

## **Marton Community Committee**

# Order Paper

Wednesday, 9 September 2020, 6.00 pm

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### Rangitīkei District Council

### **Marton Community Committee Meeting**

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The quorum for the Marton Community Committee is 5 including 1 Elected Member.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 31 October 2019) 11.2 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

The Mayor or Ward Councillor will welcome the Committee members.

#### 2 Election of new Chair

Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, which relates to voting systems for certain appointments (including the election or appointment of the deputy mayor, the election or appointment of the chairperson and deputy chairperson of a committee, and the election or appointment of a representative of the local authority), states that:

- (2) ... a local authority or a committee (if the local authority has so directed) must determine by resolution that a person be elected or appointed by using one of the following systems of voting:—
  - (a) the voting system in subclause (3) ("system A"):
  - (b) the voting system in subclause (4) ("system B").

#### (3) System A—

- (a) requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives the votes of a majority of the members of the local authority or committee present and voting; and
- (b) has the following characteristics:—
  - (i) there is a first round of voting for all candidates; and
  - (ii) if no candidate is successful in that round there is a second round of voting from which the candidate with the fewest votes in the first round is excluded; and
  - (iii) if no candidate is successful in the second round there is a third, and if necessary subsequent, round of voting from which, each time, the candidate with the fewest votes in the previous round is excluded; and
  - (iv) in any round of voting, if 2 or more candidates tie for the lowest number of votes, the person excluded from the next round is resolved by lot.

#### (4) System B—

- (a) requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and
- (b) has the following characteristics:
  - (i) there is only 1 round of voting; and
  - (ii) if 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.

#### **Recommendations:**

- That the Marton Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25, adopt **either** System A, **or** System B.
- 2 That ......be appointed Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

The Mayor or Ward Councillor vacates the chair.

#### 3 Public Forum

Julie Turner, Chair of the Wilson Park Development Group will present to the Committee.

#### 4 Apologies

#### 5 Member's 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.

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

#### 7 Confirmation of minutes

The Minutes for the meeting of the Marton Community Committee held on 8 July 2020 are attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-1

#### Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 8 July 2020 (as amended/ without amendment) be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

#### 8 Chair's Report

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the verbal 'Chairs Report' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

#### 9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations made to Council at the previous meeting.

#### 10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

There were no queries made at the previous meeting.

#### 11 Project Marton Update

A verbal update will be provided.

#### Recommendation:

That the verbal 'Project Marton Update' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

#### 12 Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-5

#### **Recommendation:**

That the memorandum 'Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee meeting be received.

#### 13 Renaming Marton Park

At its 30 July 2020 meeting, Council considered a request from Mr Graeme Satherley and resolved as follows:

"That Council engages with the Marton community (through its various channels as well as through the Marton Community Committee) on the proposed renaming of Marton Park to 'Dick Hurn Park' in recognition of what the late Mr Dick Hurn achieved for rugby (and other activities), not only in Marton but also the greater Rangitikei area, as well as the Whanganui region."

Mr Satherley has now asked for the name "Dick Hurn Memorial Park" to be considered.

We now seek input from the Marton Community Committee as part of the consideration to change the parks name.

#### 14 Civil Defence Community Response Plan

Community Response Plans are developed by community response groups in conjunction with Councils Civil Defence Emergency Management Office (EMO). These groups provide localised information for the plan and preparation for risks that each community may face. Response groups help their communities be more prepared and self-reliant in the event of a disaster or emergency. These groups are made up of volunteers who liaise with civil defence and emergency services to initiate and assist in response to an emergency. Paul Chaffe, Council's EMO, spoke with the Marton Community Committee in October 2018 after which the Community Response Plan template was circulated to committee members. The Rotary Club of Marton has offered to facilitate establishment of a community response group to complete the Community Response Plan.

#### 15 Hereford Heights naming of streets

Bain Simpson and Hayden Gould from Rangitikei Development Ltd will be present to update the Committee on their development at Hereford Heights.

The following undertaking was put forward from the Marton Community Committee on its 8 July 2020 meeting:

"That Marton Community Committee members supply a list of suggestions for the three remaining street names of Hereford Heights, with members engaging with their Marton networks for those suggestions. That Council staff are to engage with Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa for suggestions for street names for Hereford Heights. All suggestions are to be included in the 9 September Order Paper by emailing the Governance Administrator <a href="mailto:bonnie.clayton@rangitikei.co.nz">bonnie.clayton@rangitikei.co.nz</a> no later than 31 August 2020. Council staff are to provide these names to Bain Simpson and Hayden Gould prior to the meeting. This undertaking is to be circulated to all Marton Community Committee members."

