

ORDER PAPER

MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 11 August 2021

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Deputy Chair: Ms Carolyn Bates

Membership: Ms Lyn Duncan
Ms Jennifer Greener
Ms Philippa Hancock
Ms Belinda Harvey-Larsen
Ms James Linklater
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Dave Wilson
HWTM Andy Watson

Purpose of the Committee

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation of \$1.00 per rateable property for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided¹.
- Particularly, to help ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure, by promoting its use and advising community members on how to use it.
- To be the first point of contact (prior to Council) for community groups. Where this is not possible, the Committee will be informed of the approach by the community group to the Council.
- Applications for the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund are considered and commented on by the Committee prior to the application being considered by Council.
- Placemaking initiatives that are taking place on Council land will be considered and commented on by the Committee before the application is considered by the Chief Executive.
- To engage with wider/small communities of the ward represented.

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¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Marton Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Wednesday, 11 August 2021 at 6.00 pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Elections

3.1 Election of New Committee Members

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Background

1.1 The Marton Community Committee has been unable to meet since September 2020, due to a lack of a quorum. As there had been committee members who had resigned, an approach to attract new members was undertaken. As part of this, the Mayor met with members of the Marton community on 22 June 2021 to promote the Committee's purpose and attract further interest from those who may want to be part of the Committee.

2. Membership

2.1 The Committee should be comprised of a minimum of seven, and a maximum of ten, members from the community. Additionally, two Rangitikei District councillors are currently appointed to the Committee.

3. Election of new Members

3.1 As per Council resolution 04/RDC/404, the Committee has the power to appoint additional members, provided that the total membership does not exceed ten (this number does not include appointed councillors).

Recommendation 1

That the report 'Election of New Committee Members' be received.

Recommendation 2

That the following individuals, subject to their agreement, be appointed as members of the Marton Community Committee:

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3.2 Election of New Chair for the Marton Community Committee**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a voting mechanism to allow for the election of a new Chair for the Marton Community Committee.

2. Statutory

- 1.2 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 chairperson of a committee), states that:
- 1.3 ... 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 two systems of voting:

3. System A

- 3.1 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
- 3.2 Has the following characteristics:
 - a. There is a first round of voting for all candidates; and
 - b. 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
 - c. 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
 - d. 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

- 4.1 Requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and
- 4.2 Has the following characteristics:
 - a. There is only 1 round of voting; and
 - b. If 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.

Recommendation 1

That the 'Election of New Chair for the Marton Community Committee' report be received.

Recommendation 2

That the Marton Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, adopt System A *or* System B [~~delete one~~].

Recommendation 3

That be appointed Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

The Mayor or presiding Councillor vacates the Chair.

3.3 Election of Deputy Chair for the Marton Community Committee

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This report is provided if an election for a Deputy Chair for the Marton Community Committee is required and provides a voting mechanism if such an election is undertaken at the meeting.

2. Statutory

- 2.1 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 chairperson of a committee), states that:
- 2.2 ... 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 two systems of voting:

3. System A

- 3.1 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
- 3.2 Has the following characteristics:
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 - b. 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
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4. System B

- 4.1 Requires that a person is elected or appointed if he or she receives more votes than any other candidate; and
- 4.2 Has the following characteristics:
 - a. There is only 1 round of voting; and
 - b. If 2 or more candidates tie for the most votes, the tie is resolved by lot.

Recommendation 1

That the 'Election of Deputy Chair for the Marton Community Committee' report be received.

Recommendation 2

That the Marton Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, adopt System A *or* System B [~~delete one~~].

Recommendation 3

That be appointed Deputy Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

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 with as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 That the minutes from the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 09 September 2020 are attached.

Attachments

1. Marton Community Committee Meeting - 09 September 2020

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 09 September 2020 [as amended/without amendment] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.



Rangitikei District Council

Marton Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 9 September 2020 – 6:00 pm

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Present: Lyn Duncan
Jennifer Greener
Philippa Hancock
Belinda Harvey-Larsen
Blair Jamieson
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Dave Wilson

Also present: Nardia Gower, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Julie Turner
Danielle Morehu, Chair of Project Marton
Julia Stead, Interim Project Marton Co-ordinator

UNCONFIRMED

1 Welcome

The Deputy Mayor, Nigel Belsham, welcomed the Committee members and members of the public Julie Turner, Danielle Morehu and Julia Stead..

