



Ngā Tāpaetanga *Collated Submissions*



Framing Our Future: Long Term Plan 2021-31

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216	Tim Matthews	Rangitikei District Council Western Residents Group	22	Yes
217	Tony Booker and Brya Dixon	Board of Trustees of Rangitikei College and Marton School	26	Yes
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230	Melissa Brown		97	No
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232	Idelyn McManaway		101	No
233	Raymond Burrows		103	No
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253	Karl Knight		153	No
254	Ian Rae		155	Yes
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Submission on the Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2021-31

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Introduction

- 1 Interested Residents of Marton and Rangitikei (**IROMAR**) wish to be heard in support of its submission.
- 2 The members of IROMAR are residents and ratepayers of Marton, who wish to see our district grow and flourish but not at the cost of the amenity and environment that make this area a special place to live.
- 3 Firstly we wish to provide some feedback about the consultation process. The draft Long Term Plan (**LTP**) has been provided with little time (only 4 weeks) for ratepayers to consider it together with the numerous supporting documents. The information presented online in the consultation document chose select issues to highlight, presenting options for people to select in an overly simplistic, click box format.
- 4 We understood that further consultation was to be carried out after release of the draft LTP if there was interest. However, at a pre-consultation meeting we were told that there would be no time for this. IROMAR advises it would be interested in further consultation about the draft LTP. The overall impression given by Council is that it does not wish to know the views of the community it serves and to date it is not considered we have been consulted in the true sense of the word.

Summary

- 5 This submission is made in **support** of the proposed:
 - (a) Upgrade to community housing and increase in housing (but not at all costs);
 - (b) Marton to Bulls wastewater transfer; and
 - (c) Marton Civic Centre Development.
- 6 This submission is made in **opposition** to the:
 - (a) Ratepayers paying for 30% of road maintenance where roads are frequently used by heavy vehicles such as logging trucks;

- (b) Proposed Rates increase;
- (c) Council's continued management of Three Waters;
- (d) Community and leisure assets- proposed spend of \$41.5m;
- (e) Community well-being group of activities- lack of transparency.

Housing policy

- 7 IROMAR **supports** Council's proposal to upgrade community housing 2021/2022.
- 8 One of Council's key priorities for economic development is to expand and diversify housing stock. Council says in its draft LTP that it wants to facilitate and promote the increase of housing stock "however it can". This statement by Council is concerning. There are other considerations such as appropriate land use, soil quality and spatial planning. We are seeing a significant amount of development going on in our region and more is proposed. Large tracts of land around Marton are being sold and are in the process of being subdivided.
- 9 Land use is an important issue, especially with the quality soils (LUC1 and LUC2) around the Marton township. The Council appear to have no plan for the development of housing in the area. There needs to be a balance here. There could be better use of existing sites within the town, Marton could easily be more dense/and potentially this approach would benefit existing ratepayers, rather than landowners who surround the town/developers.

Proposed Marton Civic Centre Development

- 10 IROMAR **supports** the redevelopment of the Marton Civic Centre.
- 11 However it is important that the options and costings are fully disclosed to the public. We understand there is to be further consultation on this topic and IROMAR wishes to participate in that process. This project has been ongoing although little or no progress seems to have been made.

Wastewater transfer and Three Waters

- 12 IROMAR **supports** the Marton to Bulls wastewater transfer.
- 13 However we note that this alternative method of wastewater disposal is only required due to a lack of foresight on behalf of Rangitikei District Council and Horizons Regional Council in relation to its decision making around the Bonny Glen landfill.
- 14 The results of the Assessment of Water and Sanitary Services (2018), included in the draft LTP, show that the Marton wastewater treatment plant is non-compliant due to levels of ammoniacal nitrogen, largely due to acceptance of leachate from Bonny Glen landfill and the inability of the existing plant to treat it to the required standard.
- 15 We are aware that the Government has announced a Three Waters reform which could see local government's Three Waters move to another entity under public ownership. The draft LTP states that Council will be asking for the community's views in a separate process. It is our view that Three Waters has not been managed well by the Council and that the process has not been transparent. IROMAR wishes to be involved in that consultation process as it opposes Council continuing to manage this vital resource for the district.

Road maintenance

- 16 The Capital Works programme shows that \$122 million will be spent on roading upgrades. Where there is a need to upgrade roading due to development and it is clear that some businesses will benefit from these upgrades, for example new industrial developments or forestry operations, it seems logical and fair that those who benefit should pay a contribution for those upgrades.
- 17 IROMAR **opposes** a 30% contribution from ratepayers to roading upgrades they will not benefit directly from them.

Rates increase

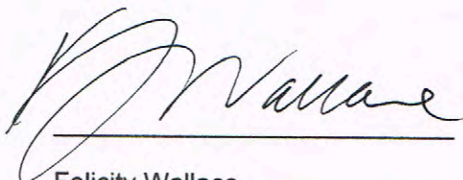
- 18 Rates increases are forecast to range between 6.95% and 8.75% over the next 5 years. Inflation is at 1.5% currently. Council appears to be overlooking that we have a small ratepayer base and there seems to be a disconnect between reality, affordability and fiscal management.
- 19 Five years ago Council had no debt. Now Council has signalled it wishes to raise the debt level bar to a maximum \$91 million with a forecast of \$75 million at year 2. Council should not be overspending and passing on excessive rates increases to its ratepayers.
- 20 IROMAR **opposes** any rates increase beyond 5%.

Community and Leisure assets

- 21 Council proposes to spend \$41.5m on community and leisure assets over the next ten years.
- 22 Council has a poor record of management and development of community leisure assets in recent years. We do not believe that the Council has the capacity to deliver on the proposed programme of works.

Community well-being activities


- 23 The Community well-being activities include collaborative partnerships with stakeholders, economic development (including leveraging off new commercial and industrial business) and district promotion. The lack of detail about these activities in the draft LTP, particularly around economic developments, is concerning.
- 24 We feel that large economic developments need to be clearly and separately identified, especially collaborations with other districts and businesses.



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On behalf of IROMAR

Dated: 10 May 2021



Simon Loudon

On behalf of IROMAR

Dated: 10 May 2021

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From: Inwards Mail
Sent: Tuesday, 11 May 2021 7:58 am
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Subject: FW: LTP 2021-2031

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Kororia, Honore, Hareruia, Kia ihoa o nga mano, Arepa, Omeka Piriwiritua, Hamuera ko te Mangai Kei roto aia nei ake nei....Ae

Ratana Community Board
 C/Charlie Mete
 Ratana Rd
 10. May.2021

Tena koutou nga Mema Honore, Kaiwhakahaere, Ngā kaitautoko o te Kaunihera o Rangitikei.

Re: Submission to LTP 2021-2031

With the reference to the above please accept this as the Ratana Community Boards official submission to councils long term plan.

After engaging in numerous hui/meetings with the local Ratana Community. On the 6th of May 2021 our last hui was held in relation to the LTP which was discussed and elaborated further. Following all korero' we were able to accumulate and gather insights of community aspirations and future developmental projects which are now should be considered and included in the long term plan.

1.0 Affordability Of Rates.

The biggest concern from members of the Ratana community are the affordability of rates. In the LTP submission council have projected a 6.95%rate increase average across the Rangitikei as of next year.Ratana community average rate increase is well above 6.95 with some in the community after checking on the RDC website commenting they will be paying over 10% from next year.

The Ratana community Board is asking that council please consider this as many in the community struggle to pay their rates and any added increase would just add to that burden.

2.0 Ratana Playground.

The board proposes that RDC continue to support the Ratana Pā Playground & Whanau Space redevelopment project and we seek council consideration to increase financial contribution to enable the redevelopment project to be completed. Due to the effects of future increased population in relation to the new housing development, and the age of the playground; all these factors must be considered to ensure relevant and up-to-date and user-friendly playground & whanau space resources and expansion be considered.

3.0 Ratana Community Gym.

Council looked at the possibility of extending the gym to be able to cater for a cardio room. Currently there is limited floor space and members at times struggle to find room to exercise in safe manner.

RDC are the proprietors of the land and building, and the Ratana Community board suggests that the RDC has a duty of care to provide the Ratana Community with facilities to support the health and well being of the people who live within the community of Ratana.

4.0 Public Toilet.

RCB request that council explore the possibility of building a Toilet amenity block in Ratana.

Current RDC have a contract with Ratana Communal Board has posed difficulties at times.

To administer; the number of people visiting Ratana have dramatically increased over the last few years and access to public toilets is a necessity.

5.0 Footpath/Walkways To Junction.

Residents have expressed their wish to have a footpath/walkway from the Ratana community to the Ratana Junction(turnoff) this will contribute considerably to the health and wellbeing of the community and provide residents with a safe walking path this will provide a walk way to the Urupa/cemetery.

6.0 Curb & Channelling On Seamer St.

The Ratana Community Board would like council to install curbing and channelling along the feildside of Seamer St and Rangatahi Rd this will greatly improve water flow that currently drains into the Rugby field and help to ease water congestion to the grass area during winter and after heavy rain the playing field becomes inaccessible and rugby games are moved out of Ratana due to the playing surface not being up to playing standards

RDC Key Future Projects:

1. Should we set up free wifi zones.
No. There was no support from the community for this proposal.
2. Should we invest in the Taihape grandstand?
No. Indication shows a lack of support for this project within the Ratana community including Taihape community.
3. How should we fund economic development?
The Community board recommends RDC should continue with the current budget. No increase in funding.
4. Should we increase event sponsorship?
Status quo to remain. No increase in funding.
5. Should we join the IGFA
Yes to option 1

The board would appreciate a detailed response from council responding to each of the items listed above

Noho ora Mai
Charlie Mete
Hemana(chairman)

*No reira ko te Mangai hei tautoko
No aiane ai akenei ae.*



Federated Farmers of New Zealand

Submission to the Rangitikei District Council on the Draft Long Term Plan 2021

10 May 2021

SUBMISSION ON RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2021

To: Rangitikei District Council

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1. The Manawatu-Rangitikei and Whanganui Province of Federated Farmers (Federated Farmers) welcome the opportunity to comment on the Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2021. We acknowledge any submissions made by individual members of Federated Farmers.
 2. We wish to be heard in support of this submission.
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SUBMISSION

2021 – Council position and impact on LTP

3. Federated Farmers appreciates that for Regional and District Councils alike, the 2021 LTP is heavily directed by external factors. Increasing costs to implement Central Government regulatory changes, coupled with the ongoing impact of COVID19 are untimely challenges for Councils. We appreciate that for many Councils, the pressure to invest in new and upgraded infrastructure while also maintaining existing infrastructure, is forcing tough conversations to be had about nice to have services compared to core services. For our members, this conversation is long overdue.
4. We therefore support the introductory comments from the Mayor with regard to the complexity of the current environment and the unknown future and the need to make tough decisions over the 10 years of the Plan. Aligned with Federated Farmers position, spending must be on core needs and services first. With this in mind, we consider that Council have not gone far enough to limit the number of new projects in order to reduce debt and position the District in a more viable space for the future. It is not economically prudent to progress all projects at this time.

- With a small rating base, large geographical area and many kilometers of roads per ratepayer, there are many tensions and demands for expenses. It is unlikely the community will specifically identify, let alone agree on, specific areas of expenditure which should be cut back. We consider it is Council's responsibility to lead this discussion by assessing and prioritising current and planned expenditure and then discussing these options with the community. This means that nice-to-have projects may have to postponed or cancelled.

Rates – General comments

- Rates are among the top ten operational expenses of a farming business. They are a source of considerable financial pressure for all farmers. Federated Farmers makes submissions on Annual and LTP's to ensure Council's exercise fiscal prudence, and consider affordability, fairness and equity issues when recovering rates (to the extent this is possible in land and capital value taxation systems).
- Rates are a charge for services, and they are supposed to reflect the access to, and benefit derived by ratepayers from council services. This is a key principle, reinforced in 2019 by the Productivity Commission and a key provision in s.101 of the Local Government Act 2002 that sets out funding principles for local authorities. In practice though, Federated Farmers considers that the 'benefit principle' is often eroded by factoring in other considerations like 'affordability' or 'ability to pay', albeit without evidence about the real financial situations of individual ratepayers.

Revenue and Financing Policy – not consulted

- Section 102(4) of the Local Government Act 2002 requires the Council to adopt a Revenue and Financing Policy, and clause 10 of Schedule 10 of that Act requires this adopted policy to be included in the Council's LTP. Council are required to complete a review of his Policy by 31 May 2021 and to provide it as part of the consultation package. Federated Farmers is disappointed this Policy has not been provided.
- We note that there are also considerable gaps in the LTP document provided. Of particular concern are the omissions regarding the impact that the 2021 proposed changes will have on ratepayers. This is a huge oversight on Council's part, and limits the ability of the ratepayer to comment as appropriate on the proposals, for example the amendments to the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) and also Council's proposed differential changes. As discussed further in the submission, Federated Farmers does not support these proposed changes.
- We therefore would have appreciated transparency in the LTP to show the detail of what has been proposed and also what impact this will have on example ratepayers. Part B of the Revenue and Financing Policy (example shown below), provides a useful breakdown of Council's activities along with the funding method and rationale. We are disappointed that this has not been reviewed aligning with the proposals Council has put forward and shared for comment.

Part B: Application of Policy Principles and Considerations

Activity	Funding split public: private	Public mechanism	Private mechanism	Rationale for funding mechanisms	Variation for new capital expenditure	Variation projected after 2020/21
Community Leadership						
Council Strategic planning and reporting Iwi liaison Community Committees,	100:0	General rate	Not applicable	There are benefits to the whole District of having effective strategy and governance	Not applicable	Not envisaged

Rates increases

11. When reviewing the rating examples, Federated Farmers is in particular concerned with the disproportionate increases across rating examples. Despite the differentials Council is proposing to introduce, for Commercial Industrial and Utilities properties, the rural property example is paying the largest comparable rates increase across rating categories. The proposed increase for the rural example is around \$1000, compared to commercial (\$200), utilities (\$700), and the residential examples (around \$200). We are concerned at the few rating samples provided, given the huge changes and variations in valuations as well as rating impacts. Federated Farmers wonders how many options and rating examples were explored in LTP workshops prior to adoption of the Draft LTP.
12. Federated Farmers is also concerned that the example properties Council have provided minimise the extent of the variation in rates increases. For example, a 857ha farm, which had rates set at \$16,362 in 2020, faces a proposed \$20,419.63 rates bill this year. An increase of 24.8%. We further understand that this increase may be a common across pastoral hill country farms in the District. As set out in the discussion below, Federated Farmers does not consider that Council has worked to ensure that rates have been fairly allocated across all ratepayer groups.

UAGC reduction and impact on General Rates

13. Federated Farmers considers the UAGC to be a fair way for Council's to rate for services that provide an indistinguishable amount of benefit across ratepayer groups. Higher use of uniform annual general charges also reduces reliance on the property value general rate as a funding mechanism and flattens the distribution of rates bills between high to low value properties. Federated Farmers therefore does not support the proposed reduction of the UAGC to \$500 (from \$610.13).
14. As mentioned earlier, we are also concerned about the lack of transparency in the financial information provided to be able to fully understand the impact of the UAGC reduction. No commentary is provided about what activities have been moved out of the UAGC and are now funded by the general rates. As the UAGC and general rate are grouped in the financial summaries that are provided, it is not possible to assess how far towards the 30% legislative limit for the UAGC, the new rate sits at. We are concerned that Council continues to move away from fully using this rating mechanism given that it attempts to reduce the inequity created by rates struck by property value. We note that in 2017 the UAGC sat at around 22%.
15. We also note that page 48 of the Consultation Document states "*we have worked to reduce this burden on residential ratepayers as much as we can...*". However we note that on page 47, the document states "*fundamentally Council believes the rates burden should be shared equitably across all rateable properties*", and further on page 47 "*2. Reducing the UAGC from \$610.13 to \$500 and increasing the General Rate. This means the burden on residential ratepayers will be eased, and more income will be collected from properties with higher valuations through the General Rate*". Federated Farmers proposes a number of questions to Council on these statements:
 - a. Why is the Council favouring residential ratepayers over others?
 - b. What information does it have that suggests the rates will be unaffordable for residential ratepayers, who may be able to use the Rates Rebate Scheme?
 - c. What information does it have that suggests the rates will be affordable for Commercial, Industrial or Farming ratepayers?
 - d. How does the Council assess "*The impact on the current and future social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of the Community; and ...*"
 - e. Does the Council assess the relative access to libraries, halls, swim centres, Civil Defence, Promotions and Information Centres between its urban and rural ratepayers, or between its Commercial and Tourism operators and rural businesses

Differentials

16. Page 138 of the LTP states that Council “*will seek to avoid:*
- *Large increases in any rating category. Such increases can often arise where a particular rating category incurs a high increase in its capital values relative to other categories; and*
 - *Large ‘across the board’ annual rate increases.*
- Council will aim to apply a pattern of steady, constant rate increase as opposed to a series of alternating high increases and minor increases. Council may identify instances where some land uses receive more benefit from, or place more demands on, council services and/or may have a differing ability to pay rates. In such situations, where considered equitable, practicable and/or where this contributes to the predictability of rates, Council may elect to use rating differentials”*
17. Federated Farmers submits that the rating differentials proposed, along with the proposed amendments to the UAGC, do not appropriately smooth rates increases across properties, with farmers continuing to carry the can despite no additional/poorer access to Council services. Federated Farmers would like to work with Council to consider how the differentials can be further adjusted to smooth out these inequities, perhaps via a differential for roading.

Development Contributions

18. Federated Farmers notes that Council is proposing to introduce development contributions, to help offset debt for development. In general, alternative revenue sources like development contributions are viewed positively by the farming community. When applied appropriately, Development Contributions can reduce the reliance on rates and more fairly align with a user pays approach.
19. Federated Farmers also proposes that the Development Contributions Policy align with the approach taken by other Territorial Authorities for rural non inhabitable buildings. For example, Hastings District Council’s Development Contributions Policy exempts farm ancillary buildings from requiring a Development Contribution because of the minimal demand they place on the Council’s infrastructure.

KEY PROJECTS

20. Federated Farmers continues to advocate that Council needs to focus on providing infrastructure and core services to the community, and not be carried away with delivering nice to have projects. With vital core infrastructure in the Rangitikei to be maintained and upgraded, Council is not in a position to be spending large on nice to haves. As with earlier comments, we are concerned that some of the projects identified do not warrant funding at this time.
- a. **Free wifi** – Federated Farmers considers this a nice to do project and asks Council to explore trialling this provision using current commercially owned infrastructure. For example, Option 4 could involve working with commercial properties (e.g McDonalds), who have wifi provisions, to enable Council to gather further information about actual costs and benefits before any investment is made.
 - b. **Taihape Memorial Park Grandstand** – Federated Farmers supports Option 1 – investigate refurbishment. We however ask that Council hold any work on this project with a view to fully consulting on costs and options as part of the 2024 LTP. We also ask that Council use the time between LTP’s, to investigate and make use of possible Central Government investment, commercial sponsorship, and also explore cost sharing arrangements with identified users/beneficiaries of the space (e.g lease arrangements to cover fit out costs).
 - c. **Economic development increased spending** – Federated Farmers is unsure if this increased spending is part of the UAGC or the General Rate. As this is a benefit to all ratepayers, Federated Farmers considers it should form part of the UAGC. If this is the case, we support the increase, however if it is not, we would not support any increase.

