

Rangitikei District Council

Hunterville Community Committee Meeting Order Paper – Monday 20 February 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

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Present: Ms Karen Kennedy (Chair)

Cr Dean McManaway

Ms Jane Watson Ms Maureen Fenton Ms Sandra Carroll Mr Trevor O'Connor Ms Jean Signal Mr Richard Gower Ms Erina True

Ms Lynette Thompson

In attendance: Ms Linda Holman, Governance Administrator

1 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.31pm and welcomed the Committee members.

2 Public Forum

Nil

3 Apologies

Nil

4 Members' conflict of interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda. No conflicts of interest were noted.

5 Confirmation of order of business

No late items were presented.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 17/HCC/001 File Ref 3-CC-1-2

That the Minutes of the Hunterville Community Committee meeting held on 5 December 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms Kennedy / Ms True. Carried

7 Chair's Report

Nil.

8 Combined meeting / workshop with Council and Community Committees

Information was noted. Cr McManaway encouraged the members to attend as it is a great opportunity to have a say in the direction of the district from a Hunterville point of view.

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations raised at the previous meeting.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

There were no queries raised at the previous meeting.

11 Update on place-making initiatives

Cr McManaway spoke with Ms Becks Meyer about taking on a leadership role for Placemaking initiatives in Hunterville, she is still considering the offer.

Ms Kennedy reported back following time spent speaking with people sitting on the chairs and tables that had been created in an earlier Placemaking project. The new bench seats are more popular than the old style picnic tables as people felt they were more "friendly" to use.

12 Small Projects Grant ideas

Discussion about projects that can be supported by the Small Projects Grant funds was held. Two suggestions were made: wider distribution of the "welcome to Hunterville" newsletter, and installing a sign behind the Huntaway dog that says "Hunterville" so when the photos taken by tourists are shared online, people will know which town they were taken in.

13 Small Projects Grant Scheme update – January 2017

Resolved minute number 17/HCC/002 File Ref 3-CC-1-2

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - January 2017' be received.

Ms Kennedy / Ms Carroll. Carried

14 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Cr McManaway provided updates to the report as follows:

- Tree Management in parks Cr McManaway is arranging the removal of the 30 cottonwood trees, but funding is yet to be confirmed for this. Mr Athol Sanson, Parks and Reserves Team Leader, is now pruning all the trees in the local parks.
- **Rural Hall Renovation** the community is being consulted about whether to remove unused halls in rural areas.
- **Swimming Pools** the Hunterville pool is now back on track.
- Water the future supply of Hunterville urban water is currently being investigated.
- Sewers Ms Carroll noted that she has seen people dumping into the sewer drain outside her property and will attempt to get photographic evidence the next time this happens.

Resolved minute number 17/HCC/003 File Ref 3-CC-1-5

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure Projects/Upgrades and other Council Activities in the Hunterville Ward – January 2017' be received.

Ms Kennedy / Ms Carrol. Carried

15 Future Queens Park Waste Management and Playground Gate and Ramp

The worsening waste management situation in Queen's Park was discussed, and the three month trial of the compacting bin was agreed to be a positive attempt to address the increasing amount of rubbish in the park.

Installing a new gate in the playground was highlighted as a potential project for a Placemaking project. Mr Athol Sanson has been asked to let the Committee know if the existing gate adheres to currently child safety standards. It was decided that Ms Fenton will contact local builder Tim Young to investigate whether this is an achievable project for him to complete with help from the community.

It was noted that the toilets will be open 24/7 on trial in response to complaints about freedom campers not being able to use toilet facilities outside of hours. It was also noted that there have been a small number of long term campers in Queen's Park recently, which is not ideal as it is not a campground with facilities.

Resolved minute number 17/HCC/004 File Ref 6-RF-1-9

That the memorandum 'Future Queens Park Waste Management and Playground Gate and Ramp' be received and feedback provided.

Ms Watson / Ms Signal. Carried

16 Dog Cemetery

Mr Gower provided a verbal report on the Dog Cemetery project. This project is still in an investigation phase, with various elements to be researched:

- Cr McManaway will speak with the Council's Chief Executive, Mr Ross McNeil, to ascertain whether the Council land that has been identified as being suitable is able to be used for this purpose
- Mr Gower will speak with the Council to find out about the rules and regulations for operating a dog cemetery, and whether any consents are necessary
- Mr Gower will also research who would be responsible for maintaining the cemetery in the future
- Mr Gower will contact the Council of the Australian town with a similar project, to get a feel for the various considerations. He will also suggest becoming a sister town
- Ms Kennedy will research NZ regulations on animal cemeteries

 Cr McManaway suggested a dedicated committee be set up to drive this project, and it was suggested that the project be mentioned in The Bulletin to seek committee members

17 Hunterville Grandstand colour scheme

Cr McManaway noted that, although Ms Carroll's offer to source discounted paint was very much appreciated, the repainting of the Grandstand needed to be put through the accepted tender process. The project is currently on Tenderlink.

Ms Kennedy spoke to the school to find out the colours they used – they weren't sure but think that they are:

- Half Spanish White or Half Colonial White
- Permanent Green on the roof
- The red colour is unknown

18 Grants and Funding overview and 2017 dates

The memorandum 'Grants and Funding overview 2017' was noted and Ms Holman said she would bring pamphlets containing that information to the next meeting, as well as supplying them to the Hunterville Library.

19 Late Items

Nil.

20 Next Meeting

Monday 10 April 2017, 6:30pm.

21 Future meeting dates for 2017

- 19 June
- 21 August
- 16 October

22 Meeting Closed at 7:56pm

Date: