



Rangitikei District Council

Marton Community Committee Meeting

Agenda – Wednesday 9 August 2017 – 7:00 pm

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The quorum for the Marton Community Committee is 4 plus an Elected Member.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

1 Welcome

2 Public Forum

Pania Hemopo will provide information and an update on the Centennial Park upgrade. A report on the skate park is attached.

Mr Gypsy Wright will provide an update on the maintenance and painting of Maori carvings.

3 Apologies

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.

5 Confirmation of order of business and late items

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, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes are attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-3

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 14 June 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Chair's Report

A report will be provided at the meeting.

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

- 17/MCC/026 – Council approved the carry-forward of \$3,232 for the Small projects fund
- Draft Tree Policy - The suggestions made by the members of the Marton Community Committee were presented to the Policy / Planning Committee. No ratification is required.

9 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

- Community Committees are not able to apply for Council funding, as they have no separate status apart from Council and may not operate a bank account.

10 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

11 Update from the Marton Wastewater Advisory Group

The Committee's representative, Ms Lynda Hunter, will provide a verbal report at the meeting.

12 Update on place-making initiatives

Athol Sanson, Parks and Reserves Team Leader, has advised that the new Placemaking project for Marton has commenced during July in the small garden outside of Countdown. This project incorporates the installation of new seating, new soil, new plantings and the possible movement of a rubbish bin. The current seat was removed and will be relocated to Civic Square to replace one that had been removed and never replaced. It is planned that the project gets completed on Saturday 5th August 2017.

13 Update on the Marton Civic Centre/Heritage Precinct project

At its meeting on 27 July 2017, Council approved terms of reference for the Heritage Precinct Project.

Work continues with gathering information about spending by Marton residents in Marton and in nearby centres and spending at Marton businesses by Marton residents and others.

Council has asked for scoping and costing an upgrade of buildings on the Marton Library site and the Marton Administration site so that they are fit for purpose as a reference point for the investigations on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams Buildings site.

14 Update on town signage

Recurring item. At the last meeting it was suggested that the following be discussed: suggestions for signage, consideration of which parties need to be involved, and who might be good people to sit on a 'Signs Committee'.

15 Council Street Table

Cr Sheridan will provide a verbal report.

16 Small Projects Grant Scheme update

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-3

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – August 2017' be received.

17 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 in the Marton Ward, May-June 2017' be received.

18 Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 1-DP-1-14

Recommendations

- 1 That the memorandum 'Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017' be received.
- 2 That the Community Committee/Board makes the following comments on the draft Bylaw:
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19 Update on Parks Programme

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the report 'Implementation of Marton Park Management Plan' be received.

20 Change to fees made under the Resource Management Act 1991 - Consultation

The recently enacted Resource Legislation Amendment Act has created the need for new charges, specifically for boundary activities and marginal or temporary non-compliances. *Boundary activities* are those where a party wishes to breach a rule which relates to a specific boundary (e.g. a setback). *Marginal or temporary non-compliances* is a new process where parties can apply to Council to provide an exemption to an activity if the activity

would be permitted, apart from a breach with the District Plan that is either marginal or temporary.

It is proposed that the fees are based on a deposit system, with the balance paid/refund made on completion, as it is unclear how long it will take to process the applications. Although the proposed deposits are based on fees for other activities which are likely to take a similar time for processing. It is proposed that the existing hourly rates specified in the schedule of fees and charges are used.

The proposed fees are:

- Boundary activity – deposit of \$306
- Marginal activity – deposit of \$306

The written submission period is open until **1 September 2017**. The consultation documents (including submission form) are on the Council website. Oral hearings will be held on 14 September 2017 at the Policy/Planning Committee meeting.

21 Weed spraying in Marton and Centennial Parks

During September the Parks and Reserves team will commence a spring flat weed spraying program in two Parks in Marton: Marton Park and Centennial Park. This spraying will mainly be for cape weed and some flat weeds which is becoming increasingly prevalent in our region's sports fields. Spraying will only take place when conditions are favourable, and at a time that will not adversely affect park users.

All areas to be sprayed will be closed during and following spraying for a period of 24 hours. A registered spraying contractor will be used for this work, and all areas to be sprayed will have signs advising the public of Park closures. All neighbouring properties will be advised by letter drop of the spraying programme.

22 Tree plaques: request for information

Currently the Parks and Reserves team are creating a database of the commemorative trees planted throughout the region. The database captures the tree species, who planted it, when and why it was planted, a GPS coordinate, and a photo of the plaque/tree.

The Parks and Reserves team would like further information on commemorative trees planted in the Rangitikei District on Council property. We are hoping that members of your community may know where these trees are and may have a brief history on the tree. Any information can be forwarded to athol.sanson@rangitikei.govt.nz

23 Late Items

As accepted in item 5.

24 Next Meeting

Wednesday 11 October 2017, 7:00 pm (updates by 3 October)

25 Upcoming meetings for 2017

- 13 December (updates by 5 December)

26 Meeting Closed