- d. **Local Government Funding Agency** – Federated Farmers is unsure about the potential risks/liabilities to Council of this proposal. We ask that Council provide further information so that a more considered assessment can be made.

INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY

Rural roads

21. Federated Farmers opposes the proposal to reduce and extend the reseal policy from 12-13 years to 16.7 years by Waka Kotahi. The increased loads on local roads generated by trucks meeting the HPV standards are causing premature seal failure, and the new policy will cause even greater deterioration in service capacity, which will be felt mostly by the RDC's rural residents. We ask the Council to push back on this issue, and advocate strongly for better rural roads that the ONRC policy discriminates against.
22. Federated Farmers also asks Council to instigate a 1.5 times roading differential for forestry rated properties for roading, to reflect and rehabilitate the negative impact that its operations have on rural roads. We do not accept that more information is needed to start charging in this manner, as Wairoa DC has led the way in 2021, and Whanganui and Ruapehu DC's have already charged a similar rate for several years.

Three waters

23. Federated Farmers supports developments to core infrastructure such as wastewater, solid waste and water. As farmer compliance with wastewater, waste, water and nutrient management is funded directly by the farmer, we therefore believe that Council should target rates for these developments to those who will be using the services. We consider that rating differentials or targeted rates for wastewater, solid waste and drinking water, more fairly require those who are benefiting or utilising the activity to provide the required rating contributions.
24. Federated Farmers has consistently opposed the Public Good rating for those 3 services, given that the public good benefit is very small and probably only applies to visitors to the towns. Each SUIP in the District contributes \$258 towards the 3 Waters and many farms have more than one SUIP. This Public Good rate provides a strong incentive for farmers to support divestment of the 3 Waters to a Regional Authority.
25. We also note that the rates are proposed to rise to a total of \$283 for the coming year. The ongoing increases are a reminder of the lack of historical funding from former municipalities which have subsequently formed this District. While this is not significantly different to many other local authorities, the Rangitikei District is unique in forcing non-beneficiaries of a service to pay what should be a targeted rate.
26. Federated Farmers is also concerned that centralization of the three waters may lead to less understanding about who are the local beneficiaries of current and past spending, and therefore require farms or those not connected to the service to nevertheless contribute to past and future costs.

Rural water schemes

27. Rangitikei District has benefitted from its primarily stock water driven rural water schemes, and Federated Farmers considers it would be a considerable loss to the District if these were lost. Federated Farmers considers that while the current Schemes maintain their affordability and value to the funders (and beneficiaries) they should be retained in their present form as long as possible. We ask that Council ensure that our members are engaged early in any future proposals to change the schemes, as these changes will have a significant impact to those who use them.

Wastewater

28. Federated Farmers also notes the reference in the Plan to the future need for land for the discharge of urban wastewater. Federated Farmers has recently submitted to the Palmerston North City Council (PNCC) Nature Calls project, noting concerns with large scale discharge to land wastewater provisions. Lessons from neighboring Districts are that these schemes can adversely impact adjacent waterways when managed poorly.
29. We therefore caution Council in taking any pre-determined position about their effectiveness, without first understanding all short and long term consequences, including the costs to the District/Region/Nation by way of loss of productive land. Federated Farmers will be asking PNCC to consider an approach to their treatment that supports the future needs of surrounding Districts and ask that Council also give thought to how a regional solution may address this Districts future wastewater issues.

Earthquake-prone Buildings

30. Federated Farmers notes that Council is required to undertake a structural engineering assessment to evaluate the integrity of the Council building. We note that if amendments are required to satisfy integrity issues, Council will have 7.5 years to remediate issues given it is a priority building.
31. Federated Farmers is concerned that although this will be a significant cost to ratepayers in the future, there is little commentary on the topic. We consider examples like this give support to Council taking a hard line on unnecessary expenditure to ensure it is placed to undertake this work in the future.

ABOUT FEDERATED FARMERS

Federated Farmers is a not-for-profit primary sector policy and advocacy organisation that represents the majority of farming businesses in New Zealand. Federated Farmers has a long and proud history of representing the interests of New Zealand's farmers.

The Federation aims to add value to its members' farming businesses. Our key strategic outcomes include the need for New Zealand to provide an economic and social environment within which:

- Our members may operate their business in a fair and flexible commercial environment;
- Our members' families and their staff have access to services essential to the needs of the rural community; and
- Our members adopt responsible management and environmental practices.

This submission is representative of member views and reflect the fact that local government rating and spending policies impact on our member's daily lives as farmers and members of local communities.

Manawatu/Rangitikei and Whanganui Federated Farmers thanks Rangitikei District Council for considering our submission.



6 May 2021

Mayor Andy Watson
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Dear Andy

Submission from the Manawatū District Council to the Rangitikei District Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2031

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Rangitikei District Council's (RDC's) Draft Long Term Plan (Draft LTP) 2021-2031. This submission is generally in support of the Draft LTP but includes some matters of particular interest to the Manawatū District Council (MDC) and wider Manawatū community.

Shared Services Arrangement

As noted in the Draft LTP, RDC has a Shared Services agreement with MDC for the provision of Infrastructure Services, including capital project delivery, water and wastewater treatment, network maintenance and operations and new development engineering. This Shared Services agreement is in place for the mutual benefit of both Councils through greater efficiencies and sharing of skilled staff.

In light of the uncertainty associated with the Three Waters Reform, there is an even greater need for RDC and MDC to work together in a cooperative and open manner. This will ensure that this Shared Services agreement continues to meet the needs of both Councils in a fair and transparent way.

Decision sought:

- That RDC work with MDC to ensure that the Shared Services agreement for the provision of Infrastructure Services continues to achieve mutual benefits and efficiencies.

Centralised Wastewater Treatment

MDC wishes to reiterate its support for the Marton to Bulls centralisation project. Our submission on the Draft LTP 2018-2028 included support for the proposed piping of Marton's wastewater to Bulls. This support was on the basis of this being the most cost-effective solution for the management of Marton and Bull's wastewater, as well as the water quality benefits of ending wastewater discharges to the Tutaenui Stream. Based on the Infrastructure Strategy, we understand that Council is yet to consider a detailed business case for the Marton to Bulls wastewater transfer pipeline project, but this project is still considered to be the most likely scenario for the disposal of wastewater from Marton and Bulls.

Decision sought:

- That RDC progress the development of the detailed business case for the Marton to Bulls wastewater transfer pipeline project to ensure the economic and environmental benefits of this project are realised.

Increased Funding for Economic Development and Events

MDC supports the RDC's preferred option of increasing economic development funding by \$172,000 in Year 1 and \$122,500 per year from Year 2 onwards; and for increasing event sponsorship by a further \$25,000 per year. Increased economic development in the Rangitikei District will have spin-off benefits for the economic prosperity of the Manawātū District and wider region. Likewise, MDC agrees that increased funding for events is important for ensuring their long term sustainability. As well as contributing to the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of the Rangitikei community, events benefit the wider region by boosting tourism and economic development.

Decisions sought:

- That the preferred option of increasing RDC's economic development funding by \$172,000 in Year 1 and \$122,500 per year from Year 2 onwards is supported and retained in the LTP as drafted (key choice 3, option 1).
- That the preferred option of increasing the annual Event Sponsorship Fund from \$25,000 to \$50,000 per year be supported and retained in the LTP as drafted (key choice 4, option 1).

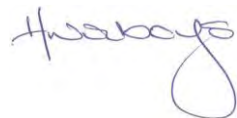
Local Government Funding Agency Membership

MDC supports RDC's preferred option of joining the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA) as a guaranteeing local authority (key choice 5, option 1). As noted in the consultation document, membership with the LGFA would increase RDC's borrowing options for the funding of future projects. MDC benefits from membership with the LGFA for the funding of its capital projects.

Decision sought:

- That the preferred option of becoming a guaranteeing member of the LGFA is supported and retained in the LTP as drafted.

Yours sincerely



Helen Worboys
Mayor

On behalf of the Manawātū District Council



Long Term Plan 2021-31 Consultation Document

Puka Tāpaetanga Submission Form

He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei? Have your say on our Long Term Plan

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We've proposed a change to our rating system. (See page 47 of our Consultation Document)

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 90 Hautapu Street (SH1), Taihape, 4720

Do you agree with our preferred options?

* Council's preferred option

 **Should we set up free Wifi zones?** (see page 20 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 **Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand?** (see page 22 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 **How should we fund Economic Development?** (see page 24 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 **Should we increase Event Sponsorship?** (see page 26 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 **Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member?** (see page 31 of our Consultation Document)


I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

Anything else?

Taihape Neighbourhood Support Committee submits that RDC supports TNS by contributing financially each year towards the costs of running TNS - see attached two pages.

 Please include more pages if required.

Submission to RDC draft Long Term Plan 2021-2031

Framing Our Future

We respectfully submit that RDC supports Taihape Neighbourhood Support by contributing financially each year towards the costs of running TNS. Costs include wages for a part-time Coordinator (up to 10 hours per week), some mileage (to attend quarterly NS regional meetings and the Neighbourhood Support New Zealand national conference in Wellington), copier toner, copy paper, phone, some promotion (eg business cards, flyers). As partners in NSNZ Taihape Police provide an office, postage and some copying.

The aim of Neighbourhood Support is to make our homes, streets, neighbourhoods and communities safer and more resilient. This is primarily achieved through the establishment of small groups of households coming together, pooling their knowledge, resources and abilities for any situation that may arise.

We are a community led movement that works alongside the New Zealand Police and other partners including Fire and Emergency New Zealand, Civil Defence and Emergency Management groups as well as Rangitikei District Council. We work closely with these partners to equip neighbourhoods to improve safety, be prepared for emergencies and support one another so that our communities are great places to live and can remain functional and resilient at times of crisis. TNS is currently updating the Taihape Civil Defence Community Response Plan and was the lead agency of the Taihape Community Response Group during the COVID-19 lockdown. TNS is a member of the RDC emergency management/welfare response group.

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Happy to support if the Co-ord position is advertised to the public
M. Bellamy

Rangitikei District Council Western Residents Group

Kauangaroa-Okirae-Mangatipona-Turakina Valley

1. Background

This group comprises about 20 residents from about 40 different properties in the western Rangitikei, whose properties bound the Whangaehu and Turakina rivers. This area is notable for the fact that it is mainly serviced from Whanganui, which is 20-30 minutes away, rather than Marton or Hunterville. Following a meeting with Mayor Andy Watson late in 2020 and then a further meeting on 17 April 2021, where he updated us on the Long Term Plan and some of the challenges facing the District, the residents wanted to have their say on the Draft Plan.

This area is somewhat unique as it doesn't really identify with Marton, is generally absent in the community meetings for Hunterville and Marton, does not receive the weekly Marton newspaper and generally ignorant of central Rangitikei happenings. There is no local hall and neighbours generally catch up on the road or at school events. This means that we don't use the Marton library or swimming pool, or sports grounds, nor meet locals in supermarkets or businesses except on odd occasions. In fact many of the ratepayer services funded by us are unavailable except for dog registration, building services and roading, which for most of us is the most important service of all.

2. District Challenges

Andy Watson's summation of the issues facing the District were sobering. Apart from the Three Waters debacle and lack of detail, the proposed Community Redevelopments in Marton and Taihape costing \$31 million, plus the usual roading expenditure it looks like we are facing rate increases of 6.95%, 7.25% and 6.5% that are unacceptable.

Added to this are revaluations that are increasing our actual increases to a minimum of 20% for pastoral hill country, with most farms increasing by \$1000 to \$4000 extra on the current years rates. These increases are exacerbated by draft changes to the Revenue and Financing Policy, which drops the UAGC by \$110 and increases the General Rate per \$100 000 capital value, in an effort to make "Residential " rates more affordable. We wonder how these assumptions are made and on what basis, given that the Council doesn't know our income circumstances, other than Stats NZ meshblock statistics. According to the RDC material published, residential rates will increase around \$200, which is not significant when ratepayers not able to connect to the Three Waters will be paying \$283 each SUIP towards those water users costs.

All of these issues are compounded by the probable increase in debt, with around \$65 million being borrowed in the next five years – this from a Council that was largely debt-free a few years ago, and now owes \$3 million.

3. Roding Challenges

This western side of the District suffers from roading challenges mainly based on its geology. Most of the area comprises weakly consolidated sedimentary sands and papa layers with many springs, with steeply incised streams, and suitable road formation material is hard to find. The early roads used Whangaehu River metal which was not ideal, and meant the sub-foundations of many roads are inadequate, with the exception

of Kauangaroa Lower Turakina Valley and part Mangitipona Roads that have now been rehabilitated.

The initial forest harvest in Okirae Rd , plus Mangamahu and Mangahoe Rds have exposed the poor foundations of the original roads, which residents have suffered through because of the reactive nature of the roading administration, and the overnight removal of the Class I, II and III road classifications. Almost all logging trucks these days have HPV stickers, and the metalling trucks and trailers, which carry substantial quantities of aggregate into forests to enable year-round harvest seem to have a disproportional negative effect on corrugations and “soft” patches, as the history of Okirae and Kumiti Roads will attest. There is a good case to impose a 1.5 times roading rate differential for forestry enterprises, given their significant impact on lower-use roads.

The Council’s current roading contractor, Higgins, seems to have a different interpretation of the roading maintenance contract compared with its predecessors. While its metalling, grading and berm mowing operators are generally very competent, maintenance of drainage and water tables is non-existent and minor drop-outs or culvert failures are remediated by placing cones near the hole. While the water-tables have suffered from silt build-up from 4 previous dry years opening up the cracked “massive columnar” yellow-grey earth subsoils, there has been no water table maintenance since the 2015 flood repairs, and now rainflows regularly flow downwards along tire tracks before cascading over road embankments, causing small underslips. It is not clear whether this is a contract issue or contract management failure, but it will lead to expensive emergency repairs, loss of roading metal, and damage to land adjoining the road reserve. Presumably the contractor will benefit from a special contract to repair what was a small maintenance job.

Residents are also disappointed with the time and cost taken to repair the “McLeay dropout” just downstream of the Turakina river bridge on Mangitipona Road. Given that that section of road has highway traffic on it 2-4 times a year when serious accident diversions from SH 3 are required, we would expect more timely intervention, particularly from Waka Kotahi.

4. Rates and Valuations

The September 2020 revaluation has resulted in substantial increases in Capital Values, especially for northern and western farms, mainly for pastoral farms with CV’s in excess of \$500 000. Dairy and cropping/finishing farms have not moved as much, having lifted at the previous revaluation. While such movements occur from time to time, this one is substantial, both in terms of percentage lift, and proportion of the District. Like Residential increases in the southern towns, they may be indicative of national price movements driven primarily by increased demand and poor housing supply, although for farms the demand has been for forestry conversion/carbon credits and some bee-keeper demand.

Farmer profitability has not changed significantly and nor is there expectations of serious uplift in incomes, while expenses seem likely to increase, and interest rates may only move one way. Usually value increases of this sort are associated with beef or lamb prices increasing substantially, but Covid 19 supply and shipping issues are constraining processor supplies to overseas markets. Freshwater regulations and climate change initiatives are also leaving farmers hesitant about future costs.

So it is with some surprise that we find our Council wants to saddle farmers with substantial rates increases varying from 15 to 90%, in an effort to keep rates “affordable” for residential ratepayers. Council and its staff don’t specify on what basis rates for residents or farmers are considered affordable or unaffordable, but the Draft LTP alters

the UAGC and General Rate amounts so as to achieve a significant loading on higher valued properties. The Council's rate system shows that for many farms increases will be in \$1000 to \$4000 range for 2021/22. Unlike businesses and industries in town, farmers cannot pass these rate rises on to their customers, as they are "price-takers", and processors must compete with other countries to sell farm products overseas, where most of our product is sold. Any increase in farm costs comes off the bottom line, and is not available for reinvestment or spending within our community.

We urge to Council to rejig the Draft LTP by cutting proposed project expenditure and using the Revenue and Financing Policy to achieve a fairer outcome for all residents and ratepayers. The substantial borrowings anticipated will mean rates must surely increase out past the 10 year Plan horizon, and interest rates cannot be expected to continue at their present historically low rates.

Consideration should also be given to introducing a differential rate based on smoothing the three-yearly Rateable valuation cycle to ease these aberrations. Would it be possible to amend the Capital Values on a rolling 3 year basis to reduce the peaks and troughs that cause the angst in the community? So effectively there would be a gradual change through the 3 years much as the Equalised Capital Value that Horizons uses to smooth variations between its constituent TLA's. However there needs to be more finesse than that system uses which seems to use just total CV for the District.

Given that Quotable Value has all the information that is required already, it would require an algorithm that brings in value changes on a regular basis, and applies that to each category of valuation in time to strike rates for the 1 July year. Such a system is not impossible given the amount of information able to be processed these days.

5. Recommendations to Council

- 5.1** That Council reviews and amends its proposed project timetable to achieve rate increases consistent with the CPI inflation index and preferably less than 3%.
- 5.2** That Council increases the UAGC to \$700.00 per SUIP and makes consequential changes to the General Rate reflecting the increased UAGC contribution to General Rates.
- 5.3** That the Draft LTP (including the Revenue and Financing Policy) shows which activities or parts of activities will be funded by UAGC and which will be funded by General Rates. This implies that the UAGC will show dollar amounts for the activities funded by it.
- 5.4** That the Draft LTP includes a differential forestry roading rate set at 1.5 times the normal roading rate.
- 5.5** That the LTP specifies on what criteria the Council will assess "affordability" before it modifies any rates. This requires information in excess of what is currently shown in the Revenue and Financing Policy.
- 5.6** That Council provides more rating comparisons for each category of ratepayer, and prior to releasing the Draft Plan annually.
- 5.7** That Council pressures Waka Kotahi to amend its policies with respect to rural roading to achieve better road condition and safety on low use rural roads, and does not extend the reseal interval as proposed.
- 5.8** That the Council Roding managers review the performance of the contractors in relation to maintenance, particularly watertables and culverts, making changes to the Contract as necessary and improving its auditing of contractor performance.

- 5.9** That Council investigate alternative differentials to achieve less variation in the Capital Value basis for rating by smoothing or constantly updating valuation information to reduce extreme annual rate increases or decreases.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Draft Long Term Plan.

We would like to be heard at the Council Hearing please.

Tim Matthews

On behalf of the Kauangaroa-Okirae-Mangatipona-Turakina Valley residents.

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**SUBMISSION TO THE
RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL
ON THE
DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2021-2031
ON BEHALF OF THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES
OF RANGITĪKEI COLLEGE AND MARTON SCHOOL
10 MAY 2021**

SUMMARY

1. Both schools share serious and immediate concerns for student pedestrian safety along Bredins Line and Hereford Street between the two schools.
2. Both schools submit that these concerns should be resolved urgently by:
 - a. the provision of **continuous pedestrian access** along the eastern side of Bredins Line and southern side of Hereford Street.

