carried

10 Geographical Review of Census Spatial Units

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the memorandum.

The Committee discussed the following points:

- Potential use 'Raumai' instead of 'Parewanui' and 'Murimoto' not 'Otiwhi', but need to seek the view of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti on the final names used for the Census spatial units.

Resolved minute number 17/PPL/026 **File Ref** 1-LTP-4-2

That the memorandum "Geographical review of Census spatial units" be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Cr Sheridan. Carried

11 Policy and Bylaw work schedule 2016/17 (update) and 2017/18 (proposed)

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the memorandum.

The Committee discussed the following points:

- More appropriate name for the Urban Forest Policy; could be confusing for the community when thinking about urban trees as a forest.
- Need to prioritise the workload. The Committee requested that the list be brought to a future meeting with a priority element and timeframes added.
- Providing the Finance/Performance Committee's next meeting with a preliminary draft of a policy on incentives for new home builders/developers.

Resolved minute number

17/PPL/027

File Ref

5-EX-3-2

That the memorandum, "Policy and Bylaw work schedule 2016/17 (update) and 2017/18 (proposed)" be received.

Cr Ash / His Worship the Mayor. Carried

Afternoon Tea 3.02pm / 3.17pm

Cr Peke-Mason left the meeting 3.02pm

12 Review of Community Outcomes

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the discussion document.

The Committee discussed the following points:

- Resourcing is an issue to completing some of the desired work, outside of Council's core-business. Needs to be a balance between desired outcomes and resources (the more desired outcomes the more resources needed, and therefore a higher cost).
- The current Community Outcomes are simple and easy for the Community to comprehend, but may need to be expended slightly to include some of the desired outcomes identified in Council's Strategic Intentions.
- Communication and Economic Development need to be worked into the current Community Outcomes, to give a fuller picture of Council's desired outcomes.

His Worship the Mayor agreed to produce a paper on Council's current position regarding engagement, promotion and economic development within the District.

Resolved minute number

17/PPL/028

File Ref

1-LTP2018-28

That the discussion document "Review of Community Outcomes" be received.

Cr Dunn / Cr Sheridan. Carried

15 Update on Youth Development – March 2017

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the memorandum, highlighting the main issues facing the Youth Development Co-ordinators.

Resolved minute number

17/PPL/029

File Ref

4-EN-12-4

That the memorandum 'Update on Youth Development – March 2017' be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Platt. Carried

16 Update on the Path to Well-Being Initiative and Other Community Development Programmes – April 2017

Ms Servante spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the responses to questions raised around the external grants applied for.

The Committee suggested that there may be a need to review Council's Policy on External Grants, as it may be restrictive to Council staff being able to apply for external grants.

Resolved minute number **17/PPL/030** **File Ref** **1-CO-4**

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – April 2017' be received.

Cr Ash / Cr Gordon. Carried

17 Activity Management

The Activity Management Templates were each discussed individually:

- Community leadership
- Environmental services
- Community well-being

Resolved minute number **17/PPL/031** **File Ref**

That the activity management templates for March 2017 for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being and the memorandum 'Questions on activity templates' be received.

Cr Ash / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Cr Ash left the meeting 4.11pm / 4.14pm

18 Late Items

Nil

19 Future Items for the Agenda

Policy on Abandoned Vehicles

20 Next Meeting

Thursday 11 May 2017, 1pm

21 Meeting Closed – 4.35pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

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Rangitikei District Council

Audit and Risk Committee Meeting

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Present: Mr Craig O'Connell (Chair)
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Dean McManaway

Also present: Cr Cath Ash
Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Ms Samantha Kett, Governance Administrator
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator

Tabled Documents: Item 7 Maintaining financial protection for Council's underground infrastructure assets - Response from Aon and LAPP & Civic Financial Services Annual Report 2016

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council prayer

The Chair read the Council prayer.

3 Apologies/leave of Absence

Nil

4 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.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair informed the Committee that there would be no change to the order of business from that set out in the agenda.

6 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	17/ARK/003	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Audit/Risk Committee meeting held on 13 February 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

7 Maintaining financial protection for Council's underground infrastructure assets

Mr McIrvine spoke briefly to the tabled document showing indicative prices from Aon and LAPP.

Members accepted the Chair's suggestion to consider the long-term view (say five to ten years) and then the appropriate transition to achieve that. There was a wider strategic context to bear in mind:

- the Government is moving away from the 60:40 funding which was the basis for establishing LAPP in 1993;
- there was increasing emphasis on developing a risk framework which went further than insurance – work being undertaken in developing the business case for central government for the Local Government Risk Agency.

Main points raised in discussion:

- Would LAPP have the funding ability to cope with seeming more prevalent disasters (flooding and earthquake)?
- Both LAPP and Aon depend on reinsurance from the international market.
- Local Government Risk Agency awaiting Cabinet sign-off. Work being done with Aon on loss modelling tools to set frameworks for smaller councils.
- A desk-top exercise currently being done by Aon for MW LASS councils to estimate maximum probable loss.
- How dependent was LAPP's premium on the number of councils remaining as contributors?
- Would Aon be more likely to set a more consistent level of premiums than the annual LAPP contribution?
- What would the cost be for LAPP to cover a third event each year (and the impact of that on member contributions)?
- How firm was the indicative costing from Aon?
- How did the arrangement entered into by Manawatu District Council work – both a member of LAPP and in the MW LASS scheme brokered by Aon?
- The current MW LASS scheme ends in November 2018 and will be retendered.
- What would be the outcome for members of LAPP if it were wound up?
- Is the potential damage to the roading network by storm events a greater risk than damage by earthquakes to below ground infrastructure?

The Chief Executive considered that, while LAPP's long-term future seems uncertain, it may be prudent for Council to stay with LAPP for 12 months until more is known regarding the national context with MW LASS. His Worship the Mayor supported that thinking, noting that central government has yet to give guidance on the matter. If a decision was to be made now, he would go with Aon, but he would consider waiting 12 months.

The Chair considered that essentially New Zealand is self-insuring with LAPP and that Aon would have better purchasing power with better rates. MW LASS has seen rates and cover improve.

The Chair suggested to the Committee that the long term position is to leave the LAPP and that Council would be in a better position with an insurer that puts forward the best data. The Chief Executive stated that our data is not as good as some larger organisations, this is an area Council needs to invest in. The frame work for this is yet to be set by government.

If Aon was to be engaged further they would come to the District and assess the risk, using Council's statistics, providing a model on the three biggest loss potentials.

Resolved minute number

17/ARK/004

File Ref

That the Audit Risk Committee advises Council that it has requested further information on pricing and conditions of the various insurance options for below ground infrastructure and will meet again in May prior to making a recommendation to the 25 May 2017 Council meeting.

Cr Belsham / Cr Gordon. Carried

Cr Wilson arrived 9.21am / Cr Ash arrived 9.34am

8 Late items

None

9 Future items for the agenda

None

10 Next meeting

To be confirmed, but before 25 May 2017.

11 Meeting closed 10.15am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____