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RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL
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UNCONFIRMED: POLICY/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 12 March 2026**
Time:	**Following Council Workshop**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa Cr Jeff Wong Cr Dave Wilson Cr Alan Buckendahl Cr John Hainsworth Cr Sandra Field Cr Paul Sharland Cr Graeme O'Fee Cr Diana Baird HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Mr Aaron Thorton, Manager – Animal Control Ms Tiffany Gower, Strategy Manager Mr Jarrod Calkin, Economic Lead Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

The Chair opened the meeting at 1.00pm.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Reports for Decision

6.1 Review of Council's Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy

Officers responded to questions that the shared animal control service with Manawatū District Council (MDC) highlighted only minor differences between the two councils' approaches, with no significant operational issues.

Resolved minute number 26/PPL/001

That the report 'Review of Council's Control of Dogs Bylaw and Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy' is received.

Cr P Hiroa/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/PPL/002

That the Policy/Planning Committee expresses its appreciation to those people who provided responses to the pre-engagement survey on the operation of the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw.

Cr P Hiroa/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/PPL/003

That the Policy/Planning Committee makes a determination under section 155 of the Local Government Act 2002 that a bylaw for the control of dogs is the most appropriate way of addressing the problems of managing dogs in the Rangitīkei District and to give effect to the requirements of the Dog Control Act 1996, noting that section 10(6) of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires the Council to make a bylaw to enforce its Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Hiroa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/PPL/004

That the Policy/Planning Committee direct officers to make amendments to the Control of Dogs Bylaw and the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy, and that a draft Bylaw and Policy along with consultation material are brought back to the Committee for its consideration at a later date.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/PPL/005

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that it extends the date for the review of the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy from 26 May 2026 to 26 November 2026 to allow consultation on proposed amendments to the Policy to be undertaken.

Cr J Wong/HWTM A Watson. Carried

The meeting closed at 1.25pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Policy/Planning Committee held on .

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Chairperson

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HUNTERVILLE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Monday, 13 April 2026**
Time:	**4.00pm**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Mr Sam Weston Mr Bob Crawford Mr Mark Dawson Mr Bernie Hughes Mr Sam Duncan Mr Shane Voelkerling Cr Fi Dalgety
In attendance	Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist (Zoom) Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships Mr Calum Wilbur, Senior Accountant Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 4.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/009

That the apologies be received from John McManaway, Cr J Hainsworth and HWTM A Watson.

Mr S Voelkerling/Mr B Crawford. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Section 7.1 page 8 – Henderson site that there should be further information included.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/010

That the minutes of Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2026 as amended be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr B Crawford/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

7 Follow up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Hunterville Rural Water Supply Meetings

Mr van Bussel noted that these are included in the operations report.

Recommendation

That the report Follow-up Action Items from previous Hunterville Rural Water Supply Meetings be received.

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - April 2026

Mr Weston highlighted the newsletter attached to the report.

The committee discussed the Central District Waters and that Rural Water Schemes remain with Council and will not be transitioned across.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/011

That the Chair's Report – April 2026 be received.

Mr S Weston/Mr B Crawford. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Hunterville RWS - Financial Summary - February 2026

It was noted that electricity is a significant cost for the scheme and it should be considered as part of any upcoming contract negotiations. The committee agreed it is important to remain informed and involved throughout this process.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/012

That the report Hunterville RWS Financial Summary – February 2026 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Mr B Hughes. Carried

9.2 Operations Report - April 2026

Mr van Bussel provided an update that the forestry activities are ongoing, with Mr O'Reilly working alongside the contractor. Part of the road is currently being widened, although it is unclear whether harvesting will commence in the near term.

Mr van Bussel also raised matters relating to the northern line, where a number of issues have been identified. Mr O'Reilly is currently checking the restrictors and the flow meter on the outlet from the break pressure tank.

The impact of recent power interruptions was discussed, with Mr van Bussel confirming that they have made a difference. It was noted that ongoing maintenance will support more reliable, continuous power supply.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/013

That the Operations Report – April 2026 be received.

Mr B Crawford/Mr B Hughes. Carried

The meeting closed at 4.39pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 8 June 2026.

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BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: **Wednesday, 22 April 2026**

Time: **6.00pm**

Venue: **Te Matapihi Hall, Te Matapihi**
Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
Bulls

Present
Mr Alistair Stewart
Ms Sarah Howe
Mr Greg Smith
Mr David Yates
Ms Bronwyn Minty
Cr Graeme O'Fee
Cr Paul Sharland (Alternate)

In attendance
Elaine Bishop, Scotts Ferry resident
Matt Hynes, Scotts Ferry resident
Peter Ginder, Scotts Ferry resident
Justin Adams, Hunterville Community Committee
Helen Cooper, Bulls resident
David Christison, Marton Community Committee
Brian Carter, CFO, Bulls Fire Service
Mr Paul Chaffe, Senior Emergency Management Advisor
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.00pm and welcomed everyone.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/011

That the apologies from HWTM Watson, Mr Te Arawa Ratana, and Mr Evan Plank be received.

Mr Stewart/Mr G Smith. Carried

3 Public Forum

Helen Cooper spoke in the public forum. She was very concerned about the Community Response Plan for Bulls. Her main concern around the plan was not having named persons in the plan for different roles. She felt very strongly that this should be the case so the community knew where to go and who to speak to in an emergency event. Her particular area of concern was around being able to set up a Welfare Centre for residents to go to if required. She felt the plan lacked clarity.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/012

That the minutes of Bulls Community Committee Meeting held on 18 February 2026 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr G O'Fee/Ms B Minty. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report. He also acknowledged the receipt of a resignation from the committee from Mr Graham Jenkins.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/013

That the Chair's Report – April 2026 be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms S Howe. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Funding Schemes Update - April 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/014

That the Funding Schemes Update – April 2026 be received.

Mr G Smith/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

8.2 Mayor's Report - March 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/015

That the Mayor's Report – March 2026 be received.

Mr G Smith/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

8.3 Small Projects Fund Update - April 2026

There was discussion about spending the small projects fund. An idea was put forward to perhaps concrete around the new Lake Alice memorial to ensure it was kept clear of weeds and vegetation. Ms Bovey would follow up with the Property Team and report back to the next meeting.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/016

That the report Small Projects Fund Update – April 2026 be received.

Mr G Smith/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

8.4 Community Response Plan - Bulls

Mr Paul Chaffe spoke to his report on the Bulls Community Response Plan. The plan had been discussed and signed off by the committee in 2025. The committee discussed how the plan had worked in the last weather event.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/017

That the report Community Response Plan – Bulls be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms S Howe. Carried

8.5 Community Development Manager Report - April 2026

The report was taken as read. The committee would invite the Co-ordinator to speak to her report if this was possible in the future. Ms Bovey to follow up on this with the Co-ordinator.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/018

That the Community Development Manager Report –April 2026 be received.

Mr G Smith/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

8.6 Resignations Received

Mr Greg Smith tendered his resignation from the committee.

Mr David Yates tendered his resignation from the committee.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Bulls Community Committee held on 17 June 2026.

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UNCONFIRMED: COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: **Wednesday, 29 April 2026**

Time: **1.00pm**

Venue: **Council Chamber**
Rangitīkei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Jeff Wong
Cr Paul Sharland
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Ms Kym Skerman, Manager – Events and Venues
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Dalgety opened the meeting at 1.00pm.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Cr Sharland declared a conflict of interest with the Bulls Rugby application.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Reports for Decision

6.1 Community Initiatives Fund - Consideration of Applications for Round Two 2025/26

The Committee confirmed using a median recommendation from the assessors.

<u>Friends of Taihape Charitable Society</u>

The Committee acknowledged the large sum of funding requested by the group but also acknowledged the work that the group has completed and the fantastic community asset.

<u>Bulls & District Community Trust</u>

Officers confirmed that this matter is not currently included within the Memorandum of Understanding with the Trust. The Committee noted that it could be considered during the next review.

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/001

That the report Community Initiatives Fund – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/002

That the Community Grants Committee consider the median value from the assessments be used as the base point for consideration of funding.

Cr J Wong/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/003

That the Community Grants Committee approve the sponsorship of projects listed below, and disperse the Community Initiatives Fund as outlined to successful applicants:

- Friends of Taihape Charitable Society - $10,000
- Brain Injury Association Whanganui - $ 2,250
- People First New Zealand Inc - $1,000
- Taihape Neighbourhood Support - $2,250
- Bulls & District Community Trust - Bulls Hip Hop $ 2,000
- Rangitikei Forest and Bird - $989.30
- St Margarets Mobile Art Expo - $1,000
- Bulls Toy Library - $1,920
- Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble - $1,297
- Sport Whanganui - $1,934
- Taihape & District Museum & Historical Society - $ 700

Funds totalling $25,340.30

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/004

That the Community Initiatives Fund – Project Report Forms to be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/005

That the Community Grants Committee does recommend to Council that the remaining funds totalling $3,717.70 from the Community Initiatives Fund 2025/26 be carried forward to 2026/27.

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

6.2 Event Support Scheme - Consideration of Applications for Round Two for 2025/26

The Committee the reason for small numbers of applicants, officers noted that events are held at the end of the year more commonly and this has been the trend for a number of years.

<u>Bulls Rugby Football Club</u>

The Committee decided to retrospectively fund this event and acknowledged this was a one off event.