This would require additional paving for a footpath to connect between the new entrance to Hereford Heights, and across Tutaenui Stream to the path outside Marton School.
 - b. A **pedestrian crossing** across the entrance to Hereford Heights, accompanied by traffic calmers.
 - c. The imposition of a permanent and uninterrupted **30 km/hour speed limit** outside and between the two schools.
3. **Please note that the submitters would like to present in person to the Council through their respective principals.**

This written submission has been prepared by the principals of the two impacted schools with the endorsement of their respective boards:

- Tony Booker, Principal Rangitīkei College (principal@rangitikeicollege.school.nz)
- Brya Dixon, Principal Marton School (principal@marton.school.nz)

1. Current student pedestrian behaviour: college students on Hereford Street

- a. College students heading to school via Hereford Street are forced to cross the road (to the swimming pool side) to get around the corner to Bredins Line, then cross the road once more to get to school (and vice versa after school).
- b. On Hereford Street they are expected to use the pedestrian crossing outside Marton School. Many choose not to comply with this, which is not atypical behaviour, even in larger urban centres. Many also come to school via the 'Lost Acre' which means they must walk 150 metres away from school to use the crossing, and then come back up the other side. This is not typical teenage behaviour!

This crossing point is adjacent to the Marton School Junior Carpark. When college students cross here, junior students see this behaviour and think it is an appropriate place to cross the road, putting them at great risk, especially as they are not as good at checking for traffic or judging the speed of vehicles.

- c. For those that do not comply, they invariably end up crossing close to the corner. Already this is high-risk, and has resulted in a number of near-misses as cars move around the corner from Bredins Line not expecting to see jaywalking pedestrians. With the development of Hereford Heights and resulting increased traffic flow, as well as the new road layout, the potential for a pedestrian being hit is significantly increased.
- d. Furthermore, students emerging from the 'Lost Acre' pathway are forced to cross the Marton School junior carpark which further slows traffic down and creates a hazard for vehicles entering (or leaving) that carpark.
- e. What is required is for those travelling up the southern side of Hereford Street to be able to continue all the way to school on that same side.

2. Current student pedestrian behaviour: college students on Bredins Line

- a. Heading towards the college, once they have rounded the corner, students will cross Bredins Line to get to the college side *anywhere* along the 250 metres between the corner and school. This can be disconcerting and hazardous for drivers driving into Bredins Line from Hereford Street, particularly at 3.00-3.15pm when approximately 150 students are leaving in that direction simultaneously.

Because there is no clear point of crossing, this behaviour is understandable. It also means that it is difficult for school staff to police, as compared to, for example, a pedestrian crossing which would be an obvious point of crossing.

- b. Safety for school pedestrians was raised by the Principal of the college to the council in 2016. Various options were looked at with the council Project Engineer, but these were deemed unacceptable for different reasons. However, the council agreed to shape a new footpath to encourage pedestrians coming from the Hammond St/ Bredins Line alleyway. This has had more effect on encouraging students emerging from the alleyway to cross at that point than the other way around.

3. Current driver behaviour: vehicles on Bredins Line

- a. There is an ongoing issue with the speed of traffic along Bredins Line. It is particularly noticeable at the start and end of the school day. Occasionally, cars do obviously speed along there, but even vehicles travelling at the speed limit create a hazard when people are crossing the road.

Unfortunately young people are oblivious to the risk involved in crossing outside the school and do not believe they could be hit. This is particularly the case when they are walking in social groups - as they tend to do - especially at the end of the day.

- b. Parents/caregivers dropping off their children at school at the start and picking them up at the end of the school day create additional challenges. Although we have now avoided vehicles driving in and out of school to transport students, outside the entrance we still have issues that the school struggles to control:
 - i. Congestion
 - ii. Vehicles making U-turns
 - iii. Momentary double-parking
 - iv. Students rushing across the road (especially on wet days)
 - v. Obscured visibility

4. Implications of Hereford Heights development on pedestrian safety

- a. Our schools believe this development will not only accentuate the risks concerns identified above but will add new ones. However, we also believe that these existing and new hazards can be satisfactorily addressed.
- b. The development will increase risks because:
 - i. Of increased vehicular traffic. We have been informed by the developer that an additional 800 vehicular movements will occur entering and exiting Hereford Heights.
 - ii. Of the extension of the footpath between Oakley Avenue and Hereford Heights. Pedestrians on Bredins Line heading south are likely to move even more closer to the corner before crossing. This gives drivers from Hereford Street even less time to react to jaywalkers.
 - iii. Students likely to now walk to the end of the new footpath by the existing bridge, and then walk the 10 metres or so along the road over the bridge to link up with the 'Lost Acre' or southern footpath.
 - iv. Vehicles exiting Hereford Heights travelling down Hereford Street likely to travel past Marton School at higher speeds than previously when they slowed for the corner.

5. Critical problems

- a. These hazards are the result of two factors:
 - i. Pedestrians being forced to cross Bredins Line/Hereford Street twice if walking to or from the college from the southern side of Hereford Street (or once if coming from the northern side).
 - ii. Driver speed.
- b. Therefore, to improve safety, we need to focus on making it more straightforward for pedestrians to get across to the southern side of Hereford Street, and to slow vehicle speed outside the schools.

6. Solving the problem: Pedestrians crossing the road

- a. By creating a continuous pathway between the college and the 'Lost Acre'/Marton School would avoid the need for college pedestrians to cross the road anywhere around the corner. This would require additional footpath, but the major implication is developing a pedestrian crossing over Tutaenui Stream.
- b. An appropriate traffic calmer or equivalent on the exit from Hereford Heights (and possibly Oakley Avenue) which would make a clearer crossing point for pedestrians, have the effect of slowing traffic down, and drawing attention to the likelihood of pedestrians.

7. Solving the problem: Driver speed

- a. The imposition of a 30 km/hour speed limit beginning at the boundary to the college through to the Marton School boundary (Wellington Road end). As well as reducing the impact of injury in the event of a collision, such a speed limit reinforces driver expectations of the presence of schoolchildren on the road.
- b. Speed limits around schools are already the subject of a Waka Kotahi/NZTA consultation document released in April 2021 [Setting of Speed Limits 2021 overview and summary of proposals for consultation April-June 2021](#). This document proposes that road controlling authorities be required to introduce safer speed limits around schools, with an initial 40% of changes to be completed by June 2024 and complete the remaining by 2029¹.

Speed limits will be reduced to 30 km/h (or 40 km/h in some circumstances) around urban schools and a maximum of 60 km/h around rural schools. These speed limits can either be permanent or variable.

Road controlling authorities will be encouraged to consider speed management treatments in the broader area around a school (e.g. road narrowing and raised platforms).

From various press releases, it is clear that this proposed rule change has strong political support.

¹ Refer [Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021 consultation](#) for information regarding the consultation process.



Submission to **Rangitīkei District Council**

Executive Summary

1. Preventable drowning fatalities costs the NZ economy around \$320 million per year. WSNZ wants to reduce the number of preventable drownings in the Rangitīkei District Council and believes this can be achieved by ensuring more drowning prevention activity is undertaken, and there is better coordination and direction of the water safety effort. Ultimately, WSNZ wants residents of the Rangitīkei District Council to be safe in, on and around water.
2. The focus of the first part of this submission is to draw to the Rangitīkei District Council's attention the need for drowning prevention and water safety and highlight the relevant legislation and strategy.
3. This submission then comments on some of the key issues relevant to the 10-year Consultation Document including the:
 - relevance of water safety and drowning prevention to the Rangitīkei District Council community's well-being – social, economic, cultural, and environmental;
 - need to invest in the on-going maintenance of waste and storm water infrastructure to ensure water quality (swimmability and manoeuvrability) in the Rangitīkei District Council aquatic environments;
 - need to adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change on aquatic environments in the Rangitīkei District Council; and
 - possibility of working with Rangitīkei District Council (and other stakeholders) to expand the awareness of Māori water safety issues, and potential ways to reduce the Māori drowning toll in the Rangitīkei District Council.
4. What WSNZ wants to achieve from this submission is:
 - to work with the Rangitīkei District Council to help broaden and deepen council's approach for reducing drowning fatalities and improving water safety awareness – a broader and deeper approach that is focused on community well-being;
 - Rangitīkei District Council to consider water safety and drowning prevention a key component of maintaining the community well-being of its residents;
 - Rangitīkei District Council to continue to invest in water safety and drowning prevention activities;
 - Rangitīkei District Council to continue to work with WSNZ (and the broader water safety sector) on water safety and drowning prevention issues, including expanding awareness of Māori water safety issues, and potential ways to reduce the Māori drowning toll in the Rangitīkei District Council

Introduction

5. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Rangitikei District Council Long-Term Plan Consultation Document 2021-31.
6. Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the leadership agency for the water safety sector and wants to reduce the number of preventable drownings in the Rangitikei District Council. We believe this can be achieved by ensuring more drowning prevention activity is undertaken, and better coordination and direction of the water safety effort by all responsible parties.
7. It is towards these objectives that the following submission is made. Further information about WSNZ can be found in *attachment 1*.

Context

8. The World Health Organisation characterises drowning as a serious and neglected public health threat and a highly preventable public health challenge.
9. Drowning is a growing public health and well-being problem with drowning being the number one cause of recreational death and the third highest cause of accidental death (behind road accidents and falls) in New Zealand. ¹ From 2010 to 2019 there were 965 preventable drowning fatalities in New Zealand and injuries are increasing sharply; in 2018 alone there were over 36,000 claims for water related injuries (an average of around 100 a day).²
10. It has been estimated that preventable drowning costs the NZ economy around \$320 million per year. (Based on an average of 80 fatalities per year at \$4.0 million per fatality). In 2016 the economic cost of water related hospitalisations was \$83.6 million. In addition, a drowning incident may require a response from several agencies including: Police, NZ Search and Rescue responders or ambulance and medical service. Intervening early, or preventing the need to respond to a drowning, will provide cost savings to the New Zealand economy.
11. In 2019 the Government-appointed Water Safety Working Group concluded the responsibility for water safety, drowning prevention and frontline rescue services is shared between central and local government, the community, and water safety NGOs. In essence, their message was that central government has a partial responsibility for water safety and further effort is required to ensure all responsible parties are actively involved in the prevention of drowning.
12. In response, through Budget 2020 the Government provided multi-year funding for frontline rescue services, and to grow WSNZ's capability to lead and support the wider water safety sector. The Government is now looking to other parties responsible for water safety, such as local government, to see what role they can play. To this end WSNZ recently briefed the Minister of Local Government on the state of the water safety sector, Wai Ora Aotearoa (our new Water Safety Sector Strategy 2025), and our intentions to work with local government to improve water safety and prevent drownings.

Wai Ora Aotearoa – Water Safety Sector Strategy 2025

13. WSNZ recently launched [Wai Ora Aotearoa](#) which is the result of a year's collaborative work by water safety sector leaders. The strategy represents a consensual view of the best way forward for drowning prevention in New Zealand. Moreover, the strategy reflects the need for a step

¹ WSNZ Drowning Report, 2018.

² ACC, 2020

change in the way the sector operates. This change will enable the sector to meet the major challenges it is facing over the next few years.

14. Key actions for the sector to implement over the term of the strategy include:

Develop a water safety sector local government engagement strategy that focuses on relationship building and engaging with local government planning.

Complete the Implementation of the Regional Strategy pilots and develop a Freshwater Strategy for the sector.

15. Both these actions are relevant to WSNZ's relationship with Rangitikei District Council and are reflected in the content of this submission.

Community well-being

16. The Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Act 2019 restored the promotion of social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being to the purpose of local government.

17. The amendments to the Act are intended to enable local authorities, and ensure local authorities are responsible for, playing a broad role in promoting and improving the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of their communities-the four aspects of well-being.³

18. The Minister for local Government, Nanaia Mahuta, stated that this emphasis on well-being will engage councils and communities in an intergenerational approach to improving quality of life outcomes in towns and cities.⁴

19. As shown in figure 1 below, water safety and drowning prevention connects with all four components of community well-being – economic, social, cultural and environment.

20. A fuller discussion of the connections between well-being and water safety, that is consistent with the SOLGM Community Well-being indicator framework, is included in *attachment 1*.

21. What this means is to fully contribute to the well-being of their community, local authorities must place greater importance on, and dedicate resources to, a wider range of initiatives relating to water safety and drowning prevention in all aquatic environments (pools, beaches, rivers, lakes, and the sea).

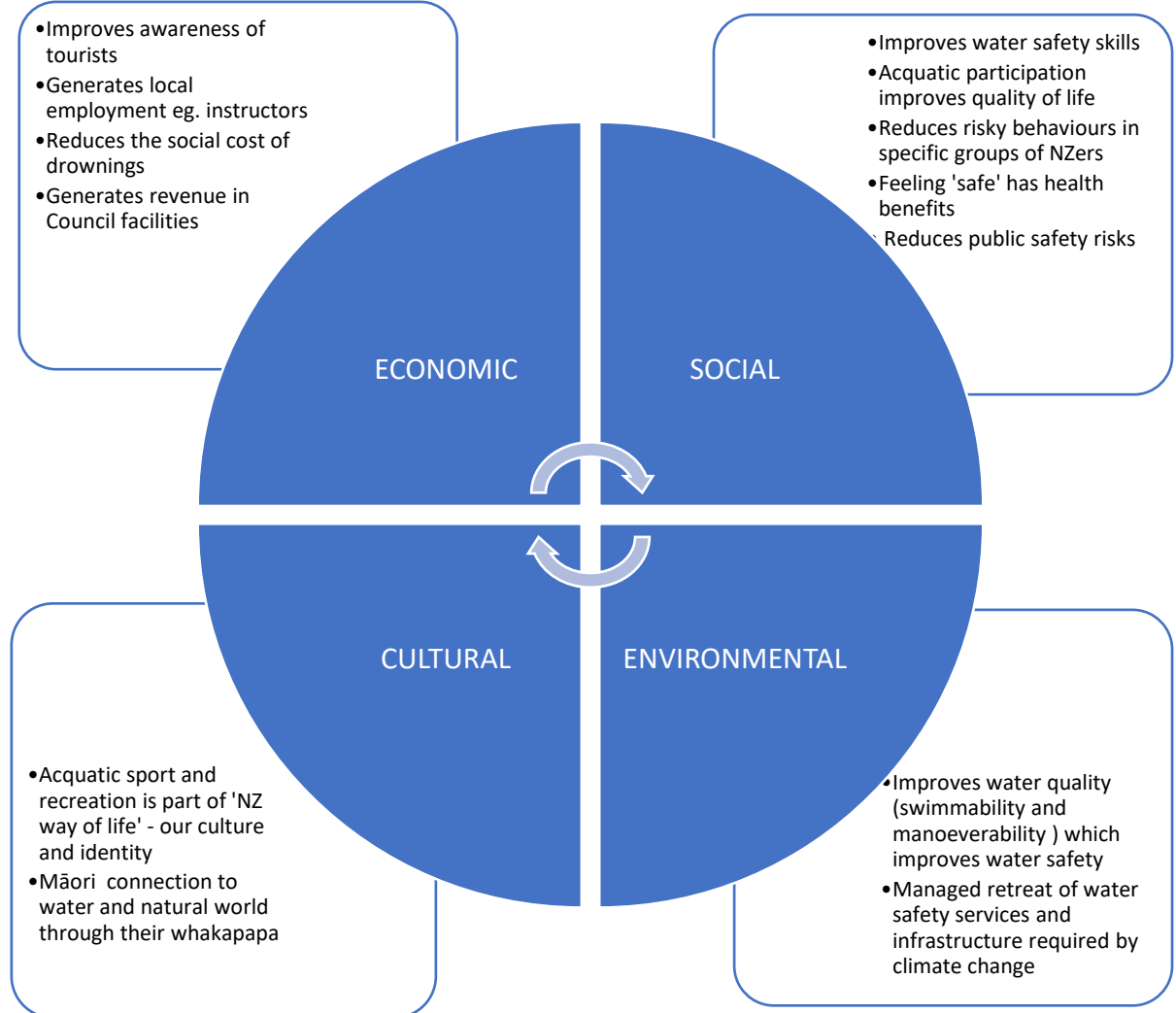
22. Local government needs to broaden its approach of providing community facilities and infrastructure, such as swimming pools, to a focus on community well-being. For example, focusing on providing and supporting water safety services to help reduce the social cost of drowning and allow New Zealanders to develop skills to feel safe in, on, and around the water. Other examples include a focus on managing the retreat of water safety services and infrastructure from the foreshore (required by climate change), and reducing public safety risks, particularly for high-risk groups and environments (under-fives; underwater activities; males aged 15-35 Years; Asians and male boaties aged 50+).

23. WSNZ wants to work with the Rangitikei District Council (and its partners and stakeholders) to help broaden their approach and reduce drowning fatalities and improve water safety awareness in the region.

³ SOLGM, 2020

⁴ Mahuta, 2018

Figure 1: Water safety and community well-being



Key issues and opportunities WSNZ would like Rangitīkei District Council to address in their 2021-2031 Long-Term Plan

24. Reducing preventable drownings, and improving water safety, will improve the well-being of Rangitīkei District Council residents. WSNZ wants Council to consider the following points in the development of its long-term plan.

Water safety and drowning prevention - ensuring your communities well-being

25. The Rangitīkei District Council aquatic environment is diverse with an abundance of pool, rivers, swimming holes, streams, lakes and coastline for residents and visitors to enjoy for sport and recreation purposes. This means Council's water safety risk profile is also variable as users carry out activities with different risk profiles (such as swimming, kayaking, boating, fishing, diving, or surfing).
26. To ensure your communities well-being (which as shown in figure 1 includes the concept of water safety and drowning prevention) a broader and deeper approach to water safety and drowning prevention is required.
27. A broader approach is one beyond the provision of aquatic facilities such as swimming pools and the enforcement of swimming pool bylaws. Council now needs to address water safety and drowning prevention in freshwater (pools, lakes, rivers, and streams) and in, on and around

vessels (boats, kayaks etc). A deeper approach involves more people, of many cultures, taking advantage of Council's water safety and drowning prevention activities in the above aquatic environments. This broader and deeper approach needs to reflect the needs of your local community and provide local solutions for local needs.

28. In addition to a broader and deeper approach, WSNZ wants Council's approach to compliment the investment we make into water safety sector partner organisations (like Surf Life Saving NZ), or the funding we give to other providers through our contestable funding process.
29. WSNZ supports Council's existing investment in water safety and drowning prevention and wants Council to continue to work with WSNZ (and the broader water safety sector) on the broader and deeper approach needed to ensure the community well-being of the Rangitikei District Council residents.

Water safety and drowning prevention, a correlation of water quality

30. Water quality, whether it be in pools, rivers, lakes, or the sea has a direct relationship with recreation and sport activities. This is because contaminated water, or water filled with weed or floating objects impacts on both the 'swimmability' and 'manoeuvrability' of people and vessels in various aquatic environments.
31. Poor water quality may cause or impact on water safety risks and/or drownings.
32. To maintain water quality Council must advocate for (in partnership with others) and carry out a number of activities, including maintaining and improving waste and storm water infrastructure.
33. WSNZ wants to see Council's continued investment in these activities as this investment is essential to help maintain the quality of water for recreation and sport users.