No suggestions had been received at the time of preparing this Order Paper.

As noted in the 8 July 2020 meeting agenda, Rangitikei Development Ltd put forward two potential names, one of these were recommended by the Marton Community Committee and approved at Councils 30 July 2020 meeting:

That the Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that the name within the Hereford Heights subdivision, as requested by the developers, be named as follows: The stage 1 road (first cul-de-sac) be named Oldfield Lane (Street if Lane doesn't met Council criteria).

Given that no further suggestions have been supplied by the Marton Community Committee or Iwi for the developers consideration, Marton Community Committee may like to recommend to Council that street name Elm Tree Way as requested by the developers be accepted.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that the name within the Hereford Heights subdivision, as requested by the developers, be named as follows: the right of way off the cul-de-sac be named Elm Tree Way.

#### 16 Marton Township Signage

The process of engaging landowners on the State highways has commenced, for the placement of the sign structures.

At its meeting 30 July meeting Liz Rayner addressed Council expressing her view that the wider community was not consulted with by either the Marton Community Committee or Council and wished for Council to reconsider and base the sign image on the wheel that has been used to represent Marton before, with the eight spokes depicting the multiple roads that all lead into Marton. Council agreed to further explore this option consulting with Liz Rayner, Marton Community Committee and Iwi.

The redesigned logo has been agreed to by Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and is currently before Liz Rayner and the Marton Community Committee. An update on that consultation will be provided to the meeting.

Council staff work are working with Project Marton to utilise their State highway structures to display upcoming events in the town.

The Lions Club of Marton have agreed to the use of their brick frames on the inward bound roads to house the new signs. In order to fit the space as requested by Lions the below sign will be used, that excludes the imagery.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Marton Community Committee .....

#### 17 Logo design and by-line 'A Voice to the Community'

At the 12 December 2019 meeting Council confirmed the recommendation from the Taihape Community Board that each Community Board and Committee have a committee/board logo with the by-line 'A Voice to the Community'. The logo is attached. Each committee chair will receive a file with the logo images in different formats along with guidelines on appropriate use.

#### 18 Marton Housing

Attached is the most recent Community Housing Tenants Newsletter.

New builds in Marton = 3 Relocate houses to Marton = 2

#### June - July 2020 Activity

Resource consents for subdivisions:

- 2 lot subdivision in Pukepapa Road
- 2 lot subdivision in Wanganui Road
- 5 lot subdivision in Alexandra Street

#### 19 Mayoral Update

A report is attached.

#### Recommendation:

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 9 September 2020 meeting of the Marton Community Committee be received.

#### 20 Rangitikei Youth Development Update August 2020

A report is attached.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the memorandum 'Rangitikei Youth Development Update August 2020' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee meeting be received.

#### 21 Community Grants

The Events Sponsorship Scheme closed on 21 August 2020, with a total of 12 applications received, the deliberation meeting will be held 22 September 2020.

The following funding schemes are due to open as follows:

- The Creative Communities Scheme will be open from 29 August 18 September 2020.
- Community Initiatives will be open from 3 October 23 October 2020.

Applications are being received and processed through the online portal SmartyGrants.

https://rangitikei.smartygrants.com.au/

#### 22 Placemaking update

Discussion item.

#### 23 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2020

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CC-1-2

#### **Recommendation:**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - September 2020' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

#### 24 Late Items

As accepted in item 5.

#### 25 Next meeting

Wednesday 11 November at 6.00 pm

#### 26 Meeting Closed

# Attachment 1



### Rangitīkei District Council

### Marton Community Committee Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 8 July 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

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**Present:** Blair Jamieson

Carolyn Bates Lyn Duncan James Linklater

Councillor Dave Wilson

Also Present: Councillor Cath Ash

**Lindsey Robinson** 

Hayden Gould – Hereford Heights Subdivision Development Bain Simpson – Hereford Heights Subdivision Development Nardia Gower, Strategy and Community Planning Manager

#### **Tabled Documents**

Updated Version of Project Marton Report

Marton Township Signage Business Survey Results

#### 1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 6.07pm

#### 2 Public Forum

Nil

#### 3 Apologies

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/005 File Ref

That the apology for the absence of Mrs Greener, Mrs Hancock, Ms Smallbone, Ms Harvey-Larsen, His Worship the Mayor and Cr Belsham be received

Mrs Bates / Cr Wilson. Carried

#### 4 Member's conflict of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

#### 5 Confirmation of order of business

Item 9 will be taken after item 6 to allow the Mr Hayden Gould and Mr Bain Simpson to speak early in the meeting.