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/006

That the report Event Support Scheme – Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/007

That the Community Grants Committee approve the sponsorship of events listed below, and disperse the Events Support Scheme funds as outlined to successful applicants:

- Bulls & District Community Trust - Wear-a-Bull Arts - $3,000
- Bulls Junior Rugby Club - $3,000
- Rangitikei Netball - $2,000

And retrospectively provide funds to Bulls Rugby Football Club $5,000

Funds totalling $13,000

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/008

That the Event Support Scheme – Project Report Forms be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CGC/009

That the Community Grants Committee does recommend to Council that the remaining funds totalling $1,620 from the Event Support Scheme 2025/26 be carried forward into 2026/27.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

The meeting closed at 2.17pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Community Grants Committee held on 24 September 2026 .

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UNCONFIRMED: SPORT NZ RURAL TRAVEL FUND MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 30 April 2026**
Time:	**9.00am**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Cr Graeme O'Fee Cr Paul Sharland Cr John Hainsworth HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr O'Fee opened the meeting at 9.00am and Cr Sharland read the council prayer.

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Reports for Decision

6.1 Allocation of Funds 2025/26

Officers confirmed that the outstanding project report forms had been returned and were tabled at the meeting.

Resolved minute number 26/SRTF/001

That the report Allocation of Funds for 2025/26 be received.

Cr P Sharland/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SRTF/002

That funding will be distributed on a weighted rate basis (Option 2), providing a 1.5x funding modifier for Hunterville and 2.0x funding modifier for Taihape.

Cr P Sharland/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SRTF/003

That funding is distributed to applicants as below:

- Taoroa School $773.90
- Marton Rugby and Sports Club $631.80
- Marton Bears Netball Club $142.10
- Taihape Area School $4,027.50

- Rangitikei College $2,692.80
- Hunterville Sports Club Inc $1,231.90

Cr P Sharland/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

The meeting closed at 9.06am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund held on .

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UNCONFIRMED: CREATIVE NZ COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 20 May 2026**
Time:	**5.30pm**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Ms Raewyn Turner Ms Hayley Sellars Ms Charissa Lawlor (Zoom) Ms Misty Ross Ms Helen Cooper Ms Sarah Clare Ms Sarah Howe YC Aania Paranihi Cr Sandra Field HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer Ms Justine Rowe, Tamariki Rangatahi Youth Engagement Officer Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Karakia

Ms Turner opened the meeting at 5.30pm and Ms Howe spoke karakia.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/CNZC/001

That the minutes of Creative NZ Committee Meeting held on 12 November 2025 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms R Turner/Ms H Sellars. Carried

7 Reports for Decision

7.1 Creative Communities Scheme - Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26

<u>Nga Tawa School</u>

Officers advised that several items requested within the application were not able to be funded. As the project relied on these unfunded components, officers recommended that no funding be allocated. The Committee acknowledged the value of the project and expressed its support for the concept, while also supporting officers to provide feedback to the applicant for any future application.

<u>The Art of Seeing Academy</u>

The Committee supported the new initiative and were interested in how the group were going to work with schools.

Resolved minute number 26/CNZC/002

That the report Creative Communities Scheme - Consideration of Applications for Round Two of 2025/26 be received.

Ms R Turner/Ms H Cooper. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CNZC/003

That the Committee approves the applications listed below, on behalf of the Creative Community Scheme (funded by Creative NZ), and disburse the funds to successful applicants:

- Developpe Studio $921
- Square Edge Community Arts $1,014.67
- Nga Tawa School – declined
- Mataroa School $2,170
- Opaea Marae Trust $1,180
- Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble $725.60
- The Art of Seeing Academy $1,220

  Totalling - $7, 231.27

Ms R Turner/Cr S Field. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/CNZC/004

That the Committee receive the following project forms:

- Bulls and District Community Trust
- David Flynn/Flynn's Celtic Strings
- Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble Inc
- Opaea Marae
- Square Edge Community Arts
- Saint Josephs School PFTA
- Taoroa School

Ms R Turner/Ms M Ross. Carried

The meeting closed at 6.48pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Creative NZ Committee held on 18 November 2026.

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UNCONFIRMED: ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 28 May 2026**
Time:	**10.00am**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Cr Dave Wilson Cr Alan Buckendahl Cr Fi Dalgety Cr Sandra Field Cr John Hainsworth Cr Graeme O'Fee Cr Paul Sharland Cr Jeff Wong HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Ms Carol Gordon, Chief Executive Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Mr Darryn Black, Roading Transport Manager Mr Eswar Ganapathi, Senior Project Manager Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting was opened by Cr Wilson at 10:00am and the Council prayer was read.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/007

That the apology received from Cr Hiroa be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

2 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/008

That the minutes of Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr G O'Fee/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings

<u>Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation</u>

Officers confirmed that work is progressing.

Discussion took place regarding HWTM's query relating to the recognition of revenue within the Finance/Performance reporting. Officers advised that this matter would be confirmed at the next Finance/Performance Committee meeting.

Marton Water Strategy – Guarantees

The Committee discussed whether this item should remain as a follow up action. Members discussed that the specific action was in relation to a project that was no longer active, but considered it important that effective reporting occur on the Marton Water Strategy project.

It was agreed that Action 2 be removed and replaced with a new action requesting that the whole Marton Water Strategy project be included in the Projects Report.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/009

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings be received.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/010

That item 2 is removed from the follow up actions as completed.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

6 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/011

That the Chair's Report – May 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

7 Reports for Information

9.1 Roading Update - May 2026

Officers advised that following the February wind event, Council's local share of funding required an additional $105,000. This matter will be reported through a future Chief Executive's Report.

An update was provided on transport projects, and that the resealing programme had been impacted by weather, with some works deferred until the following construction season, and heavy vehicle issues for Bruce Street, Hunterville.

Members were advised that replacement of the Stantialls Road Bridge has been deferred due to design delays.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/012

That the report ‘Roading Update - May 2026’ be received.

Cr P Sharland/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

9.2 Project Update Report - April 2026

Wastewater Projects

Officers advised that the project status reporting now includes an updated status column to better reflect changes from the previous reporting period.

An update was provided on discussions with ANZCO, with officers advising that the company has expressed strong interest in becoming a trade waste customer. Work is continuing to progress this opportunity, including consideration of how the arrangement would transfer to the future Water Services Council Controlled Organisation (WSCCO).

A member sought an update on land acquisition associated with the wastewater project. Officers advised that a report outlining the available options, including land acquisition, will be presented to Council, subject to programme timing, towards the end of August.

Discussion also occurred regarding the Rātana wastewater project. Officers confirmed that options would be presented to Council before any consultation is undertaken.

HWTM requested that discharge to land be specifically identified within the list of project alternatives and suggested that all options remain visible within future reporting to ensure they are not inadvertently removed as the project progresses. Officers advised that discussions have also taken place with Whanganui District Council regarding the potential for Rangitīkei to become a trade waste customer. The Kaitoke proposal remains a viable option and will be included alongside all other alternatives in future reports.

The Chair noted that the reported project budget appeared to have increased. Officers advised that the approved budget was $7.65 million and that rounding may have resulted in inconsistencies. Officers undertook to ensure future reports accurately reflect approved budget figures.

Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

The Chair questioned whether the identified risk relating to the transfer of the programme to the future CCO should also apply to other major projects. Officers agreed and undertook to review the risk registers for consistency. It was also noted that Local Government reform should be reflected as a project risk across all water and wastewater projects.

Marton Water Strategy

Members confirmed that future project reporting should reinstate the full scope of the Marton Water Strategy, including longer-term strategic considerations.

Community Facilities

Officers advised that work on the Marton Office project is continuing. The Chief Executive reminded members that Council had resolved through the Annual Plan deliberations for options to be presented to Council by the end of June, noting that Local Government reform may also influence future decisions.

Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)

Officers advised that the project continues to progress. Information expected during the first week of June is anticipated to enable construction to commence.

Taihape Grandstand

The Chair advised that Council has provided the community group with the final draft agreement. A further minor amendment has been requested by the group, although it does not alter Council's previous resolution. Officers advised that the amendment can be addressed administratively.

Taihape Town Hall

A member asked when detailed designs would be presented to Council. Officers clarified that the concept design previously approved by Council remains unchanged and that detailed design is a separate stage of the project.

Marton Pool

Officers advised that the contractor commenced work on site on 10 June.

Small Capital Expenditure Projects

Officers advised that this section has been added to provide elected members with additional visibility of smaller capital projects.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/013

That the report 'Project Updates Report – April 2026' be received.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

9.3 Consent Compliance Report - April/May 2026

Water Take

The Chair sought clarification regarding the flowmeter installed on the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme, noting that Horizons Regional Council's monitoring equipment has been in place for some time and asking whether Council should already know if the scheme is compliant. Officers advised that Horizons Regional Council would notify Council should any compliance issues arise.

A member noted that the water take consents for Taihape and Bulls had expired. Officers confirmed that renewal applications are currently being progressed.

<u>Wastewater Compliance</u>

HWTM sought an update on the status of the Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant resource consent. Officers advised that the current consent expires in 2027 and that Council is already progressing the renewal application, which must be lodged at least six months prior to expiry.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/014

That the report ‘Consent Compliance Report – April/May 2026’ be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

The meeting closed at 11:21am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 27 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: RISK/ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 28 May 2026**
Time:	**2.00pm**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present
Mr Philip Jones (Zoom)
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance
Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive
Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Mr Darryn Black, Roading Transport Manager
Ms Lorraine Bergen, Manager – Financial Services
Ms Sharon Bennett, Manager – People & Culture
Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

HWTM opened the meeting at 2.00pm.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interested declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Risk and Assurance Meetings

<u>Risk Management Policy</u>

Officers advised that the revised Risk Management Policy is scheduled to be presented to Council in August. Members requested that the action register be updated to clearly reflect the anticipated August reporting timeframe.

