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UNCONFIRMED: HUNTERVILLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 5 August 2026

Time: 5.30pm

Venue: Hunterville Town Hall
Bruce Street
Hunterville

Present Mr Justin Adams
Cr Fi Dalgety
Ms Charissa Lawlor
Ms Kelsey Smith

In attendance Mr Darryn Black, Acting GM – Assets Infrastructure and Projects
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor
Mr Simon Beckwith, President of the Hunterville RSA

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1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 5.32pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/022

That the apologies received from His Worship the Mayor Watson and Ms Sandra Carroll be accepted.

Ms K Smith/ Ms C Lawlor

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 late item 10.1 RSA Update on Inglis Bridge was added due to the availability of Mr Beckwith from Huntermville RSA to provide an update.

The late item 10.5 Community Funding Roadshow was added and Ms Lawlor tabled the document 'Community Funding Roadshow Flyer'.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Ms Lawlor pointed out the inconsistencies between 'Ms Lawlor' and 'Charissa' and requested that these be amended to 'Ms Lawlor' and for future minutes to be consistent when referring to members' names.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/023

That the minutes of Huntermville Community Committee Meeting held on 3 June 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 K Smith/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Hunternville Community Committee Meetings

Members discussed the follow-up action items below:

Item 1: Porewa/Ongo Streams Maintenance

The Chair will take drone shots of the areas of concern and forward these to Horizons, asking for a management or maintenance plan regarding the protection of the Hunternville township in a flood.

Members noted some there has been some maintenance works around the stream but they are still concerned.

Item 2: Master Mechanic Sign

The sign has been printed. The next step is get it into town, take photos of how it will sit to share with NZTA. It is not a requirement to get consent from NZTA as it is on private property.

A letter to request a fee waiver for the resource consent will be drafted to the Chief Executive.

An item will be raised at the next meeting regarding allocating funds for erecting the sign (if required) and an unveiling event.

Members thanked the Chair for collecting the sign.

Item 3: Simpson's Reserve/Inglis Bridge

This was discussed in Item 10.1 RSA Update on Inglis Bridge.

Item 4: Ambulance Building

Members noted that there is concern in the community that the process of getting the ambulance building will not be forthcoming. There has been no traction with St John despite there being new buildings in Taihape, Marton and Levin. Ms Smith refreshed members on the progress made so far. St John has said no to the options of existing buildings available as ambulance buildings need to be IL4 standard. The community had sourced plans to build such a building and proposed agreements with St John to lease it. These plans and agreements are sitting with St John to approve, but there has been no response.

Item 5: Swimming Pool

This was discussed in Item 9.3 Swimming Pool Update.

Item 6: Printing of the 'Are you Prepared?' Notice

Ms Lawlor received 235 paper copies and has distributed these. Ms Lawlor requested an A4 sized digital copy to print into the next Hunternville Bulletin.

Item 7: No payment for hiring the hall for Huntermville Community Committee meetings

Members discussed that there is a roundabout of money through this process and they are happy with how this works. Adding a payment fee will only land with ratepayers.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/024

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

Mr J Adams/Ms K Smith. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

There was no Chair's Report.

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - July 2026

The Chair took the report as read.

Members acknowledged the benefits of the agreement with NZDF, noting this is not a new agreement but a renewal.

Members discussed the Head Start process and their concerns for the future of Rangitikei. Local identity and voice is their priority but there are benefits of amalgamation. Members agreed central government should be providing more funding and support for district councils through the transition, and that there has not been enough time to make an adequately informed proposal.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/025

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

Mr J Adams/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

9.2 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2026

Members discussed confirming the figures in this report as there was a large difference in the quote and invoice prices for the work done on the Master Mechanic sign. There will be upcoming costs to continue with the sign installation and an unveiling event for the community which will need to come out of the Small Projects Fund. An item will be added to the 07 October Meeting to allocate these funds.

A member discussed potential collaboration with Council officers to install the sign, with the premise that no existing concrete will be damaged.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/026

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

Ms K Smith/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

9.3 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Members encourage the Huntermville community to apply.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/027

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Ms K Smith/Mr J Adams. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 RSA Update on Inglis Bridge

Mr Beckwith gave a verbal update on the progress Huntermville RSA has made on the inspection and restoration of the Inglis Bridge from Simpson's Reserve.

Cr Dalgety and RSA members went see the parts of the bridge. They are in good condition but there is one knuckle missing – this will need to be recast.

The next issue is where it can be put to be displayed. It is very unique as one of three bailey bridges in the world, and the only one in the southern hemisphere. RSA has spoken to NZDF representatives who are in support of the bridge being re-erected. It cannot be re-erected in its previous position due to safety issues. As a monument, these safety issues would be mitigated.

The RSA is proposing the bridge be erected on top of a concrete display similar to Scott's Ferry. RSA's preferred location is at Queen's Park to increase visibility to travellers and to allow for storytelling and wider connection to other displays of Huntermville's history already there.

Members discussed that there are two separate issues – the restoration of the Inglis Bridge and the restoration of public access to Simpson's reserve. They reinforce each other and the opportunity is there to celebrate and reconnect the community to its history and natural environment.

Members discussed exploring avenues of using crowdfunding to re-erect Inglis Bridge and to seek engineer expertise and advice regarding the options of restoring public access to Simpson's Reserve. Members acknowledged that community discussions would need to be had before making decisions, but there was general consensus that there would be support for this as many locals want to give back to the community.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/028

That the Huntermville Community Committee will seek permission from the Chief Executive for the Inglis Bridge previously located at Simpson's Bush Reserve to be placed on a concrete plinth at Queen's Park and for the Huntermville Community Committee to investigate the requirements of restoring public access to Simpson's Reserve using local crowdfunding.

Cr F Dalgety/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

10.2 Bruce Street Traffic Island / Garden

The report was taken as read.

Mr Black spoke to the pavement damage from trucks and heavy vehicles due to navigating around the island at high speeds. This damage will increase with the heat of summer so he is bringing the matter to the committee to get community views on the issue. This is not an urgent matter but is being raised to future-proof the road and preserve local identity.

Members discussed the ongoing problems with trucks driving through Bruce Street at high speeds, including by the school, regardless of speed limits. Greater enforcement may be necessary.

Members acknowledged that a community member who has been a truck driver and is now a local business owner has been advocating for removing the island. Ms Smith acknowledged Maureen Fenton, a member of the community who invested significant time and resources to establish the traffic island. Members noted that Council should consult her before any plans are made. Members also raised concerns regarding the relocation of the items of interest, such as the sheep and the statue.