The meeting started at 6.03pm.

2 Election of new Chair

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/014** **File Ref**

That the Marton Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25, adopt System B.

Mrs Greener / Mrs Hancock. Carried

Philippa Hancock was nominated by Lyn Duncan. The nomination was declined by Ms Hancock.

There were no nominations from the floor and the election of Chair will lie on the table until the next meeting.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/015** **File Ref**

That Marton Community Committee agree that Cr Belsham continue the meeting as interim Chair.

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Harvey-Larsen. Carried

Undertaking **Subject**

Staff to confirm that a co-opted member could become Chair in the same meeting, and email this to Committee members.

3 Public Forum

Julie Turner, Chair of the Wilson Park Development Group, addressed the Committee. Ms Turner has sent a letter to Council highlighted the following upgrades the community wishes to undertake at Wilson Park. The group is happy to negotiate with Council around what parts of the project are undertaken by Council or the group.

- Limestone path around playgrounds and a walking track
- Adult fitness equipment
- Children's mock roadway system

- Doggie bags and bins
- BBQ's
- New piece of regular playground equipment
- Make the whole park family friendly
- Fenced dog park with agility equipment
- Rugby posts
- Have requested council remedy the drainage issues on the park
- More signage

Further noted by the committee:

- The parking area is always locked. It was noted that the gentleman that locks and unlocks the toilet has been approached to lock the gate to the car park at the same time, which he agreed he could do.
- Wilson park drainage is being discussed at Council Assets/Infrastructure Committee the day following the meeting.
- Assistance could be given by service clubs such as Rotary and Lions.
- The group was advised to put forward a budget with timelines

Mrs Hancock and Harvey-Larsen noted they are members of the Wilson Park Development Group

4 Apologies

Resolved minute number	20/MCC/016	File Ref
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That the apology for the absence of His Worship the Mayor, Carolyn Bates, Sophia Smallbone, James Linklater be received.

Mrs Duncan / Mrs Hancock. Carried

5 Member's conflict of interest

There were no conflicts declared.

6 Confirmation of order of business

There was no change to the order of business or late items.

7 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/017** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-1**

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

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Greener. Carried

8 Chair's Report

As no Chair was appointed, there was no report.

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

Mrs Stead, Project Marton interim Co-ordinator, read her tabled report.

Cr Belsham congratulated the Project Marton team on the effort they have put in during challenging times

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/018** **File Ref**

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

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Greener. Carried

12 Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update

Ward Councillors emphasised the importance of feedback and engagement from the community through the Long Term Plan pre-engagement process.

The Committee mentioned the need to have readable documents that show clearly show progress.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/019** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-5**

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

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Hancock. Carried

13 Renaming Marton Park

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and gave the following input from the into the consideration of the name change from Marton Parks to "Dick Hurn Memorial Park":

Cr Belsham spoke to the background for the request and large amount of public support.

Through Cr Wilson the absent Mrs Bates suggested that the park could remain as Marton Park and that the rugby field known as field one becomes Dick Hurn Field with a sign. Cr Belsham, acting Chair, asked the committee to socialise the request of a park name change and suggestion of renaming field one to Dick Hurn Field through the community and provide feedback to the next meeting.

The Committee were receptive of this and noted that features within Council's parks were named after people or events such as Shelton Pavilion, Charlie's Clock, Boer War memorial, further suggesting that naming the entire park after one person affects the mana of those people associated the individual features.

14 Civil Defence Community Response Plan

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and were supportive of the Rotary Club of Marton leading the Civil Defence Community Response Plan

15 Hereford Heights naming of streets

Ms Gower informed the Committee that Bain Simpson and Hayden Gould from Rangitikei Development Ltd have been working with will Council's Strategic Property Advisor, Graeme Pointon, and have resolved the naming of the streets.

16 Marton Township Signage

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and were supportive of the re-worked image for the Marton Township signs.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/020** **File Ref**

That the Marton Community Committee recommend to Council that the Marton Township Signage image be that of the wheel with piko piko and barley.