A member sought confirmation that the elected member identified to participate in the relevant action was supportive of the proposed approach.

<u>H&S Annual Site Visits - 6 Monthly Updates From Relevant Staff to the Committee</u>

Officers provided an update on health and safety site visits, advising that the due diligence plan would be considered later in the meeting.

<u>Contractor H&S – Metrics</u>

An update was also provided on contractor health and safety performance metrics. Officers advised that an online form has been developed to support site safety inspections and provide additional assurance regarding contractor health and safety performance.

Mr Jones welcomed the progress being made in strengthening contractor health and safety assurance processes.

<u>De-escalation Training</u>

Members discussed this item, noting that it has remained on the action register since December 2024. It was agreed that the item is now considered business-as-usual and advised that it could be brought back for further consideration should circumstances change. It was also noted that the matter is monitored through other reporting mechanisms.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/001

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Risk and Assurance Meetings be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

7 Chair’s Report

7.1 Chair's Report - May 2026

Officers advised that the Strategic Risk Register had been prepared approximately two weeks prior to the meeting and included an update from Aon Insurance. Members noted that Risk 8 had since been elevated to Risk 1, reflecting the increasing significance of local government reform and its potential impact on local authorities.

Officers advised that the relevant legislation is not expected to be introduced until early next year, following Parliament's return.

Committee members discussed local government reform as Council's highest strategic risk and potential mitigation opportunities.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/002

That the Chair’s Report – May 26 be received.

Cr J Wong/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Risk/Assurance Committee Programme of Work

Officers presented an overview of the Committee Programme of Work, outlining the current reporting schedule and the timing of upcoming policy reviews.

Members were advised that fraud awareness had recently been discussed with Audit New Zealand as part of Council's governance assurance programme.

Discussion took place regarding the recording of officer time associated with Central Districts Water (CDW), including seconded staff and funding arrangements for CDW.

The Chair referred to section 7.3 of the report and noted that workload pressures are being experienced across the local government sector. Concern was expressed that competing priorities could result in important work being delayed or overlooked. The Chair further observed that preparation for the next Long Term Plan (LTP) is likely to be particularly challenging given resource constraints and uncertainty arising from local government reform.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/003

That the Risk/Assurance Committee receive the report Risk/Assurance Committee Programme of Work.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/004

That the Risk/Assurance Committee endorse the Standards of Integrity and Conduct Policy without amendment.

Cr J Wong/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/005

That the Risk/Assurance Committee endorse the Performance Improvement Procedure without amendment.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

8.2 Health, Safety and Wellbeing Update

Officers noted that the report summarises nine months of health, safety and wellbeing data to provide an overview of organisational performance and trends.

Members were advised that the revised health and safety documents listed within the report had been updated and were presented for Council's endorsement.

Members discussed how the policies and procedures are embedded across the organisation and that the near miss reporting is a useful indicator of the organisations health and safety culture.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/006

That the report ‘Health, Safety and Wellbeing Update’ be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/007

That the Health, Safety and Wellbeing in the Workplace Policy is endorsed without amendment.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/008

That the Governance Health, Safety and Wellbeing Charter is endorsed without amendment.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/009

That the Governance Health, Safety and Wellbeing Due Diligence Plan is endorsed without amendment.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Internal Audit Programme

Officers advised that the Fleet Management Review is currently underway, noting that the review is being undertaken in light of the future transfer of water-related assets to Central Districts Water.

Members noted that fuel costs had increased by approximately $7,000 over the reporting period.

The Chair drew attention to section 3.5 of the report relating to cybersecurity, noting that the matter had received limited discussion. The Chair emphasised the importance of ensuring Council continues to receive appropriate assurance that cybersecurity risks are being actively managed during the period of organisational change and reform. Officers advised that a dedicated cybersecurity presentation is scheduled for the August workshop to provide elected members with a comprehensive update.

The Committee also discussed fleet management processes.

A member advised that they had not recently received phishing simulation emails as part of Council's cybersecurity awareness programme. Officers undertook to review the frequency of the phishing exercises and provide feedback.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/010

That the Risk/Assurance Committee receive the Internal Audit Programme Report.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.2 Outstanding Audit NZ Management Actions

Officers advised that the External Audit actions remain largely unchanged since the previous reporting period.

Members noted the proposed February 2027 milestone requiring the three participating Central Districts Water councils to complete valuations of their respective three waters assets prior to their transfer to the CCO on 1 July 2027.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/011

That the Risk/Assurance Committee receive the report ‘Outstanding Audit NZ Management Actions’.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.3 Financial Risk Report

Officers presented the Financial Risk Report, advising that it provides an overview of Council's debt position and outstanding debtors.

Members noted that Council's external debt position remains largely unchanged. Officers advised that an additional $5 million was drawn down on 27 May to support Council's cashflow requirements. It was noted that the cost of debt servicing is expected to increase as a result.

Reference was made to page 3 of the report, which records Council's average cost of funds at 4.4% per annum, as advised by Council's treasury advisor.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/012

That the Risk/Assurance Committee receive the 'Financial Risk Report'

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.4 Audit NZ Governance Reports

Officers advised that the Audit New Zealand Governance Reports were issued in November 2025 and that this was the first opportunity to formally present them to the Committee.

Officers noted that Audit New Zealand had not identified any matters of significant concern. It was further noted that there had been no changes to the financial figures between the draft and final reports, demonstrating stability throughout the audit process.

The Chair endorsed the comments acknowledged the positive outcome of the audit process.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/013

That the report 'Audit NZ Governance Reports' be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.5 Civic Financial Services/RiskPool Updates

Members were advised that Council became a shareholder in Civic Financial Services in 2024. Civic Financial Services provides superannuation and investment-related services to the local government sector.

Officers explained that RiskPool was established as a mutual insurance scheme for local authorities. However, the scheme is no longer accepting new insurance business due to the volume of historical claims. As a former member of RiskPool, Council retains a residual financial liability, which remains recognised in Council's accounts.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/014

That the Risk/Assurance Committee receive the ‘Civic Financial Services/Riskpool Updates’ report.

HWTM A Watson/Cr J Wong. Carried

The meeting closed at 3:13pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk/Assurance Committee held on 27 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 28 May 2026**
Time:	**Following Risk/Assurance Committee**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Cr Fi Dalgety Cr Diana Baird Cr Paul Sharland Cr Dave Wilson Cr Jeff Wong HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy Mr Darryn Black, Roading Transport Manager Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Dalgety opened the meeting at 3.25pm.

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/009

That the minutes of Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings

<u>Population Projections</u>

Officers advised that updated population projections will be presented to elected members as part of the Long-Term Plan Forecasting Assumptions Workshop. The projections will inform Council's future planning and the assumptions underpinning the development of the Long-Term Plan.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/010

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

7 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2026

The Chair acknowledged and thanked staff for their significant work in preparing the Annual Plan, recognising the considerable effort involved in meeting statutory timeframes.

Discussion then turned to local government reform and the potential implications of metropolitan, rural, and provincial governance models.

Members discussed the need for Council to proactively prepare for future reform discussions by developing an evidence-based understanding of the district's position and ensuring the interests of rural communities are effectively represented in any future governance arrangements.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/011

That the Chair's Report – May 2026 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Baird. Carried

8 Reports for Information

9.1 Finance Snapshot - April 2026

Officers advised that, as outlined in section 2.2 of the report, Council is currently forecasting an operating surplus of $2.2 million. It was noted that while a deficit had been anticipated later in the financial year, it is now expected to be lower than originally budgeted.

Members received an update on Council's debt position following the transfer of three waters assets.

Members discussed a range of aspects of the financial snapshot.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/012

That the Finance/Performance Committee receive the Finance Snapshot Report - April 2026.

Cr D Wilson/Cr P Sharland. Carried

9.2 Debt Collection Update

Officers advised that the Debt Collection Update now includes movement from the previous reporting period, following a request from elected members for greater visibility of trends.

Members noted that the number of debt collection cases had increased during the reporting period.

Officers also advised that rates rebate applications continue to be submitted as ratepayers provide the required documentation. While applications are still being processed, the volume of new applications has reduced as the financial year has progressed.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/013

That the Finance/Performance Committee receive Debt Collection Update Report.

Cr D Baird/HWTM A Watson. Carried

9.3 LGFA - General Information

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/014

That the report 'LGFA - General Information' be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr D Baird. Carried

The meeting closed at 4:00pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Finance/Performance Committee held on 27 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: HUNTERVILLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 3 June 2026**
Time:	**5.30pm**
Venue:	**Hunterville Town Hall** **Bruce Street** **Hunterville**

Present	Ms Kelsey Smith Mr Justin Adams Ms Sandra Carroll Ms Charissa Lawlor Ms Lesley Shaw Cr Alan Buckendahl (Alternate) HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Senior Constable John Green Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting late at 5.48pm due to members attending a Local Government Reform session at the Argyle Hotel.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/022

That the apologies from Cr Dalgety be received.

Ms K Smith/Ms S Carroll. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Ms Lawlor declared a conflict of interest in regard to a request for a letter of support for her Justice of the Peace from the committee that is included as a late item.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

A request from Ms Lawlor for a late item to be added to the agenda was received. The item is a request for the committee to write a letter of support for her Justice of the Peace application.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/023

That the late item request be accepted.