Members discussed the comparative costs of removing the island versus maintaining it, with figures being relatively similar (around 100k), but maintenance would be a reoccurring cost versus a one off for removal. Members acknowledged that ongoing maintenance costs would be a significant burden to Huntermville ratepayers.

Ultimately, safety is the biggest concern regarding this area of the road, especially considering elderly community members and the upcoming opening of the preschool. Members wanted to see alternate options for traffic calming and pedestrian safety before making any decisions regarding the removal of the island.

Members thanked Mr Black for reaching out for feedback and considering the community's views as important.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/029

That the report Bruce Street Traffic Island / Garden be received.

Ms C Lawlor/Mr J Adams. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/030

That Huntermville Community Committee recommends Council approach Maureen Fenton (the instigator of the Bruce Street traffic island and displays) for her feedback and that Council (officers) provide a minimum of two alternate options relating to pedestrian safety and the placement of the items of significance should the island be removed.

Ms K Smith/Ms C Lawlor. Carried

10.2 Draft Thank you Letter for the Police Area Commander and District Commander

Members discussed minor grammatical amendments. The Chair will make these amendments and send the letter.

The Chair noted that he had discussed with Constable Green if there is anything of concern for the community and there is not.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/031

That the Huntermville Community Committee does approve sending the attached letter with amendment to the Police Area Command and District Commander thanking them for their engagement on local policing in Huntermville.

Mr J Adams/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

10.3 Huntermville Swimming Pool Update

The report was taken as read.

Mr Black spoke to the issue, highlighting that there are complex earthworks and alterations required to achieve the Certificate of Code of Compliance. He updated the Committee on the progress Council has made and that the contract will be awarded to a contractor once all quotes are returned. The Committee will be provided with an update at the 07 October meeting regarding the timeline of the works, and once they are completed, the Huntermville Swimming Pool will be able to apply for the Certificate of Code of Compliance.

Members also noted that the curb has already been lowered.

Resolved minute number 26/HCC/032

That the report Huntermville Swimming Pool Update be received.

Ms K Smith/Mr J Adams. Carried

10.4 Community Funding Roadshow

Ms Lawlor tabled the document 'Community Funding Roadshow Flyer' for an event at Te Matapihi, Bulls on 30 September 26. This event is an opportunity for community members to engage directly

with funders. Ms Lawlor noted that funding can be hard to receive for Hunternville and this will be a great opportunity for community groups and members to explore potential funding options.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Hunternville Community Committee held on 7 October 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: HUNTERVILLE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Monday, 10 August 2026

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Mr Sam Weston
Mr Sam Duncan
Mr John McManaway
Mr Shane Voelkerling
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Fi Dalgety

In attendance

Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist
Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships
Mr Jaden Bustard, Reticulation Technician
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor
Ms Kezia Spence, Policy Analyst
Mr Brent Manning, Consultant – B Spoke Engineering Solutions

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1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 4.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/021

That the apologies from Mr Bob Crawford and Mr Mark Dawson be received.

Mr S Weston/Mr J McManaway. 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

Mr Manning provided a verbal update regarding the next steps surrounding Central Districts Water handover within Item 9.2 Operations Report – August 2026.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Mr Manning raised the miswording of Taumata Arowai as Territorial Authority in the bottom paragraph of page 12. He also raised the misphrasing at the beginning of Page 13 – compliance is required by 2030.

Mr McManaway requested that future minutes refer to him by name regarding issues he raises.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/022

That the minutes of Huntermville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 8 June 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 J McManaway/Mr S Voelkerling. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items

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

The report was received. The action items are discussed in the Operations Report.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/023

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

Mr S Weston/Mr S Duncan. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report, highlighting that Huntermville Rural Water Supply will be required to comply with the rules from Taumata Arowai and this process is going to require some work.

The Chair also raised concern that the process of unit transfers needs looking into as there is a large allocation of units being banked and not used, whether this is to increase capital value or for future use is not clear.

Members discussed revisiting the Scheme's guidelines as it has been a long time since they were established. Mr McManaway highlighted that this could help with recent issues such as pipes being damaged during construction.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/024

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

Mr S Weston/Mr S Duncan. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Huntermville RWS - Financial Summary - June 2026

Mr Pedley spoke to the report, highlighting that expenditure is in line with actual contract rates.

Members raised concerns over the \$47,000 'wash up' charges. Mr Pedley confirmed that this was from the contract changeover period between April and June 2025 where there was dispute between providers and pumping stations. These charges would have been the same rates if being charged at the right time and had to catch up eventually.

Mr McManaway raised concern over the quality of the electricity contract and the absence of consultation with members regarding its establishment. Mr Pedley confirmed that the contract was sourced through Council's standard procedure of sourcing external contractors and was approved by Council. The contract will be ending in March 2028. Mr Pedley advised that next year's costs are contracted to come down.

Members raised concerns over the amount of staff costs. Mr van Bussel confirmed this was due to staff training and is projected to halve next year.

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/025

That the report 'HRWS Financial Summary – June 2026' be received by the Huntermville Rural Water Scheme Committee.

Mr S Duncan/Mr J McManaway. Carried

9.2 Operations Report - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

The next steps considering the upcoming water management changes were discussed and noted as urgent. Members discussed the need for consultation and documentation regarding drinking water status regulation, the potential options of outsourcing this consultation or taking on this task as a Committee and that connection locations need to be established first.

Mr Manning affirmed that the requirements of drinking water regulation is to do everything you can to reduce risk of contamination. This includes good source water, water source management plans, water safety plan (this covers operational staff, treatment regimes or treatment at the point of supply (households).

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/026

That the report Operations Report – August 2026 be received.

Mr S Weston/Mr S Voelkerling. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/027

That the Huntermville Rural Water Supply Committee approves that work be completed on the Top pumping station tank to replace the roof, straighten walls and restrain wires at a total cost of \$23,357.00 + GST.

Cr F Dalgety/Mr S Voelkerling. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/028

That the Huntermville Rural Water Supply Committee approves that work be completed to replace roof on Middle pumping station at a cost of \$19,545.00 + GST to be delegated to the Chair Sam Weston.

Cr F Dalgety/Mr S Voelkerling. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/HRWS/029

That the Huntermville Rural Water Supply Committee approves minor pipe work and pipe restraints to continue to be repaired by Rangitikei District Council staff.