#### 6 Confirmation of minutes

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/006 File Ref 3-CC-1-1

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 12 February 2020 (without amendment) be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Bates. Carried

#### 7 Chair's Report

A verbal update was provided with the Chair thanking all the businesses in Marton that opened during COVID-19 and to the businesses that weren't open but continued to employ staff using Government funding if necessary. Acknowledgement was given to all of Social Services, supporting a large section of the community were doing it tough.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/007 File Ref

That the verbal 'Chair's Report' to the 8 July 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Duncan. Carried

#### Undertaking Subject

To be circulated to Committee members that at the next meeting 9 September 2020 a vote for the new Chair will be an Item.

#### 8 Resignation from the Chair

The Committee noted the letter included in the Order Paper.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/008 File Ref

That the letter 'Resignation from the Chair' to the 8 July 2020 Marton Community Committee be received and Blair Jamieson's resignation as Chair be accepted.

Mr Jamieson / Cr Wilson. Carried

#### 9 Naming of Streets and Roads

Bain Simpson and Hayden Gould from Rangitikei Development Ltd gave an update on their development at Hereford Heights to the committee and discussed the naming of the four streets noting that the main street in will be a continuation of Hereford Street.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/009 File Ref

That the Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that the name within the Hereford Heights subdivision, as requested by the developers, be named as follows: The stage 1 road (first cul-de-sac) be named Oldfield Lane (Street if Lane doesn't met Council criteria).

Mr Jamieson / Cr Wilson. Carried

#### Undertaking Subject

That Peter Beggs and Mr Arno Benadie receive the express request by the Marton Community Committee that Council complete the intersection of Hereford Heights as a matter of urgent priority.

#### Undertaking Subject

That Marton Community Committee members supply a list of suggestions for the three remaining street names of Hereford Heights, with members engaging with their Marton networks for those suggestions. That Council staff are to engage with Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa for suggestions for street names for Hereford Heights. All suggestions are to be included in the 9 September Order Paper by emailing the Governance Administrator <a href="mailto:bonnie.clayton@rangitkei.co.nz">bonnie.clayton@rangitkei.co.nz</a> no later than 31 August 2020. Council staff are to provide these names to Bain Simpson and Hayden Gould prior to the meeting. This undertaking is to be circulated to all Marton Community Committee members.

#### 10 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations made to Council at the previous meeting.

#### 11 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

The Committee noted the commendatory in the agenda.

#### 12 Project Marton Update

Cr Cath took the updated tabled document as read, with the following further points noted:

Feedback from the Community Garage Sale survey was positive, with Project Marton planning to run more.

Bingo Nights have started as a fund raiser for local initiatives – this weeks raised funds will go to Playground. First Wednesday of every month at Shelton Pavilion.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/010 File Ref

That the 'Project Marton Update' to the 8 July 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Bates. Carried

#### 13 Intermediaries

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and appointed exiting Chair Mr Blair Jamieson to the role.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/011 File Ref

That, the Marton Community Committee nominate committee member Blair Jamieson to be an Intermediary on behalf of Rangitikei District Council and the community they service.

Mrs Bates / Cr Wilson. Carried

#### 14 Marton's Public Toilets

The Committee noted that commentary in the agenda. The Centennial Park and Follett Street toilets are connected to services, with concreting to be completed.

#### 15 Marton Township Signage

Ms Gower spoke to the item and tabled document of business surveyed. The Committee noted that neither of the two supermarkets had returned their surveys in time.

#### Resolved minute number 20/MCC/012 File Ref

The Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that, based on the feedback from the business survey and discussion at the meeting of the Committee, the 6 symbols for the Marton signage exclude the shopping bag, but include the shopping trolley as the Marton Community Committee believes that the supermarket trolley is a universal symbol of all shopping activities.

Mr Jamieson / Mr Linklater. Carried

#### 16 Items of interest

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

Cr Wilson gave the following update on Wilson Park

- Concrete pad is formed. Seating was postponed due to galvanizing closing during lockdown. Should be completed in 2 3 weeks.
- Cr Wilson will be requesting a report through the Assets/infrastructure Committee on drainage issues with Wilson Park.

#### 17 Marton Housing

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

#### 18 Mayoral Update

The report was taking as read.

Resolved minute number 20/MCC/011 File Ref

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 8 July 2020 meeting of the Marton Community Committee be received.