Ms K Smith/Ms L Shaw. Carried

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/024

That the minutes of Hunterville Community Committee Meeting held on 1 April 2026 **[as amended]** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms S Carroll/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Hunterville Community Committee Meetings

The committee discussed items on the follow-up actions list:

Item 1: The Chair will do some following up with Horizons and will update at next meeting

Item 2: The committee will make some small changes to the sign and go ahead with printing. Charissa will liaise with the Business Owner to get his support and will liaise with Mel to assist with getting consent for the proposed location.

Item 3: The committee were very pleased to be able to welcome Senior Constable John Green who has been appointed as the new police officer in Hunterville. The committee agreed to write a letter to the local Area and Regional Commanders of the police to thank them for their assistance in getting this vital role re-instated. Item 3 will now be removed from the actions.

Item 4: The next update will be at the next committee meeting as the members need to liaise with the local RSA members involved with this project.

Item 5: Still in progress.

Item 6: The committee would like further information on how the Certificate of Fitness can be achieved to move this forward. A motion has been added.

Item 7: Mel to check with Paul Chaffe to follow up on printing – to be done before the end of June for delivery with the bulletin.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/025

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Hunterville Community Committee Meetings be received.

Ms S Carroll/Mr J Adams. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/026

That a letter of thanks is sent to the Police Area and Regional Commanders involved in re-instating a local police officer in Hunterville.

HWTM A Watson/Mr J Adams. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/027

That item 3 is removed from the Follow-up items.

Mr J Adams/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/028

The Hunterville Community Committee requests that Council investigate and inform the committee of what would be required for the Hunterville Swimming Pool to achieve its Certificate of Fitness.

Ms K Smith/Ms L Shaw. Carried

7 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report to the committee.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/029

That the Chair's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr J Adams/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

8 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - June 2026

The report was taken as read. The Mayor highlighted a few items and also discussed the Local Government reform process.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/030

That That the Mayor's Report – June 2026 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

9.2 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/031

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Ms L Shaw/Ms S Carroll. Carried

9.3 Small Projects Fund Update - June 2026

The committee discussed the Master Mechanics sign and decided to go ahead with the printing of the sign and continue to work on the installation/placement of the sign.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/032

That the report Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026 be received.

Ms L Shaw/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/033

That the Hunterville Community Committee approves the payment of up to $1500.00 plus GST for the Master Mechanics sign from the Small Projects Fund.

Ms C Lawlor/Ms S Carroll. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/034

That the Hunterville Community Committee [does] recommend to Council to carry forward remaining funds $776.00 to the next Financial Year.

Mr J Adams/Ms S Carroll. Carried

9.4 Funding Schemes Update – June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/035

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr J Adams/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

9.5 Letter of support from the Hunterville Community Committee

Ms Lawlor requested a letter of support from the Committee for her application to become a Justice of the Peace. The committee were happy to endorse the letter that the Chair had drafted with edits. Ms Lawlor had declared a conflict of interest with this item.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/036

That the Chair draft a letter in support of Ms Lawlor's application.

Mr J Adams/Ms K Smith. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/037

The committee approved the drafted letter to be submitted with Ms Lawlor's application.

Mr J Adams/Ms K Smith. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Hunterville Community Committee held on 5 August 2026.

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Chairperson

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: HUNTERVILLE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Monday, 8 June 2026**
Time:	**4.00pm**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Mr Bob Crawford Mr Mark Dawson Mr Bernie Hughes Mr John McManaway Mr Sam Duncan Mr Shane Voelkerling Cr John Hainsworth
In attendance	Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist (Zoom) Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships Mr Ivan O'Reilly, Senior Reticulation Technician Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers Mr Brent Manning, Consultant – B Spoke Engineering Solutions

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Mr Crawford opened the meeting at 4.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/014

That the apologies received from Mr S Weston, Cr F Dalgety, and HWTM A Watson be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Mr J McManaway/Mr B Hughes. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflict of interests were declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Local Water Done Well is to be discussed at the end of the meeting under 9.2 Operations Report.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

A member requested confirmation of the unit rate charged on Council's most recent electricity account to provide a benchmark for future reference. Officers confirmed that this information had been provided to Mr Weston. The member requested that future minutes should more accurately capture the substance of members' questions and the responses provided.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/015

That the minutes of Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr B Hughes/Mr M Dawson. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Hunterville Rural Water Supply Meetings

Kiwirail - Makohine Viaduct

It was noted that the viaduct update was covered within the Operations Report.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/016

That the report Follow-up Action Items from previous Hunterville Rural Water Supply Meetings be received.

Mr B Crawford/Mr J McManaway. Carried

7 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2026

Mr Crawford advised that there was no Chair's Report for this meeting.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/017

That the Chair's Report – May 2026 be received.

Mr B Crawford/Mr J McManaway. Carried

8 Reports for Information

9.1 Hunterville RWS - Financial Summary - April 2026

Members discussed the reported operating surpluses and deficits, with particular focus on electricity expenditure and capital expenditure.

A member raised concerns regarding the electricity budget, noting that expenditure had increased significantly compared with previous years. It was observed that electricity costs were approximately $241,000 in the previous budget year, with an actual expenditure of approximately $255,000. The current year's budget is $275,000, while year-to-date expenditure has reached approximately $314,000, raising concerns that, if the trend continued, total expenditure could exceed $400,000 by year end.

Officers advised that the year-to-date expenditure included approximately $47,000 relating to a reconciliation ("wash-up") from the previous electricity contract, which had been invoiced during the current financial year. Officers explained that, after reviewing the forecasts, the projected annual electricity cost is approximately $258,000 against a revised budget of $329,000. It was noted that the first year of the new electricity contract incorporated significantly higher rates, with pricing expected to reduce in the second year of the contract. Officers further advised that the $47,000 adjustment related to the overlap between the previous and current electricity suppliers and delayed invoicing.

A member remained concerned that the adjustment related to the previous financial year and queried whether the forecasting fully reflected the increased electricity prices. Officers confirmed that the forecast incorporates the approximately 40 percent increase in electricity rates under the new contract and advised that they had undertaken a detailed review of both the tariff structure and billing methodology. Officers expressed confidence that the current forecasting accurately reflects anticipated expenditure.

Members requested that future reporting include a breakdown of electricity costs, including expenditure and units consumed, between meetings to assist with ongoing monitoring.

A member also queried the finance costs included within the budget. Officers advised that these relate to a historic internal loan dating back to the 1990s. It was noted that the loan had proven difficult to reconstruct due to incomplete historical records and is an internal accounting entry rather than external borrowing. Officers advised that the matter had previously been discussed and that the associated interest will be correctly accounted for in the June financial statements.

Discussion then turned to the reported capital expenditure of approximately $25,000. A member sought clarification as to whether these costs represented capital or operational expenditure and requested examples of the works undertaken. Officers advised that the expenditure relates to the replacement of capital assets such as valves and pipework. Minor replacements, such as taps, are treated as operational expenditure. Officers also noted that works associated with the Makohine Viaduct and tank site monitoring form part of the capital programme, with the largest expenditure relating to ducting installed at the Makohine site. It was noted that other significant capital items, such as pump or liner replacements, would also be capitalised where appropriate.

Members requested that future reports identify the major capital expenditure items to provide greater visibility of significant capital works.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/018

That the report ‘HRWS Financial Summary – April 2026’ be received by the Hunterville Rural Water Scheme Committee.

Mr J McManaway/Mr B Hughes. Carried

9.2 Operations Report - June 2026

Officers advised that scheme water consumption remains within the conditions of the resource consent.

An update was provided on the Makohine upgrade, with construction scheduled to commence on 22 June. Officers advised that the project is progressing as planned and is being actively managed.

Mr McManaway provided an update on the proposed marae connection. Members were advised that progress has been complicated by land title and ownership matters, together with Hunterville Rural Water Scheme's expectation that a financial contribution be made towards the works. Officers advised that an alternative pipe alignment had been offered and that a further site visit would be undertaken. It was acknowledged that the matter is likely to continue for some time but will require resolution.

Officers advised that the liner at the upper pump station storage tank had failed, resulting in damage to the tank foundations. The reticulation team was commended for its prompt response, which enabled water supply to continue by pumping directly through the system without relying on the reservoir.

Officers reported that Timber Tanks had proposed undertaking structural inspections of the scheme's storage tanks at an estimated cost of approximately $700 per tank. Five tanks require inspection. The inspections would identify any recommended replacements or health and safety improvements. Members discussed whether the inspections should proceed, noting the value of understanding the current condition of the assets.

Information was also provided regarding the replacement of mechanical flow meters with magnetic flow meters. Officers advised that the existing mechanical meters are approaching the end of their service life and are becoming increasingly unreliable, resulting in inaccurate readings. Members were advised that replacement magnetic flow meters are estimated to cost between $3,000 and $5,000 per unit, with ongoing telemetry subscription costs of approximately $10 to $30 per meter per month.

Officers advised that routine meter readings continue to be undertaken monthly in accordance with existing procedures. It was noted that a remote monitoring system would allow readings to be checked without staff travelling to each site. A report on this proposal will be presented at the next committee meeting.

A member raised a recent restrictor failure at Mr Crawford's property and asked whether this type of failure was common. Officers advised that such failures do occur from time to time, noting that the scheme is approximately 40 years old and many of the restrictors have performed well over that period.