Mr S Weston/Mr S Duncan. Carried

The meeting closed at 5.29pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Huntermville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 12 October 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: TE RŌPŪ AHI KĀ MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 11 August 2026

Time: 11.00am

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Tumuaki: Ms Piki Te Ora Hiroa (Ngāti Whitikaupeka)

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

Nga mema: Ms Marj Heeney (Ngāi Te Ohuake),
Ms Moira Raukawa (Ngāti Tamakopiri)
Ms Grace Taiaroa (Ratana Pa)
Dr Heather Gifford (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti) (Zoom)
Dr Mike Paki (Ngā Ariki Turakina)
Cr Alan Buckendahl
HWTM Andy Watson

Manuhiri: Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Mr Pā Rima Tamaiparea-Puki, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor
Ms Kezia Spence, Policy Analyst

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1 Karakia / Prayer

The Chair opened the meeting at 11.01am.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/014

That the apologies from Dr Katarina Gray-Sharp, Ms Gaylene Nepia and Dr Heather Gifford (from 11.30am) be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Dr M Paki. Carried.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Cr Coral Raukawa raised her involvement in the upcoming General Election. It was noted that at the time there is an individual item come up in which this becomes a conflict, then Cr Raukawa would declare at that time.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Chair returned to Item 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations at 11.08am.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The Chair handed this item to Ms Gifford due to not being present at the meeting being confirmed.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/015

That the minutes of Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting held on 9 June 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 K Savage/Ms P Hiroa. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

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

Ms Savage provided an update on the Southern Marae Tour, which is scheduled for 17 September 2026.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/016

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

Ms G Taiaroa/Ms M Raukawa. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui – August 2026

The Chair tabled a report.

Cr Raukawa arrived at 11.08am.

The Chair returned to Item 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/017

That the Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui – August 2026 be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Ms M Heeney. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Updated Marae Development Fund Guidelines

Pā Rima Tamaiparea-Puki and Ms Gray highlighted that the proposed changes in the report are to confirm dates and guidelines and provide clarity for those applying to the fund.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/018

That the report Update Marae Development Fund Guidelines be received.

Ms M Raukawa/Dr H Gifford. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/019

That the Komiti approves the updated Marae Development Fund Guidelines.

Ms M Raukawa/Ms K Savage. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Report of the Strategic Advisor - Mana Whenua

The report was taken as read.

Ms Taiaroa left during this item at 11.20am and returned at 11.23am.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/020

That the report Report of the Strategic Advisor - Mana Whenua be received.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

10.2 Update on RMA Reform

Ms Gray provided a summary of the proposed resource management changes.

Members discussed their concerns that this reform is one of many reducing the influence of Te Ao Māori and iwi and hapū voices.

Ms Gifford left during this item at 11.30am.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/021

That the report Update on RMA Reform be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Dr M Paki. Carried

10.3 Mayor's Report - July 2026

HWTM took the report as read and highlighted that regarding amalgamation, there is a lot of uncertainty.

HWTM also highlighted the progress made within Central Districts Water, with CEO Chris Dhyrberg being appointed. Ms Heeney shared that the approach to iwi representation within Ngā Tapuwae o Hau is based on whakapapa to waka.

Ms Heeney left during this item at 12.04pm and returned at 12.06pm.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/022

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

HWTM A Watson/Ms M Heeney. Carried

10.4 External Consultations Update

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/023

That the report 'External Consultations Update' be received.

.Ms P Hiroa/Dr M Paki. Carried

The meeting closed at 12.35pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti held on 13 October 2026.

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Chairperson

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UNCONFIRMED: RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 11 August 2026

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Rātana ICT Hub
4 Taihauauru Street
Rātana Pa

Present Mr Charlie Mete
Ms Grace Taiaroa
Mr Jason Hihira
Ms Ruthie Lawrence
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa (Online)

In attendance Mr Te Arawa Ratana
HWTM Andy Watson
Mr Pa Rima Tamaiparea-Puki, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

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1 Whakamoemiti

The Board invited Mr Te Arawa Rātana to speak the Whakamoemiti to open the meeting at 6.30pm.

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

Ms Lawrence requested a late item be added at the end of the agenda to discuss a proposal to replace the mural at the bus shelter.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/026

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 9 June 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 G Taiaroa/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings

The Board discussed the two items on the actions list. The first item regarding water access at the urupa is still in progress. The new signage design for the urupa was approved by the committee, the signs will now be replaced and the item removed from the follow-up actions list.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/027

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

Ms R Lawrence/Mr C Mete. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report highlighting the following:

- Reminder that all burials need to be registered
- The Chair had reported several potholes on the road between SH3 and Rātana Pa to Council.
- The Chair noted that the first Papakaia House was nearing completion.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/028

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

Mr J Hihira/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - July 2026

HWTM was happy to take his report as read but noted the following items he wanted to highlight:

- An update on the Head Start/Amalgamation progress and next steps
- Central Districts Water – Going well with the Board in Place and the Chief Executive Chris Dyhrberg newly appointed.
- That the Dudding Trust applications had recently closed.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/029

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

Mr C Mete/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

9.2 Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti

Ms Taiaroa gave an update on the TRAK meeting earlier in the day highlighting the following:

- Discussion around the Local Government Reform process and concerns of members around losing local voice and the effects that may have on the local communities
- The Long Term plan was coming up soon
- Rates Rebates – distributing through the community
- Southern Marae Tour – this would be held on the 17th of September – schedule was being compiled and Ms Taiaroa would keep the Board informed when details became available

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/030

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

Mr J Hihira/Mr C Mete. Carried

9.3 Cemetery Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/031

That the report Cemetery Update – August 2026 be received.

Mr C Mete/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

9.4 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/032

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Ms G Taiaroa/Ms R Lawrence. Carried

9.5 Bus Shelter Mural Proposal

Ms Lawrence put a proposal to the Board for a replacement mural on the bus stop. Titled “Hands up, Choose Me”. Ms Lawrence gave some background information around the mural concept and her experience with public art projects. The artist who painted the original mural Justin-Leigh had previously been consulted about replacing the mural by Ms Taiaroa. The Board suggested that Ms Lawrence consult directly with Justin-Leigh to look at how they could collaborate on a replacement and to bring proposals back to the next meeting to put forward for Community Consultation.

Resolved minute number 26/RCB/033

That the Bus Shelter Mural Proposal item is added to the follow-up items to be reported back on by Ms Lawrence.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Hihira. Carried

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 13 October 2026.