Mrs Duncan / Mrs Greener. Carried

Undertaking**Subject**

That the meaning of the wheel with piko piko and barley be published the District Monitor Newspaper.

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

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda and commented that the logos look good.

18 Marton Housing

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

Cr Wilson noted that the right of way from Hair Street to the back of the Four Doors Down is part of the section that was sold behind Val Halla cinema, with a new business building premises for distribution of gardening goods.

19 Mayoral Update

Cr Belsham spoke to the three waters reform, noting it is going to be an important decision for all councils to consider.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/021** **File Ref**

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

Cr Belsham / Mrs Greener. Carried

20 Rangitikei Youth Development Update August 2020

Ms Gower took the report as read noting that the Youth Awards event was cancelled due to COVID-19 Alert Level 2 restrictions and instead Youth Council took the awards to the winners. A collated video of the presentations will be loaded to www.facebook.com/Rangitikei-Youth-Council-793713701011780 and Councils website.

Resolved minute number **20/MCC/022** **File Ref**

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

Mr Jamieson / Mrs Harvey-Larsen. Carried

21 Community Grants

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

22 Placemaking update

Ms Gower gave an update of the stage project on the village green noting that quotes for materials has been received.

23 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2020

Cr Wilson updated the committee on Wilson Park upgrades noting the tables have been installed and that the Parks and Reserves team will begin topping up the playground mulch and lifting the canopy of the large trees at the front.

Resolved minute number	20/MCC/023	File Ref	3-CC-1-2
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That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - September 2020' to the 9 September 2020 Marton Community Committee be received.

Mrs Harvey-Larsen / Mrs Greener. Carried

Undertaking

Subject

Staff to investigate the two dogs bins possibly ordered by Mr Athol Sanson before he left, and if they can be installed in Wilson Park.

24 Late Items

As accepted in item 5.

25 Next meeting

Wednesday 11 November at 6.00 pm

- Renaming Marton Park or field one to Dick Hurn
- Chairperson nomination

26 Meeting Closed

7.42pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

7 Mayoral Update

7.1 Mayoral Update - July 2021

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

Local Government New Zealand Conference 2021

I went, I saw, I thought, I report.....

Last week I spent time in Marlborough at the Local Government Conference where all the Mayors, Chief Executives and many Councillors gathered to discuss the issues of the day. I would like to congratulate the Mayor of Marlborough John Leggett and his team for the incredible way that they put the conference together. I also compliment John on how he seamlessly moved from running the major conference of the year in a small community to dealing with a significant weather event and widespread flooding.

Councillors Fi Dalgety, Tracey Hiroa and Gill Duncan, together with myself and the Chief Executive attended the conference. The advantage of attending the Local Government Conference is really about networking and understanding other authorities' positions, as well as the Government's direction. The conference also finished with an AGM where remits were discussed, including Local Government's position to the three waters aggregation Government is proposing. Local Government passed a motion by the narrowest of margins stating that the three waters should not be legislated by Government – that Councils should still have the opportunity to opt out of these reforms.

The issue of the day was always going to be the Three Waters discussion and updating people on the Government's decision. They came incredibly close to saying they will mandate the aggregation of the three waters changes. The Minister was asked directly whether opting out could still be an option and her response was "the conversation has moved on since then". Read into that statement what you may.

Government released a second tranche of money to Local Authorities and one must question whether that is a bribe. Our Council gets nearly \$14m to spend over the next couple of years. I had anticipated that this second tranche of funding would probably heavily favour Auckland and Christchurch, because without them being in the aggregated model one would have to question whether the efficiencies are there to be gained. The Government also released their decision on where the boundaries for the four entities would lie. Rangitikei is placed in Entity B along with 22 other Councils. This region includes everything north of us and to the south of Auckland including Taranaki. Notably this area does not include Wellington, Palmerston North or Manawatu as I had previously anticipated. I would have to say that my personal preference would be that we do end up in entity B rather than C. We know that Wellington City and Palmerston North City have a huge amount of money to be spent and would probably have the weight of numbers to say it may indicate that they will take first priority. The National Party spoke about "not taking the Local Government out of Local Government" while seemingly accepting that reform is necessary. Their position is about 'how' rather than a 'no'.