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Bates. Carried

#### 19 Rangitikei Youth Development Update July 2020

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 20/MCC/012 File Ref

That the memorandum 'Rangitikei Youth Development Update July 2020' to the 8 July 2020 Marton Community Committee meeting be received.

Mr Jamieson / Mr Linklater. Carried

#### 20 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – July 2020

Mr Jamieson spoke to the history of the committee not spending money from the scheme in each year and although can be carried forward it would be more beneficial to the community for the committee to be actively involved.

A discussion was had regarding the \$6000 that was unspent by the committee due to lack of support for the larger project worth \$18,000.

Resolved minute number 20/MCC/013 File Ref 3-CC-1-2

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - July 2020' to the 8 July 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Mrs Bates / Mr Jamieson. Carried

That Marton Community Committee will earmark \$3000 from its Small Project Fund, for the State Highway event billboard

Mr Jamieson / Motion lapsed with no seconder.

#### Undertaking Subject

Council staff to confirm with Project Marton that they would like support from Marton Community Committee and Council to utilise their three structures for advertising events. And, if confirmed, that Council staff will design and price district compatible heading signs under which various events advertising can be erected. This will be reported to the next Marton Community Committee.

#### 21 Community Grants

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

#### 22 Late Items

Nil

#### 23 Next meeting

Wednesday 9 September 2020, 6.00pm.

#### 24 Future Meeting dates for 2020

Wednesday 11 November at 6.00 pm

#### 25 Meeting Closed

8.04pm

Date:

Confirmed/Chair:					

# Attachment 2



#### Memorandum

To: Marton Community Committee

From: Carol Gordon – Project Manager

Date: 28 August 2020

Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update

File: 3-CC-1-5

#### 1 Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Marton Community Committee an update on the development of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

#### 2 Context

- 2.1 Every Local Authority must at all times have a Long Term Plan (LTP) which covers a period of not less than 10 consecutive years and is formally consulted on using the special consultative process outlined in the Local government Act.
- 2.2 The purpose of the LTP is set out in section 93(6) of the Local Government Act and includes:
  - Describes the activities of the Local Authority (LA)
  - Describes the community outcomes of the District
  - Provides integrated decision-making and co-ordination of the resources of the LA
  - Provides a long-term focus for the decisions and activities of the LA
  - Provides a basis for accountability of the LA to the community.

It also provides Elected Members the chance to make a major difference during their three year term.

- 2.3 Council has begun its process to develop and produce its Long Term Plan. A Project Team has been established, *Appendix 1* shows the makeup of the project team and their responsibilities.
- 2.4 So far Council has held three Workshops specifically on the development of the Long Term Plan, these were held on 23 July,20 and 27 August.
- 2.5 An invitation has been made to the Chairs of each Community Committee, Community Board and Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to participate in subsequent LTP workshops, to provide input from their respective community.

#### 2.5.1 Outcomes from Workshop 1 – 23 July

This workshop provided a full explanation of what an LTP was, its purpose, what information must be included, and the need to strike the right balance between "the

community needs and aspirations; services provided by Council and the willingness / ability to pay" of our community.

At this workshop Council agreed to engage early, on a more informal basis, with all sectors of our community to find out what's important to them, and do this by going out to where our people are. This precedes formal engagement that needs to be done next year, using a formal Consultation Document (CD) and submission process.

Councillors also identified a list of "significant issues" that our communities could be facing and this list will be further developed to be included in the early engagement to generate discussion and opinions on where Council's focus should be for the next 10 years.

Roading was also a focus for this workshop. The basis for the Asset Management Plan was presented to Councillors - this will be used for the initial application to the New Zealand Transport Agency for continuing co-investment.

#### 2.5.2 Outcomes from Workshop 2 – 20 August

A large part of this Workshop focussed on the 'forecasting assumptions'. These assumptions are produced using a risk and level of uncertainty approach. Councillors reviewed the previous assumptions (from the 2018-28 LTP) and suggested changes to these. These, along with demographic and population changes, will also inform the Financial and Infrastructure Strategy. The Government's three waters reform programme announced by the Government presents a substantial uncertainty.

Councillors also started the review of the Revenue and Financing Policy – this Policy specifies how operating and capital expenditure will be funded from the sources available (i.e. general rates, uniform annual general charge, targeted rates, fees and charges, borrowing etc.). Work will now be done to review the current funding splits across some of the activities that Council carries out.

Early engagement was discussed and it was agreed this would be done using the phrase "Framing Our Future" with the objective being "To achieve greater input from all sectors of community to influence the Long Term Plan consultation to ensure the Rangītikei District Council has an LTP that incorporates the aspirations and needs of our various communities." <u>Appendix 2</u> shows some of the colours and concepts which will be used as part of this engagement.