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Chairperson

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 12 August 2026

Time: 5.30pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Present Mr Peter Kipling-Arthur
Cr Jeff Wong
Mrs Gill Duncan
Cr Diana Baird

In attendance Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Gaylene Prince, Northern Area and Property Manager
Ms Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

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1 Welcome / Prayer

Mr Kipling-Arthur provided a brief welcome to those present and opened the meeting at 5.30pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/031

That the apologies from Ms De-Anna Green, Ms Melanie Pera and HWTM Andy Watson be received.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Mrs G Duncan. 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/TCB/032

That the minutes of Taihape Community Board Meeting held on 10 June 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 Kipling-Arthur/Mrs G Duncan. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Taihape Community Board Meetings

Cemetery toilets and handwashing facilities

It was agreed that this item be discussed at a further workshop with Chris Bennett in attendance.

The Northern Area and Property Manager is to follow up with the Parks and Reserves Manager regarding the timeline for the water line replacement at the Taihape cemetery as potentially hand washing taps could be installed as part of this work.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/033

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

Mrs G Duncan/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair spoke to her report. She noted that the earlier presentation from senior Taihape Area School students had been well supported.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/034

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

Mrs G Duncan/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 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.

Hautapu Bridges

All five bridges have now been built. The Certificates for Public Use have been placed on each bridge. Frame Group have completed the final engineer's inspection. Friends of Taihape are awaiting documents for the final Building Consent inspection which is booked for 18 August 2026.

Taihape Grandstand

Taihape Grandstand Restoration Committee have committed to a Review and Reset that will allow for a more concise way-forward report and action plan. It would identify the viable project scope, core risks and evidence gaps, realistic funding position, and key decisions required from Council and Taihape Grandstand Restoration Committee. The Group have been successful in receiving a \$75K grant from the Four Regions Trust.

Taihape Town Hall

A detailed design is in progress with a building consent application expected to be lodged this month. There has been one pre-consultation with Council's building team to understand the expectations with regards to the building consent application. The Design team is currently resolving a few noise concerns that were presented in the acoustic report.

Parks

The picnic tables at Gumboot Park and Memorial Park have been refurbished. The courts at Memorial Park have been cleaned and water blasted. There has been new mulch added to the playground.

The Parks Team have engaged Department of Corrections, on a weekly basis, to help with the following tasks within Memorial Park:

- raking mulch areas in playground
- litter collection from grandstand and netball courts
- sweeping up debris from these sites.

Youth

The recent holiday programme in collaboration with Ruapehu R.E.A.P was successful with both parties keen to work together on a regular basis.

The 6-week golf programme alongside GolfNZ has commenced. This has been extremely successful with students attending from various schools including Taihape Area School, Mataroa, Waouru, St Josephs, and Taoroa. Council's Tamariki Rangatahi Engagement Officer is currently looking into ways of sustaining this collaboration.

Assistance has been provided to Taihape Area School students with preparation/study for their learner licences along with VTNZ, who are assisting rural schools that are geographically challenged to sit their licences at their school.

There has been positive feedback received from members of the public who had noted that there seemed to be a lot of roading workers out and about in the community undertaking various tasks such as weed spraying, and street maintenance etc.

The Northern Area and Property Manager to pass this feedback onto Council's Roding Transport Manager.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/035

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

Cr D Baird/Cr J Wong. Carried

8.2 Mayor's Report - July 2026

The Chief Executive advised that Council had approved all remits. Mrs Gordon provided members with an overview of the recent Memorandum of Understanding that Rangitikei along with Tararua, Manawatū, Ruapehu and Whanganui District Councils had signed and submitted to the Government as part of the Simplifying Local Government Reforms.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/036

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

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Cr J Wong. Carried

8.3 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The Northern Area and Property Manager advised that Council's Funding Specialist was hosting a Funding Roadshow which was to be held at Te Matapihi on 30 September. Various funding organisations such as Sport Whanganui would be attending.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/037

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Cr D Baird. Carried

9 Discussion Items

9.1 NZTA Speed Change Submission

The Chair acknowledged RDC's Corporate Planner for her work on this submission.

It was suggested that members also submit individual feedback.

Resolved minute number 26/TCB/038

That the Taihape Community Board approves the drafted feedback submission to be submitted to NZTA regarding the speed limit change proposals for Taihape South and Winiata Marae.

Cr D Baird/Mrs G Duncan. Carried

9.2 Community Gardens

There was no decision made. It was agreed that this item be discussed at the Board's next meeting.

9.3 Taihape Museum Request for Payment

There was no decision made. Mr Kipling-Arthur is to request that The Taihape and District Historical Museum Society provide Taihape Community Board with an invoice for the research that they had undertaken on the Achilles story. This matter is to be deferred until the Board's next meeting.

Achilles Corner restoration and Plaque Project

Mr Kipling-Arthur provided an update on the Achilles Corner Restoration and Plaque Project. He would source prices for a new flagpole and discuss designs etc. in collaboration with a local RSA representative.

The Chair advised that funding was available to purchase materials for the picnic tables which Taihape Area School students would construct. These would then be put in place at a site on Achilles corner. The Chair also noted that she had been approached by locals who wished to contribute to this project.

It was agreed that this item be discussed at the Board's next workshop in order to finalise details and costings.

The meeting closed at 6.07pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Taihape Community Board held on 14 October 2026.

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Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 12 August 2026

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Ms Sally Moore
Mrs Carolyn Bates
Mr John Whittaker
Mr David Woodbridge
Mr David Stantiall
Mr Evan McIntyre
Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance

S Blakelock
Reg Dulieu
Mr Jarrod Calkin, Manager Community and Economy
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

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1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **26/MCC/018**

That the apologies from Mr David Christison, Mrs Lyn Duncan, Mrs Jennifer Greener, Mrs Belinda Harvey-Larsen, Ms Philippa Hancock, and HWTM Watson, be received.

Mr J Whittaker/Mr Stantiall. 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 moved an item requesting support for “Ducks crossing” signs for Mill Street in Marton forward. The attached letter was summarised for the committee and Ms Blakelock answered questions from the committee members.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **26/MCC/019**

That the minutes of Marton Community Committee Meeting held on 10 June 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 D Wilson/Mr Stantiall. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report advising that she had met with Dion Cowley from FRV NZ regarding the proposed solar farm North of Marton.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/020

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

Ms S Moore/Mrs C Bates. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Election of Deputy Chair - Marton Community Committee

Due to the large number of apologies for the meeting the present members decided to defer appointing a new Deputy Chair until the next meeting.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/021

That the Marton Community Committee will defer appointing a new Deputy Chair until the next scheduled meeting in October.

