

Council Meeting

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30 May 2019

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Portfolio Report. May 2019

Cr Ash.

- Youth Development
- Samoan engagement
- Environment.

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Youth Development

Youth week (May 18-26) has been an exciting one for the Rangitikei with the opportunity to celebrate with our youth through the Rangitikei Youth Awards.

It is encouraging to see so many amazing young people within our district achieving great things, both for their communities and themselves. The youth awards this year saw 76 nominations, representing 116 youth of outstanding calibre. It is great to see so many of our businesses step-in to support this event, acknowledging the fabulous young ones in our district.

The winners of the awards were:

ROTARY CLUB OF MARTON, Leadership Award - **Bridget Bone**

RIVER VALLEY, Eco Warrior Award - **Daisy Power**

BJW MOTORS, Change Maker Award - **Tia Wright & Lydia Whyte**

HAUTAPU PINE, Youth in Sport Award - **Onyx Lye**

THE DOWNS GROUP, Giving Back Award - **Alyce Turner**

NEW WORLD MARTON, Youth for Youth Award - **Sophie Ward**

FORTUNA FOREST PRODUCTS, Youth Group Award - **Interact Club of Rangitikei College**

NGĀ WAIRIKI NGĀTI APA, Youth in Apprenticeship Award - **Todd Sutton**

FORTUNA FOREST PRODUCTS, Youth in Employment Award - **Shawn Bonner**

Alyce Turner was the overall winner of the awards, doing herself, family and friends proud! Alyce is a shining example of a young person humbly helping in the community and getting involved in so many opportunities.

Further acknowledging our young people, on Saturday 25th May the new skatepark in Marton will be officially opened, 10am. Everyone encouraged to attend.

This build has demonstrated the achievements we can make when we listen to our young people. The day promises to be dynamic with demonstrations from NZ scooter representatives, as well as holding a competition, open for all age categories, on the day. This project started with Roman Strong 4 years ago, from there husband and wife team Ray and Pania Hemopo joined forces with Parks manager Athol Sanson and many community members to bring the build to fruition. The skatepark will be an avenue for young folk to enjoy healthy outside activity as well as a venue to hold competitions and demonstrations, adding another attraction for Marton and the Rangitikei. Again we have seen the power of collaboration between community, groups and local business.

Environment.

Sadly, the climate crisis and biodiversity decline is our reality now, and while there is no definitive legislation or support from central government giving us direction we can commit this issue front and centre of everything we do, every decision we make including future modelling, major builds and budget forecasts.

It is imperative to look at how we may be able to mitigate further damage, and actions we can take to support our environment, acknowledging that everything we do has an impact! For better or worse, everything has an impact. From our core business such as roads and reticulation, to the purchases we make - from the buildings we build to the products we use, everything has an impact. It is our responsibility and obligation to our district to limit the negative effects we have, and lead by example using best practice at every opportunity.

With the benefits to the environment that reducing the amounts of rubbish to the landfill provide, our recent decision to put a recycling scheme on the back burner has raised all sorts issues and potential opportunities. While we have put recycling on the back burner, waste does not go away, and we have to think about how we are going to manage this. How do we promote the 7 R's,

We have recently had many exciting discussions around economic development. I look forward to conversations to identify advantageous environmentally responsible actions we can participate in. We could take every opportunity to champion environmental sustainability, mitigating where we can. Naturally, without a healthy environment there is no future for anything else.

Reassuringly, in the future we will no longer be discharging to the Tutaenui. This encourages a conversation on any opportunity to further enhance the health of this significant waterway.

I would like to take this opportunity to again encourage the consideration of water conservation. This is arguably one of the most precious resources afforded us, often taken for granted. Historically we have been incredibly fortunate with good rainfall as well as "plenty" of water in the aquifers and rivers. However, water is not an infinite resource, every drop of water, including that is going out to sea has a purpose to fulfil that does not entirely revolve around supporting human activities. It would be advantageous to have a balanced conversation about the education around water use, taking into consideration strategic actions that council could implement.

Samoan engagement

When the Samoan community has an opportunity to celebrate it is always big on attendance, Palm Sunday was no exception, as we saw a huge attendance at the Memorial Hall. That connectedness is a very valued experience within the Samoan community and always a warm, welcoming and vibrant atmosphere.

We can expect the same at the Samoan Independence Day celebrations to be held on Monday 4th June, Marton Memorial Hall. 10am. The Independence Day celebration offers us an opportunity as a community to celebrate together, acknowledging our friends within the Samoan Community. The celebration is a significant one in the annual calendar for our Samoan Community, and as such I would encourage everyone to attend, to continue to offer the hand of friendship and appreciation for our valued Samoan community.