#### 2.5.3 Workshop 3 – 27 August

This workshop expanded on a suggested outline for the early engagement process, based on the "Framing Our Future" concept that was presented in July.

The Council's Performance Framework was also discussed, presenting the framework used for the 2018-28 LTP and an explanation of the mandatory measures and whether other measures would be included or altered for the 2021-31 LTP.

As part of the development of the LTP Council must consider whether Policies need to be updated, two policies were discussed at this workshop — these were, the Policy on development of Maori capacity to contribute to Council decision-making (also included as an item on this agenda) and the Significance and Engagement policy. The Development Contributions policy will be discussed at a future workshop.

#### 3 Recommendation

3.1 That the memorandum 'Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee meeting be received.

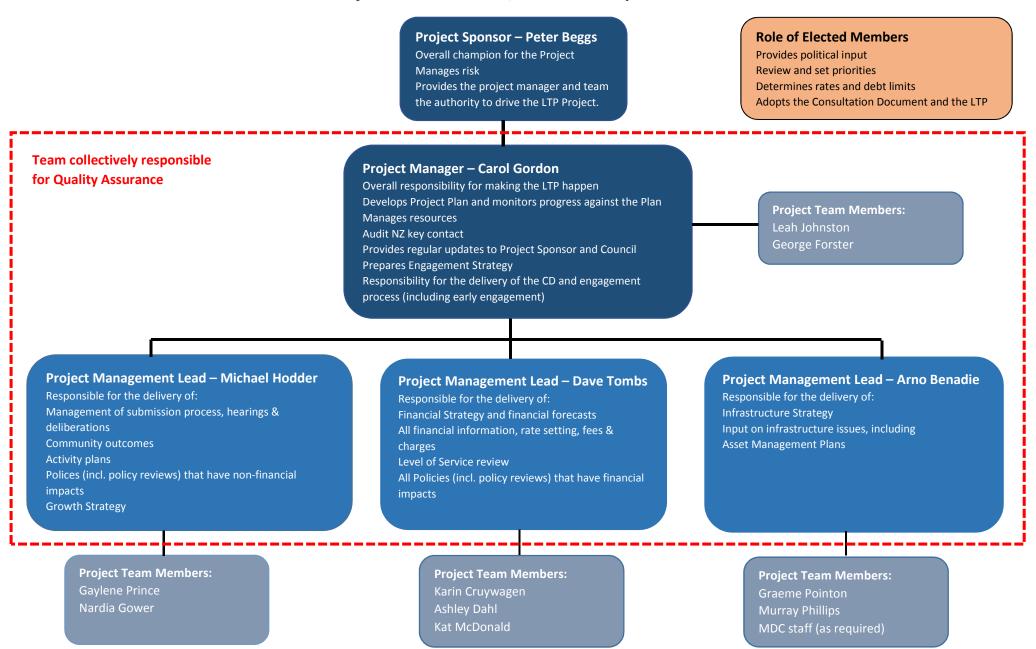
Carol Gordon

LTP Project Manager

# Appendix 1

#### Long Term Plan 2021-31

#### **Project Team Structure, Roles and Responsibilities**



# Appendix 2











































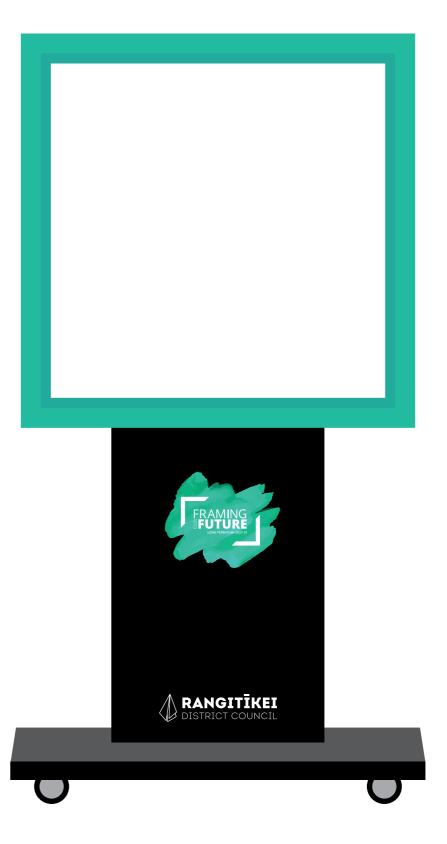












# Attachment 3



#### MARTON WHEEL HUB LOGO



Historically Barley was grown in the Marton region in abundance

Koru Wheel hub resembles a pikopiko/fern frond, which symbolises the two people, two cultures with Marton.