Mr J Whittaker/Mr Stantiall. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - July 2026

The Mayor's Report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/022

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

Cr D Wilson/Mr J Whittaker. Carried

9.2 Verbal update - Better Off Funding for Marton Town Centre

Mr Calkin spoke to the committee about plans for upgrading and updating the main streetscape in Marton.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/023

That the 'Verbal Update - Better Off Funding for Marton Town Centre' be received.

Mr J Whittaker/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.3 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/024

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr E McIntyre. Carried

9.4 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2026

The committee discussed the attached letter from S Blakelock regarding issues with ducks being injured and killed by cars in Mill Street, Marton. The committee agreed to fund 2 signs in Mill Street from the Small Projects funding and will request Council install appropriate signage.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/025

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

Mr J Whittaker/Mr E McIntyre. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/026

That the committee request that Council erect appropriate “Slow down – Ducks crossing” signage in Mill Street in Marton. The committee approves up to \$1,000.00 for 2 signs to be erected from its Small Project Fund.

Cr D Wilson/Mr J Whittaker. Carried

10 Discussion Items**10.1 Meet the candidates event**

There was no decision made. The committee discussed involvement in a “Meet the candidates” event in Marton. The members present felt it wasn’t a role for the Community Committee and wanted to note that they had no interest in being involved in that space.

10.2 Mt View Cemetery - Entry/Exit

Mr McIntyre spoke to the committee about his serious concerns around safety for people entering and exiting the Mt View cemetery, both on foot and by car. Visibility was especially bad if there was a large funeral, or multiple funerals on at one time. The committee agreed that the road layout and visibility made safe exit very difficult and cars parking along State Highway 1 meant people were having to walk along the highway to return to their vehicles. The committee agreed to request Council investigate safety improvements and would add this item to their follow-up actions.

Resolved minute number 26/MCC/027

That the Marton Community Committee requests that Council investigate options for signage and safety improvements for the entry/exit points for Mt View cemetery. The committee request to be kept informed of the progress of this investigation.

Mr E McIntyre/Mrs C Bates. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Marton Community Committee held on 14 October 2026.

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Chairperson

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 13 August 2026

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Present

Ms Linda O'Neill
Mr Duran Benton
Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Ms Tina Duxfield
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Ms Mary-Ann van Dyk
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

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1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **26/TCC/015**

That the apologies from Cr Paul Sharland, and Cr Sandra Field be received.

Ms D Duxfield/Ms L O'Neill. 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/TCC/016**

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 11 June 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 D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report to the Committee. Since the last meeting he has been working on the Turakina Response Plan with Paul Chaffe, the Council's Senior Emergency Management Advisor. The Plan is now complete and will be made available to the community via a QR code link on Community Social Media pages. The Chair had also been pricing items required to install the newly purchased picnic table by the bus stop/toilet.

The Chair also welcomed local resident Ms Mary Ann van Dyk who was co-opted on to the Committee.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/017

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

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/018

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8.2 Mayor's Report - July 2026

HWTM was happy to take his reports as read but noted the following areas with the Committee:

- RMA reform and discussion around Mana Whakahono ā Rohe
- What was happening in Central Government and its effects on Council
- Update to Local Government Reform and Amalgamation

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/019

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

HWTM A Watson/Mr D Benton. Carried

8.3 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2026

The Committee discussed current projects and the installing the new picnic table by the bus stop. The Chair advised they would need stain, shellrock, and concrete to complete the installation. The Committee agreed to the purchase of the items from the Small Projects Fund.

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/020

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

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/021

That the Committee approves payment of \$117.82 to Mr D Benton from the Turakina Community Committee Small Projects Fund for fuel expenses relating to collection of the newly purchased picnic table from Lower Hutt.

Ms L O'Neill/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/TCC/022

That the Committee approves spending up to \$250.00 from the Turakina Community Committee Small Projects Fund to purchase items required to install and secure the new picnic table by the bus stop.

Ms L O'Neill/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

9 Discussion Items

9.1 Kahuraponga Stream Bridge Maintenance

The Committee discussed how they might go about tidying up the bridge and walkway alongside the bridge. Ms Cvitanovich had contacted NZTA who advised the bridge was scheduled to be water blasted but there was no current timeframe for this work. They also advised that the footbridge was maintained by Council – Ms Bovey undertook to follow up with the Roading Team on planned maintenance or the ability of the Committee to be able to complete this work.

The meeting closed at 8.04pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 15 October 2026.

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Chairperson

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 19 August 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 Te Arawa Ratana
Ms Bronwyn Minty
Cr Graeme O'Fee

In attendance Mr Pā Rima Tamaiparea-Puki, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

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1 Welcome

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

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **26/BCC/029**

That the apologies from HWTM Watson, Cr Paul Sharland, and Mr Wally Plank be accepted..

Cr G O'Fee/Ms B Minty. 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/BCC/030**

That the minutes of Bulls Community Committee Meeting held on 17 June 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 B Minty/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

The Committee discussed the follow-up actions:

1. Bulls Community Civil Defence Welfare group. Great turn out at the second meeting held for the community. Contact details of those at the meeting were collected for Council Civil Defence staff who will be in touch with the group to arrange training.
2. Signs to replace the Clifton Grove Reserve sign were shown to the Committee. They were keen to include the red heritage sign to replace the old wooden one in place.

3. Community noticeboard re-location. Cr O'Fee undertook to assess the sign to see what maintenance might be required and will report back.
4. Bulls Masterplan – this was a follow-up from a previous discussion to alert the committee that the plan had been completed.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/031

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

Ms B Minty/Ms S Howe. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair gave a verbal report noting that the Council Parks & Reserves Team had gifted some plants to the Committee for the planter boxes in town, thanks to Greg Smith for planting these. Greg Smith had also emailed through a police report filed in regard to the committees watering trolley being stolen.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/032

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

Ms B Minty/Ms S Howe. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - August 2026

The Mayor was happy to take the reports as read but noted the following updates:

- Local Government Reform and the Council's response to the Headstart Programme
- Otara Bridge restrictions
- RMA Reforms – Mana Whakahono ā Rohe
- Roading cost increases and the impact on Council budgets.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/033

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

Ms B Minty/Ms S Howe. Carried

9.2 Mayor's Report - July 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/034

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

Ms B Minty/Ms S Howe. Carried

9.3 Community Development Manager Report - August 2026

HWTM Watson left at 6.55pm at the beginning of this item as he had another engagement to attend in Palmerston North.

