



Rangitikei District Council

Marton Community Committee Meeting

Agenda – Wednesday 10 April 2019 – 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

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 from the 13 February 2019 meeting are attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-3

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 13 February 2019 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Consultation Document for the 2019/2020 Annual plan

The Consultation Document for the 2019/2020 Annual Plan is attached. A separate meeting will be held on 17 March at 7pm in the Council Chambers to discuss this in further detail.

Recommendation:

That the Consultation Document for the 2019/2020 Annual Plan be received.

8 Chair's Report

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

No recommendations were made to Council at the previous meeting.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

There were no queries made to council at the previous meeting.

11 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

12 Update from the Marton Wastewater Advisory Group

There is nothing new to report this month. The update below is still current:

The trade waste agreement with MidWest Disposal for acceptance of treated leachate at the Marton wastewater treatment plant is now in place. MidWest Disposal sought an amendment to the agreement, which was considered by Council at its July 2018 meeting and approved. Subsequently, both MidWest and Council agreed to explore further changes acknowledging that no leachate would be accepted during the summer months of minimal flow in the Tutaenui Stream.

Horizons has made it clear that lodgement of a new consent application by October 2018 will allow the current consent arrangements to apply until a new consent is issued. That consent application was lodged at the end of September 2018.

13 Community Housing

The Heat Pump Installation is now complete, with 68 units in total being fitted across the District. The four flats at Rātana already had them installed so all 72 of our units are done. We have one block of flats in Wellington Road that will be having their ceiling insulation topped up in the next couple of weeks to ensure we have all of our units compliant under the new Healthy Homes Guarantees Act 2017.

The curtain installation is now in progress and should be finished in the next fortnight. All tenants have been offered the curtains with a few opting to keep their own, or wait and see what might be available before making a decision.

Occupancy across the District is still high with all units full, and a waiting list across the District. Our Handyman has been busy with small maintenance jobs around the flats. Focusing on water blasting paths/painting white lines on the path edges before winter. We have had very positive feedback from the tenants regarding this work.

A newsletter was circulated to all the tenants in March, which also received positive feedback.

14 Marton Plunket Restrooms

The Marton Plunket restrooms will be painted in the near future, in the town colours (as are the Jubilee Pavilion and Marton Memorial Hall). The roof tiles will also be cleaned.

15 Follett Street 24/7 Toilets



It is intended to use a Permaloo structure: they have been used for new installations elsewhere in the District – most recently at Mangaweka Village. The proposed model is a twin Mono Pitch Roof unit, the same as the one shown in the left-hand image above. Both units will be accessible-compliant, with full height tiled walls and floor, and stainless fittings. There will be internal and external LED lighting, door counters and baby changing stations. It will be placed alongside the Marton Rugby Clubrooms (marked red in the right-hand image above).

The proposed colour scheme could reflect the two heritage colours of the Jubilee Pavilion and Marton Memorial Hall. Alternatively, a light grey could be used on the walls to reflect the Rugby Clubrooms blockwork and unpainted block shed.

As Marton Park is zoned residential, a resource consent is required. Council's Planner has advised that the consent of six neighbouring properties is required.

Recommendation:

That the Marton Community Committee expresses a preference for colour scheme of the Follett Street 24/7 toilets to be.....

16 Update on Youth Services

The Rangitikei Youth Council Training weekend took place at River Valley, 40 mins from Taihape on the Rangitikei River. The location and facilities were superb. Team building activities included rafting and kayaking. Training activities included a clear and engaging explanation by Mayor Andy on the various roles and responsibilities of territory authorities, the guiding documents such as the LTP, District Plan and Maps along with the governance and operational structure of council. Cr Cath Ash and Mayor Andy assisted the youth with a brainstorm session on various issues and activities the youth considered including in a work plan. That was later refined and drafted during the inaugural Youth Council meeting the following day, attended by Mayor Andy and Cr Cath Ash.

Youth Council had a successful stand at Marton's Harvest Fair, where feedback was sought from Rangitikei youth on what they love about their town and what they would like to change. The youth are currently sorting that feedback into categories. This is one activity in a larger strategic approach to garnering the youth voice.

