



ORDER PAPER

HUNTERVILLE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Monday, 9 February 2026

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitīkei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Chair: Mr Sam Weston

Membership: Mr Bob Crawford
Mr Mark Dawson
Mr Bernie Hughes
Mr John McManaway
Mr Sam Duncan
Mr Shane Voelkerling
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr John Hainsworth (Alternate)
HWTM Andy Watson

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Notice is hereby given that a Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Monday, 9 February 2026 at 4.00pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 8 December 2025 are attached.

Attachments

1. **Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting - 8 December 2025**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 8 December 2025 **[as amended/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.

**ITEM 6.1
MINUTES****UNCONFIRMED: HUNTERVILLE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: **Monday, 8 December 2025**

Time: **4.00pm**

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

Present
Mr Sam Weston
Mr Bob Crawford
Mr Mark Dawson
Mr Bernie Hughes
Mr John McManaway
Mr Shane Voelkerling
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr John Hainsworth
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance
Mr Ivan O'Reilly, Senior Reticulation Technician
Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome

Mr Weston opened the meeting at 4.00pm.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/025

That the apology be received from Mr Sam Duncan.

Mr B Crawford/Mr S Voelkerling. 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 25/HRWS/026

That the minutes of Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 11 August 2025 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr J McManaway/Mr B Crawford. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - December 2025

An email was received by the Chair from Taumata Arowai, and this has been tabled.

The warmer weather is causing issues for the scheme and therefore a reminder that any issues to contact Ivan or the Council.

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/027

That the 'Chair's Report – December 2025' be received.

Mr S Weston/Mr B Hughes. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Operations Report- December 2025

KiwiRail viaduct

Concerns were raised regarding a number of unintended costs associated with KiwiRail works. Mr van Bussell to request and provide the email from KiwiRail to the committee.

Marae Pipe Replacement and Boundary Matters

Clarification was requested on whether the contractor's scope includes all works, including joining the pipe. The cost estimated is \$7,599 which is significantly less than the highest quote received.

Internet Router

The committee approved \$2,500 to remove the internet modem with a cell connection.

The committee moved to the finance report and then returned after this.

Sam Duncan Request

The section from Otairi to Leedstown was not designed for additional water take however the committee was supportive of Sam Weston to discuss with others on the line who might not be using all their units.

Further advice was required on the privacy of unit holders for the committee to support negotiations by committee members.

Cr Dalgety left at the end of this item at 5.36pm.

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/028

That the Huntermore Rural Water Supply – Operations Report December 2025 be received.

Mr S Voelkerling/Mr B Crawford. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/029

That the Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Committee direct staff to replace the internet router at the wool shed on Mark Grace's property with a cell connection at the cost of \$2,500.

Mr S Voelkerling/Mr B Crawford. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/030

That the Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Committee do not agree that the units be transferred from the Otairi to Leedstown, as described in the request from Sam Duncan because the downstream allocation of the Rata line has been fully allocated due to the hydraulic capacity.

Mr B Crawford/Mr J McManaway. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/031

That the Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Committee support Sam Duncan negotiating with unit holders on the Rata line downstream.

Mr B Crawford/Mr J McManaway. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Huntermore RWS - Financial Summary - October 2025

Electricity Cost

The costs of electricity was discussed by the committee and requested Mr Pedley provided the cost of the power to the committee.

Rates

The committee noted that there was no rate increase last year but may be needed to minimise the expense of electricity.

Resolved minute number 25/HRWS/032

That the report Huntermore RWS Financial Summary - October 2025 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Mr J McManaway. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Discussion item

Mr McManaway highlighted the need for the scheme to review the rules in place as there are likely to be more issues become known.

The meeting closed at 5.51pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Huntermore Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on the 09 February 26.

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - February 2026

Author: Sam Weston, Chair

1. Reason for Report

1.1 A verbal update may be provided by Mr Weston.

Recommendation

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

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Operations Report - February 2026

Author: **Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist**

Operations Project Update

- Scheme consumption within consent requirements.
- Progress is being made with Makohine Viaduct pipe upgrade Kiwirail we have 2 out of the three approvals waiting on invoice from kiwirail Grants Office, Andrew van Bussel will update on latest progress.
- Received three quotes to realign pipe at Taraketi Marae, John Mcmanaway work with marae committee to share cost.
- Andrew van Bussel to update committee on investigation of northern line issues.
- Scheme generally running well.

Thanks Andrew van Bussel

Attachments:

1. Leaks and Repairs [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Operations Report – February 2026 is received.

HRWS Opps report – Leaks and Repairs

3-12-25 Lightning strike replace level sensor at main reservoir

4-12-25 Leak on Hillside at Dave Munns

5-12-25 Leak on inlet at Geoff Georgetti tank

6-12-25 Leak on rail bridge at Te Houhou Road

7-12-25 Kakarangi Tank overflowing

8-12-25 Check Te Houhou line

8-12-25 Put river pump in

9-12-25 Replace bore cock at Sam Westons

9-12-25 Read meters and check pump stations

16-12-25 Fix inlet pipe at Ken Duncans

17-12-25 Comms fault – middle pump station

18-12-25 Read water meter at John Hendersons tank

19-12-25 Replace sensor at Otiairi – hit by lightning

8-01-26 Replace pipe through gateway for Harry Duncan

8-01-26 Grease pumps in pump stations

12-01-26 Repair leak on Sam Duncans

12-01-26 Check Mark Dawsons restrictor – all clean, check flow to tank he was getting his allocation