# NEXT EXPLORE MARTON TOWNSHIP







## Attachment 4

### RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

# COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE LOGOS

03 SEPTEMBER 2020



### LOGO

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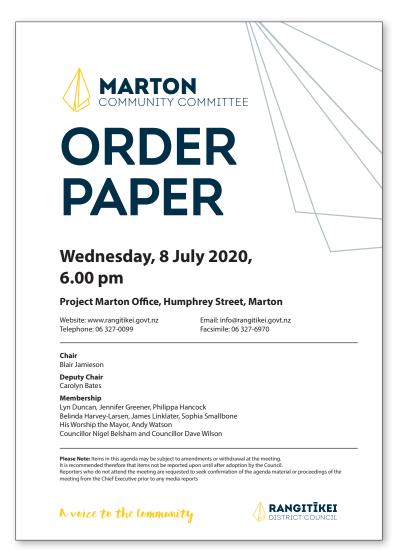
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### **ALL COMMUNITY LOGOS**













### FLAT SPOT / PANUI

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### Cake in a Cup Recipe

### **Ingredients**

35g (1/3 cup Self Raising Flour 1 tablespoon cocoa, plus extra to dust

Pinch of salt

- 1 1/2 tablespoons Soft Brown Sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 tablespoon melted Butter
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

#### Method

Sift self-raising flour, cocoa powder and salt into a small bowl, stir through the soft brown sugar. In a separate small bowl, whisk the egg, milk, butter and vanilla. Add the wet ingredients to the dry ingredients and stir with a fork

Spoon mixture into a 2 cups capacity (500ml) mug.

Microwave on high for 70-90 seconds, or until pudding has risen and top is just set. Do not overcook. Dust with extra cocoa powder, serve immediately.

until just combined.



Hello and welcome to the latest edition issue of the newsletter. It has been a funny old year so far, I hope you are all faring well. The recipe I have included is not mine but one I have borrowed off the Chelsea Sugar recipe site. We had a suggestion to include a recipe in our survey feedback – please let me know if you try it. Thank you to those who took the time to fill out the survey.

### Handyman position:

Unfortunately I have to let you know if you don't know already that Dave our Handyman has left Council to return to the Coast. We are currently looking to fill that position and will let you know when someone has been appointed. We will be doing urgent maintenance only until we have someone new in his place.

#### Power subsidies:

The tenant power subsidy from Council that began on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2018 is due to cease completely on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020. We will be sending out a letter confirming this but I just wanted to let you know it was coming up.

### **Email addresses for contact:**

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter by email please let me know what address you would like it sent to. It would also be a quick way to let you all know if we needed to alert you to something in a hurry or if you were away from home.

### **Lighting/Security:**

We are currently looking at options to improve lighting and security around our flats across the District. We are aware that there have been some issues so we are looking at what options we might have – these options may include installation of security cameras around the flats.

### **Property Team Monthly Visits**

We are looking at starting up monthly visits to the flats by members of the property team. These won't be like the property inspections. They are intended to be more of a casual visit to the complexes where we will be available for a chat if you have any issues

**Maintenance** – Just a reminder to ring/email or visit Ash in person at the Council Office for any maintenance tasks. If you phone please leave a detailed message which includes your name, flat address and contact details so she can get back to you.

### \*\*What's on in the District?

**Taihape** – Spring Fling Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

**Marton** – Crafts Alive at the Marton Memorial Hall 29-30<sup>th</sup> August / Meet the Candidates event – Tuesday September 1<sup>st</sup> at the Friendship Hall 6.30-8.30pm.

**Bulls** – Meet the Candidates – Bulls Town Hall Supper Room 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. / New Bulls Community Centre – Family Fun Day Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September / Art for Arts sake exhibition at the new Bulls Community Centre October 3-11.

\*\* All event information was correct at time of printing, please be aware events may be postponed or cancelled if our regions COVID-19 Alert levels move up.

If you have anything for our next newsletter, please let me know by the 5<sup>th</sup> October.

Melanie Community Housing Liaison







Subject: Mayor's Report

To: Council

From: Andy Watson

Mayor

Date: 21 August 2020

File: 3-EP-3-5

1 What a last fortnight it has been! There have been a series of announcements that have incredibly far reaching effects for our district.