The Rangitikei Youth Awards nominations open April 1. Business sponsorship of \$500 cash prize for each category winner has been successfully sought, with the category being named after each of the generous sponsors. John Turkington Forestry has invested as the named sponsor of the awards. The Youth Awards Evening, where nominees will be celebrated and

winners announced, is planned for Thursday 23 May 2019, during national Youth Week. Formal invitations will be sent to all elected members. Sponsorship for the evening event has been granted from Ara Taiohi (for an inspirational speaker) and Horizons Regional Council. The Youth Council have agreed to event manage the Youth Awards Evening as part of their years' work plan, making it a youth-led event for youth.

17 Update on place-making initiatives

Discussion Item.

18 Update on the Marton Civic Centre/Heritage Precinct project

There is nothing new to report this month. The update below is still current:

The Lottery Heritage Fund Committee declined the Council's application for a grant for a heritage feasibility precinct study for Marton's CBD. An application will shortly be made for this study to be accepted as a project to the Provincial Growth Fund: in October 2018 a capability grant of \$25,000 was approved part of which will be used to complete the detailed application required.

A business case is being prepared on the principal options for the redevelopment of the proposed civic centre site. These are the status quo (i.e. not moving from the current Administration and Library sites), demolition of all buildings on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and erecting an entirely new facility; retaining all structures on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and refurbishing; retaining facades only on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and building behind.

WSP-Opus submitted a draft proposal for developing the concepts designs to support the next phase of this project, which will involve community engagement. This will be the basis of an application to the Provincial Growth Fund, linking the Civic Centre project to the Heritage Precinct proposal. Council considered this on 13 December 2018 and decided to accept the proposal for WSP Opus and requested a project plan be finalised, incorporating a community engagement phase and completion of business case to final draft status by September 2019. The work to be undertaken is, in part, a feasibility study regarding the conversation/preservation of built heritage. Lotteries will fund projects started but not completed, which is the case for this project. On that basis the project would meet the criteria for funding from Lotteries' Environment and Heritage Fund. An application to that effect will be prepared and submitted by the mid-March 2019 deadline. A decision is expected by June 2019.

This project featured in media stories last year fronted by the Mayor on the likely impacts of the provisions of the Building (Earthquake-prone buildings) Amendment Act on rural towns like Marton. Following the meeting of Council representatives with Minister Salesa, a profile of Rangitikei's commercial building stock, including the likely extent of earthquake-prone buildings, was provided to MBIE staff, who are evaluating the policy/regulatory impacts on rural/provincial communities of the recently enacted earthquake-prone building provisions of the Building Act. A response from the Minister/MBIE is expected in the next few months.

19 Small Projects Grant Scheme update – April 2019

A memorandum is attached.

Note: You are only allowed to carry-forward from one financial year to the next, up to 100% of the annual allocation for your Small Projects Grant Fund, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution of the Committee. There is 1 more meeting after this for 2018/19.

File ref: 3-CC-1-3

Recommendation:

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2019 be received.

20 Open Drain at Marton Park

The open drain at Marton Park is a potential risk for small children. A swale is not practical as it would intrude too far into the grounds and would not eliminate the risk. That could be achieved by culverting it but that would be very expensive – likely to cost around \$200,000. A 1.8m high wooden fence could be installed at an estimated \$20,275. While minimising the risk, such a fence might be considered as spoiling the look of the park. If the Committee favours, a landscape designer would be sought to consider what would be the best fit for the Park.

Recommendation:

That the Marton Community Committee supports engaging a design expert to advise on the best solution for minimising the risk from the open drain at Marton.

21 Marton Memorial Hall playground upgrade – extension of area

Council has approved an extension of the playground area alongside the Marton Memorial Hall as depicted on the attached map. This gravel area behind Memorial Hall will be turned into a sealed carpark. This will be done later this year.

22 Community Response Plan – Update

23 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Marton Ward January – February 2019

An extract is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-5

Recommendation:

That the extract 'Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Marton Ward, January-February 2019' be received.

24 Late Items

As accepted in item 5.

25 Next meeting

12 June 2019, 7.00 pm.

If you wish to include any items in the upcoming agenda, these must be received by 29 May 2019. Please submit to Carolyn Bates at martoncc.cab@gmail.com.

26 Meeting Closed