Members discussed the proposed installation of seven new flow meters.

A question was raised regarding whether the proposed flow meters would integrate with the existing tank level indicators. Officers advised that they would not currently integrate. Members also discussed telemetry options provided by Leveno. Officers advised that Leveno had submitted a proposal, however the available data is approximately one hour behind real time, which presents operational concerns. Further investigation with the operations team will be undertaken. Members commented that real-time monitoring is only effective if the information is actively monitored and noted that Leveno systems are capable of generating alerts when operating parameters fall outside predetermined limits.

An update was provided regarding communications at the woolshed site. Officers advised that migration to Starlink remains under consideration, although little further progress has been made. Officers undertook to investigate the matter further, including alternative router options with higher-gain aerials, and report back at the next meeting.

Members discussed the increasing number of incidents involving contractors or landowners damaging water pipelines with excavators. Two recent incidents were referenced, including one where excavation occurred well within a paddock. Members expressed concern that such incidents appear to be increasing and discussed Council's approach to recovering repair costs. Officers advised that each incident is considered on a case-by-case basis.

Members agreed that greater awareness is required and suggested including a reminder in future communications advising landowners and contractors to identify the location of water pipelines before undertaking excavation. Cr Hainsworth noted that staff had previously advised that a telephone enquiry should be made before excavation commences. Members also acknowledged that new property owners may be unaware of pipeline locations.

Members asked whether repairs and pipeline locations are recorded within Council's GIS system. Officers confirmed that this information should be entered into the GIS database. A question was also raised as to whether Council could identify pipeline easements on property titles.

Mr Manning advised that registered easements provide legal protection for Council assets. Members also discussed the possibility of installing physical markers along pipeline routes or fence lines displaying pipeline locations and contact information. It was noted that many older markers and warning tapes have deteriorated over time.

Members asked whether the proposed tank inspections would identify structural failures such as blow-outs. Officers advised that the inspections are intended to provide a comprehensive internal assessment of the tanks and should identify structural issues, including cracked supports and other defects. It was noted that two primary support struts have previously cracked and been reinforced, while another tank has experienced settlement. Officers advised that the inspections would provide a detailed condition assessment beyond a visual external inspection and would also support Council's insurance requirements.

Members sought clarification regarding the size of the storage tanks. Officers advised that the two pump station tanks each have a capacity of approximately 150 cubic metres, while the main storage tank has a capacity of approximately 300 cubic metres. Officers also confirmed that similar inspections are planned for the town water supply tanks and the Calico Line storage facilities.

Mr Manning provided an update on Local Water Done Well. Members were advised that, following Council's decision in May 2025, rural water schemes are not currently intended to transfer to Central Districts Water, although Hunterville Urban Water Supply will transfer. Mr Manning advised that discussions have been held with Mr Weston and that the future governance arrangements for rural water schemes will continue to be worked through with Council and the relevant committees.

Officers advised that the Local Water Done Well report is expected to be completed by the end of the month. It will first be considered by the Executive Leadership Team before being presented to Council and publicly released in July. A copy will also be provided to the Rural Water Schemes Committee and may form the basis of a future committee agenda item.

Members then discussed future drinking water standards. A member asked how far the current scheme is from complying with the new standards. Officers advised that detailed technical advice would need to be confirmed with Managers. It was noted that the scheme is currently classified as a mixed-use supply under the Territorial Authority framework and is presently regarded as a non-potable supply. Registration is required by November 2028, with an acceptable compliance solution potentially available after 2030 where full treatment is not immediately achievable. Officers confirmed that all available compliance options will be presented to the scheme committee.

Members queried Council's responsibilities beyond the property restrictor and how water use after that point is classified. Officers advised that the Hunterville Rural Water Scheme remains responsible under the Territorial Authority framework. Mr Manning suggested inviting Taumata Arowai representatives to attend a future committee meeting to discuss the regulatory requirements in greater detail.

Members also sought confirmation that the Hunterville urban water supply forms part of the Drinking Water Standards regime. Officers confirmed that it does, noting that it has a treatment plant and is subject to ongoing monitoring. Officers explained that significant weather events can affect the plant's ability to consistently achieve treatment requirements, requiring operators to slow or temporarily shut down the treatment process and, where necessary, cart treated water to maintain supply. Officers advised that options for an additional storage reservoir are also being investigated to improve resilience.

A member asked about the additional cost of treating water beyond the standard unit rate. Officers advised that treatment costs vary depending on the individual scheme and the treatment processes required.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/019

That the Operations Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr S Voelkerling/Mr J McManaway. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/020

That the committee agree to Timber Tanks completing inspections of 5 tanks at $700 per tank for full reporting and inspection.

Mr J McManaway/Mr M Dawson. Carried

The meeting closed at 4.57pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 10 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: TE RŌPŪ AHI KĀ MEETING

Date:	**Tuesday, 9 June 2026**
Time:	**11.00am**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Tumuaki: Dr Heather Gifford (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti)

Tumuaki Tuarua: Ms Kim Savage (Ngāti Parewahawaha)(online)

Nga mema:
Ms Marj Heeney (Ngāi Te Ohuake),
Ms Grace Taiaroa (Ratana Pa)
Dr Mike Paki (Ngā Ariki Turakina)
Ms Moira Raukawa (Ngāti Tamakopiri) (online)
Dr Katarina Gray-Sharp (Ngāti Rangi)(online)
Cr Alan Buckendahl
HWTM Andy Watson

Manuhiri:
Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Mr Pa Rima Tamaiparea-Puki, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

Order of Business

1 Karakia / Prayer

Dr Gifford opened the meeting at 11.07am.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/030

That the apologies received from Cr Raukawa, Ms Hiroa, Mr Winiata-Haines, and Ms Nepia be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Ms G Taiaroa/Dr M Paki. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/031

That the minutes of Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting held on 19 May 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Dr H Gifford/Dr M Paki. Carried

8.1 Follow-up Action Items from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meetings

CDEM Matters

Members were advised that discussions had taken place with Horizons Regional Council regarding emergency management planning for Rātana. Officers confirmed that the appropriate HRC contact had subsequently been connected with Jordan to support ongoing coordination.

Northern and Southern tour of Marae in the District

An update was provided on hosting Council within the southern rohe. Members noted that no further correspondence had been received. It was advised that Ms Savage had requested the relevant contact details, with 17 September identified as the preferred date for the southern tour. The proposed date was noted, subject to confirmation with the southern members. It was also agreed that Mr Tamaiparea-Puki would be included in the arrangements.

The meeting concluded the item with whakawhanaungatanga, during which members formally welcomed and introduced Mr Tamaiparea-Puki to Te Rōpū Ahi Kā.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/032

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meetings be received.

Dr M Paki/Ms K Savage. Carried

7 Confirmation of Minutes

7.1 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes were taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/033

That the minutes of Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting held on 14 April 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms M Raukawa/Ms K Savage. Carried

8 Chair's Report

9.1 Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui June 2026

No chair's report was presented due to an apology from the Chair.

9 Reports for Information

10.1 Mayor's Report - May 2026

The Mayor provided an update on a number of strategic matters affecting the district and the wider local government sector.

<u>Central Districts Water</u>

The Mayor acknowledged the leadership shown by iwi in the establishment of Central Districts Water, noting that their contribution had been well received and reflected within the Statement of Expectations.

Local Government Reform

The Mayor provided an update on the Government's proposed local government reform programme, advising that the proposed timeframes present significant challenges and are unlikely to allow sufficient time for a comprehensive process. It was noted that considerable engagement is underway between councils to understand each authority's preferred approach.

The Mayor outlined the Government's proposal to replace the current territorial authority and regional council structure with unitary authorities. Members noted that extensive public communication and engagement will be required throughout the process.

It was confirmed that the reform process is being driven by central government irrespective of whether individual councils support the changes.

Members expressed concern regarding the potential loss of local representation, particularly for communities such as Rātana. It was noted that while a future Rangitīkei Community Board may be established, its powers would ultimately be determined by the governing unitary authority, which may be centred on a larger urban area.

The anticipated efficiencies of amalgamation were also discussed. Members noted that there is limited evidence demonstrating that amalgamation alone will deliver financial savings and expressed concern that local communication and responsiveness could diminish under a larger governance structure.

Members also discussed the uncertainty associated with the forthcoming general election and the potential implications should there be a change of Government. It was noted that the Opposition had indicated it would not adopt a formal position until later in the year. The Mayor advised that discussions are continuing with neighbouring mayors and a range of stakeholders to better understand potential options and implications.

Relationships with Mana Whenua

Members discussed the implications of local government reform for relationships between councils and iwi. Questions were raised regarding Civil Defence Emergency Management partnerships and the future representation of communities such as Rātana.

Members expressed concern that Māori perspectives may be diminished under the Government's proposed reforms and discussed recent Government announcements limiting decision-making by non-elected members on council committees. It was also acknowledged that independent appointments, including Audit and Risk Committee members, are affected by these changes.

Members expressed sadness at the prospect of Rangitīkei being amalgamated and concern that smaller communities could lose influence within a larger authority. The Mayor encouraged both individual members and iwi groups to provide written submissions to Council outlining their views and guiding principles. It was noted that Rātana is well placed to provide this perspective, although other iwi groups may require additional support.

Discussion also considered the importance of maintaining relationships with Rangitīkei District Council while recognising that neighbouring councils may have differing approaches to iwi partnerships. Members observed that communities of interest are influenced by factors such as shopping patterns, healthcare access and river catchments. It was also acknowledged that previous attempts to establish broader regional iwi arrangements have proven challenging.