- I have spoken about the "three water" reforms that Government has initiated on several 2 occaisions. This is essentially the drive from Government to see waste water, drinking water and storm water being provided by a regional entity rather than individual councils. This would mean that the Council would hand over our assets such as wastewater plants and treatment stations to a conglomerate. Ratepayers would recieve a bill in much the same way that you pay for electricity. All Councils are being offered a tempter from Government to start the collective conversation. For our Council that means a cash handout of \$4.8million. This money has very few tags associated with it, we should use it to improve our three water services on work that was not planned for in this year's annual plan and it could even be used for operational expenses. In exchange Council will agree to enter into a discussion with our regional partners and to provide the Government with data around the state and value of our three water networks. There is no compulsion to change our operation in the future. However in July next year we are required to make a decision as to the Rangitikei being into or out of an aggregated model. This is an enormous decision and it has major impacts, we would hand over our assets presumably in exchange for a shareholding in the new company and our share would be so small that we would in reality have very little say in the running of the company. Decisions would probably be made by a board in Wellington. How that board ran the company, which regional supplies were upgraded first and what the charges would be, would be out of our hands. Presumably the company would need to make a profit and make decisions around paying out any dividens. The difficulty is, that there is virtually no information on how it will work at this stage. As we are developing our LTP (long term plan) at the moment covering the next ten years, but focussing on the next three years heavily, we don't have the information to provide for detailed planning or to provide options for our communities to consider as part of the consultation process. If those core services were taken away from councils what would councils be expected to provide in the future, essentially what would be their role?
- 3 So why has the Government gone down this path? The conversation has been around for a number of years but was ramped up post the Havelock North water issue where potable water from a ground bore got contaminated and people fell ill in the hundreds. Government realized that this had been under investment by local authorities for many years and that there are many Councils who did not meet consents. This is true and our council is one of them. Essentially local authorities have been poor managers and had little knowledge of their assets. The liability or money needed to upgrade, runs into the tens of billions of dollars on a national basis and on a

council per capita basis rural authorites like ours face the biggest costs. Government believes that efficiencies would be gained by scale and that the large metro councils would be able to subsidise the smaller authorities. This is debateable, for it can be argued that we have seen little financial efficiency out of previous attempts to aggregate council functions both here in New Zealand and overseas. Local Government would probably also say that while there has been years of under investment, considerable gains have been made over the last few years against new standards imposed by both Government and Regional Authorites such as Horizons.

- 4 This is just the start of the conversation!!
- Last week Government granted our Council \$9.1million, I repeat \$9.1million to fund the rail infrastructure and forestry development, dependant on resource consent in an area between Marton and State Highway One. We have seen the huge investment nationally by Government around the country. Our neighbouring councils have received tens of millions and finally on the last sitting day that Government had, it was our turn. This grant, which is not a loan, has taken literally years to win and I thank our new Chief Executive Peter Beggs for his part in making this happen. I would also like to thank the Government for recognizing the potential and the jobs that this will bring to our district. I would also like to thank and recognize Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa as a partner in the process.
- Last week the Commissioner deciding the district plan application by Council released his decision in Councils favour to approve, subject to conditions, the plan change which will allow for the rail hub development. Again this has been a very lengthy process compounded by the pandemic and uncertainty as to exactly what the site could be used for in the future. We have a responsibility to work with the submitters around their concerns as part of the consenting process, we should not see this as purely a need to comply.
- Once again the country is in some form of lockdown as the pandemic resurfaces in New Zealand. The regional authorities are stretched in dealing with this and our businesses continue to suffer. We have been fortunate that so far this year we have not had to deal with another type of major civil defence issue such as a flood because we would struggle to find the resources to deal with it.
- Council has started work on our long Term Plan which will involve many discussions with sector groups and the community. One of the things we start with are the assumptions around what will be our population in the future and what will be the economic climate be over the next few years. The future for us looks strong we are undergoing rapid growth with hundreds of new houses, businesses are wanting to operate here and at a time where we need to borrow to invest, interest rates are at an all time low.

Andy Watson Mayor



### Memorandum

To: Marton Community Committee

From: Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor for Youth

Date: 31 August 2020

Subject: Rangitīkei Youth Development Update August 2020

File: 4-EN-12-1

### Yes Programme (Youth Employment Success)

Youth Employment Success (YES) is an online platform that launched in 2016 partnering with a variety of industries to offer free employment-based opportunities to 16-24-year-olds.

Since 2016, YES has seen 112 businesses across the country offering their time, close to 1,500 opportunity requests and nearly 20,000 unique visitors to them website across the country. The Whanganui/Rangitikei district platform was launched at the beginning of June, with 80 businesses so far on-board offering opportunities for our youth.