14-01-26 Put flow meter on Ohingaiti break tank

14-01-26 Check Taylors line for leak

16-01-26 Comms fault at top pump station

16-01-26 Lightning hit flow meters at main reservoir

21-01-26 Change bore cock at Ohingaiti break tank

22-01-26 Replace bore cock at John Henderson Tank

22-01-26 Clean restrictors and look for leaks around Ohingaiti

8.2 Huntermore RWS - Financial Summary - December 2025

Author: Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships

Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

1. Reason for Report

1.1 This Report provides the Operating Statement for the period ending 31 December 2025.

2. Commentary

2.1 This shows:

- 2.1.1 Operating Cash deficit of \$11.3k for the period ended 31st December 2025
- 2.1.2 Capital Expenditure of \$19.3k for the period ended 31st December 2025
- 2.1.3 Notional Cash Reserves of \$913.9k as at the 31st December 2025

3. Discussion and Options Considered

- 3.1 Officers have presented the draft 2026/27 Annual Plan to Council which has been approved for inclusion in the consultation pack. This includes the HRWS water rates remaining as they are in 2025/26 for 2026/27 pending the committee agreeing to this or otherwise. As discussed in the previous meeting, this matter now needs to be closed.
- 3.2 The draft budget is presented in the attached report for discussion noting that this draft includes a marginal 2.6% increase for CPI on most budget lines.
- 3.3 Investigation as to the increase in electricity costs has been undertaken. The increase is due to the new three-year contract where contract rates are heavily skewed to the early months and discount over time. An update will be presented to the committee at this meeting

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 Nil

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 5.1 Nil

6. Strategic Alignment

- 6.1 Nil

7. Mana Whenua Implications

- 7.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

- 8.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

9. Statutory Implications

- 9.1 Nil

10. Conclusion

10.1 Monthly report attached for consideration

Attachments:

1. **HRWS Financial Summary - Dec 25** [¶](#)

Recommendation 1

That the report HRWS Financial Summary - Dec 2025 be received and approved by the Huntermore Rural Water Scheme Committee.

Huntermville Rural Water Scheme
Financial Statement
Year to Date 31 December 2025

	Dec-25			2024/25		2026/27
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Full Year Budget	Actual	Budget	Full Year Budget
INCOME						
Metered Charges	264,220	267,113	532,478	532,426	532,478	532,478
Penalties	2,143	900	2,412	9,157	2,186	2,413
Interest	0	33,060	33,060	29,759	0	38,310
	266,363	268,013	567,950	571,342	534,664	573,201
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Phone	1,573	1,248	2,497	3,204	2,444	2,564
Electricity	196,403	137,544	275,198	255,626	241,305	329,644
Insurance	13,242	14,994	30,000	30,656	27,664	27,636
Rates - Utility	-	7,920	15,847	14,530	14,530	17,263
Member remuneration	(480)	1,602	3,205	3,440	0	3,200
MDC Professional Services	0	0	0	0	1,248	0
Operational Costs - Contractor	0	0	0	0	1,297	0
Reticulation Costs - Staff	65,344	19,830	39,676	35,671	20,053	40,703
External Contractors	1,170	8,394	16,795	17,584	16,435	17,234
Resource Consents	0	1,410	2,822	0	2,762	2,900
Chemicals / Consumables	0	1,944	3,889	0	3,805	3,988
Materials	418	5,340	10,684	9,230	13,582	10,960
	277,670	200,226	400,613	369,941	345,125	456,092
NON CASH EXPENDITURE						
Depreciation	142,294	102,150	204,382	196,635	219,023	284,000
Finance Costs	0	3,834	7,671	0	8,323	0
Internal Charges	0	0	0	183,949	185,247	0
	142,294	105,984	212,053	380,584	412,593	284,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	419,964	306,210	612,666	750,525	757,718	740,092
Accounting Surplus/(Deficit)	(153,601)	(38,197)	(44,716)	(179,183)	(223,054)	(166,891)
Add back						
Depreciation	142,294	102,150	204,382	196,635	219,023	284,000
Finance Costs	0	3,834	7,671	0	8,323	0
Internal Charges	0	0	0	183,949	185,247	0
Operating Cash Surplus (Deficit)	(11,307)	67,787	167,337	201,401	189,539	117,109
Capital Expenditure	19,391	25,272	50,546	50,413	49,456	51,759
Capital Expenditure relates to:						
Contractor - Reticulation	16,851	14,040	28,081	9,600	20,754	28,755
Contractor - Treatment	0	11,232	22,465	26,374	16,479	23,004
Makohine Viaduct Pipe Replacement	2,540	0	0	14,439	12,223	0
	19,391	25,272	50,546	50,413	49,456	51,759
Available Finance						
Funding Surplus (Deficit) b/f	944,571	944,571	944,574	793,583	793,583	1,061,365
Operating Cash Surplus	(11,307)	67,787	167,337	201,401	189,539	117,109
Capital Expenditure	(19,391)	(25,272)	(50,546)	(50,413)	(49,456)	(51,759)
Funding Surplus/(Deficit) c/f	913,873	987,086	1,061,365	944,571	933,666	1,126,715

9 Public Excluded

Resolution to Exclude the Public

The meeting went into public excluded session [enter time](#)

Recommendation

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

1. Water Unit Transfer

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987* for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
9.1 - Water Unit Transfer	Information received by lawyer and including information relating to negotiations s7(2)(g) - Legal Professional Privilege s7(2)(i) - Negotiations	s48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding or the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

10 Open Meeting