Local Water Done Well

Members sought clarification on the governance structure proposed under the Local Water Done Well programme.

The Mayor advised that Central Districts Water is a separate legal entity and is expected to remain unaffected by local government amalgamation. Members discussed how future ownership arrangements would operate under any new governance structure.

Members were advised that local government amalgamation is not expected to occur before CDW is established on 1 July 2027. It was noted that the legislation establishing CDW is already in place, whereas legislation relating to local government amalgamation has yet to be enacted.

The meeting adjourned at 12.03 pm and resumed at 12.17 pm.

Members discussed the opportunity for Te Rōpū Ahi Kā to prepare a collective position paper and, if required, convene an extraordinary meeting of approximately 30 minutes to endorse its position. The Mayor encouraged TRAK to articulate the principles that should guide any future governance arrangements and identify preferred partnership options ahead of the August deadline.

The Mayor concluded by providing feedback from a recent health hui, noting that the engagement had advanced discussions positively, particularly in relation to healthcare outcomes for Taihape.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/034

That the Mayor's Report – May 2026 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Ms M Heeney. Carried

10.2 External consultations and reform update - May 2026

Officers provided an overview of the proposed National Environmental Standards for Papakāinga.

Members were advised that the proposed standards are intended to provide a nationally consistent planning framework for papakāinga development, with the aim of making it easier to establish housing on Māori land.

It was noted that the National Environmental Standards are expected to come into effect ahead of the wider Resource Management Act (RMA) reforms. Officers also clarified that the proposed standards apply specifically to Māori land.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/035

That the report External consultations and reform update – May 2026 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Dr M Paki. Carried

10.3 Project Update Report - April 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/036

That the report 'Project Updates Report – April 2026' be received.

Ms G Taiaroa/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

10 Discussion Items

11.1 Marae Development Fund - discussion

Members considered correspondence and recommendations received from Ngāti Tamakōpiriri outlining a proposed process for marae funding.

Discussion focused on the recommendations contained within the correspondence. Members expressed unanimous support for the first recommendation.

Members also discussed the proposed two-year funding approach. While acknowledging the intent of the proposal, members agreed that every marae should have the opportunity to apply for funding during each funding round.

The reporting requirements associated with the funding programme were acknowledged. Members discussed opportunities for Council and Te Rōpū Ahi Kā to provide support to marae prior to the application closing date. It was suggested that Council representatives or TRAK members could visit marae to assist with the preparation of funding applications.

Members also expressed a preference for marae funding to become an agenda item at the TRAK meeting immediately preceding the opening of the funding round. This would allow the Committee to review the funding guidelines, raise awareness of the process, and provide an opportunity for marae representatives and members of the public to attend and seek guidance.

It was further suggested that applicants submit supporting documentation in advance to a nominated Council contact to assist with reviewing applications and ensuring all required information is included before formal submission.

Members agreed that the objective should be to establish a supportive, transparent, and equitable funding process, with clear guidance provided on application requirements, supporting information, and key deadlines.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/037

That the report Marae Development Fund – discussion be received.

Ms M Raukawa/Dr M Paki. Carried

The meeting closed at 12.40pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti held on 11 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Tuesday, 9 June 2026**
Time:	**4.00pm**
Venue:	**Kokako Street Pavilion** **2 Kokako Street** **Taihape**

Present	Mr Peter Batley Mr Geoff Duncan Mr Barry Thomas Mr Simon Plimmer Mr Benjamin Mallalieu HWTM Andy Watson Cr Jeff Wong Cr Diana Baird (zoom)
In attendance	Mr Calum Wilbur, Senior Accountant (zoom) Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist (zoom) Mr Brent Manning, Contractor Assets Mr Dean Smith, Taihape Plumbing Ms Dawn Hesketh, Administration

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Mr Duncan opened the meeting at 4.00pm

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/006

That the apologies from Jock Stratton and Paul McLaren be received.

Mr P Batley/Mr B Thomas. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/007

That the minutes of Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 3 March 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr P Batley/Mr B Mallalieu. Carried

7 Chair’s Report

7.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

There was no chair’s report.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Erewhon RWS - Financial Summary - Year to Date 30 April 2026

Officers spoke to the report, noting that the budget needed to be finalised at this meeting.

The committee will develop the upcoming programme and distribute the $5 million budget as needed.

There is no change to the meter charge rate for the year. Mr Duncan asked how the valuation had been done, Officers noted it had been done by an outside agency.

Officers noted there had been some quite major issues and leaks that had been dealt with in the last year.

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/008

That the report ‘ERWS Financial Summary – April 2026 be received and approved.

Mr S Plimmer/Mr B Thomas. Carried

8.2 Operations Report - June 2026

Mr van Bussel spoke to his report, and is hoping to get some 50mm pipe in the next couple of months.

Mr Smith stated he would be doing some bridge maintenance and cutting back trees to allow air to get in to enable the area to dry out.

Mr van Bussel would report back at the next meeting about contractors and the right planking to repair the bridge.

Mr Smith suggested getting in a digger during the summer period to clear weeds and other vegetation at the uptake.

HWTM said resource consent from Horizons would be needed. Mr van Bussel and Mr Smith would discuss this further. Mr van Bussel will consult with Horizons and also thinks iwi should be involved.

HWTM spoke about the effect of three waters reform on the scheme.

Mr Smith spoke about a leak in early May on Kaingaroa caused by a digger with the pipes close to the surface. Mr Smith and Mr van Bussel would discuss this. A reminder to landowners re obligation with digging will be sent out with the next rates demand.

Mr Manning spoke regarding his assessment of the scheme so far. He will collaborate with Mr Van Bussel to develop a procurement plan and outline recommendations for projects like the bridge requirement.

HWTM left the meeting at 4:50pm.

With the council-wide drinking water assessment complete, the finalised draft will now be submitted to the council and subsequently released to the public.

The Erewhon Rural Water Supply will be classed as mixed use as 50% or more is used for agriculture.

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/009

That the Operations Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr P Batley/Mr B Mallalieu. Carried

The meeting closed at 5.00pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 1 September 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date:	**Tuesday, 9 June 2026**
Time:	**7.00pm**
Venue:	**Rātana ICT Hub** **4 Taihauauru Street** **Rātana Pa**

Present	Mr Charlie Mete Ms Grace Taiaroa Mr Jason Hihira Ms Ruthie Lawrence
In attendance	Cr Paul Sharland HWTM Andy Watson Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Ms Taiaroa spoke the whakamoemiti and the meeting opened at 7pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/026

That the apology from Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Hihira. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

The were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/027

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 14 April 2026 **[as amended]** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr C Mete/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings

The follow up actions were discussed.

Item 2 - the graffiti on the bus shelter has now been painted out so can be removed from the follow-up actions list.

Item 3 - Ms Bovey presented some drafts of new signage for the urupa for the Board to look at. Some edits were suggested by the Board and will be taken back to staff to reflect the changes. The new drafts will be emailed to Board members for comment.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/028

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings be received.

Mr J Hihira/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

7 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

The Chair provided copies of the following written report:

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I would like to begin by acknowledging the positive work that has been completed around our community over the past month.

Firstly, I am pleased to report that the graffiti on the bus stop has been removed, and the bus stop has since been repainted by Council. The fresh paintwork has significantly improved its appearance, and it is encouraging to see our public spaces being maintained to a good standard. I would like to thank Council staff for responding promptly and helping to keep our community looking presentable.

Secondly, Council has recently laid gravel on the road leading up to the cemetery. This work has improved access to an important area of our community and will be appreciated by those visiting the urupā, particularly during periods of wet weather. We acknowledge and thank Council for undertaking this work.

I would also like to acknowledge the positive atmosphere around the Rātana sports grounds. The Rātana Rugby Club season is well underway, and it has been great to see regular sporting activity taking place on our fields. The grounds have been busy with rugby and other community sports, bringing people together and creating a vibrant and active environment for our whānau, tamariki, and wider community. Sport continues to play an important role in strengthening community connections, promoting wellbeing, and providing positive opportunities for our young people.

Finally, I would like to raise the issue of the Government's proposed changes relating to local government and the potential amalgamation of councils. While details are still being considered, it is important that the Rātana Community Board remains informed and engaged in discussions around how any future changes may affect our community.

Some of the concerns we may wish to consider include:

- Maintaining local representation and ensuring the voice of Rātana is not diminished.
- Protecting community decision-making and local priorities.
- Ensuring continued investment in infrastructure and services within our community.
- Understanding what any governance changes could mean for future funding opportunities and relationships with Council.

As more information becomes available, I believe it will be important for the Board to actively participate in consultation processes and advocate strongly for the interests of the Rātana community.

I would also like to thank all Board members, community groups, volunteers, and residents who continue to contribute their time and energy towards the wellbeing and development of our community. Your commitment is greatly appreciated and helps make Rātana a strong and connected place for everyone.

Ngā mihi,

Charlie Mete
Chairman, Rātana Community Board

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/029

That the Chair's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr C Mete/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

8 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - June 2026

HWTM Watson was happy to take the report as read but highlighted a few items:

- Central District Water
- Rates Capping
- Local Government Reform – the Head Start programme

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/030

That That the Mayor's Report – May 2026 be received.