Adapting and mitigating climate change

34. Climate change may result in rising temperatures and sea levels, changes in wind patterns, storm tracks, and droughts and the frequent heavy rainfall events. These changes may require:
 - an increasing demand on water safety services (rescues, medical support) from higher temperatures;
 - a requirement to replace, move or protect the water safety sector's physical assets located along rivers (because of flooding);
 - a need for better monitoring of river conditions to identify changes in water safety risks attributable to climate change-related phenomenon; and
 - an increasing requirement for the effective communication of the risks to the public from the changing conditions.
35. WSNZ believes preparing for climate change requires a collaborative effort and we (and the broader water safety sector) would like to be kept informed about (and participate as appropriate) in relevant climate change initiatives.

Māori Water Safety strategy

36. Drowning rates for Māori are high and reducing and preventing Māori drownings are one of WSNZ's strategic priorities.
37. Working with a group of key Māori stakeholders, we recently refreshed our [Kia-Maanu-Kia-Ora](#) strategy. Our new sector strategy (Wai Ora Aotearoa) also includes a focus on improving the connection to water for Māori as well as supporting greater use of a Kaupapa Māori approach to water safety for tangata whenua.

38. WSNZ wants to work with Council, and your other stakeholders to expand the awareness of Māori water safety issues, and potential ways to reduce the Māori drowning toll in the Rangitikei District Council.

Long-term plan 2021-2031 consultation process

39. WSNZ does not want to be heard at Council's long-term planning hearing.

Paul Verić

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Verić', with a stylized, cursive script.

Interim Chief Executive
Water Safety New Zealand

Attachment 1: About Water Safety New Zealand

Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the water safety sector leadership organisation for Aotearoa, New Zealand. We work with water safety sector organisations, individuals, and the public to reduce the incidence of drowning and injury. Our work contributes to the reduction in drownings by ensuring evidence-based water safety policies, investment funding, initiatives and aquatic education are delivered throughout the country.

WSNZ is an incorporated society with charitable status that was established in 1949. Our membership structure comprises 37 general members, 3 core members (Surf Life Saving New Zealand, Coastguard New Zealand, and Swimming New Zealand), and a partially elected board. The WSNZ Board includes delegates from each of our core members.

The WSNZ annual operating budget is funded by Sport New Zealand and ACC. We provide both agencies with accountability reports half-yearly. Thus, while we are an incorporated society, Sport New Zealand is the 'government home' for water safety policy and our reporting agency. Sport New Zealand oversees our governance appointments.

The New Zealand Lotteries Grants Board, via Sport New Zealand, provides WSNZ with funds to distribute to water safety providers through our annual funding round. We also provide funds received from charitable trusts and foundations, commercial sponsorship, and other funding partnerships.

In 2020/21 we distributed \$2.5 million across New Zealand to water safety providers. These providers included: drowning prevention and rescue NGOs, professional and national sport and recreation organisations, child and youth support organisations, Māori organisations, swim schools, local authorities, and regional sports trusts.

This partnership funding is focused on two main areas - water survival skills training and water safety awareness raising and behaviour change. Water Skills for Life (WSFL) is WSNZ's flagship water survival skills program and it reaches over 200,000 primary school children each year. A range of water safety behaviour change initiatives are funded by WSNZ with emphasis placed on reaching demographic groups with high drowning risk (eg. males aged 15-34).

Attachment 2: Community well-being and water safety and drowning prevention

WSNZ community well-being statement

WSNZ has, at the heart of its operations, a commitment to enabling the community well-being of all New Zealanders participating in aquatic sport and recreation or living near bodies of water. Our leadership, advocacy, policies, initiatives, and funding of programmes work to reduce the incidence of preventable drowning and injury in Aotearoa, New Zealand. Our work strives to contribute to a thriving society for individuals, families, and communities. A society where local communities inter-connecting economic, social, cultural, and environmental well-being needs are all met.

The Four Well-beings in the Local Government Act

Most definitions of well-being focus on the quality of life, a healthy human condition as well as happiness and prosperity. Social science research suggests that well integrated individuals with shared community goals have better health and well-being outcomes. Research also indicates the four domains of well-being are all interconnected, and all connect in some way with water safety.



The following outlines how water safety and drowning prevention infrastructure, services and activities provide local government with several opportunities to improve the community well-being of their community.

Cultural Well-being and Water Safety

Cultural well-being is defined by the Ministry for Culture and Heritage as:

'The vitality that communities and individuals enjoy through:

- *Participation in recreation, creative and cultural activities; and*
- *The freedom to retain, interpret and express their arts, history, heritage, and traditions*⁵.

Water is at the heart of our culture and identity as New Zealanders. New Zealanders have important connections to water through their history, experiences and practices that are important to them. Whether it is a connection to places that people swim, or swam as children, regular camping spots or mountain streams that people have encountered on tramps or hikes, many people have particular bodies of water that are important to them. These bodies of water can be important to a person's sense of identity, and from a Māori perspective, people are connected to water and to the natural world through their whakapapa. Aquatic recreation is a large part of the kiwi culture with many

⁵ Te Manatu Taonga Ministry for Culture and Heritage (date unknown)

families and individuals enjoying spending time at their local beach, river, or lake and being able to safely enjoy taking part in aquatic activities such as, swimming, fishing, jet skiing, or boating is hugely important to New Zealanders.⁶

Water safety knowledge and skills, gained from WSNZ's aquatic education programs, promote New Zealanders cultural well-being by allowing individuals to participate in aquatic recreation in a safe, enjoyable, and culturally sensitive way. This sense of feeling 'safe' is also relevant to New Zealanders social well-being in that it benefits our physical and mental health.

Environmental Well-being and Water safety

Environmental well-being promotes interactions with nature; for New Zealanders to be able to enjoy and maintain their connections with water throughout New Zealand it is important that the quality of the water is maintained. The benefits of improving water quality of lakes and rivers throughout New Zealand benefit many activities from swimming to kayaking to mahinga kai. Environmental wellness can inspire individuals to live a lifestyle that is respectful of their surroundings and this in turn results in them assisting in maintaining and caring for waterway.⁷

Protection of mauri (life force or essence) is a principal issue for freshwater management, Māori throughout New Zealand are increasingly concerned with the integrity of waterways. A healthy body of water that has healthy mauri sustains healthy eco systems and supports a range of cultural environmental activities (mahinga kai or waka ama for example) and reinforces the cultural identity of the people.⁸

Aquatic water, free from hazards such as bacteria, weeds, and floating objects, benefits New Zealanders well-being as it allows them to safely swim, dive, boat and gather food. Environmental well-being and water safety are interrelated, one does not exist in isolation of the other. Environmental well-being also re-enforces New Zealanders cultural identity.

Economic Well-being and Water Safety

Over the past ten years preventable drownings and injuries have incurred social and economic costs of over \$5 Billion. However, this financial figure does not illustrate the real cost in pain and suffering and disruption to families and work.

Social costs of fatal preventable drownings and water related injuries can be difficult to isolate and measure. The individual victim is usually the person most directly affected; however, accidents can potentially impact on family members, coworkers, medical care providers and a host of other individuals. Socio demographic differences potentially modify the type and extent of a fatal preventable drowning or injury's social costs. An individual's age, gender, race, ethnicity, nationality, education, and their socioeconomic status all can influence the responses of the individual as well as others in their social circle. Multifarious impacts are possible and may include vocational, psychological, behavioral, social, economic, and functional effects. These costs and their impacts are varied, wide reaching and include both direct and indirect costs, costs at the micro and macro levels.⁹

Water safety and drowning prevention services, activities and infrastructure reduce the social cost of drowning. Preventable drownings save the economy costs in terms of reduced hospitalisations, on-going medical attention, and the attendance of police, ambulance etc. at events. Preventable

⁶ Ministry for the Environment, Manatu Mo Te Taiao, 2020

⁷ U C Davis, 2020

⁸ Tipa and Tierney, 2006

⁹ Dembe, 2001

drownings also reduce family and whanau economic, social, and cultural costs resulting from loss of household income, a primary care giver, and that person's broader contribution to their community. Reduced social costs benefit the economic well-being of local communities.

WSNZ's awareness and behavioral change programs also provide economic well-being benefits to international visitors, who unaware of the risks in some of our popular aquatic environments, are often included in New Zealand's drowning statistics.

Water safety and drowning prevention services, activities and infrastructure also benefit the economic well-being of local communities. These benefits can be seen in the revenue generated through fees and local employment (which has an economic multiplier effect).

Social Well-being and Water Safety

*Social connections play an important role across many aspects of people's lives, from employment opportunities and advice on important life decisions, to receiving support during hard times and having someone to enjoy life and relax with. There is a growing body of evidence supporting the notion that healthy social networks are important for health and well-being.*¹⁰

*Aquatic activities are often undertaken as social activities and allow for social connections to be formed and maintained. Aquatic recreation is both a means to an end (contributes to health and fitness) and an end in itself (enjoyment and satisfaction). Recreation is a useful tool for social connection and social well-being.*¹¹

WSNZ's awareness and behavioral change programs allow individuals (and their families) to be able to safely partake in aquatic recreation activities. These programs equip them with water safety skills to ensure they can keep themselves and their families safe in, on, and around the water. Community education, and the use of safety/warning signage, also promotes awareness of the risks and dangers inherent at popular aquatic recreation spots.

Social well-being can also be enabled through the concept of safe communities. Safe communities are a World Health Organisation (WHO) concept that recognises safety as a universal concern and a responsibility for all. A safe community is a livable community where people can go about their activities in an environment that is without fear, risk of harm, or injury. Twenty-two communities in New Zealand are accredited as Safe Communities by the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand (SCFNZ). A further five are currently working towards accreditation which is based on the WHO endorsed Safe Communities model. The safe community's website states:

*Community safety is not only about reducing and preventing injury and violence. It is about well-being, building strong, cohesive, vibrant, participatory communities. Homes, the roads, public spaces and the workplace are safe for everyone to enjoy. This is exactly what the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand (SCFNZ) does for community development, through leadership and collaboration, to create safer communities to work, play and live. The majority of community-based injuries and accidents are preventable and predictable – it is this premise that forms the basis for everyone's safety. Each community or local area is different - each safety approach meets the unique needs of the people, their goals, and the community values, working together for better outcomes. SCFNZ specifically supports communities to adopt the Safe Community model to increase well-being and become effective advocates and enablers of injury and violence prevention*¹².

¹⁰ Frieling, Krassoi, & Cording, 2018

¹¹ Recreation Aotearoa, 2019

¹² Safe Communities Foundation NZ, 2020

This approach to community safety encourages greater co-operation and collaboration between non-government organisations, the business sector, and local and central government agencies. It increases community well-being by creating an infrastructure in local communities to increase action by building local partnerships and collaborative relationships. Currently, some Councils in New Zealand incorporate water safety and injury prevention into ensuring the well-being of the community. WSNZ encourages all councils to consider the benefits to the well-being of their communities of becoming an accredited safe community. WSNZ also encourages all existing accredited communities to place greater emphasis on water safety in their regions.

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Submission to the Rangitikei District Council LTP 2021 – 2031 under the Parks and Open spaces.

Introduction:

After consultation with the major users of the Bulls Domain, it was agreed that a conceptual plan be proposed to significantly upgrade the Domain in Bulls. As owners of the Domain, we ask permission from Council to fully investigate a proposal to do work in this space with an emphasis on wellbeing and green spaces that are healthy, beautiful, fascinating, and fulfilling for those living and visiting Bulls.

The Plan:

To have a fit for purpose space to accommodate all age groups, sporting, and community groups in a safe environment where events can be held all year round. This concept can be achieved by building a multi sports gymnasium style facility, with changing rooms and sports storage, including a designated gun annex. Outside there will be a secure area focusing on young children's playground and a youth park (maybe including a flying fox), secure area for dogs, and a circuit training track which would incorporate a walking track with seating. There will be space for most sporting activities, picnic areas and car parks.

The Goal - To start with a blank canvas.

Design and build a modern multiple use "park" for the community to use and be proud of.

- All sporting clubs, active and recreational, organized/competitive, to be accommodated
- Sport facilities, e.g., grass fields for sports and informal use, courts, playgrounds, skate parks, bike tracks, circuit training etc.
- Multi-functional indoor sports facility for sports and training.
- Seating, landscaping/gardens, Picnic facilities e.g., BBQ's/tables/shade
- Dog exercise area
- Both young and old have the freedom to exercise, play, or just press pause
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Outcomes: - Focus on "healthy parks, healthy People"

We want to encourage and acknowledge the significance that contact with nature for human emotional, physical, and spiritual health and wellbeing have on the community, and the crucial role that a well-planned park and landscaping can play in nurturing healthy ecosystems.

Expected benefits are:

- accessibility needs of those with disabilities.
- a range of opportunities to meet older people's recreation needs.
- Play opportunities, both formal and informal, will encourage physical activity.
- Interesting landscaping/gardens with a safe and accessible walking and cycling network will encourage the community to engage with nature, be physically active and learn about the environment.
- Sports facility to attract regional and national competitive sports and tournaments.

Methodology:

To be effective, planning for these spaces will need to ensure that this upgraded space will provide the opportunities expected by the users. The key stakeholders have formed a group consisting of a steering group, and several sub committees which will be responsible for

various sections within the park. With the support of the RDC for this project, our steering group can then proceed with the first step of getting a business plan in place. Our Steering Group will consist of an independent Chair, Chair of BCC, Chair of Bulls and District Community Trust, Bulls Councilor, Iwi Representative, President of Bulls Rugby Football & Sports Club. This project will be Community led with professional consultants, planners, architects, etc. and funds from Lotteries and other grants. All usual processes and consultations commensurate with a project of this magnitude will be completed with representatives of all key stakeholders sitting at the table.

Summary:

The community want the Domain to be a space that supports a healthy lifestyle, that is connected to our people and enhances the well-being of our community. Parewahawaha Marae is an integral part of our community but in particular the domain area given the proximity of the marae. We want to ensure that any upgrade of the domain reflects our local whakapapa, preserves identity, and supports the vital part that mana whenua have in our community.

This submission is supported by the following :

The Bulls Community Committee

* [11th Feb 2020 a recommendation was passed. Resolved minute # 20/BCC/009](#)

The Bulls and District Community Trust

The Bulls Rugby Football & Sports Club (including Junior Rugby and Junior Football)

Ngati Parewahawaha

Ohakea Air Base

The Bulls Small Bore Rifle Club

The Southern Rangitikei Dog Training Club

Bulls Netball Club

Nulls Tennis Club

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Submission to Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 for The Parks and Open Spaces

The attached is a submission from the Key User Groups and interested parties who wish to do the hard mahi and upgrade the Domain in Bulls.

We are seeking Council's support to move forward with our Domain upgrade development project and for Council to consider including financial support under the Parks Partnership Grant; drainage and infrastructure support such as water connection (fresh, storm, wastewater etc.; drinking fountains); lighting, signage, toilets, consents and any other grants that would be available to us to assist with the funding of this upgrade into their Long-Term Plan.

This community-led project will be long term and its success is based on strengthening and maintaining community relationship and partnerships along with the Council, all contributing to achieving well-being and positive outcomes. A thorough consultation process will be undertaken. Cr. Brian Carter will sit on the Steering Group so Council can be kept updated through the various stages and the key stakeholder, the Bulls Rugby Football & Sports Club, would like to be heard in respect of this submission.

This submission forms part of the first stage of the project. We look forward to a favourable response to the concept of this Upgrade and thank you for the opportunity to submit to the Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031.

John R Keay
President
Bulls Rugby Football & Sports Club
On behalf of the Domain Upgrade Users Group

Attachment: Support letters

30 March 2021

Helen Scully
Chair
Bulls & District Community Trust
Te Matapihi- Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
BULLS

Dear Helen,

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR BULLS DOMAIN UPGRADE

I wish to confirm that as Base Commander RNZAF Base Ohakea, I endorse the plan to upgrade the Bulls Domain and the concept to build an active sport and recreational facility for multiple use as proposed by the Bulls & District Community Trust Members'.

Members of Base Ohakea are spread widely throughout the many communities in the local region and are often actively involved within those communities. I support volunteer participation in the communities by Ohakea personnel as it strengthens our ties within the district and is an essential part of our community engagement.

The proposed upgrade to the Bulls Domain will benefit the Ohakea personnel currently in the Bulls and surrounding areas but also any growth of Air Force population in the future.

Yours sincerely,



Rob Shearer
Group Captain
Base Commander Ohakea



1st May 2021

To whom it may concern

We are a reasonably new club in Bulls this is our fourth season.

We started the club as a group of mostly mothers who wanted to create a team locally instead of having to train out of the region. After a very successful first season in 2018 our numbers have grown and we have now had three teams entered into Saturday competition for the past three seasons.

We train down at the courts at the domain, and as you may imagine we have a lot of children associated with our players who use the domain on a regular basis.

During the season we also invite outside teams to come and play in Bulls and it would be nice to invite them to a domain that is modern and welcoming, and in its current state it simply isn't.

We support the establishment of a Domain development steering group to work towards making the Bulls domain an area that people want to go and enjoy being at.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Danelle Whakatihi

Club Captain

Bulls Netball Club

027 874 1984



1st May 2021

To whom it may concern

On behalf of the Bulls Junior Rugby Club, I respectfully support the development of a steering group to work on a potential upgrade of the Domain.

Our club are regular users of the domain, we have over 100 children every season register with the club. During the regular season this involves those 100 children, their families and siblings accessing the domain on a weekly basis for training purposes. On a playing day we could have up to 200 players accessing the domain, the extra 100 being from other clubs around the region from as far as Pahiatua.

Also during the year, we hold the only lower North Island 10-a-side rugby tournament, we regularly get over 1000 people attend the domain for the domain day, 700 of those are children.

We have one of the best playing grounds in the region without a doubt, but the state of our playground and bathrooms is tired, unattractive and to be honest embarrassing, we are in desperate need of modernisation.

If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Danelle Whakatihi

Convenor

Bulls Junior Rugby

027 874 1984

From: Margaret Robinson <margrobinson@xtra.co.nz>
Sent: Monday, 3 May 2021 11:47 am
To: Helen | Bulls and District Community Trust <helen@bulls.kiwi>
Subject: RE: Support letter for Domain Upgrade

Hi Helen, the South Rangitikei Dog Training Club support what you are trying to do. So count us in.
Margaret

From: Dave Edmonds <edmonds_dave@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, 21 March 2021 5:11 pm
To: Helen | Bulls and District Community Trust <helen@bulls.kiwi>
Subject: Re: Minutes and Presentation

Hi Helen,

This email is to confirm that the Bulls Smallbore Rifle Club is in full support of the proposed new shared sports complex.

Because we use firearms, our preferred option would be a separate annex attached to the side of the new building.

Sincerely

Dave Edmonds

Bulls Smallbore Rifle Club

Sent from my iPad

March 2021

Helen Scully & Project Overseers
Bulls Domain
Domain Road, Bulls
Rangitikei 4818

Re: Upgrade to Bulls Domain

Dear Helen Scully and the Project Overseers,

We were very pleased to hear about the proposal to upgrade the Bulls domain and would like to take this opportunity to show our support for the project.