The Bulls and District Community Trust Community Development Manager gave a verbal report on events they are currently working towards and the work being done on the A-Bull signage policy. The Wear-A-Bull Arts event was completely sold out for this coming year with a waiting list for tickets.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/035

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

Ms S Howe/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.4 Funding Schemes Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/036

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2026 be received.

Ms S Howe/Ms B Minty. Carried

9.5 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/BCC/037

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

Ms B Minty/Ms S Howe. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Haylock Park/Bulls Planter Boxes Maintenance and Refresh - received from Greg Smith

The Committee discussed whether the boxes were still fit for purpose and able to be easily maintained by the Committee and community, especially in light of the watering trolley being stolen. The committee decided to do a walk around and inspect the planters to have more information on their condition to discuss at the next scheduled meeting.

10.2 Bulls in Bloom - email from Stu Pearce, Foundry Gym, Bulls

The Committee discussed the request and how that might fit in with the planters already in place. The Chair will contact Mr Pearce to get more details of the project.

The meeting closed at 7.11pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Bulls Community Committee held on 21 October 2026.

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Chairperson



UNCONFIRMED: ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 27 August 2026

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Sandra Field
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa (Zoom)
Cr Graeme O'Fee
Cr Coral Raukawa
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance

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, Acting GM Assets Infrastructure and Projects
Mr Eswar Ganapathi, Senior Project Manager
Ms Gaylene Prince, Northern Area and Property Manager
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The Chair opened the meeting at 9.31am and read the Council Prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/016

That the apologies from Cr Diana Baird, Cr John Hainsworth and Cr Paul Sharland be received.

Cr S Field/Cr G O'Fee. 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/AIN/017

That the minutes of Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 28 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.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr G O'Fee. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

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

The Committee accepted that the matters listed on the register are complete and are to be removed.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/018

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

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

The Chair highlighted the ongoing changes regarding legislative reform and international geopolitical tensions which are relevant to the Committee.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/019

That the report Chair's Report - August 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Terms of Reference - Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Members discussed the current legislative change from central government which will affect non-elected representative's voting rights in committees and boards and how this could impact the inclusion of a Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti representative within the Assets/Infrastructure Committee.

The committee agreed that regardless of voting rights, the voice which a TRAK representative provides is important. A footnote that this appointment may be subject to further directions from Council, noting the Local Government (System Improvements) Bill currently moving through parliament would be added to the Draft Terms of Reference.

His Worship the Mayor raised concerns that the delegation powers outlined within the Draft Terms of Reference are too broad, specifically regarding contract approval for major capital projects. Members agreed "(delegations)" would be removed from the Draft Terms of Reference, and this matter will be revisited at a later time, at which all Council committee delegations will considered.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/020

That the report Terms of Reference – Assets/Infrastructure Committee be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/021

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends to Council the updated Terms of Reference are adopted, as amended.

Cr D Wilson/Cr S Field. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Project Update Report - August 2026

Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation

Members asked about the status of the Options Report regarding land acquisition. Mr Benardie advised this report is subject to the periphyton risk assessment which has not been completed yet. Members discussed the importance of this report regarding the upcoming Central Districts Water (CDW) transfer in informing decisions.

Rātana Wastewater Discharge to Land

Members discussed the complexities of making decisions on projects that are included in the CDW transfer. Mr Bernadie advised there is a mechanism in place to communicate the information regarding progress made on considering project options to CDW, but the responsibility of managing projects to be transferred lies with Council until 01 July 2027.

Cr Raukawa asked about progress on this project, the current budget compared to initial forecast and involvement of iwi, hapū and other stakeholders at this point. Mr Bernadie advised that initial forecasts were very high level and that the project is not at the decision-making point where further stakeholder engagement would occur.

Members discussed concerns about the impacts of delays on the communities involved. Mr Bernadie advised that these delays are due to the complexities of the project, including the consenting process. Members requested if Officers are able to link previous reports in upcoming Project Update Reports to keep Committee members and the communities more informed of progress.

Cr O'Fee left during this item at 10.16am and returned at 10.21am.

Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Projects

Mr Bernadie highlighted that external advice is progressing well to find where improvements can be made. The main issue currently is the high volume of inflow infiltration, particularly from private properties. Resolving this issue is complex and considering the costs to private property is key to officers' process, alongside following the national guidelines concerning this issue.

Marton Water Strategy

Mr Bernadie advised that CDW have accepted this as a project with a long-term allocated budget of \$20 million. Details of the timing will be confirmed by CDW as they evaluate all transferred projects from Rangitikei, Horowhenua and Palmerston North councils.

Marton EOC

Officers advised that construction is beginning 01 September 2026, with project completion planned for April 2027.

Taihape Grandstand (Community Led Project)

Members raised concerns of the level of information provided through the update and reiterated that Council requires oversight of the project. Officers advised that the Taihape Grandstand Restoration Committee (TGRC) has completed a reset with assistance from Frame Group and will now be able to report back to the Committee/Council with more detailed information within three identified workstreams - heritage, changing rooms and compliance. These reports will include updates regarding funding, completion of works, timeframes and risks.

Taihape Town Hall and Library Redevelopment

Officers highlighted that the detailed design phase would be finished early September.

Marton Swim Centre Structural Remediation

Officers confirmed there is a delay with delivery of the steel roof frames due to geopolitical tensions.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/022

That the report Project Updates Report – August 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr C Raukawa. Carried

10.2 Consent Compliance Report - August 2026

Members raised concerns regarding the apparent level of non-compliance for the water reporting. Officers advised there are complexities around consenting limits and non-compliance does not always signal significant issues. Were these to arise, Taumata Arowai would advise Council officers to remedy the matter, which would also be brought to the committee.

Cr Hiroa left during this item at 11.02am returned at 11.04am.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/023

That the report Consent Compliance Report – August 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

10.3 Roothing Update – August 2026Otara Bridge

Mr Black advised that a full capacity assessment of the bridge is underway, noting the complexity of repairs to suspension bridges as well as the age of the bridge. The length of time restrictions will be in place is unknown. Members discussed how this is a shared issue alongside Manawātū District Council and communication and collaboration will be key to ensure the best outcome.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/024

That *Standing Order 4.2 No meeting can sit for more than two hours continuously without a break of at least ten minutes, unless the meeting resolves to extend the time before a break is set aside until the completion of Item 10.3.*

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/025

That the report Roding Update – August 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.35am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 29 October 2026.

