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Hunterville Community Committee

Order Paper

Monday, 18 April 2016, at 6.30pm

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Maureen Fenton

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Karen Kennedy, Jean Signal, Erina True, Jane Watson

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, (ex officio)

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The quorum for the Hunterville Community Committee is 4.

At its meeting of 28 October 2010, Council resolved that "The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roou Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3.

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

4 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from the Hunterville Community Committee meeting 15 February 2016, are yet been received by Council

5 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendation from the Committee to Councils meeting on 29 February 2016.

6 ‘What’s new, what’s changed...?’ –Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan

His Worship the Mayor will provide a presentation and lead the discussion. Copies of the Consultation Document will be tabled at the meeting.

7 Other simultaneous consultations:

- proposed 2016/17 Schedule of Fees and Charges
- proposed amendments to the dog control policy and associated bylaw
- review of class 4 Gambling venue policy

The Summary of Information documents for these three proposals are attached. The detailed proposals, including submission forms, are on the Council website. They are open for consultation at the same time as for 'What's new, What's changed...?'

8 Update on town centre plan project

The Town Centre Plan Steering Group is meeting imminently with Council staff from Policy, Parks and Reserves and Community Services to set out the next stages of the Town Centre makeover. A verbal update will be provided to the meeting.

9 Issues raised at previous meeting

[minutes not yet received]

10 Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-5

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2016' be received.

11 Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation – part one: water quality

A letter is attached.

Recommendation

That the letter 'Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation - part one: water quality' be received

12 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-5

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward' be received.

13 General business

14 Next meeting

Tuesday 20 June 2016, 6.30pm

15 Meeting closed

Attachment 1



SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES, 2016/17

Reason for the Proposal

The fees and charges set by the Council follow from the revenue and financing policy (part of the 2015/25 Long Term Plan). This policy expresses Council's view about how various services are to be funded, particularly the balance between the share to be funded by ratepayers (because there is advantage to everyone in having the service available and used) and the share to be funded by those making use of it (because the benefit from the service is primarily, or wholly, enjoyed by such people). In determining this balance, Council has regard for thinking in other councils, especially our neighbours.

All fees in 2016-2017 have been raised by 1.9%, the inflation factor used in setting Council's budgets for 2016/17. This inflation factor is different from cost-of-living adjustments, because there are significant elements in Council's expenditure whose costs have risen more sharply – particularly materials to support maintenance of roads and infrastructure. The Schedule shows the proposed fees alongside the 2015/16 fees.

The actual fees from applying this factor have been rounded to the nearest dollar except for solid waste fees which are rounded to the nearest 10c.

Some fees are set by regulation and thus are not changed during this review.

The notable changes are:

- Setting similar fees for use of all Council parks,
- Reducing fees for hall hire and being more flexible over short-term hire (with the objective of attracting greater use) and allowing discounts to non-profit community groups,,
- Altering library photocopying, faxing and scanning fees to reflect actual cost more accurately,
- Providing for the applicable charges under the Food Act 2014,
- Simplifying the fee structure for dog registration, and
- Introducing a volumetric fee structure for wastewater.

Discussions are in progress with the Ombudsman's office regarding the basis for charging for Land Information Memoranda.

Fees and charges for parks relate to exclusive use only. They have been set to encourage regular use by local sports clubs and organisations, and other non-profit community users.

Adjustment to rents in Council's community housing must be made in accordance with the requirements of section 24 of the Residential Tenancies Act 1986. Typically this means that a change to rents for existing tenants will not occur for two months after Council adopts the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the coming year.

Several Council-owned or administered facilities are managed by other organisations, which set their own fees (typically in consultation with the Council):

Marton Swim Centre	Nicholls Swim Academy
Taihape Swim Centre.....	Taihape Community Development Trust
Huntermville Town Hall	Huntermville Sports and Recreation Trust
Turakina Domain	Turakina Reserve Management Committee
Koitiata Hall	Koitiata Residents Association
Shelton Pavilion	Marton Saracens Cricket Club

More Information

Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

The Statement of Proposal (i.e. the full proposed Schedule of fees and charges, 2016/17) is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Proposed Schedule of fees and charges may be made from **4 April to 12 noon 6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Those who make a written submission may also choose to make an oral submission. Hearings of oral submissions are scheduled for **16 May 2016** at the Council Chambers in Marton. Please indicate on your submission form if you wish to speak to your submission.



