

30 November 2017

Rangitikei District Council  
46 High Street  
Merton 4741

Dear Rangitikei District Council,

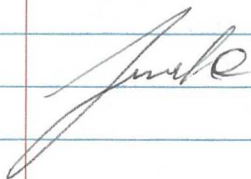
I would like to express my sincere thanks for awarding me with the RDC Tertiary Scholarship.

I can assure you that the granted funds will be a gratefully accepted contribution towards the costs I will incur as I begin to step out into the university life in Auckland. This scholarship will enhance my ability to make the most of opportunities that a new lifestyle will bring, and will support my academic efforts greatly. As I move out into the world, I will always consider the unspoilt Rangitikei district as home, and will carry the values of this area wherever I go.

Thank you very much for this amazing scholarship. I really appreciate it!

Yours sincerely,

Jermaine Moke



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# Portfolio Update Heritage and Tourism - Cr Richard Aslett - Nov 2017

## 1) Update on the Rangitikei Heritage Group Recent Activity –

**Next Meeting** - Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 - 4 p.m. Hunters Cafe, Hunterville.

**Stakeholder engagement for the Long Term Plan** 'Workshop' saw ideas put together for a submission to the LTP consultation process. Completed and copied below for information.

### **Rangitikei Heritage Group, Meeting/Workshop 5.9.17. Initial Ideas for Submissions to LTP.**

**Background:** The Long Term Plan (LTP) is a document that sets out Council's intentions for the next decade. The draft LTP will come out next year, and will be out for consultation, meaning that the public can submit on it. This is an opportunity for groups like Rangitikei Heritage to have their say. Additionally, before the LTP draft is formed, the Council wants some material from stakeholder groups (like Rangitikei Heritage) about their consensus on topics that affect that **stakeholder** groups.

#### **Key Points that the Rangitikei Heritage Raised at this meeting:**

- The group arrived at the consensus that history, tourism and economic development were all intertwined and linked. The group would therefore be supportive of ongoing Council involvement and support in these spaces.
- The group would welcome additional assistance from Council, particularly where that would make it easier for them to apply successfully for more of any of the available grants, and also help develop more of a digital/on-line presence for the group.
- The group were supportive of developing a new Heritage Trail (and new Brochure/on-line info) with Council assistance, the specifics of which would need further development, yet the overall idea would be to tell the districts 'Stories'. Further sign-posting of sites including historically significant buildings and locations (not just heritage listed buildings) was flagged as being important to the group, with the group forming the view that a heritage trail could again contribute to tourist values in the Rangitikei, with the knock on effect of enhancing economic development.
- A heritage trail could also include sites historically and or culturally significant to Maori, where appropriate/ with the necessary consultation with iwi.
- There was also acknowledgement that the disused rail tunnels in Mangaweka could be developed initially into a useable walk way, and possibly later into a cycle-way, which would be an asset to the Managweka community as well as to the wider Rangitikei. It has the potential to be a major attraction to visitors and tourists, and therefore the group would be supportive of council endeavours to investigate this opportunity further as a semi developed idea, and then with the 3 land owners. [Chairperson Richard Aslett has amassed lots of information on these tunnels, and is happy to spearhead or assist with any such project].
- The group had a firm stance that they would prefer for the historic cantilever bridge at Managweka to be kept, and preferably used for a recreational purpose, such as a cycle way or walk way.

**2) UPDATE on Tourism** : The Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei next meeting to be scheduled.

**Rangitikei.com Website** : Reminder that **Videos** featuring Mangaweka and Marton, arranged by **Bronwyn Meads** are on now **up on the web-site**, (now click on Videos on middle banner).

**Website Stats** : Quick view; Number of visits for October was 232270, up on the previous month. Mainly domestic visitors, though in second place, a strong number of hits again interestingly from Germany. Happy to forward full stats etc to anyone interested.

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Many Thanks, Cr Richard Aslett : e-mail - mangawekagallery@xtra.co.nz 30 November 17



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## Memorandum

**To:** Council  
**From:** Katrina Gray  
**Date:** 29 November 2017  
**Subject:** Delegations to Community Committees/Boards – Alternative Options for Community Initiatives Fund Distribution  
**File:** 3-PY-1-1

1.1 Delegating the consideration of the Community Initiatives Fund to community committees/boards would require the splitting of funds. An option of splitting the funds based on population was provided in the order paper.

1.2 The question of urban/rural proportionality was also raised by the Policy/Planning Committee. Information was drawn from the rating database, with two options provided below.

### Property values

1.3 Totalling the property values for each ward (and dividing by the total valuation) gives:

Taihape	26.0%	\$7,800
Hunternville	10.9%	\$3,300
Bulls	18.1%	\$5,400
Marton	37.1%	\$11,100
Turakina	8.1%	\$2,400

1.4 These are small changes from using population. If this method was used, it is suggested Ratana would get 1/3 of this amount - \$800 (to take account of the population). This would leave Turakina with \$1,600.

### Number of properties

1.5 Looking at numbers of properties, if rural properties are weighted twice that of urban properties, this is the result:

Taihape	27.5%	\$8,250
Hunternville	13.0%	\$3,900
Bulls	16.3%	\$4,900
Marton	31.9%	\$9,550
Turakina	11.3%	\$3,400

1.6 This approach provides a larger variation from using population. If this method was used, it is suggested Ratana would get 1/3 of this amount - \$1100 (to take account of the population). This would leave Turakina with \$2,300.



## **2 Recommendation**

- 2.1 That the report 'Delegations to Community Committees/Boards – Alternative Options for Community Initiatives Fund Distribution' be received.
- 2.2 That the method for allocating the community initiatives fund to community committees/boards be.....

Katrina Gray  
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