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Chairperson

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 27 August 2026

Time: Following Risk/Assurance Meeting

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Cr Fi Dalgety
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance

Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Sandra Field
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
Mr Jarrod Calkin, Manager – Community and Economy
Ms Gaylene Prince, Northern Area and Property Manager
Ms Charissa Lawlor, Funding Specialist
Ms Janna Harris, Corporate Planner
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The Chair opened the meeting at 3.37pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/015

That the apologies received from Cr Diana Baird and Cr Paul Sharland be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. 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/FPE/016

That the minutes of Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 28 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.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings

The Committee agreed the item on the register will be marked as complete and removed.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/017

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

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report – August 2026

The Chair tabled a report.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/018

That the report Chair's Report – August 2026 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Finance Snapshot - July 2026

The report was taken as read. Ms Macdonald highlighted carry forward requests will go before Council in October.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/019

That the report Finance Snapshot – July 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.2 QV Report - June 2026

Members discussed that revaluations are underway which will be effective from 01 July 2027. Officers advised owners can object and/or give direct feedback to QV for a 6-week period during November-December.

The Chair highlighted that the rating units in the Rangitikei currently sit at 8,929.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/020

That the report QV Report – June 2026 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.3 Quarterly Property Sales

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/021

That the report Quarterly Property Sales be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.4 Debt Collection Update

Officers highlighted the debt numbers sitting in the report.

Members discussed the increase in the amount of rates rebates claimed and highlighted this is a positive opportunity for eligible rate-payers. Members discussed options of increasing community awareness of rates rebates. Officers advised rate-payers who previously applied are sent applications, and all the Community Hubs and service centres have forms available.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/022

That the report Debt Collection Update be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.5 LGFA – General Information

Members discussed the CDW transfer in relation to this item. The Chair highlighted LGFA's positive position meeting 18 out of 21 performance standards.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/023

That the report LGFA – General Information be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.6 Annual Rates Rebate and Remission Statistics

Members discussed the importance of managing rates revenue effectively considering upcoming changes due to the Local Government (Rates Capping) Amendment Bill.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/024

That the report Annual Rates Rebate and Remission Statistics be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.7 Fee Waiver – 01 January 2026 to 30 June 2026

Officers noted that although these waivers forgo potential income, they enable Council to perform its community function and encourage Council facilities to be used. Members noted that this is an area that may need to be reviewed in response to the Local Government (Rates Capping) Amendment Bill.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/025

That the report Fee Waiver – 01 January 2026 to 30 June 2026 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/HWTM A Watson. Carried

9.8 Statement of Service Provisions End of Year Report 2025/2026

Ms Harris noted that the data in this report will be included in the Annual Report following audit process.

Members raised concerns whether the targets are realistic. Officers advised that work is underway to evaluate this, as this is a consideration within the Long Term Plan and will be presented in an upcoming Council workshop.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/026

That the report Statement of Service Provisions End of Year Report 2025/2026 be received.

Cr J Wong/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.9 Quarterly Feedback – April to June 2026

Members discussed the feedback regarding Taihape Gumboot Day. Officers advised this was promoted through our Community Hubs including social media, Rangitikei Aotearoa social media and website and was attended by multiple elected members and Youth Council members.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/027

That the report Quarterly Feedback – April to June 2026 be received.

Cr J Wong/HWTM A Watson. Carried

9.10 Rangitikei Grant Finder - Grant Guru and External Funding Opportunities

Ms Lawlor highlighted the increase in community organisations registering and searching via Grant Guru. The upcoming Community Funding Roadshow at Te Matapihi, Bulls on 30 September 2026 was highlighted, with 6 funding organisations in attendance.

Members discussed the increasing difficulty of sourcing funding. Ms Lawlor noted this is largely due to an oversubscription with application requests often doubling the amount of funds available.

Resolved minute number 26/FPE/028

That the report Rangitikei Grant Finder – Grant Guru and External Funding Opportunities be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

The meeting closed at 4.32pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Finance/Performance Committee held on 24 September 2026.

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Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: RISK/ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 27 August 2026

Time: To follow Risk/Assurance Workshop

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Mr Philip Jones
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Dave Wilson
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance

Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Sandra Field
Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive
Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Ms Lorraine Bergen, Manager – Financial Services
Ms Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 1.37pm.

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

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/015

That the minutes of Risk/Assurance Committee Meeting held on 28 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

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Risk and Assurance Meetings

The item on the register is completed in Item 9.1.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/016

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

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report – August 2026

Members highlighted that the biggest risk is the loss of public voice across all the reforms listed, especially considering the speed at which change is occurring.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/017

That the report Chair's Report – August 26 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Risk/Assurance Committee Programme of Work

The Committee discussed the Long Term Plan, highlighting its importance as leverage to bring a realistically unique picture of Rangitikei to amalgamation. Concerns were raised considering the number complexities to be considering in the Long Term Plan process due to ongoing legislative and operational changes.

Members discussed the AI disclosure within the Risk Appetite and Tolerance Policy. Officers advised that there are strict procedures adhered to by staff when obtaining an AI license.

Members discussed the risk of online harassment. Officers advised prevention of this risk is captured within the Social Media Policy and Customer and Visitor Conduct Policy, but will ensure this is also referenced within the Risk Appetite and Tolerance Policy when adopted by Council.

HWTM Watson left after this item at 2.56pm and returned at 3.17pm after item 10.5.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/018

That the report Risk/Assurance Committee Programme of Work be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/019

That the Risk/Assurance Committee recommend the Delegations to Positions Policy to Council for adoption.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/020

That the Procurement and Contract Management Policy be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/021

That the Risk/Assurance Committee recommends to Council that the Risk Management Strategy and Risk Appetite and Tolerance Policy be adopted, as amended.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/022

That the Strategic Risk Register be received.

Cr J Wong/Cr D Wilson. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Health, Safety and Wellbeing Update

Ms Macdonald highlighted that the dashboard now includes contractor notifications, and that officers have completed health and safety inspections at contractor sites and are training site managers to perform and record their own inspections.

Members raised concerns regarding the increase in negative interactions between officers and the public. Officers advised this trend is common amongst councils. Officers undergo situational safety training to be prepared for aggressive interactions and receive support following any incidents.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/023

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

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

10.2 Internal Audit Programme

The report was taken as read.