Domains around the country are popular places for locals and visitors. Often, they are the centre for many community initiatives that contribute to the joy, health, well-being, heritage, and sense-of-community for all people. The Bulls Domain has some existing out-of-date facilities and underutilised spaces that would greatly benefit from an upgrade.

We strongly believe that the existing proposal to upgrade the Bulls Domain is worth supporting and investing in. Achieving the upgrades will be of great benefit to the local and visiting community. As members of the Bulls community and users of the Bulls Domain, we are in full support of this valuable upgrade.

Ngā mihi nui,

Anthony Braddock & Hanna Braddock

Cherie Brown
37 Buscomb Avenue
Henderson
Auckland 0610

25 March 2021

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing this letter in support of the Bulls and District Community Trust, as well as their applications for funding.

I was born in Bulls (actually, the Feilding Maternity Home) and was an air force child. Consequently, we moved around the country a bit, but my parents settled in Bulls in the 1970's and I consider it "home". Until my father passed away in 2019, I would still regularly visit Bulls and I still have other family connections in the town.

As a young person down home, times were certainly simpler than young people now days. We would set up our own activities (discos at the Marae or scout hall, games down the "rec", swimming down the river, playing badminton in the Town Hall, etc.) or generally hanging out as young people do. We were privileged with the support of the adults that encouraged and supported us to be creative and outgoing and quite often opened their homes and hearts to us. We regarded many of them as Aunties and Uncles and could freely visit their homes and whanau.

I have always felt there is a need for a place or venue that supports young people in Bulls to be active and busy. There is no local transport to go to other towns in the region and a lot of parents are committed with other priorities than being transport for young people. I have worked in the charity sector most of my career and are an advocate for the community to define their needs, especially youth. When they have a place of belonging, a foundation of trust and their voices being heard, they will often become the leaders of the future. It is important they get these opportunities as they grow and develop as young people, especially in rural regions.

I strongly support the Bulls and District Community Trust to create these opportunities. Whether it be with premises, fitness equipment, activities or whatever the community defines, I would be happy to play whatever part I can.

I am happy to discuss this support letter if required.

Email: Cherie.brown001@gmail.com or phone 021 525 654.

Kind Regards
Cherie Brown

Submission to Rangitikei District Council Long term plan

Submitted by Rangitikei Environment group

We do not intend to do an oral submission

Hello and thank you for accepting this submission. We will outline our current and previous relationships with both yourselves (RDC) and Horizons regional council (HRC), how we have been funded, the changes in that space and some potential issues and solutions going forward.

Our History

Historically the Rangitikei environment group (REG) is a not for profit weed management organisation that has worked in the indigenous biodiversity space within the boundaries of the Rangitikei district for approximately the last 30 years. Its primary focus has been the control and management of *clematis vitalba* (old man's beard) as well as a number of other pest plants where they pose a risk to the ongoing survival of the areas native flora and fauna. We have included a copy of our 2020/21 operational plan as an attachment to this submission and so this should be referred to for the operational goals. Our funding streams have meant that most of our operational activity has been in areas that were publically owned and or managed, although REG did provide some administrative support for groups of private rural land owners and also performed OMB control within urban areas on private property via the "Weed busters" program which was administered by Horizons.

Previously our funding and in kind help has been derived from two main sources.

\$95,000 per annum from Horizons via a targeted rate on all Rangitikei ratepayers, a \$20,000 grant from Rangitikei district council to undertake weed control on the RDC road corridor network, and a \$5000 to undertake fencing maintenance in the Taihape reserves. Further to the direct financial support we have been the loaned an RDC utility vehicle that is being retired from the vehicle fleet for our summer work program, and some administrative support from both Horizons and Rangitikei district council on an as needed basis. As part of our recruitment program we employ two people from the "Job starter" benefit scheme which that supports people who move from benefit space into fulltime work via our organisation. All of these funding and support streams have enabled our group to operate for the for a six month period starting in late October and finishing in late April. Our work focus areas have been centred-around two crews, one based in Marton, and the other in Taihape, which have each had their own areas of responsibility. In the north a large part of the focus has been on the Taihape reserves including Memorial park, Mt Stewart, Papakai, Spooner's hill, Mangaweka Domain and road corridor work north of Ohingaiti. In some of the Taihape reserves we also utilise sheep as a tool for controlling OMB within reach, and for grass control in a portion of the reserves. This is an effective medium term strategy as OMB is very palatable to sheep, and so seedlings and low growth are effectively controlled for free. We should stress that it has not been our goal to turn the Taihape reserves into a farm, sheep are just a tool albeit a very effective one to be used strategically. We utilise the services of neighbouring farmers to undertake this role as they have the numbers of animals that are required at key times of the year for this grazing.

In the south our Marton based crew has had a broader focus tackling weed issues along the Tutaenui stream within the urban area of Marton, public access points along the Rangitikei river

between Ohingaiti and Scotts ferry, the forest and bird reserves in the Turakina valley and all the other associated road corridors in the southern half of the Rangitikei district. When you review the total area and the amount of workload that is potentially available it really has been a mammoth task. It is worth noting that a large proportion of the Rangitikei district is in a weed “containment area” for OMB, which effectively mean that HRC does not undertake any active control of OMB in this area. It is extensive and is bounded roughly south of a line from Rangiwaea in the northwest, across to Moawhango in the northeast, and then south down a 10 km setback from the Ruahine range to the boundary of the Manawatu and Rangitikei districts and then includes all of the rest of the Rangitikei district as well as significant portions of the Manawatu.

The future

During 2020 we were approached by the Rangitikei river catchment collective (RRCC) to see if we were interested in forming a relationship with them, as a contractor in their on farm goals around water quality, which includes riparian fencing, tree planting and weed control. This work is funded out of the MPI jobs for nature program and has a life of 2 ½ years. The work will all be on private property on the farms of those people who sign up to the program. It will enable our capacity to shift from 4 people employed and operating for 6 months p.a. to 6 people working in a in full time capacity. For our organisation this is completely transformational, but not without its risks. We have employed a full time project manager/team leader who has vast experience in the weed and biodiversity project space, due in part to his previous role with HRC. We had anticipated that we would be able to dovetail this capacity with in with what we had been doing with our current summer program, with one work stream supporting the other. In march of this year we were informed that the targeted rate that Horizons has previously levied against the Rangitikei ratepayer was not going to continue beyond this season, and that all biodiversity work undertaken by community groups was now to be funded out of a contestable pool with no guarantees of funding. Our group has submitted to HRC requesting that we maintain our current level of funding, however we will not have any answer until the LTP process has run its course and no guarantee of any funding at all. We believe that the contestable biodiversity fund will not be directed towards the employment of people, but instead be directed towards revegetation projects which could effectively curtail any further work within publically owned land by ourselves. It is also our understanding that the weed buster program has ended as well.

So what does this mean for Rangitikei District Council and its ratepayers? We are signalling quite strongly that we may not be able to undertake any work with in the reserves owned and administered by Rangitikei District if the worst case scenario of no Horizons funding eventuates. This would be serious for the future of those reserves if not other funding sources were found as we were only just keeping ahead of the increasing workload that is continuing to arrive in the reserves from seed sources within and adjacent to those reserves. As an example Mt Stewart behind the “gumboot” sculpture was replanted and maintained by a number of volunteer retirees, but almost all of them have either left Taihape for retirement villages in other centres or died of old age. Due to the replanting program that has now largely finished, sheep grazing has been withdrawn, but after 3 years of very light investment we now have OMB re-infesting from outside seed sources with some plants even flowering this year for the first time in many years This is in an area that was largely free of old man’s beard 4 years ago.

We had a similar influx of weed re-infestation in the memorial park reserves after stock removal due to a replanting program 3 years ago, but this has largely been brought under control, initially by the accidental introduction of sheep during the Covid lockdown and further grazing and hand cutting.

In making this submission we are attempting to strongly signal that the financial mechanisms that Rangitikei district has relied on to manage its native forest reserves in Taihape and on other sites has effectively ended due to a decision by Horizons, and this will have some quite serious implications for the future of those reserves. The irony is that when the Rangitikei environment group finally has the capacity to apply a higher level of service we may well not be able to due to our funding streams. We would like to signal that currently we are unable to commit to any work within the reserves space, and this will continue will unfortunately continue until we have some surety around funding availability.

Currently we feel that it would not be prudent to ask for funding from Rangitikei district, however we do feel that we must raise all the above issues to your attention. Our team has quite intimate knowledge of your reserves and how they have been able to be managed in the past. We also have been continuing to evolve our management and we do have some ideas that may well improve the overall management and funding of these wonderful public assets. We would welcome a discussion during or after the long term plan process. We would also like to stress that should no funding eventuate from Horizons then if Rangitikei district council wish to maintain the work that has previously been done then it may well have to step up and fund it itself in some manner.

We do not intend to speak to the Oral submissions, but we thank you for your consideration of this document and its implications for the district.

Faithfully

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1 Introduction

This document is in two parts. It sets out the broad strategic intent of the collaboration between the Rangitikei Environment Group (REG), Rangitikei District Council (RDC) and Horizons Regional Council (HRC) in targeting the weed Old Mans Beard, as well as summarising the operational plan for the current (2020 - 21) financial year (Annex A).

REG carries out pest plant control (in particular targeting Old Man's Beard) and biodiversity restoration works within the Rangitikei district.

The working group's focus is to re-establish, enhance and sustain the native flora and fauna of the Rangitikei district that is being degraded and destroyed by introduced exotic plant and animal pests.

Horizons contribution (\$95,000 this year) comes from a differential targeted rate levied against Rangitikei district residents. This funding is complimented by a RDC cash contribution as well external funding contributions, other works programmes (e.g. road spray programme and HRC possum control programme) and work in-kind from like minded authorities, organisations, care groups and individuals.

2 Background to Pests of Significance

2.1 Old Man's Beard

The Rangitikei district situated in the central North Island is made up of predominantly agricultural productive farmland ranging from fertile plains in the south to medium to steep hill country to the north.



Photo 1: Flowering Old Man's Beard

The geographical landscape is dissected by river and stream arteries consisting of steep gorges, deep ravines, to meandering streams and creeks. These waterways in many cases are predominantly surrounded on their boundaries by native bush reserves, bush remnants and private retired land that sustain the natural habitat for the native flora and fauna famous to the Rangitikei. Along with this there are also bush remnants on private land plus large tracts of road reserve through out the district that consist of native bush.

These areas of natural habitat have become key focuses for adventure tourism and recreation from river rafting, fishing, hiking, camping, bird watching, photography, and abseiling in the central North Island.

Threats to the flora and fauna of these magnificent wilderness areas come from exotic plant and animal pests. The predominant plant pest being Old Man's Beard and animal pest being the Possum.

Old Man's Beard (OMB) *Clematis vitalba* or 'Travellers Joy' was introduced to New Zealand in the early 1900 from Europe and was once a desirable garden plant climber. However, the plants ability to thrive in the New Zealand environment quickly saw it become a garden escapee with an ability to establish well in wilderness areas including native bush. The plant quickly took root in deep ravines and bush covered gullies where, in many cases, the plant was unnoticed and appeared to be a natural part of the landscape.



Photo 2: Old Man's Beard seed head

It is believed OMB was first planted in New Zealand at Taihape at Spooners Hill by the early settlers and from here it was moved to various gardens throughout Taihape, Hunterville and the lower Rangitikei. Sadly from then on and up until the mid 1980s OMB was also sold in nurseries through out New Zealand.

It should be noted that OMBs establishment over the years through to the late early 70s went virtually unnoticed. This was due to two main factors, firstly New Zealand being a predominantly agricultural productive nation with the majority of land use being sheep and beef farming. OMB germination on agricultural productive land was not a problem as stock graze the plant to the point that it struggled to survive and therefore did not impinge on farm production issue and as a consequence it was not noticed. The second factor was that its initial establishment was in wilderness areas and deep forested ravines and bush covered valleys where it blended in with the native flora and therefore was not noticed here either.

It wasn't until the late 70s that the plants climbing ability and smothering effect by canopying mature native trees (some thirty meters tall) and the surrounding flora became apparent. The plants ability to smother, exclude light, and diminish the photosynthesis process was slowly killing out native bush areas.

In these early stages little was known about OMB or control options. Any control measures at that time were hit and miss and in many cases where herbicide treatment trials and control work was carried out it left some significant non target damage to native plant species. This is well documented where good intentions resulted in devastating unintended consequences.

The 1980s saw concerted lobbying from District Noxious Plants Authorities and TLAs to Central Government to accept responsibility for the control of OMB. The plant was considered to be a national problem, not a district or regional one and as such deserved significant national funding to contain its spread and provide funding for research including bio-control agent options. This fell on deaf ears and it was concluded that the problem was a local one.

Today OMB is recognised as the biggest pest plant threat to New Zealand flora and fauna. Not only because of its smothering effect but the fact that the degraded areas left are also replaced by other aggressive wilding exotics such as sycamore, wattle, willow, blackberry, broom, gorse, Japanese honeysuckle, wandering Jew, and other weedy plants.

Much effort and research in recent times has and continues to be carried out on control measures. Selective herbicide trials, the introduction of bio-control agents, along with labour intensive on the ground hard graft cutting, stump treatment, controlled stock grazing and spraying programs are some of options being used.

To date there have been some great success stories where good progress has been made. Many areas of native flora have been released from OMB infestations and restored back to the native flora and fauna common to these sites..

However, in all cases these success stories have come at a great expense and are near impossible to sustain without working collaboratively with like minded care groups, authorities, organizations and individuals to share resources and expertise.

2.2 Possums

The possum (*Trichosurus vulpecula*), introduced to New Zealand during the 1800s for its fur, represents the biggest animal threat not only to New Zealand's agricultural industry through the spread of TB, but also its impact on New Zealand native flora and fauna with its capacity to strip the forest vegetation.

Horizons Regional Council carries out extensive possum control operations through out the Rangitikei and greater region to control this animal pest and this control programme is seen as a complimentary response to the threats to the districts biodiversity also affected by OMB infestations.

3 Strategic Plan

3.1 Operating Principles

1. REG and RDC form a shared working partnership in accordance with this project plan.
2. That other likeminded care groups and organisations are included where sharing resources and expertise assists this projects goals. Department of Conservation, Forest and Bird, Friends of Mt Stewart, Landcare Trust.
3. That a defined works programme be developed (Site Assessment Chart – Appendix 1).
4. That the on the ground works team structure be re-evaluated for efficiency, productivity and cost effectiveness.
5. That no aerial control be carried out in sites that can not be sustained by ground operations unless the forested site is thick and thriving where canopy infestations appear.
6. Only selective herbicides be used so as to minimise non target damage to desirable plant species.
7. All urban areas are targeted for OMB control along with public participation and publicity.
8. Specific project work plans be produced for each site to identify site priority (achievable or not / resources required).
9. The REG working group encourage and assist 'OMB Self Help Groups' to control OMB infestations on private land.
10. That the works program also includes the maintenance of walking tracks for public use within the RDC reserves as part of the day to day works program.
11. Carry out education and promotion on plant awareness "helping you to help yourself to help the environment". Promote alongside DoC outdoor programme activities for children.
12. RDC carryout the administration of this project and actively seek external funding grants to assist the works program.
13. That a project working group be formed to manage this project into the future and is part of the RDC Parks and Reserves Committee.



3.2 10 Year Vision

1. All biodiversity threats within the designated works program sites are assessed and appropriately and sustainably managed.
2. All planted sites are well established and flourishing with natural regeneration occurring.
3. That the habitat for flora and fauna of sites managed are increased and sustainable.
4. Recreational and Scenic Reserves where possible have been developed as outdoor educational tools for students and the public alike focusing on NZ native flora and fauna. (eg. active participation in the Department of Conservations outdoor programme activities for children).
5. That the projects works program links into other similar habitat restoration programmes being carried out within the Rangitikei District.
6. That REG through its promotion and publicity gains national recognition as a successful community initiative.

3.3 Scope

This project has the scope to enhance the community benefits of the Rangitikei district by way of controlling OMB and other weeds and includes the following;

1. Working within Rangitikei District Council reserves and other significant native bush sites.
2. Working along road corridors, which are an important vista to the traveller and tourist.
3. Working on private land and also along river and stream margins.
4. Planting of native plant species in areas controlled.
5. Maintaining native vegetation along road reserves.
6. Controlling all OMB infestations within urban areas with a targeted focus on assistance from the public to identify and report sites (sites to be recorded onto call centre data base for planned site visits).
7. Working closely with the community by forming and assisting OMB 'Self Help Groups' on private land.
8. Maintaining walking tracks giving access to bush areas for public recreation and education.
9. Promotion and advice to the general public about the project and its importance that we all individually have a responsibility to take care of our natural environment.

3.4 Objectives

1. To carry out plant pest control in the project area.
2. To carry out animal pest control in the project area.
3. Planting of native tree species in sites controlled.
4. All fencing to be stock proof.
5. Sites identified, prioritised, recorded.
6. Plant and Animal pests maintained to sustainable control levels.
7. Maintain public walking tracks to a high standard.
8. Incorporate specific sites for education purposes.
9. Promotion of the project program.

3.5 Key Results (per site 10 years)

Key Tasks	Year	Results
Initial weed control	Year 1 – 2	Completed
Maintenance weed control	Year 3 – 10	Completed
Initial possum control	Year 1 – 3	10% RTC achieved
Maintenance possum control	Year 4 – 10	10% RTC maintained
Stock excluded from sites planted	Year 3 – on going	Completed
Planting of native species including riparian planting	Year 3 – 10	Complete as required
Project promotion	Year 1- on going	Completed
All walking tracks maintained to a high standard	Year 2- on going	Completed
Specific sites developed into flora and fauna educational teaching tool	Year 3 - 10	On going as required

3.6 Parameters

This Project will involve:

- Control of all pest plants within the project sites.
- Control of all pest animals within the project sites.
- All fences bordering the defined project areas are to be maintained to stock proof standards.
- Where appropriate controlled grazing (sheep) to maintain OMB control.
- Planting of native tree species where appropriate.
- Maintenance of public walking tracks.
- Promotion of the project by signage and media release.
- Development of specific sites as educational and research tools for schools and the general public.

This project will not involve:

- Change in status of land ownership; or
- Restriction to current activities within the project areas.

3.7 Site Works Program Guidelines

The following timing information is a basic summary for the project.

Action	Timing											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Site Weed Control												
Track maintenance council reserves												
Site Assessment Weeds (for up coming works program)												
Possum control – initial												
Possum control – maintenance	as	advised										
Fencing / stock-proofing												
ID planting sites and plant species												
Native tree planting												
Native tree maintenance												
Rotational grazing												
Publicity (on going)												
Education (on going)												
Works Team Interviews												
Management Review / Meetings				Review					Review			

The quality of the project will be assessed as follows:

- Project runs on time
- The project runs to budget
- The quality of the work is to the satisfaction of the clients

There will be an annual review of the project to assess the previous year's work and to map out/adjust the programme for the upcoming year.