31 May 2019

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on 30 May 2019
item 10.

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Dear Fran

Policy Paper – Childcare Allowance for Elected Members of Local Government

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on your Policy Paper. The Rangitikei District Council considered this matter at its meeting on 30 May 2019.

We support the principle of paying an allowance to cover costs associated with child care while the elected member is on council business. We recognise the potential value of having young parents participating at the governance level in local government. We agree with the Authority's view that, while there is a wider case to consider in terms of dependent care outside child care, that is a more complex issue and of lower priority.

We support the proposed approach, set out in section 17 of the Policy Paper. It is pragmatic and realistic. In (2) you might add expand to 'the child or children if cared together' to avoid ambiguity that it is intended an allowance for a childcare arrangement and not determined on a per child basis.

While leaving the decision to each individual council opens up the possibility of inconsistency, we accept that it is an inevitable consequence of giving discretion to councils over other allowances and reimbursements. We would expect that the approaches would become similar quite quickly.

Council hopes these comments are helpful.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei District

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Relocation of the Marae **Tabled at** Council
Volunteers needed for Work groups –

on 30 May 2019
Item 12.

Culture and Heritage Working group:

This group needs to

- write up a brief history of the current site
- ensure that we honour our history on the new site
- advisory role in the planning for the new site
- develop cultural specifications for the designer – what will the designer need to know to design the new site?
- whakairo, raranga, art work for the new site managed through this roopu

Marae workers group:

This group is extremely important for the design of the new, they will need to be a key part of inputting into the design all the way through.

- this group pulls together lists – what is needed in the design for the kitchen to run smoothly? What can be relocated and what we need to renew.
- what is needed for maintenance of the marae to run well of the marae? Eg what storage etc

Site group :

1. Secure the new site,
2. Investigate infrastructure for the site - get Council engineers to do a report
3. Costings to install Water, power, sewage and roading and car parking
4. Infrastructure installed
5. Plantings around the roading/fencing

Funding group:

Target \$3m

Serious proposals won't be able to go in until the design and costings are done
However smaller fundraisers can be done to build our funds.

Designing the new building:

(Once the engineering is confirmed for the new site. Do we want passive building and solar power?)

Select 3 potential architect/designers who can work with us.
They do presentations to the people and we choose one group.
Design is completed with costings

Timeline

Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five
Marae workers design the specifications of what makes a good Kauta kitchen/dining/ maintenance eg placement of water outlets etc	Work with design team and give them clear specifications of the needs	Work with infrastructure, Design team	Complete the work to stock the marae with additional equipment needed for, kai prep/ garden /building maintenance etc	
Infrastructure group secure site and engineering report	Marae reserve approved. Electricity to the site. Roothing completed	Plumbing, water, sewage and all infrastructure is completed		
Fundraising begins	Big proposals Submitted Annual fundraiser	Resubmit any proposals as needed Annual fundraiser	Annual fundraiser	Opening – gather donations for the opening
Culture and Heritage gather history and design specs	Wananga on raranga and whakairo	Raranga and whakairo work	Wananga on the Opening: waiata, kapa haka etc	
Design group - looks at options and meets with potential designers	Design is approved with costings by July. Permits done	Building begins	Building and Landscaping	Opening

Marton & District Historical Society

'Preserving and Sharing Marton History'

late item

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Tabled at

Council

on

20 May 2019

24th May 2019

Mayor Andy Watson
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street,
Marton 4710

To Mayor Andy Watson and Council Members.

I am writing on behalf of the Marton and District Historical Society to enquire whether there is any assistance that we can apply for from the Rangitikei District Council.

At present we are trying to have the Settlers Cottage and other buildings repaired and re-painted.

We also need to replace our sign as the present one is very worn and has recently been vandalised. As this is on the roadside in Wellington Road it is very noticeable to anyone driving into town.

We are working on preserving the Cottage, Jail and Snellgrove Barn, and also get ourselves noticed by visitors to Marton and our local community.

So far we have received \$4000 from a Grant from Whanganui Community Trust, have \$4000 promised from The Four Regions Trust, \$2130 due from The RDC Community Initiative Grant, and have applied to J.S.Duddings Trust for help with the sign and Insurance.

We feel that as the Museums and Historic Cottage are a very noticeable part of Marton when people arrive here it would be good if we could have any help available to manage to get this all done.

We would really appreciate your comments on what we are trying to do.

Pat Hayman

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Treasurer of Marton and District Historical Society.



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