Mr C Mete/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

9.2 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/031

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Mr J Hihira/Mr C Mete. Carried

9.3 Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti

Ms Taiaroa gave an update on items discussed at the TRAK meeting earlier in the day:

- The National Environmental Stands for Papakainga Housing
- The newly appointed Strategic Advisor Mana Whenua had attended the meeting and would be commencing his role with Rangitīkei District Council in a couple of weeks time.
- As the Northern Marae tour had been so successful a Southern Marae tour has been organised and the date has been set for the 17th of September.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/032

That the Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Hihira. Carried

9.4 Cemetery Update - June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/033

That the report Cemetery Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr J Hihira/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

9.5 Funding Schemes Update - June 2026

The report was taken as read. The Board was keen to be informed when the funds opened and closed to be able to promote the funds to the community.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/034

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr J Hihira/Mr C Mete. Carried

9.6 Rātana Wastewater Discharge to Land - Update

The report was taken as read but it was noted that there did seem to be progress on this project.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/035

That the Rātana Wastewater Discharge to Land - Update be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Hihira. Carried

The meeting closed at 8.04pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 11 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 10 June 2026**
Time:	**5.40pm**
Venue:	**Kokako Street Pavilion** **2 Kokako Street** **Taihape**

Present	Mr Peter Kipling-Arthur HWTM Andy Watson Cr Jeff Wong Ms De-Anna Green Ms Melanie Pera Mrs Gill Duncan Cr Diana Baird
In attendance	Ms Gaylene Prince, Northern Area and Property Manager Ms Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

Order of Business

1 Welcome / Prayer

Ms Pera opened the meeting at 5.40pm with a Karakia.

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

- Paul Keenan outlined his proposal to introduce a cleanfill solution that could be modelled in the Rangitikei Northern Ward. He proposed to source, certify and run cleanfill sites at multiple locations around the network that would comply with all requirements. The benefits of such sites would be that the cleanfill material would only need to be transported the minimal distance, therefore minimising the carbon footprint and in turn would provide a cost saving to the ratepayer.
- Memory Lyon and Te Whaiwhaia Ritchie, Co-Leaders of Te Kāhui Ako o Mōkai Patea were seeking feedback from the Board regarding their proposal for a series of cultural art panels to be installed within the central CBD. The panels' art work would be designed from the illustrations of the children's story book Te Haerenga o Tamatea Whenua – The journey of Tamatea Pokai Whenau. This book which is written by local kaumatua Rihari Steedman and Te Kāhui Ako o Mōkai Patea is well loved and familiar with our young people.
- Michael Andrews, along with Lulu Simi and Paul McKay, spoke on behalf of the Taihape Response Group. They advised that the group was currently working on a welfare plan which would be put in place in the event of a future civil defence event. They acknowledged that there had been a number of learnings from the recent weather event.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Mr Kipling-Arthur declared a conflict of interest regarding the tabled item from the Taihape Museum and Historical Society.

Ms Pera declared a conflict of interest in regard to the presentation from Memory Lyon and Te Whaiwhaia Ritchie.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Chair agreed to take the tabled item from the Taihape Museum and Historical Society under Item 9.5 - Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The Chair asked that the 15 April 2026 minutes be amended to record that Ms Green had opened the meeting with a Karakia.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/021

That the minutes of Taihape Community Board Meeting held on 15 April 2026 as amended be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms D Green. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Taihape Community Board Meetings

Undertaking:

The Board requested that an updated report be provided.

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

The Chair took her report as read.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/022

That the Chair's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mrs G Duncan/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Verbal Update- Northern Area and Property Manager

The Northern Area and Property Manager provided a verbal update to the meeting. The following activities were noted.

<u>Shop Local Campaign</u>

Bag design and colour options for the Taihape Town shopping bags were tabled with members choosing the icon gumboot design on a yellow bag. The bags would be distributed later in the year as part of the annual "Shop Local Campaign".

Taihape Youth Update

<u>Pink Friday – Anti Bullying</u>

The Lobby – alongside Taihape Health and Heartlands – supported Pink Friday Anti Bullying with rangatahi helping decorate mini cupcakes and by providing a free BBQ and cupcakes to our community.

Youth Week

The Lobby hosted a school event with 22 rangatahi participating in fun activities. Four local Kura were supported with resources to provide fun events throughout the week. This initiative was also supported by Sport Whanganui and Heartland Services.

Butchery programme with Taihape Area School Agricultural Class – Processing a Pig, a Deer and a Mutton

The Lobby worked alongside Taihape Area School and facilitated with Tussock Meats in Waiouru, who came down and helped the rangatahi through the process of breaking down the carcass into different meats and rolling roasts with the mutton. The rangatahi will process the meats through their hospitality class. This is going to be sustained through the school moving forward.

Learner Licensing

The Lobby worked collaboratively with Mayors Task Force for Jobs to support our rangatahi coming through the Lobby with Licensing. It has been confirmed that Taihape Area School students will receive Literacy credits when completing their learner license.

Disc Golf

There has been positive feedback received from the local community along with travellers who have being providing feeding through their local Disc Golf pages.
Three local schools have been utilizing the course with others within the wider district, intending to utilize the course in the future. An interschool competition to be planned for the end of year with support from Sport Whanganui and Disc Golf NZ.

Emergency Management

Three members of Taihape Community Response Group have formed a working group to create an Action Plan that supports the Taihape Community Response Plan. Paul Chaffe had a meeting with the full Taihape Response Group last week and in July, will provide them a 2-hour session on CDEM basics including CIMS (Co-ordinated Incident Management System), which is NZs official framework for managing emergencies and incidents of all scales and ensures different responding agencies (such as emergency services, councils, and private organisations) can communicate and work together seamlessly during a disaster or crisis.

Taihape Grandstand Restoration Programme

The committee is currently considering Offers of Service.

Hautapu River Park Bridges

The Hautapu River Park Collective intends to have bridges one and five useable by mid-September.

Taihape Town Hall Banner

Ms Duncan advised that she had received an email from the Taihape Community Development Trust requesting that the Taihape Town hall banner lines that run across the main street be reinstated as part of the town hall upgrade.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/023

That the Verbal Update - Northern Area and Property Manager be received.

Ms D Green/Ms M Pera. Carried

9.2 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

The Board is to arrange a "Taihape Talking Table" to engage with the community regarding this matter.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/024

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms D Green. Carried

9.3 Taihape Community Board - Officer Analysis of Submissions

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/025

That the report Taihape Community Board - Officer Analysis of Submissions be received.

Ms M Pera/Mrs G Duncan. Carried

9.4 Taihape Community Board Workshop

Ms Pera spoke to the Taihape Community Board Workshop report. She agreed to draft a letter to Council requesting that in the new triennium, Taihape Community Board members be invited to attend the northern marae tours.

Mr Kipling-Arthur advised that it had been determined that Council was responsible for the AED unit currently outside of Taihape New World. It was suggested that an AED unit be purchased for the Ngā Awa Block. These items are to be discussed further at the Board's next workshop.

There was further discussion on the need for a cost effective toilet at the Taihape Cemetery along with the availability of a water source by the Dixon Way entrance. It was suggested that Chris Bennett be invited to the Board's July workshop to speak to these items.

Mr Kipling-Arthur is to follow up with Taihape Engineering regarding the replacement of the Achilles corner flagpole.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/026

That the item Taihape Community Board Workshop be received.

Ms M Pera/Ms D Green. Carried

9.5 Small Projects Fund Update - June 2026

The Board discussed the funding request of $986.00 from the Taihape Museum and Historical Society. The funds were required to purchase basic tools and materials which would enable the volunteers to undertake maintenance on the number of the museums tractors and stationary engines. In the past this work had been undertaken by retired farmers who had used their own tools.

It was suggested that this would be a great initiative for our rangatahi and there was the potential to work in with Taihape Area School.

There was some concern that this potentially wouldn't be a one-off request, noting that some of the funds were targeted for consumables.

The Board agreed to support this funding request on the condition that the vehicles were made available for public events such as the Christmas Parade and other community events.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/027

That the Taihape Community Board approves payment of $986.00 to Taihape Museum and Historical Society to purchase basic tools and materials and that this be funded from the Small Project Fund.

Ms D Green/Mrs G Duncan. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/028

That the report Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026 be received.

Mrs G Duncan/Ms D Green. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/029

That the Taihape Community Board does recommend to Council to carry forward earmarked funds of $190.00 for the rural workshops and $986.00 to the Taihape Museum and Historical Society.

Ms M Pera/Ms D Green. Carried

9.6 Mayor's Report - June 2026

HWTM took his report as read. He wished to acknowledged Elizabeth Mortland who had been awarded a King's Service Medal for her service to the Taihape community.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/030

That the Mayor's Report – May 2026 be received.

Mrs G Duncan/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Member moving out of Taihape Ward

Mr Kipling-Arthur will be shifting out of the district but will continue to represent the Taihape Ward. Board Members were supportive of this decision.

10.2 Taihape Town Improvements

Members noted that they had enjoyed the Taihape walkabout with Council's Economic Lead. Mr Kipling-Arthur is to source further information regarding the Taihape rose garden and Achillies Corner with a view to install a story board in this location.

Ms Pera closed the meeting at 8.00pm with a Karakia.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Taihape Community Board held on 12 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 10 June 2026**
Time:	**6.00pm**
Venue:	**Council Chamber** **Rangitīkei District Council** **46 High Street** **Marton**

Present	Mr David Christison Mrs Lyn Duncan Mrs Jennifer Greener Mr David Stantiall Mr Evan McIntyre Cr Dave Wilson Cr John Hainsworth
In attendance	Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The Deputy Chair David Christison opened the meeting. Mr Christison advised that he intended to step down from his role as Deputy Chair and asked Cr Dave Wilson to chair the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/018

That the apologies from Ms Sally Moore, Mrs Carolyn Bates, Mr Damian Turner-Steele, HWTM Watson, and CE Carol Gordon who was intending to attend the meeting but couldn't due to other Council business be received..