3.8 Project Membership

Clients/stakeholders	Angus Gordon / Chair	Rangitikei Environment Group/ RDC
	CEO	Rangitikei District Council
	Hugh Stewart	Forest and Bird
	Alistair Cole	Landcare Trust
	Rod Smillie	Horizons Regional Council
Sponsors	Don Tantrum	Friends of Mt Stewart
	Murray Phillips	Rangitikei District Council
	Angus Gordon / Chair	Rangitikei Environment Group
	Neil Mickleson	Horizons Regional Council
	Alistair Cole	Landcare Trust
	Hugh Stewart	Forest and Bird
	Ray Wilman	Horizons Regional Council
	Jack Beveridge	Dept of Conservation
	Don Tantrum	Friends of Mt Stewart
	REG	Committee
Project Leaders	Hugh Stewart	Rangitikei Environment Group/ F&B
	Angus Gordon / Chair	Rangitikei Environment Group/ RDC
	Northern/Southern	REG Works Team Leaders
Project Works Team	Work and Income staff / Volunteers / Self Help Groups	

3.9 Project Management

It is proposed that the day-to-day management of this project will be carried out by REG who will meet on a monthly basis, more frequently if required and report on a six monthly basis to the clients/sponsors.

It is also proposed that the client sponsors and project leaders meet on a 12 monthly basis, more frequently if required, to discuss/review progress and work plan.

RDC will manage the administration of this project and accordingly will invoice each stakeholder prior to the end of the financial year for their contribution as per the amount agreed prior to the start of that financial year.

Communication around the project will acknowledge all of the funding providers eg. Organisations, care groups, councils, and individuals

This project fits/overlaps with projects underway/proposed by a range of other agencies/individuals. The focus of this project is on restoration and improvement of the biodiversity asset of the Rangitikei district so will be run independently of these other projects. DoC has undertaken to consult with this project on its annual work programme for OMB in the Rangitikei and where possible, ensure its work complements the work being undertaken by this project.

3.10 Contingencies

The project will be reviewed and a decision to proceed will be required in the following situations;

- The cost or timing of the project shifts by more than 10%.
- One of the stakeholders wishes to withdraw or modify their contribution or involvement.
- The decision to continue, stop or modify the project will be made by the clients.

3.11 Signatories

Representatives of:

Rangitikei Environment Group	_____
Rangitikei District Council	_____
Horizons Regional Council	_____
Dept. of Conservation	_____
Forest and Bird	_____
Land Care Trust	_____
Friends of Mt Stewart	_____

4 Appendix 1: 2020 -21 Operational and Financial Overview

4.1 Operational Plan

The operational plan for 2020 -21 will focus on the following projects within the Rangitikei District under the umbrella of the Rangitikei Environment Group (REG) project plan.

The primary objectives are to manage Old Mans Beard (OMB) and other weeds to sustainable levels in the following areas (or project groupings) and where appropriate carry out site preparation for the planting of native trees as part of a restoration response for degraded bush areas

These projects include:

- **Reserves:** Taihape Scenic and Recreational reserves, including Spooners Hill Reserve, the Show Grounds Recreational Reserves and Mt Stewart
- **Urban:** A Weedbuster program carried out focusing on the urban communities of Bulls, Marton, Hunterville and Taihape. This involves property visits on request from occupiers reporting OMB infestations in response to an advertising campaign. Once on site the infestations will be dealt with by one of the 'Weedbuster' officers. At the same time the occupier will be given an information pack that will assist them to deal with future infestations. In essence an urban education program helping the landowner help themselves to control OMB and other weeds.
- **Rural:** Cluster Groups will be formed broadly centred around farm bush remnants or focus area highlighted by the community. This may include one or more farms that have a number of target sites between them. There could be up to ten cluster groups depending on uptake. The focus here will be similar to the urban 'Weedbuster' program but will have a stronger focus on involvement of the landowners and occupiers but will include assistance from the REG works team. These operations will work similarly as 'working bees'
- **Road Reserves:** In this space the Rangitikei District Council (RDC) will carry out OMB control on all targeted roadsides (funding permitting) up to ten meters from the edge of the road. This will be carried as part of their general weed control program and operate as an extension to the successful HRC / RDC Memorandum of Understanding that has previously operated successfully. Where an infestation is more than 10mtrs from the side of a road this will be dealt with by the REG works team.
- **Signage/Promotion/Education:** The important factor here is awareness about the importance of our flora and fauna and the fact that we all have a responsibility to take care of our environment. Reserves are great out door class rooms for schools. This will be part of the development of the reserves for teachers and pupils with assistance from REG, DOC, and HRC
- **Walking Tracks / Recreational Focus:** It is important for the public to have access to reserves. There are significant community benefit from this approach with increased appreciation and a general increase in wellbeing. The REG working group will assist the RDC with maintenance and development of walking tracks for better public access to targeted sites
- **Health and Safety:** As an employer REG have a responsibility to provide a safe working environment. All staff will be inducted as to the H&S requirements. The funding partners will support REG in this task and funding will be allocated to meet any H&S requirements.

4.2 Financial (\$148,000)

Funding from RDC and Horizons is a fixed sum subject to annual approval from the respective Councils as part of their Annual Plan and Long Term Plan, planning processes. Additional funding is received from Work and Income New Zealand (WINZ) to subsidise labour and equipment.

The total funding allocation for 2019-20 is summarised in table 1 and highlights a nominal budget split for the six broad activities or projects to be undertaken by REG and the community at large.

Table 1: Financial overview of REG – 2019-20

Project	HRC Funding	WINZ Funding	RDC Funding	REG Funding	Total
Reserves/Tracks	30,000	4,000	4,000	13,000	51,000
Urban programs	20,000	4,000	4,000		28,000
Rural programs	20,000	4,000	4,000		28,000
Roads corridors	10,000	4,000	4,000		18,000
Signage/Education	10,000				10,000
H&S	5,000	4,000	4,000		13,000
TOTAL	95,000	20,000	20,000	13,000	148,000

(Wage component = 51% of each total. Plant / Vehicle / Equipment will be a general expense to each total)

5 Appendix 2: Site Assessment Chart

Site Assessment Chart

Site Name	<input type="text"/>		
Recorder	<input type="text"/>		
Location	<input type="text"/>	Grid Ref/GPS	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>		

				Comments
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	5	Reserve	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	4	Road reserve	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2	Urban	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	1	Multiple ownership	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fencing	4	No fencing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3	Some fencing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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	1	Secure, intact fencing around entire perimeter	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Land-use	6	Sheep and beef	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	5	Dairy and cropping	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	4	Urban	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3	Native bush	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2	Planted native	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	1	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Owner details	Name: Address: Phone Number(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Feedback requested			

Site Name

Date

Pest Plants:

Unit	Species	Abundance <i>Dense, common, localised, scattered, sparse, rare</i>	Comments/Suggested Management
Notes:			

Pest Animals:

Unit	Species	Evidence <i>Faeces, browse, scratch marks, fur etc.</i>	Abundance <i>Minimal, low, moderate, high, severe</i>	Comments/Suggested Management
Notes:				

Site Name

Date

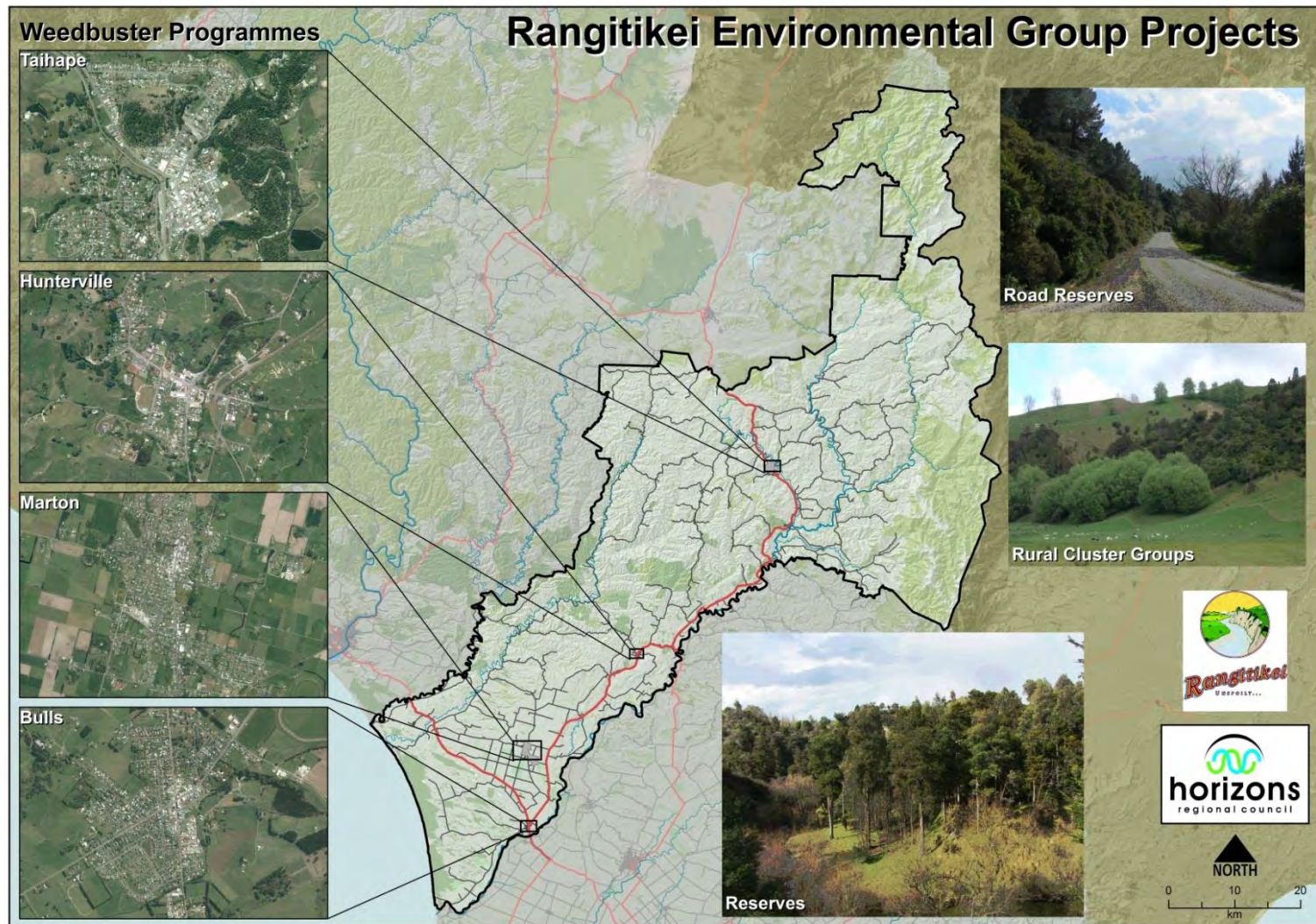
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	1	Cliff	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Access	7	Tracked	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	6	Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	5	4x4	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	4	Nil	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3	Easy	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2	Hard	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	1	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bush	2	Thick/thriving	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	1	Degraded	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Landscape Context / Additional Site Information

Record details of other areas of scrub, forest or wetland in the vicinity. Include site number (if applicable), dominant vegetation, approximate size and likely condition (eg. Grazed) if known, etc.

Provide as much information as possible.

6 Appendix 3 - Map of Proposed Operational Activity





LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

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Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

Providing additional free wifi zones are an inappropriate use of ratepayer funds.

Most basic phone plans these days provide sufficient access for everyday use. There is already free wifi access available in local libraries, computer hubs and information centres. Some local cafes, restaurants and businesses also provide free wifi for 'guests'.

I strongly object to providing free internet access at the Memorial Hall site. Parents and supervisors should be playing with and supervising children at the new playground- not playing with their phones!

—

Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

The Taihape Community has been messed about enough already by council decisions that involved deciding to build a new 'stand alone' amenities building but ignored the plight and future use of the Taihape Grandstand

—

How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

The economic development fund should not be increased!



LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

Why does the Council not have up-to date information about local businesses, town centres and primary producers? This information (most of it readily available online) should be a crucial data set of Council and be available to ratepayers, new residents and/or businesses who wish to meet local needs, establish new enterprises and/or innovation in our communities.

Why hasn't this information already been compiled by Project Marton or Council staff. I'm sure that the ratepayer has paid many times over the years for this information to be collated, analysed and reported. How has the Council staff and elected members been making fully informed decisions without this crucial data?

If the work has never been compiled then existing funding should be used to develop this baseline. Once the basic data set has been established then it should be regularly updated as new statistics and other information become available.

Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

Events sponsorship in the Rangitikei used to be funded at a much higher level than \$25,000. Unfortunately, a previous CEO many years ago decided to severely reduce this funding (from approx \$60,000?) and deprived multiple community event groups from accessing this vital financial support!

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

The risk of being a Guarantor for all the other 60 Councils of the LGFA greatly outweighs the Councils' wish to borrow more than \$20,000!

The Rangitikei District Council should learn to live within its ratepayer's means i.e. not in-debt us with more than \$20 million. This is especially true when the Council has failed to proceed with large proportions of funded, agreed works in the previous financial year 1 July 2019- 30 June 2020. The Covid 19 emergency and lockdown only impacted on the last 3-4 months of that financial year!

The risk of our Council/other irresponsible Councils defaulting on LGFA loans is high so we should not become a Guarantor for this scheme. It is too risky a burden for Rangitikei with approximately 7800 ratepayers.

We've proposed a change to our rating system.



LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

The Council's rationale is really unclear/unstated as to how they decided that Commercial, Industrial and Utilities rateable properties will pay more?

Is it because Commercial, Industrial and Utilities ratepayers can claim the GST component of their rates while Residential ratepayers can't or, is it something else?

Anything else?

1. Development Contributions- the lack of (mentioned in Draft Revenue and Financing Policy 2021

2. Three water funding & opposed to the excessive borrowing proposed (mentioned in the Draft Revenue and Financing Policy 2021)

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Lara & Barry Maher

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): Maher Transport

Kāinga noho/Address: 86 Cage Road, Mangaweka

Īmēra/Email: mahertransport@xtra.co.nz

Waea/Phone: 063825740 OR 0273583200

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Comment: _____

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

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Maher Transport Submission

To the Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031

This submission is in support of the submission received by the Transport Group Ray Coles Transport, Joe Coogan Contracting and Maher Transport.

Situation:

There is an urgent need for an effluent dump facility for the wider Taihape region as there is no effluent dump site between Feilding, Taupo, Waverly and Woodville.

Truck and trailer units carry large numbers of livestock out of and through the Rangitikei District as an integral part of its primary industry, Agriculture. The majority of livestock coming out of the Rangitikei District do not pass by any effluent dump sites en-route to their destination. Trucks & Trailers carrying livestock through the district also encounter issues with the large distances between dump sites. With nowhere to dump the waste from these animals, it accumulates in the trucks holding tanks (max. capacity 200 litres). These tanks can be full to overflowing within 20 - 30 minutes of the commencement of a journey and require emptying regularly during the journey. Once full the tanks then overflow onto the road where it is often washed away with rain into streams and rivers. The effluent also fouls the back of the trucks, road verges and following vehicles which can obscure vehicle lights, making for poor visibility for other road users. All of these outcomes are finable offences for transport operators.

Poor outcomes:

- Animal excrement on roadways;
- Unfiltered faeces washed into rivers;
- Vehicle lights obscured by excrement;
- Slippery road surfaces dangerous for all vehicles;
- Other traffic being splashed with faecal matter, (reputational risk and abuse).
- Damage to road surfaces
- Effluent being dumped on road sides, layby areas, hill climbs etc
- Livestock Transport Industry getting a bad reputation for something that is out of their control

It is over 20 years since effluent tanks were fitted on trucks, at which time it was understood that dumping facilities were supposed to be provided by Councils. We believe that due to vast area and the large number of livestock transported in the Rangitikei region the Rangitikei District Council, (RDC), has a responsibility to work with local trucking providers, the Horizons Regional Council and NZTA/Waka Kotahi to support our industry.

Trucking companies who operate throughout the Rangitikei District have asked repeatedly for assistance in this matter and now ask that this is included in the RDC Long Term Plan, (LTP).

Specifically we request the following:

1. Effluent Dump

That the RDC support the establishment of an Effluent Dump in the Taihape Region through advocacy with Horizon's Regional Council, Waka Kotahi and their own consenting processes.

Preferred Option:

We would support locating a facility at the old Taihape sale yards on Linnet St, which has been identified by several Transport companies as an ideal place for a "Trucking Hub". This could be part of the RDC sewerage upgrade. There is a big sump already there that could be repurposed and/or there is also access to the RDC's sewerage system at the Hautapu Street end of this site:

If there is a requirement for rezoning, we would ask that this is put into the RDC's District Plan rolling review.

Trucks are very often full of stock effluent by the time they reach Taihape township, especially from the outlying Stations, therefore any facility urgently needs to be located both near Taihape and State Highway 1. (Also to avoid drivers having to detour to sites, detracting valuable time from their logbook restrictions).

Bad weather exacerbates the problem by rain filling up the truck's effluent tanks, (that have a maximum holding of 200 litres). Winter's greater rainfall, Gypsy week, with transport of large numbers of heifers and farmers not standing livestock off feed prior to transport puts huge pressure on truck transporters and further endangers our waterways and roads.

Alternative Sites:

We suggest that the top of the Mangaweka deviation, (Valentine's property – Barry has spoken with Peter Valentine who is keen to explore the options), has a possible site for a simple effluent dump set up, that trucks would stop at, (at the top of a hill), with waste drip fed safely back onto farm land without having to transport it.

There is a triangle of, (Waka Kotahi?) land south of Utiku, where the road has been diverted, that could also lend itself to a dump facility.

2. Wash Down Facility and Effluent Dump

That the RDC support the establishment of a Wash-Down Facility and Effluent Dump in the Taihape Region through advocacy with Horizon's Regional Council, Waka Kotahi and their own consenting processes.

Ideally this would be a Council controlled facility with a minimum capacity wash-down pad able to cope with two trucks and trailers at the same time, (approx. 15wide x 25meters long) that fed straight into a proper sewerage management system (ideally the towns current sewage system).

Alternatively the same sized wash-down pad, as above, could be used with an effluent pond, effluent storage bladder (these come in various sizes) or precast effluent concrete storage (there are several options available) to hold the waste.

Existing systems throughout the country are partially paid for via a swipe-card user pays system: there are numerous models that could be used.

*Other local services would use a wash-down service to clean their vehicles and equipment into a safe receiving environment instead of their slurry going into storm water drains.

Improved Outcomes:

- Improved water quality;
- Local investment in improved trucking facilities;
- Compliance;
- Attracting outside transport providers to use the facilities, thereby encouraging them to stay and play;
- “Waste product” recycled as fertiliser for local producers.

We have spoken with Sandy Walker of the Road Transport Association NZ who is fully in support of the submissions (unfortunately with short time frames Sandy was unable to put the Associations support in writing however he is willing to be contacted regarding any aspect of the submission).

We are keen to work with RDC, Horizons and Waka Kotahi for achieving the best outcomes in supporting this vital industry.

Barry & Lara Maher
Maher Transport



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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: EDITH LEARY

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: _____

Imēra/Email: _____

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Let us know what you think: Agree with / utilities not paying
their fair share.
Against 2%. Disagree with reducing Uniform Annual
change & increasing General Rate.