ITEM 7.1

The Government has indicated that the timeframes for Councils to make a decision on the aggregation still remains, which limits the opportunity for discussion or consultation within our district.

I have asked for this Council meeting so that we can update Councillors on the three waters and to strategise how we can involve the community in this decision. To consult on the three waters we have to, in my opinion, understand the offer and the benefits of aggregation that may be brought, along with the risks, costs and lack of control. We have budgeted heavily in the Long Term Plan to make Council compliant and to solve water and wastewater issues. One of the many questions under the new regulations will be what is exactly required, in terms of future compliance and levels of service. I believe we must inform the community as widely as possible using media and probably letter drops to individual properties on the options we face. Undoubtedly the decision made by Council in October will be the biggest decision we have ever made and probably the biggest in Local Government since the 1989 amalgamations.

My apologies for not chairing this meeting. The Council meeting was not planned for and I am away on Council business attending the Institute of Directors course. I accepted this position in the knowledge that the Deputy Mayor Nigel Belsham is well informed and has my absolute confidence to progress this matter.

Mayor Andy Watson

Mayors Engagement

July 2021

1	Attended farewell for Katie Brosnahan MSD
6	Worked from Taihape Office Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
7	Attended Future of Local Government workshop
8	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Council Meeting to adopt Long Term Plan Attended Representation Review Council Workshop Attended 2021 Rangitikei Youth Awards
9	Attended meeting with NZDF Director of Housing
12	Attended meeting with Ministry of Education re education pathway
13	Worked from Te Matapihi Office Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Rangitikei Youth Council meeting
14-17	Attended Local Government 2021 Conference & AGM in Blenheim Attended Mayor Task Force for Jobs AGM
20	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
21	Attended meeting re RMA Reforms with Opus staff Attended Marton Rail Hub – Project Board Meeting #7
22	Attended Whanganui Community Foundation Panel Discussion with Mayors from Whanganui and Ruapehu re regional housing issues
23	Attended new staff whakatau Visited Edale resident for 100 th birthday celebration
25-30	Attended Institute of Directors course in Wellington

Recommendation

That the Mayoral Update – July 2021 be received.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2021

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Allocation

- 1.1 The yearly allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Marton Community Committee is \$3,422.
- 1.2 The yearly allocation aligns with the financial year, from 01 July to 30 June. In February 2016 Council resolved to allow a carry-forward from one financial year to the next, of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee or Board's Small Projects Fund², with the proviso that this be a specific resolution from the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 24 June 2021, Council resolved to carry-forward the full amount of unspent funds from the 2020/21 year of \$6,723.50 to the 2021/22 year³, while acknowledging that this was inconsistent with its resolution made on 29 February 2016.
- 1.4 Council made this decision for the following reasons:
 - a. The Committee has been unable to meet since September 2020; and
 - b. Therefore, the Committee could not make their own carry-forward recommendation; and
 - c. The Committee has not had the opportunity to allocate funding since September 2020.
- 1.5 The total allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Marton Community Committee is now \$10,145.50.

2. Breakdown

- \$1,000 to the Wilson Park Development Group, to go towards signage, advertising and other set up costs. This donation request was considered by Council at its meeting held 24 June 2021⁴ and approved on behalf of the Marton Community Committee. *Paid 22 July 2021.*

3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2021/22 financial year of **\$9,145.50**.

Recommendation

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – August 2021' report be received.

² 16/FPE/010

³ 21/RDC/173

⁴ 21/RDC/174

9 Discussion Items

9.1 Do Good Jobs Website

Author: Carolyn Bates

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This is a discussion item.

Recommendation

If required:

9.2 Wilson Park Development Group

Author: Carolyn Bates

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This is a discussion item.

Recommendation

If required:

9.3 Communication with Council

Author: Carolyn Bates

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This is a discussion item.

Recommendation

If required:

9.4 Communication between Committee Members

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This is a discussion item.

Recommendation

If required:

10 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 13 October 2021 at 6.00 pm.

11 Meeting Closed