Council, along with 100% Sweet, are engaging with local businesses to offer the same opportunities to youth to connect to local businesses in a real world way. It involves a professional short video clip of business and their staff, talking about what the job entails and how the business and industry is a great career path option. Further the business can choose from a selection of real world help they can offer an interested youth. Such options include a coffee catch up, business walk through, CV review, desk shadow, internship and lots more. Each business decides what, from the offers, they can genuinely deliver.

100% Sweet further works with youth to help them successfully complete a work ready passport which covers a range of skills from the importance of turning up on time to begin drug free, first aid and basic health and safety.

https://youthemployer.nz/

### Mahi Tahi

Mahi Tahi is the Rangitīkei Employment Programme delivered through partnership with Rangitikei District Council, Te Rūnanga o Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and their Te Puna - Education, Training and Employability branch, Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD). The programme is delivered district wide for both jobseekers and businesses looking for staff. The primary focus is for youth under 25 OR anyone who has lost their job due to COVID-19.

Funding is used in a bespoke manner and has a focus on working with individuals to make them job ready through upskilling, training, micro credentials and holistic wellbeing. Further Mahi Tahi can support businesses with support packages, onsite buddy training options, and more. Mahi

Tahi is committed to working with local employers and jobseekers to provide effective solutions and success for all.

https://www.facebook.com/Mahi-Tahi-Rangit%C4%ABkei-Employment-Programme102880514799866/

### **Youth Council**

Youth Council finally attend their postponed training day and inaugural meeting. This Took place the 4th of July in Marton Chambers. Youth Council elected a chairperson, deputy chair set their vision for the remainder of the year, and implemented strategy on how to deliver their vision to their community.

Members of Youth Council, along with other youth in the district, attended Festival for the Future 2020 (FFTF). This festival is usually held in Wellington over a weekend, however due to the uncertainty of COVID-19, the event was moved to a digital platform. Although attendees were encouraged by FFTF to attend in the comfort of their own environment, Youth Council agreed they would gain more benefit from attending as a group, being able to bounce ideas and concepts off each other, with the Strategic Advisor for Youth creating a mini-festival atmosphere. Therefore this was held at Rangitikei College, 13 – 17 July in conjunction with the digital event. 8 Youths attended the week-long event, enjoying the atmospheric activities and social interactions with each other, with mixed reviews of the digital content. <a href="https://www.festivalforthefuture.co/">https://www.festivalforthefuture.co/</a>

### John Turkington Forestry Youth Awards 2020

The 2020 Youth Awards has been postponed twice, due to COVID-19, forcing us to think outside the box to ensure the awards can still take place. The event was set to take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Finalists were announced via Facebook and Instagram 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020. The Youth Council made the decision to hit the road and take the Youth Awards to the community, rather than planning yet another event that may not eventuate. This will take place September 7<sup>th</sup>, moving from Taihape, Marton, Bulls and Feilding, with winners, runners up and nominees being publically recognised through social media and newspaper outlets.

### Lobby's

The Lobby Taihape has remained open during August and through COVID-19 Alert level 2. It is run through MOU with Mokai Patea Services, 3-5pm each day.

The Marton Lobby employed a new youth assistant to supervise the Lobby, 3-5pm each day, however was unable to be open due to social distancing space restrictions during August. Reopening will take place once we return to level one guidelines.

### Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Rangitīkei Youth Development Update August 2020' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Kelly Widdowson Youth Development Advisor

### Memorandum



**To:** Marton Community Committee

**From:** Bonnie Clayton, Governance Administrator

Date: 01 September 2020

Subject: Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2020

**File:** 3-CC-1-3

### 1 Allocation

1.1 The amount of the 2020/21 Small Projects Grant Scheme for Marton Ward is \$3,422.

- 1.2 The allocation of the Small Projects Grant Scheme is for the period 1 July to 30 June each year. At its meeting on 29 February 2016, Council resolved to allow carry-forward from one financial year to the next of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee's Small Projects Grant Fund, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution of the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 25 June 2020, Council resolved to carry-forward the full amount of unspent funds from the 2019/20 year of \$3301.50 to the 2020/21 year due to COVID-19 and the inability of the Committee to hold meetings and make their own carry forward recommendations.
- 1.4 This gives a total allocation for the 2020/2021 year of \$6,743.50.

### 2 Breakdown

2.1 Nothing as yet for the 2020/21 year.

### 3 Remaining Budget

3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2020/21 financial year of \$6,743.50.

### 4 Recommendation:

4.1 That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2020' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Bonnie Clayton Governance Administrator

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