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I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: FRANCES HODGSON

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): N/A

Kāinga noho/A

Īmēra/Email:

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Let us know what you think: GOOD IDEA

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Comment: There's enough wifi available in the cafes etc

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I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: It would be a good opportunity to have the amenities block underneath and not placed/built in the middle of our beautiful park.

 **How should we fund Economic Development?** (see page 24 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

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Comment: _____

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

What is happening to the structure on the foot path outside / ex Laura's cafe - next to Crystal Bar?
The old Womens Club Land: ~ Keep/build multiple housing for senior cits.

 Please include more pages if required.

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Susan Whale

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: 48 Waiparapara Road, RD 5, Taihape 4795

Imēra/Email: kerryandsue@inspire.net.nz

Waea/Phone: 027 749 1963

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Let us know what you think: We have many rural leases that we pay rates on. We do not receive water, sewerage or stormwater or rubbish collection. We already pay an exhorbertant amount with many of these properties not having no dwelling.

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Comment: Why is it our job to provide internet services. MacDonalds & many town businesses already provide it. Plus most people have a private data plan.

☛ Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? (see page 22 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: It would be fabulous if the Grandstand was refurbished in time for her 100th birthday in 2024 !!!

☛ How should we fund Economic Development? (see page 24 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: Growth is needed, but spread more evenly - not always concentrated in Marton!

☛ Should we increase Event Sponsorship? (see page 26 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

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Comment: These events need to be self-sufficient.

☛ Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 31 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: Sounds like a good option.

Anything else?

Council funded programs for the young folk in the school holidays - holiday programs for working parents. Providing bus trips to bowling, craft centres, guest presenters, daytons, ...

☞ Please include more pages if required.

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Ingoa/Name: Terence Huia Steedman

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): Winiata Marae

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Imēra/Email: terry.tiwai.steedman@gmail.com

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Let us know what you think: I agree to N°2 on Page 47

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Comment: _____

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

All footpaths need to be upgraded in Taihape especially where the elderly are using them daily

Please include more pages if required.

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Elizabeth Mortland

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): -

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Imēra/Email: elizmortland@gmail.com

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Comment: But only if the refurbishment + restoration gives the community much more than just grandstand seating + changing rooms (especially as the new amenities block will house changing rooms)

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I prefer...

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Comment: As long as Taihape gets its fair share of the costs spent on economic development + support in Taihape + district. The Taihape website needs to be maintained + kept up-to-date! - this has slipped dramatically over the past 3 years!

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I prefer...

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Comment: I submit that RDC contributes financially to the RZ Rural Games when held in Palmerston North - this is a great opportunity to promote the Rangitikei ^{our} outdoor/agricultural/horticultural enterprises - I encourage people to live, work + play in the Rangitikei

☛ Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 31 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Lynette Thompson

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: _____

Imēra/Email: _____

Waea/Phone: _____

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I prefer...

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☐ Option 2

☐ Option 3

☐ Something else

Comment: _____

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I prefer...



Option 1*



Option 2



Option 3



Something else

Comment: _____

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I prefer...



Option 1*



Option 2



Option 3



Something else

Comment: _____

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I prefer...



Option 1*



Option 2



Option 3



Something else

Comment: _____

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 27 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...



Option 1*



Option 2



Option 3



Something else

Comment: _____

Anything else?

I would like to recommend that the RDC invest at least \$50,000.00 in the new proposed community owned and built St John Ambulance facilities. This is a major community facility - not only servicing our village and surroundings - but also State Highway one in central Rangitikei.

Please include more pages if required.

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Renea Leary

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: _____

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I prefer...

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Anything else?

I would like to see the RIDC to support a new Ambulance Station in Hunterville, I recommend a sum of around \$50,000 at least (as this is what Taihape recieved). It is a great cause.

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Mellisa Bram

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address: 247 Pakuhikura Road RD3 Hunterville

Imēra/Email: Millybram902@gmail.com

Waea/Phone: 027 1900 566

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

I am part of a rural community in Huntville a wider area, please consider the investment of \$50,000 towards the development of a community owned and built Ambulance station in Huntville. It is paramount we retain this service for our area. We have a lot of traffic accidents on SH1, rural/farming injuries, elderly people who are vulnerable and the general population who need the security of help close by. Thank you, Regards Mellisa

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Puka Tāpaetanga Submission Form

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Lester Wright
 Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): Crewan Station Limited, key vet 35
 Kāinga noho/Address:
 Īmēra/Email:
 Waea/Phone:

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Let us know what you think: We operate Ewinton, Springvale & Mangahere Stations.
Any rate increase in the rural area should be proportionate
to the urban area. Rural rate payers are carrying an
unfair burden of rate especially large land owners.

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Comment:

Data plans are cheap & available in the areas identified - this is not necessary.

☛ Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? (see page 22 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment:

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Comment:

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Comment:

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I prefer...

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Comment:

Anything else?

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He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei? Have your say on our Long Term Plan

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Idilyn. McManus

Tāpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: 160 Te Hātoru Road RD1 MARTON

Imēra/Email: idemcman@gmail.com

Waea/Phone: 021 222 8383

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I prefer...

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☐ Option 2

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☐ Something else

Comment:

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Comment:

How should we fund Economic Development? See page 24 of our Consultation Document

I prefer...

☒ Option 1*

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☐ Option 3

☐ Something else

Comment:

Should we increase Event Sponsorship? See page 25 of our Consultation Document

I prefer...

☒ Option 1*

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☐ Something else

Comment:

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? See page 26 of our Consultation Document

I prefer...

☒ Option 1*

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☐ Something else

Comment:

Anything else

As a partner in a farming business situated between Hunterville & Marton I am asking RDC to invest \$50,000 towards the development of a community owned Ambulance station in Hunterville. I feel as an employer I see a local Ambulance a much needed necessity in our community.

Please include more pages if required

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He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei? Have your say on our Long Term Plan

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Raymond Burrows

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

Kāinga noho/Address: 6 KAKAPO PL E TAINUI

Imēra/Email: the raymond burrows 39 46 MAIL.COM

Waea/Phone: 0274414477

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👉 Should we set up free Wifi zones?
(see page 20)

I prefer...

- ☐ Option 1*
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- ☒ Option 3
- ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

WE DON'T NEED MORE ONTO OUR HEREDITARY
DEBT OTHERWISE IT
JUST COMPOUNDS AND NOBODY WINS.

👉 Should we invest in the Taihape
Grandstand? (see page 22)

I prefer...

- ☒ Option 1*
- ☐ Option 2
- ☐ Something else

Comment: Buy all medals.

WE need to hold
ONCE ITS GONE IT
WILL NEVER COME BACK.
GET ON WITH IT.

👉 How should we fund Economic
Development? (see page 24)

I prefer...

- ☐ Option 1*
- ☐ Option 2
- ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

IMPACTING ON RATES!
NO IMPACT ON DEPT!
DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

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Should we increase Event
Sponsorship? (see page 26)

I prefer...

- ☒ Option 1*
☐ Option 2
☐ Something else

Comment:

At the moment
Leave it as it is
Rate payers need a rest.

Should we join the LGFA as a
guaranteeing member? (see page 31)

I prefer...

- ☒ Option 1*
☐ Option 2
☐ Something else

Comment:

It's all about
borrowing more money
enoughs enough.
Sort your debt
out first.

Anything else?

Every year Local Bodies
are accumulating more
debt. Why! Because
poor management, too
many salaried personal
top heavy staff not
enough people on the
ground. Decisions taken
far too long to decide
refine the RMA.
The rate payer should
not have to support all
the FO PAAL Council
decisions. Be positive
think outside the box. It
might help.

Please include more pages
if required.

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Comment: _____

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I prefer...

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I prefer...

- ☒ **Option 1***
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- ☐ **Something else**

Comment: _____

👉 Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 31)


I prefer...

- 
- ☒ **Option 1***
- ☒ **Option 2**
- ☐ **Something else**

Comment: _____

Anything else?

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Kim Douglas WELCH

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

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- ☐ **Something else**

Comment: _____

Anything else?

I would like to see
the retention
of Taihapes
Town Hall including
an upgrade of
backstage facilities

 Please include more pages
if required.

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Cardyn Kipling-Arthur

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): N.A.

Kāinga noho/Address: 43 KIWI ROAD TAIHARA

Īmēra/Email: cardyn_kipling@hotmail.com

Waea/Phone: 0211018013

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Anything else?

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May 10 2021

District Plan Submission to Rangitikei District Council

Subject: Council administered land in Taihape; 22 Tui St Taihape

Submission from: Door of Hope Charitable Trust (Marton)

Representing the Taihape Housing Steering Committee, comprising:
Ian Rae, Terry Steedman, Pania Winiata, Gill Duncan, Rose Wallbank

Contact: Mark Taylor mark@ematx.net 0273 989800

Introduction

The Door of Hope Charitable Trust (Marton) was established in an attempt to fulfil a need for rentals and affordable housing that has been identified in our local community. Following the establishment of the Trust, it was recognised that other local church based groups within the community shared a common purpose for this need. Thus a network of local church organisations have been meeting with RDC and other parties with a view to assist in supporting this pressing need for housing that is adequate and affordable.

Taihape council administered land

It is requested that all suitable Council administered land in Taihape be earmarked for the establishment of Social, Community and retirement housing.

22 Tui St Taihape

We support the Taihape Community Board's recommendation to council that specifically, 22 Tui St Taihape be investigated for community housing units, contingent on the staff investigation as reported in the Assets & Infrastructure meeting 8th April.

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District Plan Submission to Rangitikei District Council

Subject: Surplus Land

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Contact: Mark Taylor mark@ematx.net 0273 989800

Introduction

The Door of Hope Charitable Trust (Marton) was established in an attempt to fulfil a need for rentals and affordable housing that has been identified in our local community. Following the establishment of the Trust, it was recognised that other local church based groups within the community shared a common purpose for this need. Thus a network of local church organisations have been meeting with RDC and other parties with a view to assist in supporting this pressing need for housing that is adequate and affordable.

Surplus Land

As the district grows it has become apparent to many that:

- families moving into the district are finding it difficult to obtain a home.
- some families already residing in Marton and living in rental accommodation are either being forced to move outside of the district in an effort to obtain suitable accommodation due to lack of supply and/or lack of affordability.

In order for the district to grow in a healthy manner, allowing for new immigrants as well as for existing residents, the need for Social Housing in our district is clear.

To this end, we request that land considered surplus by council be considered for the purpose of Social Housing.

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Puka Tāpaetanga Submission Form



He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei? Have your say on our Long Term Plan

Submissions close at 5pm Monday 10 May, 2021.

Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Michael Coles

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): RAY COLES TRANSPORT LTD

Kāinga noho/Address: MAIN RD MANGAWHEKA

Imēra/Email: COLESTRANS@XTRA.CO.NZ

Waea/Phone: 06 3825 828

☐ Please tick this box if you would like to speak to your submission at the Council Hearings on 12 and 13 May. Someone will contact you to confirm this.

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

 Please include more pages if required.

Transport Group Submission to:
Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2018 – 2028

From: Ray Coles Transport and Maher Transport

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Transport Group Submission to the Rangitikei District Council Long Term Plan 2018 – 2028

Situation:

There is an urgent need for an effluent dump facility for the wider Taihape region as there is no effluent dump site between Feilding, Taupo, Waverly and Woodville.

Truck and trailer units carry large numbers of livestock out of and through the Rangitikei District as an integral part of its primary industry, Agriculture. The majority of livestock coming out of the Rangitikei District do not pass by any effluent dump sites en-route to their destination. Truck & Trailers carrying livestock through the district also encounter issues with the large distances between dump sites. With nowhere to dump the waste from these animals it accumulates in the trucks holding tanks (max. capacity 200 litres). These tanks can be full to overflowing within 20 - 30 minutes of the commencement of a journey and require emptying regularly during the journey. Once full the tanks then overflow onto the road where it is often washed away with rain into streams and rivers. The effluent also fouls the back of the trucks, verges and following vehicles and can obscure lights on vehicles, making for poor visibility for other traffic. All of these outcomes are finable offences.

Poor outcomes:

- Animal excrement on roadways;
- Unfiltered faeces washed into rivers;
- Vehicle lights obscured by excrement;
- slippery road surfaces dangerous for all vehicles;
- Other traffic being splashed with faecal matter, (reputational risk and abuse).
- Damage to road surfaces
- Effluent being dumped on road sides, layby areas, hill climbs etc

It is over 20 years since effluent tanks were fitted on trucks, at which time it was understood that dumping facilities were supposed to be provided by Councils. We believe that due to vast area and the large number of livestock transported in the Rangitikei region the Rangitikei District Council, (RDC), has a responsibility to work with local trucking providers, the Horizons Regional Council and NZTA/Waka Kotahi to support our industry.

Trucking companies who operate throughout the Rangitikei District have asked repeatedly for assistance in this matter and now ask that this is included in the RDC Long Term Plan, (LTP).

Specifically we request the following:

1. Effluent Dump

That the RDC support the establishment of an Effluent Dump in the Taihape Region through advocacy with Horizon's Regional Council, Waka Kotahi and their own consenting processes.

Preferred Option:

We would support locating a facility at the old Taihape sale yards on Linnet St, which has been identified by several Transport companies as an ideal place for a "Trucking Hub". This could be part of the RDC sewerage upgrade. There is a big sump already there that could be repurposed and/or there is also access to the RDC's sewerage system at the Hautapu Street end of this site:

If there is a requirement for rezoning, we would ask that this is put into the RDC's District Plan rolling review.

Trucks are very often full of stock effluent by the time they reach Taihape township, especially from the outlying Stations, therefore any facility urgently needs to be located both near Taihape and State Highway 1. (Also to avoid drivers having to detour to sites, detracting valuable time from their logbook restrictions).

Bad weather exacerbates the problem by rain filling up the truck's tanks, (that have a maximum holding of 200 litres). Winter's greater rainfall, Gypsy week, with transport of large numbers of heifers and farmers not standing livestock off feed prior to transport puts huge pressure on truck transporters and further endangers our waterways and roads.

Alternative Sites:

Doc land on the west side of State Highway 1 and south of Mangaweka town ship, (DOC land presently not 'used'), would be a good site, although trucks going south would need to cross State Highway 1 which is not ideal.

Maher Transport suggest that the top of the Mangaweka deviation, (Valentine's property – Barry has spoken with Peter Valentine and is keen to explore the options), has a possible site for a simple effluent dump set up, that trucks would stop at, (at the top of a hill), with waste drip fed safely back onto farm land without having to transport it.

There is a triangle of, (Waka Kotahi?) land south of Utiku, where the road has been diverted, that could also lend itself to a dump facility. A wash facility would also be ideal here.

2. Wash Down Facility and Effluent Dump

That the RDC support the establishment of a Wash-Down Facility and Effluent Dump in the Taihape Region through advocacy with Horizon's Regional Council, Waka Kotahi and their own consenting processes.

Ideally this would be a Council controlled facility with a minimum capacity wash-down pad able to cope with two trucks and trailers at the same time, (approx. 15wide x 25meters long) that fed straight into a proper sewerage management system (ideally the towns current sewage system).

Alternatively the same sized wash-down pad, as above, could be used with an effluent pond, effluent storage bladder (these come in various sizes) or precast effluent concrete storage (there are several options available) to hold the waste.

Existing systems throughout the country are partially paid for via a swipe-card user pays system: there are numerous models that could be used.

*Other local services would use a wash-down service to clean their vehicles and equipment into a safe receiving environment instead of their slurry going into storm water drains.

Improved Outcomes:

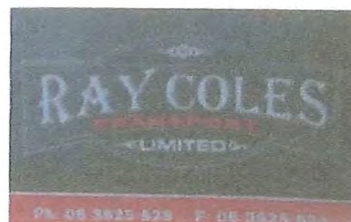
- Improved water quality;
- Local investment in improved trucking facilities;
- Compliance;
- Attracting outside transport providers to use the facilities, thereby encouraging them to stay and play;
- "Waste product" recycled as fertiliser for local producers.

We are keen to work with RDC, Horizons and Waka Kotahi for the best outcomes.

Transport Group: (names, companies)

Barry & Lara Maher
Maher Transport

MAHER
TRANSPORT



Mark Coles, Michael Coles, Derek Logan
colestrans@xtra.co.nz

Transport Operators who support this Submission:

Stocklines

Flipp

Midlands

Foleys

Martonborough

D.A. Windle

H.W. Cavanagh

Mark Worboys

Glen Carroll

Bearle Trucking

Joe and Tash Coogan Contracting

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✓ JACK TURNER TRANSPORT - 027 444 2906

✓ D.A. WINDLE TRANSPORT - 027 222 3431

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✓ GLEN CARROLL TRANSPORT - 027 450 5161

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✓ BEALE TRUCKING - 027 688 2081

office @ bealetrucking.co.nz



Cr Gill Duncan
Rangitikei District Council
Marton

Saturday, 8th May, 2021

RE: Proposal of Stock Effluent Site, Rangitikei

Dear Cr Duncan,

Firstly thank you for the opportunity to have an input into the possibility of such a site within the Rangitikei area.

On recently finding out that the time frame for submissions is near due, I would like to express the importance that Police have on such a site operable within the area for Stock Transport Operators to unload their tanks.

For the Transport Industry, Rangitikei is seen as a through place and although local Stock Transport Operators will see it as a convenient dump station it is the numerous Stock Operators travelling north and south delivering to farms, meatworks and saleyards that Police see reason for concern.

The concern is that truck & trailers are carrying more stock so are a lot heavier. The vehicles have effluent tanks but these are inadequate if there are rain conditions or stock not held for limited feeding, the tanks will fill very quickly. This is a continual driver concern as this is a problem that is out of their control.

The Police then receive complaints of effluent spray off the back of the vehicles or stock drivers dumping their effluent by using an incline of roadway or in a ditch on a rural road, which is an offence. Neither of these are ideal in today's climate where discharge of stock effluent is deemed as a biological hazard.

Having a stock effluent site situated within the Rangitikei area would be seen by Police as a resource that could be used by Stock Transport Operators. This will aid with the Police's aim to reduce traffic and harm incidents on our roads.

If there is anything Police can assist with to achieve this well needed resource, please don't hesitate to make contact.

Yours Faithfully

Sen/Constable JC Bublitiz
Rangitikei CVST
Commercial Vehicle Safety Team
Ohakea

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RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: Alan (Curly) Troon

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): New Zealand Boot-throwing Association

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Waea/Phone: 0274 310 494

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? (see page 22 of our Consultation Document)

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Comment: _____

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Comment: _____

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I prefer...

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Comment: _____

Anything else?

See attached page from NZBTA.

Please include more pages if required.



**New Zealand Boot-throwing Association Inc.
1 Titi Street, Taihape 47420, New Zealand**

elizmortland@gmail.com

06 388 0565

021 0261 6002

President: Curly Troon

Deputy President: Kristin Churchward

Secretary: Elizabeth Mortland

Technical Advisor: Curly Troon

Treasurer: Rowena Duncum (Dunedin)

Board members: Diana Turney, George Turney, Bronwyn Troon, Steve Hollander (Albany),
Kieran Fowler (Dunedin)

Patron: Robin Shepherd (Kaitaia)

Puka Tapaetanga – Submission

NZBTA submits that Rangitikei District Council contributes financially to the NZ Rural Games when they are held in Palmerston North.

