## Rangitikei District Council



# Marton Community Committee Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 11 May 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

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**Present:** Ms Lorraine Pearson (Chair)

Ms Carolyn Bates Mr Nathan Kane Mr Rob Snijders Cr Nigel Belsham Cr Lynne Sheridan

#### 1 Welcome

In the absence of the Chair (Ms A George), Ms L Pearson took over as Chair for the meeting.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from Ms A George, Ms L Duncan, Ms J Greener, Ms L Peacock and His Worship the Mayor be received.

Mr N Kane / Ms C Bates. Carried

#### 3 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Chair confirmed that the Order of Business would be as set out in the agenda.

#### 4 Confirmation of minutes

#### Recommendation

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/015 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 13 April 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr R Snijders / Mr N Kane. Carried

## 5 Correspondence

#### **Outwards**

Ms C Bates confirmed that submissions had been made to the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2016/17, 'What's new, what's changed...?' and the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility and Control of Dogs Bylaw on behalf of the Committee.

#### Inwards

An email has been received from Project Marton requesting financial assistance to support the Intervention and Prevention of Suicide workshops being run by Annette Beautrais in June.

### 6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations to Council from the Committee's meetings in March or April.

## 7 Council responses to queries at previous meetings

The Committee noted the responses from Council.

## **8** Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

Cr Ash was not present at the meeting, but Mr Kane informed the Committee that Monty Surprise Apple Trees were scheduled for distribution in the first week of June from the Community Garden.

## 9 Update on town centre plan project

Mr Kane informed the Committee that 46 volunteers were involved in the youth-led makeover of Centennial Park. The Committee were pleased with the results and requested that a letter be sent to the Steering Group to acknowledge the work done. Ms C Bates undertook to send the letter.

## 10 Issues raised at previous meeting for further consideration

#### Marton Park Management Plan – suggestions from the Committee

Following a brief discussion Ms C Bates was asked to circulate a list of input received so far. This would provide members with the opportunity to provide additional feedback prior to the June meeting.

#### Marton promotional road signage on the State Highways

Mr R Snijders gave a brief update on progress with the signs. He will meet with Dan Tate from NZTA to discuss options. Cr Sheridan informed the Committee that the NZTA sign regulations are being updated.

## 11 Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

The Committee noted the remaining balance for the financial year.

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/016 File Ref

That the Marton Community Committee approves a donation of \$250 to Project Marton to support the event of Annette Beautrais focussing on Intervention and Prevention of Suicide on 8-9 June 2016.

Mr R Snijders / Mr N Kane. Carried

## 12 Marton Youth Club report

Mr N Kane informed the Committee that he would be speaking at Council's oral hearings regarding the future funding of the Youth Club.

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/017 File Ref

That the Marton Youth Club report April 2016 be received.

Ms C Bates / Ms L Pearson. Carried

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

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/018 File Ref

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

Ms L Pearson / Ms C Bates. Carried

#### 14 Late items

Nil

#### 15 General Business

#### **Oral Hearings**

The Committee had been advised that they would be able to make an oral submission to Council at its oral hearings on Monday 16 May 2016. Ms A George would speak to the submission from the Committee.

#### Rubbish

Mr R Snijders raised concerns regarding current levels of refuse along Onepuhi Road and Wings Line as well as other areas.

The Committee discussed a variety of issues relating to rubbish collection and waste transfer charges for super annuitants.

Mrs C Bates queried the purpose of EnviroWaste trucks taking liquid along Hendersons Line (Heavy Vehicle bypass) and Kensington Road. Cr Belsham explained it would be Leachate from Bonny Glen to waste transfer site, he also confirmed that the substance would be harmful to environment.

#### Cats

Mrs L Pearson advised that Mrs George had received numerous complaints about stray cats.

Mrs C Bates advised she currently had on loan from Council their cat trap and it was proving extremely successful.

#### **Overhanging Trees**

Mrs Pearson reported concern at the number of places tree branches needed to be trimmed from over the footpaths, as well as the incidences of long grass during the summer months. Cr Sheridan advised staff were aware and would be proactive with recidivist "grass growers" and suggested that if people also had issues with overhanging trees then they should submit a service request.

16 Next meeting
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Wednesday 8 June 2016, 7.00pm

## 17 Meeting closed – 8.55 pm

Confirmed/Chair:			
Date:			