Mr E McIntyre/Mrs J Greener. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/019

That the minutes of Marton Community Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2026 **[without amendment]** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr Stantiall/Mrs J Greener. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

Due to standing down as Deputy Chair Mr Christison advised he hadn't prepared a report. He also advised that he intended to stay on the committee.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/020

That the committee accepts the resignation and at the next meeting elects a new Deputy Chair.

Mr D Christison/Mrs J Greener. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Marton RSA & Citizens' Memorial Hall - Naming of Room

The committee discussed the report requesting the change of name and were unanimous in supporting the change of name to the "Duncan Hart Memorial Lounge".

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/021

That the report Marton RSA & Citizens' Memorial Hall – Naming of Room be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/022

That the Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that the upstairs portion of the Marton RSA & Citizens' Memorial Hall be named the "Duncan Hart Memorial Lounge". The committee does not recommend seeking funding from the Hart Family for any new signage.

Mr D Christison/Mrs J Greener. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - June 2026

The report was taken as read

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/023

That the Mayor's Report – June 2026 be received.

Cr J Hainsworth/Mr D Christison. Carried

9.2 Funding Schemes Update - June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/024

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr D Christison/Mrs L Duncan. Carried

9.3 Small Projects Fund Update - June 2026

The committee discussed the three applications they had received requesting funding from the Small Projects Fund.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/025

That the report Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr D Christison/Mrs J Greener. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/026

That the committee grant the following amounts from the Marton Community Committee Small Project Funding:

- Samoan Methodist Marton Parish (Youth Media Project) $100.00
- Marton Boxing (Uniforms) $2000.00

That the committee decline the following application:

- Marton School (New playground fund)

Mr D Christison/Mrs J Greener. Carried

9.4 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/027

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Cr D Wilson/Mrs J Greener. Carried

9.5 Project Update Report - June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/028

That the report 'Project Updates Report – June 2026' be received.

Cr D Wilson/Mrs L Duncan. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.36pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Marton Community Committee held on 12 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Thursday, 11 June 2026**
Time:	**7.00pm**
Venue:	**St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hall,** **State Highway 3** **Turakina**

Present	Ms Linda O'Neill Mr Duran Benton Ms Rachel Cvitanovich Cr Sandra Field (Alternate) Cr Paul Sharland HWTM Andy Watson(Ex-Officio)
In attendance	Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting late at 7.10pm due to the Local Government Reform Public meeting running slightly over time.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/015

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 16 April 2026 **[without amendment]** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms R Cvitanovich/Cr P Sharland. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report. Since the last meeting he had been looking at costings for small projects for the committee and had also been working on the Turakina Civil Defense Response Plan.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/016

That the Chair's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Mayor's Report - June 2026

The Mayor was happy to take his report as read, but highlighted a few items:

- Progress in establishing Central Districts Water was going well
- The 4x4 event in Turakina which was another very successful day

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/017

That That the Mayor’s Report – June 2026 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Mr D Benton. Carried

8.2 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/018

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8.3 Funding Schemes Update - June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/019

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8.4 Small Projects Fund Update - June 2026

The committee discussed funding for two items. A new picnic table to go by the tennis courts/bus shelter, and some new “Turakina Tartan” flags to go on the Flagtrax holders in the Turakina Township. The picnic table would be purchased with the current round of funding and the flags would be purchased in the next round.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/020

That the Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026 report be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/021

That the Turakina Community Committee purchase a wooden picnic table for $1295.00 from their Small Projects Funding.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/022

That the Turakina Community Committee [does] recommend to Council to carry forward remaining funds $494.72 to be put towards the new “Turakina Tartan” flags.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.43pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 13 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL
Making this place home.

UNCONFIRMED: BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 17 June 2026**
Time:	**6.00pm**
Venue:	**Te Matapihi Hall, Te Matapihi** **Bulls Community Centre** **4 Criterion Street** **Bulls**

Present	Mr Alistair Stewart Ms Bronwyn Minty Mr Evan Plank W/O Hutch Hutchinson Cr Paul Sharland Cr Graeme O'Fee HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Ms Heidi Macaulay, Co-ordinator for the Bulls and District Community Trust Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting slightly later at 6.21pm due to the Local Government Reform meeting running over time. The Chair then welcomed the new RNZAF Base Ohakea representative on the committee Warrant Officer Hutch Hutchinson.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/019

That the apologies from Sarah Howe and Te Arawa Ratana be received.

Mr Stewart/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Ms Minty declare a conflict of interest with the Discussion Item on the noticeboards. After discussion the committee decided there was no conflict of interest.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/020

That the minutes of Bulls Community Committee Meeting held on 22 April 2026 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr Stewart/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

Ms Bovey reported back on the four actions that were on the follow-up actions list. The actions had all been completed to the committees satisfaction so would be removed from the list. The committee wanted to add an item to follow up on the establishment of a Bulls Community Welfare Group, and to look at options for replacing a very old sign at the Clifton Reserve on Daniel Street.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/021

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Hunterville Community Committee Meetings be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

7 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report to the committee. He also formally welcomed new committee member representing Ohakea Air Base, Hutch Hutchinson. Mr Hutchinson gave a brief introduction and outlined his involvement in the community, and being involved with Bulls Rugby for many years.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/022

That the Chair's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr Stewart/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

8 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - June 2026

HWTM Watson was happy to take the report as read but noted a few items:

- Central District Waters – Performing well
- Local Government Reforms – an update that non-democratically elected member would no longer have voting rights on Council
- Acknowledging the two Kings Service Medal winners in the district being Helen Cooper and Elizabeth Mortland
- The Duddings Trust was open for applications, and would be closing soon

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/023

That the Mayor's Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.2 Community Development Manager Report - June 2026

The Community Development Co-ordinator for the Bulls and District Community Trust gave a verbal report to the committee. She gave a brief overview of what the Trust did and some of the events and programmes that they ran. She also outlined her role and the many groups and businesses that she worked with. Ms Macaulay intends to regularly attend the committee meetings moving forward.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/024

That the Community Development Manager Report – June 2026 be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.3 Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/025

That the report Rangitīkei at the table: June Engagement on Simplifying Local Government be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.4 Funding Schemes Update - June 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/026

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2026 be received.

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.5 Small Projects Fund Update - June 2026

As the committee has just formed and has several new members they have not yet discussed anything in the way of small projects. They will request carry forward of the current years funds.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/027

That the report Small Projects Fund Update – June 2026 be received.

Ms B Minty/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/028

That the Bulls Community Committee does recommend to Council to carry forward remaining funds $1363.47 and includes earmarked funds of $200.00

Mr Stewart/Ms B Minty. Carried

9 Discussion Items

10.1 Noticeboards in Bulls

The committee discussed the old noticeboard that had been removed from outside the old Bulls Library. They will re-instate outside the doctors after refurbishment. No recommendation required.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Bulls Community Committee held on 19 August 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: SANTOFT DOMAIN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:	**Wednesday, 8 July 2026**
Time:	**6.30pm**
Venue:	**Rangitīkei Tavern 144 Bridge Street Bulls**

Present	Ms Heather Thorby Ms Betty Whyte Mr Paul Geurtjens Mr Gary Bennett Ms Julie McCormick Mr Matthew Holden Cr Graeme O'Fee Cr Paul Sharland (alternative)
In attendance	

Order of Business

1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 6.55pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/007

That the apologies received from Ms Sandra McCuan and HWTM Andy Watson be received.

Ms H Thorby/Cr P Sharland. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The committee will discuss item numbers 6 and 7 at the next meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of Santoft Domain Management Committee Meeting held on 4 February 2026 will be confirmed at the next meeting.

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - July 2026

There was no report given.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Santoft Domain Transactions Report

The report was not discussed.

8.2 Project Manager's Report - August 2025

Domain Grazing Lease

This SDMC noted the lease is the responsibility of the SDMC.

A council representative advised recently that they were going to advertise the Santoft Domain lease in the press. As a result the SDMC moved a motion on the matter.

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/008

That Santoft Domain Management Committee approves items 1 – 7 on the attached list for immediate payment.

Ms J McCormick/Ms Whyte. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/009

That Cr Graeme O'Fee has approval to follow up that attached items 1 – 7 have been included in Thursday 16 July batch payments and that he keeps the chairman informed of progress.

Ms J McCormick/Mr G Bennett. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/010

That future Santoft Domain Management Committee invoices relating to items 8 – 15 on the attached list be approved for payment with 2 signatures – one chairman and one committee member.

These invoices will be electronically circulated to committee members prior to payment by RDC staff and will be included in the confirmation of minutes at the next SDMC meeting.

Ms H Thorby/Ms Whyte. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/011

That Council sends the Santoft Domain Grazing Lease 6-monthly account on time and pays invoices promptly.

Ms J McCormick/Ms Whyte. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/SDMC/012

That Council refrain from publicly advertising the lease on the Santoft Domain, as SDMC wish to continue with the existing lease at present. A letter will be sent to Council explaining the past help and future planned help with the grounds upgrade.

Ms Whyte/Mr M Holden. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Santoft Domain Management Committee held on .

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Chairperson