MINUTES



ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Thursday, 23 October 2025

Time: 1.00pm

Venue: Te Matapihi

Rangitīkei District Council

4 Criterion Street

Bulls

Present HWTM Andy Watson

Cr Diana Baird
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Sandra Field
Cr John Hainsworth
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa
Cr Graeme O'Fee
Cr Coral Raukawa
Cr Paul Sharland
Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive

Cr Jeff Wong

Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive

Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager - Strategy, Community and Democracy

Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

Mr Johan Cullis, Group Manager - Regulatory and Emergency Management

Mrs Karen Cowper, Executive Officer Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Ms Sophia Sykes, Communications Manager

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1 Whakatau

The whakatau commenced at 1.00pm and Mrs Gordon opened the meeting at 2.02pm.

2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cr Dalgety.

3 Reports for Decision

3.1 Mayor's Declaration and Welcome

His Worship the Mayor completed his declaration.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone in attendance at the meeting and gave a welcome speech, which was tabled at the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor then assumed the Chair..

3.2 Declaration by Councillors

Declarations were made by incoming Councillors in alphabetical order, as follows:

- Cr Diana Baird
- Cr Alan Buckendahl
- Cr Sandra Field
- Cr John Hainsworth
- Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa
- Cr Graeme O'Fee
- Cr Coral Raukawa
- Cr Paul Sharland
- Cr Dave Wilson
- Cr Jeff Wong

3.3 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

His Worship the Mayor formally announced he was appointing Cr Dave Wilson as Deputy Mayor in accordance with section 41A(3) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3.4 Fixing of Date and Time of First Ordinary Meeting

The report was taken as read, it was noted the schedule of meetings would be provided once the Council committee structure was confirmed.

Resolved minute number 25/RDC/255

That the first meeting of Council be held on Thursday, 30 October at 1pm.

HWTM/Cr P Sharland. Carried

4 Reports for Information

4.1 Laws Affecting Elected Members

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/RDC/256

That the report Laws Affecting Elected Members be received and the information noted.

Cr P Hiroa/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

The meeting closed at 2.30pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary C	Council Meeting held on 30 October
2025.	

Chairperson