Ms Bergen noted that the Accounts Payable internal audit will be postponed to allow settling in time for a new Finance Officer – Accounts Payable.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/024

That the report Internal Audit Programme be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

10.3 The Audit Office Outstanding Management Actions

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/025

That the report The Audit Office Outstanding Management Actions be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

10.4 Outstanding Internal Audit Recommendations

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/026

That the report Outstanding Internal Audit Recommendations be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

10.5 Financial Risk Report

Officers highlighted that the results in this report indicate Council is performing well compared to industry averages.

Members discussed the outstandings related to consents, and queried the process of how this interacts with Certificate of Code of Compliance (CCC). Officers advised the CCC is not provided until the total balance of consent fees are received.

Officers also noted the amount of properties with outstanding rates decreased significantly.

The Chair highlighted that it is acceptable that Council is currently outside of the Treasury Policy considering the CDW transfer as the increased interest costs that would occur to achieve compliance are not justifiable.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/027

That the report Financial Risk Report be received, noting Council is outside of the Treasury Policy and the reasons for this.

Cr D Wilson/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

10.6 Insurance Update

Ms Bergen highlighted that the new CDEM liability insurance covers volunteers involved with a CDEM Event. The New Councillors and Officers specific liability policy is scheduled to go before Council around November. This will include costings and positioning within the current budget. There is also ongoing cost-benefit analysis considering the costs of windscreen replacements compared to the cost of no-excess cover for windscreens.

The Chair highlighted that overall, there is increased cover for less cost.

Resolved minute number 26/ARK/028

That report Insurance Update be received.

Cr J Wong/Cr F Dalgety. Carried

The meeting closed at 3.24pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk/Assurance Committee held on 3 December 2026.

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Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED: EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 1 September 2026

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Present

Mr Jock Stratton
Mr Peter Batley
Mr Geoff Duncan
Mr Simon Plimmer (via telephone)
Mr Paul McLaren
Mr Benjamin Mallalieu
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Jeff Wong
Cr Diana Baird (alternate)

In attendance

Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist
Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive (online)
Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships (online)
Mr Paul Carlsson, Asset Manager (online)
Mr Dene Smith, Taihape Plumbing
Ms Rochelle Baird, Community Services Officer

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1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 4.00pm with a minute silence for Ms Dawn Hesketh.

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 were no changes to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/010

That the minutes of Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 2 June 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 Mallalieu/Mr P Batley. Carried

7 Reports for Information

7.1 Erewhon Scheme Information

Mr Duncan spoke to his report and requested that the date on which the report was submitted be included in the title of future reports. Mr Duncan explained that the report is intended to be a living document and act as terms of reference document for future members of the Scheme.

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/011

That the report 'Erewhon Scheme Information' be received.

Mr G Duncan/Mr P Batley. Carried

7.2 Erewhon RWS - Financial Summary - Year ended 30 June 2026

Mr Pedley noted the \$5 million loan, clarifying that if the funds are underspent, the balance would be carried forward into the following financial year. Members discussed that the allocation of this budget is still to be decided on, noting the potential of funding the Horizons resource consent through the loan.

Mr Duncan queried whether the rates against the scheme, along with insurance costs, would be calculated using the capital value for the current year. Mr Pedley confirmed that they would not.

Mr van Bussel noted that the operating costs differ slightly from the figures associated with the resource consent. He advised that \$26,532 is currently identified in relation to the consent, with a further \$10,500 classified as Capital expenditure rather than Operational expenses. Members requested that operating costs be separated and broken down further to provide a clearer indication of expenditure and better visibility of repairs, regular inspections and maintenance.

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/012

That the report 'ERWS Financial Summary – June 2026' be received and approved.

Mr B Mallalieu/Mr G Duncan. Carried

7.3 Operations Report - September 2026

Mr van Bussel noted the testing of 50 mm 35 bar PE pipe would assist with the renewal programme and may provide an opportunity to use PE pipe in place of steel pipe in the future. HWTM queried the effects of cold weather on PE pipe. Mr van Bussel advised that he was not aware of any, and Mr Duncan added that this should not be an issue where there is a constant flow.

Mr van Bussel highlighted the progress on the resource consent process, with a resource consent application able to be lodged following the receipt of the necessary engineering information. Mr van Bussel advised this would be near the end of September and indicated it would be best to progress with the application as soon as possible. Members discussed the remote flow data and waterfall in terms of their effects on the resource consenting process. Mr van Bussel advised there has been no significant variance within remote flow data over the last 50 years, and that all available data would be provided to the Horizons planners to determine what requirements may apply. The Chair suggested that a drone survey could potentially be undertaken to provide further information regarding the waterfall.

Members discussed the upcoming work on the bridge and requested that officers source a secondary quote. Mr van Bussel advised that any proposal would need to be discussed with the Health and Safety Officer before proceeding.

Mr van Bussel provided an update on the tender process. Thirteen contractors applied, with five shortlisted. Three contractors are local and two are Waikato-based and familiar with the process.

A standard will be prepared for the works, which all tenderers will be required to follow. His Worship the Mayor queried the route where the pipe is exposed and crosses the bluff. Mr van Bussel advised that an alternative route is proposed, with most of the pipe underground and only a small section exposed. Mr Mallalieu queried the expected tender timeframe and whether the works

could commence this summer. Mr van Bussel advised that this is the intention, subject to the supplier providing the required pipe. Mr Stratton advised that September would be a suitable time for works in Mangaohane, with October being more difficult due to lambing. Tenderers have been advised of the consent requirements. Members discussed that accommodation could be made available at the shearer's quarters for contractors.

Mr McLaren queried the amount of asbestos pipe remaining. Mr Smith advised that there is some in the Hinau Block area from Big Hill T, but there have been no leaks in there.

Mr McLaren asked whether monitoring of the scheme was being considered and whether additional flow meters could be installed. Mr van Bussel advised that the Hunterville Scheme is currently looking at this and he would share what their costings are at a future meeting.

Resolved minute number 26/ERWS/013

That the report Operations Report – September 2026 be received.

Mr B Mallalieu/Mr P Batley. Carried

8 Discussion Items

8.1 Rural Water Schemes Briefing

The Chair raised the need to communicate with scheme members regarding the future of the Rural Water Schemes, including the potential \$5 million loan. Members discussed it would be best to contact members early to be upfront regarding the ongoing operational costs and their impacts on members' charges, while also scheduling a meeting for members to discuss the changes to the scheme in depth following the tender process. The Chair was to action preparing a letter for scheme members and would be available to discuss the matter with members individually.

The meeting closed at 5.13pm.

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

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Chairperson