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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

DRAFT DOG CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITY POLICY AND CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW

Reason for the Proposal

A recent review of Rangitikei District Council's processes to meet its obligations under the Dog Control Act 1996 suggested that Council could tighten some of the provisions of its dog control policy to support the Animal Control Team in carrying out their duties under the Act. Whilst no change to the provisions in the Control of Dogs Bylaw is warranted, the opportunity is taken to make some minor wording changes.

Legislative Requirements

Under the Dog Control Act 1996, every council **must** have a dog control policy and **may** have a dog control bylaw. When a dog control bylaw is reviewed, the Act requires a council's dog control policy to be reviewed at the same time. In consulting on a proposed new dog control policy and bylaw, the Local Government Act 2002 requires the use of the Special Consultative Procedure.

What changes have been made?

The amendments suggested to the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy relate primarily to enabling a discretionary power to neuter menacing dogs (rather than a mandatory one) and the introduction of a property inspection regime which ensures properties are regularly inspected prior to a menacing dog classification. In addition, the Policy's definition of "good owners" has been revised to better align with the Dog Control Act 1996. The Control of Dogs Bylaw has received minor wording changes to better align with the Local Government Act 2002.

Commencement

The proposed commencement date for the revised Dog Control and Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw is 20 days after the amendments to the Policy and Bylaw are adopted by Council and publicly notified following this period of consultation.

More Information

Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

The Statement of Proposal contains the reasons for the proposal, and copies of the draft Policy and Bylaw. The Statement of Proposal is prepared in accordance with section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002. It is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Draft Dog Control and Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw policies may be made from **4 April to 12 noon 6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

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DRAFT GAMBLING VENUE (CLASS 4) AND TAB VENUE POLICIES

Reason for the Proposal

The Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies are statutory policies required under S 103(5) of the Gambling Act 2003, and S 65(e) of the Racing Act 2003 (respectively). Under these Acts, Council is required to review these policies at least every three years. In determining its policies, the territorial authority must have regard to the social impact of gambling with the district.

Legislative requirements

This review is required under the under S 103(5) of the Gambling Act 2003, and S 65(e) of the Racing Act 2003.

Options considered

Council currently permits the establishment of new Class 4 venues in the District. New venues may apply for a licence to operate up to 9 gaming machines, providing that the total number of gaming machines in the District does not exceed 83. As part of the Gambling Venue (Class 4) policy review, Council considered whether to continue to allow the establishment of new Class 4 venues and whether to retain the current cap on gaming machines at 83, or whether to increase or decrease the maximum number of gaming machines permitted in the District.

Similarly, there are currently no standalone TAB venues in the District and Council's policy does not permit new venues to be established. During the review, Council considered whether it should permit new standalone TAB venues to be established.

What changes have been made?

Council agreed not to make any changes to its existing Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue Policies since the Social Impact Assessment provided little evidence of widespread or growing harm in the District from problem gambling. However, Council recognises that the community may have more information about the specific, local harm caused by problem gambling and it welcomes written and oral submissions from the public on this matter.

More Information

Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

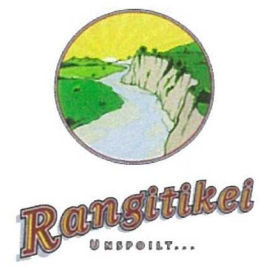
The Statement of Proposal contains the reasons for the proposal, copies of the draft policies, and the social impact assessment of gambling within the district. The Statement of Proposal is prepared in accordance with section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002. It is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Draft Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies may be made from **4 April to 12 noon 6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

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Attachment 2



MEMORANDUM

TO: Hunterville Community Committee

FROM: Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

DATE: 12 April 2016

SUBJECT: **Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2016**

FILE: 3-CC-1-5

1 Allocation

- 1.1 The 2015/16 Small Projects Grant Scheme for the Hunterville Ward is \$809.
- 1.2 The allocation of the Small Projects Grant Scheme is for the period 1 July to 30 June each year. At its meeting on 29 February 2016, Council resolved to allow carry-forward from one financial year to the next of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee's Small Projects Grant Fund, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution of the Committee.

2 Breakdown

- 2.1 For the 2015/16 year the following amounts have been used by the Committee:
- \$417.39 – Hunterville Bookshop; photocopier paper for the Hunterville newspaper

3 Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2015/16 financial year of \$391.61.