This is a great opportunity to promote the Rangitikei and our outdoor/agricultural/horticultural enterprises – and encourage people to live, work and play in the Rangitikei.

Curly Troon – President

Kristin Churchward – Deputy President

Elizabeth Mortland – Secretary

Rowena Duncum – Treasurer

Bronwyn Troon

Diana Turney

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Your Details

Ingoa/Name: MRS JAN BYFORD

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

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Waea/Phone: 06 388 0194

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Let us know what you think: Will be interesting to see what affect there is on each sector. We shall watch this space!

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Comment: Travellers use our eateries wifi + encourages them to take a break with sustenance. Wifi zones will be detrimental to local business

☛ Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? (see page 22 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: With the amenities block underneath it will be a very desirable + functional building. If you insist on a separate amenities block the whole vista of the park will be spoilt.

☛ How should we fund Economic Development? (see page 24 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

☒ Option 1* ☐ Option 2 ☐ Option 3 ☐ Something else

Comment: More support for visitor promotion in Bulls + Taihape with high traffic on SH1 - vital for road safety. Reporting should result in action.

☛ Should we increase Event Sponsorship? (see page 26 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

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Comment: Events attract out of towners + potential residents. Events provide entertainment for locals - support essential.

☛ Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 31 of our Consultation Document)

I prefer...

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Comment: As long as borrowing does not have a negative affect.

Anything else?

Parks + Reserves Issues on additional Paper.

DO NOT plan to demolish the Town Hall!

✍ Please include more pages if required.

Parks & Reserves Management -

There is real concern in our town that the streets, signage, lighting and gardens are starting to look quite neglected. While we are aware that our local & much loved gardener Lesley is off work we see no reason for the decline in services in her absence.

Improvements can be made in the following areas;

- CBD gardens weed free - plants tidied on a regular basis
- Gutters swept & washed regularly
- Rubbish around the rubbish tins picked up by rubbish staff
- the deck at the town hall swept & the 3 planters updated (wish they were removed). Previous plans need to be implemented as it is a very dead space & needs better utilization.
- the sumps need cleaning out before heavier rains of winter
- rubbish & dirt need cleaning out under the road crossings over gutters

While we are not familiar with the contract & duties of the workers, if it is not working it needs reviewing. These requests are not only requirements for town beautification & image but necessity for prevention of flooding. With the approach of winter the gutters & sumps need particular attention.

- the sumps near the southern 50km sign need cleaning & one is blocked
- the Outback gardens could do with a complete makeover & some discussions with the P&R team leader, TCB chairperson, TCDT staff & KTB rep to plan a makeover is necessary & urgent

The gardens in the Triangle are in particular need of a makeover & the light in the garden beside RFS needs refocusing on the clocktower. **It was most disappointing to find no tidy up was done before ANZAC Day – it was requested -it was promised by the P&R staff but nothing happened.**

Attention required for;

The signage boards at each end of town need upgrading urgently.

The CBD footpaths need an urgent clean & more regularly.

The wooden surround of ex-Lauras Café is still on our footpath some 2 years later.

I have emphasized these needs in detail to ensure they are not overlooked or side-lined as unimportant.

Taihape is the northern entrance to the district and here lies the first impressions of the district – if we are not smart we are not worth a stopover. Detail is important. There is a feeling of isolation & distance & we hope this is not the cause for your neglect.



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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: **5/10/2021 4:24:36 AM**

Ingoa/Name: **Shirley R Russell**

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

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Waea/Phone: **0278745211**

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones?

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand?

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

—

How should we fund Economic Development?

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

—

Should we increase Event Sponsorship?

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

—

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member?

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?



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Comment:

—

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

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Anything else?

Of prime importance to this Rangitikei District is an AMBULANCE Service that is stationed in HUNTERVILLE to provide for

*** this community**

***the Farming hinterland**

***the State Highway full of ever increasing traffic.**

Waiting for an ambulance to come from Waiouru while your family member is suffering from a heart attack is no fun.

Putting our friend , with symptoms of a severe heart attack(later had 4 stents) in the ute at the top end of the farm ,to drive first along the farm track and then Peka Road to meet the ambulance in those golden minutes is stressing NOW let alone when there is no service in Hunterville.

We NEED an AMBULANCE STATIONED in Hunterville .

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:33:30 AM

Ingoa/Name: Arthur and Wendy Bell

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): Farm Sheep and Beef

Kāinga noho/Address: [REDACTED]

Īmēra/Email: [REDACTED]

Waea/Phone: [REDACTED]

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

—

Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?



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Comment:

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

We do not want any change to our rating system. We simply cannot afford to pay anymore as we get very few services for our rates. Our farm income has not gone up at all even though our rateable land value has.

Anything else?

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Please_tick_here_if_you_want_yo



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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:36:21 AM

Ingoa/Name: **Pania Winiata**

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): **Taihape Community Development Trust**

Kāinga noho/Address: **90 Hautapu Street**

Īmēra/Email: **info@taihape.co.nz**

Waea/Phone: **063881307**

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

Option 3 - This is our preferred option where council will still continue to provide free wifi at the iSite visitor information centres and libraries in Taihape.

Most people have data on their phones, there is a network inspired free wifi throughout the town and shops, and the continuation of free wifi at the iSite.

Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

Option 1 - This is our preferred option because we know our community cares about this building and its historical significance. Upgrading the grandstand will ensure this is a sound structure that can be used by our community, sports teams, and visitors to our district.

How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

Option 1 - This is our preferred option, as it will allow us to achieve more to benefit our economy, community, social and community housing.



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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

Option 1 - This is our preferred option because it would provide a strong boost to the support we can provide to events in our district.

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

Anything else?

Taihape Footpaths and Gutters - our street footpaths and gutters are absolutely filthy and need to be cleaned regularly and if not they should be water blasted at least twice a year. What is council going to do about this matter?

Taihape Empty Shops - how is council going to help Taihape with the empty shops, their look as well as accountability from the owners?

Wooden Obstruction - what is council going to do about the wooden obstruction on the footpath out the front of the shops previously Laura's Cafe and the Westpac Bank?

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:36:47 AM

Ingoa/Name: Leonie Rae

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

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Waea/Phone: 063887825

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

yes this is very important

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

this is a good idea but farmers can't afford for their rates to be increased so much to have these 'nice to haves'.

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

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We've proposed a change to our rating system.

Our rural rates are far to high at present for the lack of services we receive. The land values have gone up quite substantially but we have no ability to recognize that unless we sell, and for many of us, these farms have been in families for generations.

We have increased asset values but no higher cashflows to accommodate higher rates. It is a very flawed system and rural rate payers are very severely disadvantaged. We do not agree to rating changes or rating increases.

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Anything else?

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:48:21 AM

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Waea/Phone: [REDACTED]

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?



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Comment:

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We've proposed a change to our rating system.

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Anything else?

How is this the focus for the next 10 years? There are so many other things that need attention, parks with more trees being planted so they can grow to a good size and be ready to replace the aging ones that are in the parks now.

There is nothing that talks about things for our children and future generations. Nothing is addressing the environment and things like encouraging residents to install water tanks if they are unhappy with the water which also provides resilience in times of drought.

There is no focus on the most vulnerable of our community and how we can help them.

Where are the policies that shape what will be needed in 10 years time to combat climate change and waste. We need recycling bins in the main streets of all our towns and a greater focus on waste reduction in all businesses.

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:49:55 AM

Ingoa/Name: **Paul And Dianne Holloway**

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address: [REDACTED]

Īmēra/Email: [REDACTED]

Waea/Phone: [REDACTED]

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

Everyone carries a mobile phone connected to their mobile provider so they are already connected to the internet and are able to access any information they might require.

Free wifi is unnecessary.

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

Yes we should. It is important that basic infrastructure is maintained and improved. And new infrastructure is built as necessary.

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

Yes. Public/Private partnerships between the council and others where possible should be strongly considered. Depending on the project that could include rate payers investing in a shareholding. We all have a vested interest in the district community.

Economic development must be inclusive of all cultures. It is becoming increasingly obvious that only one culture is being considered at the expense of all others.



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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

Events bring visitors to the district which helps to improve the local economy.

Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

I initially ticked option One here but with very strong reservations. Probably should be option two or something else! There is an obvious beneficial upside with option one, but there is also what could be termed as a serious downside. Simply put "why would Rangitikei Council want to be lumbered with other councils enormous debts. Think, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch. It would hold Rangitikei District back. Please think very, very carefully on this! Centralisation has never achieved desired outcomes. We do not want to lose local control!

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

I am always in favor of a more equitable rating system, if it works. As a person who lives rural, at least 30 to 40 minutes from the nearest town I never use public transport, the library, swimming pools or rubbish collection. I left out water and sewerage as I might use the public toilets occasionally while in town. These other services are of no value to me what so ever, but I am still paying for them. Equitable rating suggests they should be omitted from rural rating.

Anything else?

Re Roothing, Need to fight any proposal for extending the current timeframe for roading maintenance and sealing. With heavy duty use on rural roads re forestry this needs to stay as status quo.

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:58:19 AM

Ingoa/Name: Vincent M

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address: [REDACTED].

Īmēra/Email:

Waea/Phone:

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

Not required. Do not waste money on this.

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

Maintain status quo.

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

Maintain status quo.



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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

Agree with.

Anything else?

Introduce a cat by law - reduce amount of cats in community/ control them.

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 4:59:17 AM

Ingoa/Name: Renee Russell

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address: [REDACTED]

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Waea/Phone:

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **other**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **other**

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

—

How should we fund Economic Development? **other**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **other**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Community Owned & Built Ambulance Station in Hunterville

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **other**



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Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

—

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

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Anything else?

\$50,000 should be invested in the Community Owned & Built Ambulance Station in Hunterville.

The Hunterville and Taihape ambulances cover a huge area of State Highway One and beyond and it is important that they are both supported by the council so that the people of the district has the back up at those times when they desperately need it.

In March the Hunterville Lions held the 'Bike the Boulders' event across several Manawatu farms fundraising for the Hunterville Ambulance station. This event was partly sponsored by the Manawatu District Council. It was great that the Manawatu District Council saw the value in supporting this Hunterville Station that provides its services to some of their rate payers. Now it's Rangitikei District Council's turn.

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LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

Submitter Details:

Date submitted: **5/10/2021 4:59:52 AM**

Ingoa/Name: **Natasha M**

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address:

Īmēra/Email:

Waea/Phone:

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

Not required in our communities, not worth the extra cost.

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**



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Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

Anything else?

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LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 5:00:05 AM

Ingoa/Name: Hazel Gallagher

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

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Waea/Phone: [REDACTED]

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

I think this is awesome if its not going to add to our rates

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

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How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

—

Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_1***



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Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

I think that this would be preferable if we are looking at large infrastructure projects such as a complete overhaul of our water supply. I note that this is a submission on framing our future and yet water quality and supply has been left out of the equation.

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

Anything else?

Where is the water quality and supply part of framing our future. This town is absolutely crying out for some changes in this area and yet it has not been made a priority. If this isnt an issue for council I would like to see council subsidize full house water filter systems and maybe also subsidize the purchase of water tanks which would provide people with better water quality but also take the pressure off the existing water supply especially in summer.

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LTP 2021-2031 - Online Submission

Submitter Details:

Date submitted: **5/10/2021 11:17:36 AM**

Ingoa/Name: **Kloe Wong**

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

Kāinga noho/Address: **36 kaka road taihape**

Īmēra/Email: **Kloe.wong@hotmail.com**

Waea/Phone: **0273696717**

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_3**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

In 2021 most people have internet on their phones. BP and cafes offer free wifi including those in Taihape, Marton and bulls. Waste of money. Other cities who have free wifi isn't always reliable and unsuitable for anything important.

Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **other**

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Invest in restoration now! Put our rates up by \$200-300 not \$2 do something NOW stop talking about it

Comment:

Invest in restoration of the grand stand. And stop mucking around. Stop talking about it. Wasting time and resources. It's a beautiful and well used building. The rugby boys use it on tues and Thursday nights. We use it to watch the rugby on Saturdays. The kids play in it. I've seen locals using the stairs for fitness/training. It offers a wind and rain shelter for mother's/wives with kids often more than 40-60 people using it to watch games. It would be disappointing to see this building being left without renovation and restoration. Such a valuable asset to our rugby and sports grounds. I support this restoration

How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:



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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

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We've proposed a change to our rating system.

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Anything else?

Our rubbish and waste transfer station needs a lot of help!! The system there is not ideal. There is too much waste being taken to the landfill. Not enough people recycling. Look at ohakune and Raetihi and their systems. They have curb side collection for sorted recycling. More people would do it if this was an option. Ideally and realistically we need to be creating less waste & living in a circular waste economy as opposed to current linear waste economy. Zero waste is an option. People are being lazy. Govt and councils are enabling this. This needs to be prioritised.

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Submitter Details:

Date submitted: 5/10/2021 8:13:55 PM

Ingoa/Name: Carl Knight

Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable):

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Īmēra/Email: [REDACTED]

Waea/Phone: [REDACTED]

Speak to your submission:

Key Choices:

Should we set up free Wifi zones? **Option_2**

Do you have a comment about free Wifi Zones?

Comment:

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Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment about investing in the Taihape Grandstand?

Comment:

—

How should we fund Economic Development? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on how we should fund Economic Development?

Comment:

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Should we increase Event Sponsorship? **Option_1***

Do you have a comment on increasing Event Sponsorship?

Comment:

Marton events are what gets friends from Palmerston North and Wanganui to Marton, otherwise they make few annual trips to see what we have to offer.

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Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? **Option_1***



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Do you have a comment about joining the LGFA?

Comment:

—

We've proposed a change to our rating system.

And of course when there is the inevitable housing bubble burst and valuations settle to something more reasonable you'll be equally quick to lower rates commensurate with the drop in value?

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Anything else?

I am supporting something of a gamble, that is that the Rangitikei can grow and prosper and not just tread water against an inevitable decline. I accept that wanting this requires taxation and I'm nervously entrusting this to a council that at least where I live rurally, I don't see a hell of a lot of.

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Puka Tāpaetanga Submission Form

He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei? Have your say on our Long Term Plan

Submissions close at 5pm Monday 10 May, 2021.

Your Details

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Tōpūtanga/Organisation (if applicable): _____

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- ☒ Please tick this box if you would like to speak to your submission at the Council Hearings on 12 and 13 May. Someone will contact you to confirm this.

PLEASE NOTE:

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Your submission will only be used for the purpose of the LTP process and will be held by Rangitikei District Council at 46 High St, Marton 4710. You may access the information and request its correction, if required.

Optional Demographic Information *This is kept confidential for analysis only.*

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Do you agree with our preferred options?

 Should we set up free Wifi zones? (see page 20)

I prefer...

- ☒ Option 1*
- ☐ Option 2
- ☐ Option 3
- ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 Should we invest in the Taihape Grandstand? (see page 22)

I prefer...

- ☐ Option 1*
- ☒ Option 2
- ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

 How should we fund Economic Development? (see page 24)

I prefer...

- ☒ Option 1*
- ☐ Option 2
- ☐ Something else

Comment: _____

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- ☐ Please tick here if you want your details to remain private.

 We've proposed a change to our rating system. (page 47)

Let us know what you think: _____

* Council's
preferred
option



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 **Should we increase Event Sponsorship? (see page 26)**

I prefer...

- ☒ **Option 1***
- ☐ **Option 2**
- ☐ **Something else**

Comment: _____

 **Should we join the LGFA as a guaranteeing member? (see page 31)**

I prefer...


- ☒ **Option 1***
- ☐ **Option 2**
- ☐ **Something else**

Comment: _____

Anything else?

Tairāhapa Civic
Centre Development
Brought Forward
to 2021/2022 year
as parallel with
Minton Development
and cashflow
adjusted accordingly.

Tairāhapa should have
the same priority
as Minton.
Notwithstanding that
Tairāhapa has a more
urgent need.

 Please include more pages
if required.

Alyssa Takimoana

From: Inwards Mail
Sent: Monday, 10 May 2021 5:31 pm
To: Alyssa Takimoana
Subject: FW: Consultation Submission - Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22
Attachments: Rates-Submission_2021-05-10-0445286098ba68ca10f9.39755308.pdf

From: Rangitikei District Council <web-form@rangitikei.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, 10 May 2021 4:45 pm
To: RDC Information <Info@rangitikei.govt.nz>
Subject: Consultation Submission - Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22

Submitted on: Monday, May 10, 2021 at 4:45pm

Consultation	Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22
Full Name	Hamish Durrant
Organisation	Matuku Land Co Ltd
Postal Address	73 Hiwera Road, RD3, Taihape 4793
Phone	027 2233623
Email	hamish.durrant@gmail.com
Fees/charges to increase	
Fees/charges to decrease	The proposed General Rate and Roding District rates for 2021/22 need to be decreased. For Matuku Land Co Ltd (Valuation 1335022600), there is a 22.5% overall proposed increase in rates. This is an unacceptably large increase. See the attachment.
Comments	The allocation of the 'rate' to the property appears to be wrong. The result of this 'rate' is inconsistent with information provided and available on the RDC website. Page 49 of the Framing our Future indicates that 'Rural' rates will increase by 6.95% (\$20.00 per week which equates to \$1,040.00 per annum). Matuku Land Co is being subject to a proposed 22.5% increase (\$2,645.57 per annum). This is approx 3.2 times what the document indicates the percentage increase will be. This inequity needs to be rectified.
I wish to speak to my submission	
I wish to use New Zealand Sign Language	
Keep contact details private	Yes

Matuku Land Co Ltd
Valuation No: 1335022600

		Annual Change			
		Annual Rates	(\$\$'s)	%-age Change	
Proposed	2021/22	14,427.27	2,645.57	22.5%	Notes below
Actual	2020/21	11,781.70	421.20	3.7%	
Actual	2019/20	11,360.50	11.50	0.1%	
Actual	2018/19	11,349.00	872.90	8.3%	
Actual	2017/18	10,476.10	222.00	2.2%	
Actual	2016/17	10,254.10	291.20	2.9%	
Actual	2015/16	9,962.90	57.80	0.6%	
Actual	2014/15	9,905.10	312.00	3.3%	
Actual	2013/14	9,593.10	210.20	2.2%	
Actual	2012/13	9,382.90	131.25	-1.4%	
Actual	2011/12	9,514.15	258.50	2.8%	
Actual	2010/11	9,255.65			

2021/22 Proposed Increase

Type	Description	2020/21 \$\$'s	2021/22 \$\$'s	Increase \$\$'s
004	General Rates	\$ 2,991.80	\$ 4,540.62	\$1,548.82
023	Roading District	\$ 6,756.50	\$ 8,005.83	\$1,249.33
Total Proposed Increase				<u>\$2,798.15</u>

Type	Description	2020/21 Factor	2020/21 Rate	2021/22 Factor	2021/22 Rate
004	General Rates	3,680,000	0.00081300	5,690,000	0.00079800
023	Roading District	3,680,000	0.00183600	5,690,000	0.00140700