Samantha Whitcombe
Governance Administrator

Attachment 3

4 February 2016



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Dear Ross

EVALUATING HORIZONS' ONE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION – PART ONE: WATER QUALITY

Starting this month, Horizons Regional Council will be looking at our progress on putting the *One Plan* into effect.

The first piece of evaluation work will look at progress in implementing coastal and freshwater quality rules, and focus on the topical and challenging issues of intensive land use and nutrient management.¹ This area has been chosen for early consideration because of its high public interest. Consenting of intensive agricultural land use is a new process, which has rightly remained in the spotlight as we put it in place.

This letter is to advise you of this evaluation work, and invite your views. While it is important to be clear about the evaluation's scope and purpose - this is not a Plan change and review process, and does not revisit community values or the Plan's framework itself. We are committed to an inclusive process, where interested groups with views on the past year's experience with the implementation of the *One Plan*'s nutrient management rules, are able to have a say. I invite you to send this letter on through any parts of your networks which may be interested, or otherwise to let them know about the work that is happening. Your comments will inform our understanding of what is important to people as we go through this process, and make sure that perspectives are fully taken into account.

In considering comments you may wish to make:

- The main focus is on rules for intensive land use consenting and nutrient management (and resulting *One Plan* water quality objectives). Other parts of the *One Plan* will be evaluated later.
- The evaluation is about progress achieved and problems experienced, in putting the new rules into effect. We want to know what's working (or what's not), and kick the tyres on any problems.
- Are you happy with progress, and Horizons' approach? We welcome comments on what any issues for you might be.

Christchurch

Dunedin

Hamilton City

Ngāruahanga

Palmerston North

Rangiora

Wairarapa

Wellington

¹ For background, see Report No. 15-265 *One Plan Evaluation: Proposed Framework and Scope* (8 December 2015). This report is available on Horizons website at http://www.horizons.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Events/Strategy_Policy_Committee_Meeting/2015-12-08_130000/Table-of-contents-Dec.pdf.

- Social impact assessment and economic modelling are important parts of the work. Comments you may have on social or economic impact are relevant.
- As with the *One Plan*, evaluation work will continue to be informed and led by the freshwater science – understanding where we are, for example, against new national river and lake health bottom lines.
- We will be considering the *National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management* (NPSFM) and its requirements.


While it may seem early days to be evaluating where we are up to, we think this important to ensure that the process is being well managed, and to provide a clear picture for council and our community of any issues arising. This, in turn, supports all of us in making good decisions.

The focus at this stage is on how the *One Plan* is being put into effect. There will not be a formal submission process. If, at some future time, it was thought (perhaps because of implementation problems or new requirements through the NPSFM) that the *One Plan* itself needed to be reviewed or changed, this would be a publicly notified process, involving a full statutory consultation and review of the policy options.

The current piece of evaluation work is due to be completed by **August 2016**. If you have views or comments it would be helpful to receive these early. You are welcome to contact Claire Browning, Project Manager by email: claire.browning@horizons.govt.nz or phone: (06) 9522 824 to signal your group's interest in the work and ask any questions, or you may like to simply submit any views or comments in writing.

In the meantime, work to implement the *One Plan* continues. Input from the community is an important part of ensuring we are getting it right. I hope you feel encouraged to be involved.

Yours sincerely



Nic Peet
GROUP MANAGER STRATEGY & REGULATION

Attachment 4

MEMORANDUM



TO: Huntermville Community Committee
 FROM: Samantha Whitcombe
 DATE: 12 April 2016
 SUBJECT: **Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward**
 FILE: 3-CC-1-5

SEWERAGE AND THE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE GROUP OF ACTIVITIES 2015/16				Mar-16
Major programmes of work outlined in the LTP/Annual Plan 2015/16				
Projects	Design/ Scoping	Tender/Contract docs	Under construction	Complete
Huntermville: Ongo Rd Sewer Main Renewals	4 sections of Ongo road 86m/150mm GEW, 58m/150mm GEW, 232m/100mm GEW & 82m/150mm GEW replacements. Under investigation & design. (est \$150k).	Prelim design complete CCTV complete . Sewerline programmed for Dec 2015.	Sliplining completed. LJR's to be installed work to be completed March 2016.	
Huntermville: WWTP Upgrade – new clarifier	Upgrade of plate separator and plant. Second hand clarifier purchased and installed. (est \$200k)		Installed and operating	Final optimisation still required

Samantha Whitcombe
 Governance Administrator